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Council 6710  
Warrenville, IL

## Council to Celebrate 40th Anniversary July 4

### St. Irene Knights of Columbus



### 40th Anniversary of Volunteer Service

### St. Irene Council Founded July 4, 1975 Help Us Celebrate 40 Years

#### July 3— Knights & Families to Process in Warrenville July 4 Parade



The 4th Degree Color Guard and any/all Council members & Family may join in the parade. Those not in Regalia, please wear Council shirts and/or other identifiers (emblems, pins, caps, ...) of the Knights of Columbus.



Please assemble on Thursday July 3 starting at 4:30 PM in downtown Warrenville. The parade starts at 6:00 PM and processes towards Cerny Park.

#### July 3 & 4 Free Burger, Dog, or Corn (Coupon on Page 4)



Plan on joining your brother Knights and their families on Friday, July 3 and Saturday, July 4 as we cook our famous burgers and corn at the Warrenville Independence Day celebration at Cerny Park. A coupon good for a burger, dog, or corn for each family member that accompanies you at the food concession will be sent out with the July newsletter.

Grillers, cashiers, set-up crew and general helpers are needed. This is a major Council fundraiser. Your help is needed. Contact our Chairmen; text **Justin Wagner (847-558-9166)** or **Bill Lintner (630-393-7072)** to pick your day and time and say you can help. A complete schedule of events can be found on Page 4.

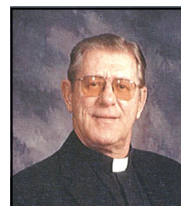


#### Sat. Aug. 1— Cougars Baseball Outing

*Tickets are still available!* The Cougars are playing the Cedar Rapids Kernels at 6:30 PM, Saturday, Aug. 1. It will be Country Music Night!

The reserved seats are \$11.00 each. For tickets contact **PGK Ray Scott** at 630-294-5115, or **Michael Bates** (630-630-836-0223). The Council has secured 40 tickets. Invite your Family and Friends.

**Michael Bates**



#### July 26—Fr. Joe Gleixner, MSC Celebrates 50th Anniversary as a Priest

Fr. Joe of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, Aurora fills in when needed at our Sunday Masses.

The anniversary will be celebrated at the 11:00 AM Mass on July 26 at St. Irene Church. The Knights Fourth Degree Honor Guard will escort him. Please plan to attend!

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**Council Business Meeting  
St. Irene Activities Center  
July 9 7:30 PM**

Congratulations to our new (and returning) officers.:

- Chaplain—**Fr. Jim Antiporek**
- Grand Knight—**Ken DiIulio**
- Deputy Grand Knight—**Tom Perez**
- Financial Secretary—**James Halama**
- Treasurer—**John Ernst**
- Chancellor—**Peter Pulice**
- Recorder—**Bob Rauko**
- Advocate—**Mike Bates**
- Warden—**Phil Kemp**
- Lecturer—**Bill Lintner**
- Inside Guard—**Joe Kubal**
- Outside Guard—**Gustavo Bosoli**
- Trustees—**Kevin Looby, Ray Scott, Glen Kussman**

**Membership Recruitment  
24x7 by You**

**1 New Knight +1 Experienced  
Knight = A Great Knight**



**Pray for Our Loved Ones**

Pray for the health & recovery of **Keith Lambert, Susan Kubal, Maryann True, Wayne Decker, Carolann Chiodo, Lupe (Elva) Pyszka, Barb Smith, Sr. Roseann Eck, Charlie Fahrenwald, Dan Walsh, Audrey Abhalter, and Al Olson.**



**Ladies of Columbus (LOC)**

Monthly Board Meeting will be Tuesday, July 14, at 7:00 PM in the St. Irene Activities Center.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for our next Bunco which will be held on Saturday, October 10, at 7pm in the ACL.

Enjoy the rest of your summer. As soon as our calendar is finalized we will get it to you, with all the dates for meetings and events for the coming year.

Please remember to support the Knights on the 3rd and 4th of July at Cerny Park. They can always use a little extra help from the Auxiliary in their booth.

**Pat Kemp  
LOC President**



**Fourth Degree News**

No July Assembly meeting.

The Blanchette Assembly officers installation is at St. Peter & Paul Parish, Naperville, June 27.

**Honor Guard Requests:**

- Warrenville July 3rd parade. Step off is at 6:00 PM. Lets have a big turnout with all members even if you are not a 4th Degree. WE ARE MARCHING FOR OUR 40th ANNIVERSARY!
- July 26 11:00 AM Mass for **Father Joseph Gleixner** 50th anniversary celebration

**Brother Knights—Have your Family read the newsletter as well!**

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

<b>Council Officers 2014-2015</b>	
Chaplain	Fr. Jim Antiporek (630-393-2400 x 13)
Grand Knight	Ken DiIulio (630-747-3673)
Dep. Grand Knight	Tom Perez (630-301-1481)
Financial Sec.	James Halama (630-433-6240)
Treasurer	John Ernst (630-606-2671)
Chancellor	Peter Pulice (630-207-3090)
Recorder	Bob Rauko (630-337-1568)
Advocate	Michael Bates (630-836-0223)
Warden	Phil Kemp(630-842-2590)
Inside Guard	Joe Kubal (630-983-6159)
Outside Guard	Gustavo Bosoli (630-397-1003)
Lecturer	William Lintner (630-393-7072)
3rd Yr. Trustee	Glen Kussman (630-393-6545)
2nd Yr. Trustee	Kevin Looby (630-329-1316)
1st Yr. Trustee	Ray Scott (630-294-5115)
<b>Insurance Agent</b>	<b>Nomie Namie (630-699-0016)</b>

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

<b>Committee Directors</b>	
Program Director	Tom Perez (630-301-1481 )
Membership Director	Ray Scott (630-294-5115)
Community Director	Justin Wagner (630-393-7072)
Council Director	Bob Rauko (630-337-1568)
Church Director	Joe Gattone (630-876-1136)
Family Director	Michael Bates (630-836-0223)
Youth Director	Bob Geary (630-836-2454)
Public Relations Director	Richard Kostner (630-310-9642)
Blood Drive Director	Joe Gattone (630-876-1136)
Pro-Life	Jack Gorski (630-393-4742)
Vocations	Brad Hentz (630-836-0332)
Support our Troops	Kevin Looby (630-329-1316)

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.

The Knights' News is published monthly by Council 6710. For contributions and corrections contact James Halama at 630-433-6240. Please make submissions by email at achalama@comcast.net prior to the 21th day of each month.



## Grand Knight's Corner

June was a quiet month for our Council.

Our blood drive collected only 41 pints. This is a lot lower than in months past. We need to get the word out for all to come and donate and bring family and friends with. If you are unable to donate blood, donate your time to help with serving, cleaning or setting up. Any amount of time would be appreciated.

This year, at the July 4th parade (held on July 3) the Knights will be celebrating our 40th year of being a Council at St Irene Parish. We asking all members and their families to join us as we walk through town. You don't have to be in regalia just walk and carry a flag or wave to all your friends and neighbors. The council was formed on July 4th, 1975.

We are asking for volunteers to help at Cerny Park at the Knights food tent. Any time you have to give will be appreciated. Contact GK Ken DiIulio at 630-747-3673.

How about getting together with family friends and fellow Knights and come out to a Kane County Cougars game on August 1. Contact **PGK Ray Scott** at 630-294-5110 for tickets and all the information. Sir Knights we will be on the mound again this year. If you wish to participate let Ray know.

Sunday July 26 at the 11 o'clock mass we will be doing an honor guard for **Father Joe Gleixner** in celebrating his 50 years of priesthood. Please come and share in this special day.

I am asking for prayers for Brother Knight **Dave Abhalter's** mother, Audrey. She has been very ill and placed in hospice recently.

**God Bless  
GK Ken DiIulio**



## July 11—Pulling Weeds at City Signs

We meet again on July 11 at 9:00 AM at the parking lot at the corner of Batavia and Butterfield Rds. Mark you calendar's; the next sign maintenances are scheduled for **Aug. 8, and Sept. 12.**



## Eucharistic Adoration Every Thursday

Join us every Thursday from 7:30 AM to 8:00 PM at St. Irene Church Chapel. If you would like to scheduled a time-slot, call **Cathy Kott** at 630-393-9543.

## Pro-Life Upcoming Events

**Biking for Babies, June 27:** There will be a Biking for Babies 8 mile bicycle event on Sat. June 27 at 10:00 AM on the Prairie Path to raise support and awareness for pregnancy resource centers in the local community. The location will be at Woman's Choice Services 929 S. Main Street Lombard, IL 60148 Contact: **Christine Kania** (630) 532-7813.

**Motorcycle Ride for Hope, July 25:** Benefits Waterleaf Women's Center. 8:30 AM Registration 9:30 AM Bike Blessing by Bishop Conlon 9:45 AM Kickstands up for a 100 + miles through the Illinois Countryside Registration: Before May 1 - \$20 May 1 - June 15 - \$25 June 16 - Day of Event \$30.00 Includes ride, gifts, and party at the Fox and Hound. Hosted by Waterleaf Women's Center.

When Sat, July 25, 8:30 AM—2:30 PM

Where Blanchette Catholic Center, Diocese of Joliet, 16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, IL 60403

**St John's 5K Run/Walk, July 25:** Come out and run the beautiful streets of Winfield and help raise funds for Waterleaf - a crisis pregnancy center. There will be a 5K Run and Walk and a youth (7 & under) dash. Both races will start and finish at St. John the Baptist Church in Winfield. T-shirts will be given to 5K participants that register before July 1.

When Sat., July 25 at 8:00 AM

Where St. John The Baptist Church, 0S233 Church Street, Winfield, IL 60190

Contact: Jennifer Graf, Phone:630-659-4101

**PGK Jack Gorski  
ProLife Chair**

## Council Facebook Has Its Own Address Page!

Go to <https://www.facebook.com/KofC6710> Or on Facebook, search for Knights of Columbus pages; select our page and then choose to **Like** the page. You may post comments and photos on the wall. To schedule events send a message to **Tom Perez** on Facebook.

## Check these web sites out:

Supreme Council Knights of Columbus:  
[www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)

Illinois State Council Knights of Columbus:  
[www.illinoisknights.org](http://www.illinoisknights.org)

## July 4th Food Concession & Cerny Park Schedule of Events

### July 3

- **Noon**—Set-up begins at St. Irene's Parish storage garage.
- **5:00 - 11:00 PM**—Concession booth operates. Volunteers needed throughout this time.
- **6:00 PM**—Parade begins
- **7:30 - 11:00 PM**—**The New Odyssey Band**

### July 4

- **11:00 AM** - Set-up begins at Cerny Park
- **Noon**—**Children's Parade**—starts at St. Irene's
- **Noon - 9:15 PM**—Concession booth operates. Volunteers needed throughout this time.
- **5:00 - 6:30 PM**—**Serendipity Band**
- **7:30 - 9:15 PM**—**Hi-Infidelity Band**
- **9:15 PM** - Fireworks
- **11:00 PM** - Concession booths closes and clean up at Cerny Park

### July 5

- **10:00 AM** - Cleanup at St. Irene (subject to change)

Grillers, cashiers, set-up crew and general helpers are needed. This is a major Council fundraiser. Your help is needed. Contact our Chairmen; **text Justin Wagner (847-558-9166)** or **Bill Lintner (630-393-7072)** to pick your day and time and say you can help.



## Program Awards for May 2015

**Knight of the Month:** Council 6710 honors **Sir Knight John Ernst** as our Knight of the month for May. John has faithfully and conscientiously served as our Council Treasurer for many years. John is a picture of dependability and is a fixture at our monthly council meetings. John attends many Council events, including helping to set up and take down the church Christmas lights, serving as grill master at various events, helping at the annual Turkey Shoot card party, and setting up for the annual Super Bowl party. In John is most known for collecting donations at the intersection of Batavia Road and Warrenville Road for the Intellectual Disabilities Tootsie Roll Drive, where John has collected the most donations for many years. Finally, John also serves as Inside Guard on the Council's First Degree.

**Family of the Month:** Council 6710 honor **Sir Knight Father Jim Antiporek and his sister Pat Jackowiak** as the Family of the Month for the month of May. As pastor of St. Irene's, Fr. Jim is the spiritual leader of our entire faith community. Fr. Jim is a gifted orator, whose stirring sermons at mass inspire both young and old. Fr. Jim is also one of the main driving forces behind the continued success of St. Irene's School and loves to engage the students through weekly school masses and the conferring of the Sacraments. Fr. Jim is also a strong supporter of the Knights, serving as our Council Chaplain and Faithful Friar for the Romeo Blanchette Assembly. Pat is also a strong figure in the St. Irene's community. She is the Administrative Assistant for the St. Irene's Parish, where she helps direct and support the daily ins and outs of parish life. Pat also coordinates the creation of the weekly parish bulletin, ensuring all important announcements and articles are publicized to the entire parish community.

**Community Program:** Members of Council 6710 joined other community volunteers in Warrenville in Bloom community planting days on May 23 and 30.

**Church Program:** An honor guard served at both the St. Irene First Communion on May 2 and at the May Crowning on May 2.

**Council Program:** The Council held a Past Grand Knight Dinner on May 2 to recognize PGK **Glen Kussman** for his tenure as Grand Knight.

**Youth Program:** **Justin Wagner** awarded **Timothy McGowan** with the Council High School Scholarship in honor of **Ron Battaglia** at the St. Irene School 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation on May 28.

## St. Irene Knights of Columbus



**40th Anniversary  
of Volunteer Service**

## Knights & Family Members

### Food Concession Coupon

**Present this coupon to get your  
FREE Burger, Hotdog, or Corn!**

**All must be present at the Knights  
Food booth**

**Good only on July 3 & 4, 2015**

## Council Hosted Major Degree June 7

Again the Council hosted successful major degree exemplifications on Sunday June 7. Seven were initiated into the 1st Degree, and 12 Brother Knights advanced to their 2nd & 3rd Degrees. **Please congratulate Patrick O'Connor for becoming a full Knight of Columbus in the 3rd Degree.**

We thank all who helped make the day successful, including the St. Irene First Degree Team.

## 41 Pints Blood Collected Jun 20 at VFW



The turnout was good and 41 pints of blood were collected at the VFW Hall, Warrenville. Thank to all who helped including **GK Ken DiIulio, PGK Ray Scott, Phil Kemp, Joe Gattone and Dave Knell.**

**Joe Gattone, Blood Drive Director**



## June 13—Pulled Weeds at City Signs

We met again on June 13 at 9:00 AM at the parking lot at the corner of Batavia and Butterfield Rds.

**PGK Jim Halama and Mike Bates** had an easy time of it.

## Answering the Call to Service

*(from Knights of Columbus Web Site)*

The Knights of Columbus has grown to new heights in its charitable giving and volunteer hours during 2014, once again answering Pope Francis' call to reach out to those in need, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson told the state deputies and state deputy-elects in his address at the 2015 Organizational Meeting of

State Deputies in New Haven.

The Knights of Columbus set a new all-time record last year for charitable donations and service hours with \$173,550,680 in donations and more than 71.5 million hours of service. The number of service hours contributed by members rose in 2014 by more than a million hours over the 2013 total, with each member donating nearly a full workweek on average.

According to the K of C's Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity for the year ending Dec. 31, 2014, donations grew by more than \$3.4 million over 2013, achieving an increase in giving for the 15th consecutive year.

"These numbers show that the Knights of Columbus has the courage to make a witness to charity and to practice fraternal outreach to those in need," Supreme Knight Anderson said.

Another unique initiative in 2014 was the Knights of Columbus Christian Refugee Relief Fund, which has contributed \$2.6 million for humanitarian assistance to those suffering persecution and dislocation in Iraq and the surrounding region.

"It has shocked the conscience of the world that people are systematically being purged from the region where their fami-

## June 11—Special Camps 2015 Report Council Contributes \$250

On Thursday, June 11 Council 6710 made a visit to the Special Camps at White Pines Ranch in Oregon, IL. The Council was



represented by **PGK Jack Gorski, Joseph Kubal and PGK Wayne & Sandy Decker.** We were joined by members of the Oswego KC Council.

We were honored to participate in "Game Night", where the campers (106 in total!!!), played various and sundry board games that ranged from Monopoly to the Headband Game where players were given headbands that had cards with defined identities attached. The winner of the game was the player who guessed the identity on the card based on the actions of the other players.

Winners of each of the games each won a token. In order to win/collect a prize, the player needed to collect two tokens. We assisted the winners in collecting their prizes.

Another part of this visit was to present **Colleen MacDonald** a check from the council in the amount of \$250.00.

All in all, it was a very fulfilling and great visit!  
Thank you,

**PGK Jack Gorski**

lies have lived for millennia — simply for their faith," said Mr. Anderson at the program's inception in August. "It is imperative that we stand in solidarity with them."

Gifts by the Knights of \$200,000 each were also made to the Byzantine and Latin Rite Catholic communities of war-torn Ukraine for humanitarian relief, supporting projects that feed and aid homeless children and refugees living on the streets of the capital city of Kiev.

The Knights continued to support their local communities in 2014 through such programs as the Black Friday Coats for Kids event, Food for Families and blood drives. Knights also gave assistance to such organizations as Habitat for Humanity and the American Wheelchair Mission.

During the past decade the Knights of Columbus has donated nearly

Among its major donations in 2014, the Knights of Columbus made a gift of \$1.4 million in support of athletes who will take part in this summer's Special Olympics World Games in Los Angeles. The funds will cover the cost of transportation, housing and meals for the athletes as they travel to the games, stay there during the competition, and return home. Supreme Knight Anderson also asked state jurisdictions to step up their already strong support for Special Olympics athletes.

## Knights' Calendar

June 27	5:00 PM	Council & Ladies Auxiliary Officer Installation-St. Irene's and picnic at Kemp's
July 3	6:00 PM	Warrenville 4th-of-July Parade; Get ready to march for our 40th Anniversary!
July 3-4	All day	KC Council Food concession at Cerny Park, Warrenville
July 9	7:30 PM	KC Council Business Meeting—St. Irene ACL
July 11	9:00 AM	Maintenance of Warrenville City Welcome Signs—Batavia and Butterfield
July 14	7:00 PM	Ladies Auxiliary Board Meeting—St. Irene Activities Center
July 26	11:00 AM	Fr. Joe Gleixner, MSC 50th Anniversary—St. Irene Church
Aug. 1	6:30 PM	KC Family Outing at Kane County Cougars—Country Music Night
Aug. 8	9:00 AM	Maintenance of Warrenville City Welcome Signs—Batavia and Butterfield
Aug. 13	7:30 PM	KC Council Business Meeting—St. Irene ACL
Sept. 18-20		Tootsie Roll Drive! Mark your Calendar!

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## July Birthdays

Mark Rurka	July 1	Paul Lindsey	July 19
Robert Decker	July 5	Sandra Decker	July 20
John Augustynowicz	July 6	Patricia McGuire	July 20
Patrick Banigan	July 6	Gary Rufo	July 20
Bob Lichtenberg	July 6	Camille Wurst	July 22
Sandy Larue	July 9	Michael Hitchcock	July 24
Teresa Hoffman	July 11	John Ernst	July 25
Michael Kenealy	July 12	David Fahrenwald	July 25
Susan Kubal	July 12	Pat Wehner	July 25
Ralph Dieter	July 13	David Janiec	July 27
Elinor Parsons	July 15	Dolly Pointner	July 27
John Murray	July 16	Ellen Gorski	July 31
Carmi Cyrus	July 17		

### 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](http://www.fathermcgivney.org/mcg/guild/join/register.doc)

## July Wedding Anniversaries

Steve & Cathy Berning	July 13	Frederick & Barbara Smith	July 27
Joseph & Dianne Urso	July 23		

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