# **Knight News**

Granite City Council 1098 – Assembly 0224



February 2018



Grand Knight Dwayne Saul



Faithful Navigator Elmer Long



Ladies Auxiliary President Cheryl Moe



Columbus Home President Jerry Lilley

#### A Word From the Grand Knight

Welcome Brother Knights,

I wanted to wish all those returning from Washington DC from the March of Life, welcome home and thank you for attending something so special. You are the voices that are needed in this world we live in. You are the crusaders that one day, someday, you will make the difference.

I hope everyone is health and well and dealing with this mighty cold weather we had in December and January. I'm hoping along with most of you that the ground hog comes and declares that spring is around the corner.

With the cold weather, numbers were down for our January blood drive. I want to thank Zack White for all his hard work and his helper's, Jason, Father Bod, Rob H. and the help from Tim Bronnbauer for setting up for the event. Many thanks go out to the Columbus home for providing the space for the always needed blood this time of the year. For the 26 blood donors that came out on one of the coldest days of the year and 26 pints received, We Knights and the Red Cross thank you.

The grade school free throw contest will be held February 4 and the grade school spelling bee will be held February 10, spread the word. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Plalus for free throw info and Ed Lenzi for spelling bee info.

Our annual Special Olympic dinner/dance will be held on Saturday night, February 3<sup>ed</sup>. This is our 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary for this event and we plan on providing this for many years to come. To do so we are looking for another chairman, John Haug after 20 years is looking to retire and we are looking for another chairman for John to pass the keys over too. John has asked if anyone is interested to come and shadow him that day. Doors will open at 4. Everyone helping with the meet and greet at the doors and volunteers helping seat our guest as they arrive and serve soda, are asked to show up around 3. Everyone helping sever dinner has been asked to show up around 4. Dinner will begin serving at 5 and last to around 6. This event is so near and dear to this council, we need everyone to come out and make this an incredible night for all the special Olympic athletes, you won't be sorry you did. We have had late arriving athletes in the past, as a council, remember who we are here for. Our job is not done until all of the athletes are taken care of. Thank you all for all the hours of help you all put into this event.

The annual charity bowling event has been scheduled for Sunday, April 15 by the Highland, Knights of Columbus. If you are interested, please sign up in the council room. The council again has agreed to pay half of the entry fee, but there are only 10 spots available. Please sign up soon to get a spot on the team.

The annual Catholic Men's breakfast will be held at the Highland Knights of Columbus council this year. Anyone interested please see info in our council room. Tickets are 15 dollars a person for this event.

Lastly, the Illinois State Convention will be held April 27-29 in Springfield Illinois again this year, more information to follow.

Please pray for the family of Sir Knight Francis Schwarzkopf that passed away on Friday, January 19. May his soul rest in peace and may he be granted eternal peace in heaven for the greater glory of God.

# DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb 3 – Special Olympics Dinner and Dance; Those greeting guests should arrive at 3pm; The doors will open at 4pm; Those helping to serve food should arrive at 4pm

Feb 4 – Free Throw Contest; Chairman is Bob Paulus

Feb 10 – Spelling Bee; Chairman is Ed Lenzi

April 15 – Charity Bowling in Highland; sign up in the Council Room;

April 27 to 29 – Illinois State Convention Fraternally, Grand Knight, Dwayne Saul (email: <u>dsaul@gckc.org</u>)

KC Meeting Attendance/50-50 Winners and Losers <u>December 26:</u> Meeting canceled due to Christmas holiday. <u>January 9:</u> Brain Hamann won the 50-50 and William Dorris failed to win the attendance drawing.

### From the Faithful Navigator

No Report.

### **Honoring Those Who Serve**

The 4th Degree Knights of Columbus would like to honor those family members who are so proudly serving in our national defense. E-4 Nolan Yehling, US Air Force stationed at Qatar, nephew of Paul Yehling and Grandson of Mark Yehling

#### **From the Financial Secretary**

I hope everyone is pulling for an early summer I know I am.

Our membership stands at 456 with 10 Honorary members and 76 Honorary Life members.

We are very happy to announce that we have newly appointed Honorary Life Member cards to present to Kenneth H Gattung and Stephen (Steve) L Cauble of the 3rd degree Council 1098 and to Kenneth H Gattung of the 4<sup>th</sup> degree Assembly 0224, thanks for your years of service.

We received all donations from the tootsie roll ID Drive. Our final report will be submitted by the end of January 2018. I am enclosing the information below:

2017 Goal Collected during drive Approved additional	\$ 4,475.00 \$ 2,639.32 \$ 1,835.68	
Use of funds	<ul> <li>\$ 75.00</li> <li>\$ 400.00</li> <li>\$ 800.00</li> <li>\$ 1,520.00</li> <li>\$ 640.00</li> <li>\$ 480.00</li> <li>\$ 480.00</li> </ul>	Insurance IL State Council K of C Charities Special Olympics Tri Cities Association for the Handicapped New Opportunities Inc. Parents for Special Education Special Friends of the Victorious Missions

Again a great big thanks to everyone who made this possible.

As a side note we received the following information reference the Knights of Columbus insurance program. Effect August 1, 2017 our newly appointed General Agent is John Coughlin who can be reached at 618-641-9290. The letter noted John's first order of business if to fill several field agent positions if anyone would like to serve our brothers and assist John feel free to call him. Again welcome aboard John.

As noted in the past newsletter, membership cards are now printed and are being passed out at every opportunity to paid members. Our next goal is to have paid member's cards in the mail by the end of January.

If you have not sent in your 2018 dues please do so very soon, we will be calling to follow up with all past members who have not sent in their dues in the next several weeks. Again, thank you to everyone helping to make 2018 another great year.

Just for the record -

3<sup>rd</sup> degree annual donations to the following schools-

- \$ 25,000.00 to Holy Family Catholic School
- \$25,000.00 to St Elizabeth Catholic School
- \$ 2,000.00 to Marquette Catholic High School
- \$ 2,000.00 to Father McGivney Catholic High School
- 1. Voted to include in Newsletter December 2017
- 2. Posted in Newsletter January 2018
- 3. Membership motioned seconded and approved January Meeting
- 4. Checks now being prepared for presentation

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- 2. Posted in Newsletter February 2018 to correct over sight
- 3. Vote scheduled for 20 February 2018 at 4<sup>th</sup> degree meeting

Paul Hellrich

#### From the President of the Ladies Auxiliary

Our Christmas Party was wonderful. We had a great time socializing and enjoying delicious food. I wish more could have attended. I would like to thank Jeannie Wilbur and Pat Alsop for all their hard work. You did a fantastic job.

Our February meeting will be held in the KC Lounge. We will have a short meeting and afterwards, Cleo will lead us in a fun game. I hope everyone can come out and join in the fun.

Remember, Ash Wednesday is Valentine's Day.

Cheryl Moe

## **Photo Gallery**

2018 Christmas Party / Pictures by Phil Achenbach







February 2018								
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
				<b>1</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> Degree Workday	<b>2</b> Wilbur/Alsop Bingo Team 452-6041	<b>3</b> Special Olympics Dinner/Dance; Arrival Times: Greeters: 3pm Guests: 4pm Servers: 4pm		
4 Free Throw Contest -Bob Paulis Schuler Bingo Team 558-3043	5	6	7	8 5 <sup>th</sup> Degree Workday	<b>9</b> Dan Saul Bingo Team 798-0537	<b>10</b> Spelling Bee – Ed Lenzi		
<b>11</b> Gray Bingo Team 709-3970	<b>12</b> Columbus Home Meeting 7:00pm	<b>13</b> KC Business Meeting 7:30pm	14	<b>15</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> Degree Workday	<b>16</b> Friedel Bingo Team 876-5109	17		
<b>18</b> Softball Bingo Team 151-8988	19	20 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting 7:30pm Ladies Aux Meeting 7:00pm	21		<b>23</b> Hutson/Levi Bingo Team 973-5459 or 971-9817	24 March Newsletter Items Due		
<b>25</b> Cauble Bingo Team 377-4542	26	<b>27</b> KC Social Meeting 7:30pm (Columbus Home elections will be held)	28	April 15 – Cha IL	Iture Dates to Remember: oril 15 – Charity Bowling in Highland, oril 27 to 29 - ILL State Convention			

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