

**Notes from the Grand Knight . . .** On October 26th, we hosted a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Major Degree Initiation. Of 22 new K of C members, 8 joined Spalding Council 427.

November 20th was our annual Memorial Mass. It was well attended by the membership and families of our deceased Brother Knights. Special **Thank you** to Monsignor Showalter, Deacon Craig, the 4th Degree Honor Guard, and our very own choir comprised of Dick Spencer, Dennis Goett, Ann Williams and Karen Camper.

See the council activities and events during December. It would be great to see you. This is your council, Make the Best of it. Don't forget January first is the Open House, our first 2015 event.

During this Advent Season, as we prepare ourselves for the Birth of Jesus, Let us not forget to give thanks to God for all we have. Wishing you and your families a Holy and Blessed Christmas.  
*Sam Joseph*

**Ladies Auxiliary Member of the Year—Pat Shea**

Pictured at right is Pam Goett, Ladies Auxiliary treasurer presenting the 2014 member of the year award to Mrs Pat Shea. Pat has been a tireless volunteer every Tuesday night and fish fry nights as well. She also volunteers at South Side Mission and at Holy Family parish. Congratulations Pat and we appreciate all your hard work and dedication!



**Our Goal: Three new members per month!  
Have you asked someone to join?**

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Colleen Langan

December 2014						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Steak Night 5-7 Progressive Jackpot Drawing 7:30 PM	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Fish Fry 5-7 pm	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Wings Progressive Jackpot Drawing 7:30 PM	<b>10</b> 4th Degree 7 PM	<b>11</b> 5PM Board Mtg. 7PM Officers Mtg.	<b>12</b> Fish Fry 5-7 pm	<b>13</b> RENTAL
<b>14</b> Chili Cook-Off Judging 1:30 PM Ladies Basket of Cheer Raffle	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Chicken Dinner Progressive Jackpot Drawing 7:30 PM	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Council Meeting 7 PM Ladies Aux Meet 6:30 PM	<b>19</b> Fish Fry 5-7 pm	<b>20</b> Children's Christmas Party 11 AM
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Progressive Jackpot Drawing 7:30 PM	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Merry Christmas	<b>26</b> NO Fish Fry	<b>27</b> RENTAL
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Progressive Jackpot Drawing 7:30 PM	<b>31</b> Happy New Year	<b>Notes:</b> Tootsie Rolls make Great Stocking Stuffers  Jan 1st Open House 1—4 PM Come on out, pay dues, enjoy snacks		

### Ladies to Raffle Basket of Cheer on Dec. 14th

Pictured below is the large selection of bottles that will make any holiday party. There are over 20 items in the basket which includes wine, spirits, cordials, and more. This basket will be raffled at the Chili Cook-off on Dec. 14th. You can purchase tickets at the bar now. A ticket a day may bring the basket your way!



### Latest Raffle Winner—Audrey Boher

Pictured above is our newest Jackpot winner along with some very important members of our Tuesday night drawing team. From left to right are Emmet Schleich, Paul Sullivan, winner Audrey Boher, and ticket seller and drawer Pat Shea. Audrey picked sweet 16 to win \$9750 that evening. Come out for our Tuesday drawings!

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### Sunday, December 14th—Chili Fest!

The International Chili federation has confirmed the date for the Knights of Columbus chili competition. Anyone may enter their chili by contacting Chuck Koch and having chili ready on the 14th. Those wishing to judge may also contact Chuck.

Don't forget the ladies will also be raffling the basket of cheer at this event. It is only \$1 per chance, so don't forget to buy early and often!

Additional information may be obtained from Gene Peters. The Sunday agenda includes: Chili prep 11—1; Judging: 1:30—2; General Consumption: 2—???. Don't miss out on the fun. Come and enjoy chili and bring your friends! We may also do a bags tournament as well, so come out and enjoy.



### Saturday, Dec 20th—Children's Christmas Party 11 AM

Our kids Christmas party will be held on Saturday, Dec. 20th beginning at 11 AM. Please bring your children, grandchildren, or great grandchildren to enjoy some Christmas activities, a magic show, a visit from Santa, and a hot dog lunch. Party lasts approximately 1.5 hours. Activities are geared towards children under the age of 12. Donations are accepted for this event: Contact Bonnie Weisbruch or leave with Lee at the club, if you can RSVP for this too it would be great. 692-9696, ext. 104.

### Thursday, January 1st—New Year's Day Open House

Don't forget our annual New Year's Day Membership Appreciation Open House from 1—4 PM. We will have usual drinks, some snacks, and camaraderie. Please bring a potential member and it will also be a chance to pay your dues for the 2014 year.

### Final Tootsie Roll Report—\$7165 Distributed to Charities!

Ron Hahn reports that we had an excellent Intellectual Disabilities Fund drive this year. 105 people donated at least 2 hours this year, 75 of those were KC members. Locations that we collected from included Kroger Lake, HyVee, Schnucks, WalMart University and Sam's Club. There were also sales conducted at St. Phil's, St. Sharbel, Holy Family, St. Thomas, and St. Vincent's.

The total amount collected was \$11,700. After costs, \$7165 is being distributed to CWTC, EPIC (formerly PARC), and Special Olympics. Congratulations to all!

### Proposed By-Laws Change

At the December Council Meeting, we will vote on a revision to our council Bylaws. It will read as follows:

ARTICLE I Sec. 3. Each member shall pay annual dues, The dues will be billed annually in advance of the first regular meeting in January. The annual dues shall be determined by the vote of the membership. Insured members under the age of 26 shall be one half of the regular dues. Honorary members shall pay \$10.00 and honorary life members shall pay nothing. Except as above stated, the dues of associate and insurance members shall be the same.

ARTICLE II: Elections Sec. 2. The election of officers shall be by ballot. There will not be any absentee balloting. Proxy voting will not be allowed.

ARTICLE IV: Meetings Section I. Regular meetings of the council shall be held on the 3rd and 4th Thursday each month. The first meeting each month shall be a regular business meeting. All meetings shall commence at 7:00 P.M. Twelve members shall constitute a quorum at business meetings. If any of the meetings fall on a holiday, the meetings will be pushed back a week.

**Council Gives away \$50 every Tuesday!** It is time to come out and build the jackpot up again. You can win \$50 if your name is drawn and the jackpot is just over \$1300 right now. Your continued support makes this evening a success.

### Remember these Knights and relatives in your prayers

#### Your prayers help!

#### Please pray for:

- Monica, daughter of Bob & Paula
- Denise Doyle, wife of Rob
- Dawn Dotson, wife of Jimmy
- Judy Martin, son of John & Joanne
- Judy Gorman, wife of Tim
- Emil and Joan Heinrich
- George and Jean Tracy
- Don and Dorothy Thomas
- Freddie and Joe Waugh
- Ed and Mary Ann Dwyer
- Orville and Valerie Franks
- Olga Katus
- Howard Wiles, brother of Iris Rothan
- Walt Eisele Bud Knight
- Walt Kuecks Jack Benisch
- Dave Waugh Richard Boland
- Bob Zinser Peggy Kunkle
- Kenny Kerker

#### Deceased

- Wayne Katus
  - Paula Claude
  - Pat Bulfer
  - Wendy Boatright
  - Tom Lavin
  - Mrs. Liz Doyle
  - Julia Collins
- Please call 692-9696 to report any additions or corrections*

Dear Friends, As you all know, my dear wife Pat passed away on Oct. 22nd. She was having difficulties during the month of October and therefore no newsletter was published. Please continue to pray for us and all the families listed in the section above. This also points out the need to develop and train other members and ladies for various roles around the club. If you are interested in doing the newsletter or any other job, please let Sam Joseph or myself know. —Bill Bulfer

Chicken Night: Tues., Dec. 16th  
Steak Night: Tuesday, Jan 6th



