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**Special
Olympics**
Missouri



Training for Life Campus

This will be the last year that we are asking you to add an additional \$10 to your dues which will go towards the pledge we have made for the Special Olympics Missouri "Training for Life Campus" in Jefferson City. We have pledged to donate \$50 per member (over the 5 year pledge period) which puts us at the "Silver" medal level. The facility was completed this summer, and if you look on Page 3, you will see pictures of the facility and how they have already honored our council with a plaque recognizing us as a Silver medal sponsor. We still have quite a ways to go to reach our goal, so we ask that you please consider adding this extra amount to your dues.

I cannot overstate how wonderful this facility will be in helping Special Olympic athletes. There are several medical exam rooms, classrooms where life skills can be taught, an exercise room to teach about living a healthy lifestyle, a gymnasium which can be used for indoor sports and other activities, as well as meeting rooms which can be used by SOMO or outside groups.

So when you are paying your 2019 council dues, please consider adding an *additional* \$10 to go towards the SOMO Training for Life Campus.

You can pay your 2019 council dues at any time. Unless you are an "Honorary" or "Honorary Life" member*, please send your check for \$30 (or \$40 to support SOMO) to:

Mike Grudzinski
723 E. 7th St.
Maryville, MO 64468

(Make checks payable to
"KofC Council 1339")

**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

- \$2,500 for "Protect the Nest" (this amount was matched by the 4th Degree Assembly making for a total \$5,000 donation by the Knights).
- \$700 to go towards the new cassocks & surplices used by Altar Servers at St. Gregory's
- \$570 to purchase 2 cases of "Coats for Kids." This is being handled differently this year as all councils in the diocese are purchasing the coats for Catholic Charities, who is then distributing them. Their first delivery was 7 cases of coats to Tarkio and Burlington Junction.
- \$500 to support seminarian Sam Mellender, who is studying for Conception Abbey. (By giving him \$500, the Supreme Council will send us \$100 through their RSVP program.)
- \$50 to a group of nuns in New Jersey whose convent burned down.
- During our Drive for Persons with Developmental Disabilities (Tootsie Rolls), we made a profit of \$1,265.53. This means \$632.77 will be going to the KofC Developmental Center at Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital, and \$632.76 will be going to the Special Olympics Training for Life Campus.



LENTEN FISH FRIES



If there is one thing we seem to do quite well, it is our Fish Fries! We once again have 4 scheduled for this year (see below). However, due to the cost of fish rising **significantly** we have been forced to raise our prices (but people are still getting a good deal). Our prices are now \$10 for Adults (High School and up), \$5 for Elementary & Middle School students, and Free for those age 5 and under.

- #1 - March 8 (Council)
- #2 - March 15 (SOMO Training for Life Campus)
- #3 - March 29 (Council)
- #4 - April 12 (Camp Quality)

PASSING OF TWO MEMBERS IN 2018

This is always difficult to write but I must note that in 2018 we lost two members as they earned their heavenly reward.

Willie Zirfas (January 8)
Stan Waldeier (March 14)

Please keep their families in your prayers this holiday season as I'm sure their presence will most certainly be missed at their family gatherings.



2018-19 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December

30 - 5th Sunday Rosary (8:00 AM Mass)

January

5-6 - Canned Goods for Food Pantry

9 - Monthly Meeting (Knights Room)

10 - Admission Degree (Conception Junction)

19 - 5th-6th Grade Boys & Girls Basketball Tournament (Maryville Community Center)

26 - SOMO Basketball Tournament - Council Provides Lunch (Bearcat Arena)

27 - Formation & Knighthood (2nd & 3rd) Degrees (Conception Seminary College)

February

2-3 - Canned Goods for Food Pantry

10 - Knights Free Throw Contest (Parish Center)

13 - Monthly meeting (Knights Room)

21 - Admission Degree (Stanberry)

March

2-3 - Canned Goods for Food Pantry

3 - Ladies Auxiliary host Mardi Gras Brunch

8 - Fish Fry #1 (Parish Hall)

8 - Knights Lead "Stations of the Cross" (Church)

13 - Monthly meeting [Admission Degree at 6:00 PM prior to meeting] (Knights Room)

15 - Fish Fry #2 (for Special Olympics Missouri Training for Life Campus) (Parish Hall)

17 - State Sponsored Pilgrimage to Conception Abbey

29 - Fish Fry #3 (Parish Hall)

31 - 5th Sunday Rosary (Mass TBA)

April

10 - Monthly meeting [Admission Degree at 6:00 PM prior to meeting] (Knights Room)

12 - Fish Fry #4 (for Camp Quality) (Parish Hall)

13 - 4th Degree Exemplification (KC Airport Hilton)

26-28 - State Convention (Jefferson City - Capitol Plaza Hotel)

May

8 - Monthly Meeting [Steak Fry - Wives Invited] (Youth Cabin at Mozingo)

9 - Admission Degree (Conception Junction)

June

13 - Monthly meeting [Admission Degree at 6:00 PM prior to meeting] (Knights Room)

30 - 5th Sunday Rosary (Mass TBA)

For the most up-to-date information on council activities, please visit our council web page www.kofc1339.org and click on "Upcoming Events"

INSURANCE UPDATE

Beginning in January, western Missouri will be combined with eastern Kansas and will all fall under one agency. We are still in need of a Field Agent for this area. Please be patient as this reorganization is completed.

50/50 RAFFLES AT MEETINGS

Beginning in August, we started doing a 50/50 raffle at meetings, as the "Keg of Silver" program was phased out. Congratulations to the following:

October: Russ Schuster \$9.00

November: Mike Grudzinski \$11.00

December: Art Filips: \$8.00

UPCOMING EVENTS

In January, February and March we have several very important events:

- * Jan 19 - Youth Basketball Tournament at the Maryville Community Center. Help is needed with Gate, Concessions and Clean-up.
- * Jan 25 - Special Olympics Basketball Tournament at Bearcat Arena. We will need help in serving lunch to the athletes and coaches.
- * Jan 26 - Formation & Knighthood (2nd & 3rd) Degrees will be held at Conception Abbey. All 1st Degree members are **STRONGLY ENCOURAGED** to go through these degrees. Current 3rd Degree members are also **STRONGLY ENCOURAGED** to attend as observers and support the Knights going through the Degrees.
- * Feb. 10 - We will be holding our annual Free Throw Contest in the Parish Center
- * Mar. 3 - Please support our Ladies Auxiliary when they do the Mardi Gras breakfast.
- * Mar. 17 - Knights from around Missouri will be gathering at Conception Abbey for a State Council sponsored Pilgrimage. I can't express enough how much I hope that you and your family will attend. You can meet Knights and families from around the state (literally in your own back yard) while experiencing time for spiritual reflection during the Lenten season.

2018 IN REVIEW

Under the guidance of Grand Knight Robert Rice, we have had a very successful 2018. We won a Service Program award at the State Convention for our PAT Van program. We were able to give a generous donation to the "Protect the Nest" program. We were also able to help out the parish by providing over 1/2 of the cost of the new Altar Server robes. We are closing in on concluding our Silver medal pledge of \$9,250 to SOMO's Training for Life Campus. We have once again "adopted" a seminarian to support in his priestly studies by providing him with \$500. We have sponsored two different Bible Study groups (one in Lent, and one that is running from August through next May). We really hope to have more faith and family programs as we begin to implement the new Faith in Action program recently introduced by Supreme. Great things are happening within our council. Please get involved!



Merry Christmas

Don't Be a **S**ilent **K**night
Recruit a New Member Today!
Give the gift of membership
this holiday season.



Family Picnic Hosted by Ron & Carla Spire

Knights-Only Open House at SOMO Training for Life Campus



Aerial View of Facilities



Special Olympics Athletes Demonstrate Bocce Ball on Practice Field



State Chaplain Fr. Ed Stanger
Knights-SOMO Liaison Mary Niswonger
State Deputy Bob Hawkins



Wall of Recognition of Knights Councils
Gold = \$100 Donated Per Member
Silver = \$50 Donated Per Member
Bronze = \$25 Donated Per Member



Thank you for Your Support!



Danny Schieber



Drive for Persons with Developmental Disabilities