



KNIGHTLY NEWS WRAP

March 2020



Business Meeting
2nd Tuesday, 7:30 pm
Dardenne Prairie Hall
(636) 625-2344

DARDENNE COUNCIL 2273

2199 Post Road
Dardenne Prairie, MO 63368

Social Meeting
4th Tuesday, 7:30 pm
Dardenne Prairie Hall
(636) 625-2344

COUNCIL OFFICERS / KEY PERSONNEL

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| Grand Knight | SK Kurt Newman (314) 556-7073 GrandKnight2273@gmail.com |
| Deputy Grand Knight | Denny Scott (636) 233-1357 |
| Chancellor | Charlie Hakenwerth (636) 561-4105 |
| Recorder | Brian Zoellner (636) 272-5126 |
| Financial Secretary | SK Ken Wood (636) 379-1995 Woodke2273@aol.com |
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| Warden | Joe Schroeder (636) 542-0964 |
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| Trustee-1 st Yr. | Steve Smeltzer (636) 625-8754 |
| Trustee 2 nd Yr. | Don Kopf (636) 978-0941 |
| Trustee-3 rd Yr. | Morgan Alexander (314) 402-4174 |
| Chaplain | Fr. Christopher Rubie (636) 561-6611 |
| Lecturer | Larry Boyer (636) 561-4034 |
| Program Director | SK Larry Schmidt (636) 294-4194 |
| Community Director | SK Fred Lydic (314) 610-1118 |

MONTHLY RECAP

**OUR NEXT BUSINESS MEETING IS
MARCH 10, 2020**

MEETING MINUTES

To allow for the easy distribution of Council 2273 information to non-Knights, the 2273 Newsletter and the Official Meeting Minutes are separate documents.

Upon receipt, all member Knights are encouraged to review the February meeting minutes and attend the March 10, 2020 business meeting. The Grand Knight will call for discussion and/or approval of the minutes as published.

EXCULPATIONS

In keeping with the changes in the degree formations, the previously separate exculpations for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree have been combined into one ceremony.

To our members who are still 1st Degree Knights...elevation to full Knight status can be attained by attending the new exculpation ceremony (roughly 30 minutes) or watching the ceremonial video. If you wish to upgrade your status as a Knight, please contact either Grand Knight Newman or Deputy Grand Knight Scott.

2273 COUNCIL CALENDAR

Entries made in this month's newsletter are activities known to be scheduled thus far for the next 12 months. The Calendar is a "rolling" reminder, always looking 12 months in advance. Anyone who is working on an activity should call/text **Fred Lydic** at **314-610-1118** or **LydicAssoc@outlook.com** to get the event into the Calendar.

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| Family Director | Steve Smeltzer (314) 974-5347 | <h2 style="text-align: center;"><u>UPCOMING EVENTS</u></h2> <p><u>MOUSE RACES –MARCH 21st.</u> <u>(SEE THE FLIER AT THE END OF THE NEWSLETTER)</u></p> <p><u>ARCHBISHOP CARLSON MASS AT ICD</u> Sunday, June 7, 2020, Archbishop Carlson will be the Celebrant at the 10:15 Mass at ICD in celebration of the 140th Anniversary of the founding of the parish. We will need to assemble an Honor Guard of 4th degree Knights in Regalia for this mass. In addition, Member Knights are encouraged to plan to attend this mass in lieu of your normally attended mass time. Wear Your Blue Shirts.</p> |
| Faith Director | Mike Thessen (636) 329-1229 | |
| Life Director | Paul Anthony (636) 625-0396 | |
| Admissions Chair | Charlie Hakenwerth (636) 561-4105 | |
| Membership Chair | | |
| Retention Chair | Denny Scott (636) 561-6064 | |
| K of C Field Agent | Justin Manion (314) 591-9550 Justin.Manion@KofC.org | |
| Auxiliary President | Patti Obrecht 636-978-1555 cpain1@msn.com | |

COUNCIL 2273 CALENDAR

| <u>MONTH</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>ACTIVITY</u> |
|---------------------------|--------------|--|
| MARCH 2020 | <u>7</u> | <u>St. Louis - 4th Degree – Airport Hilton Hotel</u> |
| | <u>10</u> | <u>Business Meeting</u> |
| | <u>21</u> | <u>Mouse Races at Dardenne Prairie Hall</u> |
| | <u>24</u> | <u>Social Meeting</u> |
| | <u>22-28</u> | <u>Adopt-a-Highway Road Clean-up</u> |
| | <u>29</u> | <u>Fifth Sunday</u> |
| APRIL 2020 | <u>14</u> | <u>Business Meeting</u> |
| | <u>28</u> | <u>Social Meeting</u> |
| MAY 2020 | <u>TBD</u> | <u>Horseshoe Schedule</u> |
| | <u>2</u> | <u>9th Annual Spring Social Dance – Ladies Auxiliary at DPH</u> |
| | <u>3</u> | <u>Blood Drive at ICD</u> |
| | <u>12</u> | <u>Business Meeting and call for 2020-2021 Council Officer Nominations</u> |
| | <u>26</u> | <u>Social Meeting</u> |
| | <u>31</u> | <u>Fifth Sunday</u> |
| JUNE 2020 | <u>TBD</u> | <u>Horseshoe Schedule</u> |
| | <u>9</u> | <u>Business Meeting and Council Elections</u> |
| | <u>14-20</u> | <u>Adopt-a-Highway Road Clean-up</u> |
| | <u>23</u> | <u>Social Meeting</u> |
| | <u>TBD</u> | <u>Opening of Fireworks Tent</u> |
| JULY 2020 | <u>TBD</u> | <u>Horseshoe Schedule</u> |
| | <u>14</u> | <u>Business Meeting</u> |
| | <u>28</u> | <u>Social Meeting</u> |
| | <u>TBD</u> | <u>Fireworks Tent</u> |
| AUGUST 2020 | <u>TBD</u> | <u>Horseshoe Schedule</u> |
| | <u>11</u> | <u>Business Meeting</u> |
| | <u>25</u> | <u>Social Meeting</u> |
| | <u>TBD</u> | <u>Assembly 571 Golf Tourney</u> |
| | <u>30</u> | <u>Fifth Sunday</u> |
| SEPTEMBER 2020 | <u>8</u> | <u>Business Meeting</u> |
| | <u>20-26</u> | <u>Adopt-a-Highway Road Clean-up</u> |
| | <u>22</u> | <u>Social Meeting</u> |

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| OCTOBER 2020 | <u>TBD</u> <u>2-3-4</u> <u>13</u> <u>27</u> | <u>Blood Drive at ICD</u> <u>Tootsie Roll Drive</u> <u>Business Meeting</u> <u>Social Meeting</u> |
| NOVEMBER 2020 | <u>10</u> <u>21-22</u> <u>24</u> <u>29</u> | <u>Business Meeting</u> <u>No Hunger Holiday - Frozen Turkey Collection at ICD Masses</u> <u>Social Meeting</u> <u>Fifth Sunday</u> |
| DECEMBER | <u>TBD</u> <u>8</u> <u>13-18</u> <u>22</u> | <u>Council 2273 Christmas Party at DPH</u> <u>Business Meeting</u> <u>Adopt-a-Highway Road Clean-up</u> <u>Social Meeting</u> |
| JANUARY 2021 | <u>TBD</u> <u>12</u> <u>26</u> | <u>Roses For Life</u> <u>Business Meeting</u> <u>Social Meeting</u> |
| FEBRUARY 2021 | <u>9</u> <u>23</u> | <u>Business Meeting</u> <u>Social Meeting</u> |
| MARCH 2021 | <u>9</u> <u>23</u> | <u>Business Meeting</u> <u>Social Meeting</u> |

Send Calendar input information to Fred Lydic at 314-610-1118 OR LydicAssoc@outlook.com



A HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAY TO:

Thomas Bigliano, Larry Boyer, James Buel, John Carpio, Steven Diersen, Michael Donnelly, Nathan Dvorak, Rick Elking, Jack Fagan, Joseph Faust, James Feldt, John Gotway, Joseph Green, Scott Handlan, Harold Henke, Timothy Jackson, Patrick Kissell, Michael Koffman, John Matlick, Tony Mercurio, James Miller, Philip Milner, Lucian Nevatt, Gerard Nieters, James Nixon, Aaron Prewitt, Chris Price, Norman Riopel, Martin Unterreiner, Charles Wilhite

IN THE NEWS...

MAJOR CHANGES FOR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HAVE BEEN SET

If you have not already taken the time to view the video from Supreme, we highly encourage you to take a few moments and absorb the message from Supreme Grand Knight Carl Anderson. It can be viewed at:

<https://vimeo.com/spiritjuice/review/377413063/a23eae6099>

In consort with the release of the *Faith in Action* Program, the Knights of Columbus is making significant changes in the way that the K of C operates. Arising out of the 2019 National Conference, the organization that we have known is changing its model to reflect the demands and needs of the church of the 21st Century. We are emerging from a “Fraternal” format to a “Family Faith-Based” organization.

A brief summary of the upcoming changes includes (but is not limited to):

- Introduction of the E- Membership program to facilitate recruiting new members without weakening individual Council efforts. E-Members are not members of a Council until they have completed the exemplification and paid the appropriate dues to the Council of their choice.
- The Faith in Action Program Guidelines, which overhaul the focus of Knight activities.
- A new Exemplification Ceremony that combines the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree ceremonies into one, eliminating the progression concept of being a Knight and suggesting that these ceremonies can either be held in a hall or be held in the church in a public manner.
- A removal of the “secrecy” surrounding the K of C and its ceremonies in order to make the order more open to prospective members, family members and members of the parish community.
- Spouses will be permitted to attend Council Business Meetings.

Obviously, these changes, and others yet to be described are a significant alteration to what all of us have known as Knights. There are questions yet to be answered but the prevailing reasons “why” are pretty well outlined in the above noted video. More information and direction will be released this spring.

BLOOD DRIVE

Bret Middke announced next drive is scheduled for May 3, 2020.

PRAYER CORNER....Please keep the following in your prayers...

| Please Pray For: | Issues/Concerns | Requested By: |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| Rose Hish | Congestive Heart Issues | Steve Smeltzer |
| Melvin Hakenwerth | Alzheimer's | Charlie Hakenwerth |

UPCOMING ADMISSION DEGREE CEREMONIES

ADMISSION EXEMPLIFICATION

Hosted by: Council #11656
{New Melle, MO}
Tuesday, March 17, 2020
6:30 pm

Hosted by: Council #11382
{St. Charles, MO}
Thursday, April 2, 2020
7:00 pm

4th DEGREE

Saturday, March 7, 2020
STL Airport Hilton

Hosted by: Council #11656
{New Melle, MO}
Tuesday, April 21, 2020
7:00 pm

Hosted by: Council #10154
{Wentzville, MO}
Tuesday, April 28, 2020
6:30 pm

IMPORTANT INTERNET LINKS...

Council 2273:
www.kofc2273.org

Supreme:
www.kofc.org

Missouri State Council:
www.MOkofc.org

Knights Gear
www.knightsgear.com



WORK FOR A CAUSE
NOT FOR APPLAUSE.
LIVE LIFE TO EXPRESS
NOT TO IMPRESS.
DON'T STRIVE TO MAKE
YOUR PRESENCE
NOTICED, JUST MAKE
YOUR ABSENCE FELT.

NEW MEMBERS TO OUR COUNCILWELCOME TO:

Monte Salle – New member

Jim Mittrucker – Transfer from Cape Girardeau.

INSURANCE NEWS

Retirement and Social Security

Things you should know about Social Security:

- By 2035, the U.S. population over the age of 65 will number 78 million (compared with 56 million today).
- In 2035, Social Security reserves are estimated to be totally depleted.
- Social Security payments would need to be cut by 23% if Congress fails to act.
- Of today's retired workers, 62% lean on Social Security to provide at least half of their monthly income.

What can you do? Save and strategize now! You may have other bills, but saving for retirement needs to become a priority. Remember, 62% of Americans are in trouble – could that be because they put other needs and wants ahead of saving for retirement? Giving time for compounding interest and growth may be crucial for your outcome. The important takeaway is: You can't wait to save and think that sometime in the future you'll be able to make up for the compounding growth you've missed. It simply doesn't work that way.

So, no matter your age, SAVE. It may take reconsidering your priorities. Even if retirement is 40 years away, don't miss out on potentially precious years of gaining compound growth. Missing years of compound growth will likely be a losing strategy for financial security in retirement.

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<https://www.ssa.gov/news/press/factsheets/basicfact-alt.pdf>

Caplinger, Dan, 2019 Social Security Trustees Report: The 5 Things You Need to Know

<https://www.fool.com/retirement/2019/04/23/2019-social-security-trustees-report-the-5-things.aspx>

Williams, Sean, 55 All Inclusive Social Security Facts, Feb 2019

<https://www.fool.com/retirement/2019/02/03/55-all-inclusive-social-security-facts.aspx>

For assistance with retirement planning you can contact your K of C Insurance Agent.... Contact Justin Manion.

Justin can be reached at (314) 591-9550 or via e-mail at Justin.Manion@kofc.org



EVENTS AT DARDENNE PRAIRIE HALL

Member Knights may want to take note of upcoming events scheduled for Dardenne Prairie Hall:

STAR DANCER Dances and Lessons

Professional dancers Stan Mayer and Linda Landwehr offer a number of opportunities to learn how to dance a variety of popular and ballroom styles with classes conducted at the Hall... Sunday through Thursday.

In addition, a social dance is offered the second and fourth Fridays of each month. Cash Bar. Admission is \$8 per person from 8:00 pm to 11:00pm. Free Beginner Lessons are offered starting at 7:15pm. Visit www.stardancer.net for schedules/prices

MOUSE RACES

March 21st, 2020. \$15 per person. Tables of 8. Doors Open at 6:pm...Races start at 7:pm. Pick your favorite Pony (Mouse). Contact Brett Middeke... flier below:

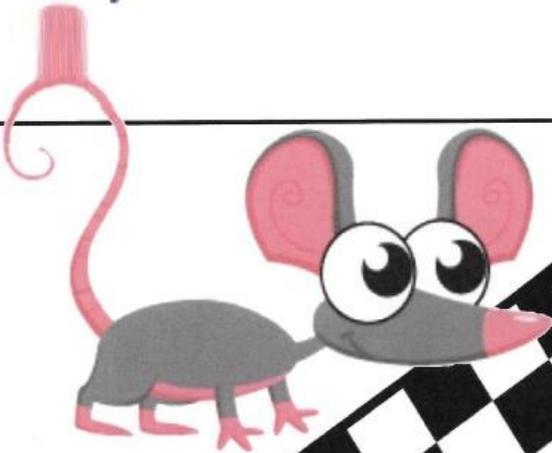
K of C Ladies Auxiliary Dance

Ninth Annual Spring Social Dance, May 2, 2020; doors open 6:30pm-11pm; Limited Tickets; Entertainment by Scott Laytham & Karl Holmes Duo; includes snacks, draft beer, soda & water; Donation per person \$20; contact Judy Schwinn 636-379-9445 or Sue Mispagel 636-978-4381.



Immaculate Conception Church of Dardenne

ICD KNIGHTS



KNIGHT
at the
MOUSE RACES

MARCH 21ST

\$15 PER PERSON

\$120 FOR TABLE OF 8

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00PM

RACES START AT 7:00PM

 Snacks, Beer, and Setups Provided 