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Form **990-EZ****Short Form**
Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

OMB No 1545-1150

2014**Open to Public Inspection**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.

▶ Information about Form 990-EZ and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

A For the 2014 calendar year, or tax year beginning , and ending	
B Check if applicable	C Name of organization
<input type="checkbox"/> Address change	KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 556 COUNCIL Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 1556 EAST FREMONT STREET City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code GALESBURG IL 61401
<input type="checkbox"/> Name change	
<input type="checkbox"/> Initial return	
<input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated	
<input type="checkbox"/> Amended return	
<input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	
D Employer identification number	
37-0369085	
E Telephone number	
309-343-6415	
F Group Exemption Number ▶	
G Accounting Method <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual Other (specify) ▶	
H Check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)	
I Website: ▶ N/A	
J Tax-exempt status (check only one) — <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) (8) ◀ (insert no) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527	
K Form of organization. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ	
▶ \$ 95,577	

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I ☒

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	396
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	47,801
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3	47,320
	4	Investment income	4	60
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
	6	Gaming and fundraising events		
	a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	
	b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6b	
c	Less direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c		
d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d		
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a		
b	Less cost of goods sold	7b		
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c		
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8		
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	9	95,577	
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	
	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	4,055
	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	99,162
	17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	103,217
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	-7,640
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	21,980
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	14,340

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Part II { Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

	(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	21,980	22	14,340
23 Land and buildings	0	23	
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	0	24	
25 Total assets	21,980	25	14,340
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	0	26	0
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	21,980	27	14,340

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?

See Schedule O

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

Expenses
(Required for section
501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4)
organizations, optional for
others)

28	FRATERNAL SUPPORT, CHARITY AND SUPPORT & ENCOURAGEMENT OF FELLOW KNIGHTS.		
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	28a
29			
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	29a
30			
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	30a
31	Other program services (describe in Schedule O)		
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	31a
32	Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	▶	32

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated — see the instructions for Part IV)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV

[illegible]

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V ☐

	Yes	No
33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O		X
34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions)		X
35a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?		X
35b If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		
35c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III		X
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N		X
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions		
37b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
38a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?		X
38b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved		
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter		
39a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9		
39b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities		
40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 <input type="checkbox"/> _____, section 4912 <input type="checkbox"/> _____, section 4955 <input type="checkbox"/> _____		
40b Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		
40c Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958		
40d Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization		
40e All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T		X
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed <input type="checkbox"/> <u>None</u>		
42a The organization's books are in care of <input type="checkbox"/> <u>ORLEE LUCERO</u> Telephone no <input type="checkbox"/> <u>309-343-6415</u> 1556 EAST FREMONT STREET Located at <input type="checkbox"/> <u>GALESBURG</u> IL ZIP + 4 <input type="checkbox"/> <u>61401</u>		
42b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country <input type="checkbox"/> _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR)		X
42c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the U S ? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country <input type="checkbox"/> _____		X
43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 — Check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year <input type="checkbox"/> <u>43</u>		
44a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X
44b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X
44c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?		X
44d If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		
45a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		X
45b Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions)		X

- 46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I

	Yes	No
46		X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI ☐

- 47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II

	Yes	No
47		
48		
49a		
49b		

- 48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

- 49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

- b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?

- 50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None"

(a) Name and title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation

- f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶

- 51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None"

(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

- d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ▶

- 52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **Note.** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A ▶ ☐ Yes ☐ No

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here ▶ Orlando Lucero ▶ 8/12/2015
 Signature of officer Date
 Type or print name and title Orlando Lucero

Paid Preparer Use Only ▶ Norman J. Underwood ▶ Norman J. Underwood
 Print/Type preparer's name Preparer's signature
 Date 08/06/15 Check ☐ if self-employed PTIN P00154094
 Firm's name Blucker, Kneer & Associates, Ltd. Firm's EIN 37-1013611
 Firm's address P.O. BOX 1464 Phone no 309-343-4156
GALESBURG, IL 61402-1464

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions ▶ ☒ Yes ☐ No

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZComplete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 556 COUNCIL**37-0369085****Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16 - Other Expenses****Description****Amount****Expenses**

Advertising and Promotion	\$	982
Office	\$	1,585
MEMBER ACTIVITIES	\$	53,634
DONATIONS	\$	13,056
STIPENDS	\$	1,042
OTHER	\$	1,072
BINGO COSTS	\$	27,791
Total	\$	99,162

Form 990-EZ, Part III - Primary Exempt Purpose

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HAVE FOUR CORE PRINCIPLES 1) CONDUCTING CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES IN THE COMMUNITY, 2) PROVIDE SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT TO FELLOW KNIGHTS, 3) PROVIDE FRATERNAL SUPPORT FOR MEMBERS OF THE KNIGHTS AND THEIR FAMILIES, 4) SUPPORT PATRIOTISM.

Form 990-EZ, Part III, Line 31 - All Other Accomplishment

CONDUCT CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES, FRATERNAL SUPPORT AND MEMBER SUPPORT.

Form **8868**

(Rev. January 2014)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Application for Extension of Time To File an
Exempt Organization Return**

OMB No 1545-1709

► **File a separate application for each return.**► **Information about Form 8868 and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form8868.**

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** and check this box ☒
- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** (on page 2 of this form)

Do not complete Part II unless you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868

Electronic filing (e-file). You can electronically file Form 8868 if you need a 3-month automatic extension of time to file (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T), or an additional (not automatic) 3-month extension of time. You can electronically file Form 8868 to request an extension of time to file any of the forms listed in Part I or Part II with the exception of Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts, which must be sent to the IRS in paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile and click on e-file for Charities & Nonprofits.

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed).

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension – check this box and complete Part I only ☐

All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.

Type or print	Enter filer's identifying number, see instructions	
Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions.	Employer identification number (EIN) or	
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 556 COUNCIL	37-0369085	
Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P O box, see instructions	Social security number (SSN)	
1556 EAST FREMONT STREET		
City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions.		
GALESBURG IL 61401		

Enter the Return code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return)

01

Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990 or Form 990-EZ	01	Form 990-T (corporation)	07
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08
Form 4720 (individual)	03	Form 4720 (other than individual)	09
Form 990-PF	04	Form 5227	10
Form 990-T (sec 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	05	Form 6069	11
Form 990-T (trust other than above)	06	Form 8870	12

ORLEE LUCERO
1556 EAST FREMONT STREET

- The books are in the care of ► **GALESBURG**

IL 61401Telephone No. ► **309-343-6415**

FAX No. ►

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box ☐
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____ . If this is for the whole group, check this box ☐ . If it is for part of the group, check this box ☐ and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until **08/15/15**, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for
► ☒ calendar year **2014** or

► ☐ tax year beginning _____, and ending _____

2 If the tax year entered in line 1 is for less than 12 months, check reason: ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return
☐ Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Forms 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	3a	\$	0
b If this application is for Forms 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit	3b	\$	0
c Balance due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	3c	\$	0

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions

For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see instructions.

Form **8868** (Rev. 1-2014)