



Knights of Columbus



LANSING COUNCIL # 3540

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS TO THE COUNCIL!:

Dave Erickson (l) Joe Sarwacinski (r)



WHAT IS SK GREG MORRIS DOING??

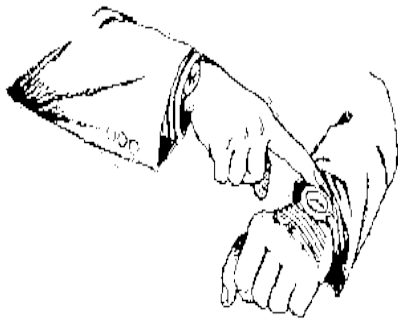
Check out the Trivia night article for details!



Tootsie Roll Recap ...
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How did the council do this year with your help?!

Council Raffle Recap ...
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Thank you for your help to make this a success!

Council Soccer Competition Recap...
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Check out the turn out from the Youth.



What if the Council meeting time changed?!

PROPOSED GENERAL MEETING TIME CHANGE

As discussed at the council's last officer's meeting, this notice will serve as the second notice to all members, that a proposal has been made to CHANGE our starting time from 8:00 PM....

....to **7:30 PM** on the first Tuesday of each month. A Council Resolution will be drafted and read (twice) regarding this change, to co-inside with the publishing of this notice in our this newsletter.

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT:

Brother and Sir Knights,

We are now entering the Holiday Season. Thanksgiving is a time where we are supposed to reflect on what we have, and not what we want. We as a council must also give thanks for what we have.

October was a busy month and I asked for brothers to assist in helping a brother knight and serving the community.

On January 12, 2019 we will be holding another spaghetti dinner for Brother Knight Roger Tyderek, and our General Assistance Fund to assist Brother's in need. Last year our event had an overwhelming response from parishioners, Brother Knights, and the Columbian Ladies. There were over 50 raffle baskets that the Columbian Ladies put together, 30 pounds of Meatballs, 40 pounds of Italian Sausage, 40 pounds of spaghetti, peppers and onions, garlic bread, and salad all prepared by Brother Knights; 13 Brother Knights who all responded to a call for service for one of our own. That call helped raise almost \$7000 for a Brother in need. Hopefully this year we are able to have a more successful dinner.

This Thanksgiving and Christmas Season let us remember what we have and how we can help others.

Through the Knights of Columbus' Coats for Kids program we are able to provide families with coats. Such a simple act of kindness could mean so much for a child who is cold, or a parent who can't afford to provide "a luxury" because it could mean going without a meal. If any member would like to contribute to helping the Council purchase coats, please contact me.

Don't forget to come out to our general meetings on November 6th and December 4th at 8 pm. If you have not done so please update your personal contact information, including your email address with our Financial Secretary Peter Marx. Email is a great way for us to reach our members quickly and keep you up to date with upcoming events.

Fraternally Yours,

Christopher A. Siatta

Are you up to date with your dues?

PGK Peter Marx, Financial Secretary

Regarding your dues, we will be using the new format for billing. Please send the top copy of the Dues Notice with your payment. The bottom copy is yours for your record. If you wish to make monthly payments on your Dues this new system allows for this, but you will not receive your travel card until your Dues are paid in full. Please do not allow your Dues to fall behind, as your Council #3540 depends on these funds to keep our programs going.

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

The Newsletter is no longer being sent by Bulk Mail. With First Class mail, the Post Office is not forwarding mail, and your Newsletter is being sent back to the Council. So, if you are planning to move or being temporarily away for a period of time, please let the Financial Secretary know. Therefore, you will be receiving your Newsletter without interruption and saving the Council the postage.

Council Sick

Pray for those IN NEED!

Please, keep all our members and ladies in your prayers as we must intercede in prayer for them. The list includes:

BK Harry Baranowski, PGK Robert Blake, BK Jim Burke, Rita Sanchez, BK Jesse Avila, PGK Rich Czarnecki, BK Robert DiCarlo family, BK Stanley J. Wohadlo, BK Ron Fisher, Genevieve Haney, BK Raymond Kuczynski, JoAnn Baltrus, BK John McLain, PGK Ken Cuprisin and Martha Pope. Please pray for the repose of: BK Ruggero Mazzon who passed away earlier in October.

If there is someone you want to add to our Council Sick List, contact PGK, DD Robert Layne at 708-501-1481 or at: robertlayne19@yahoo.com.

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KACEY'S BANQUET HALL

Office (708) 895-7720

We meet the First Tuesday of each month, 8:00PM in the lakeside hall at: **Kacey's Banquet Hall –17800 Lorenz Ave, Lansing, IL 60438. Please bring your travel card!**

Birthdays

Have a Great Year!

Knights in November - Robert A Charleston "90" 2ND, Gene M Wolfe 4TH, John E Sandrick 5TH, George L Mc Namara Jr 6th, Timothy J Caballero 8TH, Jerome E Wayman 10TH, Paul A Stender 12TH, Roger P Hunz 80 14TH, Gregory L Morris 17TH, Manuel A Gonzalez 20th, Bryan R Gruszka 20th, John R Staib Sr 21st, John M Broadwell 22nd, George H Dommer "90" 24th, Rev John D Merkelis 28th, John D Lejsek 30th.

Knights in December - Jose T Chavez Sr 2nd, Francis J Dabrowski "95" 2nd, William Skarwecki Jr 2nd, Joseph S Blake 4th, Michael E Collins 5th, Robert R Hilsen "80" 8th, James J Suszynski 10th, Barry S Kekelik 11th, Robert L Lauer 12th, Bernard A Wrzesinski 12th, John R Kelly 14th, Robert T Borst 16th, Gerald M Sebahar 17th, Mark Noel Paramo 21st, Thomas J Sitkowski Sr 21st, Edward M Stone 23rd, Richard J Haney 30th, Jonathan B Siatta "30" 30th, Robert G Mueller "70" 31st.

When out celebrating another year, join us at Kacey's Restaurant one week before or after your Birthday, you will receive your age percentage off your dinner. For Example: if you are 50 years old you will get 50% off on your dinner. It is only good for the person having their Birthday

PENALTY KICK SOCCER COMPETITION

HOW DID THE ATHLETES DO?



The Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge took place on Saturday, September 8th, at Van Latten Park 18324 Holland Road. This years' Soccer Challenge Champions are: Jonathan Houser 11yr old boys and Sabrina Sanchez 12yr old girls.

My thanks to SK Gene Sanchez (judge and Co-Chairman) PGK Matthew Martinez (scribe and judge), SK Steve Houser (score keeper and judge) and Barbara Sanchez (judge). A special thank you, to Jesse Terrazas, of the Lansing Soccer Club for loaning us their soccer balls.

SK Michael Sanchez Co-Chairman

TRIVIA NIGHT

HOW WELL DID YOUR TEAM DO?

On Saturday October 20th, the council sponsored its first annual Trivia night at Kacey's Banquet Hall 17800 Lorenz Ave, Lansing starting at 7PM.

We covered 5 topics, two rounds covering 50 questions. We had two teams of 4 people a piece attend and lasted almost three hours before a winner, "The Braniacs" team were victorious. SK Greg Morris from the first page was chosen from his team, during the competition round of this event, to move rigatoni noodles without touching them. Co-Chairperson Matthew Martinez, PGK.



THE RAT PACK REPRISE SHOW

4TH ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS SHOW

Are you ready for the Rat Pack Attack? On Friday, December 14, our Hall will be transformed into a Las Vegas venue from the 1950's & 1960's! Songs from that era will fill the air from the likes of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and Sammy Davis, Jr., commonly known as the RAT PACK. The show has been SOLD OUT already.

A very exciting evening is in store for those who were lucky enough to purchase a ticket. The doors open at 5:30pm and hospitality will be held from 6:00pm 7:00pm. A buffet dinner will be served from 7:00pm-8:15pm. Two 45-minute sets will begin at 8:30pm with a short intermission in between sets. A cash bar will be available the entire evening. There will be raffles before dinner, before the show and during the intermission, as well. Co-Chairperson, Mike Kabala, DGK

As of 10-13-18, this event is SOLD-OUT!

THE RAT PACK REPRISE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2018
KACEY'S BANQUET HALL
 17800 LORENZ AVE LANSING, IL 60438

6PM - 11PM
 BUFFET DINNER/SHOW - \$40 PER PERSON
 CASH BAR / RAFFLES
 HOSPITALITY 6PM - DINNER 7PM
 2 SET SHOW STARTS AT 8:30PM
 TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE!
 CONTACT THE HALL AT (708) 895-7720
 LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE (PRE-ASSIGNED SEATING)
 OPEN TO PUBLIC - ALL AGES WELCOMED

This Event is Sponsored by The Knights of Columbus Council #3540

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MARDI GRAS, 2019 THEMED GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING? Stay tuned for details

COUNCIL SPELLING BEE

WILL YOUR STUDENT BE READY?

Our Council is sponsoring a Spelling Bee Contest for Girls and Boys from the 5th grade to 8th grade. This event is open to the public at no cost! The first, second and third place winners will receive trophies and be able to compete in our March Regional Spelling Bee. Our Spelling Bee Contest event will be held on Saturday January 26, 2019, at Kacey's Banquet Hall - Lakeside Room, 17800 Lorenz Avenue, Lansing. Registration will begin at 10:00 a.m. and the contest will start at 10:30 a.m. A list of Spelling Words will be placed on our Council website at: www.lansingkofc.com closer to this event. Chairperson, Pete Marx, F.S., PGK

CHAPLAIN/Rev. Fr. Report

FOOTBALL AND FAITH

Football season has captured the attention of millions of fans throughout the world. Each Sunday teams line up to play each other for three hours and people become engrossed with the actions of their favorite team for that time. The more avid fan will also watch the three-hour pre-game show to learn what the team must do to be a winner. The game is followed by the three-hour post-game show which tries to explain why the team did not win. Of course, there are the follow-up discussions with family and friends to allow venting of one's frustrations.

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On the same Sunday, millions of people attend church services some of whom will be in the group mentioned above. The more avid of these attendees will become engrossed in the ceremony but many will wonder why the celebration lasted more than 45 minutes. After all, one does not really have to spend that much time with God each week. In addition, there is very little pre-ceremony preparation; nor is there much post-celebration thinking about and discussing what just happened. It seems to me that we would be better persons if we better prepared, participated in and, then, lived the word in our lives.

I wonder what the world would be like if we devoted as much time to honoring God as we do honoring the mortals in uniforms. Deacon Jim Detloff

A Knight with Latin Satin Soul

A RECAP ON THIS EVENT

“A Knight with Latin Satin Soul”, a local musical group played at Kacey's on Saturday, September 29th. Even with the obstacles that we faced such as slow presales, we did have an enjoyable evening. Food vendors were good, and the people in attendance seemed to enjoy the music. We as Knights will persevere no one is more grateful than myself to see it did ok.

Many THANKS to Grand Knight Chris Siatta, SK Chris Siatta Sr., SK Michael and Gene Sanchez, PGK Dom Ramirez, Rafael B. Paramo, SK Roger Tyderek his son Peter for filling bags of ice, SK Greg Morris for bartending. The Columbian Ladies were also instrumental in their support of this event. We WILL have another event in the future, all I would ask is would my Brothers give us a few hours in the future to make it an even bigger success? Chairperson Brother Ray Paramo aka Big Tuna.

COLUMBIAN LADIES REPORT

THEY'RE BACK FROM THEIR SUMMER VACATION

The Columbian Ladies celebrated our return from a summer hiatus with an indoor picnic during our September meeting. Spiritual Leader, Cindy Hope, led the Ladies in prayer before we dined on delicious foods and desserts provided by our members.

During the business portion of the meeting, conducted by President Elayne Tyderek, the Ladies voted to donate to St. Jude Children's Hospital. We also voted to assist the Knights of Columbus in a fundraiser during their A Knight with Latin Satin Soul event, and to provide raffle baskets for their Spaghetti dinner charitable fundraiser.

Our Sunshine Lady, Debbie Bona, led the Ladies in an activity during which we created art work sent to our members currently unable to attend our meetings due to illness to let them know they are with us in spirit. We continue to pray for the health of Joan Fisher, Joann Baltrus and Mary Jachim.

Congratulations to Lena Martinez who is our Columbian Lady of the Year! She also will be celebrated at the Lansing, Evening of Thanks, where selected volunteers are honored.

Our next meeting will be Monday, November 26, at 7 p.m. at the Kacey's Banquet Hall in Lansing, 17800 Lorenz. If you wish to join the Columbian Ladies you can attend one of our monthly meetings held on the fourth Monday of the month, September through November and March through June. Dues are \$10 per year. Membership is open to any Catholic or Christian female who is 18 years old or older. For more information, contact us at columbianladies3540@gmail.com.

2018 TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE

HOW DID WE DO WITH YOUR HELP

Well, our annual I.D. Drive is in the books!

Approximately 50 volunteers accepted donations on the weekends of September 14th & 15th, at Strack & Van Til's and the following weekend of September 21, 22 & 23 at local businesses and the 2 street intersections in Lansing, as well as at St. Ann, Our Lady of Knock and St. James the Greater churches. The weather was ABSOLUTELY gorgeous both weekends!

Again, the Drive was a HUGE success! As of the time of this printing, a total of \$8,445.90 has been collected including all donations that have come in. We would like to THANK each and every one of you who gave of their time and energy and a SPECIAL thanks for those who worked numerous shifts! Without ALL of you, this wonderful Program for our Special Children of God, wouldn't be possible! What a way to celebrate this 50th year of Special Olympics! Vivat Jesus! Mike Kabala & Dominic Podsiadlik- 2018 I.D. Drive Co-chairmen.



HOLIDAY CHEER

CAN YOU HELP US HELP THOSE MOST IN NEED?

Once again, we will be running our Cheer Program. This Program asks you to donate one dollar a month for the year for a total amount of \$12.00. A notice will be passed out with your Dues and we will send out notices to all our members. This Program raises over \$1,000 each year which we use to help local organizations in our community. Chairperson, Pete Marx, F.S., PGK

LIFE CHAIN PRAYING FOR AN END TO ABORTION

WE GAVE OUR TIME PRAYERFULLY FOR THIS EVENT



On Sunday October 7th members of St. Ann's Catholic Parish, the Columbian Ladies and the Knights attended the annual Life Chain.

This was an opportunity to pray for the end of Abortion, while making a statement to the Lansing expressing, as seen in these photos. Right to Life Chairperson, Anthony Pellerito



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

JOIN US FOR A TIME OF UNITY FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON!

All Brother Knights and their families/friends are invited to attend our annual Children's Christmas Party on Saturday morning, December 8 from 9:00am until Noon. A breakfast of eggs, hash browns sausage, bacon and Pancakes will be served. Coffee cakes and brownies will also be available. There will be a charge of \$9.00 at the door for all adults and children over the age of 10 years. All children from the age of 10 and under will be admitted FREE of charge and will receive a GIFT personally from Santa Claus! **Please... R.S.V.P.** and for more information, please contact Co-chairmen Roger and Elayne Tyderek at 219-218-3413 or Mike Kabala at 708-525-7987 **by no later than Sunday, November 24th.**

WINNING NUMBERS FOR THE COUNCIL RAFFLE

THESE ARE REPRINTED FROM THE EVENING OF THE DRAWING, MINUS THE WINNERS NAME.

Top Prize \$7,000.00 ticket number was: # 1405. Second Prize \$1000.00 ticket number was: # 0753

Third Prize \$1000.00 ticket number was: # 1055. Fourth Prize \$1000.00 ticket number was: # 1622

Fifth Prize \$1000.00 ticket number was: # 1752.

On behalf of the council, congratulations to the above winners, and we especially thank all of the people who participated in our annual raffle and made it successful. Co-Chairs: Chris J. Siatta and Michael Sanchez.

SEMINARIAN RAFFLE

TIME IS RUNNING OUT, TURN IN YOUR TICKETS...

BROTHER KNIGHTS, once again our vocations Raffle is winding down, but you still have time to turn in your raffle book(s) for this year's drawing. In order to be a part of this, your returned **book with the stubs and cover in tact** need to be sent to SK Ron Fisher, Chairperson at 3538 193RD Street Lansing, IL 60438 by no later than Tuesday, November 27th at the officer's meeting.

Remember if it were not for a former Seminarian, Father Michael J. McGivney, we the Knights of Columbus would not be the organization we are today. Questions/for more information/extra books - please contact Ron Fisher at 708-895-5579. Vivat Jesus! Ron Fisher.

GENERAL MEETING PROTOCOL

A FEW REMINDERS WHEN IN ATTENDANCE

As a friendly reminder to all of those Brother Knights that attend a General Council Meeting, please bring your current travel card so that the Guard may inspect it - so you can gain entry into the chamber. Once inside, The Grand Knight is the presiding officer in the council.

When wishing to gain the attention of the Grand Knight during the meeting, a member must;

- 1) Rise from his seat,
- 2) Address the Chair by saying the words, "Worthy Grand Knight" and,
- 3) Salute (by making the Tree of the Cross) to the Grand Knight, and at the same time, the Grand Knight will,
- 4) Return the salute (by making the Arm of the Cross) and acknowledge the member before the council. Matthew Martinez, PGK/Scribe.

BASKETBALL FREE THROW

MARK THE CALENDAR FOR THIS EVENT

The council has tentatively picked January 18, 2019 to conduct our annual Free-Throw contest. This contest for Girls and Boys from the 5th grade to 8th grade is open to the public at no cost. Location, time and further details will be provided as soon as they are available. Please visit our council website for the latest information for this event. Chairperson Chris J. Siatta

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UPCOMING Events...

November 6... Lansing Council General Meeting Kacey's Banquet Hall, Lakeside Room...8:00 - 9:00 p.m.

November 7 ... Samuel Cardinal Stritch Assembly #205 Meeting... Pinta-Neri 700 E. 170th Street, South Holland, IL. 7:30 p.m.

November 9 ... Lansing Recognition Dinner Serbian Social Center 18550 Stony Island Ave., Lansing, Illinois 60438. 6:00 PM \$25.00 per person.

November 19... Columbian Club Meeting Kacey's Restaurant ... 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

November 27... Lansing Council Officer's Meeting Kacey's Restaurant... 8:00 - 9:00 p.m.

December 4... Lansing Council General Meeting Kacey's Banquet Hall, Lakeside Room...8:00 - 9:00 p.m.

December 5....Samuel Cardinal Stritch Assembly #205 Meeting... Brother Kerkel Council 147th and Keeler Midlothian, IL 7:30 p.m.

December 8 ... Breakfast with Santa Kacey's Banquet Hall, Lakeside Room ... 9:00 -12:00 PM. **See RSVP date on pg. 8 to attend!**

December 17... Columbian Club Meeting Kacey's Restaurant... 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

December 27... Lansing Council Officer's Meeting Kacey's Restaurant... 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. (Note **Day change** due to Christmas)

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE FOR: JANUARY 2019
MAKE NOTE OF THE FOLLOWING CHANGE FOR THE GENERAL MEETING.

Due to the New Year's Day Holiday falling on the first Tuesday of the month, the January General meeting will take place on: **Thursday, January 3, 2019.** *Time to be determined in December after resolution vote.*

On behalf of the Council, we the officer core for this Fraternal Year would like to wish you and your Family the most blessed Thanksgiving holiday in November - Merry Christmas in December and Happy New Year for 2019!!