

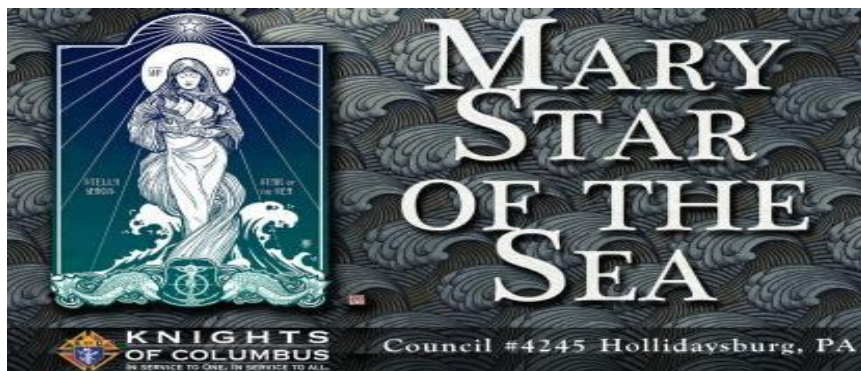
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**Grand Knight's Message
Richard Moyer**

Brother knights

We need to reflect and look on how fortunate we are in life. There have been many natural disasters happening. Hurricane Harvey devastated many lives. Still people in Florida are without power in the wake of Hurricane Irma. So many families and their lives have been uprooted and many are in the need of food, water and basic necessities. Their homes were destroyed and the tragedy of all those unfortunate deaths have been heavy on my heart. These people need our prayers and help. Donations can be given to Catholic Charities of America which are parishes are collecting for right now or another honourable charity. God bless you and please remember to pray for all those affected by these hurricanes.

Fraternally Yours
Rich



*Respecting Life and
Praying the Rosary*



Chaplains Corner
by Father Anthony J. Legarski

Brother Knights:

October is a month of focus; students focus on another year of school, governments focus on budgets and elections, society focuses on the upcoming holidays, and many athletic teams in various sports focus on successful seasons. During this month the Church finds herself focusing as well. This focus is on two basic facets of our faith as we live it in our day and age: respect for life and the Rosary.

Some years ago the National Conference of Catholic Bishops (NCCB) designated October as a month of heightened awareness of the things that threaten the reverence and the sanctity of human life such as abortion, euthanasia, assisted suicides, embryonic stem cell research, etc. In doing so the Bishops exhort all of us as members of the Church and disciples of Christ to stand and speak for Christ against these tragic offences that degrade and cheapen God's most precious gift. The ways in which we can and should be actively involved in pro-life activities and education are varied and numerous. We should be open to all the possibilities of doing

so that the Holy Spirit shows us.

Among the ways in which we respond to the call to promote a respect for life, prayer must be first and foremost; and the most effective prayer to defeat such tragic sins is the daily praying of the Rosary to end abortion and other sins against human life. This too is part of our focus during the month of October. October 7th is the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Since the Rosary has been revealed to us by the Blessed Mother it has proven time and again to be a most effective weapon against the most horrific of sins, such as those against human life.

In whatever way the Holy Spirit moves us to stand and speak for Christ by promoting a respect for human life, we are greatly advantaged by a devotion to the Rosary. Praying the Rosary for God's help through Mary's intercession in this regard is something all of us must include in our pro-life activities as Catholics in general and as Knights in particular. It is Mary who is the model of respect for life, it is Mary who intercedes for us as we seek her help, it is Mary who crushes the head of the serpent, and it is Mary who can lead us back to a culture of life. If we go to her she will most certainly come to us with a fervent desire to help.

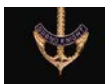
As Knights of Columbus, may we be on the front line of promoting a respect for life and may we arm ourselves with a most powerful weapon against sin: the Holy Rosary. In doing so, may we continue to find ourselves guided on our journey as Knights by Mary, Star of the Sea.

May 2017 Council Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Grand Knight Rich Moyer at 7:00 pm with 41 members in attendance.

Application for membership:

- Second reading of the application for Kevin Longenecker from St. Patrick's parish was presented; motion to accept passed.
- Second reading of the application for Chancellor Little from St. Mary's parish was presented; motion to accept passed.
- 1st Degree Ceremony will be held at the October meeting.



Grand Knights Report:

- Thank you for coming to the meeting tonight.
- Fr. Legarski has a conflict and will not be able to attend this evenings meeting.

Chaplains Report: N/A

Donation Request:

- Request received to fund the cost which is associated with busing elementary school kids from St. Patrick's – Newry, Holy Trinity – Altoona campus and Hollidaysburg campus, to the Birth of Mary Celebration at St. Catherine of Siena on September 8, 2017. Motion presented to donate \$100 per bus (3) by Mike Metzgar; Second by Dan Moringiello; motion passed.
- Donation request received by the United States Armed Forces Mothers, Squad 41 to be used for the Christmas Package Campaign. Motion presented to donate \$100 by Victor Ballash; Second by Dan Moringiello; motion passed.

- Donation request received from ELM (Every Life Matters) for their 5th annual fund raiser banquet. No action taken.
- The Geeseytown Community Fire Company is holding their annual Children's Halloween Party with a Carnival theme, free food and fun included. Motion presented to donate \$75 was presented by Victor Ballash; Second by Paul Gargon; motion passed

Notes/Letters of Appreciation were received from the Following:

- We received a thank you letter from Garvey Manor for the \$200 donation to the St. Joseph Chapel which will be used toward the procurement of a new set of alter cloths.
- We received a thank you letter from the Altoona Region of the PA Lyme Resource Network for the \$200 donation to be used toward the purchase of a projector which will be used for educational presentations on Lyme disease and prevention of tick bites and tick borne diseases.
- We received a thank you letter from the Respiratory Disease Society for the \$100 donation.
- We received a thank you letter from the United States Armed Forces Mothers, Squad 41 for the \$75 donation which will be used for the Christmas Package Campaign. This donation was funded by the Power Sport Raffle proceeds.



Financial Secretary Report:

- Annual dues are currently due. We currently have 5 members with the past due status and letters have been sent.
- The football sweepstakes program tickets are available

tonight and will be due back by October 5, 2017. This fundraiser helps to support our Council. The profit varies, according to number of tickets sold. Please support the cause for funding the Knights of Columbus Scholarship fund. Please record our Council number (4245) on the tickets sold.

- The Amazon link is now back on our webpage. There are very specific rules related to the use of the Amazon link and how it is promoted.

New Business:

- On October 8, 2017 at 2:00 PM Bishop Mark will be the celebrant at the annual Knights of Columbus Vocations Mass which will be held at St. Michaels in Loretto, PA. Jerry Kovach presented a motion to fund a ¼ page add; Guy Luciano presented the second; motion passed.
- Bob Hazenstab presented a motion to conduct a Five Star Power Sports fund raiser raffle, similar to our previous fund raiser. Victor Ballash presented the second; motion passed. The fund-raising committee will continue to develop ideas and then present these at the meetings. Please submit your ideas to any committee member.
- Jim Zimmerman presented a motion to donate \$100 to the Habit for Humanity project. Mike Metzgar provided the second; motion passed.

- Mike Metzgar reported that the monthly newsletter is sent via email. Email addresses are needed to aid in distribution; please provide your email address to Mike.



Report of the 4th Degree:

- The next monthly meeting will be held on September 28, 2017 (4th Thursday of the month) and discussion will include the new 4th Degree regalia.
- Color Corp is needed at the Birth of Mary Celebration at St. Catherine of Siena on September 8, 2017; meet at 5:00 PM in the church hall.
- Color Corp is needed at the Catholic Daughters 60th Anniversary Mass on October 8, 2017 at the 11:00 AM Mass at St. Mary's.
- Color Corp is needed at the Annual vocations Mass at St. Michaels in Loretto, PA on October 8, 2017; meet at 1:30 PM in the church basement.

Field Agents Report:

- Mike McAndrew invited any available Knights to participate in a Habit for Humanity project at 3rd Ave. and 19th Street in Altoona, PA, on Saturday, September 7, 2017 at 8:00 AM. (every Saturday hereafter until Thanksgiving). No experience is needed. The new home owners are expecting their second child this fall. Furniture will be needed upon completion of the home.
- Mike reported that Supreme Council has donated \$500k to

date for the hurricane recovery efforts in Texas and Florida.

Good of the Order:

- Please pray for the hurricane victims and all family members and friends impacted

Chaplains Summation: NA

Announcements:

- Ham and Cheese Sale: assembly on September 21, 2017; delivery September 22, 2017; sales will benefit the Home Association.
- Gary Ellis is requesting help to cook chicken on October 1, 2017 at 6:00 AM at the Council home.
- Ron Harella will “man” the Knights of Columbus recruitment table at the Birth of Mary Celebration at St. Catherine of Siena on September 8, 2017. Other members are needed throughout the day, see Ron. Masses will be held at 7:45 AM, 12:05 PM and 5:30 PM. Bring your lawn chairs for the 5:30 PM Mass.
- Jim Hodge reported that the Baptismal Rose program is still in force. If any parishes need roses, please notify Jim.

Council sang the closing ode and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.



Please sign up for the 2017 Hospitality meals – Sign-up sheet is on the Deputy Grand Knights table at every meeting.

Council reimburses all hospitality meal costs up to \$50. Roasters are available for hospitality meals at the meetings.



**Thought for the Month
“A Humble Life”**

If you are humble,
nothing will touch you,
neither praise nor disgrace,
because you know what you are

Lord help us to be humble.

Saint Teresa of Calcutta



**Next Meeting:
October 5, 2017**



DONALD	FILBY	10-01
JOHN	JOSEPH	10-05
MARK	NELSON	10-06
ADAM	HUGHES	10-07
MICHAEL	METZGAR	10-12
JAVIER	CANTOS	10-12
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JOSEPH	BALL	10-14
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JOHN	MOORE	10-15
GARY	ELLIS	10-17
CHARLES	KELLER	10-17
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JOSEPH	LECHMAN	10-22
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ROBERT	HAZENSTAB	10-23
BRUNO	FELUS	10-24
MICHAEL	JOHNSTON	10-24
WILLIAM	DIVELY	10-26
LOUIS	KELLY	10-27
JESSE	HUGHES	10-28
ROBERT	KORHAN	10-30
STEPHEN	HESS	10-31



From the Star News Editor

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Milestones

'Milestones' is a new column that I will write for the Star News. It will include member transitions (Member deaths, transfers, achieving Honorary or Honorary Life status, etc.) I will also include births, weddings and other important **information provided by the membership.**



Please provide your email address to the editor so that you receive the color copy of the Star News each month.



The Catholic Daughters of America, Hollidaysburg Court #1755 will observe the 60th anniversary of their 'Court' in 2017. Council Members are invited to celebrate with them on September 24, 2017 at the 11:30 Mass at St. Mary Church in Hollidaysburg and a dinner to follow at the new American Legion Hall at Legion Park.



Participating in a K of C Event or Project?
Take some photos and we'll post them here.

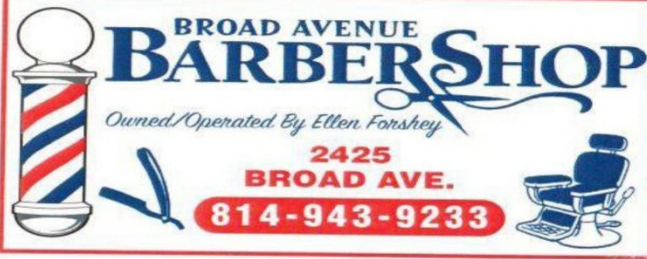


Are you a hunter---fisherman with great catches or have another interesting hobby? This is a member driven column for information about you, your family, your achievements, your business or other interests.

With 207 members there may be a Knight that can help you with an addition to your home, preparation of legal papers, purchasing a vehicle or assisting you in some way. Send me your input... as much or as little as you wish so everyone can learn more about their Brother Knights..... Editor Mike Metzgar



Every Life Matters Executive Director Carol Stiffen and Nurse Manager Donna Detwiler accepts a \$6,202.00 check from Hollidaysburg Knights of Columbus Council #4245 Grand Knight Richard Moyer and District Deputy George Husick. ELM will purchase an ultrasound machine in support of their organization thanks to the K of C contribution.



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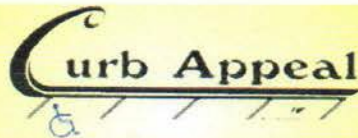
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