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March 2020 Edition

Knights of Columbus

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Ham & Cheese Sandwich Sale

Delivery Date: Thursday, March 19, 2020

Name	Phone #	# of Sandwiches		Total	Paid
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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 March 16th Cell: 931-4401

Look for us again in May!

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March 2020 From the Grand Knight



Brother Knights:

It seems we just got through the Christmas season and now the Lenten season is upon us. Lent is a special time of prayer, penance, sacrifice, and good works in preparation of the celebration of Easter. With the forty days of Lent quickly approaching, let us all try to participate in the forty cans for forty days campaign.

Now that we voted on the sustainability campaign and it was approved, it is time to move forward and get it underway. Remember, in order to make this campaign a success, we all need to remain positive about it.

I am happy to say that all the Cash Bash tickets are out of my hands. Hopefully all Knights that got some will be able to sell them.

At the March 5th council meeting we are holding a 1st degree. As many of you know the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degrees are all going to be combined into one ceremony. Please be patient until the new ceremony bugs are worked out.

Fun fact: March 17th is St. Patrick's Day. Did you know every founding member of the Knights was of Irish ancestry?

Fraternally yours,
Ray

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Gun Raffle

Father Tony's Family donated a shotgun to use in memory of him to raffle off to benefit the council. It is an Ithaca 20ga, pump action, commemorative gold plated number #12 of 25. A cash option of \$1,000 is available if the winner does not want the gun. Tickets will be available soon. They will be 1 for \$3, 2 for \$5, 5 for \$10, 12 for \$20. We have reserved a table at the Jaffa Sports Show, and will be also be setup at St Mary's and St Michael's Free Soup days. We are looking into more events. The fundraising committee is looking for help. If you want tickets email mikemetzgar@atlanticbb.net or call 814-931-9871.

February 2020 Council Meeting Minutes

Reading of Minutes from the previous meeting:

Minutes from the January 2, 2020 meeting were accepted as distributed by email and posted on our website.

Application for membership:

2nd reading for Timothy Hatajik from St. Michael's in Hollidaysburg. Mike Metzgar presented a motion to accept the application; Dick Aiken provided the second; motion passed.

Grand Knight's Report: Information presented by Ray Gregorchik:



1st degree exemplification will be held at the March meeting.

Supreme has enacted a significant change to the future exemplifications; instead of having 3 separate ceremonies for the 1st thru 3rd degree exemplifications, all three degrees will now be combined into one ceremony. See the Columbia magazine for more details.

Ham and Cheese sale – assembly will take place on March 18; delivery on March 19th. Proceeds benefit the Council.

Chaplains Report- Fr. Alan Thomas



In the near future, we should expect to receive requests from the Bishop, to offer additional support for future seminarians; more info to come.

The PA Catholic Conference recently held their meeting and it was announced that the KofC will become more involved in political issues, in an advocacy position. Remember, our duty is to form our conscience and then vote accordingly. We are encouraged to follow the light of our conscience.

Treasurer's Report – Information presented by Dan Weaver:



- Beginning Balance as of January 1, 2020: \$8,251.96
- Deposits: \$1452
- Disbursements: \$817.84

- New Balance as of January 31, 2020: \$8,886.12
- All details of deposits and disbursements given with no questions raised.

Reading of Bills and Communications:

We received a thank you letter from St. Leonard's Home for our recent donation. We received a request for donation from Blair Hope for Families to support children in Blair County foster care system. Victor Ballash presented a motion to donate \$100; Dan Casey provided the second; motion passed.

We received a request for donation Big Brothers and Big Sisters to support their "Bowl for Kids Sake" bowling tournament on March 8, 2020 at the Pleasant Valley alley. John Longenecker presented a motion to donate \$100; Victor Ballash presented the second; motion passed.

We received a request for donation to place an ad in the Annual KofC State Convention (Western Section) booklet. Dan Casey presented a motion to donate \$50 for the ¼ page ad; Lee Zimmerman presented the second; motion passed.

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



Annual dues for 2020 are now due; second notices will be sent at the end of February. Please donate to the distressed members fund.

The Fraternal Activity Report has been submitted. Following are some interesting facts about Council 4245 for 2019:

\$17,854 was donated; 23382 hours of volunteering; 877 visits to the sick; 39 donations of blood.

2019 Taxes have been presented to the accountant. There is a binder available at the meeting, which details all expenses and receipts, member hours and other details.

Remember, our website has a "Members Only" section which allows you to access additional information about each Knight. Please see Tim to add your photo to the site.

50/50 tickets are available; please turn in your money or place in the mailbox.

The KofC State fundraiser (COAL) has changed dates.

Seminarian Endowment tickets are available at \$20/ticket – see Tim.

Tim presented a video from Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson which outlined the new Exemplification Ceremony details (effective in March 2020).

Trustees Report – Information presented by Rich Moyer:

The latest audit concluded that a successful audit has been completed.

Standing Committee Reports:

Fund Raising Committee - Information presented by Ed Zang on behalf of Bob Hazenstab:

The Cash Bash will be held on March 28, 2020 at the National Guard Armory (Meadows Intersection - Duncansville, PA) and tickets are on sale now. We are selling tickets for a 50/50 raffle to be pulled at the BEGINNING of the Cash Bash; we must record the ticket numbers and these tickets are available NOW – see Bob or any member of the committee.

Cost is \$35/ticket to admit 2 people and this includes dinner and all you can drink; one chance at the drawing.

Food will be catered by Holland Brothers; deserts are needed.

Baskets are needed; please seek donations of gift cards or other items and assemble a basket.

We have received a gift (collectors' shotgun – Ithaca 20-gauge limited edition) from the Fr. Legarski estate and tickets are on sale now and all proceeds will benefit the Council. Winner may receive the shotgun or \$1000 cash.

Sign up sheet is available – we need volunteers to help with the event.

Tables can be reserved by sending ONE person to the Cash Bash at 4:00 PM and they can reserve the table(s) for their group (doors open at 5:00 PM).

Sustainability Campaign – Information presented by Ed Zang:

Information was presented at the meeting and questions were addressed.

Ballots were distributed and voting completed:

24 votes – Yes

16 votes – No

Remaining members – abstained.

The Sustainability Campaign was approved and will now begin.

Seminarian Endowment Fund – Information presented by Dan Turcovsky:

The Seminarian Endowment Fund was created in 1995 by the KofC.

Tickets are sold for \$20/ticket and cash prizes are awarded throughout the month of June.

We have ~88 Catholic Churches in our Diocese with ~44 active Diocesan priests.

The Diocese does provide financial support to the seminarians however, the support is not enough to meet all their needs and therefore, the seminarians require additional financial support to help them on their journey.

The Seminarian Endowment Fund is one vehicle used to help provide financial support to our future priests. Please participate in this worthwhile fundraiser.

Funds are invested with the Independent Catholic Foundation and are separate from the diocese.

New Business:

Ron Harella reminded us that Lent will begin on February 26 and the Council agreed to participate in the 40 cans for 40 days program. Ron provided prayer cards for daily use; remember to pray for the poor and hungry. The Catholic Daughters will be included again this year.

The food donations shall be delivered to the Council Home on Holy Thursday from 7:30-9:30AM and volunteers will be needed to transport the food donations to The American Rescue Workers food bank.

Last year, we collected >2500 lbs. of food and our goal for 2020 is 3000 lbs.!

Report of the 4th Degree - presented by Lee Zimmerman:

The next meeting will be held at the Holidaysburg Council #4245 home on Thursday, February 27th at 7:00PM.

2020 dues are now due.

District Deputy Report – presented by Ray Gregorchik on behalf of Mel McConnell:

Please be patient and understanding as the new degree ceremony is introduced.

Recruitment is the key for us to grow; we need new members.

Knights who have currently received the 1st or 2nd Degree will now be ready to participate in the new ceremony and then receive their 3rd degree.

Field Insurance Agent Report – presented by Mike McAndrew:

Mike has recently completed the claims for the Fr. Legarski estate and his family offered their thanks to the Knights.

Mike reminded us to be smart with our money. He offered advice on pre- and post- retirement situations and invited all Knights to contact him for a thorough financial review.

The Respect for Life March in Tyrone was well attended, and we are urged to attend this event in the future.

With the new degree ceremony pending, the exemplifications may be held at the individual parishes with your families in attendance.

We are encouraged to participate in the Faith in Action program and choose a Family of the Quarter.

Knights are reminded to wear their KofC gear proudly (shirts, hats, etc.) since these are great recruitment tools.

State College Council is fundraising for a new Ultrasound machine..... it is well documented that we can save lives by showing a mother, the heartbeat of her baby.

Mike warned us that a new scam is upon us.... requesting gift cards to be sent to our local priests, to support families in need. Always be certain to investigate, before donating.



2020 Hospitality Meal Volunteer List

May– Phil Claar
August– Bob Hazenstab
October-Gary Nocek



**Happy Birthday
March Birthdays**

William F Gildea	3/1
Timothy S Sleeth	3/3
Robert J Stubler	3/4
David C Shrift	3/7
David J Montrella	3/8
Michael J Kelleher	3/9
Richard W Raber	3/13
Thomas L Matthews	3/16
Joseph L Kaczor	3/22
Joseph N Fagnani Jr	3/23
Allan Scott Kelly	3/24
Wilbur K Henry	3/25
Larry D Lashinsky	3/27
Raymond J Hipp	3/29
Charles T Smith	3/30



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

Upcoming Events:

2/21/20-2/23/20 Jaffa Sports Show for Father Tony’s Gun

2/29/17 St Michael’s Free Soup for Father Tony’s Gun

3/5/20 Exemplification of the 1st Degree

3/7/20 St Michael’s Free Soup for Father Tony’s Gun

3/28/20 Spring Cash Bash

For the latest information visit our website:

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



Council Calendar

Council meetings are held on the **First Thursday** of the month at 7:00 pm. **Next Meeting: 3/5/20**
Hospitality Provided by:

3/2/20 Fundraising Committee Meeting 6:30 PM

3/5/20 Home Association Meeting 5:45 PM

3/5/20 Praying of the Rosary 6:30 PM

3/5/20 Exemplification of the First Degree and Regular Council Meeting 7 PM

3/26/20 Meeting of the 4th Degree 7:00 PM



Good of the Order:

Please pray for Jack Frank

Please pray for Bill Gildea and his wife

Please pray for Vince Schneider and his family and for the soul of his departed wife

Thank you from Ed Zang/Shannon and her Mother

Thank you from Joe Dodson for your prayers



2020 Dues are now Due!!

Spots are open on the 2020 Hospitality Meal Volunteer List (Council reimburses \$50) Volunteer needed for the March meeting. Contact Ed Dunning.

The American Legion has donated a table in honor of Fr. Legarski.



Love is in the air! We spend a lot of time thinking about our loved ones during the month of February and especially around Valentine's Day. Technically, it's St. Valentine's Day, originally the feast day of a Roman saint from the third century. There is much speculation about the origins of the feast and even some discussion about the identity of the saint. We do know that this St. Valentine was martyred on February 14, 269 and the feast day was instituted by Pope Gelasius I in 496. But how did St. Valentine, a martyr, come to be associated with love and romance? Again, there is much speculation and one popular story is that he cured the blind daughter of his jailer. Before he was led off to his death, he wrote her a note and signed it "Your Valentine." Unlike St. Valentine, most of us are not called to martyrdom, but we do think about our loved ones...and we write love notes and greeting cards. Gifts are commonly given to the ones we love. But have you ever considered some special gifts for the ones you love?

That's really what insurance is all about. People buy insurance because they love someone. I bought life insurance because I love my wife and children. If I'm not here to provide for them I want to make sure they can stay in the same home we love; I want to make sure that my children and or grand children will have the college education they will need; I want my family to continue to live the lifestyle I've been so fortunate to be able to provide. My policy even has living benefits that I can enjoy! I want to make sure that if I am sick or hurt and can't work, my family still has money coming in to pay the bills. Disability Income Insurance helps provide for that.

I've been able to provide a lifestyle for my family, but sometime down the road, I'll take the assets I've accumulated and retire. Long Term Care Insurance helps me protect those assets in case I have an extended care event. I won't have to spend down all that I've saved to pay for care...I've shifted that risk to the Knights. My retirement annuities will help my wife and me enjoy our golden years.

With a lifetime minimum interest rate guarantee I know I'll always be in the black with my account.

All the products we have available are centered around protection; protection for me, for my family and for what I've been able save. Is your protection where you want it to be for your loved ones? Because of being in the mindset for Valentine's Day, let's sit down; you, me and your wife and see where you stand. Make sure you have insured your love. Go ahead and buy that greeting card, write her a love note...maybe even get a beautiful arrangement of flowers or a dozen roses. But remember, the gift of protection will be there when it's needed most.

Vivat Jesus!



Spring Cash Bash

March 28th, 2020

Duncansville, Armory

Doors open at 5:30

Contact Ray Gregorchik for tickets.

We need help in setting up for this, runners for the Rip Off games, help monitoring the activities, and clean up and break down off table starts at 10:00. If you can not help at the event please ask your favorite restaurant or boutique for a gift card. We will be making up a gift card basket to help raise money. We are also going to do a Lottery Tree so a ticket or two dropped off in the Hall's mail box would be great. Desserts are needed! We are all volunteers trying to help the less fortunate.





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