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MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

Brother Knights,

We have had an incredibly busy and successful couple of months, and I am continually amazed by the dedication of this council. From representing our council up north to honoring our local youth and gathering for fellowship, your hard work and presence continue to make a massive impact on our parish and the wider community.

As we transition into the summer season, our schedule shifts slightly. Please remember that we will not hold a regular monthly meeting in July so that everyone can enjoy the holiday and spend well-deserved time with their families. Looking slightly further ahead, make sure to keep your calendars clear for our August meeting, which will be replaced by our annual KC Family Picnic. This picnic is always a highlight of the year for us. It is a wonderful tradition where we get to bring our wives, children, and families together to celebrate our brotherhood in a relaxed setting, so please watch for the formal details and make plans to join us.

Attending the State KC Convention in Duluth with Scott was a powerful reminder of how important our local council's work truly is. Seeing the impact that the Knights have across Minnesota makes me incredibly proud of what we accomplish right here at home. The strength of our council depends entirely on the time and talent of our members. With that in mind, I want to extend a sincere thank you to every brother who stepped up to help with our recent spring initiatives, including the school marathon, our ditch clean-up, and the 150 Club dinner. Our work doesn't stop just because the weather gets warm, and I look forward to seeing your continued support at our upcoming summer events.

Vivat Jesus,
Matthew Petsinger
Grand Knight



150 Club Dinner & Drawing Winners

Our annual 150 Club dinner was a fantastic evening of great food and fellowship. Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets, attended, and helped host the event. The highlight of the evening was the big drawing, and we want to congratulate all of this year's lucky winners!

GRAND PRIZE Winner (\$500):

#84 Clarence & Mary Ellen Slama

Early Bird Winner (\$150):

#42 Blair & Kristin Strand

\$50.00 Winners:

- #2 Roger & Joan Frederick
- #12 Dean & Tiffany Farley
- #29 Pat & Barb Haberman
- #39 Brad & Corey Deml
- #40 Chuck & Linda Huebl
- #58 Lance & Julie Miller
- #74 Wayne & Deb Lein
- #75 April & Corbin Lemmer
- #87 Duwayne & Barb Hoehn
- #91 Scott & Gerry Kassel
- #104 John & Kris Snow
- #108 Denny & Maxine Hoehn
- #113 John & Denise Proehl
- #120 Grayson & Sammy Neff
- #138 Sam & Tara Steffel

Highlights from State KC Convention

Representing Council 2768, Grand Knight Matthew Petsinger and Deputy Grand Knight Scott Kassel traveled to Duluth from May 15th to 17th for the Knights of Columbus State Convention.

It was an excellent weekend spent collaborating with fellow leaders from across Minnesota, sharing successful fundraising strategies, and bringing back new ideas to strengthen our own council. We are proud to keep our local council strongly connected to the state mission.

KC Scholarship Winners Announced

On May 13th, our council proudly presented this year's KC Scholarships to a group of highly deserving local students. Past Grand Knight Todd Norton presented the awards.

Please join us in celebrating and congratulating our 2026 scholarship recipients:

Allen Kopetzki (Legacy Recipient)
William Mansfield
Ava Bruhn
Layla Keith

We wish these young men and women the absolute best as they take the next steps in their academic journeys!

Mark Your Calendars: KC Family Picnic in August

Looking ahead to the summer, please make sure to mark your calendars for our August meeting replacement. Instead of our usual formal gathering, we will be hosting our annual KC Family Picnic!

When: August meeting date. Eating at 5:30 PM, followed by a short council meeting around 7-ish.

Where: NE Park Pavilion

This is a wonderful tradition where we invite our wives, children, and families to join us for an evening of good food, games, and fellowship to celebrate everything our council accomplishes together. After we finish eating and the families are socializing, we will hold a brief meeting to wrap up any necessary council business. Bring the family out for a great night in the park!

Free Special Olympics Event Tickets

Keep an eye on your email inbox! Be on the lookout for a message with the subject line "Free Special Olympics event tickets." We have an opportunity to support these incredible athletes, and details on how to claim these complimentary tickets will be sent out shortly. Please review the email and respond quickly if you and your family would like to attend.



Left to Right: Allen Kopetzki (Legacy), William Mansfield, Past Grand Knight Todd Norton, Ava Bruhn, and Layla Keith

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**A QUICK LOOK AHEAD
KC COUNCIL 2768
CALENDAR OF EVENTS
2025-2026**






June 2026

Monday 1st - KC Meeting 7 pm

June 2026						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		2	3	4	5	6
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August 2026

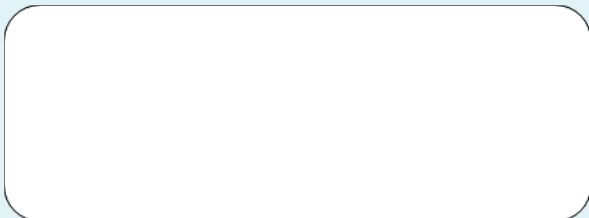
Monday 3rd - KC Family Picnic meeting 5:30 pm

July 2026						
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