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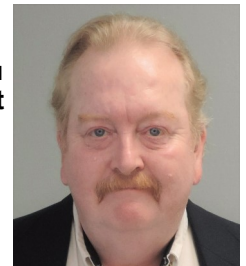


JANUARY 2018

## Grand News

### My Brother Knights,

It is with sadness that we find out that one of our brothers, SK Donald Hull, has passed away. Our prayers go out to his family. Please try to attend his funeral on December 30<sup>th</sup> if you are available. The Rosary is at 9 am followed by the Funeral at 10 am at SFX Church. Don has few family in this area and it would be fitting if members of our Knights could be there for Don and the members of his family.



Well this year of 2017 is almost gone. This council should be proud of all the activities and works we have completed this pass year. If you haven't already done so, please remember to turn in your volunteer service hours to me by this upcoming business meeting. Please also don't forget that our very last 2017 activity will be selling Enchiladas and Burritos after all SFX weekend Masses this next weekend.

I am looking for an even bigger and more productive year in 2018 for this council. One of our first major events this next year will be the Friday Lenten dinners. Beginning in February as a council we will be conducting four Lenten Enchilada Dinners and hosting one of the Lenten Soup Suppers for the parish. Later in April we will be planning a Council Corporate Communion Mass known as a "Blue Mass" with more specific details and information to follow later.

It is one of my New Year's Resolutions that this council will become more involved in more community service next year. I will continue to encourage the program directors to come up with some new and fresh ideas for our council members to be active in.

Here's wishing all member Knights a very Happy New Year and a safe one.

God Bless!

Grand Knight *John Catron*

*Plan now to attend one of the upcoming exemplifications to advance your membership degree level in the Knights of Columbus*



*Council 15126  
Free Throw  
Competition  
In The SFX  
Gymnasium in  
2017*

*John Morin helped  
out at last year's  
Council and District  
BB Free Throw  
Events*



## January Youth Activities Schedule and Volunteers Needed

By John Bitunjac

What I will need from Council 15126 will be assistance from individuals to help me run the local Basketball Free Throw contests on three consecutive Wednesday evenings in January. On Wednesday January 10, 2018 and Wednesday January 17, 2018, we will begin the Council BB Free Throw Contests (for two different age groups) at 3:45 in the Saint Francis Xavier Gymnasium and should be done by 5:00. I will need about 4 or 5 volunteers to run each age group contest.

What is probably the bigger endeavor is the District 2 BB Free Throw Contest to be held on Wednesday January 24, 2018. The sight is still the Saint Francis Xavier School Gymnasium. However the starting time of this contest will be 4:45 pm and should be complete by 6:30 pm. Last year we had 6 Knights working the contest over the three successive Wednesdays which allowed me to deal with any problems that took place during the running of the contest.

All three days went very well and I was very pleased with the positive comments that Council 15126 received on how the district competition was handled. Sign-up sheets for volunteers will be available at the January 2, 2018 business meeting. If interested in working any at any of these three events make sure you sign the work sheet at the meetings or let me know so I can add your name to the lists.

## Knight's January Birthday List

Wish the following Brother Knights a Happy Birthday when you see them during the month.

- Jan 3 - Mark Werner
- Jan 13 - Don Luboski
- Jan 14 - Dan Deatherage
- Jan 17 - Larry Shelby
- Jan 24 - Leo Violett

May they have many, many more!



**Rest In Peace-SK Donald E. Hull  
Passed Away on Dec. 8, 2017**

## Membership Committee's Corner – Dispelling Some Of The Membership Myths

Here are Ten Frequent Reasons given for initially not Joining the Knights of Columbus or later for not attending the council meetings.

1. I just don't really know any of the guys in the council.
2. All the Knights that I know ever do is party and drink beer.
3. I work nights (or odd hours) and would not have time to attend all the meetings.
4. I have nothing in common with any of the council members.
5. I really am not the religious type.
6. I have no talents that would contribute to the work of the Knights.
7. Joining would be too much of a commitment for me to take on now in my life.
8. The Knights never do anything that I would probably enjoy.
9. It probably costs too much money for me to join.
10. I think that all they ever do is cook food and put on dinners.

Have you ever heard similar statements from prospective recruits or even brother Knights or have you said them yourself? Get involved, attend meetings, give of your time and talents. You might just enjoy the result! We need your participation as a Knight for the betterment of

our council and more importantly the greater parish mission. We need you to recruit new Catholic gentlemen as members for this council.

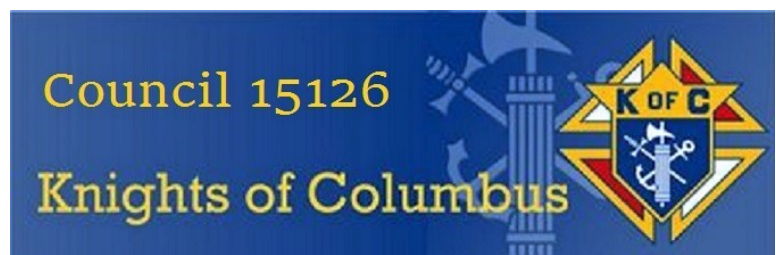
Here's how you could answer each point listed above:

1. I only knew 1 or 2 guys when I joined but now after only a short time I feel like I can call most all the members my friends.
2. Every council is unique and most new recruits do not know about all the activities we do or the services that we provide before joining. List the kind of projects and services we are involved with to help dispel the party myth.
3. In this modern society, we all have time commitments to consider. Even if you can contribute a minimum of 2 hours a month you can be a productive member of the Knights. Just 24 hours a year is what we ask you to commit.
4. You will find that you have much more in common with your brother Knights if you are an active member than you ever imagined before joining.
5. While us being Catholic gentlemen is

the common factor that binds us as a fraternal organization, there are many other aspects of life that we learn how to share and to work with other individuals.

6. The Knights of Columbus are involved in so many activities and services that we rely on utilizing so many of the unique talents that can be contributed by our local council member brothers.
7. The personal satisfaction derived from the results of your personal activities as a Knight and your individual time commitments will more than justify the time you spend.
8. We are always looking for new and enjoyable activities and your fresh ideas will be included as we make plans for future events.
9. Council annual dues are very minimal and affordable (\$36 / year).
10. While our parish dinners are certainly one of the most visible activities that parishioners see us perform, there are many more charitable activities and services that we accomplish each year in support of the parish and Knight's mission that utilize the many diverse talents of

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# Webpage Volunteer Service Hour Report

COUNCIL FORM 1728 TOTALS  
for Council #15126

(Hard copy forms not included here)

As of Thursday, Dec 28, 2017

## COUNCIL VOLUNTEER VISITS & HOURS ACCUMULATED TOTALS

Year-To-Date (Y-T-D) totals are for

Your Total Volunteer Hours Y-T-D:

GOAL: 792.00

ACTUAL: 2,676.25

REMAINING: -1,884.25

Of the 63 total members in your Council, 11 members (17.46%) posted entries included in the totals below.

**NOTE:** Click the number in the Y-T-D column to view a list of members who participated in a particular service category.

<b>1.</b>	<b>Number of Visits to:</b>	<b>Y-T-D</b>
	a. Sick:	<a href="#"><u>39</u></a>
	b. Bereaved:	<a href="#"><u>23</u></a>
	<b>Total Visits:</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Blood Donors:</b>	
	a. Blood Donations Made:	<a href="#"><u>12</u></a>
	b. Number of Blood Donors:	<a href="#"><u>2</u></a>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Habitat for Humanity Projects:</b> (see Council Records)	N/A
<b>4.</b>	<b>Hours of Voluntary Service: {Round up to nearest quarter hour}</b>	<b>Y-T-D</b>
	a. Church:	<a href="#"><u>562.00</u></a>
	b. Community:	<a href="#"><u>648.75</u></a>
	c. Youth:	<a href="#"><u>154.00</u></a>
	d. Habitat for Humanity:	<a href="#"><u>28.00</u></a>
	e. Culture of Life:	<a href="#"><u>7.00</u></a>
	f. Veteran Military / VAVS:	<a href="#"><u>3.00</u></a>
	g. Food for Families:	<a href="#"><u>248.50</u></a>
	h. Special Olympics:	<a href="#"><u>7.00</u></a>
	i. Miscellaneous:	<a href="#"><u>966.00</u></a>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Hours of Fraternal Service: {Round up to nearest quarter hour}</b>	<b>Y-T-D</b>
	a. Sick/disabled members and their families:	<a href="#"><u>52.00</u></a>





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## January Calendar of Events

Dec 30 & 31 - Enchilada & Burrito Sales After all SFX Masses

Jan 2-Admissions Degree Council 15126 7pm

Jan 2-Council 15126 Business Meeting 7pm

Jan 10-Council BB Free throws 12-14 Yr olds (3:45 pm)

Jan 16-Council Officer Meeting 7 pm

Jan 17-Council BB Free Throws 9-11 Yr olds (3:45 pm)

Jan 24-District #2 Free Throws 9-14 Yr olds (4:45 pm)

Jan 28-Exemplification for 2nd & 3rd Degree 1 pm at Conception Seminary College (carpool from SFX parking lot at 11:15 am)

Feb 14-Valentines Day, Ash Wednesday (Lent begins)

Next bimonthly Blood Drive at SFX will be on Tuesday Feb 6th from 1-5 pm

*(Check the council webpage event calendar on the date of interest for additional details)*

## Important Exemplification Dates!

The next Council 15126 Admissions Degree will be conducted at 7 pm in the SFX Parish Center on Jan 2nd immediately preceding our Jan Council Business Meeting. Plan now to recruit a friend to join our council.

All Knights who have completed the Admissions Degree are eligible to attend both the 2nd (Formation) Degree and the 3rd (Knighthood) Degree Exemplification on Sunday, Jan 28th at 1 pm at Conception Seminary College in Conception, MO. Plan now to attend this no cost ceremony to advance to full Knighthood in the 3rd Degree. The council will plan a car pool for those interested in participating on Jan 28th.

All Knights who have completed the 3rd Degree by Jan 28th are eligible to attend the 4th (Patriotic) Degree Exemplification on Saturday, Apr 14th beginning at 10:30 am at the Airport Hilton Hotel in Kansas City, MO. Attendance at this annual regional statewide Exemplification requires a prior application to and a recommendation from the St Joseph 4th Degree General Assembly 569 to which all St Joseph 4th Degree Knights belong for membership purposes (annual Assembly dues are \$15). Cost of the 4th Degree Exemplification is \$70 plus \$10 for a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree suspender Baldric. Uniform for this Exemplification is a dark suit, black shoes, white shirt and dark tie (no tuxedo is required for this year)!



*The Immaculate Conception Basilica Located at Conception Abbey—Site of the 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications on Jan 28th*