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Council meetings are held on the **FIRST THURSDAY** of the month
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July 2016 From the Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

We now find ourselves in the middle of summer. By now a lot of people have probably had family reunions as well as other picnics and get-togethers. I myself haven't had any family reunions yet but I have taken my daughter fishing for the first time at Canoe Lake. I entered her in the annual pan-fishing derby that the Blair Bass Association chairs, and she won a fishing rod and grab-bag that contains various pieces of tackle. To tell you the truth, I think she had more fun picking the wax worms out the container and handing them to me to put on the hook than she did actually fishing. To say the least I am very proud of my daughter for not being afraid of either the wax worms of the flopping fish as they got reeled in to the bank. Something else I had the pleasure of experiencing with my daughter for the first time is riding rides and playing games at a local amusement park. Yes, we all enjoyed attending the end-of-school picnic for Stay and Play Preschool at DelGrosso's. She had a blast except when she wasn't tall enough to ride one of the rides she wanted to go on. At this time she had a melt down and we had to divert her attention to something else, which just so happened to be the high flying parachute ride - my little dare devil. Overall, my summer is going pretty well so far and I hope yours is as well. Summer won't last forever, so participate in as many family related activities as you can.

Fraternally Yours,

Lee



Chaplain's Message

Be Merciful: Comfort the Sorrowful and Visit the Imprisoned

By
Father Anthony J. Legarski,
Chaplain

Brother Knights:

As I am mentioned in my previous articles, the Church depends very much on organizations such as ours to be on the "front lines" of demonstrating and witnessing to the Catholic faith. This is especially true of the Works of Mercy. The Knights of Columbus can and must always demonstrate these both as individuals within the community and as a Catholic fraternal organization. Thus far, I have reflected on the first three Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy.

The fourth Spiritual Work of Mercy is to **comfort the sorrowful**. All of us have had moments of sorrow in our lives. When we experience that sorrow because of a tragedy, death, sickness or any other reason, we know how important it is to have others around us. We can relate to the comfort of having others assist us with their time, prayers, or other types of support. Within our fraternity, we Knights offer prayers for the sorrowful at every meeting. We endeavor to reach out and support the family members when a Brother Knight is ill or has passed away.

However, this work of mercy must go beyond Brother Knights and their families. How can we be part of outreach programs that may be available in our parishes or in the community? Can we from our own life experiences, be of assistance to others in similar situations by becoming a part of a support group? Sending a card, having a Mass said, lighting a votive candle for one's special intentions are but a few of the material and spiritual ways we can comfort the sorrowful. Who do we know is hurting? How can we "be there" for them and with them?

We must remember that it is an act of both mercy and love to help another person in any kind of sorrow, and to refrain from doing anything that would

unnecessarily cause another person more sorrow.

The fourth Corporal Work of Mercy is to visit the imprisoned. Most of us would think of this as a "no brainer"; but do we really understand this work of mercy in not just the strict sense, but also in the wide sense? Those in prison and many other persons and their families suffer hindrances or dangers to freedom. Helping them, visiting them or protecting them is an act of love and mercy. Of course, there are in many parishes and faith communities groups that minister to those who are incarcerated. Becoming involved in these programs allow us to perhaps evangelize others in the faith or just let them know that others care about them and their future—especially with regards to the faith. Communion Services by Eucharistic Ministers, Bible Studies, teaching of prayers and basic doctrines in discussion groups are but a few of the ways we can embrace this work of mercy.

In our diocese alone there are 8 county prisons, 6 State Prisons, and 1 Federal Prison. One can always check with the Chaplains of these respective prisons and ask how we or our families can pray for and support the inmates. If cards are allowed, they can be sent to the prisoners. Also, through the prison chaplains, Bibles and rosaries can be made available to the prisoner's as well. These works of mercy are wonderful opportunities to let others know of the companionship of our Lord and that of His mother—Mary, Star of the Sea.





June 2016 Council Meeting Minutes

Grand Knights Report:

GK Lee Zimmerman shared an email communication from Fr. Legarski in which Fr. Legarski reiterated his regret related to his inability to attend our K of C monthly meetings. His absence has been due to a variety of reasons explained and he assured us that we are in his prayers and asked that we remember him in our prayers as well.

Donation Request:

Lakemont Lions Club requested a donation to aid in procurement of a Welsh Allyn Spot Vision Screener to be used for vision screenings throughout our community. No motion was presented.

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

We received a thank you letter from the American Rescue Workers, Inc. Holidaysburg, PA Corps. Related to the 40 cans for 40 days Lenten food drive.

We received a thank you letter from the St. Vincent DePaul Assumption Chapel Food Pantry Related to the 40 cans for 40 days Lenten food drive, cash donation.

Financial Secretary Report:

Apologies for lack of attendance at the meeting (conflict with the Carlisle Shelby event)

Dues need to be paid

Good luck at the Hand-in-Hand Chicken Barbeque

Our Council won an award at the K of C Convention related to our ARC collection – congratulations to all who participated.

Ham and Cheese sale will take place in July; orders due 7/19, assembly 7/21, delivery 7/22

Apologies for the delay in sending the newsletter (car show conflict)

Fund Raising and Committee

Reports:

Shelby Committee – Information presented by GK Lee Zimmerman on behalf of Tim Surkovich

10,400 tickets sold to date.

The Shelby was shown at Leighty's Flea Market on 5-15-16 with 8 members present and 53 tickets sold. See Mike Metzgar to volunteer for another "Leighty's" show planned on 6/19.

Ocean City was a good show at ~\$12k in sales.

Crusin for Courtney – Johnstown was a good show at ~\$1100 in sales.

Promotion on the Facebook page has been helping to foster ticket sales.

"Shelby" Shirts have been printed and can be picked up from Tim at a cost of \$20/each.

Your help is needed at the future shows, please contact Bob Hazenstab at 696-4206 to schedule your time; see partial list of upcoming shows below and on the council website.

See <http://www.kofc4245shelby.com> for more details.

Help is needed for the Good Guys East Coast Nationals - Rhinebeck, NY June 10-12, 2016.

Wheels and Wings – Ebensburg, PA June 23, 2016.

Pleasantville Fireman's Convention – Pleasantville, PA July 7-10, 2016.

Good Guys Nationals – Columbus, OH July 8-10, 2016

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.

Please be sure to visit the Council website at <http://www.kofc4245.org> to view the Calendar of Events, ham and cheese forms, Star News, links, etc. You can also view the "Members Only" secure area by entering your membership # and DOB. Second session of nominations for new officers was held, see below:

Grand Knight – Lee Zimmerman has volunteered to serve for another year.

Deputy Grand Knight – Phil Claar has volunteered.

Chancellor – Dennis McGeehan has volunteered to serve for another year.

Recorder – Ed Dunning has volunteered to serve for another year.

Treasurer – Dave Karl has volunteered to serve for another year.

Warden – John Longenecker has volunteered to serve for another year.

Outside Guard – Bill Creek has volunteered.

Inside Guard – Dan Moringiello has volunteered to serve for another year.

Trustee 3rd Year – Matt Becker has Volunteered.

Mike Metzgar presented a motion to accept the nominations as presented above; Jerry Kovach presented the second; motion passed.

Report of the 4th Degree:

Next meeting will be held on 6/23/16 at 7:00 PM

Color Core is requested at Immaculate Conception – Dudley on 7-14-16 at 7:00 PM

Announcements:

Gary Ellis needs help, cooking chicken dinners for the following dates. See Gary to volunteer or show up at 6:00 AM. June 12, 2016 for St. Johns.

Family picnic – show of hands to consider a family picnic in August indicated that interest was lacking and therefore, we will not have this event.

Please continue to support the Seminary Endowment Fund – this helps to defray the costs for educating our next generation of priests.

Per Jim Zimmerman, clean up at the K of C Hall has been cancelled for June 4 (previous event required clean up and therefore, the Hall is ready for the Hand-in-Hand)

Jim Hodge continues to manage the Baptismal Rose Program but would like access to the Hall during the week; please see Jim Zimmerman.



Happy Birthday

July Birthdays

John Harshberger	7/2
William Gildea II	7/3
Corey Ray	7/4
J Martin Kooman	7/4
Guy Luciano Jr	7/8
John Swope	7/12
Paul Plummer	7/13
Harry Creek	7/18
Anthony Labriola	7/18
Paul Gargon	7/20
Edward Hazenstab	7/23
Gary Selwitz	7/24
Tom Catalano	7/26
Charles Hauser	7/26
David Mason	7/28
Michael Varlotta	7/28
Robert Kelly	7/30
Luke Hughes	7/31

Welcome to our new Brother

Joseph Fernicola

DUES ARE DUE:

2016 Dues are Due! By now if you haven't paid you received a Knight Alert from the Grand Knight. Please make payment and return it to our Financial Secretary Tim Surkovich.



Pray for the following:

Please pray for Fr. Legarski, Fr. Christopher, Fr. Dugan, Charlie Hauser, Gary Selwitz, Barry Lindsey, Phil Baker.

Congratulations to Fr. Crosser (60th Anniversary); Fr. Aaron will celebrate 10th Anniversary in Central City Pray for our priests.



IMPORTANT!!!!

The Home Association Mustang Shelby Super Snake Fundraiser is in full swing!! The MSRP on this awesome Mustang is \$96,954. It has a whopping 750+ horsepower engine. It is absolutely beautiful! The raffle date is October 2, 2016. Tickets are only \$10 each! We are asking that each member **sell at least 10 tickets**. Each member received their first 10 tickets. Members are finding them easy to sell. You should try to always have tickets on you. In the event you are completely unable to sell all of them, please return them, but better yet if you need more call the council home at 814-695-4752 and let us know how many more you need. The more you sell the more we are able to accomplish. Once again, we suggest you have tickets on you at all times, you never know when an opportunity may come along to sell some. Our goal is to sell 25,000 tickets.

Besides selling tickets we could still use volunteers to go to car shows with us. This would lessen the burden on all those who have already volunteered. If interested call the council home or email us at kofc4245@gmail.com





Council Calendar

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

Next Meeting: 7/7/16
Hospitality Provided by Lee Zimmerman and John Longenecker

6/23/16 Shelby being shown at Wheels and Wings in Ebensburg, PA

7/7/16 Regular Council Meeting, Hospitality provided by John Longenecker and Lee Zimmerman

7/7-7/10/16 Shelby ticket booth at ABC Fireman's Festival, Pleasantville, PA

7/8-7/10/16 Shelby being shown at PPG Nationals Columbus, OH

7/20/16 Lifeline Screening (see insert for more details)

7/24/16 Shelby being shown at Pirates Cove, Patton PA

8/4/16 Regular Council Meeting, Hospitality provided by Tim Surkovich

8/4-8/7/16 Shelby being shown at NSRA Nationals, Louisville, KY

8/12/16 Father Michael J McGivney's Birthday



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Protecting Widows – A Founding Goal

As a member of this council, you know how important spouses can be to the charitable works of the Order. If you're married, your wife is probably involved in a few of the many events that happen each fraternal year. This support adds great value and impact to what a council can achieve.

When the Order was founded in 1882, Father Michael J. McGivney and the other brave men were setting out to protect Catholic families, but especially wives and children. Today, we remain committed to this mission by offering insurance products and fraternal benefits designed with that goal in mind. One specific policy rider that you may not know about is called Spousal Waiver of Premium. This rider is unique to the Knights of Columbus philosophy of helping our widows.

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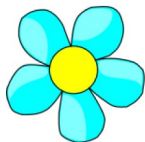
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