

Knight News

Granite City Council 1098 – Assembly 0224

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A Word From the Grand Knight

I hope everyone is enjoying the Christ-mas holiday season. We can all look forward to the New Year by looking at the great year we just finished and looking at ways of making 2017 even better.

The District winter meeting was held at Glen Carbon council on December 20 and the annual K of C kids Christmas party on December 17th finished up the year. Thanks to Zack White and all his elves for the great job of making this year another one to remember. The kids loved the entertainment, it bought out the kid in all of us. Steve Cauble once again delivered our annual gifts to the children at the Alton Children's home. Steve and his helpers also delivered cookies, some small gift bags and lots of smiles.

Notification of the winners of the vocation raffle came in and unfortunately, we had no winners from our council. Thanks again to all that supported this program.

There will be our semi-annual blood drive on January 17. Any questions or anyone wishing to volunteer to help, contact Zack White.

Chairman Bob Palus is working on the arrangements for the annual K of C sponsored free throw contest for the grade schools.

The 19th anniversary of the K of C 1098/Area 12 Special Olympics dinner/dance will be held on February 4, 2017. Chairman John Haug has begun to get arrangements in place for that evening. The format will be the same, doors open at 4:00 pm when all the area athletes and sponsors start to arrive. Dinner will be served from 5-6:00 and dancing until 10. Please keep this date open, all of your help is so appreciated.

The annual K of C sponsored Spelling Bee will be held on February 11, in our own council room. If you would like to help, see or contact Chairman Ed Lenzi.

There was a first degree held on November 22 at our council. I would like everyone to welcome the following: Derek Manciaracino, Cale Clements, Bro Paulinus Nwako, Alberto Rios, Zachariah Hay, Daniel Cholerik, Craig Perkins, Robert Jacoby and James Yobby. There will be major degree coming in 2017 for anyone wanting to continue with their 2nd and 3rd degrees: January 5, in Alberts, January 8, in Alton, and March 12 in Highland. We hope to have a couple of our members that expressed interest getting their 2nd and 3rd degrees. Please contact Rick Haack, our financial Secretary or any officer if you plan on attending.

This will be the newsletters notice to the council that the donations of the 25,000 dollar to each St. Elizabeth and Holy Family schools will be proposed and voted on in the January business meeting.

Once again our bingos are still needing help especially the first Friday

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 5 – Major Degree in Alberts

January 17 – Blood Drive at Columbus Home - for information or to volunteer contact Zack White

February 4 – Special Olympics Dinner – doors open at 4:00pm

February 11 – Spelling Bee at Columbus Home

night and first Sunday nights of the month. Our bingos are our sole source of funds. Without bingo, we could not continue to donate like we do. Please start working a bingo, just one a month if you can. The phone numbers of all team captains are always on the calendar in the newsletter or talk to any officer.

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

KC Meeting Attendance and 50/50 winners and losers:

November 22

Jason Bartlett won the 50/50 and Charles D. Thomas failed to win the attendance drawing.

December 13

Steve Cauble won the 50/50 and Dennis Wilmsmeyer failed to win the attendance drawing.

Additional winner of Hats and Sweatshirts: Al Jenness, Dan McIntyre, Dennis Shoreack and Craig Perkins. Congratulations to all.

From the Faithful Navigator

Here's hoping that everyone had Merry Christmas and will also have a Happy New Year. The Adult Christmas party was almost a complete wash out due to the weather. We had about 95 people show up for the dinner. There was no music because the Band didn't have all their members due to travel conditions so they were canceled. We ate and had a raffle for cake by the Ladies Auxiliary. Everyone was gone by 10 p.m. The tables were beautifully set by staff of the K.C. club.

The Children's Party was well attended. They had their pictures taken with Santa Claus. Some of the adults went to The Alton Children's Home and presented the children with a gift for their own personal use.

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.”

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

Congratulation to our nine new members Daniel Cholevik, Cale Clements, Zacharian Hay, Robert Jacoby, Derek Mangiaracino, Bro. Paulinus Nwaka, Craig Perkins, Alberto Rios, and James Yobby. We now have 469 members, 76 are Honorary Life, and 16 are Honorary. I have about half of the dues for 2017. Keep up the good job, let's hear from the other half. I hope everyone had a great Christmas and received all of their wishes. Here is hoping for a safe and Happy New Year.

Richard Haack

From the President of the Ladies Auxiliary

I trust everyone had a wonderful Christmas. I wish everyone a Happy New Year. Our Sparkles and Sweets was a success. Thank you to all who made sweets, donated jewelry, helped coordinate the event, donated to the cause, and all who gave their time to sell. We couldn't have done it without you.

Pretty soon you should receive information concerning our January Christmas party. I look forward to seeing everyone.

Our next official meeting will be in February.

God Bless all of you today and always.

Cheryl Moe

Photo Gallery

2016 Christmas Party / pictures by Gary Wilbur





1st Degree Ceremony – November 22, 2016 / Picture by Phil Achenbach





Calendar for Granite City Council 1098

January 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Schuler Bingo Team 558-3043	2	3	4	5 5 th Degree Workday Major Degree at Alberts	6 Wilbur/Alsop Bingo Team 452-6041	7
8 Gray Bingo Team 709-3970	9 Columbus Home Meeting 7:00pm	10 KC Business Meeting 7:30pm	11	12 5 th Degree Workday	13 Petty Bingo Team 877-2584	14
15 Softball Bingo Team 451-8988	16	17 4 th Degree Meeting 7:30pm Blood Drive at Columbus Home No Ladies Aux Meeting	18	19 5 th Degree Workday	20 Friedel Bingo Team 876-5109	21 February Newsletter Items Due
22 Cauble Bingo Team 877-4542	23	24 KC Social Meeting 7:30pm	25	26 5 th Degree Workday	27 Hutson/Levy Bingo Team 973-5459 or 971-9817	28
29 Schuler Bingo Team 558-3043	30	31	Notes: Don't forget the Special Olympic Dinner and Dance scheduled for February 4, 2017.			

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