

The Knightly News – July 2015



THE GRAND KNIGHT'S CORNER.....Greetings Brother Knights, I hope your families are enjoying a safe Summer Season now that the rains have finally subsided. Our Council is looking forward to another eventful fraternal year, and as I am writing this article, we are already in the planning stages of several activities & events. Our Annual Golf Outing, Football Mania Ticket Sales and the Last Fling Beer Pour are all important fund raisers that will enable the St. Raphael Knights to fulfill our many charitable goals. Our Knights & family volunteers will be serving the clients at Hesus House in August. We will be again hosting a picnic at the VFW after the Labor Day Parade, for many Knights and guests that participate in the Naperville event. The Intellectual Disabilities Tootsie Roll Drive will be in full swing the 2 weekends following Labor Day. Our Knights have been asked to serve our parish at a couple events for the Oktoberfest scheduled for late September. Through your volunteerism, help and support in our annual activities we continue to be a very vibrant and active Council. On behalf of your Officers & Directors, I thank all for your continued efforts, "In service to One, and in service to All." Fraternaly, Chris Prazak



**Congratulations to our 2015 -2016 Officers
who were elected by unanimous vote!**

Grand Knight – Chris Prazak	Deputy Grand Knight – Dan Schwartz
Chancellor – Norm Bishop	Warden – RJ Hanson
Recorder – Alan Francis	Treasurer – Dan Ryan
Advocate – John Lamb	Inside Guard – Bill Foye
Outside Guard – Ralph Arata	Council Guard – Gus Kleckler
1 Year Trustee – Tim Rogers	2 Year Trustee – Tom Casey
3 Year Trustee – Bruce Kleckler	



Knights Family Meal

George & Linda finally got their White Fence Farm fix as they were joined by 26 other Knights and their Families for a delicious meal. Good food, fun and fellowship.
(notice the clean, empty plate in front of George)

Knights Family Meal Pictures



Helping others.....It's in my blood

The June 6th Blood Drive yielded 114 Units of the Gift of Life. Excellent job by everyone involved. Our Council also received the State award for the highest number of units collected for the year for Councils our size. Great job, Chairman Ralph.



Adopt A Highway - 75th Street Clean Up

The recent 75th Street Clean Up went well with the help of the Boy Scouts and their

Mothers. This is an excellent Community event with the sign on 75th Street giving the Knights visibility in our town. Thanks to everyone who helped out.



Congratulations to Joe Stubitz and Paul Tetti who recently completed their
2nd & 3rd Degrees at St. Irene's.

It is with sadness we say goodbye to Tom & Joann Casey, two really great people
who gave so much to this council. We wish them well in their journey to

Pennsylvania to be with their kids & grandkids.



Tom & Joann, the June Family of the Month, with their granddaughter
at the Knights Family Meal at White Fence Farm.

Upcoming Events

Monthly Council Meeting – August 11

Hesed House – August 27

Golf Outing – August 29

Labor Day Parade & Picnic – September 7

Last Fling – Labor Day Weekend

Do you know what you have here?

For the 9th consecutive year you have received the Star Council Award from the State of Illinois Knights of Columbus. It's not the award, but what goes into getting the award that is important.

- Do you know how many people are alive today because of the blood you collected?
- Do you know how many kids had a warm winter because of the coats they received from "Coats for Kids"?
- Do you know how many babies are alive because of the Ultrasound you helped purchase for Waterleaf?
- Do you know the joy you gave the people that attended "Special Camps For Special People"?
- Do you know how comforting it is to have someone to talk to when things aren't going well?

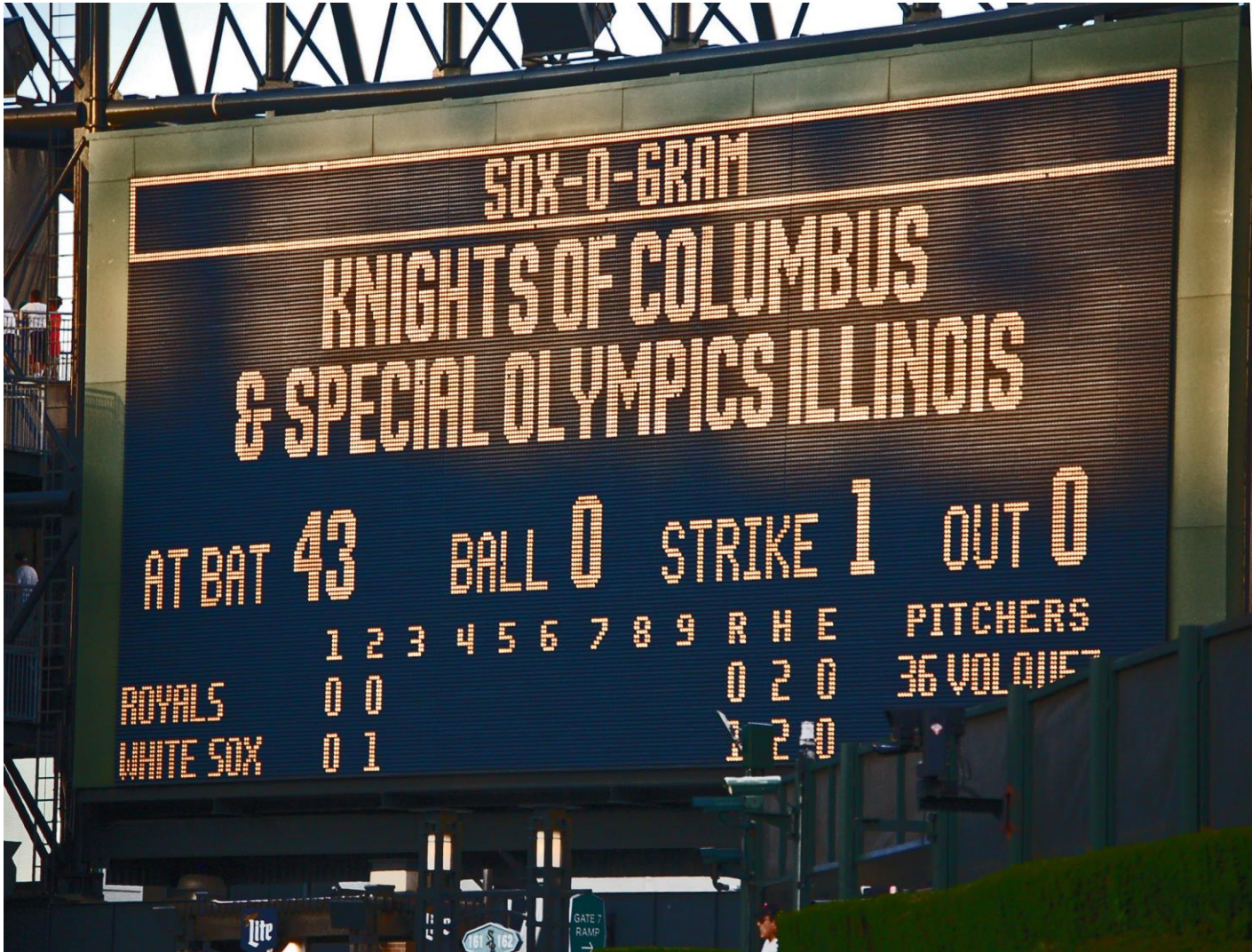
The list could go on for pages, but know you made a difference in a sometimes troubled world. May God bless you always for your love and caring for others.

Chuck Burkart - Programs

Illinois Knights of Columbus – Special Olympics

Chicago White Sox Game

48 tickets were sold and a good time was had by all. The White Sox added to the fun by winning 2 to 0. Thanks to Glenn for putting this fun event together.



A picture is worth a thousand words!

If you are at an event please, please take some pictures and sent them for inclusion in our newsletter. Please send pictures to caburkart@wowway.com