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Meetings: 7:30 p.m. Sharp --- 2nd Thursday of the Month

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Council Events

- **Family Burger/Hot Dog Night Every Monday 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**
- **Next Social Night –Thursday January 23rd, 2025**
Social Hour 5:30 pm, Dinner 6:30 pm
Followed by Horse Race 8:00 p.m.
- **Euchre – Mondays 4:00 p.m. Play starts at 5:00 p.m.**

Monthly Meetings unless otherwise noted:

- **Assembly 2049 – 1st Monday at 7:45 p.m.**
- **Council Officers – 2nd Thursday 5:30 p.m.**
- **Council Membership – 2nd Thursday -**
~~Rosary 7:00p.m.~~ Meeting at 7:30 p.m. (6:30)
- **VCBC – 3rd Thursday - 7:00 p.m.**
- **Ladies Auxiliary Meeting January 20th, 2025**
11:30 a.m.

Knights of Columbus 4232

Join us for Family Night!!!

Every Monday from 5:00-7:00 PM.
 Serving the best Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, Slopy Joe's,
 Hotdogs, and Coney Dogs with those delicious fries or chips.
 Take outs are also available.
 All condiments are provided by a sanitized kitchen person.

Also, Every Monday!

Euchre Night!

Join us for a friendly evening of euchre. Show up at 4:00 p.m. and register then enjoy our Family Night Menu for dinner.

Play starts promptly at 5:00 p.m.

\$1.00 to register for 8 games and all money used for prize money and awarded appropriately.

GRAND KNIGHT MESSAGE

Brother Knights:

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas. Wishing all a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. May the coming year bring continued faith, unity and charitable success in all your endeavors.

Our fund raiser for the seminarian and high school scholarship funds on December 13th was a big success. The food was outstanding, and everyone had a great time. The band sounded wonderful. Sheriff Bill Federspiel started the show with Kenny Rodger then did a quick change to Tom Jones. This was followed by the one and only Elvis and the show ended with Bob Seger. I want to give a special thanks to the K of C Ladies Auxiliary for all the delicious desserts. I want to thank the two gentlemen that won the 50/50's, both donated the winnings back to the Knights. The raffle prizes brought in about \$1200.00, and everybody was very happy with their winnings. After subtracting the expenses, we made \$4800.00. I am very pleased how everything turned out, all the support I have and not to mention all the help given by everybody. Thank you all so much.

Remember our Social Night in January will be dinner and horse racing. I will be contacting Jackie to put together a horse race theme menu. It will be announced when it is decided. All bets for the horse races will be \$3.00. Please let all your family and friends know about this special event. This event is not just for the Knights and their families, but all are welcome. Please sign up in the bar or call myself or Jerry Schmidt by January 18th. The fun will be held on January 23rd, starting at 5:30pm. Come on come all to the first K of C horse race event.

The kids Christmas party was also a big success. The breakfast was very good and Santa came in with gift for all the kids. Lots of fun was had by all.

Our last parish breakfast was held in December. We are going to try a dinner once a month starting in May after the Easter season is done. More to come on this at a later date. Remember the Lenten fish fry will start this year on Ash Wednesday and continue every Friday throughout the Lenten season including Good Friday.

The January business meeting is changing a little bit. The Officers meeting will still be at 5:30pm on January 9th, however there will be no Rosary that night. Instead, our Business meeting will be starting at 6:30pm. This is being done so we can have a taste testing of seafood. Jay Tillman will be frying different types of fish that night and we will be voting on which fish tastes best to serve during lent at our fish fry. This night is open to all family members. Please arrive at the hall at 6:30pm if you would like to join us for the taste testing get together. There is no cost (except for your choice of drink) I will have a few short remarks and the membership drawing will be held along with our 50/50. I hope to see everybody there. If you have any questions, please let me know.

The Menu will be two types of white fish, French fries and coleslaw.

Please sign up for Social Night in the bar or by calling Tom Ruth on or before January 18th.

Knight of the Month – Jerry Schmidt

Family of the Month – Tom & Connie Ruth

Faithfully in Christ
Respectfully
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Upcoming Events

Assembly First Monday of each month at 7:45 pm

Every Monday – Family Night 5:00pm to 7:00 pm

Officers Meeting – Thursday January 9, 2025, 5:30 pm

Business Meeting – Thursday January 9, 2025, 6:30 pm

VCBC Meeting – Thursday January 16, 2025 7:00 pm

Social Night – Thursday January 23, 2025

Social Hour – 5:30 pm, Dinner – 6:30 pm



LADIES AUXILIARY

We hope everyone enjoyed being with family and friends over the holidays.

Thank you to Theresa Albrecht for chairing the Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Party. Everyone enjoyed the good food, music and company of friends. Also, thank you to Dennie Smigiel for all the delicious desserts.

The Children's Christmas Party was also a great success thanks to Jay and Becky Tillman. It started with a delicious pancake and sausage breakfast. All the children made out their letter to Santa, placed them in the Santa mailbox while waiting for his arrival. All the laughter and excitement let us know Santa and his elf had arrived. Santa talked to all the children, called each one by name to receive their gift. Santa and his elf enjoyed all the excitement as he took the children's letters to read on his way back to the North Pole.

Thank you to all the ladies from the auxiliary who made or bought desserts for the Seminarian fundraiser party. We were overwhelmed with all the wonderful treats that were brought.

There was no meeting this month due to the Christmas Party. The next Ladies Auxiliary meeting will be on January 20th. The luncheon at the auxiliary meeting will be a variety of delicious soups, bread and desserts.

The Ladies Auxiliary recently lost 2 long standing members. Jackie Mocny, pass away on December 16, 2024 and Eileen Raft, pass away on December 23, 2024. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

We wish you a safe and healthy 2025!

LuAnn Ramer, Publicity



Council Officers 2024-2025

Grand Knight – Thomas R Ruth
Chancellor – Bertram E Murphy
Advocate – Ronald I Brasseur
Outside Guard – Russell L. Herlache
Three Year Trustee – Mark Macek

Financial Secretary – Gerald L Schmidt
Recorder – James J Tillman
Warden – James Czolgosz
One Year Trustee – Michael A Ross
Chaplain – Unassigned

Deputy Grand Knight – Paul Mixer
Treasurer – Dennis Smigiel
Inside Guard – Frederick Clous
Two Year Trustee – Michael Hughes
Lecturer – Unassigned



LOUNGE HOURS

Open Family Night and K of C events

Mondays from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
(Hamburger Night) &

Wednesdays from 4:00 p.m. to Close

(Close is determined by Patrons)



50/50 Drawing & Attendance Drawing

Membership Meeting December 12, 2024

50/50 for \$26.00 Won by Jay Tillman & **Attendance Drawing for \$1000.00** Lost by Thomas Smith & **\$36.00** Lost by Jeremy Barancik

Social Night Meeting (No December Meeting 2024)

50/50 for \$TBD Won by TBD & **Attendance Drawing for \$TBD** Lost by TBD

50/50 and Attendance Drawings are held at every Membership Meeting and Social Night. 50/50 are for everybody in attendance and purchases tickets and Attendance Drawing is for all members. Members just need to be present to win. Prize grows until someone wins. Plan on attending the next Membership Meeting!

* **Attendance Drawing** will be capped @ \$1000.00. At that point two names will be drawn, first for \$1000.00 and the second for the balance remaining. That will continue until the \$1000.00 is claimed.

Next Drawing at Membership Meeting January 9th, 2025 is for \$1000.00 / 2nd Drawing \$55.00

And drawing at the next Social Night Meeting January 23rd, 2025 Amount TBD on Membership Meeting 50/50 Sales



Charles Switalski
Kindergarten



Louis Carlson
Kindergarten

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest Winners



Josh Carlson
Grade 1



Helena Federspiel
Grade 5

Breakfast with Santa

Children's Christmas Party



At our annual children's party, breakfast with Santa. Santa brings a special present for each child and spends time with each child as well. Good time was had by all. Looking forward to next year.



Family (Burger) Night

(Weekly on Mondays – No Holidays)



Family Night – Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Coney Dogs.

All proceeds benefit the Ladies Auxiliary, Council 4232 & the 4th Degree, Assembly 2049 so they can continue all the good work they do. Come support them and have a great meal.



All burgers are **fresh ground beef and the hot dogs are the best, **koegel**.**

And you can't beat the price.



MENU

Hamburger Only - \$4.50
Cheese Burger Only - \$4.75
Sloppy Joe Only - \$4.00
Hot Dog Only - \$3.00
Coney Dog Only - \$3.50

Hamburger & Chips - \$5.00
Cheese Burger & Chips - \$5.25
Sloppy Joe & Chips - \$4.50
Hot Dog & Chips - \$3.50
Coney Dog & Chips - \$4.00
Fries Only - \$3.00

Hamburger & Fries - \$7.00
Cheese Burger & Fries - \$7.25
Sloppy Joe & Fries - \$5.50
Hot Dog & Fries - \$5.50
Coney Dog & Fries - \$6.00

Thank You for your Support!



Ladies and Gentlemen
and Horse Racing Fans

**It's "CALL TO POST TIME"
at 4232 Downs**

Come to and stay after Social Night
or come after Social Night at 8:00 pm
and **Join the fun!**

**Thursday, January 23, 2025
After Social Night Dinner – 8:00 pm**



Bets are only \$3.00 per ticket
All races feature a 50/50 Payout*+



*Each race payout not to exceed \$100.00 per Michigan State Gambling Laws
+Race profits support Council 4232

"AND THEY'RE OFF AND RUNNING AT KC4232 DOWNS"

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FRIENDS AND FAMILY**

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Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Party

The Ladies Auxiliary held their annual Christmas party on Saturday, December 7, 2024. Approximately 85 people attended & all enjoyed the festivities. Good food & a great group of people to start the holidays off.



Scholarship Fundraiser

The benefit to help our scholarship programs held on December 13th was an unforgettable evening filled with delicious food, laughter, music, and incredible performances. Sheriff Bill Federspiel stole the show with his fantastic impersonations, channeling the charisma and style of Tom Jones, Elvis Presley, Kenny Rogers, and Bob Seger. Each act brought a unique energy, from the sultry ballads of Tom Jones to the rock 'n' roll flair of Elvis, the country charm of Kenny Rogers, and the soulful rock of Bob Seger. Guests danced, sang along, and marveled at the Sheriff's versatility, making it a night of pure joy and entertainment that left everyone talking.

Thanks again for everyone that supported this show.



Missionary Opportunity

"Take courage; get up, Jesus is calling you."

Mark 10:49



Love for Lukulu and Beyond is calling on Jesus' behalf, men and women who may be desiring and waiting to have a life changing encounter with the Lord and his people. It is our desire that you will not be afraid to respond to His call to come closer and follow Him to serve God's children who live in the African villages of the Lukulu and Mitete districts of Zambia. We are looking for faith-filled people gifted with a good sense of charity, hope and joy who would like to make a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters who are poor and in most need. If this call sounds appealing to you, take courage and join us with a group of fellow missionary disciples in our next 3 week mission trip to Lukulu which will take in July 2025. The first meeting to prepare for this trip will take place on January 12, 2025 at noon in St. Agnes Parish of Freeland. For more information, check our website loveforluku.org or contact Tom Slivinski via phone call or text message at 989-295-4213.

Message from Brian Barlow our Insurance Field Agent

Brothers

Happy New Year! The Knights of Columbus has a very exciting news to share as we jump into 2025.

Beginning January 1, 2025, a dividend increase took effect for eligible participating insurance policies. This is in addition to the increased fraternal benefits announced last year. Inspired by our founder Blessed Michael McGivney, we continue to seek opportunities to help provide our members with financial security.

What does an increased dividend rate mean?

Dividends are amounts that may be paid annually from the surplus funds of the knights Columbus and are paid on an equitable basis by class as determined by the Board of Directors. ¹

These dividends can be used in various ways, including to:

- Purchase paid up additions, which is the default option.
- Place the dividends on deposit and earn additional interest.
- Receive the dividends in cash.
- Reduce billed premium. ¹
- Reduce an existing loan.

Over the past 30 years, Knights of Columbus has paid more than \$22 billion in dividends and insurance benefits.

I would love to sit down with you in the coming year to discuss how this dividend increase may help you achieve your financial security goals. If you have any questions about this, or any of the benefits of having a Knights of Columbus insurance policy, please come chat with me, and we'll schedule a time to meet.

Thank you!

¹ Dividends are not guaranteed.

¹ This option is not available on all policies, and not available if policy is paying premiums via a monthly EFT.

Vivat Jesus
Brian M. Barlow
Financial Advisor - 989-792-5632

January 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
		NEW YEARS EVE	HAPPY NEW YEAR			
5	6 Assembly 2049 Meeting 7:30 pm Family/Burger Night 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	7	8 Bar Open 4:00 p.m. to Close	9 Officers Meeting 5:30 Membership Meeting 6:30 p.m. After - Fish Sampling Dinner	10	11
12	13 Family/Burger Night 5:00 - 7:00	14	15 Bar Open 4:00 p.m. to Close	16 VCBC Meeting 7:00 p.m.	17	18
19	20 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting 11:30 a.m. Family/Burger Night 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	21	22 Bar Open 4:00 p.m. to Close	23 Social Night Social Hour 5:30 Dinner 6:30	24	25
26	27 Family/Burger Night 5:00 - 7:00	28	29 Bar Open 4:00 p.m. to Close	30	31	1
2	3 Family/Burger Night 5:00 - 7:00	Notes Horse Race January 23rd 8:00 pm (After Social Night) Come One Come All!!! Good time to be had by All!!!				

Looking for input on what you would like to see or put in The Emblem

News from your church, upcoming or a past event, anything you are involved in or a personal story you would like to share with the Membership and the Ladies Auxiliary and their families.

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