# KNIGHT LINES NEWSLETTER



### Hoffman-Schaumburg Council #6964



## December 2016

#### Coats for Kids Campaign:

The Coats for Kids program kicked off once again in Grand style just in time for winter as Joe Tuccori at Church of the Holy Spirit and Reggie Lualhati and "Melissa" at St. Matthew helped to organize & run the event. Joe overseen the ordering and took delivery of all the boxes of coats. We presented 2 dozen very much appreciated new coats at each parish for their needy children. They are currently being passed out to some children that never had owned a coat at any time in their lives. God Bless!



Sharon Ogorzalek, Joe Tuccori, Laverne Horgan, Rick Froelich, Tim Figiel, John Vlnka & Joe Galvin at Church of the Holy Spirit Dean Hoppesch giving coats to "Minerva" of **St. Aloysius** A sharing parish of **St. Hubert** 



John Vlnka, Tim Figiel, Rick Froelich, Jon Mucker, Fr. Glab, Joe Tuccori, & Ken Szott at St. Matthew

## **\***<u>Women at the Well, A Church of the Holy Spirit event:</u>

On November 11th. There were only six of our knights that participated in the "Women at the Well" event this month . This is a very easy event to take part in. Lasts about 1 1/2 hours and the women love us.



Rick Ortwerth, Bill Gulik, Joe Tuccori, Paul Kutylo & Pete Munnich not picture is me, John Vlnka taking the pictures



The Knights are serving coffee & tea to the women

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#### **Results: Blood Drive at St. Hubert on November 13th.**



There were a total of **49 units collected**. The units collected will potentially **save 147 lives!** 

Thank you to all of those who gave unselfishly of themselves to help others. Their generosity will help neighbors in need, including cancer patients, critically ill newborns, accident victims and many more who have illnesses requiring blood products.

LifeSource and the Hoffman/Schaumburg Knights of Columbus

Donating or helping out were Mark Stechman, Tom Van Havermaet, Paulette Hoppesch, wife of Dean, Kathy Krebs, Peter Stresino, Jay Hattar, George Noonan, Mike Ritter, Tim Lyons, Larry Arquilla, John Vlnka, Tim Figiel, Rick Ortwerth, Joe Augustyn and Ismeal Vera Bravo. Quite a crew!!!!

Pictured here on the left is Bill Gulik once again, giving blood. The Next Blood Drive at St. Hubert will be on March 5th. 2017

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On November 19th., Holy Family's Council in Inverness hosted an Admission Degree. Six brother Knights welcomed Roger Malinski into our council as he took the Degree (formerly known as the First Degree). Roger is from St. Hubert Church and is a well recognized and respected member of the community. He will be a fine addition to our council. **Congratulations Roger!** 



Joe Tuccori, John Vlnka, Roger Malinski, Rick Froelich, Tom VanHavermaet & John Heavey not pictured here is Ken Szott Joe Tuccori, Roger Malinski and Ken Szott in the Narthex of Holy Family Church

**Remember... WE ARE MOVING SOON!** December is our last month for meetings at The Schaumburg Township Ctr. Starting in January we will be meeting at St Hubert.

#### Dine to Donate - Bears vs. Giants Game at Chili's, November 20th.

Seven brother knights showed up that day to help raise money in yet another "Dine to Donate" event. The pictures here were taken at the Hoffman Estates Chili's restaurant. None of us expected the Bears to win but they did make it interesting. Good Food, brother knights & Friends added to an enjoyable afternoon and we raised some money in the process. A synopsis of the "Dine to Donate" program follows by Tom Senese.



Jim Manfre & Tim Figiel discussing game strategy.



Jerry Bromley, Deacon Larry Smith, Ken Szott, Paul Kutylo, Tim Figiel & John Vlnka celebrate the food arriving



Jerry Bromley & his wife discussing the game with Jim Manfre

Joe Tuccori & Jerry Bromley talking over the next play



Jim Manfre & Tim Figiel watching the big screen heavily engrossed in the game

Paul Kutylo hoping the Bears score soon or he'll get mad



Deacon Larry enjoying appetizers

#### This message is from our Ways & Means Chairman, Tom Senese:

As your Council's Chairman of our new Ways & Means Committee, I wish to express my appreciation to those who have supported our dine-to-donate and baseball fundraising events this year

Over just the past seven months, you provided **\$1,900** to support the charitable works and ministries of our Council. As well, we've noticed increased participation by our council members - including wives and children.

These venues shared a portion of their receipts to our Council because of our dining or attendance: California Pizza Kitchen, Garibaldi's, Schaumburg Boomers, Moretti's, Pilot Pete's and Chili's. This has been a successful first step for all of us. THANK YOU!

Please continue to support your Council's Ways & Means Committee's efforts by joining us as a committee member and/or suggesting local venues that might participate in our committee's charge.

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#### **Room is being made at St. Hubert for our Council's Equipment:**

Jim Manfre reports that the theater group has taken & moved out the stage risers from the lower level of St. Hubert Church. The very heavy, large and awkward risers. Thanks to John Vlnka, Joe Tuccori and Tim Figiel for showing up at the last minute request and doing the heavy lifting. And thanks again to Dick Lambke for making it happen.

We now have space for two (or three) of our metal storage cabinets and maybe a couple 2'x4' locked plastic cases.

We just need to hear from Tom Binder or Teresa that space has been cleared for us, and when we can move in.

Now would be a good time for us to draft a small moving group with a truck or van that can move the metal cabinets from the warehouse. I'm not physically able to do much because of my bad back but I would be happy to coordinate with Teresa and Tom. Just let me know who would be willing to coordinate the Knights moving crew, warehouse and equipment.



Joe Tuccori & Jim Manfre finishing up the move of the old Stage Risers from St. Hubert to make room for the Knights



21 Very heavy stage risers loaded into the truck

#### **Council Awards presented to PGK Joe Tuccori:**

At the last business meeting, our district deputy, Gary Zalesny stopped in and much to Joe's surprise, presented him with Three different plaques that we earned during his term. They are named the "Columbian Award" where our council had participated in at least 4 major involvement programs. We did much more than four. Next we won the "Spirit of Illinois Gold Medal" followed by the "General Assistance Award". Our council regularly collects money during a business meeting for the "general assistance" fund and to my knowledge, we collected more than any other council in the state.



Gary Zalesny presenting the Three Different Awards to PGK Joe Tuccori



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#### **Star Illinois Recruiter:**

Bill Gulik was presented with the "Star Illinois Recruiter" Medal from District Deputy Gary Zalesny during our last business meeting.



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#### Upcoming Dates to remember:

**Children's Advent Party**, <u>Dec 10th</u> at St. Hubert Church in the lower level. Set up at 10:30 AM. Please Bring an unwrapped gift for admission.

Adult Advent Party, <u>Dec 11th</u> at Villaggio's Ristorante. 1242 West Lake Street Roselle II 60172 at 3pm. Wives, girlfriends and significant others are always welcome. Bring cans of food for the Food Pantry. If you are a knight, you really don't want to miss this. Cost is \$30.00 per person. See the attached flyer.

**K OF C** Collecting of Christmas Gifts at St. Matthew on December 3rd Saturday & Sunday the 4th. 1/2 hour before every Mass by the Grotto. Can still use some help collecting gifts.

**Collect donations at Jewel food stores on December 10th., 11th. , 17th. & 18th.** for the CHS food pantry for Christmas dinners. There will be 2 locations. Roselle & Wise and Schaumburg & Barrington Roads.

**Catholic Charities in Des Plaines,** Serve dinner to those in need at. Arrive between 5 and 5:15pm. Sign-in at C. C., set up and serve a hot meal followed by dessert. Bring- some cookies, brownies or cup cakes to serve. Clean up and leave by 7:30 pm. Wives or friends are welcome to assist.

Business Meeting: Next meeting is on December 8th. still at the Schaumburg Township Center

**Assembly Meetings:** Monday, December 19th. for both Assemblies, Sheils at St. Marcelline's & Bishop Hillinger at Our lady of Ransom in Niles.

**Memorial Mass:** A Memorial Mass will be held at St. Matthew at 5 PM on Saturday, January 14, 2017. Our Commander, Pete Skinder will lead us into church with 4th. Degree Knights in Regalia. Other Knights and their families & friends are all welcome to attend. It is a very nice and touching remembrance to all our Council's deceased Knights.

**Dine to Donate:** The next "Dine to Donate" event will take place on January 17th. at Three different "Lou Malnattis" restaurants. A flyer is being put together and will be sent out ASAP. All money raised will go to the "Feed My Starving Children" campaign.

**Windy City Bulls Faith Night:** Will be held on January 28, 2017 at the "Sears Center" arena in Hoffman Estates. You must purchase your tickets online to attend. See attached Flyer.

**Vocations Raffle:** Pete Munnich managed & ran the very successful and well organized 2016 Vocations Raffle campaign. We sold 178 raffle books for a total of \$2,670. Kevin Thomas alone sold 44 books. We will be helping to support up to 3 seminarians as a result. Our council's share will be over \$1600.00. Great job once again by Pete! The drawing will be held on December 10, 2016. Good Luck!

**Food Pantry & Thanksgiving Collections with CHS:** Tim Figiel reports that the "Jewel Food Stores" Thanksgiving Collections were hoping to receive enough donations to provide 150 Dinners for the needy. <u>We collected</u> <u>enough for 220 Thanksgiving Dinners</u>! Well Done Tim! He is also reporting that another council may be helping us out with donations to our food pantry. I will mention that Council's name when it is Finalized! The food collected by the St. Hubert food drives that go to the CHS Food Pantry & can now have their total weights added to our totals and result in more money returned to our council. This is a Great way for brother Knight Tim Figiel and Church of the Holy Spirit to end up the year. Quite an Asset our Tim Figiel is to our Council and the Food Pantry!

**Free Throw Contest:** Dean Hoppesch will once again be organizing our Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition. Last year was very successful for us as we went downstate with a three of our children in the running for State champions.. Eli Aldana repeated again as State Champion for his age group. Always a Great job with the kids by Dean!

**Social Night:** Pete Skinder promises another fun filled "Social Night" on January 26,2017 at St. Hubert in the "Dorothy Day" room. That's the 2nd floor of the Ministry Center. Exact times and more information will be coming in the next Newsletter.

**Chicago Wolves Outing:** Will happen on Sunday, February 26, 2017 at 3PM. A matinee and not a school night. More information coming as I get it. Cost of \$25.00 a ticket.



## **2016 ID DRIVE WAS A RECORD COLLECTION**

Thank-you to all the volunteers that stood on street corners and in front of stores handing out Tootsie Rolls.

Thank-you to all our neighbors who contributed their \$\$\$.

Many local organizations that serve those with intellectual disabilities will benefit greatly from your generous service or monetary contributions.



Through everyone's efforts in the ID Drive, we collected \$15,000.00 this year, a new record!



#### Feed My Starving Children Events:

GK Rick Froelich set up a January 9, 2017 "Packing Event" at the Feed My Starving Children facility in Schaumburg. It will run from 8 PM. until 9:30 PM.

PGK Joe Tuccori helped set up another packing date for this type of event on January 18, 2017. The 4th Degree Knights of the Sword discussed sponsoring this event at their last meeting. We can have up to 40 volunteers.

The address is; 1072 National Pkwy, Schaumburg, IL 60173, (847) 519-9614, fmsc.org

Small groups of us team up to fill plastic bags with Nutritional Dry food and Vitamins for famished children in all parts of the world. It's fun and satisfying to do. Please try and attend one or both of these events. This is an enjoyable way to help feed needy & starving children. You will be glad to did!

## Feed My Starving Children

#### Dear Joseph,

Thank you for registering **Hoffman/Schaumburg KOC** to pack food at Feed My Starving Children (FMSC). You're essential in helping us get nutritious meals to starving kids worldwide.

### Your event details:

Group name: Hoffman/Schaumburg KOC Group size: 20 Names given: 1 Names still needed: 19 Site: Schaumburg, IL **§ Map »** Date: Wed, January 18, 2017 Time: 8:00 PM - 9:30 PM



## Merry Christmas Knights of Columbus Council 6964 Annual Christmas Party

Sunday, December 11, 2016 Cocktail's 3:00 - 4:00 PM Dinner 4:00 till ???

Location: Villaggio Restaurant 1242 W. Lake Street Roselle, Il 630-671-9000

Appetizers : Bruschetta, Antipasto plate Soup: Chicken Rice Soup: Pasta: Rigatoni with Vodka Sauce Dinner Selection: Pollo Francese, Eggplant Parmesan, Spinach, Roasted Potatoes. Dessert: Vanilla Ice Cream

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Bread, Focaccia, Soda Coffee, Tea are included

\$30.00 per Person Make checks payable to the Knights of Columbus Please contact Eugene Niewiadomski or Peter Munnich <u>heniewia@sbcglobal.net</u> or colpete@comcast.net Cash Bar

Donations of food or Cash to the Schaumburg food pantry will be accepted.



## WINDY CITY BULLS FAITH NIGHT

### Windy City Bulls vs. Erie BayHawks Sears Centre Arena Saturday, January 28, 2017 at 7 PM

You are invited to join us in benefitting the Knights of Columbus Hoffman-Schaumburg Council while attending Windy City Bulls Faith Night!

- Watch the Windy City Bulls, the new NBA D-League affiliate of the Chicago Bulls, take the court from some of the best seats in the Sears Centre
- Visit the Knights of Columbus table on the concourse before tip-off and cheer on the organization as it's recognized on the court during the game
  - Enjoy a pre-game spiritual speaker as well as a post-game faith-based concert

A portion of every \$25 ticket purchased using the offer code below will be donated to the Knights of Columbus Hoffman-Schaumburg Council

To take advantage of this exclusive opportunity visit <u>WindyCityBulls.com/PROMO</u> and use the <u>special offer code: KNIGHTS</u>

Your contact with the Windy City Bulls is Nick Petro, who can be reached via phone at (847) 396-9304 or email at <u>npetro@bulls.com</u>

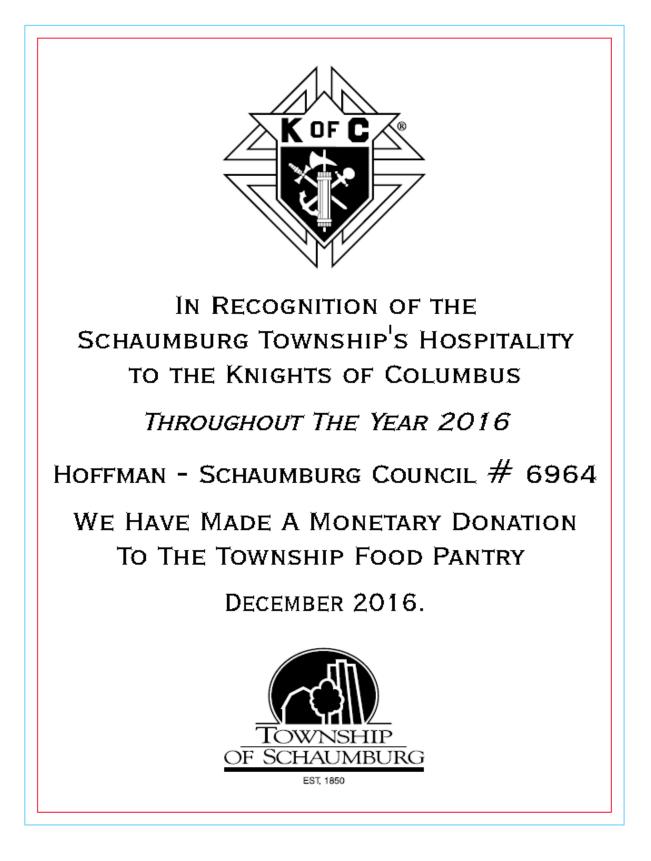






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