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Goldsmith News June/July 2018

Knights of Columbus Council #974



Regular Meetings 7:30 PM

Monday, July 2nd
Monday, August 6th
Monday, September 10th

Officers Meetings 7:00 PM

Monday, July 23rd
Monday, August 20th
Monday, September 24th

Events

Bingo starts on Friday, September 7th

Knight of the Month

June 2018

Lawrence Baudette

Lawrence has been a brother Knight for 24 years. He always helps with the prep work for the Hunter's Stag in November and the Smelt Fry in Spring.

July 2018

Greg Gilbertson

Greg is a recent member of the Knights of Columbus. He is a very active member of St. Charles Parish. He is the Faith Formation Director at St. Charles and is very involved with the youth in the area.

Family of the Month

June 2018

Jim and Ginger Harings

Jim and Ginger have been a part of the Knights of Columbus family since 1989. They are very active members of St. Charles Parish, serving as EMOC, Lector, Sacristan and Usher. Jim is also active in the Council by helping with events during the year.

July 2018

Leroy and Patti Jansky

Leroy and Patti Jansky have been members of the Knights of Columbus family since 2002. Patti is the Secretary for Holy Ghost School. They are very active at Holy Ghost Parish. Leroy is very involved with the Veterans groups in the area and the Patriotic Council.

Nominate a Knight/Family of the Month

We need your input on selecting a Family of the Month and a Knight of the Month each month. Please give your recommendations to Tim Tozer. We know that there are many families who are doing wonderful things in our community.

Knights of Columbus Insurance

If you have any questions or needs, please contact our Field Agent Terry Knutson at terry.knutson@kofc.org, by phone 715-425-8074.

Notice of Member's Illness

Please contact Dale Schultz at 715-944-7483 to report a member's illness or hospitalization. We ask this so we can send our Brother Knight a card conveying our best wishes and prayers.

Prayer Requests

Please remember in your prayers the following people who are dealing with illnesses: Jeff Smiskey, Dan Smiskey, Jerry Eslinger, James F. Loew, Suzanne Mousel, Claudia Hable, Ryan Nolan, Pete and Janice Peloquin, Pete Dachel, Claudia Harings, John Kling, Barb Czech, Joelle Bremness, Gary Korger, Robert Bell, Francis Martell, Hank Schemeneaur, Tom Walsh, Dick Schemeneaur, Ralph Cushman, John Rasmus, Harold Hunt, Paul McElroy, Diane Humpal and Tom Eder's sister Beverly Eder Murphy.

Eternal Rest Grant onto Them O Lord

Please remember Brother Knight Scott Wild and his family in your prayers. Scott died June 20th. Also remember Delores Bergeron who died on July 1st. She was the wife of Brother Knight Dale Bergeron.

Please let us know if there is a Brother Knight or family member in need of our prayers.

June/July News

Annual Columbus Association meeting

The Columbus Association held their annual meeting immediately following the Council meeting on Monday, June 4th. At this meeting two new Directors, Tim Tozer and Mike Korger, were elected to replace the two Directors whose terms are ending, Steve Gilles and Ron Reese.

Transfers into the Council

We recently had two Sir Knights transfer into our council. Msgr. Michael Gorman transferred into our council in April and Mike Korger transferred into the council in May. They are both Fourth Degree Sir Knights. Please welcome them to the council when you see them.

Scholarships Awarded

Three \$500.00 scholarships were awarded to high school graduates this year. Grand Knight Kevin VanDen Heuvel presented scholarships to McDonell High graduates Abby Opsal and Megan Baier. Paul Nevins presented a scholarship to Joseph Jasper from Chi Hi.

Culture of Life Essay Contest

The annual Culture of Life Essay Contest was won at the Council level by McDonell High student Abby Opsal. She went on and also won first place at the Diocesan Level. She placed third at the State level.

Rosaries for the McDonell Graduates

On May 16th, the McDonell Graduates of 2018 were presented with a rosary and a prayer card from the Knights of Columbus. The presentation was done by Grand Knight Kevin VanDen Heuvel, Brother Knight Francis Gaier, and Fr. Mark Miller. There were 18 boys and 15 girls in the graduating class.

Tootsie Roll Drive

The annual Tootsie Roll drive for the mentally disabled was held on May 5th & 6th at Gordy's downtown store and on May 26th & 27th at Farm & Fleet. Walmart was not able to let us come this year. We thank John Czech for making the arrangements for this drive. He spends a considerable amount of time contacting the grocers, calling members to help, and setting up the schedules. Thanks to all who volunteered to help with this very worthwhile project. This year they collected \$3580.00 compared to \$3321.00 last year. The net profit was \$2485.00 after the Tootsie Rolls and supplies were paid for. This was \$160.00 more than last year. The net proceeds are given to The Friends of Jesus Group, Special Kids Day, and the Special Friends Group.

Bingo

Bingo proceeds are what oils the machinery of our Charity programs. Jeff Smiskey tells us that it went very well last year and he thanks the many brother Knights who helped. Jeff is stepping down from being the person who is responsible for the Bingo operation and he is trying to split up the responsibilities among several brother knights. We need more brother knights to step up and help take this over. With more people involved it will not be as heavy a burden for any one person. They are still looking for someone to take over the Popcorn Wagon responsibilities.

Bingo will be starting on Friday, September 7th

We give a big Thank You to Jeff Smiskey for his many years of heading this program up and his countless hours spent doing it. We also give a Thank You to Jane Smiskey and her crew for running the kitchen concessions these past years since Gene Goettl stepped down from doing it. We also thank Sharon Gilles for helping regularly in the kitchen. We are still looking for someone or some group to take the kitchen concessions over.

If you have any suggestions, please let Grand Knight Kevin VanDen Heuvel know.

Charity Raffle Report

The Charity Raffle drawing was held at the Knights of Columbus State Convention on Saturday, April 28th. Ticket sales were down statewide by 2.8 %. 121,345 tickets were sold bringing \$606,725 in gross receipts. Our local ticket sales were up from last year. Our Council sold 990 tickets grossing \$4950.00. There were winners from Chippewa Falls and the surrounding area. Ruth and Aaron Jenneman from Chippewa won \$1000.00. There were also \$1000.00 winners from Menomonie and Cameron, WI. The \$50,000.00 winner was Gary Geisler from Onalaska, WI. The \$25,000.00 winner was Constance Mara, from Wauzka. The \$15,000.00 winner was Brian Opsal, in Geona City. Our money will be used for local charity needs. We can also request monies for our local charities from the State Fund. Thanks to all who purchased tickets and to those who sold tickets. Thanks also to Paul Nevins for accepting the position of Charity Fund Coordinator and a Thank you to Ken Rapienski for handling this position for numerous years.

Fourth Degree News

There will be a Fourth Degree Exemplification held in New Richmond, WI on Saturday, September 29th. Please contact Sir Knight Joe Oberweis if you would like to become a member of the Patriotic degree in the Knights of Columbus. To join the 4th degree you must be a 3rd degree Knight in good standing. Fourth Degree Knights with Regalia can participate in Honor Guards for funerals, 1st Communions, Confirmations and other events where the Bishop is attending. We also have Honor Guards for Patriotic events such as the Memorial Day Parade.

Bucket Brigade in need of more volunteers

The Columbus Association tells us that they are in need of more volunteers for the Monday morning Bucket Brigade to clean up the hall after rentals. Jerry Eslinger is stepping down from leading this group because of health reasons. A number of the members are getting to the point of not being able to handle this task. The group usually meets at 8:00 am at the hall on Monday mornings to clean up after rentals. They are usually done by 10:00 am. They socialize with coffee and rolls when they are done. Please consider helping them out if you can. For more information contact Jerry Eslinger. We thank Jerry and all the Knights and Ladies who have done this valuable job over the years.

The Good of the Order Drawing

The name drawn for the Good of the Order at the June 4th meeting was Lee Marks and he was present to collect. The name drawn at the July 2nd meeting was Tom Eder and he was not present to collect.