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**December 2014**

### **FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The Knights of Columbus will hold the local Free Throw Championships on Sunday, Jan. 11, 2015. The competition will be held at the Emporia Middle School gymnasium from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Participants can come and shoot anytime during that time period.

The contest is open to all boys and girls in the community ages nine to 14. Age eligibility is determined by the age of the contestant as of Jan. 1. Entry forms will be available on site on the date of the contest. There is no entry fee.

Cruz Jasso is chairing this event and needs about six volunteers to assist him. Contact Cruz if you can help by calling 342-7075 or 344-2451.



### **REFLECTING ON 2014**

As the year draws to an end it's a good time to reflect on the past year. The Knights have supported the parish and community in numerous ways with time, talent and treasure:

**January:** Council free throw championships.  
Roe vs. Wade anniversary – \$50 gift certificate to the family of the first baby born Jan. 22.

**February:** Recognized Richard Haag as Knight of the Year and Marvin & Mabel Gast as Family of the Year.  
Raised \$1,477.50 for council activities and gave the same amount in prizes in the annual 50/50 drawing.

**March:** New Second and Third Degree members are George Rodriguez, Mark Ludlow, Mark Hogan, Steve Harmon, Jeff Williams and William Remington.

**April:** Men's Night Out returned as a social & fundraiser.  
Provided manpower and vehicles to assist with Father Rich's and Father Tom's moves.  
Gave \$500 to each of our adopted seminarians.

**May:** Senior Recognition Breakfast.  
Assisted with Birthright rose sales.  
Displayed flags at Sacred Heart Cemetery on Memorial Day.  
Representatives attended the State K of C Convention.  
Led the rosary before weekend masses.  
Elected officers for the 2014-15 fraternal year.  
Gave medallions to all First Communion recipients.

**June:** Cooked meat and set up tables/chairs in the parish hall for the celebration of the Feast of the Sacred Heart.  
Grilled hot dogs for the religious education students.  
Assisted with hospitality for the celebrant singers.

**July:** Members participated in the state golf tournament.  
Photos and video of the rectory move were posted in the Knights in Action section of *Columbia* magazine's web site.  
Portable grill repaired and repainted courtesy of Kevin Nelson.



**August:** Received notice Emporia will be the site of the K of C State Golf Tournament in 2015.

Set up tables/chairs for the ice cream social. Club members also conducted bingo.

Cooked and served 600 hot dogs at the ESU Back-to-School Block Party.

First degree – new members: Curtis Simons, Robert Strait, Jon Vopata and Wesley Weishaar..

**September:** Movie night at the hall – "ET the Movie."  
Monday Night Football in the hall.

**October:** Olpe and Emporia council's -- first joint family picnic in Emporia.  
Tootsie Roll Drive – raised nearly \$3,000 for CHRISM and local Special Olympics.

Led the rosary at weekend masses.

Assisted in the distribution of Baby Bottles for Birthright.

Sold nine \$100 tickets for the Knights' statewide religious education raffle. Part of the proceeds are returned to Emporia to support religious education programs.

First degree initiation – new members: Alex Mosakowski and Curtis Wilhelmson.

**November:** Set up the tables/chairs for the fall festival and assisted with cleanup. The Knights provided gift certificates for the raffle.

Displayed flags on Veteran's Day at Sacred Heart Cemetery.  
Donated a food basket at Thanksgiving.

**December:** Donated \$100 to the reconstruction of the Father Juan Padilla monument near Council Grove.  
Purchased & packed Christmas candy for Sacred Heart School.

**On-going:** Six Sunday breakfasts and a ham & bean supper.  
Maintain and update the council web site.  
Landscaping around the Knights hall.  
Publish a monthly newsletter.  
Solicit sponsors to help defray costs of publishing a newsletter.  
Two meetings monthly (officers and general membership).  
Recognize Knight of the Month and Family of the Month.  
Assist the parish as needs arise.



### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- Dec. 25 Christmas Day
- Jan. 1 New Year's Day
- Jan. 11 Free Throw Contest, 1 to 2:30 p.m.  
Emporia Middle School gymnasium
- Jan. 13 Officer's meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- Jan. 18 Breakfast in the Parish Hall
- Jan. 26 Regular meeting – Rosary at 6:30 p.m.  
Followed by meeting at 7 p.m.
- Feb. 15 Breakfast in the Parish Hall

*No officer's or regular council meetings in December.*

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