

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



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## FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Knights of Columbus will hold the local Free Throw Championships on Sunday, Jan. 10, 2016. The competition will be held at the Emporia Middle School gymnasium from 1 to 2:30 p.m. The gym will open at 12:30 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.

The District Championships will also be at the Emporia Middle School on Feb. 14 (same times as above).

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 2015**

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:

January: Council free throw championships.

Roe vs. Wade anniversary – \$50 gift certificate to the family of the first baby born Jan. 22.

The council had a mass each month dedicated to all Knights and family members who are deceased.

**February:** Recognized Rolland Trahoon as Knight of the Year and Larry & Linda DeDonder as Family of the Year. Raised \$1,577.50 for council activities and gave the same amount in prizes in the annual 50/50 drawing. District free throw championships.

**March:** Assisted with the Boy Scout Spaghetti Supper. Men's Night Out at Kevin Nelson's building.

**April:** Planning continued leading up to the Kansas State K of C Golf Tournament in July.

**May:** Senior Recognition Breakfast. Assisted with Birthright rose sales.

Assisted with moving items for Altar Society's Rummage Sale. 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 2015-16 fraternal year.

Welcomed Kevin Hanlin as a First Degree member.

Gave medallions to 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.

**July:** Was the host council for the state golf tournament. In addition to coordinating a practice day and two rounds of tournament golf, the council provided two meals at the course and had a reception for 104 players from throughout Kansas. Past Grand Knight Mark Runge finished his two year term and became District Deputy.

**August:** Rolland Trahoon was named Knight of the Year for the district.

The council pledged \$5,000 to pay for a stained glass window in the new north entrance to the church.

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

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

**September:** Members continued to assist with the Habitat for Humanity house build.

#### October:

Tootsie Roll Drive – raised nearly \$2,900 for CHRISM and local Special Olympics.

Led the rosary at weekend masses.

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

Welcomed three members who transferred their membership to our council – Bob Hutchins, Matt Coleman and Al Bauman. Received the Columbia Award for council efforts in recruitment, membership retention, and insurance program participation.

**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. Welcomed Michael McMurphy as a First Degree member.

**December:** Purchased & packed Christmas candy for Sacred Heart School.

The council continued its support of our two adopted seminarians by provided \$500 scholarships to each.

**On-going:** Monthly Sunday breakfasts September through April in the parish hall.

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. 10 Free Throw Contest, 1 to 2:30 p.m. Emporia Middle School gymnasium

• Jan. 10 Breakfast in the Parish Hall

• Jan. 12 Officer's meeting, 5:30 p.m.

• Jan. 25 Regular meeting – Rosary at 6:30 p.m. followed by meeting at 7 p.m.

• Feb. 7 Breakfast in the Parish Hall



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