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### DUES

There are still quite a few people who have not yet paid their 2016 council dues, and some who haven't paid for 2015 yet! Please remember - a majority of your council dues go to the Supreme Council, the State Council, and for the R I B program:

Dues Breakdown -

Supreme Per Capita	\$3.50
Catholic Advertising	\$1.00
Culture of Life Fund	\$2.00
State Per Capita	\$6.00
R I B	\$7.50
Council Operations	\$10.00

**TOTAL \$30.00**

We still have to pay these assessments on members, even if they don't pay their dues!

If you have not paid up yet, please send a check, made out to "K of C Council 1339" to:

Harry Schieber  
 145 South Grand Ave.  
 Maryville, MO 64468

### P.A.T. VAN PROGRAM

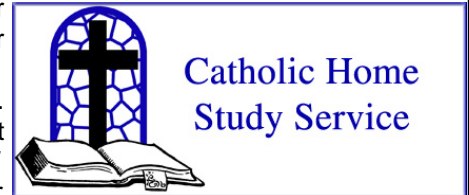
Many of you know about, and have volunteered to help with, our partnership with the Nodaway County Ambulance District to provide rides home from the hospital for mostly elderly people who have no one else to take them, "after hours" (6:00 PM to 6:00 AM Monday-Friday and all day Saturday and Sunday) using the P.A.T. van. We are providing transportation for those who would otherwise need to call an ambulance to take them home. An ambulance ride costs \$250, and we are providing them the service for \$40 (and even less than that due to money provided by the Senior Center). Plus, in terms of public safety, tying up an ambulance to make a non-emergency run was endangering the lives of all Nodaway County citizens in need of emergency services.

We have been doing this program since January, and so far everything has been working out great. We always have two-men teams go out on these runs. Rick Smail pairs two Knights together and "assigns" them to be on call for one week (begins on Sunday and runs through Saturday). Once your week is done, you go on as the "back-up team" for the following week. If any of the 4 Knights (either on call or back-ups) are unavailable, Rick Smail and/or Bill Florea will cover it.

As I noted, many Knights have signed up to help but we could still use more! The more Knights we have signed up to help, the less often you will be assigned a week to cover. If you haven't done so yet, please contact Grand Knight Smail. You will need to fill out paperwork to have a background check done. This program is providing a very valuable service to our community!

### CHARITY

- Conception Abbey - \$100 for their annual Lenten Appeal.
- R I B - (*approximately*) \$1,300 to meet our 100% quota - R I B stands for Religious Information Bureau and \$7.50 of your dues goes to fund this program which provides information for non-Catholics wanting to learn more about our Faith, and provides continuing education courses for Catholics interested in deepening or refreshing their understanding of our Faith. Please visit [www.amm.org/chss.htm](http://www.amm.org/chss.htm) for additional information or to sign up for a *FREE* course.
- D.A.R.E. - \$250 to be a "Diamond" level sponsor of the Maryville D.A.R.E. program.
- Baby Bottle Campaign - \$2,796 was raised which will go to the state's Meet Life Program. In 4 years this program has documentation showing over 4,500 babies (and counting) have been saved from being aborted after their abortion minded mother viewed an ultrasound of the life growing inside of them.
- American Wheelchair Mission - \$150 which will purchase one wheelchair for a person in need. In all likelihood it will go to someone in a developing country, where one wheelchair is a life-changing gift to the recipient, but also for the 10 people (on average) it takes to care for them now.
- Several Knights helped our Ladies Auxiliary with their Mardi Gras brunch. The food was delicious!
- We did an evening of "Horse Races" for St. Gregory's School which raised about \$1,000 for them. Many thanks to Ron Mathias for chairing this program.
- We served lunch for the Special Olympics athletes who participated in the basketball tournament at Bearcat Arena. (See pictures of Page 3). Our council has voted to not only serve the meal next year, but we will pay for and prepare it as well.
- Thank you to everyone who has brought canned goods to our meetings. Rick Smail has been taking them to the Maryville Food Pantry. They are keeping track of how many pounds we donate. If we reach 1,000 lbs., we can get a \$100 "rebate" through the Supreme Council.
- And once again, many thanks to Harry Schieber for transporting the canned goods collected at church in January - March to the Maryville Food Pantry.



## YOUTH EVENTS

The Spring time is always our busiest time of year in terms of Youth events.

- Feb. 6 - Youth Basketball Tournament - Thanks again to the planning and coordination by chairman Rick Smail, our Youth basketball tournament was once again a great success! This year, several members stepped up and agreed to volunteer to referee games so we didn't have to pay officials, and we saved over \$400 in expenses (compared to last year). Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help!
- Feb. 14 - KofC Free Throw Championship - We once again hosted our council competition, and then followed that up with the District contest. Many thanks to Rick Rogers who chaired this year's event. We would like to thank all of those who showed up to help with this contest.
- Council Scholarship - Our council will once again provide a \$500 scholarship to a graduating HS Senior (who plans on continuing their education in the fall) who attends St. Gregory's, St. Benedict's (Burlington Junction) or St. Paul's (Tarkio). If you know a HS senior who would be eligible, make sure you let them know and encourage them to apply. Applications must be submitted by April 1. (Applications are available at Church, or you can contact Scholarship Chairman Mike Grudzinski.)

## STATE CONVENTION

We will once again have four members representing our council at this year's State Convention, which will be held April 24-26 in Jefferson City. PGK Rick Rogers and DGK Robert Rice were elected as our delegates. GK Rick Smail will serve as our Alternate Delegate. Ron Mathias will be attending in his role as District Deputy, as will State Program Director Mike Grudzinski.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Apr. 9 - 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification (KC Airport Hilton)
- Apr. 13 - First Degree (*Prior to meeting*)
- Apr. 13 - Monthly meeting (Knights Room)
- Apr. 22-24 - State Convention (Jefferson City - Capitol Plaza Hotel)
- May 11 - Monthly meeting (Steak Fry - Wives Invited)
- May 21 - Knights help needed to bartender at Trivia Night for St. Gregory's School
- June 8 - Monthly meeting (Knights Room)

**For the most up-to-date information on council activities, please visit our council web page [www.kofc1339.org](http://www.kofc1339.org) and click on "Upcoming Events"**



As noted above - on May 11 we will have our annual "Steak Fry / Officer Election" meeting. You and your wife (or a guest) are cordially invited to attend! The council will be grilling steaks, and each couple is asked to bring a salad or dessert to share. The cost of the steaks has not been determined yet but it will probably be \$5 or \$6 (whatever our cost is on them). The council will also provide beverages. We will have a brief meeting (to elect our slate of officers) and then enjoy an evening of fellowship and "horse racing" so make sure you bring a few dollars with you to bet on the ponies!

**LOCATION REMINDER** - We have decided to once again hold this event at the Mozingo Lake Youth Camp Multipurpose Building, instead of having it at our meeting area. This building is much larger, and it allows us more space to move around. Plus, it is enclosed so we don't have to worry about inclement weather. We can provide a map for you, and will have signage along the way, so you will not get lost. If you come to only one meeting this year, make it this one!



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER AT CARDINAL GLENNON CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL



Periodically I like to spotlight one state program, and since not many people around here know about our KofC Developmental Center at Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital in St. Louis, I thought you would be interested. As you may know, 1/2 of all money collected during our "Drive for Persons with Developmental Disabilities" (Tootsie Rolls) goes towards running this center which works with children who have a wide variety of developmental disorders.

This center was established in 1981 by State Council leaders who wanted to make a difference in the lives of children with special needs. A staff of 3 people was hired, and space was made within the hospital itself. From its small but promising beginnings, the Center continued to grow until finally in 2013 they moved out of the hospital into a separate building which has allowed them to see more patients and provide additional services. The center has grown from those first three employees to a staff of over 20 (plus a number of therapy dogs). Did you realize that this is the ONLY free-standing center dedicated to working with persons with developmental disabilities in the United States to have the Knights of Columbus in its name? Other points of pride: The initial wait time to get an appointment is 2 months, compared to the national average of 18 months. With the larger facility, almost double the amount of patients are seen annually. In 2014 the center was designated as an Autism Treatment Site by the Autism Treatment Network. Small miracles occur at this site every day, and it is in part thanks to the hard work of Knights from across Missouri.

## KEG OF SILVER



- January - \$42.50 Chad McCollough (present)  
Chad took home \$21.25
- February - \$28.25 - Dan Gallagher (not present)
- March - \$32.00 - Ray Schieber (not present)

Members who attend a meeting put \$0.25 into the pot. One name is drawn from a list of all council members. If he is present he takes home 1/2 of the pot, otherwise it rolls forward to the next month.







- New Members - Larry Job (not pictured)  
J.R. Kurz Kyle Wehner Adam Engeman

- Advanced through 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Degrees -  
Dick Van Vactor Tony Wilmes Patrick Jordan



Concessions were always busy



View from the Scorer's Table



Volunteer Referee Robert Rice

# Youth Basketball Tournament



# Free Throw Championship - Council and District Competition



Serving Lunch for Athletes and Coaches at the SOMO Basketball Tournament at Bearcat Arena



Past State Deputy Brad Grill



# Clergy Appreciation Dinner - Conception Abbey

Attendees enjoyed inspirational entertainment provided by several seminarian groups