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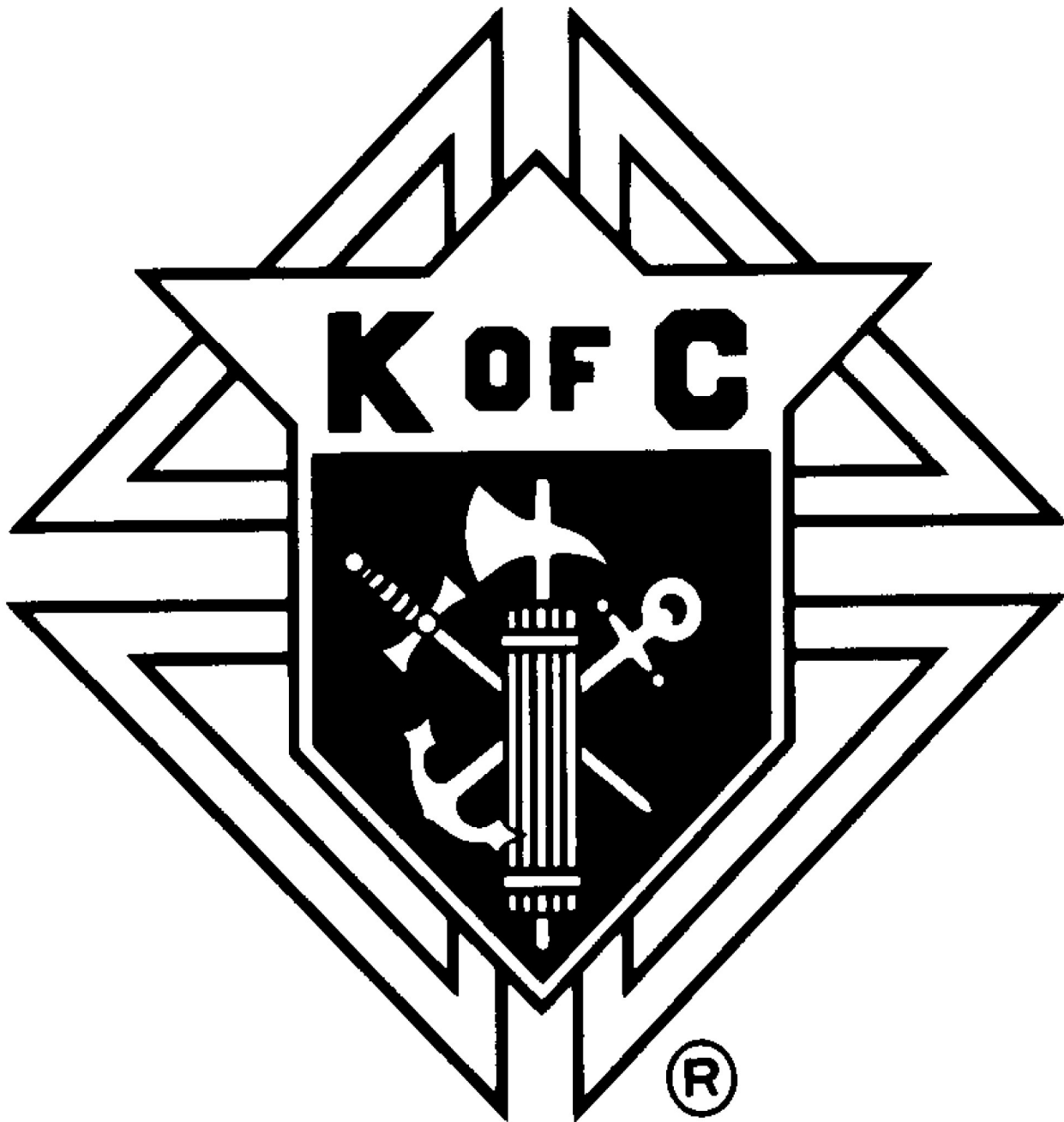
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### June 2016 From the Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

This month I thought I would share with you a really good story that I once read. It's got a great message, and I hope you all enjoy it as much as I did.

#### A Room Filled with Balloons

*Once there was a group of 500 people who were attending a seminar. Suddenly the speaker stopped and decided to do a group activity. He started giving each person a balloon. Each person was then asked to write their name on it using a marker pen. Then all the balloons were collected and put in another room.*

*The people were then let into that room and asked to find the balloon which had their name written on it within 5 minutes. Everyone was frantically searching for their name, colliding with each other, pushing around others and there was utter chaos.*

*At the end of 5 minutes no one could find their own balloon.*

*Then, the speaker asked each person to randomly collect a balloon and give it to the person whose name was written on it. Within minutes everyone had their own balloon.*

*The speaker then began, "This is happening in our lives. Everyone is frantically looking for happiness all around, not knowing where it is.*

*Our happiness lies in the happiness of other people. Give them their happiness; you will get your own happiness. And this is the purpose of human life...the pursuit of happiness."*

Remember to always pursue happiness in your life.

Fraternally Yours,

Lee

### Chaplain's Message **Be Merciful: Counsel the Doubtful and Clothe the Naked**

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 Catholic fraternal organization. Thus far, I have reflected on the first two Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy.

The third Spiritual Work of Mercy is to **Counsel the Doubtful**. What does this mean? How can we live this work of mercy? In an article entitled: Spiritual Works of Mercy: Counsel the Doubtful, Father Ben Cameron tells us:

"Many people today are confused. They might be looking for meaning in their lives, for answers to the biggest questions (Why do I exist? Is there a purpose for my life? What is my calling in life?, etc.). Sometimes, a person simply needs someone that they can talk to, that they can "bounce ideas off." If we are willing to listen, we have the first tool for living this work of mercy;

Be a good listener and provide counsel to our own children, and other children within our circle of family and friends.

Be a good listener to those struggling in their marriages, and encourage them to seek to base their marriages more perfectly on Christ.

Be a good listener to those who are struggling with unplanned pregnancies, and help them to see their unborn child as a blessing from the Creator, rather than as a burden to be eliminated.

Be a good listener to those struggling with various emotional struggles, and help them to turn to the Lord Jesus for healing of their emotions."

The third Corporal Work of Mercy is to clothe the naked. Everyone needs clothing for warmth, protection, modesty, and dignity. It is an act of mercy and love to help others obtain clothing who are in need of it. To this end, we can bring clothes to a needy family, share outgrown clothes with another family, bring clothes to a clothing drive, or simply taking them to organizations that will get them to people who need them such as the Saint Vincent De Paul Society and other organizations. Also, it is not always about getting clothing to others. Things such as helping an elderly or disabled person get dressed or doing their laundry are other good ways of performing this corporal work of mercy.

How we counsel the doubtful or clothe the naked depends of course on the situation in which we find ourselves. But we will always be able to recognize those situations and respond to them in a way that helps others and pleases our Lord with the help of the Holy Spirit as well as Mary, Mother of Mercy and Star of the Sea.



## **May 2016 Council Meeting Minutes**

### **Grand Knights Report:**

Tim Surkovich presented the GK report on behalf of GK Lee Zimmerman – Thank you for your help with the spaghetti dinner

### **Chaplains Report:**

Father Legarski regrets his inability to attend the meeting due to conflicting events.

### **Donation Request: N/A**

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

The YMCA sent a thank you note, related to the funding for a new spine board. The old board will be retired and displayed in honor of a former pool director.

### **Financial Secretary Report:**

2016 annual dues are currently due; ~65 accounts are delinquent. The process is to send 2 letters of notification; the 3<sup>rd</sup> letter is a “special alert” notice; the 4<sup>th</sup> and final notice will remove the brother from the council.

Ham and Cheese Sandwiches will be sold during the third week of May 2016; order forms will be included with the Star News. Assembly-May 19<sup>th</sup>; Delivery-May 20<sup>th</sup>; Sales benefit the Home Association.

### **Fund Raising and Committee Reports::**

### **Mother’s Day Committee – Information provided by Dennis Domrowsky:**

The dinner was held at the K of C hall on May 8, 2016 with 107 tickets sold at \$10/ ticket. Food and desserts were plentiful Thank you to all who helped support the event

For next year, we could increase the number of tickets for sale  
Take outs could be scheduled for a specific time  
Gross income was \$1070 and was equally split with the caterer. An additional tip of \$100 was provided; net income was \$435  
Caterer (Wilber) has agreed to provide food for next year as well.

### **Shelby Committee – Information provided by Tim Surkovich**

8600 tickets sold to date.  
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.  
Leads generated from other PA K of C councils have resulted in requests for >1300 tickets.  
The Carlisle show grossed \$11000; Charlotte show grossed \$10300  
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  
The Shelby will be shown at Leighty’s Flea Market on 5-15-16. See Mike Metzgar to volunteer.  
Cruisin for Courtney - Johnstown, PA May 29, 2016  
Ford Nationals – Carlisle, PA June 3-5, 2016  
Good Guys East Coast Nationals - Rhinebeck, NY June 10-12, 2016  
Wheels and Wings – Ebsenburg, PA June 23, 2016  
Pleasantville Fireman’s Convention – Pleasantville, PA July 7-10, 2016  
Good Guys Nationals – Columbus, OH July 8-10, 2016

### **ARC Committee – Information provided by Dennis McGeehan**

Thanks to all who offered their time and support for the event.  
Walmart maintains a large entrance and next year, we may consider 2 people at each entrance.  
Donations exceeded \$4200.  
Dennis McGeehan presented a motion to round up the donation to \$4500; George Husick presented the second; motion passed.

### **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.

Nominations for new officers was held:  
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 3<sup>rd</sup> Year – Matt Becker has volunteered

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

Dues need to be paid.  
Next meeting will be held on May 26, 2016 in Altoona

### **District Deputy Report:**

There will be a First Degree in Tyrone on June 6, 2016 at 6:30 PM

### **Announcements:**

Gary Ellis needs help, cooking chicken dinners for the following dates. See Gary to volunteer or show up at **6:00 AM**.  
May 21, 2016  
June 5, 2016 for the Hand-in-Hand  
June 12, 2016 for St. Johns  
Jim Zimmerman encourages us to clean up the council premises in preparation for the Hand-in-Hand on June 4, 2016 at 9:00 AM





## Happy Birthday

### *June Birthdays*

James M Adams	6/1
Francis P Madden	6/1
Gregory W Michelone	6/1
William J Wilson	6/1
James L Woomer	6/7
Brian K Gahagan	6/8
Brian F Drum	6/12
Philip V De Vecchis Jr	6/15
Mark S Sault	6/20
Richard J Zelnosky	6/22
Richard H Pielmeier	6/26
David J Fradeneck	6/27
Stephen P De Vecchis	6/28
Richard M McIntyre	6/29
Earl A Eger	6/30



### Pray for the following:

Please keep Charlie Hauser and Gary Selwitz in your prayers.

## DUES ARE DUE:

2016 Dues are Due! By now if you received a Second Notice it's either because you haven't paid or we did experience some problems with the mail on 1st Notices. For that we apologize for any confusion. You also received an Information Report. Please make any and all corrections to the Information Report including your address, phone numbers, email addresses, church parish you belong to, etc, be sure to include the year with birthdays and anniversaries and return it with your payment to Financial Secretary Tim Surkovich. Per Supreme Billing Procedures, anyone not paid by May 15, 2016 will be moved to Knight Alert Status and will receive another Bill.

## 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](mailto:kofc4245@gmail.com)





## Council Calendar

Council meetings are held on the **First Thursday** of the month at 7:00 pm.  
**Next Meeting: 6/2/16**  
Hospitality Provided by Rich Moyer

6/2/16 Regular Council Meeting,  
Hospitality provided by Rich Moyer

6/5/16 37th Annual Hand-In-Hand  
Chicken BBQ

6/3-6/5/16 Shelby being shown at  
Ford Nationals in Carlisle, PA

6/10-6/12/16 Shelby being shown  
at East Coast Nationals  
Rhinebeck, NY

6/11/16 Exemplification of the 4th  
Degree (See Ray Baker for De-  
tails)

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



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### *The Pitfalls of Replacing Coverage*

You know the old saying, “the grass seems greener on the other side of the fence,” but we all know that it rarely is. The same holds true when it comes to replacing your existing Knights of Columbus life insurance with coverage offered by another company. Perceptions are deceiving. A move to the “greener” grass on the other side of the fence might seem like a good one, but it can leave you with less green in your wallet — in some cases, a lot less. That’s why it pays to remember another old adage, “Read the fine print.”

There are many reasons to keep your existing coverage in force, whether that coverage is with the Knights of Columbus or with another company. I’ll focus on the potential pitfalls of replacing coverage here — pitfalls that an agent trying to convince you that the grass actually is greener might neglect to mention.

First, all life insurance contracts contain a contestability period, which allows the insurer to contest claims made for a period — typically two years — after the contract is issued. Chances are this is no longer an issue with your current coverage.

Second, it’s unlikely that you can obtain the same amount of coverage, for the same premium, that you were able to obtain with your existing contract. The two factors

that determine how much you’ll need to pay for life insurance coverage are age and health. Certainly, you’re older now than you were when you took out your current coverage. There’s no way around that. And you have to ask yourself, has your health changed during that time? Is your blood pressure the same? Your cholesterol? Have you gained weight? All these factors can affect the amount of coverage you’ll get for your premium dollar.

If someone encourages you to replace — or worse, drop — your existing coverage, please call me. I’ll show you how your existing coverage is working for you and why replacement is rarely in your best interest.

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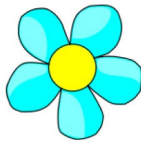
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