



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



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GRAND KNIGHT'S NOTES

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Have you asked an eligible Catholic gentleman to join our ranks lately? The next 1st degree will be at the Jan. 25 regular meeting. Recruit a candidate and bring him to the meeting.

In this "Year of the Volunteer" there have been many successful council events, such as the pancake breakfast held on Jan. 10. Thanks to those who volunteered their time and to those who came to eat. There are many events coming up this spring from major degrees to fund-raisers, such as the upcoming Lenten fish fry, that provide opportunities to volunteer. The calendar is filling up and I hope the sign-up sheets will, as well.

Congratulations to Jim Pickert, who recently received the Shining Armor Award for recruitment.



DUES REMINDER

If you haven't paid your dues, please do so as soon as possible. Also, don't forget to update your personal information and consider a donation to the 50/50 drawing. The drawing helps fund many of the council's projects.

FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

Contact: *Rick Moore*

Upcoming exemplifications: March 6 in Topeka; and June 12 in Wichita. Contact Rick Moore or Vince Hammerl for more details.

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- The baby shower for Jesus during December was a success thanks to the generosity of Sacred Heart parishioners. The items were donated to Birthright of Emporia. Birthright also received proceeds from the Jan. 10 pancake breakfast.
- Please remember the unborn in your prayers as we near the Jan. 22 anniversary of the Roe v. Wade decision which legalized abortion in the United States. Once again this year, the Knights will celebrate life by presenting a gift to the parents of the first baby born on Jan. 22 at Newman Regional Health.
- There is a need to add a member to the degree team(s) – both 1st and 2nd. Contact Marvin Tajchman (342-9447) for more information. To be successful in recruiting, we need a degree team with dedicated members. Think about it and make the call.
- Want to receive the newsletter via e-mail? Contact Ron Dinkel (dinkel@cableone.net) or Vince Hammerl (nuhusker@sbcglobal.net). It can also be viewed on the council's web site.

NEW MEMBERSHIP PUSH

The 1st Degree scheduled for January will be the final opportunity to install new members before the 2nd and 3rd Degrees on Feb. 28 in Olpe. If you've been waiting to invite someone to join the ranks of the Knights, now is the time to do it in advance of the January degree.

The state council will award prizes to the top three recruiters in the state consisting of:

- 1st place prize is a Large Traeger Pellet Grill complete with a bag of pellets and \$300 worth of steaks.
- 2nd place prize is a Large Traeger Pellet Grill without the amenities.
- 3rd place prize is a beautiful encased BBQ tool set.

STATE BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Feb. 19 – 20, Feb. 26 – 27 and March 5 – 6 in Newton. Contact Vince Hammerl for more information.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Jan. 17 Free Throw Contest, 1 p.m., Emporia H.S.
- Jan. 25 Business Meeting, rosary at 6:30 p.m., First Degree at 7 p.m. prior to meeting
- Feb. 7 District Free Throw Contest, 1 p.m., Sacred Heart Parish Hall
- Feb. 8 Officer's meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- Feb. 22 Business Meeting, rosary at 6:30 p.m., First Degree at 7 p.m. prior to meeting
- Feb. 28 2nd and 3rd Degrees, 12:30 p.m., Olpe
- Mar. 12 Lenten Fish Fry, time TBA
- Mar. 21 Luncheon for Altar Society Recognition, after 11 a.m. Mass
- Mar. 28 Sausage & biscuit breakfast

FAMILY OF THE MONTH



January – Bob Baumer family

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January – Fr. Emmanuel