

Knights Newsletter January 22, 2020

Brother Knights,

This has been another busy month for us. At the Diocesan Meeting on January 14, we had three men join us as Knights. Mike Tallman, Greg Link and Greg Pietron. Welcome to our new brother Knights. We also had the following brother Knights complete their second and third degrees and they have achieved full Knighthood. Deacon Pat Conlen, John Kim, Leonard Spas, Joe Wedesky, Jeff Patsy and Rich Florence. Congratulations to all. The new exemplification for all three degrees now takes only 30 minutes and is open to all family and friends to attend. We will soon have our own degree team. With the new exemplification format it can be held at any time including after a Mass.

At our membership meeting on January 21, we recognized John Guth and Gene Suchyta as **Co-Knights of the Month**. Worthy Recorder John Guth is an active member of the board of officers. He recently chaired our Keep Christ in Christmas contest. We had 42 contestants, our largest turnout ever. John regularly helps out at council and church events. Worthy Faithful Navigator Gene Suchyta started and maintains our website. He's a photographer for the council and posts everyone's photos on the website. He creates sign up lists for all of our events and posts current news and events. He is a member of the church choir and is a cantor. He also schedules the cantors. Congratulations to both.

At the membership meeting we recognized the Nick, Kelli, William and Luke Timmerman family as our **Family of the Month**. Nick is a member of the Knights of Columbus, is in the church choir and is a cantor for weekend Masses. Nick has been on the Evangelization Commission. Nick, William and Luke, have volunteered at Halloween Dance for Special Olympics. Kelli has been a member of the St. John Neumann Women's Organization and helps out when needed for Children's Liturgy of the Word. Kelli has volunteered at Vacation Bible School and both William and Luke have attended VBS. William attends religious education classes, is an altar server and has been a member of, and a cantor for the Children's Choir. Luke attends Children's Liturgy of the Word. The entire family attends Mass weekly.

At the membership meeting we recognized the winners, runner-ups and their families, for the **Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest**: Ages 5-7, winner Sophia Smith and runner-up Cecilia Adelman, Ages 8-10, winner Colleen Shaw and runner-up Ava Kurzyniec. Ages 11-14, winner was Noella Hurst. Congratulations to the winners and runner-ups and thank you to all who entered.

At the membership meeting we added several names to our **Prayer list**: brother Larry Anderson, Mary Ann Obrien, cousin of our Worthy Financial Secretary John Lutz, Grace Lutz, mother of John Lutz, brother Joe Pryce, Pauline Kalisz and the repose of the soul of Father Larry Siroskey. For the updated complete prayer list please go to our website.

Also at the membership meeting we recognized Bob Rugenski, Marshall Grazioli and Ed Hurst for **5 years of service to the Knights**. At the membership meeting we approved GK Dan Timmerman and DGK ED Hurst as our delegates to the KofC State Convention in May. We also approved the donation to SJN for the purchase of the AED machine for \$1,585.00.

Please try to sell your state raffle tickets. Proceeds will go to the KofC charities and the council will receive \$1.00 from every ticket you sell.

Upcoming events are the **KofC Free Throw contest** for ages 9-14 on February 1. We need 8 people to register contestants and keep score of free throws made. The **Pancake Breakfast** fundraiser is on February 2. All proceeds from the pancake breakfast will go to our seminarian, Nick Brown. The **Baby Bottle Boomerang** will start on February 8 and run through February 23. The first weekend we just hand out baby bottles after the Masses and then collect the bottles before Masses on February 15/16 and 22/23. These are fun events to do as a family, please sign up to help out.

On March 7 is our **St. Patrick's Party Fundraiser Reverse Raffle**. We will start to sell tickets after the Masses this weekend and will continue until they are sold. Please reach out to our Worthy Chancellor Chuck Lang to help sell tickets, cjLangeagle@gmail.com. This will once again be a huge fundraiser for us and will be a lot of fun, so buy your tickets early before they sell out.

We are in need of two volunteers for our **Forgotten Harvest** trip on February 8. Please sign up to help.

Other upcoming events:

- 2/11 membership meeting
- 2/28-2/29 24 hour Adoration security
- 3/10 membership meeting where nominations for officer positions will start
- 3/28-3/29 Tootsie Roll Drive
- 3/29 Corporate Communion 10:30 Mass
- 4/14 nomination

God Bless

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