



Rantoul Knights of Columbus Council #4450

Grand Knight – Brian Schurter **October/November/December 2024 Newsletter**

OCTOBER 2024 Donations & Council Business:

A donation of \$400.00 was made in support of the “Keep Christ in Christmas” poster/art contest held in cooperation with St. Malachy School. Posters will be on display at the Club Hall during the month of December. Thanks to Michael Fox for leading this project for our Council.

Our Council purchased one case (12) of new winter coats in cooperation with the K of C National “Coats for Kids” program. Anyone knowing of a child needing a new winter coat should contact a Council Officer.

A donation of \$150.00 was made to St. Malachy to support their annual Fall Fest Raffle.

A donation of \$150.00 was made to a local resident to assist with the shipping charges on packages sent to U.S. troops overseas.

A \$75.00 donation was made to Armstrong/Potomac High School for a yearbook ad.

A mass was requested by the Council at St. Malachy for Dave Henry.

Our Council’s 2024 annual Tootsie Roll Drive was held in September here in Rantoul with special thanks to Walmart and County Market allowing volunteers to seek donations and pass out tootsie rolls. Our Council #4450 also purchased the Tootsie Rolls (\$273.00) so that all donations collected could be then distributed to area special needs organizations. This year over \$2900.00 was collected over the weekend. Thanks to the following individuals for their time and help with this project: Tim Mayer; Larry Hawk; Tynan Hedrick; Dale Farlow; Frank Graham; Jim & Debbie Cleary; Leonard Schmidt; Patty Graham; Mike Glazik; Pat Quinlan; Geoff Sinclair; Pat Fiedler; Marlyn Burdette; Mark & Sharon Richardson; Steve, Jeff, Chuck, Caleb, Eli, Charlotte, and Griffin Neitzel; John Clifford; and another special thanks to John Graham for leading this project for our Council.

Winner of the monthly 50/50 for October was John Fabry, Jr. (\$225.00).

NOVEMBER 2024 Donations & Council Business:

A \$200.00 donation was made to the Rantoul Community Services Center for their annual Holiday Bureau.

Our Council invited Fr. Phelps, Fr. Verrier, and Deacon Lopez to the Club’s monthly steak night held on Nov. 21st at the Club Hall. After the meal all three were thanked for their service and dedication to our parishes in Rantoul, Thomasboro, and Penfield. Each were presented with a cash gift from our Council. Fr. Phelps then assisted with the Club’s annual Cash Bash Early Bird drawing. Tim & Jody Mayer were the \$500.00 winner.

A mass was requested by the Council for Pat Bussard at St. Lawrence/Penfield and a mass at St. Malachy was requested for the healing and return to good health of Andrea Glazik.

Winner of the monthly 50/50 for November was Todd Toliver (\$225.00).

DECEMBER 2024 Donations & Council Business:

A donation of \$300.00 was made to the Mendota Knights of Columbus Council in support of a fundraiser they are holding for a seminarian's family who lost their home in a fire.

A donation of \$325.00 (from 2024 Tootsie Roll Funds) was made to the grandson of a local resident to help with special needs expenses.

A donation of \$160.00 was made to St. Malachy in support of their "Tiger Club" fundraiser.

A donation of \$150.00 was made to the Developmental Services Center "Tree of Hope" campaign.

A mass was requested by the Council at St. Malachy for Don Runyon. A mass was also requested by the Council at St. Elizabeth for the special intentions of Jim Richardson.

Winner of the December 50/50 was Herb Frizol. (\$225.00)

Congratulations to the following Council members celebrating 50 or more years of membership in the Knights of Columbus in Oct. /Nov. /Dec. 2024:

Don Fiedler- 64 years beginning Nov. 1, 1960; James Hewardine – 57 years beginning Nov. 1, 1967; Ron Hammel & Phil Warner– 56 years beginning Nov. 1, 1968; Bob Cavanaugh – 55 years beginning Dec. 1, 1969; John Graham, Tim Mayer, Frank Rubenacker, and Dave Willard - 52 years beginning Nov. 1st, 1972; James Brown and Hank Koch – 51 years beginning Oct. 1, 1973 and Dan Culkin – 50 years beginning Nov. 1, 1974

OFFICER'S Meeting: Monday, December 30th – 7:00 p.m.

3rd Degree Meeting: Monday, January 6th – 7:00 p.m.

RANTOUL CLUB NEWS: 217-892-4450

Chicken & Fish Dinners are held on the 2nd Friday of each month at the Club Hall with serving from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.
Menu consists of Baked & Fried Fish, Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Vegetable, Cole-slaw, Drinks and Dessert.

Adults (12 & over) - \$15.00; Kids (11 & under) - \$8.00; To-Go's - \$16.00

STEAK NIGHT is held on the 3rd Thursday of each month (December 19th this month) with serving from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Menu consists of your choice: 10 oz. rib-eye steak; grilled chicken breast; shrimp dinner; hamburger/cheeseburger; salad bar; baked potato or fries.

Both events are open to the public – no reservations are required, "To-Go" takeouts available.

"Keep Christ in Christmas" artwork by St. Malachy students is on display at the Club Hall in December.