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HOLY INFANT KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS #10794

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER



KNOTES FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving. As we approach the celebration of Christ's birth let's remember the true meaning of the Season. May everyone have a very merry and blessed Christmas and remember those around the world who are not allowed to practice their Faith.

Vivat Jesus

Rich Lacaille



DISTRICT DEPUTY #37 REPORT

by Bob Walker

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Councils #7119 – St. Clare of Assisi, Ellisville;
#8887 Sacred Heart, Valley Park; #9522 St.
Joseph Marian, Manchester; #10794 Holy
Infant, Ballwin; #12022 St. Alban Roe,
Wildwood.

Worthy Ladies Auxiliaries and Brother Knights,

Hoping you and your families had a safe and happy Thanksgiving as we move into December, celebrating the reason for the Christmas season, lighting the first candle on our Advent wreaths.

Brothers, you will be receiving your notices for payments of dues this month for the 2018 calendar year. Please update your contact information, if needed and send in to your Financial Secretary along with your payment. Most councils use these dues to pay for their administration expenses including printing and postage, along with assisting with charitable endeavors with what's left. \$7.50 of the dues that are added go towards the R.I.B. (Religious Information Bureau) established in 1941 by the Missouri Knights council to explain the fundamentals of the Catholic faith. Enter <https://www.catholichomestudy.org/> and see how you can obtain free pamphlets and online courses from this valuable gift. Also, please fill out and return any surveys you receive this year to help your councils grow and utilize your membership, whether by helping with council leadership roles, committees, activities or simply helping the Knights' Initiative to "Grow our Domestic Church" within our parishes and

communities by your everyday acts of prayer and giving.

Special thanks for all you do for the Knights and Ladies Auxiliaries! Without you the Catholic Church and our communities would be at a tremendous loss. Sue and I wish you and your families a blessed, Merry Christmas!

Vivat Jesus!

Bob Walker

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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

12/4 Jack Schaefer

12/11 Paul Mallery

12/18 Ken Clemens

12/25 Bob Walker

1/1 Jerry Quinn

If anyone wishes to be added to the Adoration Schedule, which is on Mondays, from 7-8 PM, contact Steve Lane at stevelane12@gmail.com, or 636-346-3668.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Earnie Doorack,

Don Gromacki, brother in law of Bill Strake,
Rosemary Seitz, mother in law of Mike Hayek
Bob Walker's son Matt

Joan Koebbe, Mother-in Law of Ron Harman

GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES

General Meeting Notes for November 14, 2017

First Degree Ceremony started 7:00 p.m.

- **Rich Lacaille** - Opened the meeting at 7:50 p.m. - 30 in attendance

- Thanked those who helped distribute Veterans' Day Lees Fried Chicken cards

- Thank you note from National K of C for disaster donation

- Children's poster contest is coming up

- Felice Cuores dance had two Holy Infant helpers.

- Christ in Christmas magnets and stickers. We have leftovers to sell this year.

- We gave to Catholic Radio and received a long sleeve t-shirt. Gave it to Jeff Logullo because he volunteers at the radio station.

- Priest vestments - Per Dave Denzer, the parish purchased vestments, our donation is to go for new chalices.

- **Jim Chappuis** - Financial secretary report on bills - approved for paying

- delinquent dues paid by one person. Bob Walker will call others not yet paid.

- **Dave Denzer** - 4th Degree Christmas Party for Assembly 3588 will be 12/2 at Incarnate Word

- **Steve Lane** - 2nd & 3rd Degree Ceremony at Ascension Parish 1/14/18

- 1st Degree at Sacred Heart 12/13/17

- **Joe Strange** - Jan 21 is our Open House in lower cafeteria. Discussion on whether or not to show football game because of kneeling players. We will stand for the national anthem.

- Christmas party is 12/10 at the bowling alley. Bring rob your neighbor prizes. Cost to be paid by our council \$1,300. First vote to pay that - approved.

- No living nativity this year. Instead Holy Infant will have an indoors Road to Bethlehem in the Church.

- Bowling league is doing well.

- Get newsletter info to him by 12/1. Jobs section will be new.

- **Ted Salvia** - Family hayride was a success with 25 in attendance - full wagon load.

- **Tom Tracy** - Script sales are way down.

- The giving tree event is coming up. He'll need help selling cards on 12/2-3 and 12/9-10 because he will be unable to be there that weekend. Someone will need to deposit funds on the Monday after each Sunday.

- **Ray Brune** - Bingo this weekend. New food items - pizza and 1/4 lb hot dogs.

- 50/50 and Tips will go to St. Vincent de Paul Society. We will match up to \$500.

- the K of C cabinet is in a truck and will need help moving it into the upstairs storage room.

- **Rich Lacaille** - Christmas donations - 3 priests each get \$100 (\$300). 4 deacons each get \$50 (\$200), Mrs. McQuaide \$50, 2 seminarians each \$50 (\$100). 4 rectory staff each \$50 (\$200) and Rob Meinberg \$50. Each was voted on and approved.

- Knight of the Month award was given to Bob Walker.

- **Bob Hawkins** - State Secretary report. Overall membership is up.

- **Bob Walker** - District Deputy report. St. Joseph's Council is having a new years eve party. Latest food drive produced 600 lbs of food and various gift cards. 3 new members tonight.

- Benefits presentation Wednesday 11/15 in upper cafeteria at 6:30 p.m.

- **Jim Powers** - gave thanks for our prayers for his recovery from arm surgery.

- **Nick Angelini** - asked that we fund an advertisement in our bulletin for More Than Coffee because it's not in their budget. We voted to pay for it (\$256.50)

- **Ted Salvia** - St. Vincent de Paul Society has a family that could use some food assistance. St.

Vincent can only give \$50 per month. Can we help? Various options discussed. We will take up a collection at the next meeting and discuss other options.

- **Rich Lacaille** - closed the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

-**Recorder Gene Hanneke**

(Ed.'s note: Gifts for priests incorrectly printed in e-mail. Above notes correction.)

OFFICER'S MEETING

MINUTES

Board Meeting Notes for November 28, 2017

- Before the meeting, a meeting was held to discuss the upcoming inheritance that our council is expected to receive. A decision was made to have Chuck Raymond come talk about possible investments and use of the funds

- **Rich Lacaille** opened the officer meeting at 7:30 p.m.

- a decision was made to give \$200 to St. Vincent De Paul for a needy family. We will pass the hat for the family at the December General Meeting.

- 5th Sunday is December 31st

- thank you note from prolife describing how many women were served this year

- **Joe Strange** - discussed the upcoming Christmas Party on December 10th

- **Jim Chappuis** - has sent out dues notices for the 2018 season

- **Tom Tracy** - Script Sales profits so far this year are about \$3,000 less than last year. Sales are way down, Average percent profit is way down too.

- discussion on the viability of the script sales program. It is very labor intensive and profits are near those of one bingo evening. We've received no help from other organizations which have been approached.

-Tom recently used \$6,600 of his own money to provide funds to buy the cards for the Giving Tree weekends. Tom needs to get back his money.

- All agreed to shut the program down in January. No inventory will be replaced with more cards (except for a special order). As the card inventory runs out, no more will replace it. In January, we will decide what to do with the left over cards.

- **Bob Walker** - latest food drive provided 800 pounds of food. We received \$100 from national, which we decided to give to St. Wenceslaus Food Pantry.

- Dec 13 is a 1st Degree Ceremony and there is one or two candidates.

- Bob has 13 people to call about their late dues. Next year, any that are unpaid will be dropped from the council.

- **Alan Thome** - has receipts to turn in from October Bingo.

- **Dave Denzer** - received a note from Holy Spirit Assembly asking about service hours. Decision made to not report there because we should report service hours to our council.

- **Steve Lane** - Ministry of the Month in January will be the Knights of Columbus.

- our open house is Jan 21 or 28

- **Rich Lacaille** - National asked that we do a Christmas program. Decision made to not do one because the youth group has their program.

- Prayers for a variety of people - Ernie Doorack, Bob Walker's son, Bill Strake's brother-in-law, others.

- closed the meeting at 8:40 p.m. -

- **Gene Hanneke** Recorder

GIFT CARD SALES

We are in our largest gift card sales month. There are openings to sell gift cards after masses next few week ends. The link to sign up is on our web site at www.holyinfant-kofc.org.



BINGO

Another great turn out of players in November with over 190 players! Thanks to all who volunteer their Saturday evenings for this, our No. 1 fundraiser! No bingo in December.

Dates for future Bingos:

January 20th

February 17th

March 17th

April 14th *

May 19th

June 16th

*Denotes not 3rd Saturday



FELICE COURES

The next Felice Coures dance will be December 9th at St Claire of Assisi. Anyone that can donate a few hours for this great cause please contact Rich Lacaille @ rlacaillekofc@gmail.com or 314-724-5207 or Kathie Strake for more information.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Our next general meeting will be December 12th. We will be "passing the hat" for a family that St Vincent DePaul is working with so they may have a nice Christmas!



CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our annual Christmas Party will be Sunday, December 10th, 5 pm at West County Lanes. As always, Santa will make an appearance to give out presents to all the children! And we will be playing "Rob Thy Neighbor" after dinner. No cost for dinner but will be a cash bar (you can purchase gift cards at the scrip table). All members of our council and their family (children, grandchildren, etc.) are invited! For each child, please bring wrapped gift of about \$15 with child's name on it. Each player for adult fun needs to bring a wrapped gift of about \$15. Please call Joe Strange at 314-307-2877 or email gojoe101@aol.com with number of adults and children attending by December 3rd.

DD DRIVE FINAL

Here is how the funds from this year's DD Drive will be distributed:

Recipient	2016	2017
Good Shepherd School	575	603.96
Giant Steps	575	603.96
Tree House (Therapeutic Horsemanship)	350	450
St Gemma Center	750	1000
Special Olympics	200	0
Total	2450	2657.92

JOB BOARD!

If you or a relative may be looking for a part time or full time job, or you are an employer looking to hire, send the information by the 25th of each month to gojoe101@aol.com.

HELP WANTED - Tax Office Seasonal Help Wanted Two openings to work in a tax office assisting with scheduling appointments, filing, making copies, assembling client tax return copies and general office work. Some experience in general office work and limited knowledge of income tax process is helpful but not absolutely necessary for the right candidate. Position could begin with limited hours in December 2017 and full-time hours from January through April 2018. Hourly rate

commensurate with experience. Contact Tom Trog with brief summary of work history and experience. Email preferred to ttrog@sbcglobal.net.

HELP WANTED - Experienced Tax Preparer Two openings to work in income tax preparation office during tax season. Experience preferred but can provide training to someone with solid accounting/financial background. Work would begin with limited hours in December 2017 and full-time hours from January through April 2018. Would consider someone looking to supplement a full-time job and available to work evenings/weekends. Pay commensurate with experience. Contact Tom Trog with brief summary of work history and experience. Email preferred to ttrog@sbcglobal.net.

ACADEMY SPORTS AND OUTDOORS: Now hiring full time, permanent part time and seasonal help! Competitive salary, great benefits including 401k! Apply at www.academy.com/careers.

DECEMBER CALENDAR

12/9 Felice Coures Dance

12/10 Christmas Party

12/12 General Meeting

12/26 Planning Meeting

2017/2018 OFFICER'S ROLE

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Merry Christmas



2017-2018 Officers

President – Dorothy Denzer
Vice President – Martha Lang
Secretary – Gloria Puricelli
Treasurer – Kathleen Strake
Trustees - Rita Schmitt and Kathie Hanneke
Newsletter Editor – Olivia Pieknik



Upcoming Events –

7:00 p.m. December 19th – At this Christmas meeting, please bring an appetizer to share and also a wrapped gift valued at \$15.00 as everyone would pick a gift and then play Rob-Your-Neighbor/Gift Exchange.



Happy Birthday and Blessings to
Gloria Puricelli – December 22nd
Kathleen Strake – December 26th



In the Spirit of Giving, the Officers presented to Fr. Stanger our donation of gift cards to be given to families/parishioners that are in need of financial support during this Christmas and throughout the year.



The Knights annual Christmas Party will be Sunday, December 10th, 6:00



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p.m. at West County Lanes. No cost for dinner – there will be a cash bar. The Party is for all the Knights and Ladies and their family (children, grandchildren, etc.) For each child, please bring a wrapped gift of about \$15 with the child's name on it. The Knights/Ladies who wish to participate in gift exchange need to bring a wrapped gift of about \$15. To RSVP or any questions, call Joe Strange at 314-307-2877 or email gojoe101@aol.com.



We received a nice Thank-You note from Bernie Williams. Contact Dorothy Denzer if you wish to obtain Bernie's new mailing address in Mesa, Arizona.

Mark your calendar – An Appreciation Dinner for the Knights and the Ladies hosted by American Heritage Girls will be on January 25, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the lower

cafeteria. Invitation and additional information will be forthcoming.



Thanks to all the Ladies for your hard work at the Vintage and Coin Fundraiser on Sunday, November 5th. Special thanks to Scotman Jewelry and Vintage Pickers for providing their expertise.



Please contact Kathleen Strake if you wish to order a long sleeve shirt (photo above). It will be in Royal Navy Blue, at a cost of \$15.50 including Logo and Words (Ladies Auxiliary of Holy Infant Council 10794). Add \$2.00 if you wish to

have your name on the shirt and \$3.00 for 2X and 3X sizes.



New Year's Eve dance at St. Joseph Church – Manchester, MO

The Knights of Columbus of **St. Joseph Parish** (567 St. Joseph Lane, Manchester) will host **Rock'n the New Year** on Sunday, December 31st, featuring live tunes by The Backstreet Cruisers (thebackstreetcruisers.com). Doors open at 7:30 pm with music and dancing at 8:30. The cost is **\$35 a person** (21 and older only), which includes beer, wine, soda, light snacks, champagne at midnight, a photo booth and more. Bring appetizers and treats to share at your table, but please leave your liquor at home. To reserve seats or a full table of eight, visit the St. Joseph website (www.stjoemanchester.org).

Payment in full is required at the time of the reservation. Reservations are non-refundable. For more information contact **Jim Schuessler** 636- 527-1934 (home), 314-941-9371 (cell), or jimdotschuess@hotmail.com

