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2017  
From the Grand Knight



Brother Knights,

Last month there was a large turn-out of people in Tyrone to participate in the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Walk for Life. At least half a dozen Brother Knights, including myself, along with some of their wives and other people from the community such as local politicians had shown up to show their love and respect for human life. The very next day we celebrated Martin Luther King Jr. Day in recognition of his dream that one day there will be enough love in the world and that there will be no more segregation. In the month of February we celebrate Valentine's Day. As everyone knows this holiday is set aside for showing your significant other how much you love them. What is the common theme to these three days? Love! According to the Beatles "All you need is love." Even though I don't necessarily believe that love is *all* we need, I do believe love is something we must embrace and feel for one another in order to live in peace and harmony and to achieve our common goals as humans.

Fraternally Yours, Lee

## Chaplain's Message

### The Month of February

By  
Father Anthony J. Legarski,  
Chaplain

Brother Knights:

*(Note: The contents of this letter was taken in part from the website: [aquinasandmore.com](http://aquinasandmore.com).)*

Each month of the year is dedicated to a particular devotion within the Catholic faith; the dedication of each month is based on historical events or a particular aspect of the liturgical calendar, or a combination of the two. The monthly Catholic devotions do not line up exactly with the time frame of the liturgical calendar, since they are fixed to standard calendar months rather than the Church seasons. Some countries and areas have developed monthly dedications to devotions more specific to their area.

February is the month dedicated to the Holy Family. Though the start of the Lenten season changes within the calendar year, a fair-sized portion of February gives us a space of time between the Christmas celebrations and the increased focus on Jesus's public life and ministry, which occurs in Lent. This year, we have the entire month of February because Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>. Accordingly, this month is a transition from the feast of Christmas to the fasting of Lent. And so, it has become a time to recall the Holy Family; within the Holy Family is where Jesus spent the time between his birth and embarking on his public journey.

Cultural, moral, and even technological changes in our society have greatly challenged traditional

family models and values. Nonetheless, the family is the most important social unit in society. It is in the family that values are developed, taught, and practiced. It is in the family that faith can grow most fruitfully.

We as Knights of Columbus have always promoted family values and virtues and this month is an exceptionally good time to ask ourselves how we may continue to do so in the future. More than anything else, we should make prayers for families a special priority during this month of February.

There is no better model for family life and values than the Holy Family. In an address of Pope Paul VI at the Basilica of the Annunciation in Nazareth on January 5, 1964, the Holy Father referred to Nazareth, the home of the Holy Family, as a "school of the Gospel", from which we can learn the "lesson of silence...domestic life...and work"; a family and place in which we can see the "motive of love" and hear the "echoes of the Beatitudes."

As the church focuses on the Holy Family during the month of February, we as Brother Knights should pray daily for the values and divine assistance of the Holy Family for the families of our time, so that they may be able to experience the example of Joseph, the foster-father, Jesus, the Son, and Mary, our Mother and Star of the Sea.





## **January 2017 Council Meeting Minutes**

### **Minutes**

Minutes from the December 1, 2016 meeting were read and a motion to approve was presented by Jim Zimmerman; second by Victor Ballash; motion passed with one correction (date of the Free Throw Contest was updated from January 8 to January 28).

### **Application for membership:**

Second reading for John Davis, a member of St. Mary's in Hollidaysburg, Pa sponsored by David DePastina. Motion to accept the nomination was presented by Jim Zimmerman; second by Victor Ballash; motion passed.

Second reading for Raymond Gregorchik, a member of St. Mary's in Hollidaysburg, Pa sponsored by Jim Zimmerman. Motion to accept the nomination was presented by Guy Luciano; second by John Brown; motion passed.

### **Grand Knights Report:**

GK Lee Zimmerman extended his wishes for Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

### **Chaplains Report:**

N/A

### **Donation Request:**

Request for funds received from Blair/Clearfield Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired. No action taken. Request for funds received from the Foot of Ten Parent Teacher Organization for the playground renovation project. No action taken.

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

Bishop Emeritus Joseph Adamec extended his Christmas Blessing and greeting.

Hollidaysburg Area Public Library \$50 donation for services to our community.

St. Leonard's Home for the donation which will be used towards the dining room expansion project.

### **Financial Secretary Report:**

Tim apologized for missing the meeting (out of town due to a death in the family).

2017 dues are now due and can be paid in the traditional manner or on-line via the website.

If anyone has any information on John Cain, please provide his address to Tim. 2016 figures indicate that our council donated in excess of \$32,460 and 70,000 man hours to various charitable causes.

We have 215 current members.

Basket of Cheer winners were listed. Gross \$1,676; profit \$1,326

Ham and Cheese orders are due on January 17<sup>th</sup>; assembly will take place on January 19; delivery on January 20, 2017; proceeds benefit K of C Home Association

### **Fund Raising and Committee**

#### **Free Throw Contest - Information presented by Dennis Dombrowsky**

The K of C Free Throw Contest is planned for Saturday, January 28, 2017 from 12:00-2:00 PM at St. Patrick's in Newry, PA; please consider volunteering and arrive at ~11:30 AM. Volunteer sign-up sheet is available, please volunteer to help.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Dick Aiken announced that the Shelby Event, "Victory Celebration" will take place on January 13, 2017 at 6:30 pm at the VFW Hall in Duncansville, PA and will include dinner and DJ/dance. Chicken dinner will be served.

### **New Business:**

The home association is selling tickets (\$1 ea.) based upon the PA lottery and the drawing will be held at the monthly meeting. #876 was the winning ticket number at the January 5 meeting.

Dennis McGeehan reported that the ARC collection is in the planning stages. Tentative date is April 30, 2017. East Freedom Walmart and Hollidaysburg Hometown Market will be contacted as potential collection sites. He will contact the local parishes to seek permission for the parish collections. Additional information to follow.

Dick Aiken reported that the Home Association has organized a new raffle with the proceeds to be used toward the council home roof project. Raffle tickets will be \$10/each and we will partner with Five Star Powersports. More information to follow.

Jim Zimmerman presented a motion to require that members who present a motion or second, please state your name in an effort to help facilitate accurate records; George Husick provided the second; motion passed.

Dick Aiken presented a motion to initiate the "baby bottle" fund raiser. This fund raiser will provide funding to meet our \$5000 obligation to fund the sonogram machine as part of the ELM - Every Life Matters program; Dan Moringello provided the second; motion passed. We should collect the funds for a period of one month. Additional details will need to be developed.

### **Report of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree:**

Next meeting will be held on January 26, 2017.

The March for Life will be held on January 15, 2017 at 11:30AM at St. Matthews in Tyrone.

### **District Deputy Report:**

DD will procure the baby bottles to be used as part of the funding for the sonogram machine.

Happy New Year

### **Chaplains Summation:**

N/A

**DUES ARE DUE:**

2017 dues are now due! 1st 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](http://www.kofc4245.org) are instructions on how to do so.



On our webpage [www.kofc4245.org](http://www.kofc4245.org) You'll see this new button on the front page. It is a new fundraiser. 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.

**Pray for the following:**

Please pray for the soul of Mike Metzgar's father, Tim Surkovich and Paul Gargon

**Happy Birthday**

*February Birthdays*

**Announcements:**

Please sign up for the 2017 Hospitality meals – sign-up sheet is on the table

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

Ron Harella reported that the 40 cans for 40 days collection will be held during Lent and the food will be presented to The St. Vincent DePaul Assumption Chapel Food Pantry; additional information will be presented at the next meeting.

Lou Endress reported that the 29 Club will be held on 1-8-17 (Steelers vs. Miami)

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.

Art Chamberlain	2/4
Anthony Frye	2/4
William Nelson	2/4
John Elder	2/8
Eugene Bettwy	2/10
Ron Gottshall	2/13
George Toth	2/16
Phil Baker	2/18
Ray Baker	2/18
Don Crider	2/21
Tom Jandora	2/22
David Lanzel	2/22
Paul Davis Sr	2/26
James Farrell	2/28
Jason Larkin	2/28
Dennis Mills	2/28



## **IMPORTANT!!!!**

### **Council Calendar**

Council meetings are held on the **First Thursday** of the month at 7:00 pm.

**Next Meeting: 2/2/17**

Hospitality Provided by Bob Hazenstab



### **Knights of Columbus**

#### **Council 4245**

#### **Home Association**



### **BASKET OF CHEER WINNERS:**

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](mailto:kofc4245@gmail.com)

2/2/17 Regular Council Meeting  
Hospitality Provided By Bob Hazenstab 7PM

2/1/17 PowerSports Raffle Begins

3/2/17 Regular Council Meeting  
Hospitality Provided by Volunteer Needed 7PM

4/30/17 ARC Tentative Collection Date

5/13/17 PowerSports Raffle Drawing 2PM

**Abbey Montrella \$25**

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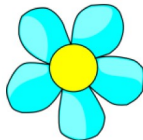
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