# **Knight News**

Granite City Council 1098 – Assembly 0224





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 want to start by saying how deeply sorry this council, community and anyone connected to this great diocese reporting the death of Ayden O'Malley. A young girl from our Diocese that was on the trip to Washington DC doing what she believed in. The Walk of Life was part of her life; her whole life was helping others. Please continue to pray for her family as they are still putting together their lives without their daughter.

March 2018

Please pray for two brother knights and their families that have passed away recently. Brother Marlen Perkins and Brother John Moutria. May their souls rest in peace and may they be granted eternal peace in heaven for the greater glory of God.

Special Olympics dinner/dance on February 3rd was another huge success. Special thanks to John Haug Jr., his wife Vickie and the rest of his family, and the huge group of volunteers that always come out in force to make this a special night for our Olympic athletes, families and sponsors. For the past 20 years, this council has made this one of our greatest events, and we aim to see it continue for many more years to come.

Free Throw Contest was February 4<sup>th</sup>, what a great turnout. There were 23 combined, boys and girls from the ages of 9 to 14 that came out to show their stuff. Thank you to chairman Bob Palus and his merry group of men that put on a great event. (See photo insert in the gallery section of the newsletter.)

Spelling Bee Contest was February 10<sup>th</sup>. Also a great turnout of 20 students and the support of family and friends that filled the room was so heartwarming. 1<sup>st</sup> place was Makaina Woods-HF, and tied for 2<sup>nd</sup> place was Lauren Jones-St.E and Trevor Nichols-HF. Congratulations to all that attended and to our three winners. Thank you to chairman Ed Lenzi and his group of pronouncer and judges. (See photo insert in the gallery section of the newsletter.)

Columbus home elections will be held at the social meeting in February. Welcome to all the newly elected and returning officers. It's your support and dedication to this council, assembly and community that makes you a true Columbus Home member and organization.

March brings us the time for scholarship applications. Watch for dates and deadlines. Remember to read the application for rules of entry and qualifications.

This will be the newsletter notice to the council of donations over 500 dollars that were read at the business meeting. They will be then approved at the next month's business meeting with any additional discussion. Motion and discussion was brought to the floor to increase scholarship awarded to High School students entering College from the current \$750 to \$1,000. Motion and discussion was brought to the floor to increase ACSA for the following: Both Holy Family and St. Elizabeth from the current \$7,500 to \$10,000, St. Mary/Mark increase from the current \$3,000 to \$5,000, and St. Mary Greek Catholic church increase from current \$600 to \$1,000. Motion and discussion was brought to the floor to spend \$1,400 on two (2) benches, in honor of Sir Knight Walter Bruch to be place outside the entrance of the hall.

The annual Catholic Men's breakfast will be held at the Highland Knights of Columbus council this year, March 3rd. Anyone interested please see info in our council

# DATES TO REMEMBER

March 3 – Annual Catholic Men's Breakfast held at Highland Knights of Columbus

March 6 – Scholarship applications available

March 24 – Spiritual Nourishment Day; 9am to 3pm; Holy Family Conference Center; All women invited

March 31 – Children's Easter Party sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary

April 20 – Postmark deadline for all scholarship applications

# Bingo

There is 5<sup>th</sup> Friday Bingo this month hosted by the Wilbur/Alsop Bingo Team. room. Tickets are 16 dollars a person for this event.

Please continue to pray for all our brothers that are sick and in distress. Anyone with membership questions please contact Rob Woolen cell: 618-977-2309 or email: robert\_woolen@yahoo.com

Remember our bingo's that provide the money for all the above. Without bingo we could not provide and donate the kind of amounts that we do. During lent, and all through the year bingo needs your help.

Fraternally, Grand Knight, Dwayne Saul (email: <u>dsaul@gckc.org</u>)

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

<u>January 23:</u> Sam Shambro won the 50-50 and Phillip Szymarek failed to win the attendance drawing.

<u>February 13:</u> George Friedel won the 50-50 and William Schuler failed to win the attendance drawing.

# From the Faithful Navigator

Another bad news report: We have lost more Sir Knights this month; the deaths of John Moutria, Robert Mason and Thomas Scaturro. John's funeral was on Feb. 21st and Robert Mason's will be on Feb.27th. Thomas Scaturro will be on Mar. 3. Mr. Scaturro is a former knight from our Council. He was a 3rd Degree. Sir Knight Francis Schwarzkopf on 1-19-18 and Marlen Perkins 1-25-18. John and Robert and Francis were all Fourth Degree.

It seems that all the good things that we do have been well attended: The Blood Drive and the Special Olympics dinner and dance. There were more than 500 people at the dinner dance. There was plenty of help to see that everyone was fed and had enough to drink.

The Annual Donations for the School's will be distributed in March to Holy Family, St. Elizabeth, Marquette and Fr. McGivney. The amounts will be \$25,000 to the grade schools and \$ 2,000 to the High Schools.

Also, we need to keep all the knights who are ill in our prayers. Also, we need some more Knights to volunteer for our Pall bearers list.

Winners of prizes were Ed Gray 50-50,( \$ 9.00) Bob Kalka the rosary drawing.( \$6.00)

Before closing our meetings the Knights recite a prayer 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

Faithful Navigator, Elmer Long (email EFLONG5@ <u>YAHOO.COM</u>)

### **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.

# **From the Financial Secretary**

I hope everyone is avoiding the flu and feeling well. Our membership stands at 451 members with 10 Honorary and 74 Honorable Life members.

We are constantly processing dues payments and sending out membership cards. Please if you have not paid your membership dues do so in the next week. This will save us the cost of following up a second time.

If you have not received your membership card, as all will be sent out by Monday the 19th of February, please let me know. I know of several members cards not being received after I know the card was sent out. We will develop a list and print a replacement card.

Again all the best to all and I hear summer is coming.

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# From the President of the Ladies Auxiliary

A BIG Thank You to Joan Achenbach for all you did with the Christmas Party. You did a wonderful job.

At our last meeting we played a unique came of Bingo using decks of cards. Thank you Cleo Schnefke for introducing the game to the ladies. I know I had a great time.

We decided to continue our Rummage Sale. It will be April 6 and 7. So start sorting through your treasures to bring, anything and everything helps. This is one of our two main fundraisers. Spread the word.

The Children's Easter Party will be on Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. After our meeting, we will fill the Easter eggs. Please come to the meeting and give us a hand. We will also need cookies, brownies, cupcakes, etc. for the Children's Party.

On Saturday, March 24, Sister Barbara McMullen will host a spiritual nourishment day – "Celebrate Lent: From Wilderness to Wonder". It will be held at the Holy Family Conference Center from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. ALL women are invited. You must register by March 15 with Holy Family, 877-7158. There is a suggested donation of \$20 a person. Fr. Jeff will provide lunch! This is a great opportunity to strengthen your faith.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 20, 7:00 pm. Looking forward to seeing you.

Cheryl Moe

# From the Scholarship Chairman

Scholarship applications for 8th grade graduates of 2018 attending a Catholic High School their freshman year will be available Tuesday March 6, 2018. Scholarship applications for \$1000 for high school seniors graduating in 2018 who will be attending an accredited educational institution in the Fall of 2018 will also be available Tuesday March 6, 2018. Scholarships are offered to only Council 1098 or Assembly 0224 children or grandchildren. The postmarked deadline for both of these scholarships is Friday, April 20, 2018. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. Applications will be available from the Grand Knight, the Faithful Navigator, the Santa Maria Lounge or the Guidance Office at Granite City High School. Sponsoring members must be active and must have one consecutive year of membership in good standing prior to the date of the scholarship deadline, which is Friday, April 20, 2018.

Andy Yurko

# **Picture Gallery**

2018 Special Olympic Dinner and Dance / Pictures provided by Jeannie Wilbur





2018 Free Throw Contest

2018 Spelling Bee Contest Winners

Pictures provided by Dwayne Saul





March 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	<b>2</b> Wilbur/Alsop Bingo Team 452-6041	<b>3</b> Annual Catholic Men's Breakfast at Highland Knights of Columbus
<b>4</b> Hellrich Bingo Team 407-3011	5	<b>6</b> High School and College Scholarship Applications available	7	8 5 <sup>th</sup> Degree Workday	<b>9</b> Saul Bingo Team 798-0537	10
<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 451-8988	19	<b>20</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting 7:30pm Ladies Auxiliary Meeting 7:00pm	21		<b>23</b> Hutson/Levi Bingo Team 973-5459 or 971- 9817	24 April Newsletter Items Due Women's Spiritual Nourishment Day 9am to 3pm at Holy Family Conference Center
<b>25</b> Cauble Bingo Team 877-4542	26	<b>27</b> KC Social Meeting 7:30pm	28	<b>29</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> Degree Workday	<b>30</b> Wilbur/Alsop Bingo Team 452-6041	<b>31</b> Children's Easter Party at Columbus Home sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary

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