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Fun, Food and Frolic at the Annual Christmas Party

It was that time of year again when the Knights of the Council and their spouses and friends gathered for the Annual Christmas Party in the Upper Room on December 17th. The usual pizza was replaced by assorted sandwiches and many great dishes brought by the revelers. It was difficult to determine the highlight of the evening, Santa Claus or the goofy gift exchange. Santa came as expected and the children sat on his lap to request the presents they wanted. A couple of Knights also sat on Santa and his knees buckled; needless to say, they got a lump of coal while the children each received a present. The gift exchange featured many useful items and the wine and gift cards were frequently stolen. Pictures on Page 4

Fish (Fun) Frys Will Soon Be Here

It's hard to believe, but the Lenten Fish Frys are just around the corner starting on Friday, February 12, 2016. Due to the construction of the Family Room, there will be some changes in location. Menu changes are also on tap. These Frys go for six Fridays in Feb and March and they are the source of substantial income for the Council. Lots of help is needed, but I can assure that it is a labor of love and fun. Contact Larry Schulz to volunteer.



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Membership Continues to Grow

Under the Leadership of David Todd and the Membership Committee, the Council continues to grow. Membership now stands at 263. In an effort to encourage new members to become active immediately, Deputy Grand Knight, Larry Schulz, has introduced a new mentor program. Members who have signed up to be mentors have been assigned to work with a new member and will be working closely with that member to get the new Knight to be an active Knight. Recent new members are: David Hillary, Jeff Olekszyk, Carson McCaw, William Roytan, Drew Arlan, Thomas Boor, Phillip Budzenski, John Warne, James Kranzfelder, Matthew Landrigan, John McCune, James Smith, Kevin Gleason and James Sell. Welcome to All!!!!!

KofC Insurance Hits \$100 Billion Mark

The Knights of Columbus organization has proudly announced that the insurance arm has hit \$100 billion of life insurance in force. This is quite an accomplishment. This highly rated insurance company continues Fr McGivney's goal to protect the future of Catholic families. If you haven't talked to Field Agent, Glen Adams, about KofC insurance, you should make a New Year's resolution to do so.

Mardi Gras is Coming in February

If you haven't made your reservation for this spectacular event, Mardi Gras, on February 13, please consider doing so. This major parish event at the Ritz Charles is not only a fund raiser, it is a "fun" raiser. Check your parish bulletin for specifics, but don't miss out. All of your fellow parishioners will be there and new Knights will have a great opportunity to get acquainted with other Knights and sell the KofC program to those who are not members.

UKnight Website Advertising

If you would like to advertise your business inexpensively to the entire Council membership, please consider doing so on the UKnight website. For particulars, please contact Justin Nevitt.(NEVITTJG@gmail.com)

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Christian Martyrs in the Middle East

We do not know many of the details, but we do know that Christians in the countries of Syria, Iraq and Afganistan are being martyred every day by terrorists. They either convert to the Muslim faith, leave their home or are killed. How would you react if someone gave you those limited options? The Knights of Columbus are helping the refugees through the Solidarity Cross Program. Five inch olive wood crosses are available for a \$10 donation and Knights can also contribute to a special fund to help the refugees. Chuck Damler is coordinating this program for our Council.

Fund Raising For the Special Olympics

Through the yeoman efforts by Grand Knight, Kris Hodel, and his Tootsie Roll volunteers, the Special Olympics people were presented with a check for \$9500 on November 11. The funds came from high school football games, the parish and a Colts game. It certainly looks like the Council will beat last year's amount of \$16,000.

This and That.....

Adoration—There is still a need for more volunteers to take a one hour assignment in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Christ Renews His Parish-Men-Feb 27,28; Women—Mar 5,6-Try It, You will grow in your faith.

That Man is You-Begins again on Jan 8. Women's Awaken Program on Jan 13.

The new building-check it out, it is growing.

KofC Free Throw Contest-Jan 17 or Jan 24

Blood Drive-Jan 17

Wishing You and Your Family a Blessed and Happy New Year in 2016

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Pictures From the Christmas Party





Larry Lillig and Baby-Which one is the hungry one?

Fr Stan Gives the Blessing



Santa and Reya



Foodies and More Foodies



Who is this big kid sitting on Santa?



Angie Bagnoli is Happy with Her Gift Card from Gift MC, Len Yanavich (yes, that's him)



GK Hodel gives Clo Lillig her door prize