



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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## Knights News

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### Grand Knight's Report



#### From Worthy Grand Knight Scott Ozella

\*We discussed a flooring replacement project for the hall to start this summer. The bid from Ralph's was \$18,000, which we cannot afford, even with "TIF" money from the City. Several members have volunteered to do the work, which involves installing commercial vinyl planks over the existing tiles and through the bar area after removing the carpet. The project is planned to start June 22<sup>nd</sup> and should cost less than \$8,000.

\*We voted to donate \$1500 to Fr. Julius' school in Uganda.

\*We voted to donate \$500 to the "Jammin For Jaxon" fundraiser.

\*We voted to distribute our \$5800 from the ID drive to the following organizations: Association for Developmentally Disabled – Eureka, Ann Benjamin Handicapped Children Summer Camp – Pekin, Miller Home – Pekin, Schramm Education Center – Pekin, Family Resources Center - Peoria.

\*We will be conducting a First Degree initiation on Wed April 17<sup>th</sup> before our regular meeting. Please try to recruit some potential members. Ideally, we need an approval vote at our March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

\*The ID drive this year will be the weekend of Sept 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>. This should avoid conflict with the Cub Scout popcorn sale.

\*We will be serving kid's meals of grilled cheese, chips & drink for \$5.00 at the Lenten fish fry.

\*We are considering a change of meeting nights. If you have any input on that, please come to the meeting or discuss it with one of our officers.

## Upcoming Events

**\*Fri. March 1<sup>st</sup> – Hall rental**

**\*Wed. March 6<sup>th</sup> – Ash Wednesday, meetings to start 15 minutes after Mass ends.**

**\*Fri. March 8<sup>th</sup> – Lenten fish fry!**

**\*Fri. March 15<sup>th</sup> – Lenten fish fry!**

**\*Wed. March 20<sup>th</sup> – KC business meeting.**

**\*Fri. March 22<sup>nd</sup> – Lenten fish fry!**

**\*Fri. March 29<sup>th</sup> – Lenten fish fry!**

**\*Wed. April 3<sup>rd</sup> – Columbus Club & KC Officer's meeting @ 7:00 pm.**

## Vocations

### Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP)

(From Knights of Columbus Supreme web site) <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/vocations/rsvp/index.html>

Through the Knights of Columbus Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP), councils, assemblies and Squires circles “adopt” one or more seminarians or postulants and provide them with financial assistance and moral support. **Please pray for the seminarian we are currently supporting. His name is Jonathon Swoik.**

### Vocation Scholarships

(From Knights of Columbus Supreme web site) <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/vocations/scholarships.html>

An applicant with appropriate ecclesiastical approval, having been accepted at a major seminary, and studying for an (arch) diocese or religious institute in the United States, its territories, or Canada, is eligible. Preference is given, although not exclusively, to applicants who are members of the Knights of Columbus or whose fathers are members.

Scholarship applications are available after March 1st and completed applications with supporting documents must be received by June 1st.

Mail to: Department of Scholarships  
Knights of Columbus  
1 Columbus Plaza  
New Haven, CT 06510-3326

## A Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, bless Your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. Give those You have called to the married state and those You have chosen to live as single persons in the world the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of Your Son so that in Him, with Him and through Him we may love You more deeply and serve You more faithfully, always and everywhere. With Mary we ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## Membership

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to men 18 years of age or older who are practical (that is, practicing) Catholics in union with the Holy See. This means that an applicant or member accepts the teaching authority of the Catholic Church on matters of faith and morals, aspires to live in accord with the precepts of the Catholic Church, and is in good standing in the Catholic Church. If you are interested in joining the Knights to further live out your faith as a Catholic man contact us at the following:

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PO Box 263  
Washington, Illinois, 61571  
[info@kofc6707.org](mailto:info@kofc6707.org)  
(309)-745-5621

## Fundraising

There are a variety of ways that the Knights raise money to support our charities.

- Monthly Fish Fry
- Annual Collection for the Intellectually Disabled (AKA Tootsie Roll Collection)
- Occasional Pork Chop Sales (Summer)
- Hall Rentals

One of the many ways you as a fellow Knight can help is to volunteer for one of these events.



### Fish Fry Schedule....

Every Friday of Lent, starting March 8<sup>th</sup> – open to the public

## Insurance

### Knights of Columbus Insurance

Since our founding in 1882, the primary mission of the Knights of Columbus has been to protect families from the financial ruin caused by the death of the breadwinner. In the beginning, Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney and his fellow Knights “passed the hat” to benefit widows and orphans. From that humble start, the Order has grown to include top-rated life insurance, long-term care insurance and retirement products. With more than \$90 billion of insurance in force and a full-time field force of more than 1,400 serving our members and their families, we are proudly fulfilling Fr. McGivney’s vision. To learn more about insurance or our products, please visit The Knights of Columbus National Web Site for more detailed information <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/insurance/index.html>

## Prayers

Dear brothers please pray for the following people....

**\*\*Please keep the following members & families in your prayers: Joe & Barb Crumrine, Pat Ozella, Jacquie Hurd, Wilma Opsomer, Bob Knapp, Denny Doolan, Joan McGlaughlin, Deacon Joe Venzon, Bob Gover family, and Deb Tranel.**

Email to [info@kofc6707.org](mailto:info@kofc6707.org) anyone in need of prayers.

## Knights of Columbus Prayer

O Almighty and Eternal God, Lord of the Universe, sustain us; we beseech Thee, o'er the course of "life's tempestuous sea." Keep us, we pray Thee, secure within the Bark of Peter, ever trustful of Christ and His Vicars to guide us along the ways of peace and prosperity. May Jesus, Our Savior, preserve us in the unity of the Holy Faith and confirm our hopes of sharing its treasures with America. Send forth the power and love of the Holy Spirit, that we may be blessed in our efforts to set forth Thy glory in this land under the patronage of Mary's Immaculate Conception. Let our Fraternity flourish in justice and charity and give eternal praise and glory to the Most Holy Trinity. Be mindful of each of our brothers, departed, and receive them into the heaven of eternal peace.

Amen.

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