



August 2014

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

## COUNCIL 14144

### Grand Knight Notes:

Christ The King Catholic Community Knights of Columbus Council 14144 was chartered at this Parish in 2006. It is a young council, and has had challenges as it grows. Since inception, we have had four Grand Knights lead us through the growing pains... Les Lesicki, Kevin Lesicki, Ray Troik and Ron Tabick. At the time of this writing our newly installed Grand Knight, Vince Gorski is out of state on business so as Deputy Grand Knight I am filling-in with some notes about our fraternity.

Our past officers have done an outstanding job keeping this group alive and it is the goal of the newly installed officers to take this council to a higher level. Recently the State Council has conducted training seminars for new officers and it is very clear that we have a long way to go. We also have some fresh blood with new members joining recently and already these newcomers are making a difference as they seem to have the same intention of making this council something to be proud to be a part of.

As outgoing Grand Knight Ron Tabick says, this council has a lot of work to do going forward. I personally feel this is an exciting time to be part of Council 14144.

Deputy Grand Knight, Rick Houle



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### *Installation of Officers*

On July 12, 2014, the newly elected officers of Council 14144 were officially installed for the coming Fraternal year 2014 - 2015 in the main Chapel at Christ The King Catholic Community. A great social afterwards hosted by former GK, Les Lesicki was enjoyed by all. Pictured left to right are: Al Wagner, Rick Houle, Vince Gorski, Sebastian Nocita, Pablo Payumo, and Patrick Westerlund.



### *Who Are We?*

The Knights of Columbus is an organization of Catholic men in good standing with the church who are 19 years of age or older. Involvement with K OF C gives men the opportunity to enhance their faith while enhancing and protecting family life. Any man who joins the K OF C has the opportunity to be involved with a fraternity of men who strive to exemplify the qualities of CHARITY, UNITY, FRATERNITY, and, PATRIOTISM.

### *New Officers 2014 - 2015*

Grand Knight -	Vince Gorski
Deputy Grand Knight -	Rick Houle
Financial Secretary -	Al Wagner
Chancellor -	Bernardo Serrano
Recorder -	Rob Donoghue
Treasurer -	Bill Wasserburger
Advocate -	Patrick Westerlund
Warden -	Richard Medici
Inside Guard -	Sam Patino
Outside Guard -	Sebastian Nocita
First year Trustee -	Rich Lederer
Second Year Trustee -	Pablo Payumo
Third Year Trustee -	Ron Tabick



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*Our Council meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month @ 7:30 pm on the Christ the King campus*



## *What Do We Do?*

Each year our council is involved with many activities to raise money for various charities in our community. We do this by volunteering countless man-hours during fundraising events. In the past year alone we have contributed over \$2,500 to the CTK Parish for improvements to the campus. Our Seminarian program helps fund a Seminarian's monthly expenses. We support worthwhile programs such as Feed The Homeless Mission and First Choice Pregnancy. We are proud of our work but we also realize there is so much more than can be done which is why we are actively looking for good Catholic men in our Parish who are eager to roll up their sleeves to help make a difference in our community.

Oh, and one more thing....

**WE ACTUALLY HAVE FUN DOING ALL THIS!**



## *Las Vegas Motor Speedway Gate Volunteers*



Left to right: Wayne Babchuck, Rick Houle, Ray Troik, at the 2013 NASCAR weekend at LVMS.



## **Wheelchair Ministry**

There are so many people who are having trouble getting the wheelchairs they so desperately need. Our council recently donated a chair to this worthy charity, and we plan to work harder to provide many more chairs in the future.

# **Tootsie Roll Drive**

Last year we raised nearly \$4,000 for people with intellectual disabilities through our Tootsie Roll Drive. Our next drive is coming soon... Dates to be announced

## **Thought For The Month**

*We have made great strides...  
(we know we can do better)*

## *Press Release*

Papal greeting delivered to Knights' 132nd International Convention in Orlando August 5, 2014



ORLANDO, Fla. – In a letter of greeting to the Knights of Columbus, Pope Francis praised the organization's charitable works and encouraged the Knights to continue to champion religious liberty and defend the integrity of marriage and the family.

## *Did You Know?*

In 2009 the Knights Of Columbus raised and distributed nearly \$151 million and contributed 69 million volunteer-hours in service to Church, community, youth, and fellowman through the "Surge... With Service" outreach program.