

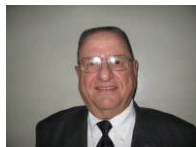


Knight News

A Word From the Grand Knight



Grand Knight
John Haug, Sr.



Faithful Navigator
George Friedel



Ladies Auxiliary
President Nancy Diak

Columbus Home
President Walter Burch

When I wrote about the family picnic last month I forgot to thank the Granite City Junior

Service club for their help in serving throughout the day. Thanks G.C.J.S.!

Thanks also go to Bob Palus and all who helped with the MRLD drives. Also thank you to all of you who have purchased the Vocation Raffle tickets. Please return any raffle tickets you don't intend to sell or purchase to the Council.

Included in this newsletter is a postcard for future newsletter receipt choices. Please review the instructions and note you only need to return it if you want to continue to receive the newsletter via the U.S. Postal service. Postage is required on the postcard but you can save the stamp by bringing the card to a meeting or dropping it off with the lounge attendant. Thanks in advance for helping us reduce the newsletter delivery costs. These measures will be put in place in early 2010.

The council finalized and approved the active member criteria of define, recognize and reward at the October business meeting. We went over the definition sheet (which will be included in next month's newsletter) and reviewed the recognition criteria. We discussed the rewards as follows and determined that you must be an active member to:

- 1) Participate in K of C sponsored events such as golf outings or fishing trips.

- 2) Sponsor a K of C scholarship recipient.
- 3) Receive a 20% discount on a hall rental.
- 4) Request a donation or activity.

Regarding recognition, it was decided to use a hybrid combination. The individual event chairmen or committee will question and approve the activity status of the participating member. We will rely on your honor as Knights of Columbus and Catholic gentlemen when the sign up or the application is completed. The active member criteria sheet will accompany the sign up sheet or application. If an applicant's activity status is questionable with the individual event chairmen or committee, it will be reviewed by the active member committee.

General members will be encouraged to attend social events such as the Christmas parties, Easter Egg hunt, Halloween party, Communion masses, Family picnic, etc. It is our intention that the active membership would encourage the general members to participate in our important K of C active member defined functions. We will review the progress of these decisions during April 2010.

My thanks to the many members who sat through the presentations and provided input and worthwhile discussion.

Sincerely,
John Haug Sr.

Dates to Remember

- Nov 1—Memorial Mass (HF 8:30)
- Nov 14 – Craft Fair
- Nov 16,17,18—Branson Trip
- Dec 19 – Christmas Parties
Kids – 9:00 am
Adults – 6:00 pm

From the Faithful Navigator



The MRLD drive is now complete. It was nice to see it go as smooth as it did, but it would be nice if we could get more people involved so we could be at more places throughout town. I saw a lot of our members' wives and families participating. To them we are very grateful.

Just a reminder that it is time to send our donation to the State Council for the Newman Fund. I received my letter from the state, so I am sure by now we all have.

Thank you to the Honor Guard we had at the Respect Life Mass at Holy Family Church. Thirteen Sir Knights from our Assembly dressed and we had two Sir Knights from Highland join us for the Mass. If you couldn't participate, you sure missed a great talk given by our Faithful Friar, Father Chris Comerford. Father, you sure impressed me!!

There will be a Communion mass on November 1st at Holy Family church at 8:30 am with breakfast at our

hall following Mass. This is the annual Memorial Mass remembering our deceased Sir Knights. We will have an Honor Guard for the Mass. This Mass and breakfast is not just for the 4th Degree but for all members of Council 1098.

The 4th Degree Exemplification I wrote about in my last column here in Granite City will not happen during 2010 as all the open weekends at the hall were not suitable for numerous reasons. I am sorry it didn't work out. There is an exemplification being planned at Effingham, Illinois on August 20 and 21, 2010. This will be the best opportunity for any of our 3rd Degree Members to take the final step to Full Knighthood.

Vivat Jesus

George Friedel,
Faithful Navigator



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; David Breeden Jr., Airman 1st Class, Air Force, North Carolina; Lee Brown, Master Sergeant, Army, Ft. Hood Texas; Jon P. Connolly, Captain, Marine Corps, Hawaii; Scott Griffin, Sergeant, Army National Guard, USA; Stephani Luebben, Captain, Air Force, F.E. Warren AFB WY; Jason Scaturro, Sergeant, Army, Iraq; Brett Taylor, PFC, Army, Ft. Drum NY; Gregory Voloski, Chief Petty Officer, Navy, San Diego, CA; Chris Wilbur, SPC, Army, Kentucky.

From the Financial Secretary

John announced at the last meeting that I am retiring from the Financial Secretary's job on June 30, 2010. I will have had the job over seven years and it is time for someone else to have all this fun.

In the next month I will be working on dues for 2010. This is a great time for anyone interested in becoming the Financial Secretary to learn this part of the job.

I would again like to remind all members to inform me of any address changes. If I receive any returned correspondence from the Postal Service WITHOUT a

forwarding address, I have no choice but to remove the addressee from the mailing list. I have NO way of knowing where or when people move. I currently have two ladies with no new address who will no longer get a newsletter. The same holds true for phone numbers. Please take the time to notify me so you do not miss out on Knights of Columbus news and events.

Larry Ruder,
Financial Secretary
931-2706

From the President of the Ladies Auxiliary

Ladies, thanks to each one of you who helped in any way for your service this past month.

October was a busy month. October 3rd was the Respect for Life Mass and Walk to Hope Abortion Clinic—we are grateful to have Father Chris at St. Elizabeth for his insight and love for pro-life. Ladies, don't you agree that his talk at the pro-life luncheon was inspirational!!

October 17 and 18 the ladies took part in the Ministry Fair at St. Elizabeth church. Thank you to Carolyn Compos, Gloria Heintz, Ann Czwornog, Catherine Ponce and Christina Shelton who helped man the table representing the Ladies Auxiliary Knights of Columbus.

On behalf of the Ladies Auxiliary, many thanks go out to John and Vickie Haug who organized and cooked the chili for the Halloween Party, Emilio and Carolyn Campos for cooking the hot dogs and Ron and Linda Reish who helped serve. Thank you to the Grand Knight, John Haug, for being the M.C. at the Halloween Party. We also cannot forget all the knights and wives who helped with the bon fire and all the behind the scenes work which makes these events special for us. Thanks to Mary Austin for her contribution of the goodie bags for the kids and the other KC staff for their help. Thanks to Auxiliary members who provided the delicious desserts and to Linda Reish and Marie Gray who helped distribute the money and goodie bags. We thank you all.

Priesthood Sunday is a special Sunday to honor our Priests who serve the Lord. Father Chris at St. Elizabeth received a knitted Lap Afghan from the Ladies Auxiliary which was made from the Prayer Shawl Ministry of St. Elizabeth, Holy Family and St. Mary's/Mark's parishes. Father Larry, Father Gene, and Father Bob received a copy of the book, "Father McGivney Parish Priest." In the Tri-Cities area, we are

very lucky to have as many priests as we do in this time of priest shortage. We must be gracious and thankful for them everyday. We may not be this lucky in the future. Thank you to helpers Helen "Kwi" DeRuntz and Diane McIntyre on distributing the gifts to the Priests.

Ladies Auxiliary Annual Craft Fair and Rummage Sale November 14th

— Ladies, do not forget what time you signed up to help out on this special day. Please do not forget to bring your five craft items if you have not done so already. Sell your tickets!! Please let us make this event a great success this year! Bring your donation of chili, cakes, cookies and desserts. They may be dropped off the morning of November 14th at the back of the main hall. Call Gail Cargac at 931-7205 or Mary Jo Holzum at 797-0679 if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you out.



Ladies, it seems this newsletter article contains many thank you's but remember this Auxiliary survives on all the dedication and service from YOU. Please continue to volunteer. For the ladies who cannot participate due to health or personal reasons, the Auxiliary thanks you for the prayers you are sending to keep this organization in full-speed-ahead mode.

One last note—during our meetings when a person has the floor to speak, please be quiet. You will have your chance to comment after that person is done speaking. We have some ladies who have a difficult time hearing. Let us

respect each other!

At our November meeting, we will discuss our distribution of the monies. Please discern on the spiritual giving and not political giving.

Have a Blessed Thanksgiving.

Keep promoting Christian Family Life,

Nancy Diak



From the Columbus Home

I want to invite all members to come out and enjoy an afternoon or evening at our facility. Our lounge, the Santa Maria, is very comfortable and has excellent television viewing. For the avid football fans, we have the NFL package which presents every game every Sunday. We also have Big 10 viewing during season. By the way, on various Sundays, we have been known to have some pretty good snack food for the lounge patrons.

From the MRLD Chairman

I would like to thank everyone who participated in the MRLD "Tootsie Roll" Drive. We had approximately 70 individuals including Knights, wives, girlfriends, children, and some non-members — this is great. There were numerous Knights who volunteered for two, three and even more shifts over the two weekends. I hesitate to list names for fear of not mentioning all the deserving people who volunteered, cooked for the workers, counted money, etc.

The MRLD Drive is one of the most important charitable endeavors we as Knight's participate in. Not only do we raise money for a great cause but it also gives us recognition in the community. I am always eager to tell contributors ALL the money we collect stays in the local community and goes to the needy organizations for these special individuals.

For those who may not have heard, Mary Austin is our new facilities manager. If you have any Columbus Home business, please contact Mary.

We have made some hall rental policy changes which are now in effect. Council 1098 active members will receive a 20% discount for hall or room rentals. All member rental discounts will be for the ACTIVE MEMBER ONLY. This discount will not be applicable for any other individual or organization.

Hope to see you out, Walt Bruch

Our quota is rather lofty and is set high because of past years when we were able to collect on the street corners. I am pleased to say that we did collect almost \$6,700 — that's about \$700 more than we collected in 2008. I would like to see us continue to collect more each year, and with that said, I would like to ask you to consider volunteering again next year. The time goes by quickly. It is a fun and fulfilling event.

If anyone has any suggestions how to make the drive more successful or different locations where we can solicit, please let me or anyone of the officers know.

Thanks for everyone's help,

Bob Palus,
MRLD Chairman

Meeting Attendance/50-50 Winners/Losers

September 22, 2009

Duane Sail won 50/50 drawing and Jack Merritt failed to win the attendance drawing.

October 10, 2009

Bill McGarrahan won the 50/50 drawing and John Mink failed to win the attendance drawing.

Acknowledgements from the Grand Knight

Thank you to Andy Yurko, Walter Bruch, Dwayne Rogers and Steve Cauble for presenting gifts to Father Chris, Father Larry, Father Gene and Father Bob respectively for Priesthood Sunday. Thank you to those who helped with the Halloween Party — Emilio and Carolyn Campos (hot dogs), Ron and Linda Reish (servers), Wilburs, Alsops, Cauble, and Bench (smores), the K C Staff and Chid and Jan Hagnauer (great bon fire)!

What works . . . Teamwork

Halloween Party



Bon Fire Team: Chief Charles Hagnauer, wife Jan, and family.



SMORES CREW: Steve Cauble, Gary & Jeannie Wilbur, Pat & Jim Alsop and Ken Bench



November 2009

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Memorial Mass Holy Family 8:30 am 4th Degree Bingo	2	3	4	5 5th Degree Workday	6 Wilbur/Alsop Team Bingo	7
8 4th Degree Bingo	9 Columbus Home 7:00 pm	10 KC Meeting 7:30 pm	11	12 5th Degree Workday	13 Petty Team Bingo	14 Ladies Auxiliary Craft Fair
15 Softball Team Bingo	16	17 Ladies Auxiliary 4th Degree Mtg. 7:30 pm	18	19 5th Degree Workday	20 Friedel Team Bingo	21
22 4th Degree Bingo Newsletter Items Due	23	24 Social Meeting 7:30 pm	25	26 Happy Thanksgiving	27 Dillier Team Bingo	28
29 4th Degree Bingo	30					

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