The Fort Knight

June 2019

Brothers of 996:



June is upon us, and that means we are electing a new Grand Knight. Being your Grand Knight these last two years have been a huge honor for me. Thank you all for giving that honor to me. My hope is that I did nothing to hurt Council 996, and anything that was done under my watch helped improve our council. I will continue to help our new Grand Knight as he takes charge to continue to keep our council on a level that we can always be proud of being a part.

Here in the United States we enjoy and have enjoyed religious freedom since 1786! Just who do we have to thank for this??? More than saying it was our founding fathers, the biggest part of the credit goes to Thomas Jefferson and James Madison. For years Jefferson has been deemed the Founding Father most associated with championing religious freedom. Even on the wall of his memorial, which I found to be one of the most impressive in Washington, DC, he has a quote: "I have sworn upon the altar of God eternal hostility against every form of tyranny over the mind of man." And on his tombstone has as one of his three greatest achievements- the Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom, which he wrote in 1779. Although this statute died in the legislature, while Jefferson was in Paris, Madison resurrected the bill and got it passed in 1786. Madison then goes on to play a lead role in drafting and ratifying the Constitution, and then shepherded through the First Amendment. In the famous words of Lawrence Welk- "Thank you Boys!"

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SPECIAL DATES OF INTEREST:

- 🚯 Bingo every Tuesday @ 7pm
- ♦ June 5 Business Meting @7:30pm
- June 12 Columbus Club @6 pm
- June 19 Social Night @7:30 pm
- June 21 Family Night @6pm
- June 26 Fourth Degree Meeting @ 7:30

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Check out the Fort Knight
 Newsletter!
- New three month Calendar
- Message from State and Supreme

As you may know, at our last meeting, we decided to make a monthly donation to Heart to Heart of \$75. This money is coming from the remainder of the ultrasound fund and will not cost us anything unless we decide to continue this next year or after the fund is exhausted. Robert Collins and I met with Candice Irving, the Director of Heart to Heart, to inform her of this and she was visibly moved. We told her we wanted to help them more in the future. If not monetarily, psychically or when they have events such as drive, dinners, visits from Santa and so on. In asking Candice what they are in most need of just now, she replied that they can't keep size 3-4 diapers on hand. This being said, as my last act as your Grand Knight, I am asking that at our next meeting, each of us bring a package of disposable diapers or something of that nature to donate. It doesn't need to be a huge thing, just something a young mother can use in the care of her young child, It would be easy for this Council to purchase these things, but, it would mean so much more to have each one of us take a part in this and give something of ourselves.

In keeping with the spirit of giving, I am suggesting that we also do the same thing with the St. Anne's Society. Perhaps we can combine these and bring either something for personal hygiene for the St. Anne's Society and/or something for an infant at Heart to Heart. Thank you for your generosity!

Matthew Hutchinson Grand Knight Council 996 Fort Smith AR

Please remember our Veterans

God's Blessings on you and your families– have a Safe, Enjoyable Summer! Thanks for letting me be your Grand Knight



Local Sir Knights at Arkansas State Convention



Mass procession at State Convention



Sir Knights ready for Mass at State Convention

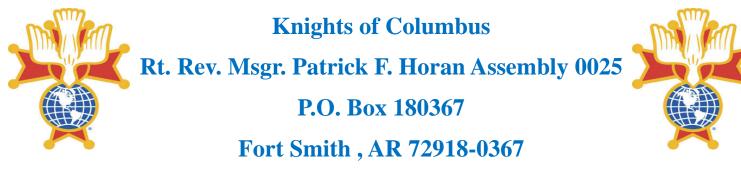
Council 996 Knights in action Brother Knights cooking funnel cakes at Subiaco











May meeting is May 22 2019 7:30pm June meeting is June 26 2019 7:30pm



Greetings Sir Knights,

Our 4th degree assembly at Fort Smith is working towards emailing our monthly bulletin. The costs of bulk mailing are \$225 per year for the bulk mailing permit, and currently 19 cents per bulletin if more than 200, amounting to about \$700 per year. We only have 145 members, so we have had to mail 55 bulletins to ourselves. Otherwise we would be paying the normal mailing rate.

Most of our assembly members are from Council 996 and we have loaded email addresses for about half of our assembly members. There are some of our members from council 996 without emails and many not from council 996.

Our goal is to have the assembly bulletin emailed to all members by July 1, 2019. If you are not a member of council 996 and want to continue to receive the bulletin, or if you are a member of the council and you are not emailed the bulletin after July 1st, then send your name and email address to mghgolfassy@gmail.com

The May meeting we will be voting to move our 4th degree meeting to the 1st Wednesday of the month effective July 3 2019 at 6:00 pm. This will be directly preceding the council 996 3rd degree meeting which is at 7:30pm. I am hoping to have more participation from our membership as many of the regulars will not have to come back out to the hall on the 4th Wednesday of the month. The council response is for the change as we also intend to have a light meal between the two meetings.

Nominations were placed for the upcoming fraternal year's officers at the April meeting, they are as follows, Faithful Friar Rev Matt Garrison Faithful Navigator Rick Gramlich Faithful Comptroller Henry Art Sellers Faithful Purser Mike Heathcott Faithful Captain Mike Ferguson Faithful Admiral Chau Peter Le Faithful Scribe Stephen J Alhert Faithful Pilot Outer Sentinel George W Hampton Inner sentinel Kyle DeJaegger 1 year trustee Jim Foldvary 2 year trustee Joseph Ciulla 3 year trustee

As you can see we are in need of 2 more Sir's to serve as Pilot and 3 year trustee, please prayerfully consider serving.

A motion was made to again support a seminarian thru the RSVP program. We made a \$500 donation to Omar Galvin for the upcoming year.

Beloved Priest and Sir Knight of our assembly Monsignor John O'Donnel passed away Saturday April 20th. A memorial service was held at Immaculate Concepcion in Fort Smith April 26, unfortunately a number of us were on our way to the State Convention in Little Rock. Tony Reith, Tom Stoddard, and Mike Heathcott were at the service representing our assembly.

Faith, Hope and Love are some good things He gave us and the Greatest is Love.

FN Rick Gramlich rtgramlich@sbcglobal.net Home, after 700pm, 4794845293 Cell, 479 832 3292

BUILDING THE DOMESTIC CHURCH While Strengthening Our Parish



GET INVOLVED!

Faith In Action Program Model

The new program model takes its inspiration from the Building the Domestic Church initiative, and it greatly emphasizes the faith and spirituality of all Knights of Columbus. In other words, the foundation for this program model is the Building the Domestic Church initiative. Those councils that thoroughly implement the Faith in Action Program will be living and exemplifying the Domestic Church.

Be a Leader

Take a leadership role in your council, your family and your parish in becoming the Domestic Church. It's what we signed up for as Knights of Columbus. By choosing to be Knights, we have chosen to be different from secular society and to live our faith boldly.

Living as the Domestic Church is extremely effective. Throughout all of Judeo-Christian history, there has been nothing more effective at evangelizing the culture than regular, everyday people choosing to live their faith at home and in the public square. Salvation history was changed forever by a family.

Encourage your brother Knights to live the Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge. It allows all Knights of Columbus to be united in a simple challenge each month to live their faith.

Make intentional choices based in prayer. Each time you choose to live your faith and refrain from activities that pull you away from God, you are living the Domestic Church.

Teach others and exemplify that it is the family and council who prays together, goes

THE SUPREME CHAPLINS MONTHLY CHALLENGE

May 2019

Jesus said, "My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another" (Gospel for May 19, Jn. 13:34). "I give you a new commandment: love one another," we hear in the Gospel reading. We've heard this saying of Jesus before, but do we personalize it this and truly know it to be true? Statistically, we as Catholics in America today are not renowned for loving one another to the point that we risk sharing our faith with others. One recent poll found that only 6% of Catholics characterized sharing their faith as a "high priority." But Jesus invites us to do more. He does not call the equipped; he equips the called. And each one of us is called to love one another in the most profound way—by caring about others' eternal well-being.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori: This month I challenge you to invite one person out for coffee, to your home, or an event at your parish. Tell them what you enjoy about the Catholic religion. Secondly, if they have been away from the Catholic Church, invite them back. If they are not Catholic, ask them if they would consider joining. Either way, be welcoming and nonjudgmental when they give their response.



Council 996 Program Director Upcoming events



Upcoming events:

Family nights

June 21, 2019 Grilled chicken dinner, pasta salad, and sides. August 16, 2019 Menu to come.

July 4, 2019 Gate opens at 10am Bingo 11am Lunch 12:30 Look for the flyer in next Months newsletter. We will also have it on the website soon.



Knights of Columbus

Council 996

Hall Phone: 479-649-7144 Hall and Acres Rental Contact: Jayne Ann Spahn 479-208-3108 Visit the Council Web Site or Columbus Acres www.kofc996.com www.columbusacres.com On Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/ Knights-of-Columbus-Fort-Smith-AR 242583469195340/timeline

2017-2018 Council Officers

Chaplain Fr.Juan GuidoGrand KnightMatt HutchinsonDeputy Grand KnightCarder FergusonFinancial SecretaryMarc LuxTreasurerMark Urban

2017-2018 Columbus Club

Carder Ferguson ,President Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of every other month at 6:30 P.M. All Council 996 members are invited and encouraged to Attend



Families in Need of Prayer

Keep everyone affected by the flood in your prayers. Also keep everyone working on relief efforts, Food, filling sand bags, items that are needed, and all our city officials and emergency workers.

Continue to keep members and there families in your prayers.

<u>Military</u>

Logan Collins 82nd airborne stationed in North Carolina, Jacob Ferguson 101st Airborne, Seth Simson 188th.

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



Last Month

- 1. We have removed the parking stops in the north parking lot due to safety. We are looking at having the parking lots restriped.
- 2. The wood floor in the ball room is having problems and we are looking at a way to resolve this issue.
- 3. The summer Months are getting very close and as usual the acres are starting to grow at a rapid pace. We always welcome anyone who has time to come out and help. Dickey Spahn is at the acres most days. As we have stated before one or two guys cannot keep up with everything that needs to be done this time of year.

Columbus Club Next meeting is 12 June 2019 at 6:30pm



Pope Pius XII Council 996



June 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Acres Rented
2 Acres Rented	<i>3</i> Troop 3 Boy Scouts Mtg 6:45-9pm	4 Bingo 7 PM	5 Business MTG 7:30	6 Acres Rented	7 Acres Rented	8 Acres Rented
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9 Acres Rented	10 Troop 3 Boy Scouts	11 Bingo 7 PM	12 Acres Rented	13Acres / Hall Rented	14	15 Acres / Hall Rented
	Mtg 6:45-9pm	BUNGO				
16	17	18 Bingo 7 PM	19 Social Mtg 7:30 pm	20	21 Family Night 6 pm	22 Acres / Hall Rented
		BUNGO	SOCIAL HOUR		FAMILY	
23	24	25 Bingo 7 PM	26 4th Degree Business Mtg	27	28	29 Hall Rented ?
30		BUNGO	7:30 pm			Rentals



Pope Pius XII Council 996

July 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Bingo 7 PM	3 Business Mtg 7:30 pm	4 Fourth of July Picnic Gates Open at 10 am Lunch at 1 pm	5	6
7	8	9 Bingo 7 PM	10 Columbus Club Mtg at 6:30	11	12Cooking for JDC At Sebastian Cty 4:30pm	13Acres and Hall rented
14	15	16 Bingo 7 PM	17 Social Mtg 7:30 pm SOCIAL	18	19	20 Lounge Rented
21	22	23 Bingo 7 PM	24 4th Degree Business Mtg 7:30 pm	25	26	27 Lounge Rented
28	29	30 Bingo 7 PM	31			



Pope Pius XII Council 996

August 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6 Bingo 7 PM	7 Business Mtg 7:30 pm	8	9	10
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