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Council meetings are held on the FIRST THURSDAY of the month Tel. 814-695-4752

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Chaplain's Message



July 2014

From the Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

"None of us are as good as all of us"... Unity is important in any Organization and the Knights of Columbus is no exception. One of the things that drew me to this group was the sense of comradery and fellowship I have always felt when doing anything with my brother Knights. In August, we can extent that wonderful feeling to our families and potential Knights and their families by having a family picnic on August 17th. Details are included in the newsletter, will be emailed and posted on the web site so be sure to check. I hope many of you can attend with your families. Good food, games for the kids and adults and lots of fun will be the order of the day! You need not bring anything but yourself and family, everything will be provided. Let us continue to support and pray for all our families, friends and brother Knights that they may remain healthy and happy as we move so quickly through the summer months.

Fraternally yours,

Tim

The Month of August

Ву

Father Anthony J. Legarski, Chaplain

Brother Knights:

The following article is taken in part, from the following source: http://divine-office.com/get/prayer.

The month of August is devoted to The Immaculate Heart of Mary. The entire month of August falls under Ordinary Time, represented by the liturgical color green.

It is important during this time to teach and understand that the physical heart of Mary is venerated, which is different from the Heart of Jesus, which is adored. This distinction denotes in meaning that Mary's heart is united to her person as it represents the seat of her love, specifically for her Son, and tells us that such devotion signifies the genuine virtue of a similar love.

In prayer, it is important to understand that the essential thing is not in making an act of consecration but to have the intent of living that consecration. Most importantly, we understand the biggest and most basic reason each of us owes reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, which is because every one of our sins caused her grief and suffering in her union with her Divine Son. During this period, we share her anguish for her sorrow due to that sacrifice.

As Knights of Columbus, we can find enormous strength in a devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. August is a most appropriate and ideal time to renew our commitment to and devotion of the one who bears that heart and opens it to all of us who seek her intercession and assistance—Mary, Star of the Sea.





July Council Meeting Minutes

Reading of Applications:

1st reading- Zane Treece Jr, sponsored by Zane Treece Sr.

2nd reading- Jess Weaver, sponsored by Paul Gargon.

Grand Knight Report:

Newly elected GK Tim Surkovich thanked the brothers for their confidence in electing him Grand Knight. He said that he does not plan on making a lot of changes. He will stay with what has proven successful in the past, the basics of fraternity, charity and unity.

One goal he has is to get a small committee together to compile information about the membership. In addition to names and addresses, this would provide useful data about such things a parish membership, family status, e-mail addresses, cell phones etc. This will then be inputted into the supreme council information system which allows for special reporting, emailing, labels, etc. This can be discussed at future meetings.

Chaplains Report:

Father had nothing to report at this meeting.

Bills and Communications:

We received thank you notes from:

A thank you letter from the St. Vincent De Paul society for our \$250.00 donation.

A thank you letter from the American Rescue Workers for our \$250.00 donation.

Thank you letters from the Shriner's Hospital and the Jaffa Shrine for our \$4000.00 check, which were the proceeds from the Hand-In-Hand BBO.

Donation Requests:

Brother Jim Hodge presented a letter from Patrick Weber, an Eagle Scout candidate. His project is building a fence around St. Patrick's cemetery in Newry. He requests a donation.

Motion by Jim Hodge for a donation of \$200.00. The motion was seconded and passed.

GK Tim Surkovich asked that the Council help sponsor him in his 150 bike ride for the MS Society.

Motion by Ron Harella to donate \$200.00 was seconded and passed.

Other Communications: Degrees:

There will be degrees as follows:

1st Degree July 20, 2014 at 1:00 PM in State College.

1st and 2nd Degrees on August 24, 2014 at 1:00 PM in State College.

3rd Degree on September 21, 2014 at 2:00 PM in State College. (Pending) If interested in any of the degrees, contact GK Tim, or FS Lou Endress.

Financial Secretary Report:

The FS reported on the Hand-In-Hand chicken BBQ. This year's proceeds of \$4,000 may have been one of the best year's to date.

Some of our other fund raisers and the results are as follows:

The sale of Christmas magnets--\$130 Football tickets--\$320

COAL tickets--\$346

Basket of Cheer (for the Home Association)--\$965

ARC collection--\$5,100

Unfinished Business:

Gary Nocek reported on the disposable aprons. He checked and they can be bought for .14 each. They will be serviceable for most of our events. Probably not for those working close to the pits during the Chicken BBQ. Past

New Business:

Officers Service Kits are available for all the officers

The family picnic was discussed. Ron Harella made a motion that we have a family picnic on August 17, 2014. The motion was seconded and passed. Be looking for more details to come from the Grand Knight on volunteers for setup and cleanup and other help as needed. (SEE THE AD IN THIS NEWSLETTER)

Report of Standing Committees:

Brother Jim Hodge reported on the Baptismal Roses project. They recently put together 50 more kits, so that we now have 88 on hand.

Ron Harella reported on the Ham and Cheese sale. Make them up at 4:00 PM on July 17, 2014 for delivery on July 18. Orders must be in by noon on July 15th.

District Deputy Report:

The area is still in need of a District Deputy. If interested contact Bill Erbeck at 814-684-1327.

4th Degree:

The next Fourth Degree meeting will be in September.

The Fourth Degree will be at St. Joseph's in Williamsburg on July 14th. Fr. Aaron is having a Forty Hours Devotion. Color Corps Knights are asked to arrive at 6pm. Call Ray Baker if interested in car pooling.

Awards:

The GK presented PGK Ron Harella with his Past Grand Knight pin and expressed the thanks of the Council for Ron's two years of service and the tremendous job he did.

Chaplains Summation:

Father offered a reflection on the Independence Day holiday and the fact that, no matter what our political bent or party affiliation, we can't be happy with the present state of our country. We face a time when our country is in a place it has never been before. We have the most unproductive and useless Congress we have ever had. He quoted from an article by Mark D. Roberts. This writer refers to Paul's first Letter to Timothy, where Paul encourages Timothy

to pray for kings and others in authority. He notes that, at the time of Paul's writing, the Roman leader was the infamous Nero, who persecuted Christians. Paul's message is that we should pray for our leaders whether they are good or bad, or whether we agree with their policies or not. Consistent prayer for our leaders is the only way ordinary Christians can begin to bring about a change.



Happy Birthday

August Birthdays

MRV Joseph V Adamec	8/13
Paul M Andrews	8/12
Robert R Baker	8/8
John E Brown, Jr.	8/2
David A Depastina	8/7
John A Despot	8/ I
Carmine E Fedesco	8/29
James D Folcarelli	8/20
Mark Frew	8/27
Paul J Gallagher	8/13
Robert F George	8/9
Robert C Gildea	8/23
William M Hiergeist	8/11
Stephan Janosik	8/23
James G Letcher	8/27
James A Lytle	8/7
Arthur Ollinger, Jr.	8/ I
Frank V Roscia	8/9
Joseph P Schenk III	8/2
Robert J Spinazzola	8/5
Robert M Spinazzola	8/16
Kyle R Surkovich	8/30
Todd R Surkovich	8/30
Michael Syroid	8/9
Kenneth W Wyland	8/14

Knights of Columbus Council 4245 Family Picnic

August 17th 1:00 PM
Council Pavilion 324 Bedford
Street Hollidaysburg, PA
RSVP Tim Surkovich by August
3rd at 696-1209



Highlights:

- Music
- Kids games & crafts
- Adult games
- Cost per person
 \$5 or \$10 per
 family

Just bring yourself and family, we'll provide everything!

We will be holding our annual family picnic on Sunday August 17th. Catering provided by Wilbur Miller. Come out and bring the whole family. Feel free to bring a potential new member and their family as well. RSVP by August 3rd with number of adults and number of children so we can make arrangements.



Council Calendar

Council meetings are held on the **First Thursday** of the month at 7:00 pm. **Next Meeting: 8/7/14**

Family Picnic 8/17 1:00PM RSVP Tim Surkovich 696-1209 by August 3rd



Pray for the following:

Grand Knight Tim Surkovich for his bike ride for MS.

Brother Jack Frank's wife who is having health issues and has been in and out of the hospital.

All our brother knights who are in nursing homes or homebound.

All our priests and sisters who are in nursing homes or homebound.

All our brothers or their families that are experiencing any type of difficulties in any way that the council is unaware of



The Value of Membership Referrals

As a professional insurance agent, one of the things I appreciate most is when one of my brother Knight clients or his wife refers another member to me. This is a great endorsement of the service I provided. It tells me that they were so pleased with what I helped them accomplish that they want me to help others achieve the same level of financial safety and security. When I meet with you, please pass along the names of those who might be able to benefit from the analysis that I provide.

Similarly, there is no stronger membership recruiting tool than the referral. How many of us know an eligible Catholic male who is not a member of the Knights of Columbus? Do you have Catholic family or friends, local or not, who have yet to join? Most likely, they've never been asked and don't know enough about the Order to seek out membership on their own.

If you have names of potential members, please pass them along to me or your Grand Knight. Let us know if we can use your name when we contact the gentlemen in question. It's always more effective to tell a candidate for membership that he was recommended by a current member, especially someone he knows. Don't worry if the candidate is outside the area I serve or

beyond the district of the local councils, we can make sure we put these future members in touch with the right people in their communities.

New members are the lifeblood of the Order. All the good deeds done by the Order are driven by the members. Over the past decade, Knights have given more than \$1.475 billion to charity and provided in excess of 673 million hours of service. And our membership has merely scratched the surface in North America. Imagine the potential.

Ken Scott

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