



The *Bulletin*

Knights of Columbus, St. James Council 1728, 1900 Central Ave, Kearney, Ne.68847

Dec.. 2015

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Upcoming events



What is Advent

I grew up in a household that put up the Christmas tree a few days after Thanksgiving. Our tree would be up until sometime after Christmas, usually coming down the first week of January. There was never a defining moment when the Christmas decorations went up or when they should come down. We didn't talk much about **Advent** other than we knew it was happening and the church would display those cool purple and pink candles set in a wreath.

It was only several years later after moving out of the house that I really took to heart the meaning of Advent and properly put the focus of Christmas on the correct dates. Advent is a time of preparation, but what does that actually mean? Advent gives us an opportunity to prepare our homes and our hearts to receive Jesus. Jesus' birth is a tremendous gift to us. We spend so much time preparing decorations and buying gifts, but I wonder how much time we spend spiritually preparing ourselves for the actual purpose of Christmas.

10 Things you can do for Christmas

- Give God one very special gift just from you to him.**
- Set aside a special time to read the Christmas story in Luke 1:5-56 through 2:1-20.**
- Set up a [Nativity scene](#) in your home.**
- Plan a project of good will this Christmas.**
- Take a group Christmas caroling in a nursing home or a children's hospital.**
- Give a surprise gift of service to each member of your family.**
- Set aside a time of family devotions on Christmas Eve or Christmas morning.**
- Attend a Christmas church service together with your family Christmas morning.**
- Send Christmas cards that convey a spiritual message.**

Grand Knight Message



Knights of Columbus events for December

Due to Christmas, the December meeting will be moved up to Dec. 21, 2015. This will be a joint meeting with Prince of Peace council. Dinner at 6:30 PM with the meetings to follow. Refreshments after the meetings.



District Deputy

Keep up the good work and as you socialize be sure to ask another Catholic man to join the K of C. If he will not then ask his wife. We as knights have the largest working fraternal organization in the world with Jesus as our guide and counsel.

During this advent season prepare for the coming of the LORD, and remember TEMPUS FUGET MEMENTO MORI which will come when we least expect. Pray for the lost loved ones and the families who will be in distress this season.

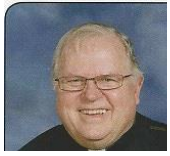
God Bless and a Holy Christmas.

Jim Dubas DD24 308*708*0514



Universal Intention - **Experiencing God's Mercy.** *That all may experience the mercy of God, who never tires of forgiving.*

Evangelization Intention - **Families.** That families, especially those who suffer, may find in the birth of Jesus a sign of certain hope.



From the Desk of Fr. Bob Rooney

This month I made use of a prayer card from the funeral of Don Schuttes brother Paul, who passed away recently. Its noted" I'm following the path God planned, for I could not stay another day, to laugh, to love, to work, to play. I found peace at the close of another day. If my parting had left a void, then fill it with remembered joy, a friendship shared.... I wish you sunshine tomorrow. My life had been full, I've savored much, gained God given friends, given good times.... Perhaps my time has been brief.... God wants to set me free.

I read a recent published article from the World Herald. A 21 year old woman who, as in my case was in a near fatal accident. Her name is Rachael Johnson. She wrote "I started to realize" I'm not an inspiration" because I'm me!

In my case, God has given me life. It was written in the Grand Island Register, God hasn't finished with me yet.

Council Officers - 2015 –2016

Grand Knight – Cliff Jarecke
 Deputy Grand Knight – Mark Glatter
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 Financial Secretary - Tim Bruner
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 (308)237-4255

Council Meetings 4th
 Monday of every month
 at 7:30 p.m. at the Hall. A
 steak dinner is served
 prior to the meeting at
 6:30 p.m. All are invited.
 Cost of the meal is \$8.00.

4th Degree Meetings 2nd
 Thursday of each month
 at 7:30 p.m. at the Hall
 except June, July and
 August

Officers Meetings 3rd
 Tuesday of the month at
 7:00p.m. at the Hall.

CMO Meeting 2nd
 Tuesday of the month at
 7:00 p.m at the Hal



St. James Council 1728

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Calendar of Events

Please go to our website to keep up on all the events as they develop and put into place.

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Dec. Bingo Workers

Chairman: Ron Fitzgerald Seller: Gailen Kotrous Caller: Dan Crookshank

Nathan Cheetsos, David Colling, James Crocker, Monte Dakan, Tim Franco, Nickolas Franssen, Karl Geist, Brennan Heelan, Stephen Jurgens, James Kalb, Thomas Karre, Brian Kaslon, David Kistler, Jeff Kosch, Chad Kotrous, Gerald Messbarger, Thomas Nichel, Craig Nickman, Daniel O'Commer, Tom Pepperl, Robert Placke, Michael Reese, Vincent Reyes, David Schmit and Rick Sorensen

Notice!

June's bingo committee is scheduled to serve the dinner for the Dec. Council meeting.

Jan. Bingo Workers

Chairman: Kenneth Richter Seller: Richard Bugay Caller: Edward Wicht

Mike Altmaire, Chris Badura, Randy Buschkoetter, Daune Chromy, Dan Engele, Marc Fredricks, Phillip Freeling, Jason Graham, James Hausman, Clifford Jarecke, Randall Kowalski, Rick Luth, Scott Miner, Rex Moore, Paul Mallowney, James Richter, John Vanderbeek, and Jason Wozniak

Notice!

July's bingo committee is scheduled to serve the dinner for the Jan. Council meeting.

Nov. Knight of the Month

Dan Glatter

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Dan has been a Knight since 1975, taking his Patriotic Degree in Jan. of 2012. Dan is a stranger to hard work. If there is a project needing attention, Dan is there to lend a hand. As Family co-director he is actively involved in making the Annual Family Picnic a resounding success. Dan served as Friday Fish Fries chairman, is involved with the CMO, and also serves as Building and Grounds Manager at St. James. Currently, Dan serves as Faithful Navigator of 4th Degree Assembly 0609. Thank you Dan for your dedication and commitment!!

Nov. Family of the Month

Andy Donovan and Sons, Anthony, Taylor, Bradley and Shane

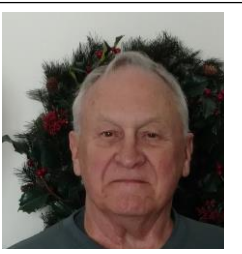
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Andy Donovan is a Knight for 25 years, joining in 1990 and taking the Patriotic Degree in 2010. Andy and his sons are actively involved in Knight's projects and events. The boys like to ride the Knight's Float in parades and hand out Tootsie rolls to the eager spectators. Andy and sons are involved in many projects, serving at various functions, e.g., Fall Harvest Breakfast, St. James Oktober Fest, Fish Fries and helping feed the College students at the Newman Center on Wednesday evenings. During football season Andy has organized hamburger/sloppy joe feeds for the football teams after the KCHS home games; the away teams who travel some distance to get home appreciate this. One son, Bradley, serves as Lector (Proclaimer) at St. James on Sundays. By his example, Andy exemplifies to his sons what it means to be a father and at the same time passes on Knight's values to his sons. Thank you Andy and your sons for your selfless service to the Knights, the Church and the greater Kearney Community!!!

Meet James Hausmann Trustee 2 year



Jim was elected to serve as two year trustee do to the passing of Gary Mowray. Jim is a Honorary Life member of 3rd degree in Council 1728 and a member of the 4th degree Assembly 0609.

Jim and Ruth Cleary Hausmann will be married for 50 years this coming February. They lived in Elgin, NE. Columbus, NE, Kearney, NE and Carroll, IA and then again, Kearney, NE. maintaining membership in council 1728 since 1974.

Worked in sales and marketing for Con Agra in the agricultural chemical business for 39 years. He retired in 2004.



**Fourth Degree Fourth Degree
Knights of Columbus,
Kearney Assembly #0609**

Meetings - 2nd Thursday, 7:30 P.M.
Knights of Columbus Hall
, 1900 Central Avenue

Faithful Navigator: Dan Glatter
Faithful Captain: Tim Franco
Faithful Pilot: Gailen Kotrous
Faithful Scribe: Pat Kistler
Faithful Purser: Mitch O'Neill
Faithful Comptroller: Tom Schachta
Faithful Admiral: Chuck Dummer
Inside Sentinal: Ken Richter
Outside Sentinal: Emory Pankas
Trustee 3 years: Jim Dubas
Trustee 2 years: Cliff Jarecke
Trustee 1 year: Jim Rowling
Faithful Friar: Fr. Tom Mullowney
Commander of Color Corps: Sam Reinke

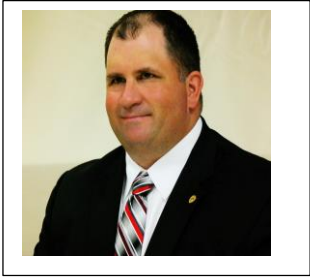
4th degree news

Knights of Columbus

Sir Knights,

**Next meeting Dec. 10,2015 @7:30 P.M.
From our house to yours, we wish you a very
Marry Christmas and a Happy New Year**

**Faithful Navigator:
FN 609
Dan Glatter**



INSURANCE AGENT'S MESSAGE

Ask Eligible Men to Join

Life insurance as a gift?

The initial reaction for many people when you mention life insurance as a gift is a quick step back and a questioning stare. How morbid, they may think quietly or aloud. While it may seem that way when you first mention it, life insurance is a really thoughtful gift that can be a financial life preserver in tough times.

The problem with life insurance is the general perception. Many think of life insurance only in cases where someone dies. Life insurance should, in fact, be thought of as a precautionary protective measure for a family unit. The purchase of this product can mean saving your home, sending your children to college, and preserving your spouse's quality of life in the event of your death.

One of the times you may want to purchase life insurance for someone is when a family has a new baby. It's a great, low-cost way to set money aside for the future (i.e. college tuition, housing, business start-up, etc.). Of greater importance, it ensures these children will have insurance as adults, in case an illness later in life makes him or her uninsurable.

Newlyweds are also ideal recipients for life insurance. As they join their lives and financial responsibilities, young couples need to make sure that their early investments are fully protected. If something were to happen to one of them, the other may be faced with serious financial hardship. A life insurance policy is an ideal way to ensure their future and protect their assets.

As nontraditional as it may be, life insurance is a wise and caring gift to purchase for many people.

Wishing you a Joy-filled Advent Season,

Michael Scholz, FICF



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Webmaster



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Lynn follows most activities and posts pictures to the facebook page.

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