

# Knight News

Granite City Council 1098 – Assembly 0224

November 2014



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Lawrence Ruder



Faithful Navigator  
Tom Voloski



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President  
Cheryl Moe



Columbus Home  
President  
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## A Word From the Grand Knight

It is November again with the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays rapidly approaching. We must remember to make room in our busy lives for Jesus.

Don't forget to vote on November 4. If you do not vote, you should not complain about who is in office. Voting is our civic duty and a freedom we should not take lightly.

Welcome new member David (Mike) Levy and reinstated member Todd Richie. Remember in your prayers, Rudy Hoffek, who passed away on 10/13. Rudy was a long time, very active member and will be missed.

Tootsie Roll Drive – We collected a little over \$3800. We had 52 members and 16 non-members collecting. Of course, we would have collected more if we had more help. If anybody has a suggestion on how to get more members involved with our charity activities like this one, please let me know.

Bob LaRue volunteered to be the Halloween Party Chairman which was held on 10/25/14. The next newsletter will have details on this spooktacular family event.

Our Council will hold a 1st Degree Ceremony on 11/11/14. We have 3 candidates ready for initiation. This is very good.

The Vocation Raffle Book deadline is 11/13/14. Please have your book sold and turned in by then. This is another very worthwhile project. Remember - DO NOT remove the booklet cover.

A box of 12 new girls coats were delivered to Catholic Charities from our Council on 10/11/14. This is a K of C Supreme sponsored program for the needy. Dwayne Saul was the Chairman of this program.

Our Council is still spending more money than it is taking in. We still have a cushion, but we need to have a balanced budget. This means more cuts are necessary. The officers will be looking at 3 of our biggest donations: parish churches, scholarships, and seminarians. When the officers arrive at a suggested plan of action, it will be presented at a business meeting for Council approval. If you have any opinions, you will need to be at the business meetings.

See you in Church,  
Larry Ruder

## K of C Council #1098 and Assembly #0224 Calendar of Events for 2015

- 01-20-15 Blood Drive
- 01-25-15 Free Throw Contest
- 02-07-15 Special Olympics Dinner

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov 2 – 8:30 am  
Memorial Mass at  
Holy Family

Nov 4 – Election Day

Nov 13 – Vocation  
Raffle Book Deadline

December 20 –  
Knights of Columbus  
Christmas Party

## Bingo

The 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
Bingo in November  
will be worked by  
the Cauble Bingo  
Team.

We are still looking  
for new bingo  
workers. Please  
contact one of our  
bingo chairpersons  
to volunteer. Names  
and numbers are  
located on the  
monthly calendar.

02-14-15 Spelling Bee Contest  
03-22-15 Communion Breakfast – St. Elizabeth, 8:00 am Mass  
04-04-15 Kids Easter Party  
04-25-15 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dinner / Dance  
05-31-15 Communion Breakfast – Holy Family, 8:30 am Mass  
07-06 thru 10 Totus Tuus (St. Elizabeth Religious Event)  
07-21-15 Blood Drive  
08-01-15 Council #1098 Installation Dinner  
08-15-15 Assembly #0224 Installation Dinner  
08-29-15 Communion Dinner - St. Mary, 4:30 pm Mass  
09-05-15 K of C Annual Picnic  
09-07-15 Labor Day Parade  
09-18 & 19 ID (Tootsie Roll) Drive  
10-24-15 Halloween Party  
11-01-15 Memorial Mass / Breakfast St. Elizabeth, 8:00 Mass  
11-21-15 Christmas Parade  
12-19-15 Christmas Party

Any additions, changes, or corrections to this schedule must be coordinated with the Grand Knight and Faithful Navigator

## KC Meeting Attendance/50-50 Winners & Losers

**September 23, 2014** – Jim Friedel won the 50/50 drawing and Vincent Musielak failed to win the attendance drawing

**October 14, 2014** – Jim DeRuntz won the 50/50 drawing and Rudy Hoffek failed to win the attendance drawing

## From the Faithful Navigator

Saturday October 4<sup>th</sup> 2014 9 Sir Knights were in attendance at the Diocesan Respect Life Mass at Holy Family Church and Rosary Walk (7 Sir Knights from the Tri-Cities Assembly 0224 and 2 from the Highland Assembly 0231). The Sir Knights participating in the walk to the abortion clinic were positioned directly behind our Bishop. A picture is on the front page of the October 19<sup>th</sup> Catholic Times.

Those in attendance at the Fourth Degree meeting on October 21, 2014 enjoyed a savory, and great tasting vegetable soup prepared by Sir Knight Marty Thomason. Thank you Marty.

**DON'T FORGET THE MEMORIAL MASS IS SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2, 2014 AT THE 8:30 A.M. MASS AT HOLY FAMILY CHURCH.** Breakfast will be served after the mass at the Knights of Columbus Home. The sign-up sheet is posted in the meeting room. Please sign-up and show up. This is a Third and Fourth Degree event.

This is to remind you the Knights of Columbus Christmas party will be **Saturday December 20<sup>th</sup> 2014.** Please make every effort to attend. The music will be

provided by the same band as last year. I will also remind you all of the Christmas party again in the next newsletter.

For your information:

### **PURPOSE OF THE COLOR CORPS OF THE FOURTH DEGREE**

When knighthood was in flower, knights carried the sword to defend their God, their Church, their country and their fellow man according to the code of chivalry. Today, Sir Knights wear regalia and carry the sword to honor Christ and His apostles, especially on religious and civic occasions specified in the Color Corps Drill Manual. Hence, the primary purpose of the Fourth Degree is to encourage active Catholic citizenship and foster the spirit of patriotism in members and the community at large.

The Color Corps members exemplify all the principles of our Order:

- Charity - by the gift of their time and energies necessary to practice, perfect and perform the ceremonials and sword drill;
- Unity – by the united efforts of Sir Knights to practice and perfect a coordinated drill for the good of the Church and the Order;
- Fraternity – by expressing an “Esprit de Corps,” sharing a common desire for drill excellence and camaraderie; and
- Patriotism – by performing precision drill as a salute to God and to country and visually exhibiting a love for both.

**The public appearance of Fourth Degree Knights as a Color Corps at religious and civic functions is an important activity of each assembly. Their colorful capes and chapeaux add dignity and the pride of Church and country to any event. By these public demonstrations their loyalties bring credit to themselves and to the Knights of Columbus.**

### **Words “UNDER GOD”**

Did you know or do you remember the Knights of Columbus submitted to Congress that the words “Under God” should be added to our pledge of allegiance. Both Houses of Congress passed the law and it was signed by President Eisenhower in 1954. A very recent poll by NBC resulted in 86% for keeping this and 14% against.

The next Fourth Degree meeting will be Tuesday November 18<sup>th</sup> 2014. Please. Make every effort to attend. If you cannot drive yourself to the meetings call me, Tom Voloski, at 618-660-2927 and I’ll do what I can to assist you in attending a meeting. Food will be served. Prepared by Sir Knight Phil Achenbach.

God Bless the Tri Cities Knights of Columbus.

May Saint Michael the Archangel Defend us in our Travail.

Tom Voloski

## 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; Lee Brown, Master Sergeant, Army, Ft. Hood Texas; Jon P. Connolly, Major, Marine Corps, MacDill AFB, Florida; Nicki Connolly, Pvt. Illinois National Guard; Scott Griffin, Sergeant, Army National Guard, USA; Zach Hay, Airman, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida; Evan Jones, 2nd Lt., Marine Corps, Camp Pendleton, CA; Stephani Luebben, Captain, Air Force, F.E. Warren AFB WY; Commander Michael A. Reed San Diego, CA; Brett Taylor, PFC, Army, Ft. Drum NY; Chris Wilbur, SPC, Army, Ft. Benning, GA.

## From the Financial Secretary

Congratulation to Philip Boyer on becoming a new Honorary member. We now have 487 members which 79 are Honorary Life members, and 15 are Honorary members. Also I would like to thank everyone who worked the successful ID drive (Tootie Roll), we could not do it without your help.

In the following months I will be working on the dues for 2015. I would like to remind all members to let know of any changes to your address or phone number. We are also collecting an e-mail address, so we can send out notices of the different events. Please return your "Vocation Raffle Tickets" as soon as possible.

Richard Haack

## From the President of the Ladies Auxiliary

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING.** What are you thankful this year?

**SPARKLES AND SWEETS FUNDRAISER** will be held on Friday, December 5 at St Elizabeth's Fish Fry. We are asking all ladies to provide 6 dozen cookies, homemade candy, bread, etc. for this event. We need everyone's help to make this a success. One of our beautiful quilts will be on display. Please come to our next meeting for more information.

Thank you to all who supported the Pro-Life Mass. Please continue to pray for the mothers to cherish the life they are creating.

It was suggested that we change the time of our monthly meetings back to 7:30. It was put to a vote and approved. Starting in February 2015, our meetings will be held on the third Tuesday of every Month at 7:30 PM.

Please join us next month, November 18. We love to see you.

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING**

Cheryl Moe, President

## Coats for Kids

The K of C Council 1098 donated 12 new girl coats through the “Coats for Kids” Program.

Larry Rudy – Grand Knight Council 1098

Michelle Delk – Madison County Catholic Charity Granite City Manager

Dwayne Saul – Chairman of Council 1098 “Coats for Kids” Program



## From the Program Director

If you are interested in learning more about our various Director and Committee positions, you can call or email me for more information. Or, you can go to [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) to learn more.

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## Calendar for Granite City Council 1098

| ~ November 2014 ~   |   |  |     |  |  |                                     |
|---|---|--|-----|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| Sun   | Mon   | Tue  | Wed | Thu  | Fri                                      | Sat                                 |
|   |   |  |     |  |  | 1                                   |
| 2<br>Memorial Mass<br>8:30am at Holy Family<br><br>Schuler Bingo Team<br>558-3043 | 3   | 4<br>Election Day  | 5   | 6<br>5 <sup>th</sup> Degree Workday                                  | 7<br>Wilbur/Alsop Bingo Team<br>452-6041 | 8                                   |
| 9<br>Gray Bingo Team<br>709-3970  | 10<br>Columbus Home Meeting<br>7:00pm   | 11 Veterans' Day<br><br>KC Business Meeting<br>7:30pm                                  | 12  | 13<br>5 <sup>th</sup> Degree Workday<br><br>Vocation Raffle Deadline | 14<br>Petty Bingo Team<br>877-2584       | 15                                  |
| 16<br>Softball Bingo Team<br>451-8988   | 17  | 18<br>4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting - 7:30pm<br><br>Ladies Auxiliary Meeting - 7:00pm | 19  | 20<br>5 <sup>th</sup> Degree Workday                                 | 21<br>Friedel Bingo Team<br>876-5109     | 22<br>December Newsletter Items Due |
| 23<br>Cauble Bingo Team<br>877-4542   | 24  | 25<br>KC Social Meeting<br>7:30pm  | 26  | 27<br>Thanksgiving Day   | 28<br>Dillier Bingo Team<br>409-3956     | 29                                  |
| 30<br>Cauble Bingo Team<br>877-4542   | Notes: There is a 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Bingo this month which will be handled by the Cauble Bingo Team. |  |     |  |  |                                     |

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