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Ham & Cheese Sandwich Sale

Delivery Date: Friday, July 19, 2019

<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone #</u>	<u># of Sandwiches</u>		<u>Total</u>	<u>Paid</u>
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Orders on this sheet will be delivered by _____
Member Name

Contact Brother Paul Detwiler with the total number of sandwiches ordered by 12pm on Monday July 15th Cell: 935-3501

Look for us again in September!

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July 2019 From the Grand Knight



Brother Knights:

I would like to thank everyone who voted for me as your next Grand Knight. I would also like to personally thank Tim Surkovich for the nomination and a big thank-you to Rich Moyer for his service during the past 2 years.

I am hoping I can fill this position well and live up to everyone's expectations. Just 2 years ago, as I entered this brotherhood of the Knights of Columbus, I wondered what my role would be or where I would fit in. Since then I received the Shining Armor Award, joined the fund raising committee, and went on to receive my 2nd, 3rd and 4th degrees. Now as I have been chosen to be Grand Knight, I know that belonging is not a question anymore.

I am looking forward to helping anybody find their place within this brotherhood. Maybe try moving on to the next degree. The more you involve yourself in what goes on at the meetings, volunteering, color guards, and joining committees, the more you will begin to feel you are where you belong.

I would also like to take some time to thank Mike McAndrew for all the effort he puts into helping our council to achieve its goals, in particular, receiving the Home Depot grant. Through this grant we were given windows and supplies at no cost to the council. I'd also like to thank Mike for the many other things he has done for me personally.

A great big thank-you to all who turned out to help with the installation of windows at the council home. This will help us to not only keep the council home looking better, but will save us money on heating as well.

Have a wonderful Father's Day. Have a beautiful 4th of July and keep your summer happy and safe.

Faternally yours,
Ray Gregorchik



Chaplain's Message

Catholic Americans

By

*Father Anthony J. Legarski,
Chaplain*

Brother Knights:

Without question, the biggest secular holiday for Americans during the month of July is of course, the Fourth of July. Rightly so. It is the day of our independence as a nation. It is a day when we assess our rights as Americans. It is a day when we demonstrate our appreciation for our rights and our freedoms.

Inasmuch as Independence Day is a day to celebrate our American citizenship, it should also be a day when we celebrate our life and mission in this great nation as Christians in general and Catholics in particular.

What is the best way to celebrate our freedom and rights as American Catholics? It is to engage in apostolic work that promotes our values and teachings as Catholic Americans. The Fourth of July is an excellent time to give prayerful consideration to the work we must do in promoting the most basic of human rights such as the right to life. What are we doing to give witness to the rights of the

unborn? The right to vote is also a right that is sacred. It is by voting that we can effect change and bring about the things necessary to ensure our religious freedom and equality. Do we vote? Do we actively support initiatives that protect this sacred right? Do we stand tall against all forms of discrimination, hatred, bigotry, and violence? These aren't political issues; they are issues of morality and faith.

More than anything else, Catholic Americans need to be about vigilance with regards to issues that directly effect our moral principles and our right to have the teachings of our Church take precedence over the dictates or executive orders of government agencies or administrations, respectively.

During the month of July, it is a good time to do some serious soul searching. It is a good time to go beyond the picnics, concerts, barbeques, and parades and look deep within ourselves. It is a good time to ask ourselves: "How do we as American citizens give witness to Christ and His Church as Catholics and as Knights?" For this we need to pray. For this need to seek the intercession and the direction of our loving mother and patroness—Mary, Star of the Sea.

June 2019 Council Meeting Minutes

Reading of Minutes from the previous meeting:

The minutes were available for reading in advance of the meeting and the minutes are approved as posted, with the following correction, the work day will be held on June 10, 2019 at the Council Home.

Reading of applications:

1st reading for William Reintgen, member of St. Mary's..

Initiations (Degrees):

1st degree ceremony will be held on July 11, 2019 at the Council home.

Grand Knight's Report: Information presented by Rich Moyer:

Thank you for all of your support during my term.



Treasurer's Report – Information presented by Dan Weaver:

Beginning Balance May 1, 2019 - \$12,934.47
Deposits \$1,530.10
Disbursements \$2,733.90
Ending Balance May 31, 2019 - \$11,730.67



Reading of Bills and Communications:

Thank you letter was received from Mom's House, Inc.

Thank you letter was received from American Rescue Workers for the \$250 donation and the food donation from the 40 Cans for 40 Days event.

Request for Donation was received from Zach Richardson, Troop 3053 to support his Eagle Scout project. His project will involve the construction of a Veterans memorial wall at the Veterans Memorial Park in Williamsburg, PA. Dan Casey presented a motion to donate \$100; Chuck Ahern provided the second; motion passed.

Request for Donation was received from Noah Hoover, Troop 3031 to support his Eagle Scout project. His project will involve the rebuilding of a pavilion on the Rails to Trails path at the Grannas Station Branch. Tim Surkovich presented a motion to donate \$100; Dan Weaver provided the second; motion passed.

Request for Donation was received from Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Altoona Johnstown to support the Annual Recognition Dinner. John Brown presented a motion to donate \$75; Vic Ballash provided the second; motion passed. Request for Donation was received from

the Brian Morden Foundation. Dan Casey presented a motion to table; Lou Endress provided the second; motion passed. Request for Donation was received from HAYFA-Hollidaysburg Area Youth Football Assn. Paul Detwiler presented a motion to donate \$100; Vic Ballash provided the second; motion passed.

Request for Donation was received from Jacobs Way. Dick Aiken presented a motion to donate \$75; John Brown provided the second; motion passed.

Request for Donation was received from Service Paws of Central PA. Vic Ballash presented a motion to donate \$100; John Longenecker provided the second; motion passed.

Financial Secretary's Report – Information presented by Tim Surkovich:

We will apply for the Columbia Award (service work) and the Founders Award (insurance).

Star Council Award requirements have changed significantly from the past requirements.

Tim apologized for his inability to attend the Hand-in-Hand Chicken BBQ.

Fred Imler has offered us an additional discount on the chicken for the Hand-in-Hand BBQ and to pay for the advertisement.

Tim presented a motion to donate \$4,000 (proceeds of the Hand-in-Hand Chicken BBQ) to the Shriners Hospital; Second by Vic Ballash; motion passed.

"Food for Families" plate for 2019-20 was received, waiting on the new plaque.

Report of Standing Committees:

Fund Raising - Robert Hazenstab

Numerous chicken BBQ fund raisers will be held in the future. The next will be held on July 21st and we will be cooking for the Association of the Blind. Please help to sell tickets – see any fund-raising committee member. We will need help to cook and serve – please volunteer. Deserts are needed as well.

Chicken BBQ will be held on Sept. 22 and the proceeds will support our local parishes. This will be a full meal event and your help is requested.

Chicken BBQ will be held on Oct. 6, 2019; please volunteer.

Chicken BBQ will be held on Dec. 15, 2019 with proceeds to support the St. Vincent DePaul needs office. Please volunteer.

Hand-in-Hand BBQ:

Thank you for all of your support; >900 chickens were sold.

Mother's Day Dinner – information presented by Dennis Dombrosky:

Dinner was held at the Council home on May 12, 2019

Thank you for all of your support.

Proceeds of ~\$700 will be donated to ELM.

Family Picnic – information presented by Rich Moyer:

Family Picnic will be held at Delgrosso's Amusement Park on August 4, 2019 at a cost of \$5/person.

Election of Officers:

Advocate – Ed Zang

Grand Knight – Ray Gregorchik

Deputy Grand Knight – Phil Claar

Chancellor – Jim Hodge

Treasurer – Dan Weaver

Recorder – Ed Dunning

Warden – John Longenecker

Inside Guard – Dan Moringello

Outside Guard – Paul Detwiler

3rd year Trustee – Rich Moyer

2nd year Trustee – Lou Endress

1st year Trustee – Lee Zimmerman

Report of the 4th Degree - Information presented by Ron Harella:

Fourth Degree meeting will be held on June 27, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the Hollidaysburg Council home; future meetings will also be held at the Hollidaysburg Council home.

No 4th Degree meetings are held in July and August.

Nominations for officers will be held at the next meeting.

The 4th Degree Communion Mass will be held at 7:30 AM on June 9th at St. Marys; Breakfast will follow at The Dream.

Field Agent's Report – Information presented by Mike McAndrew:

Thank you to Rich Moyer for his service over the past 2 years – as the Grand Knight.

The end of June will mark the end of the KofC fiscal year and we can expect to receive the Insurance Award since we are 240% to our goal.

June 6, 1944 was the Normandy Invasion and over 9,000 lives were lost on that day alone. We need prayers for all of those who lost their lives as well as for all Service members.



Please pray for:

- Dennis and Sue McGeehan
- Paul Gargon



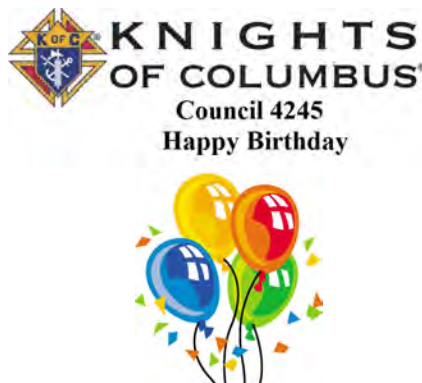
2019 Hospitality Meal Volunteer List

We have 2 spots open. Consider providing a meal for meeting night. Council reimburses you
\$50

- 7/4 John Longenecker
8/1 Bob Hazenstab
9/5
10/1 Tim Surkovich
11/7 Jeff Muriceak
12/5 Brian Drum



In memory of all Brother Knights that passed away throughout our councils history.



Happy Birthday

July Birthdays

Kenneth W Greene	7/2
William F Gidea II	7/3
Corey A Ray	7/4
J Martin Kooman	7/8
Albert Paul Plummer	7/13
Deacon Charles R Ahearn	7/17
Anthony F Labriola	7/18
Paul L Gargon	7/20
Edward F Hazenstab	7/23
Gary L Selwitz	7/24
Tom Catalano	7/26
Charles B Hauser	7/26
David J Mason	7/28
Devon M McGeehan	7/29
Robert F Kelly	7/30



Upcoming Events:

- 7/19/19 Deliver Ham & Cheese for July Sale
7/21/19 Chicken BBQ to support the Blind Association
8/4/19 Council Family Picnic
9/22/19 Chicken BBQ to support our parishes.

For the latest information visit our website:

[HTTP://www.kofc4245.org](http://www.kofc4245.org)



August 4, 2019
Davillon TBD
11-?

Bring your spouse, girlfriend, kids, grandkids, your kid's friends, your friends and potential members! The Council is providing the meal and soft drinks.

Everyone please bring your drinks and favorite dessert to share!

To sign up Call Financial Secretary Tim Surkovich, 696-1209 or email KOFc4245@GMAIL.COM

Entrance to the park and parking are FREE! Rides are individually priced. All day Fun Day Pass which includes the rides and Laguna Splash Zone is \$29.95 a person. If we have 20 or more the discounted price is \$21.95 a person.

At the park that day:
Free Country Concert with American Idol Finalist Gabby Barrett at 4 PM
Free ACC Car Show all day!



July 21, 2019

Knights of Columbus Hall

11AM to 1PM

\$8

Proceeds benefit the Blind Association



Council Calendar

Council meetings are held on the **First Thursday** of the month at 7:00 pm. **Next Meeting: 7/11/19**
Hospitality Provided by:
John Longenecker

6/27/19 4th Degree Meeting
Altoona Council Hall 7 PM

7/1/19 Fundraising Committee
Meeting 6:30 PM

7/11/19 Home Association
Meeting 5:45 PM

7/11/19 Praying of the Rosary
6:30 PM

7/11/19 First Degree 7PM Regular
Council Meeting Following the
Degree Hospitality Provided John
Longenecker

7/16/19 Ham & Cheese Sandwich
Orders Due 12PM

7/18/19 Make Ham & Cheese
Sandwiches 4PM

7/19/19 Deliver Ham & Cheese for
July Sale

7/21/19 Chicken BBQ to support
the Blind Association

8/1/19 Home Association Meeting
5:45 PM

8/1/19 Praying of the Rosary
6:30 PM

8/1/19 First Degree 7PM Regular
Council Meeting Following the
Degree Hospitality Provided Bob
Hazenstab

8/4/19 Council Family Picnic

The Catholic Difference

What does that mean, “Discover the Catholic Difference?” Is it just a marketing slogan or is there real meaning behind it?

Let’s look at that at several levels. Our Catholicity as an organization forms all that we do. Our Order was founded on the principles of Charity, Unity and Fraternity; as a Catholic business we also have core values of Integrity, Professionalism, Excellence and Respect. In all our dealings we try to embody those values in the field and at our Supreme Office.

Money from insurance premiums and annuity deposits is managed by our investment department colleagues, Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors. They manage that money, now amounting to more than \$24 billion, using sound investment strategies in full compliance with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops’ socially responsible investment guidelines. We will not invest in companies that engage in abortions, producing abortifacient drugs, embryonic stem cell research, human cloning or pornography. Our Asset Advisors prove that a business can operate on these principles and still produce a healthy profit. That’s a Catholic Difference!

Our charitable contributions of more than \$185 million last year went to a wide variety of organizations. Many were Catholic, but some were not. We give money to support worthy causes and we do that, not because *they* are Catholic, but because *we* are Catholic. That’s what our faith calls us to do; Sirach 40:17 tells us that acts of kindness and charity last for an eternity. We are supporting victims of genocide in Syria and other places in the Middle East. We have placed more than 1000 ultrasound machines in all 50 states and saved more the 1 million lives. We financially and spiritually support seminarians, disaster victims, Special Olympians and many others. All this from the profits of our insurance program and investments and the contributions of members.

That’s a Catholic Difference!

And speaking of the insurance program, let’s talk about the “Discover the Catholic Difference” there. Here are a few examples: First, our products are designed with our members’ needs in mind. For example, I’m not aware of any other company that offers a Spousal Waiver of Premium benefit...and there is no additional premium for that! Second, we have never raised our Long-Term Care Insurance premiums, something very few, if any, insurance companies can say. Third, we offer Disability Income Insurance to blue collar workers as well as white and grey collar workers. We recognize that it’s not just the affluent that need that coverage. Fourth, we still meet with brother knights and their families in their homes if they prefer; it might be more convenient for them. Fifth, young children; we want to make sure a member has the opportunity to protect their insurability with life insurance that has a guaranteed purchase option. Sixth, our fixed-rate annuity has a minimum guarantee for life, meaning a member will always make money on his money. Seventh, our Supreme Office is currently developing new products to meet even more needs of our members...so stay tuned! Now that’s the Catholic Difference!

If you’d like to find out about more Catholic differences that could make a difference in your life, let me know.

Vivat Jesus!





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