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**August 2015**

## **GRAND KNIGHT'S NOTES**

By Rolland Trahoon, Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

*The last few weeks of summer have been anything but lazy and relaxing for the Knights. I want to thank everyone (including spouses and family members) who helped in any way with events such as the State Golf Tournament, Sacred Heart ice cream social and the ESU Back-to-School Block Party. Many members continue to assist with on-going tasks such as building maintenance and upkeep, landscaping, moving items, etc.*

*There are plenty of opportunities to help with upcoming events if you're a member looking to be more involved. The monthly breakfast schedule resumes Sept. 13 and the annual Tootsie Roll Drive is the second weekend in October.*



## **KNIGHT OF THE MONTH**

August – Alan Mount



## **FAMILY OF THE MONTH**

August– Gene / Jolene Ohlman

## **BUILDING PROJECT DONATION**

The council voted this summer to pledge \$5,000 to pay for a stained glass window in the new north entrance to the church. This is a big commitment for the council and we will be working hard in the next few years to have fund-raising events. It's expected to be installed in time for the formal dedication on Sept. 12.

## **DISTRICT KNIGHT OF THE YEAR WRAPUP**

Rolland Trahoon was recognized as the Knight of the Year in our district for the 2014-15 fraternal year. Congratulations, Rolland! District Deputy Mark Runge presented Rolland with a plaque at the Aug. 24 meeting.

## **TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE**

The weekend of Oct. 10-11 is the annual Tootsie Roll Drive. Once again Dave McGill and Robert Stewart are chairing this event. Please give an hour or two to help those in our community with developmental disabilities. The Knights will be distributing Tootsie Rolls on Oct. 10 at Wal-Mart, Price Chopper, Dillons and CountryMart and at all masses that weekend.

Eighty percent of the net proceeds are distributed locally with the remainder benefiting the Kansas Special Olympics state basketball tournament.

## **KNIGHTS NOTES**

- Kirby Smith is heading up the construction of the Habitat for Humanity house at 117 Mechanic. He said the Knights are a big supporter of Habitat for Humanity nationwide and invited Knights to help with the local project. Contact Kirby at 481-1678 for details.
- Mark Runge recently finished his two-year term as Grand Knight and has taken over the duties as District Deputy. The district includes councils in Emporia, Olpe, Pilsen/Marion and Burlington.
- The 2016 Second/Third Degree advancement for our area is scheduled for Feb. 28, 2016.
- The annual family picnic will not be held this fall due to poor attendance in recent years. Last year we combined the event with the Olpe council.
- The state-wide Religious Education raffle is underway. The event raises funds which are distributed to parishes for their religious education programs. Once again our council has been asked to sell nine \$100 tickets. They are going fast and only four remain. Multiple people can go together to purchase a ticket and anyone can purchase one, not just Knights.



## **STATE GOLF TOURNAMENT WRAPUP**

Thanks to all members and spouses who helped with the K of C State Golf Tournament in late July. There were 104 golfers who played.

Next year's tournament is in Salina and our council has expressed an interest in being the host council in 2017 or 2018.

Chairman Gene Ohlman and the committee worked hard for several months to ensure the event was successful. The event not only brings our council together for a major event but it provides funds for our ongoing projects in the parish over the next couple of years.

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- Sept. 13 Breakfast in the parish hall (biscuits & gravy)
- Sept. 15 Officer's meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- Sept. 28 Regular meeting – Rosary at 6:30 p.m. followed by meeting at 7 p.m.
- Oct. 4 Breakfast in the parish hall
- Oct. 10-11 Tootsie Roll Drive
- Oct. 13 Officer's meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- Oct. 26 Regular meeting – Rosary at 6:30 p.m. followed by meeting at 7 p.m.



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