



Knight News

A Word From the Grand Knight



Grand Knight
Lawrence Ruder



Faithful Navigator
David Cruse



Ladies Auxiliary
President Nancy Diak



Columbus Home
President Walter Bruch

I hope everyone had a Blessed Easter and a renewal in spirit.

If you did not take your kids or grandkids to this year's Easter Egg Hunt, they missed a good time. The Ladies Auxiliary sponsors this event and ensured all the kids got a good supply of gifts, refreshments, and candy. Thanks to Linda Reish, chairperson, her helpers, Tim (Easter Bunny) and Keith Melton (face painter).

We had a very low attendance at our March Communion Breakfast. There are a couple of reasons that the K of C has Communion Breakfasts. To me the main reason is to show our parish congregations that the K of C is part of the Catholic Family, and we are here to support our faith and parishes. The breakfasts are also a social event meant for the members to be together in practicing our faith, sharing food, and socializing. I know there was a conflict with St. Elizabeth's mortgage burning and I wasn't there because of illness. The charge of \$3.00 per person was not for the money but for those who sign up and do not show up. I am convinced this charge did not contribute to the low attendance, but just in case, there will no longer be any charge for our Communion Breakfasts. Our next event will be in June and I hope to see a much better attendance.

The Council elections will be held on May 27th. The election chairman is Carl Petty with Ron Jachino and Roy Ponce helping. All of the Council offices are open for nominations except two trustees and the Financial Secretary. If you have a nominee, be sure he is willing to serve and has the time to give the job the attention it requires. As an officer you are expected to be at most of the meetings and be active in your office. If you are in doubt what the office entails, ask a current officer what are the duties. Please consider running for an office. As an officer you have the chance to implement your ideas and improvements into your Council.

Again, I want to mention that John Ziegler is the chairman of the Council 364 BBQ raffle books. They sell for \$15 and it has a Grand Prize of \$10,000.00. This raffle gives our Council a chance to raise a little money. The booklets are available from either John or me.

The KC Academy will be held on May 10th at St. Cecilia Parish Hall in Glen Carbon. This will have training sessions on "Council Officer-Director Duties / Planning / Leadership Principles / Fraternalism-Retention Mentor Program." All members are welcome, especially the current officers and those interested in becoming an officer.

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Dates to Remember

- **MAY 26 —**
MEMORIAL DAY



From the Faithful Navigator

No Report.

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.



GK Continued:

It was mentioned in last month's newsletter, our Membership Chairman Gary Wilbur had placed a note in the parish bulletins trying to reach out for new members. This effort resulted in ZERO results. While we still have a great Council, our membership is in decline. It would be great to have a 1st Degree Initiation in July, but we need candidates. Please, seriously work on this by asking your sons, brothers, fathers, and friends. Men will not join anything unless they are asked personally. The requirements are: male, 18 years or older, and a practicing Catholic.

Ray Hoffman is organizing another Branson trip for October 6th, 7th and 8th. If you are interested, sign-up is June 12th. See Ray if you have any questions.

See you in Church,
Larry Ruder

KC Meeting Attendance/50-50 Winners & Losers

March 25, 2014

Tom Voloski won the 50/50 drawing and Patrick Davis failed to win the attendance drawing.

April 9, 2014

Joe Schmedake won the 50/50 drawing and Michael Modrusic failed to win the attendance drawing.

From the Financial Secretary

Congratulations to our three new Honorary Life members who are Jerry Pieper, Richard Werths, and Heinz Bronnbauer. As of today we have 497 members which 81 are Honorary Life, and 14 are Honorary. We will be dropping 15 members by June if they do not pay their dues. Our membership is below 500 now, so we need new members. Let's see how many new members we can get by the end of June when our year ends. Ask your friends, sons, and grandsons to join.

Richard Haack, 931-5340

From the President of the Ladies Auxiliary

Ladies, May is month of Our Lady Mary. Please offer up a Rosary to her. Pray the Rosary as much as possible. Remember Mary can feel our pain and offer us solace.

RUMMAGE SALE: Thanks to Jan Polach, Pat Alsop, and Marie Gray (the committee) and all Ladies who helped in any way to make this fundraiser a success! They earned a profit of \$872.

At the May meeting we will vote on whether to have a Rummage Sale again next year or wait two years. Please talk among yourselves, think about it and vote next meeting. We will also be voting on our new leadership team. This is an important task and we need your vote.

Thanks again to Linda Reish for chairing the Easter Egg Hunt. Many thanks go to Tim Bronnbauer who assists the "Easter Bunny." He has been providing this service for years and we appreciate it. Thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary members who helped in any way by making cookies or volunteering to help with the hunt and party. Thanks also to the Knights for their assistance. The Auxiliary could not do this if not for help of ALL!

Memorial Service: The annual Auxiliary Memorial Service will be at our next meeting. We will pay respect to our deceased members who paved the path for this Auxiliary

Annual Christmas Party: The Ladies voted to table this vote until the June meeting. Ladies, decide on what to do either to keep the Annual Christmas Party in January at Ravanelli's OR change it to the Anniversary date of our Charter in July. A decision must also be made where to have the party. A vote must be finalized in June.

Get well wishes to Bev Lenzi; we miss you at the meetings!

LADIES, HAVE A BLESSED MOTHER'S DAY

Nancy Diak

Pictures from the Holy Family Communion Mass



Pictures submitted by Jeannie Wilbur.

MAY 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 5th Degree Workday	2 Wilbur/Alsop Bingo Team 452-6041	3
4 Schuler Bingo Team 558-3043	5	6	7	8 5th Degree Workday	9 Petty Bingo Team 877-3584	10
11 Gray Bingo Team 709-3970 MOTHER'S DAY	12 Columbus Home Meeting 7:00 pm	13 KC Business Meeting 7:30 pm	14	15 5th Degree Workday	16 Friedel Bingo Team 876-5109	17
18 Softball Bingo Team 451-8988	19	20 4th Degree Meeting 7:30 pm Ladies Auxiliary 7:00 pm	21	22 5th Degree Workday	23 Dillier Bingo Team 452-8041	24
25 Cauble Bingo Team 877-4542 Newsletter Items Due	26 MEMORIAL DAY	27 KC Social Meeting 7:30 pm	28	29 5th Degree Workday	30 Petty Bingo Team 877-3584	31

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