



Knights' Notes – August '25 Issue

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CLUBROOM HOURS

Sunday: Noon - 9pm

Monday - Friday: 2pm - 10pm

Saturday: 11am – 10pm

May stay open later if there is sufficient business.

KEY DATE REMINDERS

- **Saturdays, Burgers, and Corndogs!**
- Aug 7th, Ladies Aux meeting
- Aug 7th, Council mtg
- Aug 14th, 4th Degree meeting, 6pm
- Aug 21st, BCHA mtg, after Council mtg
- Aug 15th, Assumption of Mary
- Aug 24th, Feast of St Bartolomew

HOLD THE DATES

- Sept 1st, Labor Day **No Burgers on Sat 8-30**
- Sept 26-28, Intellectual Disabilities Tootsie Roll Drive

SICK OR IN DISTRESS

Gerard Wirth, David Busch (to get on active list for kidney and pancreas), Will Gustafson, Dave Kraft, Gretchen Lee (Brandy's wife), Jerry Griffin, Father John Horton, People who have endured the flash flooding, Jim Smith's sister – Jill Stefen, Dennis Fries, Bob Dobski.

Heal your servants, O Lord, who are sick, and who put their trust in you. Send them help, O Lord, and comfort them from your holy place.

Let Jim, any officer, or Terry know of someone Sick or Deceased to have name put on a prayer list. They should be affiliated with the K of C, member, spouse, child, or other relation.

IN GOD'S CARE

- All those faithfully departed in June safely in the Arms of God.

FOR THE MONTH

HONORING ALL VOLUNTEERS

- Blood Drive volunteers
- Burger crews
- Volunteer Bartenders, Dan C, and Terry K

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

- David Busch

Visit us at: <http://www.kofc574.com> for previous Knights Notes, Parishes, and more. Contact GK Jim Smith at 309-530-5703 or jsmith1002@aol.com for a printed Newsletter. **Club Ph: 309-828-9671**

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<https://www.facebook.com/nexttonights>



Grand Knight Report - 50th

Greetings Brother Knights and Knights Friends,

I was going thru the membership list while composing this, and feel shameful that, after serving as GK for 4 years, I recognize less than half of the names on the roster. This is YOUR Council and need every Knight's input to make Council 574 the best that it can be. Please consider attending a meeting (1st & 3rd Thursday @6:00) and let's get to know each another. LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING each and every Knight during this upcoming year.

While I'm on this subject of membership, I would like to clarify the usage of the KC banquet facility.

Due to liability concerns Your Council changed the requirements for the utilization of our banquet room several years ago. The Knights of Columbus banquet room is a private facility reserved for the usage of our membership and approved charitable organizations. When calling the club to reserve our banquet room, please let Terry know that you are a member of Council 574 and we'll do everything that we can to accommodate you.

Tootsie Roll drive will be held on the weekend of Sept. 26-28th, so save the dates and GET INVOLVED!

LET'S KEEPING IT DONE ON DUNN! THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND, AS ALWAYS, LET'S CONTINUE TO GET IT DONE ON DUNN !!!!

Jim Smith: Grand Knight (309) 530-5703 jsmith1002@aol.com

Ladies Auxiliary Knights Notes

Where did July go? I hope you had time to relax, enjoy family and friends even with this silly heat. The Special Olympics Pizza and Dance Party went very well. This year, the attendance was off the charts! EVERYONE had an outstanding evening. Special shout out to Sandy Lenox who arranged for two police officers to take part in our welcoming "ceremony". The lights and sirens were a big hit – giving special attention to the athletes! Thank you to everyone who helped make the event happen.

With August's arrival, the school supply drive is well underway. Please remember to purchase supplies (generic list is available) and drop off at the club. Monetary donations are also welcome, see your friendly bartender. Dan's tradition of donating his tip jar to the drive continues this year. Not only will he be serving up his culinary delights, but he has earmarked Sunday, Aug. 10 for the supply drive. Thank you, Dan!

Our next meeting is Thursday, Aug. 7 @ 6:00. Thanks - Tina

Tootsie Roll Drive - Sept 26,27,28.

The **Intellectual Disabilities** or "**Tootsie Roll**" Fund Drive is one of the most recognizable activities that the Knights of Columbus does. The funds generated from this drive are used to support local programs which help people with special learning and life needs. The 2025 - 2026 Annual Drive will be held September 26, 27, 28.

(Jim Smith, Grand Knight, Chairman... <https://www.illinoisknights.org/charity/id>)

Donate Time: help for a few hours on Sept 26, 27 and 28 to staff locations in town. Sign-up Sheets will be up at the club after the first week of August.

Donate Money: copy and paste this link <https://www.illinoisknights.org/charity/id>



WHO WE ARE

WHAT WE DO

GET INVOLVED

RESOURCES

SUPREME COUNCIL OFFICE

The Knights of Columbus international headquarters is located in New Haven, Connecticut. Led by the Supreme Knight, the chief executive officer of the Knights, the office provides administrative support and leadership for our more than 15,900 local units.

JURISDICTIONS

The Supreme Council has more than 75 state council organizations to help guide regional activities that are consistent with the principles of the Order.

DISTRICTS

Each state council is divided into districts - groupings of several local councils.

LOCAL COUNCILS

Local councils are the basic unit of the Knights. Most are based in parishes, though some have their own council hall within a community. Each local council works to assist with the needs of its community consistent with the principles of the Order. A Knights of Columbus council can work wonders; in fact, with its many programs, it can help change the community, town, city or neighborhood in which you live. However, a successful Knights of Columbus program depends on people taking the initial idea, modifying it to suit specific situations and local needs, then implementing the program in the way it works.

Each local council evaluates the needs of their community and implements those programs and activities that are most needed in their area. The Knights of Columbus Faith in Action Programs are designed to engage the council members in various activities across a host of categories.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

6 Kevin Killian	21 Phillip Hudson
7 Edward Condon	21 Andrew Rippy
9 Francis Quinn	21 Randy Trees
9 Roger Longman	22 Bernard Wright
10 James Smith	23 Douglas Gordon
11 Mike Gibbs	24 Frank Bush
12 David Kraft	24 David Busch
13 Father McGivney	25 Brendan Lee
13 Ronald Fitzgerald	26 Daniel Deneen
15 James Kellogg	26 Donald Mc Hugh
15 David Kistner	27 Matthew Engelhorn
16 James Kelley	30 Thomas Aranowski
18 John Sciutto	31 Lawrence Weller
18 John Buttitta	
20 John Buscher	



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Chancellor: John Hickey	2 Yr. Trustee: Roger Petri
Treasurer: Bob Wefer	3 Yr. Trustee: Tyler Williams
Recorder: Martin Walker III	Terry Kieswetter: Club Manager
Inside Guard: Charlie Kunkel	Tina Weis: Ladies Aux President
Advocate: Martin Walker IV	

What's Happening at Council #574 (or Already Happened)

Blood Drive

The Blood Drive was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall on July 14 – We raised 38 units of blood.

ID Drive

ID drive is coming up. It will be held on the weekend of September 26 through 28.

We will also have an additional weekend on October the 12, where we will be handing out tootsie rolls and collecting donations at Schnucks and Hy-Vee.

Vocations Raffle

The Vocations Raffle drive is also coming up. We already have the tickets, but we are not sending them out yet. Will try to hand these out, rather than mailing, in order to save on postage.

Anniversary of the Founding of Our Council

Next year will be the 125 anniversary of the founding of this council. On April 9, 1901, this council was founded. We are going to have a celebration on or around this time. Jim Smith is heading this committee.

Free Throw Contest

Martin Walker will head up the Free Throw Contest next year. The contest is held in January or February. He will get the exact dates and set our own contest. In the past this was held at Corpus Christi School.

District Deputy Report



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August 2025

Club Phone: 309-828-9671

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Next to Nights



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		29	30	31	Aug 1	11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: Open
				Council Mtg 6pm	Happy Hour	11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: Steve Rudin
				4th Degree 6pm	Happy Hour Assumption of Mary	11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: Mike Mulcahey
Coming in Sept 				Council Mtg 6pm BCHA Mtg after	Happy Hour	11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: Buttitta Family
Feast of Saint Bartholomew					Happy Hour	11:30 - 1:30 NO Burgers & Dogs
	Sept 1	2	3	4	5	6
Support your Council - Attend a Meeting Join us for an hour the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month.						

August: The Immaculate Heart of Mary

The heart of Mary is a motherly heart, a heart full of love and mercy for her children. The heart of Mary is also the channel through which all the graces of God flow down to us.

She is "our life, our sweetness, and our hope."

Saint Bartholomew

The Feast of St. Bartholomew commemorates the life of Jesus' disciple Bartholomew. St. Bartholomew is thought to have been from Galilee and was probably one of Jesus' first followers.

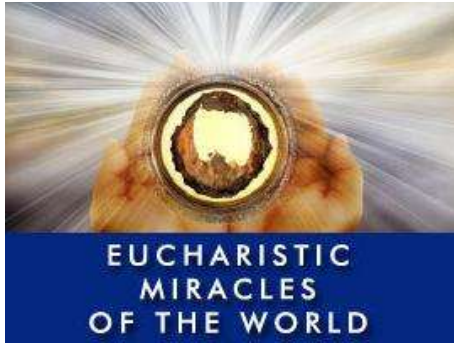
Traditionally, Bartholomew is believed to have been a Jewish law scholar who was a close friend with the apostle Philip. He is credited with converting many to Christianity, in particular in Armenia as well as parts of India and Asia Minor.

Assumption of Mary

Commemorating her ascension into heaven, Catholics believe that Mary, the Virgin mother, never physically died and ascended into heaven.

Mary, as the mother of God, lived a life without sin. Since Mary and Christ were both without sin she was raised to heaven just as Christ was. This belief started the feast of the Assumption of Mary.

In the US Assumption is a Holy Day of Obligation unless it falls on a Saturday or Monday. This was decided by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops of the US on Dec 13, 1991. Nevertheless, all the faithful are encouraged to attend mass on this day this year but are not obliged.



"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." (John 6:51-52)

Eucharistic miracles have occurred throughout our history. A Eucharistic miracle involves the body and blood of the Eucharist taking on biological qualities of Christ's blood, flesh, or both. These extraordinary events have helped people see the spiritual reality of God behind the physical world, reminding us there is more to our existence than we can understand with our 5 senses alone. **(a Monthly Series)**

Eucharistic Miracle of **WEITEN-RAXENDORF** AUSTRIA, 1411

In fifteenth-century Austria there were a number of thefts of consecrated Hosts, so Church authorities took to keeping the Hosts in the sacristy. Despite these precautions, a thief succeeded in 1411 in stealing a consecrated Host from the parish church in Weiten. The Host slipped unnoticed to the ground during his journey and was discovered several days later by a pious woman. The Host glowed brilliantly, divided in two pieces but united by threads of bleeding flesh.

In the parish church of Weiten, a thief broke into the sacristy and got hold of a consecrated Host that he slipped into one of his gloves. According to reports from the village of Weiten, the theft occurred in 1411. The thief then mounted his horse intending to make for the nearby village of Spitz. Instead of taking the road main, he chose a lateral one that passes through the valley of Mühldorf and is known as "Am Schuß." When he arrived at the spot that today is marked by a chapel in honor of the miracle, his horse halted and would not move no matter how much the man beat him. Some laborers working in the surrounding fields came to help. But there was no way to make the horse move; it stood still as a statue. Then without warning, the animal leaped to a gallop, and the Host hidden in the rider's glove dropped to the ground without anybody noticing.

A few days later, a Mrs. Scheckfrom Mannersdorf passed by the spot and saw the Host encircled in a strong light. In great wonder, she picked it up and noticed that the consecrated Host was broken in two parts but remained joined together by threads of bleeding flesh. The woman was greatly moved, and at her own expense built a small chapel in thanksgiving on the spot. As news of the miracle spread, many pilgrims came to the place. Later it was necessary to build a bigger church to contain the great crowds that came every year in pilgrimage in order to honor the precious reliquary.

Knight's Rosary

Our next Rosary will be at 6:00PM Aug 4th at the Historic St Patrick Church. We will recite the rosary and have time for group discussion.

ALL ARE WELCOME.

Contact Scott at normalscott212@yahoo.com or 309-212-2904... **Yes, I plan to attend**



4th Degree Assembly 213

"All council 3rd degree members are eligible to join the Assembly"

Our next Meeting will be Thur, August 14th at the KofC Hall on RT Dunn Dr.

Pizza and Salad will be provided, please bring a dish or dessert to pass. we'll begin at 6PM.

Contact Scott at normalscott212@yahoo.com or 309-212-2904

yes, if plan to attend / no, if do not plan to attend.

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