



Brothers,

I pray that this letter finds each of you doing well, as we enter August and try to stay cool from the heat outside. There is not much going on in the council. As we gear up for the upcoming fraternal year Program director, Art Rideout, has decided to change Family nights to the first Friday of every month starting August 2nd and fish with all the fixins' will be the menu.



As I sit here to write this Months newsletter, I am sad to hear that yet again we had an event for our membership and families and the turnout was dismal. Our council leadership has tried different ideas, different menus, and so on, to increase attendance but to no avail. We will continue to try everything we can, to come up with events that people want to attend. Our last family night we had 2 families show up, about 12 people. We are very grateful for everyone who does show up and we do believe that your family and church comes first before the Council. We also understand that everyone can not attend every event, however, when your friends and brothers take time to put together an event I would think more would make an effort to attend. Gentlemen, Council events are for you and your families always, we do not try to make money off of council events like family nights, potluck dinners, or picnics. We intend for these type of events to be social in nature and to grow closer to the friends you have and to make new friends. When a new member comes to a family night to see friends and Brother Knights, and no one is there, it might make you not want to come to another one. Gentlemen I pray that we will make a better effort to come out for something (not everything) to support your council and to spend time with your friends, your Catholic brothers and sisters.

God Bless,
Robert Collins GK

SPECIAL DATES OF INTEREST:

- ◆ Bingo every Tuesday @ 7pm
- ◆ Fish Fry 1st Friday of every Month
- ◆ 1st Wednesday of every Month Council Meeting 7:30pm and 4th degree assembly meeting 6pm. Light meal between meetings

FORT KNIGHTS IN ACTION

4th of July picnic

2019



FORT KNIGHTS IN ACTION

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS 2019





Knights of Columbus

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Patrick F. Horan Assembly 0025

P.O. Box 180367

Fort Smith , AR 72918-0367



The August meeting is August 7, 2019 at 6:00pm

The September meeting is September 4, 2019 at 6:00pm

Greetings Sir Knights,

Our July 3 meeting was attended by 14 brothers, a welcome increase from our June 27 meeting when 9 were in attendance, hopefully our numbers will continue to rise. Our first meal went well, this month 996 will prepare our meal. I expect all are aware of the untimely death of Sir Bill Dubois, very sad. Susan and family were thankful for our presence at the rosary and funeral, thanks to all who came to the ceremonies and participated in his honor guard. I hope everyone is receiving our emails, Mike is doing a good job forwarding info and correspondence's I have received from Master Priore. Please if you have not been receiving our emails contact myself or Mike and we will take care of it. I did receive one of our messages in my SPAM folder, you may want to check your spam occasionally as well.



Our honor guard is expected by the families of our deceased brothers, at this time we have five brothers of our assembly who have purchased the new uniforms. I have not but intend to soon. We need to have about 15 sirs in the new regalia to support our duties at funerals, rosaries, first communion, confirmation, and any other time we are called on by the Bishop, our Pastors, or the parishes for an honor guard. This is our duty.

Monsignor John O'Donnell's Chalice, with blessing of his nephew, was offered to Immaculate

Conception in Fort Smith and accepted by Father Jon Antony. Most of you know Monsignor pastored IC for a number of years before his retirement.

Our Installation of Officers will be this coming Sunday July 28, 2019 at 5:00pm in the council 996 hall. Dad's going to Rotisserie 3 whole pork loins, I'm going to boil about 20 pounds of new potatoes, and prepare some dinner rolls and a garden salad, if the members could bring some desserts I think we will have it covered.

I will continue to send updates from the State Master and others items of interest as they come to me.

June results Bud gouger won the 50/50 drawing for the second month in a row and donated it to the chalice fund. Arnold Bogner was not present for the \$50 attendance drawing. Dr James Post was not present for the \$10 attendance drawing.

July results Lucky Bud Gouger won the 50/50 for the 3rd month in a row and again donated it to the chalice fund. Leroy Farmer was not present for the \$50 attendance drawing. Dr James Post was not present for the \$15 attendance drawing.

Sir Bill Dubois past away. Carder Ferguson's father fell and broke his hip. Khoat Tran is still in Coventry court recovering from his stroke. My mother-in-law Isabelle Jordan is having serious heart trouble. Theresa Dubois had melanoma surgery. Bud Gouger took Edie to the hospital with

chest pains, please keep all of them and their families in your prayer's. One more request, please keep me in your prayers as I begin year 3 as your Navigator, thank you.

FN Rick Gramlich



Council 996

Upcoming Events

Brothers,

We will be moving Family nights to the first Friday of every Month starting this Friday August 2nd. We will have a **fish fry** every Family night We hope to see you there!!



I have a flier on the next page with all details.

Thank you,

Art Rideout

Council Program Director

Fish Knights



You asked....we delivered!

1st Friday of every month!!

6:00pm at Knights of Columbus Hall

\$8.00 per plate



- **Fish**
- **Fried Shrimp**
- **Pizza (\$2.00 per slice)**

Dinners include Hushpuppies, Fries, & Coleslaw

Carry out orders available beginning at 5:30pm.

Call 479-649-7144



COLUMBUS CLUB REPORT

Meetings 2nd Wednesday of every Month

6:30pm

Columbus Club Officers

President	Gary Barker
Vice President	Matt Hutchinson
Treasurer	Marc Lux
Secretary	Art Sellers
3 year Board	Dickey Spahn
2 year Board	Tyler Hudgens
1 year Board	Rick Gramlich

Columbus Club Meeting

Our last meeting was on July 10th, 2019. Here are some notes from the last meeting.

1. Acres rentals are slowing due to summer temperatures and hall rentals are good but there are still open dates.
2. Acres: Dickey needs people who can run weed eaters. This is a huge job and anybody that can donate some time to help keep up the acres would be greatly appreciated.
3. Getting quotes on sealing and repainting the parking lot. Several cracks will get worse if we do not take care of it before winter.
4. Working on outside freezer gasket and electrical wire for the door.
5. AC units in the hall have been serviced and are working much better.
6. Options for a permanent solution to the hall floor are still being explored. Everything so far has been cost prohibitive. We are currently looking into polished concrete.
7. Bingo crowds have been growing. This has been a great source of income to the hall. This is how we keep the lights on. The only thing that is not growing is the number of volunteers. We need your help. If you would like to help please call Gary Barker 479.719.3442 or Robert Collins 479.883.1698

Next meeting will be August 7th at 6:30pm.

Gary Barker



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL 996**

Meetings 1st Wednesday of every Month
7:30pm

Council Officers 2019-2020

Chaplain	Fr. Juan Guido
Grand Knight	Robert Collins
Deputy Grand Knight	Matt Hutchinson
Financial Secretary	Marc Lux
Treasurer	Mark Urban

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**COLUMBUS HALL AND ACRES
RENTAL INFO**

Hall and Acres rental contact:

Jayne Spahn 479-208-3108

Hall Phone: 479-649-7144

The Hall and Acres are located at:

10201 Columbus Acres Rd.

Fort Smith AR 72916



F a m i l i e s i n N e e d o f P r a y e r

Sick

Please keep all members and friends in your prayers.

Passed away

Bill Dubois, Bill Boothman,

Military

Logan Collins 82nd Airborne, Jacob Ferguson Fort Sill FORSCOM, Seth Simson 188th Wing

Donnie Fredrick 188th Wing








If there are any notifications for the Sickness or deaths please contact Matt Hutchinson at mhutchinson56@yahoo.com



Pius XII Council 996

August 2019



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October 2019



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