

Grand Knights Report

Brother Knights and Ladies,

There seems to be a feeling of change in the air. Some changes we look forward to, like warmer weather, green grass, and flowers blooming, other changes cause us to be anxious and worried, like the proposal of All Things New from the archdiocese. We hope for the best but will embrace whatever comes from it. Our council will remain regardless of the outcome and may become better because of it. As we continue to serve our church, community, and members.

At the meeting in February the knights and ladies had a discussion about finances and cooperation. Going forward we will be more open and transparent about revenue and expenses. Sharing responsibilities with everyone pulling in the same direction for the common good.

The lady's restroom in the big hall is now complete. The job took a little longer than anticipated, and cost a little more than estimated. The finished result was worth the wait and cost. Thanks to Jason Duepner for organizing the many volunteer workers and building materials. Big thanks to the ladies for design help, so that the finished product didn't wind up looking like a men's bathroom!

During the season of lent we will be hosting Friday fish fries at the K-C hall. Formerly run by the Daughters of Isabella, the K-C ladies auxiliary with the knights help will run them this year. Please check the calendar and schedule as locations and dates vary somewhat. The Lenten fish fries are great community building events. I hope everyone can make it out to enjoy some good fish and fellowship.

Fraternally, John Ziegler, Grand Knight

Thank You Section:

If you know of someone who deserves a little recognition, let John Ziegler or Bob Roth know and we will get them in the newsletter.

- Jason Duepner and all who helped to remodel the lady's bathroom in the big hall.
- To all the bingo workers who are there every Wednesday. Larry Krodinger, Joe and Jen Missey, Frank Wilson, Karen and Donald Krodinger, Tony Vallo, Bill and Debbie Rensing, Jennifer Penaloza, Greg Cobb and Bob and Debbie Roth
- To all the shooting match workers who are there every Tuesday. Danny Hahn, Adam Culley, Ava Culley, Joe Missey and Bob Roth.
- To Cassi and Eric Coleman for their work in running the club room.



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Lenten Fish Fry

We are picking up the fish fries from the Daughters of Isabella who decided to quit doing fish fries. The dates are February 24th, March 10th, March 17th, March 24th, March 31st and April 7th. Help will be needed so if you can help, please contact Tiffany Viehman. For \$15 per plate you get your choice of cod or catfish, hush puppies, choice of 2 sides, homemade chips, mac-n-cheese and or slaw, plus you get a drink and dessert. We will be serving draft beer in the big hall during the fish fry. February 24th we will be serving out of the club room due to a wedding reception in the big hall. March 3rd we will not have a fish fry as that is the weekend of the St. Rose Auction. Kids plates will be \$10 and include fish and 2 small sides. Come out and support this event. A lot of people have and will be putting in a lot of time to raise money for both the Columbia Anns and Knights so that we can continue to do the good work that we do.

Columbia Ann's Report:

March Birthdays:

Mary Ann Poncet	3/2	Rita Ward	3/6	Debbie Rensing	3/13	Pat Schaeffer	3/16
Michelle Cain	3/20	Donna Portell	3/29	Jennifer Penaloza	3/29	Mary Bates	

Dear Columbia Anns,

John our Grand Knight came to our meeting to address concerns over the Ladies bathroom remodel in the downstairs hall and the upcoming Fish Fry. I feel the ladies had all their questions addressed and going forward John suggested a committee formed for any remodeling to disclose upfront cost and input on the remodel. Suggestions were made that the KC Hall should be ran like a business and project cost and income. Use the skills of members for these tasks.

Jenn Missey will be passing around the expense report for everyone to take a look at what we are spending monthly and existing balances left in the checking and savings account. Tiffany Viehman will be in charge of the Fish Fry as Chris Allen has made the decision to no longer be in charge. The Columbia Anns will run all the debits and credits through our checking account so Jenn Missey, Treasurer can keep track and determine at the end of the 6 weeks what the Knights owe for the 50 percent of cost and they will receive 50 percent of any income.

Committees using the kitchen should sanitize prior to cooking and after the event is completed. Floors should be left in good shape unless arrangements are made with Jason Cain to clean up and pay him after an event.

We will begin taking nominations for new officers in March and April. Election in May as the information must be turned into the state by June 1st.

April 1st- Fashion Show- If you are interested in being in it I will need your music so we can download it. Great cause. There will be a \$200.00 Cash prize this year for the one who collects the most money.

These are the events coming up:

2/24/23- First Fish Fry- See Tiffany Viehman if you would like to help

3/4/23- St. Rose Auction- See Julie Ott if you would like to help in the kitchen

3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31- Fish Fry- See Tiffany Viehman

4/1/23- Fashion Show to raise money for the De Soto Food Pantry Children's Christmas

6/10/23- Barbershop Quartet—Columbia Anns for Kitchen- See Vicky Moss to help

Food Pantry Children's Christmas Party 2023

Meeting was held January 19th, 2023 to make some changes to the party since we have grown and include a lot of the area schools. We will be having the party the 2nd weekend of December with the party starting from noon to 3 pm. We will serve hot dogs, burgers, chips, soda and brownies. The parents will now have a personal shopper to shop for Christmas gifts. They will check in and out. We will make one list and have the check ins broken down by the alphabet. Lots of great ideas.

Looking forward to another successful Christmas in 2023 for our children in the community in need.

Very truly yours, Vicky Moss, President

Financial Secretary Report

Dues notices have been sent out. Please make an attempt to pay these immediately as this helps our council. If you are several years in past dues, you will be dropped from our active roster. If you are having a problem paying your dues please give me a call and we will work something out. Todd Milner 314-287-1232.

We will be having a degree at 7 pm at our March meeting for any new members. If you are a 1st degree member and would like to become a 3rd degree member, just show up at the meeting and sit thru the degree and you will become a 3rd degree member.

Changes in Dues:

At the January meeting, it was decided that a vote will be held at the March meeting to change dues from \$40/year to \$50/year. If you wish to discuss or have a say in this, please attend the March meeting which will start at the new time of 7 pm.

Golf Simulator:

The golf simulator is now up and running in the club room. This is really easy to play and is a lot of fun. The cost is reasonable and you can get some golf swings in in the middle of winter. Come out and give it a try. \$25 gets up to 4 people an hour to play.

Club Room Report:

Welcome March, we have almost made it through the cold months and are so ready for spring. First, we have a few events coming up that we would like to mention. On March 11th, we will be having a Disney Trivia night in the big hall. The tables are 4 to 8 person tables and cost is \$10 a person and it starts at 6 p.m. You may bring your own snacks and there will be costume and table prizes.

Next, we will be having a Golf Tournament in the clubroom using the simulator on Sunday March 12th. Cost will be \$20 a person and the winner will receive half of the pot back. Second place will get their \$20 back. Come out and have a golf Sunday funday with us.

Looking ahead to early April we have 2 Easter Events. The first is the Children's Easter Egg hunt which will be held Sunday April 2nd at Noon. We will have food, games, the Easter Bunny and an egg hunt. Bring your family for a great day. The second April event is the adult easter egg hunt. This will be held on Friday April 7th at 8 p.m. Cost is \$20 a person for the egg hunt. There will be fish fry dinners for \$15 available from 5 to 7 and live music in the clubroom by Modern Yesterday from 7 to 11. This event is always so much fun and weather permitting this year the hunt will be held outside. Look for more info on all these events on Facebook on the website.

We also want to take a minute to thank everyone who has helped over the last month with all of our busy weekends. We have had cornhole Fridays, football Sundays, and an event almost every Saturday for the entire month of January and February. To all that ran these events or worked the bar or kitchen, know that we appreciate all that you have done. Also, we would like to mention that we have another new bartender in the clubroom. Dawn Huskey will be helping fill some of our weekdays and occasional weekend shifts. We are excited to have her!!! We look forward to seeing you all this month!

Clubroom Committee



Spiritual Report:

Resolutions:

No one will ever get out of this world alive, therefore resolve to maintain a sense of values.

- Take care of yourself, good health is everyone's major source of wealth. Without it, happiness is almost impossible.
- Resolve to be cheerful and helpful, people will repay you in kind.
- Avoid angry and abrasive persons, they are generally vengeful.
- Avoid zealots, they are generally humorless.
- Resolve to listen more and talk less, no one ever learns anything by talking.
- Be wary of giving advice, wise men don't need it and fools won't heed it.
- Resolve to be tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving and tolerant of the weak and the wrong. Sometime in life you will have been all of these.
- Do not equate money with success. There are many successful money makers who are miserable failures as human beings. What counts most about success is how a person achieves it.

March 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Bingo 6 pm	2	3	4 St. Rose Auction
5	6 Queen of Hearts Drawing	7 Chiggar Shooting Match and food in the club room	8 Bingo 6 pm	9 Knights of Columbus and Columbia Anns meetings at 7:00 pm. Food will be served.	10 Lenten Fish Fry	11 Disney Trivia Night
12 Golf Tournament using our golf simulator	13 Queen of Hearts Drawing	14 Chiggar Shooting Match and food in the club room	15 Bingo 6 pm	16	17 Lenten Fish Fry	18 GTO St. Patricks Day Dance
19	20 Queen of Hearts Drawing	21 Chiggar Shooting Match and food in the club room	22 Bingo 6 pm	23	24 Lenten Fish Fry	25
26	27 Queen of Hearts Drawing	28 Chiggar Shooting Match and food in the club room	29 Bingo 6 pm	30	31 Lenten Fish Fry	



Upcoming Events:

March 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th

Shooting Matches

Shooting matches are held on Tuesday nights starting at 6 pm. The kitchen is open so food will be available to purchase.

March 4th

St. Rose of Lima Auction

The St. Rose School auction "Downton Abbey" will be held on March 4th. The regular oral and silent auctions will be held and a meal will be served. The auction is sold out.

March 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st

Lenten Fish Fry

See the newsletter article for more information.

March 11th

Disney Trivia Night

We are having a Disney trivia night on Saturday March 11th. Cost is \$10 per person and table of 4 and 8. Starts at 6 pm and you may bring your own snacks and there will be costume and table prizes.

March 12th

Simulator Golf Tournament in the Club Room

We are having a golf tournament using our simulator on Sunday March 12th starting at noon. Cost is \$20 per person with the winner receiving half of what is taken in and second place gets their money back. Should be a good time.

March 18th

St. Patrick's Day Dance with GTO

We are having a St. Patrick's day dance with GTO on Saturday March 18th. Cost is \$20 per ticket and includes draft beer, setups and snacks. Doors open at 7 and band plays from 8 till midnight. Tickets can be purchased in the club room.

April 1st

Men's Fashion Show

We are having a men's fashion show again on Saturday April 1st. Doors open at 6 pm and a meal will be served at 6:30 and the show starts at 7. The meal will include spaghetti with red or white sauce, green beans, garlic bread, dessert, tea and coffee and the cost for the meal and the show is \$11, if you bring some winter caps and gloves for kids, the cost will be \$10. We hope to have some silent auction items also.

April 2nd

Kid's Easter Egg Hunt

We are having a kids Easter egg hunt at noon on Sunday April 2nd. There will be food, games and an easter egg hunt as well as a visit from the Easter bunny. Kids 12 and under are eligible. Bring your kids out to this fun time.

April 7th

Adult Easter Egg Hunt

We are having an adult Easter egg hunt on Friday April 7th at 8 pm. Cost is \$20 per person and the band Modern Yesterdays will play from 7 to 11. We will also serve a fish fry dinner served from 5 till 7 for \$15. Come out and have a good time.

March Birthdays:

John J. Rogers	1 st	Andrew T. Schutte	3 rd	Deacon Terry Baldwin	3 rd
Grant Viehman	3 rd	Carl R. Oberle	5 th	Josh Milner	6 th
Jason Duepner	7 th	Joseph Sacco	8 th	Ronald E. Taylor	8 th
Paul E. Thebeau	8 th	Peter M. Janky	9 th	J. Elliot Kite	10 th
Daniel T. Hahn	10 th	George L. Dickinson	13 th	Jason L. Brewer	13 th
Ken Barker	13 th	Kenneth J. Boyer	14 th	Michael L. Mc Mullin	16 th
Andrew C. Patterson	16 th	Mike P. Merseal	16 th	John P. Pinson	17 th
Ryan P. Selsor	19 th	Fred K. Drummond	20 th	Roger D. Charleville	21 st
Norvel J. Ott	21 st	William R. Polley	22 nd	Neal Krodinger	26 th
John S. Dumas	28 th	Zeb Hammond	28 th	David P. Coleman	29 th

E-mailing the Newsletter:

We have been mailing the newsletter via e-mail for the past couple of year. We are trying to update our records so if you are not receiving the newsletter by e-mail and would like to, please send your e-mail address to bobroth@illumifin.com. This will save the council money and allow us to keep sending out a monthly newsletter.

Web Page:

Check out the new web page that Tiffany Viehman set up. It is at www.desotoKofC.org. For up to date information on what's going on at the Knights of Columbus Hall, please "like" us on **Facebook**. Knights of Columbus/KC Hall De Soto, MO

In Memoriam:

Robert 'Bob' O'Rourke	- Member and brother of Columbia Ann Vicky Moss
Karen Gail Schuckenbrock	- Mother in law of member Rodney Newbury

Humor Me:

A woman awakes during the night to find that her husband was not in bed. She puts on her robe and goes downstairs to look for him. She finds him sitting in the kitchen with a cup of coffee, and he appears to be in deep thought, just staring at the wall. She watches as he wipes a tear from his eye and takes a sip of coffee.

What's the matter dear? she whispers as she steps into the room. Why are you sitting down here this time of the night? The husband looks up from his coffee, do you remember 20 years ago when we were dating, and you were only 16? he asks solemnly. Yes I do, she replies. The husband paused, the words were not coming easily. Do you remember when your father caught us in the back seat of my car making love? Yes, I remember, said the wife, lowering herself into a chair beside him.

The husband continued. Do you remember when he shoved the double barrel shotgun in my face and said, "Either you marry my daughter, or I'll send you to jail for 20 years." Yes, I remember that too. She whispered softly. He wiped another tear from his cheek and said, "I would be getting out today"!

Save the Date for our Golf Tournament:

The third annual Knights of Columbus Council #1185 golf tournament is being planned for Friday April 28th at Terre Du Lac golf course in Bonne Terre. While not all of the details are available, tee time will be 12 pm. The tournament format will be a 4 person scramble and cash prize for 3 flights minimum. There will be drinks and lunch available during the day and a dinner is planned for after the tournament. This is a good opportunity to have fun playing golf and also help your council. More information will be in the future newsletters.

Insurance Agent Report:

Hello, all!

We will be hosting Fraternal Benefit Nights which can be attended virtually. Below is a list of the upcoming events:

March 7 at 7:00 PM CST - Ed Slott "Retirements Savings and Distribution Planning"

April 13 at 7:00 PM CST - Jim Effner "The Importance of Whole Life as part of Retirement Plan"

May 23 at 7:00 PM CST - Tom Hegna "Who Wants to be a Millionaire"

June 27 at 7:00 PM CST - Jim Effner - "The Importance of Whole Life as part of Retirement Plan"

The first on this list is Ed Slot. **Ed Slott**, CPA, is a nationally recognized speaker, television personality & best-selling author known for his unparalleled ability to turn advanced tax strategies into understandable, actionable and entertaining advice. Ed combines current research, in-depth expertise, and humor to teach viewers about the ins and outs of their retirements and distribution planning information.

You are invited to join our free virtual webinar featuring Ed Slott on March 7th @ 7:00 pm. Ed specializes in the latest retirement planning strategies and opportunities for 2023. Register today to reserve your spot.

RSVP:

<https://tinyurl.com/KofCSlottMarch7>

Vivat Jesus!

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