

# Grand Knights Report

Brother Knights and Ladies,

I hope everyone had a happy Easter and enjoyed their reward from our Lenten sacrifices. I recently drove from New Orleans to home. I enjoyed watching the progress of the leaves on the trees as I drove North. If you never give up your leaves you can't appreciate the sight of the trees being reborn. As we enjoy our time after Easter, let's not forget the Tuesday Perpetual Help Devotions. As we hope and pray for the news on Pentecost Sunday.

Recent activities at the hall include a children's and adult Easter egg hunt. These events were well attended, and I thank the clubroom committee for their fine work. The fish fry's during Lent were quite successful. An average of 230 dinners were served each week. The total profit should be close to 10,000. Thanks to all who helped out. 6 weeks of serving that many meals is a huge undertaking.

There are a few items of interest from the last meeting. The WIFI system at the hall is outdated. The price of an upgraded system is approximately \$2500. The knights voted to cover half the cost, with the clubroom picking up the other half. Price may be lower depending on how much of the work we self perform. Our regular Monday Queen of Hearts drawing may be supplemented with an online version. More details to follow. Next month's meeting will include the nomination of officers. If anyone is interested in serving as a council officer please let Todd Milner or myself know.

Fraternally, John Ziegler G.K.

## Thank You Section:

If you know of someone who deserves a little recognition, let John Ziegler or Bob Roth know and we will get them in the newsletter.

1. Eric and Cassie Coleman for organizing and running the kids and adult Easter Egg Hunt.
2. The shooting match workers. Danny Hahn, Adam and Ava Culley, Joe Missey, Bob and Debbie Roth, Marvin Williams, Vicky Moss, Linda Buxton and Phyllis Horn.
3. All the people who helped run the Lenten fish fries. Too many to mention but not enough Thank You's can be said.
4. All the people who helped on the Whole Hog Sausage Dinner. Again, too many names to mention but not enough Thank You's can be said.

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## E-mailing the Newsletter: IMPORTANT

Due to rising cost of printing and postage and with the increase of internet and e-mails we will no longer mail the Knights of Columbus newsletter starting in January 2024. Currently, you can either have the newsletter sent to your e-mail address or access the newsletter from our web site [www.desotoKofC.org](http://www.desotoKofC.org). If you want it sent to your email, I will need you to send me the e-mail address at [bddroth@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bddroth@sbcglobal.net).

## ***Columbia Ann's Report:***

May Birthdays:	Carol Newbury	5/7	Sandy Byrd	5/11
	Ginger (Schutte) Morter	5/15	Mabel Jennings	5/17
	Sharon Dickinson	5/27	Amylee Hellwig	5/30

Columbia Ann's:

We are off to a great start in Spring with lots of activities coming up. The Fish Fry did very well. We do not have final numbers yet, but it is looking like after cost around \$10,000. This will be split with the men as this is the agreement we made with them to take care of the fryers, cleanup of the outside, and cooking the fish. Huge thank you to the fish fry committee. Hoping your committee will all continue the fish fry in the coming years.

Asks during the meeting: Check on filter system in big hall- I asked Larry Krodinger and he said that there is a good filtration system to clear the smoke. Sometimes it might not be turned on right away. Cleaning of the hall prior to the fish fry set up on Thursday night- Larry has addressed this with the person who cleans on Thursday mornings. There had been a conflict with the persons work schedule so they were going to clean on Friday morning.

We had nomination of officers as all offices are open. If you wish to put your name in still for any of these positions please call or see Vicky Moss prior to the May meeting. At the May meeting we will vote on the positions if there are 2 or more running for any of the offices. Currently these are the ones who have stated they will run for the offices. Jenn and I are happy to help you the first 6 months are longer if you wish to have our positions.

President- Vicky Moss  
Vice President- Jodi- Haws  
Treasurer- Jenn Missey  
Secretary- Kayla Muzzey  
Trustee- Debbie Roth  
Trustee- Beth Novotny

Upcoming events:

April 29<sup>th</sup>- Shooting Match

May 12<sup>th</sup> through ??? for horseshoes (Concession stand for Columbia Anns) See Vicky Moss)

June 10<sup>th</sup>- Food for delivery for Howard Wagner golf tournament and Barber Shop Quartet that evening in big hall (see Vicky Moss)

June 18<sup>th</sup>- Catering small hall (birthday party) See Vicky Moss

July 1<sup>st</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration- See Vicky Moss for food tent

July 8<sup>th</sup> Catering for a 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding anniversary- upstairs (see Vicky Moss)

## **On Line Queen of Hearts:**

We will be setting up an online Queen of Hearts game. All tickets and drawings will be held online and all payments will also be made online. More information on how to access this will be in future newsletters but will be on the web page as soon as it is available. Anyone can buy tickets and play this game. This is being used by 2 organizations in Bloomsdale and they have had pots of over 100,000.00 dollars. The hall will keep 40% of the payout so this can be a very good and needed source of passive income with little involvement from us. This will not affect the Monday night Queen of Hearts drawing, the Q of H game on Monday will continue with no changes.

# May 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> Queen of Hearts Drawing	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Queen of Hearts Drawing	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Bingo 6:00	<b>11</b> Knights of Columbus and Columbia Anns meetings at 7:00 pm. Meal will be served	<b>12</b> Horseshoe League. Concession stand open	<b>13</b> Cajun Seafood Boil and Karaoke Night
<b>14</b> Mother's Day	<b>15</b> Queen of Hearts Drawing	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Bingo 6:00	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Horseshoe League. Concession stand open	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Queen of Hearts Drawing	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Bingo 6:00	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Horseshoe League. Concession stand open	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Memorial Day	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> Bingo 6:00			



# Upcoming Events:

**April 28<sup>th</sup>**

## K of C Council #1185 Golf Tournament

Our annual golf tournament is scheduled for Friday April 29<sup>th</sup> at Terre Du Lac in Bonne Terre.

**April 29<sup>th</sup>**

## Chigger Shoot

We will have a chigger shoot on Saturday April 29<sup>th</sup>. Food will be available from the kitchen.

**April 30<sup>th</sup>**

## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Breakfast

A 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday breakfast is planned for Sunday April 30<sup>th</sup> after the 7 am mass. For a small fee of \$5.00, you get a wonderful breakfast of bacon, sausage, eggs, potatoes, biscuits and gravy, pancakes, fruit cocktail, juice, coffee and milk. Breakfast is usually over by 9 am. Come out and enjoy a great breakfast at a great price.

**May 13<sup>th</sup>**

## Cajun Seafood Boil and Karaoke Night

On Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> we are having a Cajun Seafood Boil and Karaoke Night. For \$13 a plate you can have shrimp, sausage, corn potatoes and bread and for \$15 a plate you can have crawfish, shrimp, sausage, corn potatoes and bread. Serving from 3 till 7 and then karaoke night will follow. Come out for a unique dining experience and to have some fun Singing karaoke.

## May Birthdays:

Kevin Boyer	1 <sup>st</sup>	Howard Ott	1 <sup>st</sup>	Andrew C. Cain	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Richard Pelikan	5 <sup>th</sup>	Robert G. Spruell	6 <sup>th</sup>	George R. Krodinger	6 <sup>th</sup>
Mike Selsor	7 <sup>th</sup>	Richard H. Hardin	8 <sup>th</sup>	David W. Hahn	8 <sup>th</sup>
Joseph J. Kasmarzik	9 <sup>th</sup>	Lloyd R. Boyer III	10 <sup>th</sup>	Kevin Baisch	12 <sup>th</sup>
Terry L. Pinson	14 <sup>th</sup>	Dustin Schutte	15 <sup>th</sup>	Chad Reando	15 <sup>th</sup>
Ray Choate	17 <sup>th</sup>	John E. Allen	18 <sup>th</sup>	Dakota Cobb	19 <sup>th</sup>
Cyle Huck	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Bryan C. Young	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Thomas E. Poncet Sr	23 <sup>rd</sup>
Ryan Whitener	24 <sup>th</sup>	Gabe J. Stearns	25 <sup>th</sup>	James Bates	26 <sup>th</sup>
Colby Bone	27 <sup>th</sup>	James M. Juliette	28 <sup>th</sup>	Robert Johnston	30 <sup>th</sup>
Nick Moore	30 <sup>th</sup>	Nathan Husch	31 <sup>st</sup>		

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## Humor Me:

### Things Moms Would Never Say

1. "How on earth can you see the TV sitting so far back?"
2. "Yeah, I used to skip school a lot too"
3. "Just leave all the lights on...it makes the house look more cheery."
4. "Let me smell that shirt -- Yeah, it's good for another week"
5. "Go ahead and keep that stray dog, honey. I'll be glad to feed and walk him every day"
6. "Well, if Timmy's mom says it's OK, that's good enough for me."
7. "The curfew is just a general time to shoot for. It's not like I'm running a prison around here."
8. "I don't have a tissue with me... just use your sleeve"
9. "Don't bother wearing a jacket - the wind-chill is bound to improve"

## **Club Room Report:**

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, to everyone who helped in any way big or small with the adult and kids easter events. Whether you stuffed eggs, donated items, helped cook, hid eggs, cleaned, decorated or just came to participate. We appreciate it all!!! If we tried to make a list I know I would forget someone or something, but please know we are extremely grateful for you all.

As spring sets in we typically start to slow down in the bar. We are trying to come up with some new ways to keep us busy and still enjoy the outdoors. If you have any ideas or suggestions please let us know. We will be having a Cajun Seafood Boil and Karaoke Night on May 13th. The De Soto Elks has their poker run that day. Food will be available during their stop and continuing until 7 p.m. that evening. We will start Karaoke at 6 p.m. for our members and guests.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for our Independence Day celebration. This year it will be held on Saturday July 1st. We will have food, drinks, live music, games, and a huge fireworks display. More specifics on times coming in June.

We would also like to mention that on Monday nights during our queen of hearts we will be holding a 50/50 every week. The money for this will help pay for our Knights Kids Christmas. Thank you to Karen Newbury for volunteering to sell every week and purchasing the tickets.

We would like to thank the Knights for approving and helping pay for our new internet upgrade. Soon we will have a better, more reliable WiFi system for all of our guests. Thank you to Darla and Warren Muzzey for getting us a wonderful contact for this.

We also now have a contract with a new beer distributor. Starting in May we will be carrying several new beers along with all of our AB products. If you have a request for something new just let us know and we will be happy to try it out.

Lastly, we would like to wish all of our members who are mothers a Wonderful and Relaxing Mother's day. If you are a mom and member stop by Saturday May 13th and have 1 drink on us. You deserve it!

- The Clubroom Committee

## **Horseshoe League:**

The Friday night horseshoe league will start up again this summer on June 12<sup>th</sup>. Teams are now being accepted and can be turned in in the club room. The concession stand will be open for hamburgers, hotdogs, french fries, candy, soda and beer. We are looking for 2 people teams and possibly work 1 Friday a month or less if we can get enough volunteers. If you are interested, contact Bob Roth @ 586-2404, Vicky Moss or Cassie Coleman in the club room.

## **Save the Date for the Knights of Columbus Car Show:**

Saturday October 7<sup>th</sup> is the planned date for the Knights of Columbus Car show. We will be sending out reminder notices and sponsor letters in the near future. We can always use help and meeting notices will be posted in the newsletter.

## **Web Page:**

Check out the new web page that Tiffany Viehman set up. It is at [www.desotoKofC.org](http://www.desotoKofC.org). For up to date information on what's going on at the Knights of Columbus Hall, please "like" us on **Facebook**. Knights of Columbus/KC Hall De Soto, MO

## **Dues Increase**

It was voted at the April meeting to increase dues from \$40 per year to \$50 per year. This does not affect honorary or lifetime members.

## ***Spiritual Report:***

*“Can a woman forget her nursing child, that she should have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you.” (Isaiah 49:15)*

It had never occurred to me before, but as I was watching Bronson, our eight-month-old grandson, interact with our daughter Valerie, I was struck by his overwhelming delight at seeing her. He was crazy about her. He had just woken up from his afternoon nap and she was the first person he saw. His smile conveyed sheer joy.

Bronson put his hands on her shoulders and pressed his face hard against hers. Then he nuzzled his head on her shoulder expressing contentment, joy and satisfaction with life. His mother wholeheartedly returned his love. I knew that this love-filled period of his young life would build his self-esteem and influence his view of himself and others. But then my thoughts turned to the babies who were not so blessed. Unwanted babies, orphans, some foster children and aborted babies.

Until the age of fifteen months, one little boy I know was in a foster home where he was not accustomed to being hugged. He was one of those children who missed that important time of bonding with his mother (parents). He missed out on eye contact with a loving mother while he was nursing and the sweet kisses and hugs while his diaper was being changed. And it affected his feelings of self worth.

Yet his birth mother loved him enough to give him up so he could be raised in a family with two loving parents. In this new home he was loved by his adoptive parents and by his sisters. Most importantly, he was introduced to Jesus Christ who fills all the gaps in a person’s life.

Why don’t you take a moment and pray for the orphans around the world today.

*Lord Jesus, today I pray for those mothers who gave up their babies so they could be raised in a family with two parents. Lord, comfort them when they wonder about their children. Cause them to draw strength from you. Amen.*

## **Insurance Agent Report:**

Hello, all!

We will be hosting Fraternal Benefit Nights which can be attended virtually. Below is a list of the upcoming events:

May 23 at 7:00 PM CDT - Tom Hegna “Who Wants to be a Millionaire”

June 27 at 7:00 PM CDT - Jim Effner – “The Importance of Whole Life as part of Retirement Plan”

The next on this list is Tom Hegna:

**Tom Hegna**, CLU, ChFC, CASL, is an award-winning author, speaker and economist. He is an industry leader and is considered by many as “The Retirement Income Expert.” Tom has presented at over 5,000 seminars, helping seniors and baby boomers build lasting retirement plans.

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**May 23rd @ 7:00 pm**

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