

Highland  
Council  
1580

# Knight Times



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## Upcoming Events

Chicken and Shrimp Fry  
November 12

Polka Dance  
November 19

Ladies Auxiliary 9 Pin No Tap Bowling  
November 11

Memorial Mass  
November 28

Council Meeting 7 pm  
Second Tuesday of the Month

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## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE: NOVEMBER 2023

Dear Brother Knights:

October is coming to a close, and we are seeing the change of seasons going on around us. With the leaves changing colors, and the harvesting of corn and soybeans almost completed, this is the time of year that we reflect on the year. It is also the time of year that we give thanks. The Thanksgiving holiday reminds us of how fortunate we are to live in a country that bestows many gifts upon us. Most notably the freedom to live and worship as we wish.

On November 11th we celebrate Veterans Day. If it was not for those Veterans who have served this country, we would not be able to have these freedoms. Keep in mind our

veterans, living and deceased, on November 11th who have served in order that we might have a free country.

October was also a month of activities. The Soccer Challenge was coordinated by Jacob Rose for both the Council and the District competition. The annual Fireman/EMT appreciation dinner was held on October 17th. Sometimes I believe we take these men and women for granted. Their day never ends, it is a 24/7 occupation. During the banquet, the Highland department was called out for a service call. They did not grumble about being called out, but went about their business in a professional manner. Keep these men and women in your prayers. Thank you to all the Brother

Knights who helped make these events a success.

November and December will be full of events. First, a Chicken and Shrimp Fry will be held on November 12th. This will be a Dine-In/Carryout event. Cost will be \$10/Clamshell Container. The menu will comprise several different choices from chicken to livers and gizzards.

Our monthly dance will be held on November 19th. The Dave Hylla Band will be performing, featuring our own Deacon Dave. There will be two Special Bingos. The first will be November 22nd and the second will be December 27th.

The main event in November will be the Memorial Mass on November 28nd at 7:00 PM. This service will be held at St. Paul Church. We will commemorate those members of our Council and the Ladies' Auxiliary who have passed away this past year.

Finally, keep December 17th open on your calendar for the Annual Christmas Dinner. Entertainment will be provided by the Waterloo German Band. Further information will be forthcoming.

Wishing you a blessed and Happy Thanksgiving.

Vivat Jesus!

Ken Krausz



**DISTRICT SOCCER CHALLENGE:** District Deputy Ryan Fitzpatrick provides a talk to the participants of the District Soccer Challenge prior to its start.

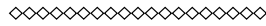
*Photo by Jacob Rose*

# SENIOR KNIGHT OF THE MONTH, KNIGHT OF THE MONTH, AND FAMILY OF THE MONTH MAY AWARDS

## SENIOR KNIGHT OF THE MONTH:

Our Brother Knight is a member of St. Paul parish, and has been a Sir Knight for over forty-four years and an officer of Council # 1580. He is an Honorary Life member as well as a member of the Fourth Degree Assembly # 231. He is a regular volunteer at numerous council events. Recently he was recognized for establishing the inaugural "John Boy Walk" for Leaps of Love. The first walk raised \$728 for the Share Your Love Program. It

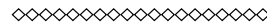
is with great appreciation that we honor John Kapp as the Senior Knight of the Month for October 2023. Congratulations from the Knights of Columbus Council # 1580.



## KNIGHT OF THE MONTH:

Our Brother Knight is a member St. Paul parish, and has been a Sir Knight for two years. He is also a member of the Fourth Degree Assembly # 231. He co-founded the Jensen Schmidt Tennis Academy for Down Syndrome twenty

years ago. Per their website, this organization is located in seven cities today. He has also volunteered to work at Council Chicken Fries, Fish Fries, the Kirchenfest, and the Breakfast Tacos at St. Paul. It is with great appreciation that we honor Tim Twyford as Knight of the Month for October 2023. Congratulations from the Knights of Columbus Council # 1580.



## FAMILY OF THE MONTH:

Our family of the month are members of St. Paul parish.

The lady is a Eucharist Minister as well as a committee member with Boy Scout Troop # 8040. She and her son are volunteers at the American Legion breakfasts, the Knights of Columbus fish fries, plus the Optimist Club flag program. They have also helped the Special Olympics bocce ball tournament. It is with great appreciation that we honor Laura Hollenkamp and her son Jonathon Pierce as the Family of the Month for October 2023. Congratulations from the Knights of Columbus Council # 1580.



## COLUMBUS CLUB NOVEMBER NEWS: BILL TRICKEY, PRESIDENT

Hello Everyone,

The month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. The Rosary is a powerful form of meditative prayer. Devotion to Our Lady and her rosary can lead us to our own holiness. At this time of unrest in our world, it is now more important than ever to pray the rosary daily for peace in our world. Remember, the rosary is our sword against the evil one. Pray the rosary!

Fall ball is finishing up so the outside events are coming to a close. We are always looking for volunteers to help in the concession stand so let us know if you are interested before the events cease this year. We will

definitely need more volunteers next year so let us know if you enjoy doing outside events.

The month of August and September was revenue-lean for us. We are looking forward to events this fall and winter in hopes of bringing us to a positive cash flow for the year.

The new website is close to being finished. Improvements to the site will give us more exposure and show viewers what our hall has to offer for weddings and private events to draw more interest. We need to see an increase in hall rentals.

Thanks,  
Bill Trickey

## Save the Dates!

Upcoming Sunday Polka Fun (&More)



## KC Sunday Dances

Date:	Music By:
October 15th	Butch's Polka Kings
November 19th	Dave Hylla Good Times Band

## Public Invited

Tickets \$10 Per Person at the Door  
All Dances 2 PM – 5 PM, Sunday  
Gather Your Friends and Enjoy a Good Time!

Highland Knights of Columbus,  
Council 1580  
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# LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS: KATHY LOHMAN, SECRETARY

Is your family perfect? Mine is far from it. I don't think anyone can honestly say they have the perfect family. But good news.....God isn't looking for perfect families. He's looking for HOLY families. So yeah, the kids may argue about eating their vegetables, taking out the trash, doing their homework, cleaning their room. And sure, communication may not be our spouse's greatest asset or maybe he/she forgot again about plans made or failed to

follow through on a promise. But families aren't made of perfection or built on perfection. Instead, they should be built on holiness and made up of holiness.

What makes a family holy is their obedience and surrender to the will of God. God's plan, as we well know, can be messy sometimes and not necessarily the path we would choose for ourselves. But it is through living out those messy plans that can bring us to greater holiness.

We need to seek God's lessons in those messes because God never wastes an opportunity to teach us. God meets us smack dab in the middle of the mess! May we reset our goals from trying to be perfect and have a perfect family to instead strive for holiness and a holy family.

The auxiliary welcomes new member, Rosalie Aschbacher! Join us at the 9 Pin No Tap Bowling event at Poplar Junction on November 11th. There will be prizes award-

ed and a silent auction with great items to bid on. Even if you're not bowling, come out and join in the fun. Recent activities the auxiliary participated in were the Fatima Rosary, 40 Days For Life Campaign, and the Firemen/EMT Appreciation Dinner. Plans are in the works for Christmas parties in December and the Adopt-a-Family program at HACSM. There's always something going on. Come out November 7th and see what we're all about!



## FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S NOTES

Many of us have been Knights of Columbus members for many years, we have long forgotten when we attended our exemplification ceremony. This is the third and final article for this series of articles, where I review each degree we offer in the Knights of Columbus. Today, when a new Knight becomes a member, they go through a ceremony that covers the first, second, and third degrees. In this article, I will discuss the third degree.

### Lesson on Fraternity

As a Knight, we should take re-

sponsibility for our actions. Since we are united by Baptism and the Eucharist, we stand together as brothers to aid one another. We work as team to accomplish great things in our church and our community. When we all take our fraternal lesson seriously, we can help each other achieve our goals. We are not just working together on projects, we also support each other spiritually. Did you know we have a prayer list for any members who need a prayer for a health reason or going through a difficult time? We can all use a little prayer

from time to time.... but that's just a part of our fraternal lesson.

The Highland council provides plenty of opportunities to get involved with the fraternal lesson of the Knights. You just have to give it a chance ..... and volunteer. When Knights are living the fraternal lesson, we can accomplish great things.

With fraternity in mind, what are you doing to Knight?

- Are you praying for the members on our prayer list?

- Are you attending a prayer service during one of our members'

funerals?

- Are you leading a project to help with one of our council events?

- Are you going to attend the next Knights' meeting on the second Tuesday of the month?

- Are you asking yourself... Am I a Knight who practices the third degree of FRATERNITY?

If every member would volunteer two hours a month, imagine the things we could accomplish.

Let's be a KNIGHT!

Dan McCloud

Membership Director – Highland Council 1580

## NEWS FROM THE FOURTH DEGREE: JOHN GENTEMAN

The GOOBLY GOBLER'S have come and gone, fall is upon us, Thanksgiving is coming up and Christmas is just around the corner. Where has the year gone?

With the holidays coming, it provides us with a chance to get together and reflect back on the accomplishments of the past year and to show our appreciation for all that you have accomplished while promoting Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

I find it heartwarming all the things that we accomplish as a council, and the many ways that Knights support the parish and community beyond council activities.

The primary purpose of the

Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus is to instill a love of country and impress the duties of citizenship. Patriotism is the principle of the Fourth Degree. Its ceremonies are orchestrated to exemplify our love of country and the church. If you are over 18 years of age; a citizen, a practical Catholic in union with the Holy See; and you are a Third Degree member in good standing, it's time to consider joining the ranks of the Fourth Degree. To learn more about the Patriotic Degree and how to join its ranks, please contact myself, John Genteman @ 618-980-2478 or Dan McCloud the Membership Director for the Highland Council 1580 and 231. There will be a KC Fourth

degree Exemplification on Sunday, November 12, 2023 at the Breese IL. K of C Hall. Please contact me if you have an interest or any questions.

Thank you for the time and dedication to the Sir Knights who participate in the honor guard. Standing together as brother Knights is an opportunity to demonstrate our respect to the Church, our membership or an event. If you are a Fourth Degree member who would like to participate, please contact Ed Campbell or myself.

Starting the month with the solemnity of All Saints followed by the feast of All Souls reminds us that death is not the end but the beginning of a new life with God.

Below find upcoming event reminders for November:

1st - All Saints; Day (Wednesday)

2nd - All Souls Day (Thursday)

5th - Daylight Saving Time Ends (Sunday)

6th - Fourth Degree Meeting (Monday)

7th - Election Day (Tuesday)

11th - Veterans Day (Saturday)

12th- KC Fourth Degree Exemplification in Breese IL. (Sunday)

23rd- Thanksgiving (Thursday)

28th- (Tuesday) As an assembly, we will honor our Deceased Knights and Ladies at 7 PM at the KC Hall

## OBITUARIES

To the family of Brother Knight John Geismann.

To the family of Sir Knight Leon Luber.

To the family of Brother Knight Cyril "Pete" Korte.



## NOVEMBER A START TO A BUSY MONTH...

By Advocate Tim Lucia

As November begins with All Saints and All Souls, I suppose remembrance and reflection is in order. As we honor the Saints in Heaven and reflect on the sacrifices each one made to serve God and others with selflessness and self-sacrifice throughout their lives. A prayer for our Saints, I ask our Patron Saints and every Saint who has become especially dear to me to intercede for us. I ask them to help us journey safely on the narrow path that leads to heaven. O Lord, give us their protection. Grant us their assistance in overcoming temptation and gaining the fullness of life with you.

In Remembrance on All Souls Day, commemorating the faithful departed, we look to the family and friends who have gone before us in death but died before being fully purified of every venial sin, a prayer for All Souls, Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

And now on to the end of November, Thanksgiving!

The holiday which brings family and friends together for good food, reminiscing of old times, and I'm sure a football game (Go Lions!). But remember the theme here is to give THANKS to what got us to this moment, thank God for the creation of our existence, thank Jesus forgiveness of our sins, thank Mary for all her perpetual help, and thank Grandma for her stuffing recipe, Aunt Mary for the pumpkin pie, Irene for the green bean casserole...

A prayer for Thanksgiving: Thank you, Lord, for the blessings you have bestowed on my life. You have provided me with more than I could ever have imagined. You have surrounded me with people who always look out for me. You have given me family and friends who bless me every day with kind words and actions.

Enjoy the Month!

## Highland Knights of Columbus Council 1580 November 2023



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Knights of Columbus INSURANCE</b> <small>YOUR SHIELD FOR LIFE</small> <b>Niemeyer Agency 618-526-7991</b>			<b>1</b> Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>  Wedding
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 7:00 PM Fourth Degree	<b>7</b> 7:00 PM Council Officers 8:00 PM Columbus Club 7:00 PM Ladies Auxiliary	<b>8</b> Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>  Private Event
<b>12</b> KC Carryout Chicken & Shrimp Fry 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM KC Breakfast Tacos After 8:30 and 10:30 Mass	<b>13</b> 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	<b>14</b> 7:00 PM Council Meeting	<b>15</b> Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>  Private Event
<b>19</b> KC Sunday Dances Music By: Dave Hylla Band 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> * SPECIAL BINGO * Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	<b>23</b>  Thanksgiving Day Closed	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>  7:00 PM Boy Scouts	<b>28</b> Memorial Mass for Deceased Knights and Ladies Aux Members 7:00 PM - St. Paul Church	<b>29</b> Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	<b>30</b>	Notes:	

# BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES: NOVEMBER 2023

## BIRTHDAYS

01 - Dennis Dubach  
 01 - John Gantner  
 01 - Shirley Wellen  
 02 - Lynn Koerkenmeier  
 02 - Troy Vosholler  
 03 - Sheila Gruender  
 04 - Donna Goesten-kors  
 04 - Melvin Potthast  
 05 - Tim Warnecke  
 06 - Denise Trickey  
 06 - Mark Goesten-kors  
 06 - Philip Decker  
 06 - Steve Kessmann  
 06 - Thomas Spengel  
 07 - Ely Hadowsky  
 07 - Pete Feldmann  
 08 - Donald Frank  
 08 - Lawrence Rensing  
 09 - Joseph Hemann  
 09 - Ronald Peek  
 09 - Sharon Klostermann  
 10 - Darrel Newman  
 10 - Janet Voss  
 10 - Joe Horstmann  
 10 - Kent Zobrist

10 - Ralph Korte  
 10 - Robert Daiber  
 11 - Anne Collins  
 11 - Bonnie Capelle  
 11 - Harold Schwarz  
 11 - Lori Lucia  
 11 - Michelle Dant  
 11 - Thomas Geiger  
 12 - Daniel Stack  
 12 - Jean Von Hatten  
 12 - Stanley Wilke  
 13 - Anthony Hemann  
 13 - Bea Pacatte  
 13 - Diane Schulte  
 14 - Scott Abbott  
 15 - Carol Landmann  
 15 - Michael Peters Sr  
 15 - Paul Dunker  
 16 - Kay Keilbach  
 16 - Kenneth Kapp  
 16 - Monica Toennies  
 17 - Cindy Miller  
 18 - Martha Krausz  
 18 - Michael Hustedde  
 19 - Steven Aubuchon  
 20 - Helen Lammers  
 20 - Margaret Timmermann

20 - Teresa McCall  
 21 - Gary Weis  
 21 - Janet Eversgerd  
 22 - Carla Wildhaber  
 22 - Jody Becker  
 22 - Kevin Connelly  
 22 - Lynn Dermody  
 22 - Nicholas Kloss  
 23 - Frederick Donini  
 23 - Richard Ringwald  
 23 - Stephen Prusa  
 24 - Jacqueline Goring  
 24 - Larry Keilbach  
 26 - Andrea Henze  
 26 - Barbara Capalupo  
 26 - Diane Kloss  
 27 - Barbara Barr  
 27 - Karen Daiber  
 27 - Nancy Peters  
 27 - Tina Huck  
 28 - Emily Rose  
 28 - Susanna Rommerskirchen  
 28 - William Nettles  
 29 - Candice Todt  
 29 - Ronald Clarkin

## ANNIVERSARIES


01 - Braden & Andrea Henze  
 02 - Brad & Janet Vogelbacher  
 02 - Michael & Kerri Spies  
 03 - Kevin & Susie Dewaele  
 03 - Todd & Sabrina Luitjohan  
 04 - Lee & Patricia Trame  
 04 - Robert & Jody Melosi  
 05 - Leonard & Mary Jane Landmann  
 08 - Neal & Sarah Tebbe  
 09 - Carl & Helen Lammers  
 10 - Brian & Kristen Hickey  
 10 - Daniel & Laura Levad  
 11 - Kevin & Louise Hemann  
 11 - Marvin & Constance Grapperhaus  
 12 - Craig & Julie Frydrych  
 12 - James & Carol Klostermann  
 13 - Joe & Michelle Dant  
 13 - Lowell & Denise Wellen  
 14 - Billy & Mary Jo Luitjohan

14 - Raymond & Bernadette Voss  
 14 - Robert & Karen Daiber  
 15 - Jay & Carla Wildhaber  
 16 - David & Laura Michael  
 17 - Jerome & Dineen Czar Jr  
 17 - Keith & Laurie Poss  
 19 - Samuel & Mildred Aleman  
 20 - Keith & Janice Ann Vogt  
 21 - Jeff & Monica Toennies  
 21 - Robert & Marilyn Drda  
 21 - Scott & Debra Wick  
 22 - Ty & Jamie Renko  
 25 - John & Peggy Elliott  
 25 - Paul & Kathleen Grapperhaus  
 25 - Steve & Jean Gall  
 27 - Don & Rosemarie Tschannen Jr  
 28 - Daniel & Nancy Gramlich  
 28 - John & Rachael Timmermann  
 29 - Luke & Sue Wellen  
 30 - Marvin & Connie Potthast



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24	25 Christmas Day Closed	26	27 * SPECIAL BINGO * Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	28	29	30 Wedding Decorate
31 Wedding	Notes:				 <b>Knights of Columbus INSURANCE</b> YOUR SHIELD FOR LIFE Niemeyer Agency 618-526-7991	

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## FROM THE EDITORS

Now is great time to get involved! There is something fulfilling about being a Brother Knight or Ladies Axillary member. Its so much more than volunteering and fundraising (although both are highly important parts of the organizations). There's a sense of friendship and fellowship. Jacob and I have met so many new and incredible people and for sure made some life long friends.

I would like to challenge each of you to bring a friend along to the next meeting or next volunteer event! Even if they are a member, but have never been to a meeting or volunteer.

Now for some notes! We are mostly an email newsletter now, so please let us know if you would rather receive the email version as opposed to the print.

If your email is currently on our mailing list, but you have not received the email news-

letter, check your spam folder, sometimes it likes to hide out there.

For those that like having the print edition or do not have an email address, no worries! We will be mailing print editions to you and will also have a limited number of copies available at the KC Hall.

If you haven't already, go on over to @HighlandKnightsOfColumbusCouncil1580 at Facebook.com and give us a like and a follow! We're doing some fun things over there such as live-streams of various events, articles from our newsletter, and notices about our events or contributions to our community. It's a fun time over there!

The Ladies Auxiliary have a Facebook page as well. Go give them a like and follow if you haven't already. They can be found @LadiesAuxiliary-Council1580,Highland KnightsOfCo-

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As usual, if you have a change of address or email, please contact the council to update their records. The council is charged for postage when the newsletter is sent back.

Please do not hesitate to email me with any questions or concerns or even ideas for articles. You can email me at editor.knighttimes@gmail.com. Our Facebook page is also a great new line of communication. We're usually pretty quick to respond!

And as always, the council's website is a fantastic source for additional information. Please check it out at [www.highlandkc.org](http://www.highlandkc.org).

Thank you for reading!

