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Knight News

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 3285

Grand Knight's Note

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Dec 1st—Council Meeting
- Dec 15—Council Meeting Downstairs
- Dec 20th—First Degree
- Dec 25th—Christmas
- Jan 5th—Council Meeting
- Jan 8th—Breakfast
- Jan 19th—Council Meeting Downstairs

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Field Agent and Brother Knight Joe Jackson 720-320-8750 Brother Knights,

Our annual Memorial Mass, potluck, & get together to assemble the 300+ turkey baskets on Thursday, November 17th went very well. I want to thank Father Humberto for the beautiful mass. Also thanks to the many participants who volunteered to help on the assembly line, getting all the Thanksgiving food items together for the baskets. We had great participation, once again, from our Squires. The mass, the food, and the spirited participation were a sight to behold. This was followed-up with the actual distribution of the turkeys & food baskets at the church school & in Lochbuie on Saturday the 19th. It is an honor to be able to help out those less fortunate in our community. Once again - Thank-you to Gerald Lucero & his committee, the St. Augustine's Food Pantry, and all the volunteers.

We wrapped up our last tootsie roll drive at the King Soopers in Commerce City, doing double duty that same Saturday that we distributed the turkey baskets. As we tally up the Tootsie Roll drive this year, I am expecting record results for our local Brighton elementary schools.

There is a lot to be thankful for this year especially; I am thankful for the election season to finally be over, my brother knights & all their support throughout the year, the Daughters of St. Monica, Father Humberto, the St. Augustine's Church community, the Brighton community, finally get-

ting some moisture (but not too much) and lastly all the families that support us in what we do (couldn't pull it off without them beside us).

As a reminder, there will be <u>no</u> Knights breakfast in December. We will resume again on January 8th at the parish life center.

Our next First degree installation will be held on Tuesday December 20th for new candidates at 7:00 pm – we are looking for many more candidates to share in our charity efforts & brotherhood. As a reminder our goal for the fiscal year is 21 new members. Please invite your catholic family & friends to join with us, the largest Catholic men's lay group.

Remember the real reason for the season. I look forward to seeing you all soon and have a safe & Merry Christmas to all!

Vivat Jesus,

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Grand Knight
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PS: The Financial Secretary, Chris Lubahn, wanted me to let everyone know that the 2017 Dues statement will be sent out around the 2nd week in December. Please be sure to include the amount due remittance stub with your payment. Any question please call Chris at 303-536-4119.







Daughters of St. Monica

Ladies Auxiliary of the Brighton - Knights of Columbus Council #3285

Hello Ladies, this months article will be a little longer than usual, time got away and I missed the dead-line. In October, The Daughters of St. Monica hearts were both happy and sad. I can talk about all the good things the Ladies Auxiliary do all day long, but find it difficult to share troubling news.

On a cold gloomy day, a few of us peacefully prayed the rosary at Planned Parenthood. Some signed a bus, that was traveling to all fifty states as part of the "40 Days for Life" campaign. Praying the rosary is our little way of showing support in trying to save a life.

With great sadness, heavy hearts and deepest sympathy we lost a beautiful, lovely lady, Judy Stickles. Since 2012, she lit up the room with her sparkling blue eyes, greeting everyone with a smile and a hug. Judy was a trooper as she battled Stage 4 cancer. It was an honor and a privilege seeing Judy become the Colorado State Ladies Auxiliary - 2016 Lady of the Year.

The Daughters of St. Monica are a great group of women who embrace each other in good times and in bad. Many of us had never experienced losing an active member, this was devastating for the auxiliary. Our communication fell apart and our hearts broke. We pulled ourselves together, proudly wearing our auxiliary shirts to her rosary or funeral. This was our way to send her off and show our love.

Now for the good news, THANK YOU-THANK YOU-THANK YOU-THANK YOU!! Thanks everyone for supporting or attending our Annual Craft Fair and Bake Sale. I would like to thank **Melissa Cisneros** and **Jill Klein** for chairing this event. It's not an easy task which takes a lot of work, but you ladies did an awesome job. A special thank you to the bake sale ladies, Knights, parishioners, the ladies in the kitchen

Thank you Squires, these young men were a huge help. It's always a pleasure to work with you guys. We really appreciate you, the crew of boys

helped tremendously with set up and clean up. Thanks vendors for displaying your creative craftsmanship and hope to see you again next year. This was a successful event because everyone was a great help.

The month of November was a little less eventful. Some of the Ladies consecrated themselves to Divine Mercy. This was 33 Days to Merciful Love retreat which fell on the final day of the Year to Mercy. Remember I mentioned several ladies were going through the "Doors of Mercy"? We are on the path to sainthood and save the world! Well, it's more like we are trusting, trying and recognizing our brokenness. Actually in reality, when we pray the Chaplet we realize God is Love, we receive his mercy and grace when we keep the faith.

We hosted a Family Game Day. The Broncos were not playing so not sure why this event was not well attended. Everyone must have be gearing up for the Thanksgiving holiday. We are trying to get families interacting together and unplug them from their phones and electronics. One idea or thought is maybe hosting a Knights - Ladies card game event?

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving and remembered to give Thanks to Our Lady and Our Lord. I am thankful for my faith, family, and friends.

Sincerely Serving,

Laura Lucero

"This one thing I ask of you, that wherever you may be, you will always remember me at the Alter of God." -St. Monica

Ladies Auxiliary Events:

December 5 - Monday Meeting 6:00 Columbian Home Event Center

December 12, 19 - HELP Mary Class 6:00pm in PLC





My fellow Sir Knights,

Here we are at the end of the year; I can't believe it has come so fast. I would like to thank all my Fellow Knights and Sir Knights for all your help and support during the past year. We had an Honor Guard for the 7:00 PM Spanish Mass, and thanks to the Sir Knights that showed to help out. Our next Honor Guard will be on Dec. 4th for the 8:00 AM Mass, and our next meeting will be Tuesday Dec. 6th. We will start the Rosary at 7:00 PM. Please try to attend both the Rosary and the meeting. We will have the final reading of the 4th Degree By-Laws before they are finalized and sent to Supreme, so any comments or suggestions would be encouraged.

Also try to attend the Christmas party for the council which will be Dec. 16th at the hall at 6:00 PM.

I would like to wish all Knights, Sir Knights, Daughters of St. Monica, Squires and all within our organization a very Merry Christmas, and please remem-

ber;

More than two thousand years ago, a little baby was born in a manger; an event that changed the world. This boy-child Jesus is the promised Messiah who stepped down from Heaven, to be born as a babe, live a sinless life, and willingly give his life, as the Perfect Lamb of God, to pay a sin debt He did not owe. As foretold in the scriptures; He did this for you; He did this for me; He did this for the whole world. When we believe this simple but amazing truth, Jesus' payment for sin is accounted to us, and we are promised eternal life. Since that first Christmas morn, much has been said about Christmas. Please let us all remember the true meaning of this season, and pray for each other, and for peace, not only in the world, but within our own families' and communities.

Vivat Jesus!

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Greetings Brother Knights.

There have been some changes at the hall and I want to recognize some

people for their efforts. I would like to commend our hall manager, Jim Herrera for the hard work he has been putting into the hall. The pantry area has been cleaned up and organized and is a much more efficient. He has also cleaned out the storage space previously used by the Kiwanis and made it available to our members. His dedication to keep the hall going is wonderful and I wish to thank him.

I would also like to recognize the Daughters of St. Monica for doing a deep clean of the kitchen.

These ladies are amazing. Melissa Cisneros, Brooke Albany, Melissa Ledezma, Ellen Heumann and Laura Lucero did a great job giving the kitchen a much needed cleaning. Thank you ladies!!! A couple of brother Knights volunteered as well.

The marquee has been changed to reflect the new name of the hall. The old wiring on the north wall has been upgraded and there are no more dangling wires. There will be more changes at the hall in the coming months. I ask my brother Knights to volunteer your time, your skills and your resources to make the hall a place to be proud of. Remember, it is your home and it needs your help.

Antonio Lucero

Columbian Home Board President



Culture of Life and Family



The Knights of Columbus remains firmly committed to defending the right to life of every human being, from the moment of conception to natural death.

We all have that one special Christmas show that we love and look forward to each year, I'm sure we all of know Charlie Browns Christmas and that one special part, Charlie Brown:" Isn't there anyone, who knows what Christmas is all about?!" Linus:" Sure Charlie Brown, I can tell you what Christmas is all about."

And there were in the same country shepherds, abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them! And they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, "Fear not! For, behold, I bring you tidings of great joy, which shall be to all my people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ, the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling

clothes, lying in a manger." And suddenly, there was with the angel a multitude of the Heavenly Host praising God, and saying, "Glory to God in the Highest, and on Earth peace, and good will toward men." That's what Christmas is all about, Charlie Brown." Could this happen today? Stop and think about it.

What if Joseph had turned Mary away? What if Mary had said no and the shepherds and everyone else were just too busy to care. Stop and think - what if that night had not happened. Now is the time that we stop and pray for God and the multitude of angles to help us each day, as we fight the evil that is around us. What we choose to do, or not do, about abortion, euthanasia, human cloning and embryonic research impacts lives for generations to come. Take action now and support a culture that values human life at all stages. Get on your knees today and pray the Rosary for God's Mercy and Guidance.

