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Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, our last two Lenten Fish Fries have been *postponed* until the crisis has passed

DUES

There are still quite a few people who have not yet paid their 2020 council dues. 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
<i>Council Operations</i>	<i>\$10.00</i>

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:

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

NOVENA FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC

I'm not sure how many of you realize this, but we lost our founder, the Venerable Servant of God Fr. Michael McGivney, to a viral pandemic 130 years ago. Plus we mourn and pray for those who are affected with this most current pandemic. Thus the Supreme Council is asking all Knights to pray a novena from March 15-23. I realize you are receiving this after March 15, but you are encouraged to start whenever you can:

O Mary, you always brighten our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain while remaining steadfast in faith. O loving Mother, you know what we need, and we are confident you will provide for us as at Cana in Galilee. Intercede for us with your Son Jesus, the Divine Physician, for those who have fallen ill, for those who are vulnerable, and for those who have died. Intercede also for those charged with protecting the health and safety of others and for those who are tending to the sick and seeking a cure. Help us, O Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who took upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows, so as to lead us, through the Cross, to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen. **Under thy protection we seek refuge, O Holy Mother of God. In our needs, despise not our petitions, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.**

NEW KNIGHTS INSURANCE FIELD AGENT

I am very happy to report that we now have a Field Agent assigned to our council!

Christian Ryan

Phone: 913-674-6547

Email: christian.ryan@kofc.org

Please contact him for your Life Insurance needs

CHARITY

- \$250 to go to the Maryville / Nodaway County D.A.R.E. program
- \$500 to the Missouri Veterans Home in Cameron (where brother Knight Deacon (retired) Martin Schieber lives). Wayne Pierson serves on the board and gave a presentation to the council on what the board does, and how our donation will help provide additional services to those who have served our country so well!
- \$1,000 to brother Knight Josh Wilmes whose family experienced a fire. Thankfully they are all safe, but they sustained quite a bit of damage to a garage (which was completely destroyed) as well as its contents. Plus there is smoke and water damage to their house as well.
- 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.
- We were all set to serve lunch for the Special Olympics Missouri Basketball Tournament on January 11, only to have it cancelled due to a bad snowstorm which hit this area. Hopefully things will be better next year.
- Thank you to all members who helped to set up, serve, and/or eat at our Ladies Auxiliary Mardi Gras Brunch.
- Thank you to everyone who has brought canned goods to our meetings. They have helped to keep the shelves stocked at the Maryville Food Pantry.
- And once again, many thanks to Harry Schieber for transporting the canned goods collected at church in January - March to the Maryville Food Pantry.

UNIFIED DEGREES

I had noted in our last newsletter that Supreme was going to combine the old 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees into one Unified Degree and on January 15, it became official. Our council has been busy purchasing the items needed to put on this degree, and has put together a team which will present it. With the nation still dealing with COVID-19, we are unsure of when we will be able to present this new degree, but it should be soon (as there really is not a lot of close human contact involved in it). This degree will be used to bring all new Knights into the Order, but current 1st Degree Knights will also be asked to go through to elevate them to 3rd Degree status. These degrees have been written with men of the 21st Century in mind! Once we have additional information on a Degree date, we will be in contact with you.

YOUTH EVENTS

January - March is always our busiest time of year in terms of Youth events.

- Jan. 25 - Youth Basketball Tournament - Thanks to co-chairs Bryan Grow, Randy Buck and Chad McCollough, our Youth basketball tournament was once again a great success! Due to more people stepping forward to help, we made around \$3,000 in profit, which is well over what we did last year.
- Feb. 9 - KofC Free Throw Championship - We once again hosted our council competition and then followed that up with the District contest. Thanks to everyone who showed up to help out.
- Council Scholarship - Our council will once again provide a \$500 scholarship to a graduating HS Senior 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

Our council will be well represented with five members attending this year's State Convention, which will be held April 24-26 in Jefferson City. Ken Garner & Roger Laughlin were elected as our council delegates. Rick Rogers will be attending in his role as District Deputy; Ron (and Amy) Mathias as the Ladies Auxiliary Chair couple; and Mike Grudzinski who will be running for State Deputy.



KOFC ROYALS GAME

On June 27 the State Council will be hosting a Knights Game at the K as the Royals will be taking on the Cleveland Indians. Tickets are \$35, but that also includes a pre-game tailgate (burgers, brats, hot dogs, beans, chips, desserts) PLUS \$5.00 from each ticket will go to Special Olympics Missouri. We will have additional details as the time gets closer.

50/50 RAFFLES AT MEETINGS

At the end of each meeting we conduct a 50/50 raffle for those who wish to participate. Congratulations to the following winners.

* January: David Schieber \$9.00 (Donated back to the council)

* February: Ed Seipel \$8.00

* March: Buddy Mayfield \$8.50



This picture was taken at our March Meeting and will appear in the 2020 Parish Directory

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March

22 - Clergy Appreciation Dinner - CANCELLED

31 - 5th Sunday Rosary (Mass TBA)

April

8 - Monthly meeting (Knights Room)

18 - 4th Degree Exemplification (St. Therese Church in Parkville)

24-26 - State Convention (Jefferson City - Capitol Plaza Hotel)

May

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

31 - 5th Sunday Rosary (Mass TBA)

June

10 - Monthly meeting (Knights Room)

27 - "Knights Day at the K" - Royals will play the Cleveland Indians. Tickets are \$35 which includes a tailgate and \$5 donation to Special Olympics.

Fish Fry Makeup Dates

As noted on Page 1, once the COVID-19 Pandemic has been contained, we will reschedule our final 2 Fish Fries.

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

As noted above - on May 13 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 - This will once again be held at the Mozingo Lake Youth Camp Multipurpose Building. If you come to only one meeting this year, make it this one! And make sure to bring your wife (or a date).



Josh & Kim Lefeber



Ethan Herbek



C. Wiederholt, R. Laughlin, & B. Grow



Youth Basketball Tournament



Leading Stations of the Cross



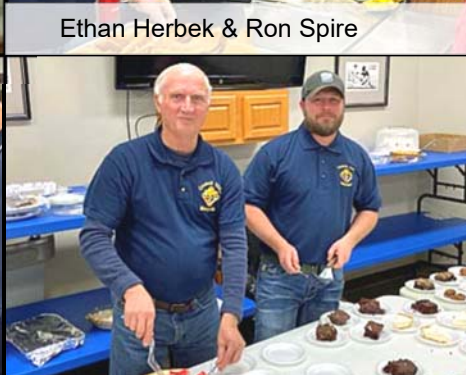
Ethan Herbek & Ron Spire



Sean Wiedmaier & Russ Schuster



L. Auffert, W. McConkey, & P. Heflin



John Myers & Jared Lane



Lenten Fish Fries

On March 7, State Deputy Bob Hawkins was the Honoree for the 4th Degree Exemplification in St. Louis. Bob has served on the State Council for 26 years, and has done many great things for the State. I was humbled to be asked to emcee the banquet. Pictured include: State Chaplain Fr. Ed Stanger, Michelle and myself, Bob Hawkins, District Master John Appelbaum and wife Carol, and Supreme Director Mick Gilliam.



4th Degree Exemplification in St. Louis