



Fr. Mathias Zerfas Council #664



# News of the Knight



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## COUNCIL #664 INFORMATION CENTER

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### Grand Knight Remarks

Another year is upon us. Our Lord has been born! I hope everyone had time with family and friends over the holidays. We accomplished a lot of things this past year which resulted in increased giving! A big thank you to those who headed up the following recent projects:

Annual Chicken Dinner for Food Pantry - Tom Schmitz

Falltoberfest - Evan Schwalbe

Keep Christ in Christmas signs - Steve Streblov and Jim Sutton

Coats for Kids - Ladies Auxilliary

Ledger Closet - Officers

Special Peoples Christmas Party - Rebek Family

New Member Degree Team - Evan Schwalbe, Jim Sutton, Bob Elms, Mike Vanderschueren, Jim Thome

Welcome to four new members, Chris Rector, Jim Joy, Tim Dix and Eric Schmitz.

We have a lot of events coming up, please keep your eyes on the emails and give a call to the people organizing each event and offer to help, it sure is easier than the organizer having the call 600 members.

You should have received your dues statements recently. I have a couple of comments about this. We have numerous members who are more than a year behind on dues. If you have financial difficulty, please contact me or Jacob to discuss. If not, please understand that the council pays for you ahead of time and if you don't pay, we are out that money. That means we have less money for charitable gifts... I see men at our steak frys that haven't paid dues...come on men, own up to it and pay the dues.

We are also trying a new initiative on the dues statement asking for a small gift for each of 5 charitable line items. If we have 500 members give \$5 for each, that's \$2500 for each of those organizations by just writing a little larger check.

**Vivat Jesus, Brian Carter, Grand Knight, Council #664**

## COLUMBIAN CLUB NEWS

The annual meeting of the Fond du Lac Columbian Club was held on December 10, 2024. The purpose of the meeting is to inform you, as members, information on the past year's financials, reports of its committees' activities, and the election of board members. The election was held for seven expiring terms. Of those, six terms will expire on December 31, 2024. The seventh position will fill the term not filled from last year's annual election. There were eight members nominated from the floor to fill the (7) positions. Nominated were David Schneider, Chuck Anders, Tom Theisen, Bill Sawyer, Scott Gilgenbach, David Beres, David Reilly, and Bob Elms. With no additional nominations, ballots were cast for the seven board positions. The top six voted nominees will serve a two-year term on the Board. The seventh nominee with the next highest number of votes will serve the open remaining one-year position. Those nominated for two-year terms were David Schneider, Chuck Anders, Bill Sawyer, Scott Gilgenbach, David Beres, and David Reilly. Elected to serve the remaining one-year term is Tom Theisen. Thank you to all who were nominated for the open positions and your interest in serving on the Columbian Club Board.

**Thomas R Schmitz, Board President**

**David Schneider, Board Secretary**



### Fourth Degree News

**Brothers & Sir Knights:** Brothers, the Eastern District Master has asked if Assembly 1211 is interested in hosting the Fall 2025 Exemplification. Please consider attending the January business meeting on Tuesday January 21st to share your opinion and thoughts on the matter. This is an opportunity to grow and showcase our assembly. Looking forward to seeing you there. **SK Bob Elms, FN**

#### ACTIVITIES IN JANUARY

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF ACTIVITIES DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY FOR COUNCIL #664, ASSEMBLY #1211 AND THE LADIES AUXILIARY. ALL ACTIVITIES AT **AVENUE 795**, 795 FOND DU LAC AVE., FOND DU LAC, WI. UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED:

FRIDAY	JAN 03	FISH FRY - SERVING 4:30 TO 8:00 PM (PUBLIC IS WELCOMED)
TUESDAY	JAN 07	#664 OFFICER'S MEETING@6:30PM
FRIDAY	JAN 10	FISH FRY - SERVING 4:30 TO 8:00 PM (PUBLIC IS WELCOMED)
TUESDAY	JAN 14	#664 COUNCIL MEETING@7PM
FRIDAY	JAN 17	FISH FRY - SERVING 4:30 TO 8:00 PM (PUBLIC IS WELCOMED)
TUESDAY	JAN 21	STEAK FRY- STEVE MICHEL'S CREW
FRIDAY	JAN 24	FISH FRY - SERVING 4:30 TO 8:00 PM (PUBLIC IS WELCOMED)
FRIDAY	JAN 31	FISH FRY - SERVING 4:30 TO 8:00 PM (PUBLIC IS WELCOMED)

**December Knight of the Month:** Philip (Tom) Ruby is the January 2025 Knight of the Month for Council 664. SK Tom has 45 years of service with the Knights of Columbus and has served as a past Fourth-Degree Navigator.

**Ladies Auxiliary News:** The KC Ladies Christmas party chaired by Jaime Reilly opened with prayer by Anne Brunette. A dinner of chicken cordon bleu and dessert was enjoyed by 40 members. The "United Singers" entertained us with holiday classics. The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and approved. Thank you notes were received from SMSA, SVDP for recent donations. A donation of \$100.00 was approved for "New Beginnings". Two families will be helped for Christmas with gift cards, groceries and toys. A total of \$795.00 was collected for them. Christmas cards were sent to members in nursing and assisted living homes. There is NO meeting in January, for the February we will be collecting hygiene items(deodorant, toothpaste etc.) for a city- wide hygiene drive to be distributed to shelters. The raffle winners were Edie Birschbach and Carol Nachreiner, centerpieces of ornaments and lights were drawn for door prizes. The winners were Betty Ryan, Sharon Hilbert, Ann Kaiser, Carol Schlaefer, Sandy Hoepfner, Sharon Hughes and Betty Mortenson. and a gift exchange was held. Thank you to refreshment committee of Amy Teofilo, Cathy Draeger and Anne Brunette. The February 5th meeting will be a game night. The refreshment committee for February will be Ann Kaiser, Sharon Paul, Ann Fritz and Bev Sabel. Closing prayer was said by Amy Teofilo, the meeting was adjourned.

**Janet Buechel, Publicity.** <https://kc664.org/ladies-auxiliary/>

### **ATTENTION MOVERS and SNOW BIRDS**

If you are moving, please let us know your new address change. If you are heading south for the winter and would like to stay informed of the events of Council 664, we will need your forwarding address. We can forward your newsletter or withhold it to you while you're gone. With the newsletters, we have a return request on them. If you move or head south without notice, we are charged .73 for each return. To help defray this extra cost please let us know of your move or southern adventure. It would be appreciated, and a simple phone call or e-mail will get it done. Please call Tom Schmitz at 923-1215 or e-mail him at trsknights@yahoo.com. If you are e-mailing, please put Council 664 in the subject line, any unfamiliar emails will not be opened. Thank you for your help with this matter.

### **Honorary Pall Bearers**

**ROBERT HOPP-11/21/2024 SACRED HEART**

BRIAN CARTER, JERRY LAUBY, JERRY KAISER, DICK GREBE, JIM BRAUN, EVAN SCHWALBE

**JOSEPH MILLER-11/22/2024 HOLY FAMILY**

BRIAN CARTER, JIM BRAUN, KEN BECKER, DICK GREBE, TOM SCHMITZ, EVAN SCHWALBE

**THOMAS GUILFOILE-12/3/2024 HOLY FAMILY**

BRIAN CARTER, KEN BECKER, BEN KOENEN, DICK GREBE, TED KERN, PETER FLOOD  
DAVID BERES, JIM BRAUN, MARK SCHMITZ, MIKE BRESZEE, EVAN SCHWALBE, LARRY  
HELLER, STEVE HESS, GARY OTT, VISITING KNIGHT NICK NETT **COUNCIL #710**

**RICHARD "RICK" PETRIE-12/14/2024 SACRED HEART**

BRIAN CARTER, DAVE WOLLERSHEIM, EVAN SCHWALBE, JIM BRAUN, KEN BECKER,  
TED KERN, DICK GREBE, JIM THOME, PETER FLOOD, CHUCK ANDERS, BOB ELMS  
JOHN REUDINGER, MARK SCHMITZ, DAVE SCHNEIDER

## WHO DO YOU KNOW

Have you been to a Fish Fry, private party or gathering, wedding, funeral, or a function of some type at AVENUE 795 lately? Manager Pam Burmeister has increased and expanded our business since becoming our manager of these functions. All these functions are growing due to the outstanding fine food, friendly service and affordable cuisine she and our employees offer. With this being said, we are in need of both “**PREP COOK**” and **BARTENDERS**”. Do you know of someone who is willing to join our quality staff and help make a difference at AVENUE 795? The hours would be part time and based on event bookings. If you know that someone, have them contact Pam Burmeister at 921-1290 directly at AVENUE 795 or email her at [pam@avenue795.com](mailto:pam@avenue795.com). Also, if you have not been to a Fish Fry lately, stop in and bring your friends to enjoy the good food, friendly service, great atmosphere, and a good place to eat.



## CHAPLAIN'S REPORT



 HOLY FAMILY  
Catholic Community

DEEPEN YOUR FAITH IN COMMUNITY

*Holy Family*  
*Bible Studies & Small Groups*

This winter, make your New Year's resolution to further explore and grow your faith with our Small Groups and Bible Studies. These groups allow you to dive into the Bible and examine the Catholic Church through multiple lenses.

Groups are available at a variety of times and days of the week, pick the class that best fits your schedule!

TO VIEW AVAILABLE SMALL GROUPS/CLASSES AND TO REGISTER, USE THE QR CODE TO THE RIGHT OR VISIT [HFFDL.ORG/SM](http://HFFDL.ORG/SM).



## 108th WISCONSIN STATE BOWLING TOURNAMENT, GREEN BAY, WI

The Wisconsin State Knights of Columbus Bowling Tournament will be held in Green Bay, WI at Buzz Social Lanes and hosted by Duck Creek Council #6279. The tournament will be held on five weekends from February 15th and 16th and ends on March 15th and 16th. Shift schedules for the tournament dates are at 9:00 AM and 1:00 PM both Saturdays and Sundays. Entry fee is \$30.00 per person per handicap event. There is a \$5.00 “Early Bird Discount” per event if you have your entry form is postmarked by January 15, 2025. At the time of this article, entry forms were not on the Wisconsin Knights of Columbus State Council website. You can check the State website to see if they have been added by clicking on STATE FORMS, and then under COUNCIL FORMS you will find the State Bowling Application. This is a fillable form for you to fill out. For any questions on the tournament, please contact Tournament Director Mike Brien at 920-606-7629 or email him at [wingman@new.rr.com](mailto:wingman@new.rr.com)