



The Knights' Time

ST. ROBERT BELLARMINI KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
BLUE SPRINGS, MO

St. Robert Bellarmine
Knights of Columbus Council
#14745

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2015 — 2016 Officers

COUNCIL 14745 DOES IT AGAIN—BREAKS RECRUITING RECORD AND RECEIVES 4 STAR COUNCIL RECRUITING RECORD

Thanks to the leadership of past Grand Knight Tommy Webb and the efforts of Dave Bruns former Membership Director our council brought in 17 new members last fiscal year as well as meeting our insurance goals. District Deputy Kenny Yunker presented the 4 Star Award.



The Grand Knight's Corner

Brother Knights,
Once again, it's been a very busy time for our council. While the nation hosted Pope Francis from the Vatican we hosted our own celebrity, Oscar Urbano from Mexico.
Oscar is the seminarian that we have been helping to support this year. He has an effect on everyone around him and you can almost see the light shining from within him. He joined our council and we were able to get him to a first degree ceremony (thank you Juan Hinojosa for serving as the interpreter). We will continue to provide financial, emotional and fraternal support to Oscar in the months to come.
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Officers:

- John Milosevich - Grand Knight
- Fr. John Bolderson - Chaplain
- Bob Drake- D. G. Knight
- Frank Hays- Chancellor
- C.J. Kliebert - Warden
- Daniel Bales - Recorder
- Mike Meyers - Treasurer
- Chris Fox - I. Guard
- James Duncan - O. Guard
- Wendell Vice - Financial Sec.
- Henry Marsh - Advocate
- Tommy Webb - 3 Yr. Trustee
- Ron Rey - 2 Yr. Trustee
- Kenny Yunker - 1 Yr. Trustee

Directors:

- Bob Drake —Program Director
- C.J. Kliebert —Membership Dir.
- Frank Hays—Church Activities Dir.
- Frank Hays—Prolife Activities Dir.
- Donald Carey—Youth Activities Dir.
- Dave Bruns —Community Dir.
- *****—Family Activities Dir.
- *****—Council Activities Dir.
- Shaun Horner—Webmaster

Officers & Directors Meeting

January 6, 7:30 p.m.
(1st Wednesday)
St. Robert's Parish Hall

Next Council Meeting

January 13,
St. Robert's Parish Hall
Business Mtg. - 7:30 PM

Rosary
7:00 PM
Parish Hall

Grand Knights Corner Continued

At the Parish Picnic we had seven participants in the soccer challenge. We had two winners that went on to district competition and Mallory Gros advanced from our parish.

C.J. had three men that filled out applications to join our council during the picnic. The Knights cooked and helped clean up afterwards.

At the Blue Springs Fall Fun Fest Parade we had great participation from our members and their families. Thank you Paul Gros for getting your dad to bring his John Deere kiddy train.

In October we had the annual Drive for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities, often called the “tootsie roll drive” for short. We collected donations of \$2848 compared to \$2654 last year. Thank you Dave Bruns for organizing the volunteers and for getting the candy and aprons to the intersections.

On November 1st our council hosted a 2nd & 3rd degree ceremony at the Parish Hall. This was a first for us but it went very smoothly. We had nine members that took their 2nd and 3rd degrees that day. Congratulations to those men. The names are listed elsewhere in the newsletter. A big thank you to our District Deputy Kenny Yunker, Wendell Vice, C.J. Kliebert, Tommy Webb, Dave Bruns and Paul Fiola for helping out.

In November our brother Knights refinished a deck for Brother Wayne Ratzburg which was his last request. Thank you Wendell, Frank, Tommy, Kenny, Dave and Dennis who stepped up to take on this project.

In the weeks to come we will be conducting our fall & winter activities: Special Olympics, feeding the needy at the Welcome Inn, Breakfast with Santa, New Year’s Eve Party in the multipurpose room, Trivia Night and more. I’m probably forgetting some things, there is so much going on. There is something for everyone so please volunteer to help out where you can.

TRANSITIONS

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Mike Meyer’s father who passed away last month

Wayne Ratzburg who just passed away last month

Allee and Alex Middlecamp who just had their first child

Peace be with you all,
John



Council 14745 has gone International

Oscar Urbano (2nd from the left) our adopted seminarian from Altamirano Mexico, recently completed his first degree while visiting our parish in September. Oscar will be ordained in December 2017. Pictured with Oscar (from left to right) Tommy Webb, Juan Hinojosa, and CJ Kliebert. Juan was our translator for Oscar.

Some of our newest Knights who recently completed their first degree.



Brother Knight CJ Kliebert sponsoring Brother Knight Daniel Kester on the left who took his first degree in October. Welcome Daniel



Our newest Knight from October, Brother Knight Stephen Bales, standing next to his son Daniel Bales in the center. Far left our Grand Knight John Milosevich and far right CJ Kliebert. Welcome Stephen.

OUR FALL ACTIVITIES

PARISH PICNIC



Left– Brother Knight CJ trying to go in Stealth mode to get ready for the soccer tournament.

Below– Knights did all the cooking for the picnic. Our quality control crew to make sure the hamburgers were cooked to perfection. Left to right– Our Grand Knight John, Oscar, Deputy Grand Knight Bob, and Past Grand Knight Tommy.



Blue Springs Fun Festival Parade



Brother Knight Paul Gros' father, Charlie getting the train ready for the parade. Grand children of the Brother Knights were the train passengers.

Knights parade crew for the Blue Springs Parade



Knights taking the lead representing our council. Brother Knights John Loughran and CJ Kliebert

Happenings in October



2015 Annual tootsie roll drive for the Developmental Disabilities. Top photo Trustee Ron Rey and bottom photo Past Grand Knight Tommy Webb. This years drive was the best ever. Council 14745 raised over \$2,800.00. Thanks to all the volunteers.



St Robert Bellarmine Council hosts 2nd and 3rd Degree ceremony



Our council represented over half of the members who completed their 2nd and 3rd degrees. Our new 2nd and 3rd degree Knights pictured left to right. Front row– Steve Harris, Tim Schloss, Dennis Hampson. Back row– Matt Wilding, Joe Lampen, Steve Mitchell and Maurice Mitchell. Not pictured is Michael Griesbauer. Congratulations to all!

Wayne Ratzburg—October 16, 1935—
November 4, 2015

May the soul of Wayne through the mercy of God rest in peace. Wayne was a member of our council. One of Wayne's final wishes to was to have his deck re-stained before he died. He wanted to leave his home in good shape for his wife. Several Brother Knights under the leadership of Brother Wendell Vice and Frank Hays put a crew together to re-stain the deck at the Ratzburg residence. Wayne's last day was watching his Brother Knights come together and start the process of re-staining the deck. Please see the next page for the pictures.





Knights Events for December, January, and February

December 12– Breakfast with Santa, Parish Center– 8:30 to 12:00

December 16– Final date to turn in cash donations and/or blankets for Floods of Joy Church in Kansas City, KS. Contact Frank Hays

December 27– Coffee and Donuts 9:00 and 11:00 Mass. No Breakfast

December 31– Parish New Years Eve party– 8:00 pm to midnight—Multi-purpose Room. Advanced ticket sales. \$25.00 a person, \$45.00 for couples

January 6– Officer's meeting, Parish Center

January 13– General membership meeting– Rosary 7:00 pm, Membership meeting 7:30 pm, Parish Center

January 24– Parish Breakfast

January 30 and 31– Super Bowl Chili Dinner

January 31– 5th Sunday, 9:00 am Mass, 8:30 am Rosary
2nd and 3rd Degree, Conception Abbey

February 6– Knights of Columbus Trivia Knight, Multi-purpose room



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"Scrooge Didn't Believe"

We can all remember the story of Scrooge and his failure to believe in the spirit of Christmas. To all but the Scrooges of the world, the celebration of the birth of Christ brings with it warm feelings of family ties, and joy and pleasure that our faith brings to others. That same warm feeling comes from owning life insurance. Just knowing that, because of what you have planned, your loved ones will have joys and comforts for years to come if something should happen to you.

I don't think Scrooge would have believed

in life insurance either, but men of good will do. And the world is a better place because of them. Through life insurance, they know that comfort and security will not be for only one day, but, instead, a gift that will provide for their loved ones for years to come. This Christmas, give a gift of security and protection.

Merry Christmas to all of you!



For the Good of the Order

We pray for

- ...all the unborn and especially the aborted.
- ...an increase in vocations.
- ...our brother Knights and their families that are ill or in distress.
- ...the families of all our fallen brothers.

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Tropical Pink	•	•	•	•
Hibiscus	•	•	•	•
Red	•	•	•	•
Burgundy	•	•	•	•
Maroon	•	•	•	•
Banana	•	•	•	•
Gold	•	•	•	•
Texas Orange	•	•	•	•
Orange	•	•	•	•
Light Stone	•	•	•	•
Stone	•	•	•	•
Coffee Bean	•	•	•	•
Light Blue	•	•	•	•
Ultramarine Blue	•	•	•	•
Maui Blue	•	•	•	•
Mediterranean Blue	•	•	•	•
Royal	•	•	•	•
Navy	•	•	•	•
Purple	•	•	•	•
Eggplant	•	•	•	•
Lime	•	•	•	•
Mint Green	•	•	•	•
Kelly Green	•	•	•	•
Court Green	•	•	•	•
Clover Green	•	•	•	•
Dark Green	•	•	•	•
Bark	•	•	•	•
Steel Grey	•	•	•	•
Cool Grey	•	•	•	•

My Brother Knights:

Thanks to Wendell Vice, we now have found a local company, R&R Buttons, that will provide our KofC "dress shirts". While the prices are only a couple of \$s less per shirt, we can get all sizes, many more color selections, we do not have to pay any shipping charges, and we keep our money in the community.

These polo shirts are a 35/65% blend of cotton and polyester. They come with our embroidered KofC emblem, Council Name, number and your first name. Wendell is wearing Royal Blue. While there are many colors to choose from, the larger sizes (above XL are the ones with 4 dots). To date we have members with, White, Royal Blue, Navy Blue, and Kelly Green.

The cost is \$27 for S, M, L, and XL. Us "portly" guys have to pay a little more- (\$29=2XL, \$30=3XL, \$31-4XL & \$32-5XL). Since these will be customized with your name, we will need your money upfront.

If you are interested, please let Wendell know the following information if you wish to place an order:

Your full Name: _____ (Ken Yunker)

Name you want embroidered on the shirt _____ (Ken, Kenny, nickname?)

Shirt size: _____ (S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL)

Cost: _____ (\$27= S,M,L,XL, \$29=2XL, \$30=3XL, \$31-4XL & \$32-5XL).

Would you rather have long sleeves?

Add \$6.00 to the cost.

Long Sleeve: Yes (Please circle if you want Long Sleeve)

The following information and check can be given or mailed to Wendell Vice.

Wendell's home address is:



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