



# Knights of Columbus

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Thank you to:

- John Washburn for organizing the annual Free Throw Competition and all the volunteers who helped run the event. See results below.
- John Betzen for emailing the Pro-Life Novena to the membership from Jan. 14 to Jan. 22 and all who participated in the novena.
- John Stuhlsatz and the Admission Degree team for the degree prior to the business meeting on Jan. 13.
- Pat Loney and helpers, Lori Loney, Kathy and Kevin Barker, Neil Daugherty, John Stuhlsatz, Betty Foster and Scott Stewart providing a delicious steak/chicken dinner for the staff and teachers of St. Mary School and Church.

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## **Faith in Action**

Supreme Knight Carl Anderson has stated, “If we can’t meet young Catholic men where they are, they will go somewhere else. And in this era, it is too easy to go somewhere else when we need them to be home. Home in the Catholic Church, home in their parishes, and home with their families.” We believe that there is no better way to accomplish this than be a Knight of Columbus. This is the impetus behind the new degree ceremony that has been unveiled by Supreme recently. Now, in response to the needs and desires of young Catholic men, one can become a full member of the Knights by attending one ceremony which lasts about 30 minutes. The ceremony includes shortened versions of the lessons on Charity, Unity and Fraternity and is no longer a secret initiation. In fact, parents, spouses and children of the candidates are invited to attend the ceremony.

Our council is in the process of putting together a degree team that will use the new degree script soon after our Delta Membership drive in March. The new degree is also the pathway to full membership for those who joined the Knights as first degree members but have not yet gained full membership in the Knights. Please reach out to someone you know who would benefit from being a part of an active organization that provides so many opportunities to put his Faith in Action.

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## **Upcoming Events (Volunteer and Stewardship Opportunities)**

This is from Rob Egan, son of former parishioner and Brother Knight Eddie Egan,

My friends, I have been posting a volunteer link for the 2020 National Wheelchair Basketball Association Toyota Adult and Junior National Championships. 96 teams, with thousands of athletes and spectators, will be coming to Wichita Hoops to play wheelchair basketball. Visit Wichita is bringing this event to town, and they’ve hired me to come home and serve as Tournament Director! We need volunteers from [Wednesday, March 11- Sunday, March 15](#). We need experienced scorekeepers, timekeepers and shot clock operators. We need people to help load and unload wheelchairs. We need people to staff the tournament merchandise table. We need people to ensure water coolers are filled. We need people to check in banquet guests and pass out registration packets. We need people at will call and ticket sales. WE NEED YOU! Please come and help us! Let me know if you have questions! Thanks!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040e4eaba92aabfa7-2020>

From a modest beginning in 1985 of a small group of nurses who wished to reduce disparities in health care among the poor, the Guadalupe Clinic today has two full time locations in Wichita and over 300 medical volunteers who donate in excess of 7000 hours each year. Still there is no cost to the homeless and uninsured who are provided with quality and compassionate health care. On Friday, February 27 at 7:00 pm at Intrust Bank Arena, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wichita Thunder Hockey Game will be held to benefit the Guadalupe Clinic. This replaces the summer baseball game that deceased Brother Pat Egan championed for many years. The weekend of Feb. 22 and 23, our council will sell \$10 ticket vouchers to the game after the Masses. We need several members to help sell tickets and you can sign up after the business meeting on Monday, Feb. 10 or by calling John Kennedy at 788-5829. It would be a wonderful tribute to Brother Pat if we sell out our allotment of tickets and even attend the game as a group.

The annual Pro-Life dinner, silent auction and casino fundraiser will be on Saturday, February 29 in the parish commons. A pork chop dinner is followed by a silent auction and casino. A \$15 ticket includes the dinner, silent auction and Reno game chips while a cost of an adult dinner and auction is \$10. For children under 12, a \$5 dinner will be available. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go to Kansans for Life and the state sonogram initiative. Chuck Pawloski (258-3439) is coordinating the event and needs volunteers to work as dealers, prepare food and cleanup after the event. Tickets are available from Chuck, John Betzen and John Kennedy.

The weekend of March 7 and 8, the Knights of Columbus will be the featured parish organization and a Knight will speak at each of the Masses. We are having a Delta Membership drive that weekend and you can help by passing out interest cards to the men of the parish and being available to answer questions about our council and the Knights organization before and after the Masses in the gathering space.

There were 35 participants in this year's K of C Free Throw Championship held Wednesday, January 15. The winners in their respective age divisions were: age 9 Claire Phillips and Hudson Cornejo, age 10 Gwen Sattler and Brody Hopper, age 11 Makenzie Rogers and Quinlan Egan, age 12 Elizabeth DuLac and Max Farber, age 13 Brayden Smith and age 14 Brady Hoffman. The following advanced to the Regional Free Throw contest after winning at the District Free Throw competition on Sunday, February 2 at St. Thomas Aquinas in Wichita: Claire Phillips, Hudson Cornejo, Elizabeth DuLac, Max Faber and Brady Hoffman. This event will be at Garden Plain on Sunday, February 16. Good Luck!

119<sup>th</sup> Kansas State Convention will be held at the Hyatt Hotel in Wichita, May 1 through May 3, 2020. The State Council is hosting the event and is accepting advertisements for the State Program Book for each delegate and guest. The deadline for ads is March 1, 2020. 40% of the purchase price of ads sold or purchased by members of our council is returned to our council. Questions: please contact Bruce Luehring at 788-4663.

### **Calendar**

**February 9 (Sun):** Monthly breakfast after 9 am Mass. Kent Lund's Team.

**February 10 (Mon):** Rosary at 7 pm followed by snacks and monthly business meeting.

**February 15-16:** First weekend of the State Bowling Tournament in Olathe and continues Feb. 22-23 and Feb. 29 and March 1. The district Free Throw Championship is on Sunday, Feb. 16 at Garden Plain.

**February 22-23:** Sell Thunder Hockey ticket vouchers for the Guadalupe Clinic fundraiser after Masses.

**February 24 (Mon):** Officer's meeting at 7 pm. All members are welcome to attend.

**February 28 (Fri):** Thunder Hockey game at 7 pm at the Intrust Bank Arena.

**February 29 (Sat):** Pro-Life Dinner, silent auction and casino.

**March 2 (Mon):** Fold newsletters at 7 pm.

### **Save the Date**

Mark your calendar and plan to help with annual Lenten Fish Dinner after Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 27.

Our council will host a golf tournament at the Derby Golf and Country Club on Monday, May 11. Please plan to help with or participate in this new event.

**For the Good of the Order - Please remember the following in your prayers:**

Pat Pelkowski, Dave Slempe, Richard Jones, Andy Wojcik, Tony Wojcik, Joe Schmitz, brother-in-law of John Betzen, Betty Weilert, wife of Bill, Joann Spexarth family, mother of Fr. Dan Spexarth and aunt of Joe and John Betzen, Past Supreme Knight Virgil Dechant and his wife Anne, Kent Kreutzer, Kyle Straub, Ray Kennedy, Charles Kennedy, son of Ray and brother of John and Paul, Ron Mahoney, Jack Hagmeier, Harold Lux, Tony & Sylvia Duran, Dick Hopper, Davi Stuhlsatz, wife of Bob, Gene Kleman, Robert Riedmiller, Cal Wilbert, Ken Bruggeman, and our military Brother Knights.

**Knight of the Month**

Neil Daugherty



**Family of the Month**

Bob and Davi Stuhlsatz



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