



The Knight News

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The Annual Tootsie Roll Drive Mar. 23 through 25

This is our largest charitable fundraiser of the year. In the past members, active, not so active, and dormant, have come out of the "woodwork" for this event.

All of the proceeds go to assist the developmentally disabled of our community. The ARC, Shiawassee RESD, and Special Olympics put these much needed funds to work through helping the young and older alike. As their revenue sources shrink, our help is even more essential.

For a new year feel good moment try the following: between now and the time we call for volunteers, look around at our handicapped community and see the good work of the ARC, Shiawassee RESD and Special Olympics and **I'm sure you will call us before we call you!!**

Trivia Night!! March 24, 2018

Dennis Hrcka and his hard working crew are back working on another Trivia Night. In case you don't know it, the trivia nights are our major funding source for our Council's charitable contributions. So get a table of eight together, reserve it by calling Dennis at 725.8037 or email at dlhrcka@gmail.com, bring some snacks, forget Google [for awhile] and have a great evening!

This Trivia Night will benefit **Walls of Warmth, Pregnancy Resource Center, Seminarians (RSVP) & St Paul 8th Grade Trip**

The RSVP stands for "Refund Support Vocations Program." For more than 30 years the Knights of Columbus have been providing financial support to men and woman preparing for the priesthood and religious life through the RSVP. Our council usually is given a name of a student at Sacred Heart Major Seminary who could use the gift.

Music in the Lounge

Friday February 9, **Marvin Rieli**
Friday March 2, **Bobby Standall**
Music will be playing from 7:00 pm to 11:00

Friday Night Fish Fry

The fish fry's are back! The meals are served in the Lounge in a "Pub" style. The meal is purchased in the Lounge and brought to you in the Lounge. Refreshments are available at the bar. The fish fry's will run through Lent.

St Patrick's Day

Each year March 17th is celebrated by the Irish and people who are "wanna be" Irish. Good food, a tasty beverage and great conversations are the mainstays of every St. Patrick's Day. Come out to the hall and enjoy a St. Patrick's Day meal from 11:00 a.m. until we close after the dinner hour. We plan on preparing over 400 pounds of corn beef, heads of cabbage, rye bread and special drinks.

Grand Knight Corner

Our long time Council Treasurer Pete Schwab recently went back to the Lord after a long battle with cancer. Please keep him and his wonderful wife and family in your prayers. Pete's work behind the scenes will be greatly missed but the example he set for Church and family will remain with us.

Our fundraising effort for Geradine Niyongere's tuition fund has been nothing but amazing!! We have surpassed our first year goal and well on our way to complete a three year commitment. Mary Slingerland is working hard on the immigration issue and Andy and Mary Kay Kenney are accepting the responsibility of the host family. The response from the entire Catholic community of Owosso is a perfect example of what "The Church" really is. Our efforts continue and we look forward to the opportunity to introduce you to her this summer.

Our annual Tootsie Roll Drive to benefit the developmentally disabled in our community is on the horizon so please make time to help us when called upon. We have lots of activities going on: some are really fun and others look a lot like work, but the common denominator is that you get to be around some really nice people, so come out and get involved !!

Fraternally yours,

GK Gary B.

HELP WANTED

If you are interested in being a substitute/part-time bartender please call John Smith at 989-413-3212.

\$100 PARTY

We are selling tickets to our annual fund raiser, The \$100 Party, to be held Saturday, February 24th. **THE DOORS WILL OPEN AT 6:00 P.M.** We actually use the entire building for this party. We only sell 250 tickets, at a price of \$100 per ticket. This ticket allows two people to enter the party. Your admission includes all your food and drinks for the entire evening. We will have food stations with a variety of choices. Even better is the opportunity to win cash. We give away a total of \$6500 that evening. There is one winner of \$3000, three winners of \$500 and twenty winners of \$100.

Troy Napier will have his band in the lounge. Tom Laurin will be our disc jockey in the big hall. Both the front and back bars will be open. This party is open to our members, their families and friends. Tickets may be purchased at the hall during regular bar hours or you may mail a check for \$100 per ticket. Our address is Knights of Columbus, P.O. Box 163, Owosso, MI 48867. We hope you will join us for a great evening!

Chicken Dinners

Our next monthly broasted chicken dinners will be Sunday, March 4. We serve from 11:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Our meals include a full dinner with salad bar, a nice variety of side dishes, your drink and cake for dessert. It is served buffet style and is an all you care to eat meal. They are only served one Sunday per month. The price is \$12 per adult, ages 5-12 is \$5 and under 5 is **FREE!**

Credit Card

We now accept credit cards. This convenience is offered in the lounge, chicken dinners and at fish fry dinners. We do charge a \$1 service fee for any transaction under \$10. This charge simply helps defray charges we incur on all credit card transactions. We do accept all credit cards at this time.

EARLY BIRD PARTY RESULTS

We held our Early Bird Party on Friday, January 26th. Anyone who had purchased a ticket by 9:00 p.m. that day was eligible to win one of three \$100 prizes. Their names then went back to be eligible for the prizes at the \$100 party. Our three winners were Richard and Sandy Zemcik, Jerry and Tracy Davis and Bob Bohac. We also gave a prize of \$25 to a ticket purchaser who was present for our drawing. That prize went to John Bruckman. We had music that evening in the lounge provided by Jerry Davis. We believe it was a success and a good way to start our \$100 party celebration.

ANOTHER PROJECT COMPLETED

It is estimated that the hallway (storage room) between the kitchen and the Flynn Room was last painted approximately twenty years ago. Denny Johnson along with his assistant Craig have now completed painting the entire room. This includes the cupboards and ceiling tile. It really cleaned it up and made it look a lot brighter. The helpers to the painters included Noel Meyers, Frank Cerny, Dennis Hrccka, Pat Tejkl and John Smith. We still have to paint the floor, but it is a goal that will be completed.

Ice, Just a reminder, we are still selling ice in EIGHT POUND BAGS for \$1.50 per bag. We only sell during regular bar hours. The bartender will make sure you can get to the freezer to get the number of bags you purchase.

Gift of Money Scholarship

Our Assembly will be accepting applications for its \$500 scholarship to the child or grandchild of a current member of Assembly #0511. Applications will be available on line at www.kofc1139.org or at the parish offices.
St. Paul, St. Joseph, Holy Family, St. Mary Durand, St. Mary Morrice & St. Isadore

Corp Communion

The next Corp Communion is for our Council #1139. It will be held on April 29 at St. Joseph during the 9:30am Mass. We are planning a breakfast at the hall afterwards. As always the breakfast is open to everyone. Any proceeds from this breakfast will go to one of the Catholic Youth groups.

Lounge Hours

The lounge is normally open Tuesday through Saturday. It opens each day at 3:00 p.m. It closes at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesdays. It remains open later on Wednesdays and Thursdays to accommodate pool league nights. It is open later on Fridays and Saturdays to welcome members and their guests looking for a nice place to enjoy a drink of their choice. We hope you will take advantage of your lounge area when you are ready to relax and visit with friends. All profits from the bar are used for the operations of the lounge and other hall areas.

Get into the Game

Thanks for reading the newsletter! Cut out your mailing label on the back of the newsletter and return it to the lounge. We will have a drawing of the labels turned in. Friday March 2 at 7:00 pm we will draw one label for a \$25 gift card.

THREE NIGHTS OF "SET BACK"

Mike Selleck is coordinating three nights of Set Back in the lounge. It is not a league, but will be competitive with the first and second place sharing the entry fees collected each night. We will play from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. on the following Tuesdays: February 13, February 20 and February 27th. You need to get your own partner and the entry fee is \$5 per person. You can play any, or all, of the Tuesdays. You do not need to sign up in advance. Simply show up with your partner and have some fun!

VA Bingo subs needed.

We are asking for subs once again. We are partnering with the Davison Assembly providing assistance for the Veterans to play bingo at the Saginaw VA. We are in need of a couple of subs for our VA Bingo teams. Currently, we have 3 teams traveling to the VA in Saginaw once a month on the forth Thursday. The teams car pools to Saginaw. They leave Owosso around 5:30. Usually there isn't bingo in November or December. Each team will travel only three times a year or four at the most. A team consists of a Team Leader and four members. You can request to be a sub on one team or on a list of subs. This is not limited to only the Forth Degree but is open to any Knight wanting to help a Vet. Please contact Leo Unterbrink, Jeff Gerding, John Kuchar or Jerry Bendis

Meeting Time Change

The Council meeting are now at 7:00 pm on the second Tuesday of the month. The House meeting is 3rd Monday at 7:00 pm The Assembly is the first Tuesday at 7:00 pm

Dues Notices are Out

It's that time of the year again. Dues notices have been mailed out, please return them in a timely fashion. If you are having difficulty paying your dues, financial arrangements can always be made by contacting our Financial Secretary, Dave Kenney or Fr. O'Brien

2018 Admirals Ball

The Admiral's Ball was held January 27 and was well attended. There was great food, conversation and of course dancing. Make your plans to attend next year. We would like to Jeff & Kim Gerding, DJ & JoEllen Hrccka, Jerry Bendis and all the people who helped set-up, sold tickets, cleaned up and planned this event. We'll start planning next year event at the March Meeting.

**Council #1139
Assembly #0511**

February 2	Friday Night Fish Fry
February 4	Chicken Dinner
February 6	Assembly Meeting at 7:00 pm
February 9	Friday Night Fish Fry
February 9	Marvin Riel 7:30 – 11 pm
February 12	House Meeting at 7:00 pm
February 13	First Degree at 6:00
February 13	Council Meeting at 7:00 pm
February 14	Ash Wednesday
February 23	Friday Night Fish Fry
February 24	\$100 Party
March 2	Friday Night Fish Fry
March 2	Bobby Standall 7:00-11:00
March 4	Chicken Dinner Sunday
March 6	Assembly Meeting at 7:00
March 9	Friday Night Fish Fry
March 13	Council Meeting at 7:00
March 16	Friday Night Fish Fry
March 17	Corn Beef and Cabbage, starting at 11 am
March 19	House Meeting at 7:00
March 21	Red Cross Blood Draw
March 23	Friday Night Fish Fry
March 23-25	Tootsie Roll Drive
March 30	Good Friday Fish Fry

Hall Rentals

Our hall rentals continue to grow in number. We would like to provide some information regarding what you get for your money. The Waldie Banquet Room is \$395 for active KC members in good standing. The cost is \$495 for non-members. The rental fee includes hall set-up, clean-up, the use of dishes, silverware and white paper napkins. Colored cloth napkins are available at a rental fee.

The head table, cake table, gift table, buffet and entry tables are skirted with white skirting at no additional charge. All catering is done by our approved caterer with an unlimited selection of menu items that can be customized to your liking. Food prices are locked in once your rental is paid. All alcohol must be purchased through the Knights of Columbus, according to State of Michigan law.

The Flynn Room is available for parties of up to 80 people. Member rate is \$85 for members and \$100 for non-members. The one exception is that Sunday rentals now cost \$150 for both members and non-members. On Sundays the room is available for a five hour period between noon and 6:00 p.m. A \$50 deposit is required for the Flynn Room. Bridal parties are offered use of this room for their rehearsal dinners at a 50% discount, upon availability.

All questions concerning hall rentals should be directed to Tammy Holden (989-277-9081). Her email address is tammv1139@gmail.com.

We need your help. In an effort to maintain current member information we are asking that if your address, phone or email has changed to please let us know. Call (989) 725-8348 or email

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