



# Knights of Columbus

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Grand Knight - Phil Smail  
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### 2023-2024 OFFICERS

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Trustee	Ron Spire
Trustee	Rick Smail
Financial Secretary	Mike Grudzinski
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### THANK YOU TO PAST GRAND KNIGHT ROGER LAUGHLIN

District Deputy Rick McMillen congratulates Roger Laughlin for his 2 years serving as our Grand Knight.

Our council presented Roger with a Past Grand Knight Pin to thank him for all he did in leading us the past 2 years.

You may not remember but when Roger took over, we were JUST coming out of most COVID restrictions. Mass attendance was quite low, and there were not many activities going on. Thanks to Roger's guidance, we have been able to resume our former activities, drop some activities which were no longer in our best interest, and add new ones.



### CONNOR WIEDERHOLT - MISSOURI KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS "YOUTH OF THE YEAR"

Connor Wiederholt, son of Clement and Rhonda Wiederholt, was named as the Missouri Knights of Columbus "Youth of the Year" at the recently held State Convention. (Pictures on Page 3)

Connor was recognized for helping at council fish fries, the Ladies Auxiliary Mardi Gras Brunch, volunteering at the local animal shelter, and for helping to pick grapes at the local winery several times each year. While in 7<sup>th</sup> Grade at Maryville Middle School, he earned 3 "paws of excellence" from his teachers, and he was asked to present his school leadership notebook to Teacher Education students from Northwest Missouri State.

This is actually the second "Youth Of The Year" award winner from our Council as in 2017 Peter Kempf, son of Mark & Michelle won. This speaks volumes about the outstanding youth from this area, and the guidance being provided to them by their parents, but by the St. Gregory parish community as well.

### OTHER STATE CONVENTION NEWS

Doug Kissinger was unanimously reelected as State Deputy, meaning Mike Grudzinski will continue to serve as the Immediate Past State Deputy. Ron Mathias was asked to continue on with his position as the Leadership Development Chairman. Our council was also fortunate enough to win a large crucifix in a raffle put on by the Kansas City - St. Joseph Knights Chapter. Shown below are Mike Grudzinski, Phil Smail and Ron Mathias accepting the award from the KC-SJ Chapter President, and where we have hung it in our meeting area.



### FISH FRY RESULTS

As it was noted in our Spring Newsletter, our Lenten Fish Fries continue to very successful, allowing us to raise more money for charitable causes.

- FF #1 - \$2,549 Profit (for our Council)
- FF #2 - \$3,341 Profit for "The Source" Medical Center\*
- FF #3 - \$1,843 Profit (for our Council)
- FF #4 - \$5,261 Profit for Special Olympics of Nodaway County (This includes a \$2,000 donation)

\*Based upon the amount of our donation, the Supreme Council will be donating an additional \$400 to "The Source" through their new ASAP Program (Aid & Support After Pregnancy.) We would like to thank everyone who helped out by working and/or donating desserts at our Fish Fries. By having both sit-down and drive-thru options, it takes help by many people to make these successful!

## CHARITY

- \$500 to St. Gregory's Kitchen for use for our Fish Fries
- \$1,400 to St. Gregory's Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program (THANK YOU to everyone who added \$10 to their dues payments for this.)
- \$750 to our Scholarship Winner Quinn Pettlon - shown to the right with Past Grand Knight Rick Smail. Quinn is the son of Michelle Pettlon and Kenneth Pettlon II, and will be attending Missouri S&T this Fall to pursue an engineering degree.
- \$500 to Annie & Larry Redford to help with medical expenses Annie is facing
- \$300 to book The Hangar for a showing of "Jonah and the Whale." Area youth will be able to view this movie for free during a summer showing. This project is being lead by member Mark Parra
- \$150 to the Heart of America Tractor Cruise to support Ed Seipel as he provides mechanical support to drivers along the way
- \$50 to Conception Abbey in memory of recently deceased member Todd Rickabaugh
- \$500 Grant from the Missouri State Council Monsignor Mancuso Catholic Education Funds went to St. Gregory's School (See Picture on Page 3)



## SPOTLIGHTING EVENTS FROM THE UPCOMING 2023-2024 FRATERNAL YEAR

Please look over the calendar on the right column as this gives you an overview of what we have planned for the upcoming Fraternal Year. Some events we hope that you highlight to put into your calendar:

- Drive for Persons with Developmental Disabilities - once again will we split the distribution at HyVee, Walmart and the Homecoming parade to one weekend (Oct 20-21), and our church distribution to the next weekend (Oct 28-29). We can **always** use more help for our Homecoming distributions.
- Knights Mass / Memorial Mass - We plan on holding this at the Saturday 5:00 services on November 4. At this Mass, all ministries (Servers / Lector / Sacristan / Eucharistic Ministers / Ushers) will be done by Knights, or Knight wives, or Ladies Auxiliary Members. Plus we will lead the Rosary, for our Deceased Members, prior to Mass.
- While this is not listed on our calendar to the right, it is something we are hopeful will happen sometime this summer. At Franklin Park there is a Bocce Ball "court" which currently consists of a gravel surface. Special Olympics of Nodaway County is working with the Maryville Parks Department to redo the court so it is made out of concrete. Once the concrete has been poured (and has cured), it will be covered with artificial turf, which was previously used on the Bearcat football field.  
We don't know if the Knights will be asked for manpower assistance with this, but if we are, we hope many of you will volunteer to help out.

## 2023-2024 *TENTATIVE* CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July

### **NO BUSINESS MEETING**

TBA - Officers Only Meeting

August

9 - Monthly meeting (Knights Room)

20 - Welcome Students BBQ (Newman Center)

September

6 - Monthly meeting (Knights Room) (*OFF SCHEDULE due to Parish "Reboot" Event*)

13 - Parish "Reboot" Event

TBA - Family Picnic / Officer Installation (Social Hour 6:00, eat at 7:00) (Location TBA)

October

8 - Pray Rosary - Time TBA (Monument to the Unborn)

11 - Monthly meeting (Knights Room)

20 - Distribute Tootsie Rolls at HyVee & Walmart

21 - Distribute Tootsie Rolls at NW Homecoming Parade

28-29 - Distribute Tootsie Rolls after all Masses

November

4 - Knights Memorial Mass at 5:00 PM Services (Rosary for Deceased Members Prior to Mass)

8 - Monthly meeting (Knights Room)

December

13 - Monthly meeting

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January

10 - Monthly Meeting (Knights Room)

TBA - Serve lunch for SOMO Basketball Tournament

TBA - KC State Event - Hockey Game at Missouri Mavericks

February

7 - Monthly meeting (Knights Room) (*OFF SCHEDULE due to Ash Wednesday*)

11 - Ladies Auxiliary Mardi Gras Brunch

14 - Ash Wednesday

16 - Fish Fry #1 (Parish Hall)

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

23 - Fish Fry #2 (for cause TBD) (Parish Hall)

March

8 - Fish Fry #3 (Parish Hall)

13 - Monthly meeting (Knights Room)

22 - Fish Fry #4 (for cause TBD) (Parish Hall)

29 - Good Friday / Founders Day

31 - Easter Sunday

April

10 - Monthly meeting (Knights Room)

13 - 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification (Kansas City) (*Date has not been confirmed yet*)

26-28 - State Convention (Columbia - Holiday Inn Convention Center)

May

8 - Monthly meeting (Steak Fry - Wives Invited)

June

12 - 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"**

## 50/50 RAFFLES AT MEETINGS

Winners (Each of them donated their winnings back)

\* April: Mike Driskell \$8.50

\* May: No Meeting (Steak Fry)

\* June: Roger Laughlin \$4.50





### CONGRATULATIONS!

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Connor is shown receiving his award from State Family Director Anthony Jansen and Immediate Past State Deputy Mike Grudzinski.



Maryville Members and Wives at the Convention Banquet



Matthew Henggeler & Danny Schieber



Curt & Lincoln Jeter



\$500 Grant to St. Gregory's School



Special Olympics Fish Fry Check



"The Source" Fish Fry Check