

Grand Knight's Report

Dear Brother Knights,

Happy New Year and welcome to 2020!

What an amazing year 2019 was for our council and our parish. We raised over \$9000 for Discovery Living in our Tootsie Roll Drive, we helped our fellow brothers and widows on numerous occasions, we grew in faith as a council and we continue to grow.

None of these things and so many left unmentioned would be possible without your support, blood, sweat, and tears and I thank you for everything you and your family has done for our council.

We had our district KC meeting Monday night and came away with some news on drastic changes as it pertains to joining our order, specifically in the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degrees.

I along with our worthy officers will continue to get clarity and try to dissect the information and keep you in the know on these changes.

One thing is for certain, we've got plenty of road ahead of us and it will take each and every one of us to continue to strengthen our community as we look to the work ahead of us in 2020.

Gentlemen, I thank you and I appreciate each and every one of you. Here's to a clearer vision in 2020!

Thank you and God Bless!!

Vivat Jesus, Justin Roberts, Grand Knight

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Your 2020 Dues are DUE!

It's that time of year again! Time to pay your 2020 membership dues.

Please get this taken care of soon at our upcoming February meeting or get in touch with either me or our Financial Secretary Steve Oldridge!

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Tootsie Roll Drive 2020

Thanks to your kindness, time, and generosity, our council was able to present Discovery Living in Cedar Rapids with a \$9243 check on Tuesday, January 14th.

Thanks to all of you who were able to give a little time in 2019 to help collect such a meaningful gift!





HELP Wanted!!!

Brothers! We're looking for help heading into 2020 and we need a few worth gentlemen to step up and help us take on the following projects: Tootsie Roll Captain Fish Fry Captain Spelling Bee Contest

If you're willing to accept the challenge, please reach out to me or Jay Fields at 319-431-5739

BINGO Time!

Don't forget about BINGO! Our council hosts a BINGO Night the 2nd and 4th Saturday each month, starting at 6:00 pm.

\$.25 per card with a 50% payout. We'll even do blackout at 9pm with a 100% payout.

Best of all, there's NO fee to attend, the snacks are delicious (try the chili dogs sometime!) and we're kid-friendly!



Spread the word to some friends and coworkers and bring the family!

For more info visit our website at www.kofc5544.org

January 2020

Sat, Jan 184:30pmBirthright Rose DriveSt. Jude Catholic Church

Sat, Jan 186:00pmDancing with the Saints 2020Doubletree Hotel, Downtown

Sun, Jan 198:30amBirthright Rose DriveSt. Jude Catholic Church

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Sat, Jan 256:00pmKC BINGO NightThaddeus Hall

February 2020

Sun, Feb 28:30amKC BreakfastCatholic School WeekLaSalle Middle School

Sat, Feb 8 KC BINGO Night Thaddeus Hall

6:00pm

Sat, Jan 25 6 KC BINGO Night Thaddeus Hall

6:00pm

Wed, Feb 12 7:00pm Monthly Council Meeting Thaddeus Room

Sat, Feb 22 6:00pm KC BINGO Night Thaddeus Hall

Birthright Rose Drive 2020

Traditionally we conduct our annual Rose Drive to benefit Birthright in October... obliviously that month has come and gone BUT we're going about it a different way this year.

If you are able, please join us at one of our masses at St. Jude either **Saturday**, **January 18th** or **Sunday**, **January 19th**.



Father Murphy will make an appeal during mass and we'd like to have a few Knights on hand to help pass out the roses and collect money after mass.

Please let me or Brother Chris Feit know if you're able to help us. Thank you in advance!



Monthly Recognition

Knight of the Month:

Thanks to Brother and Financial Secretary Steve Oldridge for his work in making sure all of our dues are processed and our membership cards are or will

be distributed in the next month. It's a very daunting task and I thank him for always making it fun smoothly!

Family of the Month:

Chris and Barb Zaugg continue to amaze me with the amount of time the offer to our council to make sure all of our projects run smoothly, including BING. Thanks guys for all you do!!



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50 Edgewood Rd. NW, Cedar Rapids, IA 10:30 AM - 3:30 PM Blood Drive 3:30 PM - 7:00 PM Bone Marrow Registry Testing *** Free Onsite Test kits (Oral swab only) 3:30 PM - 7:00 PM Soup & Chili Supper (Free Will Offering)

Proceeds will be donated to Phoebe's favorite charities.

3:30 PM - 6:45 PM Silent Auction

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Need more information or want to lend your hand to our many projects?

Get the latest information, calendar and more online



at our website:

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Saturday, February 8, 2020 St. Jude Church, Community Center

Annual

Be the Match Benefit in Honor of Phoebe Toczylowski