



# KNIGHTLY NEWS

Knights of Columbus Council 7909, Olathe, KS

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## Council Operations

We are starting another fraternal year. Be sure to attend the next meeting to see what is on our upcoming agenda.

**Monday, July 21st.**

**The meeting starts at 7:00 PM.  
(Rosary at 6:30 PM in the Cry room).**



## Membership Dues

Yes, it is that time of the year again. Your membership dues is due. Don't forget you can pay this on our web site ([KofC7909.org](http://KofC7909.org)). Simply click on "DUES" on the main menu bar.

ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP  
TOTAL: 375 MEMBERS



*Brother Knights,*

*One warm summer evening, in a small lakeside town, a young woman named Clara sat by the water, reflecting on her faith. She had recently read the passage from Matthew 16:13-19, where Jesus asked, "Who do you say I am?" and Peter boldly declared, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Clara felt that same question stirring in her heart—not just to believe in Christ, but to live like she did. Peter's faith had laid the foundation for the Church, and Clara realized that her small acts could be stones in building God's Kingdom here on earth.*

*Determined to make her summer meaningful, Clara began volunteering at a local food pantry, helping travelers and families in need. She spent her afternoons organizing free lemonade stands with the neighborhood kids, donating every penny to children's hospitals. On Sundays, she invited new neighbors and lonely souls to join her family's picnic after church. These weren't grand acts, but they were done in love and faith—honoring God by caring for His people. As she served others with joy, Clara discovered what Jesus meant by building His Church—not a place, but a people shaped by faith and kindness.*

*True faith is not measured by grand gestures, but by quiet acts of love that turn everyday moments into echoes of God's grace.*

*Alex Montgomery-Soares*  
**Grand Knight**

# ***Directors Corner***

## *Youth Director - Andy Boehm*

The Director of Youth is responsible for providing the youth in the community with the means and opportunity to become personally committed and involved in meeting the challenges of our times. Additionally this position is responsible for promoting and seeking nominations for The Knight of the Month Award. In November this position is responsible for coordinating the voting for Knight of the Year. We are always looking for nominations for Knight of the Month and it would be great to receive additional nominations throughout the month.

# Recognition

## Key Dates

### July

7/8 – Officer Planning Meeting  
7/12 – Homeless Uplift  
7/19 – Christmas Party  
7/21 – Officer Installation,  
Membership Meeting  
7/24 – Shalom House Dinner

### August

8/5 – Officer Planning Meeting  
8/18 – Membership Meeting

### September

9/2 – Officer Planning Meeting  
9/4-6 – Old Settlers  
9/13 – Street Cleanup  
9/14 – Corporate Communion,  
Sunday Donuts  
9/15 – Membership Meeting  
9/21 – Sunday Donuts

### June

**Knight of The Month**  
*Oscar Horn*

**Family of The Month**  
*Gene Finnigan Family*



**District Deputy, Doug Svatos presented the council with an achievement certificate for our contribution from our Tootsie Roll event.**



# Activity Updates

## Parish Picnic

Once again the council provided our support to the annual parish picnic on June 7th. We grilled hot dogs and hamburgers. Provided chips and water and ran a Beer Garden. Thanks to the “many hands” that helped put this together.



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# ***Activity Updates***

## ***Street Cleanup***

**We can thank this distinguished crew for helping to keep our community nice and clean on June 14th. Mur-Len never looked better thanks to them.**



**LtoR: Chad Bowles, Andy Boehm, Greg Bolts, Oscar Horn, Tim Walker and Erick Dufur  
(Tim & Eric's sons came along to help as well.)**

## ***Vacation Bible School***

**On June 13<sup>th</sup> the council provided a nice meal for 225 participants. Thanks to Tim Walker and Luke, Samuel, James and wife Courtney for helping out.**



# Activity Updates

## 7909 Charities Scholarship



**Bob Davis, President of 7909 Charities (and council member) presented Alex Goff with a scholarship award of \$2,000. He was the winner of this year's essay contest.**

## Corpus Christi

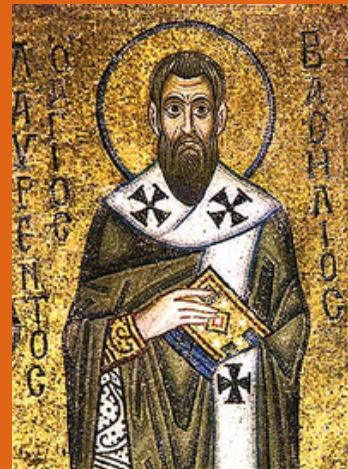
**On June 19<sup>th</sup> the parish held the Corpus Christi procession. However, before the march several of our brother Knights help direct parking for this event. Thanks guys.**



The parking crew were: Oscar Horn, Henry Marsh, John Guerdan, Troy Mills and Tom Keegan.

## Catholic Facts

Church Fathers



Saint Basil the Great<sup>[a]</sup> (330 – 379)

Basil of Caesarea, also called Saint Basil the Great<sup>1</sup> was an early Roman Christian prelate who served as Bishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia from 370 until his death in 379. He was an influential theologian who supported the Nicene Creed and opposed the heresies of the early Christian church such as Arianism and Apollinarianism. Basil established guidelines for monastic life which focus on community life, liturgical prayer, and manual labor. \*

## Spiritual Quotes

Fill your mind with God's word and you will have no room for Satan's lies.



• Wikipedia



# Activity Updates

## Habitat For Humanity

**Pitching in to help the less fortunate, on June 21<sup>st</sup> some of our Knights gave their time & talents to this year's Habitat For Humanity Build.**



This year's crew:

Mark Brinkman, Tom Farmer, Chad Bowles, Bob Davis, Jon Thielen, Rob Ragusin, Trevor Acord-Morris & Ken Brown



# ***Upcoming Activities & Events***

## **Homeless Uplift**



**July 12th**

## **Christmas In July**



**July 19<sup>th</sup>**

## **Shalom House**



**July 24<sup>th</sup>**

## **St. Philippine Duchesne Assembly 2260**



**The Business  
meeting will be  
held on July 14th,  
7:15 PM.  
(Meeting location  
will be at St. Paul's.)**

# Supreme Tidbits

**Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly invites state deputies to build the Order through their witness to charity.**



Fraternal leaders representing more than 70 Knights of Columbus jurisdictions worldwide gathered in New Haven, Connecticut, for the annual Organizational Meeting of State Deputies, held June 4-8, to unite in prayer and prepare for the upcoming fraternal year.

Throughout the week, state deputies from the United States, Canada, the Philippines, Mexico, Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic, Guam, Poland, Ukraine, France and the Republic of Korea participated in daily Masses, workshops, planning sessions and fraternal events.



## Knights Around The World



### ‘Sowing Seeds in Fertile Ground’

In wartime Ukraine, the Knights of Columbus is helping chart a path forward for the country’s future priests. Through the Order’s Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP), councils have fostered a dynamic expansion of seminary councils — integrating future priests into parish and council life while supporting them morally and financially.






### July Birthdays

Robbie Bledsoe	4
Jon Stanfield	4
Cole Bonham	6
James Huber	6
Bobby Pleasant	7
Jason Ritchie	13
Orrin Lovewell	17
Edmund Szubka	20
Matthew Hawthorne	21
Karl Osman	22
Frank Vardijan	24
Philip Straub	25
Michael Votypka	28
Roberto Gutierrez	29
Thomas Miller	29
Sebastian Negrete	30
Francis Hund	31
George Tinus	31

# July

## UPCOMING EVENTS

# 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8  Officers Meeting	9	10	11	12  Homeless Uplift
13	14	15	16	17	18	19  Christmas Party
20	21  Membership Meeting	22	23	24  Shalom House Dinner	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

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