



# KNIGHTS

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# Notes



## Council Officers

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*John Hunt*

### Deputy Grand Knight

*(open)*

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### Trustees

*Jeff Fallon*

*Dave Oeth*

*Dave Klinkhammer*

### District Deputy

*Bou Gazley*

Dear Brother Knights,

#### Surprise News

District Deputy Bou Gasley attended our November meeting. He didn't tell us that he was coming, so I assumed he was doing his normal visit, but no! He gave us a Columbus Award Plaque for the year 2014-2015. It is a nice plaque, especially because it has my name on it! To get the plaque we needed to support many programs with four methods of support for each program.

#### Other Good News

We sold more flowers than ever in our Respect for Life flower sale. We sold 172 bouquets, the most ever, and we had several people give us a charity donation. So our total profit came in at \$851. We use this money for various charitable opportunities that come up over the course of the year.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

#### Lastly

These are some of the items that will be covered at our next meeting on Tuesday, December 8.

- Knights of Columbus Student Loan program - how we can raise money for the program.
- Donor Advised Fund - We have a request from a Knight from South Sudan
- Christian Refugee Relief Fund
- Recruitment campaign for new members in January

Vive Christi,  
John Hunt  
Grand Knight



## **Pancake Breakfast**

Our November Pancake Breakfast did very well. We had great attendance and our beneficiary, St. Francis Scout Troop 186 (which is sponsored by our Knights of Columbus council), should receive about \$625.

# *Happy Birthday!*

## **December Birthdays**

TYSON DRUGG	3
CLEMENT CHRISTENSEN	5
PAUL TIESKOETTER JR	13
DAVID OETH	14
BRYAN STREEFLAND	14
MATTHEW MATHIAS	19
DUANE BRUNS	20
PAUL WILSON	20
LEONARD TLOUGAN	21
CRIS POWERS	25
GERALD LAWLER	28
GEORGE LORENTZ	26

# *Dates To Remember*

**Tuesday, December 8th, 7:00 pm**  
Monthly Meeting in St. Clare Room

**Sunday, January 31st**  
Deluxe Pancake Breakfast




**#ChristiansAtRisk**  
They need your help

100% of your donation goes to the Christian Refugee Fund\*

**SYRIA:**  
Syria ranks **FOURTH** in the world for Christian persecution.<sup>1</sup>

At least **220 CHRISTIANS** were kidnapped in late Feb 2015 around Tal Tamer.<sup>2</sup>

Approximate ransom ISIS demands for the release of a Christian hostage = **\$100,000.**<sup>3</sup>

Since the war in Syria began in 2011, some **700,000 Christians** have fled the country.<sup>7</sup>


More than **220,000 DEATHS** have been recorded as of March 2015.<sup>9</sup>

Christian population has declined from **30% to 10% today**<sup>11</sup>



About **12.2 MILLION** ARE IN NEED OF EMERGENCY RELIEF ASSISTANCE.<sup>13</sup>

**IRAQ:**  
Iraq ranks **THIRD** in the world for Christian persecution.<sup>2</sup>



Mosul was home to **35,000 Christians** NOW there are **ZERO.**<sup>4</sup>

More than **100,000** Refugees crowd Erbil as of July 2015.<sup>5</sup>

More than **125,000 CHRISTIANS** from Mosul and the surrounding Nineveh region have been driven from their homes.<sup>6</sup>

**79,965 refugees ARE CHILDREN** between the ages of 3 and 17.<sup>10</sup>

More than **70% OF CHRISTIANS** HAVE FLED IRAQ SINCE 2003.<sup>12</sup>

Refugees spend an average of **17 YEARS** in temporary camps.<sup>14</sup>



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