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of st. irene

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Council 6710 Warrenville, IL

Happy

Valentines





Feb. 6—Youth Spelling Bee

Urge your sons and daughters to participate. The Bee is scheduled at 4:00 PM in St. Irene Parish ACL. Children ages 5-14 are welcome. Spelling word lists are available at www.myspellit.com. Advancement to the next level and prizes will be awarded. Winners move up to District competition to be scheduled.



Jesus challenged believers to perform works of charity. One of those acts is to feed the poor. Come

join fellow Knights and parishioners at the Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) facility at 555 Exchange Ct. in Aurora on Sat., Feb. 7 from 2:00-4:00 PM. We will be packing food for needy children overseas. No experience is necessary. Individuals over the age of 5 are welcome to participate. Get the entire family involved in this worthy cause. Students can earn service hours.

To participate, just register under "volunteer" on the FMSC website at http://www.fmsc.org/ and enter code "549645." If you have questions, please feel free to call Joe Kubal at 630-983-6159. If you cannot attend, please consider a monetary donation to this worthwhile organization.

Joe Kubal



Special Camps 2015

Registration for Special Camps (the all-volunteer camp for children and adults with intellectual disabilities), is just beginning. I'm hoping that you can help us in a

couple of different ways.

First, we are looking to introduce our fun activities to as many new campers with intellectual disabilities as possible. Last year we had 190 campers attend; this year we hope to reach 200. In order to do that, we'll need your help, and that of our campers' families to reach new campers, who've not yet

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Lenten Soup Suppers Council Hosts March 13

Come for a soup and bread following the Stations of the Cross held at 7:00 PM at St. Irene's Church every Friday of Lent. The meal will be served at the St. Irene Activity Center.

The suppers are being sponsored by organizations of the Parish. Council 6710 is scheduled to host the Supper on March 13. Contact **GK Ken DiIulio** at 630-747-3673 if you would like to bring a soup. We need six meatless soups. You must bring the soup in a crockpot.

Please also come and help out with setting up, cleaning up, and donating fresh bread. Anyone willing to help must be at the ACL by 6:30. PM.

Eucharistic Adoration Every Thursday

Join us every Thursday from 7:30 AM to 8:00 PM at St. Irene Church. For more information, or if you would like to scheduled a time, call Cathy Kott at 630.393.9543.

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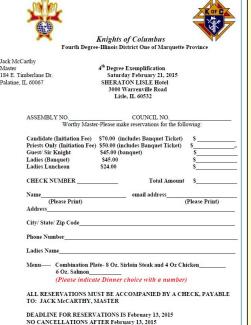


Feb. 12 at 7:30 PM St. Irene Activities Center

Fourth Degree News

There will be a Blanchette Assembly meeting on Wednesday Feb. 11 at St. Joan of Arc Parish, Lisle. Dinner served at 7:00 PM and meeting begins at 8:00 PM.

Please contact PFN Ray
Scott for anyone who wishes to take his
Fourth Degree in February.
Time is running out.





Pray for Our Loved Ones

Pray for the health and recovery of Maryann True, Carolann Chiodo, Lupe (Elva) Pyszka; Barb Smith; Joe Gattone, Sr. Roseann Eck; Charlie Fahrenwald,

and Al Olson.

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Ladies of Columbus (LOC)

Dues for the coming year are due. Forms for renewal/new membership are at the back of the church. You can put them in an envelope

addressed to the Ladies Auxiliary and put them in the collection basket or mail them **to Beverly Scott**, 29W390 Emerald Green Drive, Unit D, Warrenville, IL, 60555.

Upcoming Events:

- Board Meeting February 10: Tuesday, at 7:00 PM in the ACL, all members are invited to attend. February 13, Friday, 7:00 PM in the ACL a General Meeting and Ladies night out. We will be playing games and have finger food. If you would like bring a snack and your favorite game to share please join us
- Soup Supper February 20: Friday, after Stations of the Cross, about 7:30 PM in the ACL members are needed to make soup (no beef or chicken stock) and bread, for the first Lenten Soup/Supper. Please let us know if you can provide soup or bread and help in serving at the event, 630-653-1647 or patkemp2004@yahoo.com.

Save the Dates:

- Easter Gifts March 24: Tuesday, 7:00 PM in ACL help us make an Easter Gift for each child in the parish to be distributed on Easter Sunday.
- **Bunco Party April 18**: Saturday, 7:00 PM ACL Bunco Party with all proceeds going to the new house for homeless women veterans being built in Wheaton.

Pat Kemp LOC President

St. Irene Knights of Columbus Council 6710, Warrenville, IL

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Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to all Catholic gentleman over 18 years of age. To join or obtain further information, contact our Membership Chairman Ray Scott at 630-393-0868.

Business Meetings: 2nd Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM
Meeting Location: Activities Center - Lower Level
28W451 Warrenville Rd, Warrenville, IL

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Grand Knight's Corner

Well January is over and we didn't have a major snow blizzard. Look out for February!

The Knights were busy in Janu-

ary taking down the decorations from the outside of the church on Jan. 17. The weather was in our favor and nobody got frostbitten fingers. Thanks to all who came out and lent a hand. Thank you **PGK Bob Rauko** for keeping the lights in good shape all these years.

Jan. 19 was the annual Free Throw contest held at the Activities Center at St Irene's. The turnout was not as expected since we tried to do it on a school holiday. There were only 7 participates. From that group, 5 will go on to District competition, which will be held later in February at St Irene's.

It is not too late to sign up for the Knights of Columbus Feed My Starving Children packing event. Please go on line and register on the FMSC website for this worthy cause on Feb. 7 from to 2:-00-4:00 PM in the Aurora location. Use the code #549645 under volunteer to sign up. If there any questions, contact **Joe Kubal** 630-983-6159. Thank you.

Council 6710 is scheduled to host and make soup for the Lenten Soup Supper on March 13. Please come and help out with setting up, cleaning up, donating fresh breads and making several meatless soups, 6 in total. Anyone willing to help must be at the ACL by 6:30. PM. You must bring the soup in a crockpot to keep it hot all evening.

Here is good recruiting point to join the Knights of Columbus for any EMT, Police or Fire personnel. If in the case of death while in the line of duty, the Knights of Columbus will pay all expenses for any children wanting to attend college.

Please remember to be safe and warm.

God Bless GK Ken DiIulio

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had this wonderful opportunity. Applications are available on our <u>Special Camps website</u>, or by giving me a call. I do anticipate we will be full by the end of March.

Second, please mention to your members and your

families that we are looking for **Registered Nurses** to join us this summer. We need

Council contributing \$1645 for the Tootsie Roll Drive to this very worthy cause.

3 RN's our children's week, and 4 our adult session. Why so many? Because they dispense enormous quantities of medication and treatments, but when they are finished, they also have time to enjoy our many wonderful activities along-

Pro-Life—March for Life



The Diocese of Joliet energetically Marched for Life on January 22nd in Washington, D.C. Around 200 Joliet Diocesan youth, adults, clergy, and religious joined hundreds of thousands who courageously advocated for life through their peaceful March that ended at the Supreme Court.

The multiple day pilgrimage also included: participation in the National Prayer Vigil for Life, a celebration of life dinner with Bishop Conlon and Bishop Siegel, joining over 10,000 at the Youth Rally and Mass, touring and more. The pilgrims showed their true love and passion for life throughout the experience, and continue to do so after returning home!

Thank you for keeping us in your prayers! Your prayers for a holy and safe pilgrimage were answered. We have much to be thankful to God for.

PGK Jack Gorski ProLife Chair

Welcome to SPECIAL CAMPS

June 7 - 12 Teens & Adult ages 21+ June 14 - 19 Children ages 7-20

(Special Camps, Continued)

side our campers. There are separate living quarters for nurses. This year, 3 of our RN's, who've all

volunteered for 10-19 years each, are finding themselves in situations where physical or family concerns, unfortunately, make it impossible for them to return. Nurses are the hardest volunteers for me to find, and without their help, we will have to significantly reduce the number of volunteers we are able to serve. If you could help spread the word about our shortage, I would be tremendously appreciative. Each new nurse would be paired up / guided by an existing nurse who has volunteered with Special Camps. Together, I know we can find the nurses we need for our camp program, but it's going to take a lot of searching. If you know a nurse, please have them contact me directly, or look at our website for further information specialcamps.org. I'd be happy to get them in touch with one of our camp nurses, who could give them further information. Thank you.

> Colleen McDonald President of Special Camps specialcamps.org, (630) 690-0944

Membership Recruitment 24x7 by You

Council Mentorship Program

Mentorship is in investing in others, sharing your time, energy and friendship without expecting anything in return.

Another word for mentorship is "Hospitality", a unique trait that blends together several qualities with the end result of connecting Brother Knights, their Families, our Church, and our Council together. The combination of qualities begins with a genuine care or concern for our Brother Knights. One quality is showing that you care. It has been said that people do not care how much you know until they know how much you care. Another quality is to be a friend. Connection is the key to building friendships with others. You might consider asking questions about each other's families, backgrounds, or experiences in order to find commonalities.

Hospitality is ultimately about sharing, or maybe even investing your life in another person. It may be based on a specific need that an individual or an organization has, or it may just be letting them know that you are thinking about them. Hospitality is a foundational component of friendship.

What is shared is not as important as how it is shared.

Vivat Jesus,

Mentor chairman, PGK Jim Bartz

Parish Fundraiser—Save the Date!



So how does this work???

- * You Buy A Raffle Ticket
- We Spin a Wheel
- * You win Meat

How can I help?

- * Be a part of the Organizational Committee—next meeting 2.4.15
- * Do you know or do you work for a meat distributer/packer? We need help securing donations of meat to raffle.
- * Could you donate an item or a basket for the basket raffle or silent auction?

Contact Sue Gosewehr by e-mail:

suegosewehr@gmail.com



Program Awards for December 2014

Knight of the Month: Council 6710 honors PGK Erich Pavel as Knight of the Month. Erich has been an active member since 1981. Erich's dedication to our Council and our Parish is very evident. He gives his time and talent in many ways, including serving as Honor Guard for many functions, collecting funds for the Intellectual Disabilities Tootsie Roll drive, helping with our concessions fundraisers, serving on the first degree team and serving on the Super Bowl subcommittee. Erich also serves on the Parish Council as the head of Administration, where he is responsible for planning, providing for and supervising the financial affairs and physical properties of the parish. Truly a thankless job!

Family of the Month: Council 6710 honors PGK Ray and Beverly Scott as Family of the Month for December. Ray is an invaluable asset to our Council. Ray serves as a Trustee, as well as Membership Director. Ray is also an active 4th degree Knight, and is a Commander of the Bishop Romeo Blanchette Assembly. Ray is also very active in St. Irene's Church. Most Sundays you can find him serving as a Eucharistic Minister, as well as an extraordinary minister, bringing the Eucharist to the sick and homebound with his wife Beverly. Ray never misses Council meetings. Beverly serves as Treasurer of the Ladies Auxiliary. She pitches in helping to cook and serve at Assembly meetings and counting money during the annual Tootsie Roll drive. She also teaches religious education with her daughter Bonnie.

<u>Community Program:</u> KC/VFW Blood Drive held on Dec 6 in remembrance of Pearl Harbor. Forty-three pints of blood were collected.

<u>Council Program:</u> Council 6710 attended the taping of the Christmas Mass at Mercy Home, celebrated by **Archbishop Cupich**.

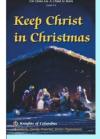
<u>Church Program:</u> Council Family Mass was held on Dec. 14 at the 11:00 AM Mass.

Youth Program: Council 6710 participated in ID Christmas Party which held at St John the Baptist Church in Winfield on Dec 13.

Family Program: 6710 Council Family Christmas party was held on Dec 14.

KC Academy March 7 at St. Irene's Council Officers/Directors Training & How to Recruit New Members.

Open to all Knights who aspire to become officers of the Council.



Outdoor Christmas Decorations Taken Down at St. Irene on Jan. 17.

Thanks to our volunteers, Christmas at St. Irene is packed away for another year. Those who helped were: Dave Abhalter, DD Jim Bartz, Mike Bates, Nick Battaglia, Dave Kappa, GK Ken

DiIulio, John Ernst, PGK Jim Halama, David Knell, PGK Glen Kussman, PGK Eric Pavel, PGK Bob Rauko, and PGK Ray Scott.

Free

Free Throw Contest Held Jan. 17

We had a great turnout this year for the free throw contest. The seven participants were very competitive.

The winners are:

- 9 yr old boys- **Marco Inserro**,
- 11 yr old girls Mary Kate O'Hare
- 12yr old boys- Logan Mcloud
- 14 yr old boys- **Joseph Skodachek**
- 14 year old girls- **Jacinta Inserro**

Thanks to PGK Wayne and Sandy Decker, GK Ken DiIulio, PGK Marc Alleruzzo, Mike O'Hare, and PGK Glen Kussman for helping. The District Free Throw date is Feb. 21 at St. Irene's at 9:00 AM. We wish the winners good luck in future competition.





Nomie Namie Council Insurance Agent— 630-699-0016

Knights Enter Chili in St. Irene Chili Cookoff Jan. 24



This is was our first entry of chili in this annual event. No awards, but lots of fun.

We decided to promote our annual Turkey Shoot and Card Party. Each year **Tom LaRocco** makes his special chili.

Thanks to all who helped: PGK Tom LaRocco, PGK Marc

Alleruzzo, and PGK James Halama.

Feb. 1 A SU-PER (Bowl?) COLOSSAL BLIZZARD!

Many party-goers attended (NOT) the an-Council Super Bowl Party and Raffle, held Feb. 1. The party had to be cancelled at the very last minute due to blizzard conditions. We got 18 inches of snow on Sunday. We sold 243 raffle tickets. The raffle of prizes was still held during the Super Bowl game at an undisclosed home (my house). The Council netted \$3900 from the fundraiser. Keep in mind there were no expenses or revenue from a party.

Raffle winner were as follows:



Early Bird Winners	Amount
Chuck Ingram	\$50
Toni DiIulio	\$50
William Gosewehr	\$25
Total	\$125

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Raffle Winners	Amount
Bob Rauko	\$500
Cathy Kott	\$500
Fr. Jim Antiporek	\$250
Sue Gosewehr	\$250
Theresa Berger	\$250
Vince Morello	\$250
Alta Halama	\$150
Ralph Dieter	\$150
Bill Hughes	\$125
Ladies of Columbus	\$125
Sami Nappi	\$125
Ray Scott	\$125
Gerry Gosewehr	\$100
Kim Ladeur	\$100
Winston Rasmussen	\$100
James Halama	\$75
Bob Ladeur	\$50
Bruce Olson	\$50
Chuck Ingram	\$50
David Cappa	\$50
Jim Bartz	\$50
Liz Pittman	\$50
Mike Kenealey	\$50
Tami Barnes	\$50
Tom Perez	\$50
Turkey Shoot Chili	\$50
Barb Olson	\$25
David Flamme	\$25
Glen Kussman	\$25
Joe Gattone	\$25
Kevin Dunn	\$25
Mark Nagode	\$25
Mary Berg	\$25
Richard Planek	\$25
Ryan Breshnahan	\$25
Total	\$3,900

Knights' Calendar							
Feb.1	3:00 PM	KC Super Bowl Party & Raffle—St. Irene Activities center					
Feb. 6	4:00 PM	Youth Spelling Bee—St. Irene Activities Center					
Feb. 7	2:00 PM	FSMC Food Packing Event, Aurora—Pre-registration required, see Page 1					
Feb. 11	8:00 PM	Bishop Blanchette 4th Degree meeting—St. Joan of Arc, Lisle					
	8:00 PM	Dr. Thomas Dooley Assembly meeting—St. James , Glen Ellyn					
Feb. 12	7:30 PM	KC Council Business Meeting—St. Irene ACL					
Feb. 14		Happy Valentines Day					
Feb. 20	7:30 PM	Ladies of Columbus host Soup Supper after Stations of Cross—St. Irene ACL					
Feb. 21	9:00 AM	District Free Throw Contest—St. Irene Activities Center					
	Noon	KC 4th Degree Exemplification—Sheraton Hotel, Lisle					
Feb. 18		Ash Wednesday					
Mar. 7	9:00 AM	KC Academy program—St. Irene Activities Center					
Mar. 12	7:30 PM	KC Council Business Meeting—St. Irene ACL					
Mar. 13	7:30 PM	Council hosts Soup Supper after Stations of Cross—St. Irene ACL					
Mar. 14		Wheel of Meat—St. Irene Parish fundraiser. See page 4 to get involved					
Mar. 29		Knights of Columbus Founder's Day					

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GOLF SHIRTS \$24.14/ea *

SWEATSHIRTS \$22.00/ea *

Pocket t-shirts \$12.00 *

Nylon jackets \$30.00 *

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Feb. Birthdays

Robert Geary	Feb. 1	Steve Berning	Feb. 21
A. Keith Lambert	Feb. 3	Karen Rurka	Feb. 24
Mark Spiotta	Feb. 7	Richard Kostner	Feb. 25
Jane Egert	Feb. 9	Janet Sherman	Feb. 26
Richard Planek	Feb. 9	James Aderhold	Feb. 27
Jason Roeseke	Feb. 11	Joseph Wehner	Feb. 28
Roseann Eck	Feb. 12	Butch Kuhn	Feb. 29
Christopher Hitchcock	Feb. 14		
William Mitchell	Feb. 14		
Kenneth DiIulio	Feb. 17		
Mary Ann Lawinger	Feb. 17		
Susan Battaglia	Feb. 18		

February Wedding Anniversaries

William & Susan Constable Feb. 2 Joseph & Pat Wehner Feb. 10 Robert & Kim Ladeur Feb. 3 Daniel & Karen Leonard Feb. 24



The Father McGivney Guild

The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild serves as a source for information about the life, works and spirituality of Father McGivney.

www.fathermcgivney.org/mcg/guild/join/register.doc

*** If your birthday or anniversary date is missing or incorrect, contact **PGK James Halama** (630-433-6240) or jrhalama@comcast.net to make the corrections.