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STAR NEWS April 2017



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From the Grand Knight



Brother Knights,

As we enter the month of April we are over half way through the Lenten Season.

I always find the correlation between the weather and Easter to be ironic. It is at this time of year when the days are getting longer and the weather is getting warmer. Along with the warm weather comes more evidence of life around us as vegetation gets greener and flowers bloom. I particularly enjoy experiencing nature in action at this time of year as I participate in the sports of hunting and fishing.

It is also at this time of year when we Catholic Christians should be, in a spiritual sense, seeing the light and feeling the warmth of the Holy Spirit. The closer we get to Easter the more of a presence we should feel. Once Easter Sunday has arrived, we shall be reminded of the salvation we have been given by Jesus Christ dying on the cross. Even though we really haven't had that much bad weather this past winter, these are the reasons why I am ready for spring.

Fraternally Yours,
Lee

Chaplain's Message
The Month of April

*Father Anthony J. Legarski,
Chaplain*

Brother Knights:

As we approach the most sacred and joyous time of the Church's year, during which we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord from the dead and our eternal life that is made possible because of it, we should do so by asking ourselves how we can make the joy and hope of eternal life a daily part of our lives as Brother Knights. How can we go beyond the Great Fifty Days and Pentecost as witnesses to the gift of Eternal Life?

First and foremost, we must embrace this hope individually. When we face the daily challenges of life with our eyes fixed on eternity, when we carry the crosses of everyday living with an understanding of human suffering having redemptive value, when others see in us a resolve to live this life with our goal being the life to come, then we have embraced this hope individually. Our Risen Lord promises to feed us and keep us strong for life's journey to the Kingdom. His Word, the grace of the Sacraments, and our openness to the grace to imitate Him in the way we treat others are all food for the journey.

Secondly, we must embrace this hope collectively as Brother Knights. Staying involved in the wonderful work of the Knights of Columbus is a sign to the world and a reminder to us of the eternal rewards that await us.

Our work as Brother Knights is an outward sign to others that the real purpose of this life is the life for which we hope and in which we believe.

May all of you and your loved ones enjoy a safe, happy, and blessed Easter Season. And may all of you be blessed each and every day by Christ, the Risen Lord and lead by Mary, Star of the Sea.





March 2017 Council Meeting Minutes

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Grand Knight Lee Zimmerman at 7:02 pm with 42 members in attendance.

Application for membership:

First Degree Ceremony

John Davis, and Raymond Gregorchik, both members of St. Mary's Hollidaysburg were welcomed after their 1st Degree Ceremony was completed

Grand Knights Report:

First and Second Degree Ceremonies will be held on March 19, 2017 in State College, PA. A Third Degree Ceremony will be held on March 26, 2017 in State College, PA. Please contact Financial Secretary Tim Surkovich (814-696-1209) for arrangements.

Chaplains Report: N/A

Donation Request:

Request for funds received from 'Smiles for Miles Charitable Foundation'. Their focus is to raise awareness of rare genetic diseases in children, as well as Cortical Vertical Blindness. Motion to donate \$100 by Lou Endress.... motion carried.

Thank You Notes/Letters of Appreciation were received from the Following:

- Denise Frailey for the Baptismal rose and rosary.
- St Leonard's Home for the St. Joseph Table event contribution.
- Certificate from St. Jude Hospital for outstanding support.

Financial Secretary Report:

REMINDER: Please pay your dues! Tim has resigned as the Star News *Ed: Mike Metzgar has volunteered as Editor.*

The Amazon program nets the Council 2-4% on all purchases. Click the Amazon link on the website for details.

ALL members please update any changes in your personal information on the website.

The results of the Shelby raffle were presented. If you desire more information contact Tim Surkovich.

As of December 31, 2016 forty members were removed from the Council roster. Three members paid their past dues and have been reinstated. The Council currently has 214 members.

The council audit was completed by the Trustees and no issues were reported.

Committee Reports

Fund Raising and Committee Report:

- Chairman Bob Hazenstab reported that 467 tickets have been sold for the Power Sports Raffle.
- Sales at the Jaffa Sports weekend were 388 tickets.
- Future events will be held at Tri-County ATV park on April 29-30.
- Contact Bob Hazenstab (814-695-3587) or Tim Surkovich (814-696-1209) for additional tickets.
- Five Star Power Sports will offer cash to any winner that does not want any of the vehicles in the raffle.

ARC of Blair County - Measure Up Campaign:

Chairman Dennis McGeehan (814-934-9705) said the campaign will be held at the East freedom Walmart and Hometown Market in Hollidaysburg on April 29-30. Please volunteer to collect money for the ARC from 5-7pm on April 28, and any 2 hour shift from 9am to 5 pm on April 29, 2017. Contact Dennis (to sign up). Collections at each church are the responsibility of those K of C members.

"Baby Bottle Campaign" for the Sonogram Machine (Every Life Matters - ELM)

- Dennis McGeehan reported St. Catherine's Church collected \$700.00.
- Jerry Kovach reported St. Patricks Church collected \$3,287.00
- Jerry Kovach issued a challenge to the members of the other churches to match St. Patricks.

- Baby Bottles are at the Council home. Please returned by the May meeting.

Blood Drive:

Chairman Dan Casey reported the Red Cross Blood Drive will be held on April 3, 2017 at the council Home from noon to 6 pm. Please volunteer your help.

Free Throw Contest - Information presented by Dennis Dombrosky

Chairman Dennis Dombrosky reported one of our winners has won the Districts and will now compete in the Regionals.

Mothers Day Dinner:

Chairman Dennis Dombrosky asked for a motion to hold the Mother's Day Dinner. motion passed. The dinner will be held on May 14, at the Council Home from 11:30 to 1:30pm. Tickets cost \$10 and only 100 will be sold. Please volunteer desserts and to help set up and tear down. Contact Dennis at: (814-695-1509)

40 Cans for 40 Days - Lenten Project:

Chairman Ron Harella asked each member of the Council to set aside one non-perishable food item for each day of Lent and say the prayer below for the hungry.

Food will be collected on meeting nights, or by prior arrangement with Ron (814-696-3295) and at the Council Home on Holy Thursday from 7:30 to 9:30 am. Everything collected will be donated to St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry.

40 Cans for 40 Days - Prayer

Make us worthy, Lord, to serve those people throughout the world who live and die in poverty and hunger. Give them, through our hands, this day their daily bread, and by our understanding love give them peace and joy. Amen.

The 2017 goal for our Council is 2,000 pounds.....Please do your part for those in need.

Unfinished Business: N/A

New Business: N/A

Report of the 4th Degree:

Next meeting will be held on March 23, 2017 at the Altoona Council. Color Corps for the 4th Degree may, in the future, be disbanded due to the lack of participants.

More 4th Degree members are needed to join the Color Corps.

The K of C 4th Degree Bishop Garvey Assembly is sponsoring a bus trip to see **Jonah** at the **Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA** on July 19, 2017. Included are transportation, the performance, and a family style meal at the Hershey Farm Restaurant. Departure is from the Martins Food Plaza in Duncansville at 6am. Cost per ticket is \$131.00 **first come first serve**. Contact District Deputy George Husick at 814-931-6267 or Ron Harella at 814-686-3295.

District Deputy Report: George Husick

Every Life Matters (ELM) is opening a new pregnancy center in Houtzdale, PA. The program provides care and alternatives to abortion for pregnant women.

Ed: The Baby Bottle Campaign in Committee Reports is for the support of this Organization.

March is the month to focus on recruiting new members.

Knights are asked to solicit their Pastors for projects where the Knights of Columbus members may be of assistance.

Chaplains Summation: N/A

Good of the Order:

- Please pray for Bob George who is recovering from heart bypass surgery.
- Please pray for Gary Selwitz.
- Please pray for Wilbur Henry

Chaplains Summation: N/A

Announcements:

Victor Ballash informed the Council 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. Additional information

will follow in future Star News.

Ed: The Catholic Daughters of the Americas were founded by members of the Utica, New York branch of the Knights of Columbus and intended to operate as the organizations female auxiliary in 1903. In 1906 they were organized as the Catholic Daughters of America and are open to any Catholic woman over 18 years of age.

The Catholic Daughters support the Catholic Church, the clergy, and various educational and charitable causes. They have historically been interested in helping physically and mentally handicapped children, unwed mothers, the disenfranchised and the needy. They are also known for their opposition to abortion and pornography.

Mike McAndrew, K of C Insurance Field Agent, introduced himself and gave a brief overview of the insurance products and the purpose of their programs.

Michael McAndrew
Field Agent

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Bob Hazenstab (814-935-4565) presented information garnered at the Jaffa Sports Show about another fundraiser for any member needing a new mattress and box springs. More details will follow.

Dick Aiken discussed the possibility of acknowledging Pastors on their birthdays and Ordination Anniversary dates.

Council sang the closing ode and the meeting was adjourned at 8:51 pm.



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

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



Pray for the following:

- Please pray for Bob George who is recovering from heart bypass surgery.
- Please pray for the return to good health for Gary Selwitz.
- Please pray for the return to good health for Wilbur Henry.

Announcements:

Ron Harella recommends that you obtain your proper clearances on line, if you intend to work with children

We are experiencing difficulty when attempting to contact the various parishes to place bulletin announcements. Your input would be appreciated, with regard to the best way to contact the individual parishes.

Pay Your Dues

1st Reminder notices were sent in December. Please make every effort to pay your dues in a timely manner.

You can also pay your dues online. On the front page of our webpage www.kofc4245.org are instructions on how to do so.

Provide Email Addresses

ED: The Star News will now be emailed to members by the Editor as a courtesy when it's completed each month to those that provide email addresses. It will continue to be US Mailed.



On our webpage www.kofc4245.org You'll see this new button on the front page. It is a new fund- raiser. If you click on the button it will take you to instructions. Then you can click the button again and it takes you to Amazon. For everything you purchase from Amazon using this button the council receives 4% back. Share it with family and friends. Our council can then use the funds to give back to the community.



Knights of Columbus Council 4245 Home Association

The Home Association is soliciting bids for the replacement of the Council Home roof. Please contact Richard Aiken at 814-695-6435 (realja@verizon.net) for a copy of the specifications.

Bids are due to Richard by April 1, 2017.



Council Calendar

Council meetings are held on the **First Thursday** of each month.

Next Meeting: April 6, 2017 ...7pm.

**April 2017 Hospitality Meal
Provided by Dennis Dombrosky.**

4/3/17 Red Cross Blood Drive -
Council Home - Noon to 6pm.

4/13/17 Forty cans for Forty days -
Deliver food to the Council Home
from 7:30 to 9:30 am

4/28-29/17 ARC of Blair County
Measure Up Campaign - Hometown
Market and Walmart East Freedom

4/29-30/17 PowerSports Raffle
Event at Tri County ATV Park

4/6/17 Regular Council Meeting

5/24/17 Mothers Day Dinner -
Council Home - 11:30 to 1:30 - Cost
\$10 per person.

5/13/17 PowerSports Raffle
Drawing 2PM

7/29/17 - 4th Degree Ceremony in
St. Mary's Pa. Reply to Ron Harella
by July 10, 2017 (814-686-3295)
Must be a 3rd degree Knight - Cost
\$70.00



April Birthdays

JESS	WEAVER	APRIL 2
VINCE	SCHNEIDER	APRIL 3
STEPHEN	GILDEA	APRIL 4
RUSSELL	IRWIN	APRIL 9
DENIS	FRANK	APRIL 10
ROBERT	STANEK	APRIL 11
LYNN	MOYER	APRIL 11
DENNIS	DOMBROSKY	APRIL 12
BERNARD	MIKESIC	APRIL 13
JOHN	BENNIS	APRIL 16
VICTOR	BALLASH	APRIL 17
DAN	WEAVER	APRIL 25
VINCENT	MOYER	APRIL 26
THOMAS	SUTCH	APRIL 27
THOMAS	MATTHEWS	APRIL 27
PAUL	YAKYMAC	APRIL 27
RICHARD	AIKEN	APRIL 29

RAFFLE

[KofC 4245 Power Sports Raffle](#)

The Home Association has started another MAJOR fundraiser. This one is called the PowerSports Raffle. The winner has the chance to choose between 1 of 5 power sport machines valued at around \$10,000. We are only selling 2,500 tickets. The raffle date is May 13, 2017. Tickets are only \$10 each! We are asking members to sell as many tickets as they feel they can sell. We will not be mailing tickets out but only giving out tickets to those that ask us for them in packs of a maximum of 10. If you are interested in selling tickets call the council home at 814-695-4752 and let us know how many more you or email us at kofc4245@gmail.com



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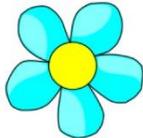
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