

Knight News

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Grand Knight
Dwayne Saul



Faithful Navigator
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Ladies Auxiliary
President
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Columbus Home
President
Walter Bruch
In Loving Memory

A Word From the Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

I would like to start out this month's newsletter by saying how deeply sorry I am to be reporting the passing of two Sir Knights that meant so much to this council: The passing of Sir John Mink and Sir Walter Bruch. Their support to this council was countless in the number of things they did and people they touched. The passing of these two Sir Knights leaves a huge whole in our hearts. Please keep their families in your prayers.

For all you third degree members, there will be an Exemplification on February 18th at Our Lady of the Snows. If anyone is interested in advancing, get in touch with myself or Rich Haack so we can get you placed of the list to attend.

We had more new members join our council this month; Robb Woolen by taking all three degrees in Alton, and Jason Myatt who is in the process of being re-instated. Welcome to our family new brother knights. We also had three current first degree knights take their 2nd and 3rd degree's in Alton on that same day; Lester White Jr., Robert Jacoby & Cole Clements. Thank you gentlemen for advancing in our order of Charity, Unity and Fraternity, and keeping this council growing.

The blood drive chairman, Zack White reported there were 38 donors at the blood drive held on January 17, and netted 32 pints. Thank you all again who helped. That night was full of people stepping up to help when so many were already at the visitation for Sir Walter Bruch.

The K of C rules require that any donations over 500 dollars must be read at a meeting to be put in the newsletter, and then approved at the next meeting. The donations that were missed in the last month's newsletter and meeting which will be read to be put into this newsletter, will be brought to the floor at the February meeting for final approval are as follow: 7,500 dollars to St Elizabeth ACSA, 7,500 to Holy Family ACSA, 3,000 to St. Mary/Mary ACSA and \$600 to St. Mary Greek Catholic Church.

The grade school Free Throw contest will be held on Sunday, February 5. Spread the word and come out to have some fun. If you have any questions please contact chairman Bob Palus.

The grade school Spelling bee is scheduled for February 11, will be held in the council room. Contact chairman Ed Lenzi for any additional information or questions. There will be donuts, juice and coffee provided on the day of the event.

Our annual Special Olympic dinner/dance will be held on Saturday, February 4 for the 19th year. Doors will be opening around 4:00pm. This is a huge event for our council to shine in the eyes of all these great special athletes and sponsors. Come out and help support this great cause.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb 4 – Special Olympic Dinner and Dance; Doors open at 4:00pm

Feb 5 – Free Throw Contest

Feb 11 – Spelling Bee held in the Council Room

Feb 18 – Exemplification at Our Lady of the Snows

Columbus Home Elections

Elections will be held on Feb 28 during the KC Social Meeting;

Officer Positions for 1 yr

- President
- Vice-President
- Treasurer
- Secretary

Director Positions for 3

Yrs

Three Director Positions will be filled

If you are interested in running for a position, please contact Jim Rotter at 910-0317 or Gary Wilbur at 444-9873

A memorandum from our Supreme Advocate as follow:

All questions coming from dioceses regarding Knights of Columbus compliance with diocesan safe environment/youth protection requirements (fingerprinting, background screenings, training) are to be immediately referred to Brian Gedicks, Associate General Council, office of the Supreme Advocate at (203)752-4634 or brian.gedicks@kofc.org.

Lastly, and again, make our bingos stronger by being a volunteer. All money raised to make all these donations and have these events come from bingo, please help.

Fraternally,
Grand Knight, Dwayne Saul
(email: dsaul@gckc.org)

KC Meeting Attendance and 50/50 Winners and Losers for December 27

Larry Ruder won the 50/50 while Mike Papa failed to win the attendance drawing.

From the Faithful Navigator

The meeting was delayed by the wake of Sir Knight Walter Bruch. The meeting started at 8:30 and ended at 9:15. The Honor Guard was amazing with a total of 23 members dressed in Regalia. We had an Honor Guard until 8pm.

The Officers approved the contributions to both St. Elizabeth's and Holy Family Schools for the 2017 year which will be voted on at the February meeting. Each one will receive 25,000 dollars each.

With the new year just starting, we have lost 2 knights who have been wonderful members and workers. Please remember Sir Knight John Mink and Sir Knight Walter Bruch and family in your prayers. The funeral service was well attended at Holy Family. Walter will be greatly missed by everyone at The K C Hall.

Elections to replace Walter will be held at the K C Social Meeting on the 28th of Feb. Walter please come back and watch over us from time to time. There will be an exemplification on Feb. 18 for candidates who want to become 4th degree knights. The deadline is the week of the 7th of Feb. Contact Rich Haack if you want to go. The Spelling Bee will be Feb. 11th in our council room. See Ed Lenzi to help

Before closing our meetings the Knights recite a pray for military personal around the world: "Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen."

I also ask you to pray to St. Michael the Archangel Patron Saint for all Police Officers: "Oh Almighty God, whose great power and eternal wisdom embraces the universe, watch over all policemen and law enforcement officers Protect

them from harm in the performance of their duty to stop crime, robberies, riots and violence. We pray help keep our street and homes safe day and night. We recommend them to your loving care because their duty is dangerous. Grant them your unending strength and courage in their daily assignment. Dear God, protect these brave men and women, grant them your almighty protection, unite them safely with their families after duty has ended. Amen.”

May God bless the Tri Cities Knights of Columbus.

May Saint Michael the Archangel Defend us in our Travail.

Elmer Long

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.

If you would like to include any service men or women in this section, please send your name and the name, rank and location of the individual you would like to honor to news.1098@gckc.org or provide this information to Jim Rotter. Thank you for your assistance.

From the Financial Secretary

I hope everyone had a Happy Holiday season. Congratulation to Robb Woolen our new 3rd degree member, and our three members who took their 3rd degree membership: Lester White, Robert Jacoby, and Cale Clement. Our membership stands at 466 members with 77 Honorary Life, and 14 Honorary. We also lost two long time members: John Mink, and Walter Bruch. We will miss both of them for all of the hard work they did for Council 1098. Keep the dues coming in and if you do not want to be a member anymore please send me a signed note.

Richard Haack

From the President of the Ladies Auxiliary

Hello everyone! I trust everyone had a Merry Christmas. I hope the year 2017 brings you love and happiness.

The Special Olympics Dinner/Dance will be on Saturday, February 4. If interested, please consider giving a helping hand.

We enjoyed our annual Christmas Party at Ravanelli's on January 17. A BIG THANK YOU to Jeannie Wilbur, Joan Auchenbach, and Pat Alsop for their hard work and dedication to give us an evening of relaxation, friendship, and fun times.

Our Rummage Sale, which will be the second weekend in April, will be here before you know it. Save your items now for the sale. Our next meeting will be February 21 at 7:00 pm. I hope to see everyone there.

Cheryl Moe



Calendar for Granite City Council 1098

February 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 5 th Degree Workday	3 Wilbur/Alsop Bingo Team 452-6041	4 Special Olympics Dinner and Dance; Doors open at 4:00pm
5 Schuler Bingo Team 558-3043 ***** Free Throw Contest	6	7	8	9 5 th Degree Workday	10 Petty Bingo Team 877-3584	11 Spelling Bee Contest held in the Council Room
12 Gray Bingo Team 709-3970	13 Columbus Home Meeting 7:00pm	14 KC Busines Meeting 7:30pm	15	16 5 th Degree Workday	17 Friedel Bingo Team 876-5109	18 Exemplification at Our Lady of the Snows
19 Softball Bingo Team 451-8988	20	21 4 th Degree Meeting 7:30pm ***** Ladies Aux Meeting 7:00pm	22	23 5 th Degree Workday	24 Hutson/Levy Bingo Team 973-5459 or 971-9817	25 March Newsletter Items Due
26 Cauble Bingo Team 877-4542	27	28 KC Social Meeting 7:30pm with Columbus Home elections	Notes: Don't forget the Ladies Auxiliary Rummage Sale to be held the second weekend in April.			

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