



## Our Council Log KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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*Led by the Spirit*

**Our Monthly Council meetings are held on the 2nd Monday's @7:30. Building association and Officers meetings are held the 1st Monday evenings.**

**Upcoming Events** - additional event detail on page 2.

Nov 29- Council Corp. Communion at Guardian Angels.

Dec 4- Our Council Christmas Hall Party Dinner.

Dec 11-Fish Dinner Buffet

Dec. 13- Breakfast with Santa. Proceeds to Goodfellows. Bring your camera.

Dec. 22, 29 - NO Holiday Bingo

Dec. 26-28-GA 43rd annual Christmas Basketball Tournament.

Jan. 9 - Religious Vocations Dinner. See enclosed flyer

January - Council level K/C Free Throw Competition in GAngels School Gym.

Jan - Annual K/C State bowling tournament.

*Starting in March 2016 this Council #4188 newsletter will be published quarterly, near National Holidays. Any urgent Council announcement will be emailed by GK John Reeser. GK John maintains our Council email list, please get on it.*

*Viewing and reading this newsletter "Our Council Log" on our Council website improves readability greatly. PDF software, or another electronic viewer is required.*



### Our GRAND KNIGHT'S Message

Brothers,

As the fiscal year comes to a close, I reflect back on all the good we did as a council. Our generosity with our donations helped so many others, which is exactly what being a Knight is all about. I am very thankful for the help given to me by the officers and trustees of our Council. Their input and acceptance of the organizations we help has been amazing. I will be working with the officers to have a new budget in place for January through December, 2016.

As always, I appreciate all the hard work our members do for the good of our council. Please take time to pray and think about ways you might be able to help our council. I look forward to seeing many of you at our next meeting. May God's blessings be upon each of you.

May you and your families have a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy and Blessed New Year.

John Reeser, GK

### BUILDING ASSOCIATION Update

The building rentals continue to be steady, and the months of November and December are following the past trends for building usage. We have several Christmas parties booked as well as a request for a small wedding reception for December 26<sup>th</sup>. With Breakfasts and Fish Fries, Council and 4th degree Christmas Parties, District Corporate Communion, Bingo, the regular monthly meetings, Friday night euchre, and the rest of the rentals, the building should see a lot of use through the end of the year.

At the conclusion of the December General Council meeting there will be an election held to elect the members of the Building Association Board. The elected BA board members will select officers at the beginning of the Building Association meeting in January. If you are interested in joining the board, we will be taking nominations prior to the elections in December. Any Questions regarding the BA Board should be directed to GK John Reeser or me. Contact information is available in this Log.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and pray for a Happy 2016 for all.  
John Avery

## In Memory

Please pray for the souls of our departed brothers / family members and the loved ones they left behind within the last year:

**Bernard Oginski "Bernie"**

**Larry Donnellon**

**Hubert D. Bonino "Bo"**

**Alma McCurry**

**Michael Anthony Walko II**

**Patricia King (Cooney)**

**Ed Burns**

**Victor Dello**

## Healing Prayers

Please keep our brothers / families who are ill or in distress, in our prayers:

**Regina Slowik**

**Jerry and Dolores North**

**Myra Tolan**

**Bill and Pat Rodgers**

**Joe Golden**

**John Reeser**

## Donations, Support, Updates

### November Donations

- St. Vincent DePaul—GA and SEAS
- Capuchin Soup Kitchens
- St. Leo Soup Kitchen
- Sister Judie and Sisters of Love
- Holy Cross Christmas Children's Fund

### Our Council Log, Editors Note:

Thank You to those brothers who contribute articles, serving our council, through our Log newsletter.

Any K/C related newsworthy information is welcome for "Our Council Log". Information about Catholic /Christian organizations, and parish events and activities, supporting the local needy of Guardian Angel, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, or other associated parishes of our members are appreciated. This information can be emailed to GK John, myself, or by simply dropping paper copy in our the LOG mail-box near the bar in our Council clubroom. Thanks and Merry Christmas, Your Log editor, Rich Zielinski—248-435-5311 [rrzielin@gmail.com](mailto:rrzielin@gmail.com)

## Right to Life Activities

Please Pray to End Abortion.

George and Joan Cooney

248-288-6318

\*See an enclosed Feature Pages, and a letter with links from Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson

## Council Activity, Special Knights, Families, and Events

- Our Council Christmas Party is December 4, 2015. Doors open 6:30 pm for a Pot Luck Dinner around 7pm. Please RSVP to Tom Boucher DGK at [tomboucher1225@gmail.com](mailto:tomboucher1225@gmail.com). Tom is looking for help on Dec 3, 2015 to set up.
- At the close of our December 14 General Council meeting, we will continue drawing names from a drum of our Council brothers names (all), until a member present is drawn. Typically only one name is drawn per meeting. The winner takes home the entire years unclaimed jackpot.
- Santa will be at our December Breakfast Club— Dec.13. >Bring your Camera.< The Santa Breakfast proceeds this year are going to our table serving helpers from a local Goodfellows organization.
- Bingo attendance for Nov. -560 players. (\*Reminder\*-NO Bingo > Dec. 22 and 29). "Come out to our Hall and play or work. Make it a night out." Bingo Joe.
- The GA 43rd Annual Christmas Basketball Tournament is December 26-28. Stop by for a GA game where we hope to be handing out K/C Free Throw Contest info.
- Our Council Hall Dinner for Religious Vocations is Jan 9. Dedicated to honoring our Clergy efforts in forming our Catholic Faith. See enclosed flyer with ticket request. Questions call 248-227-8120.
- January—KofC State Bowling Tournament!
- Watch for details on our [Council level](#) K/C Free Throw Competition held on a January Sunday in the GA gym. During February, our local Council Champions or alternates will compete in the [District level](#) K/C Free Throw Championships, held at the Shrine High Field House on 13 Mile. State level Championship competition is normally held during March.
- Spring K/C membership drive, March 2016. >March 11, 2016— The 60th Anniversary of our Council being granted a charter to operate as K/C Council #4188.

*Our Clubroom is open every FRIDAY. Come in for a social evening visit, bring a friend.  
Euchre players tables fill at 7:30pm.*



Darren McCarty and Brother John Napolitano

## Insurance and Benefits— Looking for new agent

### Career Opportunity:

*The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. They offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information, please contact, Don M. Wesley FICF, General Agent, at 888-393-7539, or [don.wesley@kofc.org](mailto:don.wesley@kofc.org)*

Please Notice: Don M. Wesley K/C general insurance agent requests we read and review a letter regarding the success of our Knights of Columbus Insurance and recent achievement. Also, a free offer for a Family Needs Analysis. The insurance information letter is enclosed.

Reportedly, Dave Parker is back temporarily to also assist Don with our insurance needs.

Don Wesley > contact information above

Dave Parker > 586-755-9219 email > [dave.parker@kofc.org](mailto:dave.parker@kofc.org)



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

Dear Brother Knight,

Please act now to encourage Congress to protect the rights of conscientious objectors to abortion, sterilization, and contraception. These rights are under attack.

In California, for example, the state government has issued a directive requiring all health plans to cover abortions. Religious ministries in the state, including Catholic schools, are right now being forced to add abortion to their health plans.

This sort of coercion violates federal law, but these federal conscience protections have not been enforced. More protection is needed as similar violations occur throughout the country. Health care workers and organizations need the ability to act on their own to defend their rights in court.

The Abortion Non-Discrimination Act (ANDAs) grants this by providing victims a means for protecting their conscience rights through legal action. [Contact your members of Congress to support ANDAs.](#)

Immediate action is necessary. Consider the case of Cathy Cenzone-DeCarlo, RN, a nurse in New York City, whose employer forced her to choose between assisting in a late-term abortion and losing her job:

[T]he hospital where I work coerced me to assist in a 22-week abortion. They were well aware that as a faithful Catholic, I could not participate in the killing of a pre-born child. Yet, they threatened my job and my nursing license if I did not take part in the murder of a baby.

Her story is here: <https://youtu.be/uknXrM61Wl>

As Pope Francis has said, "conscientious objection is a right, and part of the body of all human rights. If we want to make peace, we must respect all rights."

Thank you for doing your part to protect conscience rights and to build a Culture of Life.

Fraternally,

Carl Anderson  
Supreme Knight





# Vocations Dinner



Saturday January 9, 2016  
Social Hour begins at 6:00PM  
Dinner served at 7:00PM  
Fr. Lynch Hall  
870 N. Main Street  
Clawson, Mi 48017

Please Join us for an evening honoring our Clergy on the eve of the Feast of the Baptism of our Lord thus ending the Christmas season.

This is a great opportunity to dine with our honored guests and to show appreciation for their efforts in forming our Catholic Faith.

Tickets are \$15 per person or have a table reserved for \$150 (10 tickets included) with your Family, Council, Church Group and of course, Clergy.

***All proceeds benefit the Sacred Heart Seminary***

Please detach below and return with check, keep the above for your records

Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to : K of C District Deputy Fund

Mail to: Mark Brezenski

2335 Hillcrescent

Troy, Mi 48085

Questions? Call 248-227-8120

## Pro Life

The terminally ill and elderly do not lose value when they are unable to take care of themselves on their own. Children or adults with disabilities do not lose their value because their experience of life is different than that of others. The unborn child who is not expected to live long after birth does not lose his or her value simply because time is limited. And the prisoner does not lose value because of the crime that was committed. Every life has a purpose and offers a chance to impact others.

Paul A. Long,  
President and CEO,  
Michigan Catholic Conference

From G.A. Guardian

## Pro-Life News

- ✓ March for Life 2016
- ✓ Lifespan Christmas Cards
- ✓ WomenCare Clinic Status
- ✓ 40 Days for Life

For more information, contact  
George or Joan Cooney at 248-288-  
6318

## Right-to-Life LIFESPAN Lights for Life

"There is no foot too small that it cannot leave an imprint upon the world", A. A. Milne, author of Winnie the Pooh. The world has been denied millions of those little footprints. Life must be respected and protected!



From G.A. Guardian

**MARCH FOR LIFE 2016** The next March for Life in Washington, D.C. will be on Friday, January 22, 2016. Once again, the State Council will have a bus making the journey for those who would like to participate in this event. The K. of C. bus will leave Thursday and return Saturday. RTL Lifespan and other groups will have buses for youths from different state locations for various prices and times.

**LIFESPAN CHRISTMAS CARDS** Please support RTL Lifespan by purchasing beautiful Christmas cards from LIFESPAN at your Church or by calling 248-816-1546.

**WOMANCARE CLINIC STATUS** Being shut down for nearly one year, Dr. Kalo's abortion center on Southfield Road in Lathrup Village is permitted to reopen if it is brought up into compliance with all the codes and regulations that govern a free standing outpatient ambulatory surgical treatment center. It is not yet reopened. Remember, abortions were committed there through the 24<sup>th</sup> week of life! Let us pray that Kalo's death center will never reopen!

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** The Spring, or Lenten, 40 Days for Life vigil will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 10, 2016, and continue through Palm Sunday, March 20, 2016. This is now a worldwide movement taking place in 307 cities and in many countries on four continents around the globe. Let's, as Knights, with our families and friends, continue to pray for an end to abortion everywhere.



## Feature Page — Special Notice



### Knights of Columbus **INSURANCE** YOUR SHIELD FOR LIFE

Brother Knights,

I write to you today to share some wonderful news. On November 3, your Knights of Columbus surpassed \$100 Billion of life insurance in force, further cementing our position as one of the largest life insurers in North America.

It is a tremendous achievement, and one that we should all celebrate – let me tell you why.

It's not about the number. It's not that \$100 Billion isn't impressive – it is. It's not that it doesn't matter – it does. But it's about the purpose and the potential of those dollars, not the dollars in and of themselves.

It's \$100 billion of protection for brother Knights and their families. It's \$100 billion of real money, waiting to be paid out, to keep the hopes and dreams of Catholic families alive when a breadwinner suddenly dies. It's a \$100 billion promise that our members have entrusted to us.

I smile when I see that number. I smile, not because I like big numbers. It's not the number that impresses me. But the Supreme Council office tells me that on an average night that 74 brother Knights passed away. 74 of them. And yet only 30 have insurance with the Knights of Columbus. There are 44 widows somewhere out there to whom we have nothing to give. To be sure we have prayers, and dinners, and fundraisers. But we don't have enough. We don't have enough to send the children to school. We don't have enough to save the family home. We don't have enough to make a terrible time easier.

That \$100 billion number makes me smile because I know that bringing that number up, means bringing the number of unprotected widows down. I know that sometime in the not too distant future, 100 will become 150, and 150 will become 200, and subsequently the number of brother Knights left uninsured at the time of their death will decrease, the number of widows and orphans provided for will increase, and Catholic families will flourish, despite the odds, because of the diligent planning of a brother Knight – just as Father McGivney would have wanted.

What a tremendous number. What a point of pride for you and for me.

For those of you that have given the Knights of Columbus the privilege of helping to protect your family's financial future: thank you for your trust.

For those of you that haven't yet: there has never been a better time to turn to your Knights of Columbus. We are here to protect you, just as Father McGivney intended us to be. That is a claim that no other company can ever make. We are the premier Catholic insurance company, and we are yours.

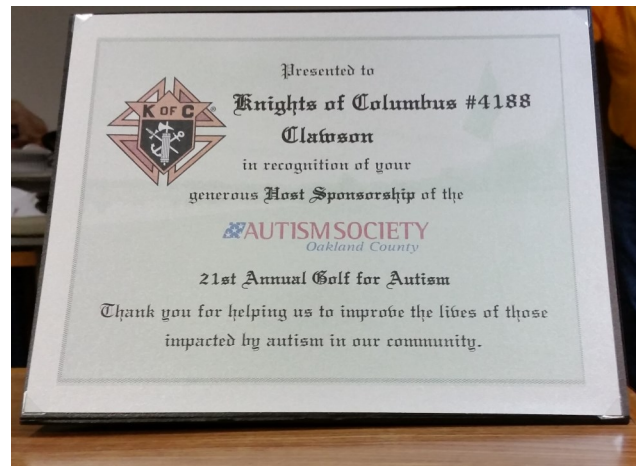
**\*Receive a complete Family Needs Analysis at my expense.**  
**Ask about our GUARANTEED LIFE INSURANCE, ANNUITIES,**  
**LONG TERM CARE & DISABILITY INSURANCE**

**In Christ,**  
**Don M. Wesley, FICF**  
**General Agent**  
**Knights of Columbus Supreme Council Insurance**  
**2 Crocker Blvd., Suite 301, Mount Clemens MI 48038**  
**Office: 888-DWesley (888-393-7539) E-mail: Don.Wesley@KofC.org (12/2015NL)**

## Feature Page —Event Photos and member submittals!



Our Council earned the Columbian Award for K/C Service Program activities conducted during 2015! Grand Knight John Reeser receives our 2015 Columbian Award from our District Deputy Mark Brezenski. This award is granted from our Supreme Council (New Haven, CT) to Councils that annually conduct and report involvement in Church Activities, Community Activities, Council Activities, Family Activities, Pro-Life Activities and Youth Activities.



The very thankful Autism Society of Oakland County representative presented our Council with the Thank You recognition certificate for our continued support to their organization's annual Golf Outing for Autism. This golf outing is their biggest fund raising event of the year, and many large corporate sponsors have backed out over the past few years, leaving us very important to their efforts helping others. All the proceeds of our Fish Dinner Buffets as organized by Brother Ray Debold and the helpful crews that serve and clean, along with kitchen help from Shrine K/C brothers, make our sizable contributions to their programs possible. Thanks Ray! pictured next to GK John. Please join us for Fish Dinner some second Friday of the Month to be part of this worthy cause. Today, Autism is found handicapping one in every 57 children.



I wish to enter THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP in the category and age group checked below. My eligibility is to be determined by my age as of January 1. I also understand that I may only compete in one council level competition.

Secondary school athletes should check with the school athletic director about eligibility before participating. Birth Certificate for other proof of age is required to verify eligibility.



Boys



Girls

AGE:



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Name of Entrant

Date of Birth

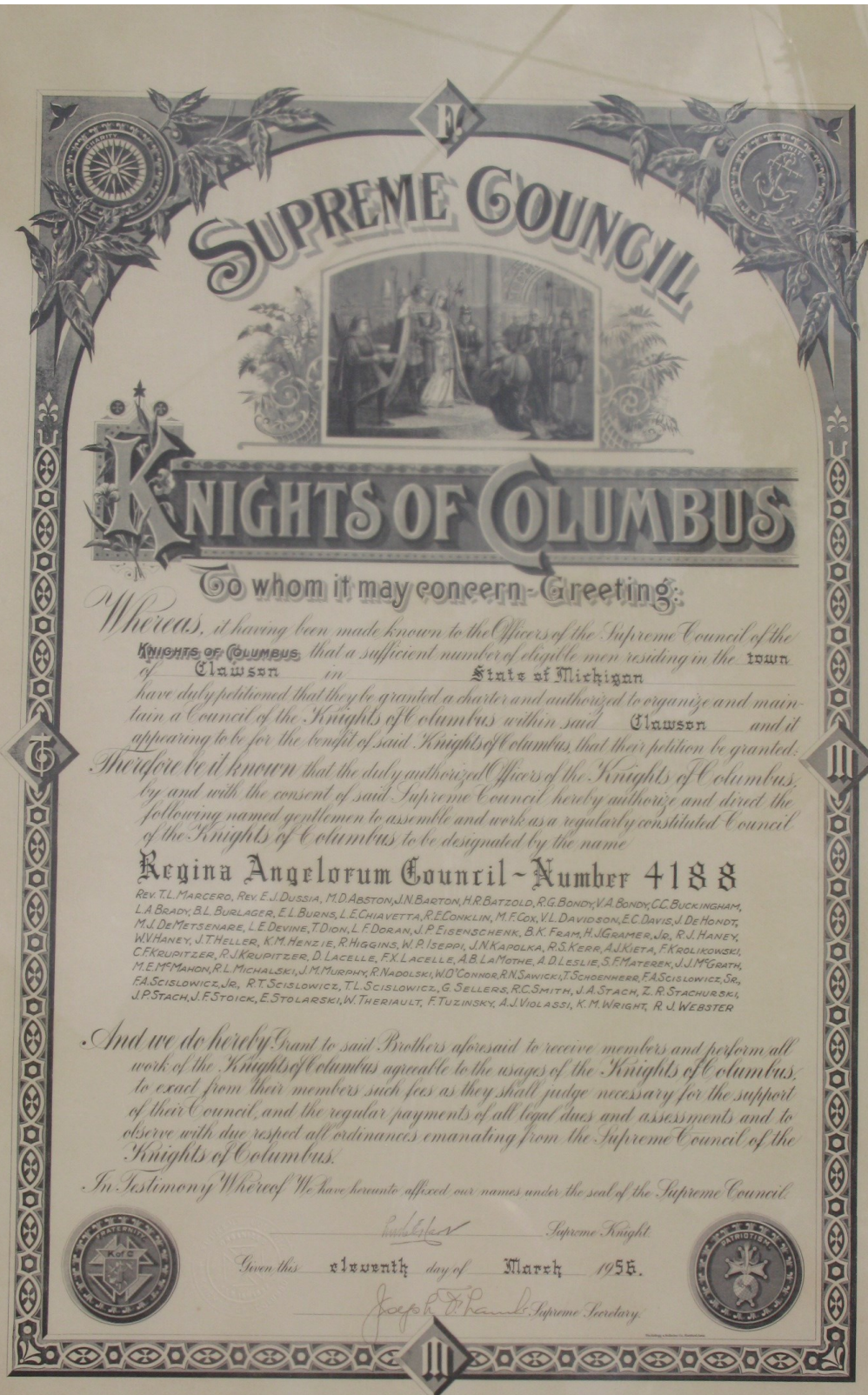
Upcoming Annual K/C National event is open to ALL boys and girls ages 9-14. Age verification is required to advance in the competition. This Council level contest (January) @ GA will determine our advancing Champions by their shooting the best out of 15 free throw attempts. Actual full entry forms will be available at our Council Office, GA School Office, and at gym entry table day of contest.



## Feature Page —Event Photos and member submittals!

### Our Council Charter, as granted nearly 60 years ago by the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus, on March 11, 1956.

The document shown below is easy to enlarge and more readable online. It is framed and hangs in our Council Hall.  
This newsletter should be posted to our Council website soon.





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## December 2015

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>29</b> First Sunday of Advent 9 am - 11:30 am <u>Corporate</u> <u>Communion GA</u>	<b>30</b>	<b>December 1</b> <u>BINGO- line opens</u> <u>5PM, Early birds about</u> <u>6:15</u>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 7:30 pm - 9 pm <u>K/C 4th Degree mtg -</u> <u>Clawson</u>	<b>4</b> <u>Clubroom social hrs</u> <u>5:30-? Euchere @7:30</u> <u>Night on the Council</u> <u>Council Pot Luck</u> <u>Christmas Party</u>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day 7 pm - 7:35 pm <u>Building Assoc. Meeting</u> 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm <u>Officers Meeting</u>	<b>8</b> Feast of the Immaculate Conception <u>BINGO- line opens</u> <u>5PM, Early birds about</u> <u>6:15</u>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <u>Clubroom social hrs</u> <u>5:30-? Euchere @7:30</u> <u>Council Hall Fish Fry</u> <u>Buffet open at 4:30PM</u>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> <u>Santa Breakfast 9AM</u> <u>Proceeds&gt;Goodfellows</u>	<b>14</b> 7:30 am - 9 am <u>General Council</u> <u>Meeting</u>	<b>15</b> <u>BINGO- line opens</u> <u>5PM, Early birds about</u> <u>6:15</u>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 7:30 pm - 9 pm <u>K/C 4th Degree mtg -</u> <u>Clawson</u>	<b>18</b> <u>Clubroom social hrs</u> <u>5:30-? Euchere @7:30</u>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> <u>No Bingo! Happy</u> <u>Holidays</u>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Christmas Eve	<b>25</b> Christmas <u>Clubroom social hrs</u> <u>5:30-? Euchere @7:30</u>	<b>26</b> <u>Guardian Angel 43rd</u> <u>Annual BasketBall</u> <u>Christmas Tournament</u>
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<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 7 pm - 7:35 pm <u>Building Assoc. Meeting</u> 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm <u>Officers Meeting</u>	<b>5</b> <u>BINGO- line opens</u> <u>5PM, Early birds about</u> <u>6:15</u>	<b>6</b> Epiphany	<b>7</b> 7:30 pm - 9 pm <u>K/C 4th Degree mtg -</u> <u>Clawson</u>	<b>8</b> <u>Clubroom social hrs</u> <u>5:30-? Euchere @7:30</u> <u>Council Hall Fish Fry</u> <u>Buffet open at 4:30PM</u>	<b>9</b> <u>Religious Vocations</u> <u>Dinner - 248-227-8120</u>
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