

Knight News

Granite City Council 1098 – Assembly 0224

May 2017



Grand Knight
Dwayne Saul



Faithful Navigator
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Ladies Auxiliary
President
Cheryl Moe

Columbus Home
President
Jerry Lilley
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A Word From the Grand Knight

Welcome brother Knights, I hope everyone had a safe and spiritually rewarding Easter.

The scholarship application deadline will have passed by the time this newsletter hits your hands or emails. The scholarship committee will be reviewing and analyzing the eligibilities of those we have received and then will be contacting those being rewarded with scholarships.

The kids Easter egg hunt/meet and greet with Mr. Easter Bunny went very well. I want to thank Linda Reish and all of the ladies that put so much time into baking and decorating for all the kids of our council. This was another successful year with more than 40 kids that attended. Treat bags were handed out to the kids along with so many sweets to eat for everyone. There were plenty of pages to color with our favorite bunny on them. I do have to say, the adults had as much fun with the crayons and coloring as the kids did. I saw some great works of art colored by the big kids. Just shows how much everyone enjoyed themselves. Another thank-you to Keith Melton for the face and arm paintings, always a great job by our council artist.

There will be a major degree coming up June 11, in Edwardsville. If anyone plans on attending please contact Rick Haack or myself so we can make sure arrangements can be made for you to attend.

Our next Communion Mass/Breakfast will be April 30, at St. Elizabeth church. Both mass and breakfast will be at St. Elizabeth. If you are planning on attending please sign up in the council room. Again this is a family event for all degree members and families to get together for church and breakfast. Members will need to show membership cards at breakfast for the council to pay for our families to enjoy a great breakfast. The breakfast is being sponsored by the GC Rock youth group for their fundraiser and would like to see a huge crowd.

Election of Council officers will be in May. Elections will be held at the Social meeting, May 23. We will have some key openings to fill this year. One or two Trustee positions, Secretary and Treasurer along with any other position that anyone would be interest in running for. If you are interested in one of these positions, ask around to find out the responsibilities of that position. But, once

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 30 – Communion Mass/Breakfast at St. Elizabeth's

May 23 – Election of Council Officers at the KC Social Meeting

May 29 – 8th Grade Graduation Party

June 11 – Major Degree in Edwardsville

again I'm asking for help for everyone to remember the oath we took when we became a brother Knight, was to get involved.

Congratulations to Rhiannan Smith for coming in fourth place in the State of Illinois Knights of Columbus free throw contest. Our council is very proud of you.

The 8th grade graduation party will be held on May 29, Congratulation to all these young men and women moving on to high school. More information on this will be in next month's newsletter.

The State of Illinois Knights of Columbus convention was held, April 21-23. I will have more information on this in next month's newsletter as well.

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

KC Meeting Attendance and 50/50 winners and losers:

March 28

Cail Clements won the 50/50 and John Mink failed to win the attendance drawing

April 11

Jerry Calentine won the 50/50 and Mark A Winshan failed to win the attendance drawing.

From the Faithful Navigator

No Report.

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.

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

Our membership now stands at 460 members, 75 are Honorary Life, and 16 are Honorary. We lost a very important person this month, Thomas Grimes. Please keep him in your prayers. We are down to the final turn in the dues race. If you have not paid, please send in your dues. The hard part in contacting members is that we do not have a correct telephone number for all members, so if you have changed your phone number or dropped your land line, please let me know.

Richard Haack

From the President of the Ladies Auxiliary

To all woman - Happy Mother's Day. You don't have to give birth to be a mother. Any woman who has loved someone is a Mother. So, Happy Mother's Day to all of you.

Our rummage sale was a success in the fact that we made money. We had a lot of items left over which we donated to Salvation Army. We are considering skipping a year. We will make a final decision next year. Thank you to everyone who brought items, marked and set up the rummage sale, worked the rummage sale, broke down the sale, etc. THANK YOU. Also a big thank you to Pat Alsop and Marie Grey for chairing the event.

We had fun at the Easter Egg hunt. Approximately 60 children came out and enjoyed the day. The weather was perfect. Thank you to everyone who brought desserts, set up and worked the Easter Egg Hunt, prepared the goody bags, and filled the eggs, etc. THANK YOU! A big thank you to Linda Reish for chairing this event.

Our bowling team had fun. They will not know if they won anything until close to next year. We will keep our fingers crossed.

Next meeting, we will have the election of new officers. At our May meeting, we will hold our Memorial Service for all the ladies who have gone before us. It would be nice to have a great turn out to honor our Members.

We inducted a new member at our meeting. Welcome aboard Nancy Jacobi (Nancy if I misspelled your name, please forgive me.)

See you all on May 16, 7:00 PM.

Cheryl Moe

Thank You Letter from Sr. Maria SMMI Provincial of Thanjavur, India

“With joy and gratitude I Sr. Maria, Provincial of Salesian Missionaries of Mary Immaculate (SMMI), Thanjavur write this few lines, just to express my sincere appreciation and heartfelt thanks for the beautiful Sacred Vessel (Chalice)received through the mediator Rev. Fr. M.S. Selvaraj, Mission Director, Diocese of Kumbakonam.

I am happy to know that this Chalice with high quality and beautiful craft work is presented in memory of Sir Knight & Master, James DeRuntz as a lasting gesture to honor and pay tribute to him. We will surely remember Sir Knight & Master, James DeRuntz and his family as we offer the Holy Sacrifice through this Sacred Vessel.

As we are approaching the Nativity of our Lord, I take this opportunity to wish you a very Happy Christmas and Joy filled New Year 2017. May God bless in all your mission work and keep you in His bountiful love.”

Thanking you,
With best wishes and prayers
Yours in the Lord
Sr. Maria

Picture Gallery



Easter Egg Hunt at Columbus Home



Calendar for Granite City Council 1098

May 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 5 th Degree Workday	5 Wilbur/Alsop Bingo Team 452-6041	6
7 Schuler Bingo Team 558-3043	8 Columbus Home Meeting 7:00pm	9 KC Business Meeting:730pm	10	11 5 th Degree Workday	12 Petty Bingo Team 877-3584	13
14 Gray Bingo Team 709-3970	15	16 4 th Degree Meeting 7:30pm Ladies Aux Meeting 7:00pm (Election of Officers)	17	18 5 th Degree Workday	19 Friedel Bingo Team 876-5109	20 June Newsletter Items Due
21 Softball Bingo Team 451-8988	22	23 KC Social Meeting 7:30pm (Election of Council Officers)	24	25 5 th Degree Workday	26 Huson/Levy Bingo Team 973-5459 or 971-9817	27
28 Cauble Bingo Team 877-4542	29 8 th Grade Graduation Party	30	31	Notes:		

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