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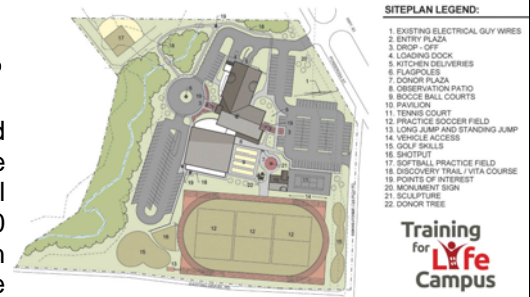
Winter 2015

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Financial Secretary - Harry Schieber
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**Special
Olympics**
Missouri



Training for Life Campus



As you may remember, for the past several years we have asked you to add an additional *voluntary* donation of \$10 to go to the State's Meet Life program when you paid your dues. With the Meet Life program in its final stages, we are now asking if you would be willing to add an additional \$10 to your dues to go to the Training for Life Campus which will be built in Jefferson City by Special Olympics Missouri. We have decided to go for the Bronze award which means a donation of \$25 per member (in the next 3.5 years). We are hoping to get such a good response from members that we reach the Silver (\$50 per member) or even Gold (\$100 per member) level! If we reach any of these levels, our council will be recognized on a plaque at the Campus, once it is built.

Space limitations will not allow me to go over all of the benefits this 44,000 sq. ft. \$15.8 million facility will provide to our Missouri Special Olympians, but it will not be limited to sports training only. The facility will allow for year round Sports Skills Development in a facility which will be made to meet the specific needs of Special Olympians, something which they do not have now. But it will also include a Sports Leadership Training Center and facilities where "Healthy Athletes" screenings can take place (Fit Feet, Healthy Hearing, Health Promotion, Special Smiles, Medfest, Opening Eyes, and Funfitness). Right now only about 6% of SOMO athletes receive a medical screening, but this facility will allow for every athlete who comes in to be examined. I could go on but I hope you can see the benefits this facility will provide.

So when you are paying your 2016 council dues, please consider adding an *additional* \$10 to go towards the SOMO Training for Life Campus.

You can pay your 2016 council dues at any time. Unless you are an "Honorary" or "Honorary Life" member*, please send a check for \$30 (or \$40 to support SOMO) to our Financial Secretary:

Harry Schieber
145 South Grand Ave.
Maryville, MO 64468

**Honorary members are those members who have reached their 65th birthday and have been a member for at least 25 consecutive years. Honorary Life members are those who have reached their 70th birthday and have been a member for at least 25 years. If you fall into either of these categories, please wait for your dues statement (if any) before sending in any money.*

CHARITY

- Our Drive for Persons with Developmental Disabilities went much better than last year as we collected over \$400 more than we did in 2014. After expenses (the cost of the Tootsie Rolls), we raised a total of \$1,448.52. (See pictures on Page 3)
- Thanks to our partnership with the Maryville JC Penney store, as well as donations by Rick Smail and Joe Barmann, we are providing warmth for many underprivileged children this winter by donating a total of 25 kids coats to Maryville Community Services. There is a box in JC Penney where donations are being collected for distribution next year. (You may also donate "gently used" kids or adult winter coats as well.)
- \$200 for the "Flight of the Seminarians" to bring them back to KC for the installation of Bishop Johnston.
- \$100 to "Benedictines of Mary, Queen of Apostles." This group of nuns moved into a facility near Gower just a few years ago. They are now building a new retreat house.
- We once again helped to set up and tear down for the annual Parish Dinner

LENTEN FISH FRIES

If there is one thing we seem to do right, which people enjoy, is our Fish Fries! It is getting to the place where people are asking us when we will be holding them! The only downfall seems to be in finding members to help work. This year we will be doing a total of four fish fries. Two will benefit our Council, and two will be run on a "Free Will" donation basis to benefit causes we support.



- #1 - February 12 (Council)
- #2 - February 26 (Maryville Pregnancy Resource Center)
- #3 - March 11 (Council)
- #4 - March 18 (Camp Quality)

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT REFEREES

We would like more Knights to volunteer to referee our Basketball Tournament on Saturday, February 6, so some Knights who referee HS basketball will be putting on a refereeing clinic sometime in January. Please attend this workshop and then volunteer to help out. (Last year we paid over \$400 to hire referees, and we hope we can lessen that expense significantly this year.)

NEW PROGRAM - PROVIDING TRANSPORTATION FOR ELDERLY PATIENTS BACK FROM THE HOSPITAL

Our council has reached an agreement (on a trial basis) with the Nodaway County Ambulance Board to provide transportation for (mainly) elderly patients who need a ride home from the hospital. Right now, if a patient is brought to the hospital after 6:00 PM, and then is dismissed without being admitted, they either need to call a friend or family member to come get them, or they must call the ambulance to transport them home. The cost for an ambulance call is \$250. The Ambulance Board approached the Knights about providing this service at a much reduced rate of \$40 per trip. So not only is this providing a much needed service to the community, but it will also be a way to earn funds for our council as well.

The way it will work is that two Knights will be paired together, and will be assigned to one calendar week (Monday-Sunday). If a patient needs a ride home anytime between 6:00 PM - 6:00 AM, those two Knights will be contacted by phone. They will both go to the Ambulance Barn to pick up the PATS van, go to the hospital, pick up the patient, take them home, then return the van to the Ambulance Barn. They are currently averaging about 2 such calls per month.

We are hoping to get at least 50 Knights to sign up because then the commitment would be for only two weeks per year for a Knight. Hopefully that is not too much to ask to provide this needed service for our elderly population.

If you have not already signed up, a form has been included in this email which you are asked to fill out and return to Grand Knight Rick Smail. (Please contact Rick on any questions you may have on this program.)

UPCOMING EVENTS OF NOTE

Please look over the calendar of events on the right column as this shows you what all we have planned for the rest of this Fraternal Year. Here are some events we hope that you highlight and put into your calendar:

- January 31 - There will be 2nd & 3rd Degrees at Conception Abbey. *All First Degree members are strongly encouraged to go through these Degrees!*
- February 6 - We will have our Youth Basketball Tournament at the Maryville Community Center
- February 7 - Our Ladies Auxiliary will need our help in doing the Mardi Gras Brunch.
- February 14 - Help will be needed with our Council Level, and District Level, Free Throw Contest
- Fish Fries - We will need your help on Feb. 12 & 26, and March 11 & 18. Please volunteer to help cook, serve or clean-up; plus we ask each member to bring a dessert to each Fish Fry.

2016 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan. 2-3 - Canned Goods for Food Pantry
Jan. 13 - Monthly Meeting (Knights Room)
Jan. 14 - First Degree (Conception Junction)
Jan. 16-17 - Baby Bottle Campaign (Distribute Baby Bottles at Masses)
Jan 23-24 & 30-31 - Collect Bottles from Parishioners
Jan. 30 - Serve Lunch at Special Olympics Basketball Tournament (Bearcat Arena)
Jan. 30 - Missouri Mavericks Hockey Game (Independence Center) *[State Council sponsored outing]*
Jan. 31 - 2nd & 3rd Degrees (Conception Seminary College)
Feb. 3 - First Degree (Maryville)
Feb. 3 - Monthly meeting (Knights Room) - **OFF SCHEDULE DUE TO ASH WEDNESDAY!**
Feb. 6 - 5th-6th Grade Boys & Girls Basketball Tournament (Maryville Community Center)
Feb. 6-7 - Canned Goods for Food Pantry
Feb. 7 - Help Ladies Auxiliary with Mardi Gras Brunch
Feb. 12 - Fish Fry #1 (Parish Hall)
Feb. 12 - Knights Lead "Stations of the Cross" (Church)
Feb. 14 - Knights Free Throw Contest (Parish Center)
Feb. 26 - Fish Fry #2 (for Maryville Pregnancy Resource Center) (Parish Hall)
Mar. 5 - Horse Racing Fundraiser for St. Gregory's School (Parish Center)
Mar. 5-6 - Canned Goods for Food Pantry
Mar. 9 - Monthly meeting (Knights Room)
Mar. 11 - Fish Fry #3 (Parish Hall)
Mar. 18 - Fish Fry #4 (for Camp Quality) (Parish Hall)
Apr. 9 - 4th Degree Exemplification (KC Airport Hilton)
Apr. 13 - Monthly meeting (Knights Room)
Apr. 22-24 - State Convention (Jefferson City - Capitol Plaza Hotel)
May 11 - Monthly meeting (Steak Fry - Wives Invited)
June 8 - Monthly meeting (Knights Room)

2015 IN REVIEW

As 2015 comes to a close, I would like you to remember your two brother Knights from our council who went to their heavenly reward this year - Vern Olsen & Bob Pope. God Rest Their Souls.

But I would also like to remind you of what successful year we had! First and foremost, we were active in recruiting new members to our council; we continued to support Pro-Life causes; we once again had a successful Drive for Persons with Developmental Disabilities; and we did many, many works of Charity.

On behalf of Council 1339

Merry Christmas!



KEG OF SILVER

October - \$46.25 James Graham (not present)
November - \$52.00 - Steve Miller (not present)
Steve was not present so names were drawn until a member in attendance was selected. Ron Mathias took home \$26.00!
December - \$32.75 - Kevin Barmann (not present)



M E M B E R S H I P



Austin Dexter Matt Sam



Scott



Bill

Thanks to recruiting efforts by several members, 8 new brother Knights have joined our council! Please help me in welcoming: Austin Barmann, Dexter Barmann, Matt Graham, Sam Geringer, Scott Nielson, Bill Florea, Tony Wilmes & Rosvic Galapin.

All 1st Degree Members are **strongly encouraged** to go through the 2nd & 3rd Degrees which will be held at Conception Abbey on January 31. These Degrees are only held once a year in our area.

All 3rd Degree Members are asked to consider joining the 4th Degree at an Exemplification on April 9, 2016 at the Airport Hilton in Kansas City. The Honoree will be Fr. Karl Barmann, and the Assembly will be paying the \$80 registration fee for you to go through.



Tony Rosvic



Many Knights and family members enjoyed our annual picnic (weenie roast) and hay ride hosted by Ron & Carla Spire



This was the first year our council hosted the Knights Soccer Challenge which we did in conjunction with the Family Fun Fest.



We raised a total of \$1,448.52 during our annual Drive for Persons with Developmental Disabilities.