



Knight News

A Word From the Grand Knight



Grand Knight
John Haug, Sr.



Faithful Navigator
George Friedel



Ladies Auxiliary
President Kathy Mangi



Columbus Home
President Walter Bruch

What better way to get in the Christmas spirit than to attend two excellent K of C Christmas parties!

I'm sure all the kids had a great time at their party. The snacks, entertainment and Santa's visit was superb. Thanks to all the Ladies who provided the snacks, Mary Jane and John Moutria, Gert and Carl Petty and Steve Cauble for their food service efforts. Also, thanks to Joe Schuler for arranging Santa's visit and Walt and Eddie, Santa's elves.



The adult party was equally enjoyable with a good dinner, nice company and Dave Hylla's music. Hats off to George Friedel and the Fourth degree for sponsoring the event. If you're not a Fourth degree member you should consider joining and completing your journey as a Knight of Columbus. A Fourth degree initiation is just around the corner this spring.

Of course the Columbus Home staff did a fine job with arrangements for both parties, as usual.

Saturday, February 5th we will host the 13th Annual Area 12 Special Olympics

Dinner Dance. The schedule of events will remain the same and I'm hoping all volunteers will continue their duties. We will have a short pre-planning meeting Thursday night February 3rd at 7:00 pm for a refresher and any new volunteers. Peggy, from the Area

12 office, told me the athletes look forward to this event as much as the games. It makes me proud to be a member of a Council who provides such a nice activity for God's Special People.

Well, finally, we're not from across the tracks, but over the tracks. The completion of the overpass makes access

to our facility quicker, and soon-easier to find. The Columbus Home is working on a new sign which will highlight our location. While easily accessible I need to ask that members please refrain from trying to create additional parking by extending Casmir Skubish Parkway past Old Alton Road. This makes for a cold and soggy walk to the building where we have adequate parking available.

Hope to see you at the club in 2011.

Sincerely,

John Haug, Sr.

Dates to Remember

January 1—Happy New Year

January 30—8:30 am
Communion Breakfast
Mass Holy Family

February 3—Special
Olympics Pre-planning
Meeting 7:00 PM

February 5—Special
Olympics Dinner/Dance



From the Faithful Navigator

By the time you receive this Newsletter we will have already celebrated the birthday of Jesus Christ at Christmas. I hope everyone had a very merry and faith filled Christmas.

We were again called upon to pay our last respects to another Sir Knight. Dale Ramey was called home by our Master to be with him. May his soul rest in peace. The Honor Guard and Chalice service was the biggest that I have seen since I became a member of it. It was very impressive to see twenty-five Sir Knights participating. Thank You!!!

The Christmas party was well attended. I hope everyone had as enjoyable evening as I did. If you missed this party you missed a good one! The meal was catered by Mother's catering and the Dave Hylla band supplied the music. Thank You to both for a job well done. I would also like thank Mary Austin, our building manager, for assisting in the planning of the party.

The new Fourth Degree pins have now arrived and are being distributed to all Honor Guard Members. There is a new requirement for all Honor Guard members to be in uniform by wearing the Fourth Degree pin and American Flag. The pins are to be worn on the tuxedo on the left lapel at the button hole. The pin can be worn by any Fourth Degree member and the Assembly is making them available to all Fourth Degree members. If you want a pin let me know.

Vivat Jesus
George Friedel,
Faithful Navigator



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. Jeffery Bilyeu, SPC, Army, South Korea; David Breeden Jr., Airman 1st Class, Air Force, North Carolina; Lee Brown, Master Sergeant, Army, Ft. Hood Texas; Jon P. Connolly, Major, Marine Corps, Afghanistan; Scott Griffin, Sergeant, Army National Guard, USA; Zach Hay, Airman, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida; Evan Jones, 2nd Lt., Marine Corps, Quantico, VA; Stephani Luebben, Captain, Air Force, F.E. Warren AFB WY; Michael Ryan, Ft. Knox, KY; Commander Michael A. Reed San Diego, CA; Jason Scaturro, Sergeant, Army, Iraq; Brett Taylor, PFC, Army, Ft. Drum NY; Gregory Voloski, Chief Petty Officer, Navy, San Diego, CA; Chris Wilbur, SPC, Army, Afghanistan.

KC Meeting Attendance/50-50 Winners & Losers

November 23, 2010

Rudy Hoffek won the 50/50 drawing and Al Jennes failed to win the attendance drawing.

December 14, 2010

Tom Voloski won the 50/50 drawing and R. J. Korte failed to win the attendance drawing.

From the President of the Ladies Auxiliary—JMJ

Dear Ladies—Happy 2011!!! May this year be peace-filled for you and your families.

The “Sparkles and Sweets” fundraiser was a success. Many thanks to **all** who worked so hard to make this possible — especially to the women at the top who brought this all together.

The Ladies Auxiliary would like to thank the Knights for their wonderful Christmas parties for the children and the adults. Thanks also to the personnel of the Columbus Home for their behind the scenes activities and to the Ladies Auxiliary members for their help. (Faithful husbands and wives do make a great team.)

Our Ladies Christmas Party will be Tuesday, January 18, 2011, at Ravanelli's at 6:30 pm. You may pay your dues at this time or wait until the February meeting. Don't forget your canned soup or grape jelly for the Community Care Center.

Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Florence Moore as she joins her husband, Don, at their eternal reward. Our deepest sympathy is with her family. We have lost another vital member of the Ladies Auxiliary.

This year marks the 38th year of Roe vs. Wade. Let us pray hard that we will see this law overturned. Like

Father Corapi said, “The devil donned a judicial robe on this day.”

Wise Words from Bishop Samuel J. Aquila:
“As bad as the economy is, as bad as the war is, the destruction of innocent human life, especially in the womb, is a greater evil, and correction of this grave evil must take place. Each of us has a role in making this correction in our duties as citizens.”

Please mark your calendar for Sunday, January 23rd. The ABL (A Beacon for Life), the pregnancy care center in Collinsville, will be having a Roast Beef Dinner and Dessert Auction Fundraiser. The dinner will start at 12 noon. It will be held at Morris Hall at St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Collinsville. ABL is in danger of closing and needs help financially. ABL has been open since 1986 helping pregnant mothers with counseling, doctors, and material needs.

Please spend time with our Lord. Adoration is on Wednesdays at St. Mary's from 9:00 am—3:00 pm and at St. Elizabeth's from 9:00 am—7:00 pm with Benediction at 7:00 pm.

AD MAJOREM DEI GLORIAM

Kathy Mangi, President

Annual Columbus Home Meeting

The Annual Columbus Home Meeting will be conducted during the February Social Meeting on February 22, 2011. Election of all officers and three (3) Board Members will be conducted during the annual meeting.

The officer positions to be elected are: President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary. The three Board Members will be elected for a three year term. We thank Dan McIntyre, Ed Gray and Ed Szczepanik who are completing their third year as Board Members. Tom Grimes and Ed Szczepanik have agreed to be the Election Committee. Anyone interested in running for any of these positions should contact Tom or Ed.

Jim Rotter, Secretary

Columbus Home

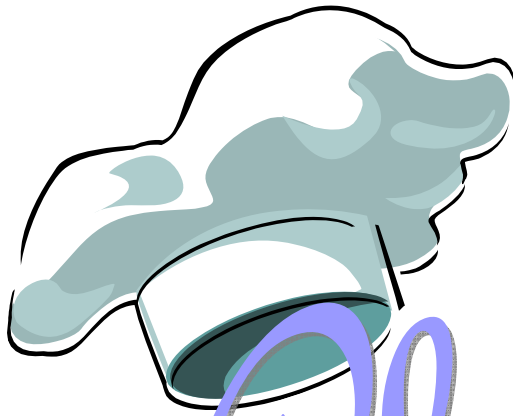


Fun was had at both the kid's & adult Christmas parties.



KC Float in the Granite City Holiday Parade

The Columbus Home Welcomes



Charlie
Hester

Dinner Saturdays in the Lounge

Pepperloin - \$16.50

Prime Rib - \$14.50

Meals include garlic mashed potatoes, green beans, salad and a roll.

Serving 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Dinners start Saturday, January 8, 2011. No dinner on Saturday, February 5th because of Special Olympics Dinner/Dance.

JANUARY 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Happy New Year
2 Schuler Bingo Team	3	4	5	6 5th Degree Workday	7 Wiblur/Alsop Bingo Team	8
9 Rottter/Gray Bingo Team	10 Columbus Home Meeting 7:00 pm	11 KC Business Meeting 7:30 pm	12	13 5th Degree Workday	14 Petty Bingo Team	15
16 Softball Bingo Team	17	18 No Ladies Auxiliary Mtg. 4th Degree Meeting 7:30 pm	19	20 5th Degree Workday	21 Friedel Bingo Team	22
23 Cauble Bingo Team Newsletter Items Due 6:00 pm	24	25 KC Social Meeting 7:30 pm	26	27 5th Degree Workday	28 Diller Bingo Team	29
30 Communion Breakfast 8:30 Holy Family	31					

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