# KNIGHTLY NEWS



**Christ the King Council 14144** 

**Newsletter** 

July, 2015

## Grand Knight's Message:

**Greetings Brother Knights** 



#### HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY

With the 'Hot Vegas Summer' upon us... it's time to hibernate indoors to the coolness of A.C.! Although we will try to relax as much as possible, it's a great opportunity for us to be conscious of the fact that Fall is not far behind with more moderate temperatures. Let us all use our time wisely to **concentrate** on projects to be fulfilled and **pray** for our continued success in our support of Christ The King, her ministries, and local charities. Let this time afford **you** the opportunity to **become** a leader of inspiration who brings new ideas to our council.

We have earned a fine reputation within the community. It has frequently been said to me that, "It looks like the Knights do everything around here." You have been blessed to be an integral part of an organization that 'builds goodwill within the Christ The King community'. We will continue to be visible in the future as our support, through fundraisers, breakfasts and dinners have already been planned through the end of 2015. This will increase visibility. I trust that you will continue to be proud of the

<u>badge</u> and <u>wear it</u> whenever on church property or performing your duties in the ministries in which you serve.

May the blessing of Our Lord be with you and your families and may you have a safe summer.

Vivat Jesus SK Vincent Gorski, Grand Knight

#### News You Can Use

• Keep Christ in Christmas button order due date 8/15/15



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#### Meetings:

2nd Tuesday @ 7:30 (19:30) Community Center

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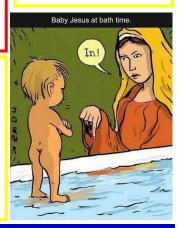
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#### **Knights:**

The Knights of Columbus encourages its members to meet their responsibilities as Catholic citizens and to become active in the political life of their local communities, to vote and to speak out as individual citizens on the public issues of the day. To understand these responsibilities, the Knights of Columbus looks to The Second Vatican Council, which identifies the mission of the Catholic faithful to build a society consistent with Gospel values when it states, "By reason of their special vocation, it belongs to the laity to seek the kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and directing them according to God's will.... Thus especially by the witness of their life resplendent in faith, hope and charity, they must manifest Christ to others." (Lumen Gentium, 31) - http://kofc.org









#### Answering the Call to Service:

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 2015Organizatinal 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.

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.

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 families 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 \$1.55 billion to charity and 691 million hours of volunteer service in support of charitable initiatives.

# Knight of the Month:

August 2014 -Wayne Babchak September 2014 - SK Sebastian Nocita October 2014 -Richard Medici Patrick Westerlund November 2014 -December 2014 -Sam Head

January 2015 -Fabio Villaquiraw February 2015 - SK Bill Wasserburger March 2015 -SK Dominic Descala April 2015 -Manny Dela Cruz May 2015 -Alberto Gonzales June 2015 -SK Sebastian Nocita

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## Family of the Month:

August 2014 -SK Les Lisicki PGK September 2014 -SK Gene Lush October 2014 -Ken Chipman November 2014 -SK Sam Patino December 2014 -SK Rob Donoghue

January 2015 -SK Vince Gorski February 2015 -SK Frank Fuchs March 2015 -Rick Medici April 2015 -SK Ray Troik May 2015 -Michael Gorts June 2015 -Christ Selman

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## Officers:

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Ken Chipman

SK Vince Gorski GK

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SK Al Wagner

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