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Grand News

By: Leo Hoefer

The Month of May is a very important time in the future of our council. We move into the forming of our new Council Officers and Program Committees. We will need everyone's help to participate in these tasks. At the May Meeting the Selection Committee will present the delegates to be voted upon for the Installation of Officers in June. We need all members' participation. Please attend the meeting so your voice can be heard. Your opinion is very important and is needed as we move forward in supporting our church and school.

I would again like to thank all current Officer's and Program

Committees who have supported me in the last several years. I could not have done this without your great help and support.

RECRUITING UPDATE: We must continue to push for new memberships with our council. Every member should ask at least 1 person to consider joining our council each month.



Dan Deatherage and the smoker

New Smoker Makes Cooking Easier and More Efficient

By: Darrin Welchert

Good truly functional welding is an art form. That is what we have in the new council smoker thanks to Dan Deatherage. The project all started with a used water tank that Brad Carr got from IHP Industrial Inc. The trailer was furnished by Leo Hoefer. Leo also put new bearings in the wheels and did a little painting. Dan said he didn't keep track of the hours

he spent working on it but it was likely hundreds.

The smoker is a multiple concept design which is set up for smoking, frying and grilling. The frying and grilling sections are interchangeable which is perfect for working different events. It is also equipped with lights, racks and counter space which

aid in the food preparation. When asked how he came up with the design, Dan stated that he looked at other smokers and talked to other builders and he incorporated his own ideas. The sign was designed by Eye Candy Graphics arched to fit Dan's dimensions. Seaman Schuske Metal Works cut the design out of stainless steel with their computerized plasma cutter.

Council Holds Spring Royals Opening Day Watch Party

By: Len Archer

About 25 family members and guests of council 15126 held a spring social party on Sunday evening April 3rd at the Ground Round Grill and Bar. The occasion was the 2016 opening day for professional baseball and attendees watched the featured ESPN TV coverage of the baseball game between the KC Royals hosting the New York Mets, a rematch of the final game of the 2015 World Series. Party activities included pre-game dinners and drinks of choice

from the menu, a spirited 16-person double elimination "beverage pong tournament" which was played during breaks in the game and the party concluded with a classic KC Royals win by a score of 4-3. Len Archer was the champion in the beverage pong tournament. It was a totally relaxing evening enjoyed by all (we did not have to cook!) and suggestions for future such events included possibly reconvening later this sum-

mer at a St. Joseph Mustangs game or maybe a post-season World Series watch party if the Royals "Keep the Line Movin'."



Dan Deatherage and Brad Carr Competing



Forever Royals Fans in Their Colors

"It was a totally relaxing evening enjoyed by all probably because we didn't have to cook!"

Newest Council #15126 4th Degree Knights

By: Len Archer

Three council brothers became the newest 4th Degree Knights of Council 15126 at the recent exemplification ceremony at the Hilton Airport Hotel in Kansas City. Mitchell Gerving, Brian King and Jean Paul Mundungu were each elevated to the 4th Degree on Saturday April 9th along with about 96 other Knights from this region of

Missouri. The KC event which includes the Exemplification ceremony, mass with Bishop Johnson, and a formal event dinner is held in April of each year is close by and easy for each of us to attend either as sponsors or as participants. Pictured in their tuxedos following the ceremony are Mitchell Gerving (left), Jean Pau Mundungu (center) and

Brian King (right). Our three brothers were part of 16 new Sir Knights Exemplified from St Joseph Assembly #569. Congratulations to our new Sir Knights!



Word From Our District Deputy

By: Jay Pflugradt

Remember our partnership with Special Olympics Missouri (SOMO). We are at \$750k toward our goal of \$2m for the life training center in Jefferson City. There are two levels an individual can donate, \$50 friend of SOMO and \$100 champion of SOMO. You will receive a lapel pin for your donation. Contact me if you are interested in making a donation.

The facility is one of a kind that not only prepares them to compete in athletics but includes screenings in 7 different areas (medical, dental, etc.) but also life skills as well. We also donated \$10k to replace retiring therapy dog at Cardinal Glennon Hospital. Again a unique program for Missouri K of C. We have an entire wing in the hospital named for K

of C. Elected Joe Rosenthal to State Deputy. Congratulate outgoing State Deputy Keith Milson for a job well done. We finish the fraternal year on June 30. You had a successful year and we will have plenty of information on programs for the new year in July.



Jay Pflugradt
District Deputy

Updated Council Website By: Len Archer

Kofcknights.org is the entry page for all Knights of Columbus Councils and Assemblies now using UKnight Interactive - The Comprehensive Web Solution for the Knights of Columbus. The above home page will allow you to explore many other Knights of Columbus websites simply by entering their council number or you can do a search by state or town. Our new council website (Council 15126) was completely updated during the month of February and is fully operational. This website has some great features that are available to the users: An Event Calen-

dar for the current and future months; Officer e-mail contact page; Current and Past Newsletters; A Slide Show of pictures and a listing of Upcoming Events on the home page; News and Announcements section to highlight current and past activities by the Council; Photo Galleries that provide archived pictures from past Council events; Members can submit Prayer Requests; Members can update their personal information (Membership number and password (birthday) are required); In Memoriam section that pays tribute to members of our council and other

prominent Knights that have passed on; and Active Web Links to the St Francis Xavier Parish Website, State and Supreme Councils Websites, other KofC Websites, and 4th Degree Assembly websites. This website is highly interactive and can be accessed by anyone. However, to view the "Members Only" section will require a login - Your KofC Membership ID and Password - Your 10 digit birthday MMDDYYYY. (You can find your membership ID on your current membership card). Please access your personal information in the Members Only section to verify that all the information is correct and complete. If any information is not correct or is missing, please make the necessary updates. Pictures may be submitted to the webmaster at any time. Your comments and suggestions are welcomed.

"UKnight Interactive - is the comprehensive web solution for the Knights of Columbus."

Food for Families

By: Gordon Carmichael

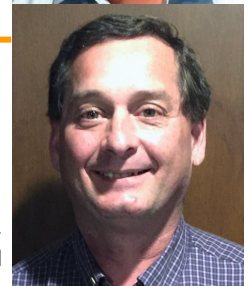
As stated in the previous bulletins Council 15126 had already donated 227 pounds of food to The House of Bread. On April 19, 2016 we donated an additional 285 pounds of food. We also donated \$160.00 to The House of Bread to buy 20 cases of Mac and Cheese from Second Harvest. I still have a little money left to purchase some more vegetables in the near future.

Thank you to those who donated the 40 cans for 40 days with either canned goods or monetary donations. If you give to The House of Bread on regularly please think about giving it to me to be donated through the Knights of Columbus. For every 1,000 pounds of food we donate we will receive \$100.00 back from Supreme.

It won't be long till garden vegeta-

bles will be harvested. If you give any to the House of Bread please ask that the Knights of Columbus be given credit and please notify me so that I can keep an accurate account of what is donated.

Thank you to all the members who participate in the year round collection of food for the FOOD FOR FAMILIES program.



Two New Knights Join the Council By: Len Archer

Please join us in congratulating Scott Hudson and Greg Herner who joined #15126 on Thursday night, April 7th in an initiation at Knights Council #5067 Council Hall. They along with three other candidates from #5067 became 1st degree Knights in a ceremony conducted by the 5067 1st Degree team. Scott and Greg are eager to get involved in council activities, so be sure to contact them about volunteering for programs and

events. Also in attendance were Leo Hoefler, Gordon Carmichael and Len Archer (who sponsored both) to lend their support and encouragement. Scott is already involved in many community events including the Chamber of Commerce since he is the Branch Manager of ReeceNichols Ide Capital Reality, LLC. His wife's name is Stephanie and they are parents of four children. Greg Herner is self-

employed and is the owner and manager of several rental properties in St. Joseph. Greg is married to Desdi and they have three children. They are possibly better known these days as the "Parents of the Herner Sisters" who are prolific scorers (they have five double hat tricks!) for the 2016 LeBlond High School Girls Soccer team. Scott and Greg and their families are members of St Francis Xavier Parish, so when you see them at church or at meetings and activities, introduce yourself, wish them well and offer your friendship and support.

Scott Hudson and Greg Herner



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Newsletter deadline for articles and pictures is 10 days prior to monthly meeting. Email content to dwelchert@hotmail.com.

May Calendar of Events

SFX Parish Breakfast

Sunday, May 1, 2016 7:30 am

Council Meeting at SFX

Tuesday, May 3, 2016 7:00 pm

Youth Alliance Playground Service Project

Saturday, May 14, 2016 8:30 am

Serve All Masses

May 14-15, 2016

Rosary at SFX

Monday, May 16, 2016 6:15 pm

4th Degree Assembly #569

Monday, May 23, 2016 at 6:30 pm

SFX Parish Blood Drive

Wednesday, May 25, 2016 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Enchilada Sales All Masses

May 28-29, 2016



Youth Activities

By: John Bitunjac

The 2016 season for the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest started on a high note and ended even better. The Local 15126 Hoop shot saw 26 St. Francis Xavier students shoot to fill 8 age brackets and move on to the district contest held at Leblond High School. Knowing that qualifying for the next level always becomes higher, four students Claire Cathcart, Payton Netten, Tim Johnson, and Jeff Johnston stepped up their shooting percentage and moved to and through Regionals to compete at the State Knight of Columbus Free Throw Contest held on March 13, 2016 in Columbia, Missouri. While all four students made their presence known at the state contest, Tim and Jeff Johnston stood out among the many shooters from around the state. Tim hit 23 of 25 free throws in the

open round to tie for 2nd. It took 2 extra rounds to finally break the tie and Tim finished 3rd. Jeff a 7th grader at SFX, hit 20 out of 25 shots in the opening round which had him tied with two other boys. As with his brother extra rounds were shot and

Jeff also finished 3rd in the state. All 4 of the students received participation medals. All of the students that shot in this year's Council level competition and beyond are eligible to shoot again next year and the future for SFX looks bright.

In April the State of Missouri Knights of Columbus State Office for Youth Activities, under the leadership of State Officer Knight John Gambon, announced the names of all the students who placed in non-athletic activities at the state level for 2015. Kailyn Guck, supported by Knights Council 15126, was awarded 2nd place in the State of Missouri, for her entry in the 12-14 year old Alcohol Awareness Poster Contest. Again another great showing by one of the many talented students attending Saint Francis Xavier School.



Jeff Johnston, Tim Johnson, Payton Netten, and Claire Cathcart.