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Council meetings are held on the **FIRST THURSDAY** of the month
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The challenge that is before us during the Easter Season is to ask ourselves how the celebration of Easter can continue to be a part of our faith journey each and every day of our lives. In doing so, we must remind ourselves that the mystery of Easter is not the end but rather, the beginning of a wonderful time for us. Forty days after we celebrate this great event (May 14) we celebrate our Lord's ascension into heaven to be reunited with His father and to advocate on our behalf. As he told the Apostle Thomas, he has "...gone to prepare a place for us" (cf. John 14:3). This in itself should excite us, motivate us, and drive us to live our lives so as to accept the life of grace that will take us there.

Ten days after that (May 24), we celebrate Pentecost, the birth of the Church and the strengthening of our baptismal graces that accompany the sending down of the Holy Spirit. Because of this, we are empowered! We have special graces, gifts that will strengthen us and sustain us on our earthly pilgrimage. How do we use these gifts? Are we aware of them when our spiritual life seems to grow lukewarm or we somehow feel inadequate or powerless to do the work of the Church we are called to

do as Christians and as Brother Knights? Pentecost changed all of that and we have fallen heir to all of the graces, gifts, and blessings concomitant to that great event.

So Brother Knights, it is not the end but the beginning. It is not over yet! It continues. And we must reflect upon what we have, what we can do, and what lies in store for us who accept the call as disciples to witness in word and deed to the eternal life made possible for us by the one who Himself resurrected from the dead.

During this Great Easter Season, we must ask our Lord to help us stay with the story, continue to be part of the plan to spend all eternity with Him by doing His work on this earth as Christians and as Brother Knights. We must be especially aware of and reliant upon the one who was with Jesus during His entire earthly life and continues at His direction to help us—Mary our Mother, Star of the Sea.

April 9, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Minutes Taken By Brother Bill Hiergeist

- The Council was called to order: Meeting called to order at 7:07 PM by GK Surkovich with 39 members present not including 2 candidates
- Officers absent were: Chaplain Father Legarski, Recorder Mike Metzgar, Advocate Ed Zang

Meeting Minutes

- Minutes of the previous were read following the Degree and accepted as corrected. The car for the raffle was corrected to 2016 Shelby Mustang (not 2015)

Reading of Applications:

- Francis Farabaugh, Robert V. Hazenstab III,, Melvin Lazendorfer. 2nd reading for all applicants. Unanimous vote to accept.

Degree Ceremony:

- Meeting was adjourned for the conferring of degrees to candidates Farabaugh and Hazenstab. Degree

was conducted by the 1st degree team.

- Degree was concluded and regular meeting resumed at 8:00 PM.

Grand Knight Report:

- Welcomed new members and encouraged them to take subsequent degrees and offered dates on upcoming degrees.
- Thanked the new newsletter editor Brother Gary Vassalotti
- Noted the Council's web-site will be updated soon
- He attended a very moving Easter play
- Noted that at the next meeting in May we will accept nominations for officers; He will not accept a second term because he will replace Lou Endress who is retiring as Financial Secretary.

Bills and Communications:

We received a thank you from:

- State ARC chair

- Local ARC along with a **Financial Secretary Report:** certificate of appreciation

Donations/Donation Requests

- Eagle Scout Project from Derrick Shoblock, renovate a bridge in Legion park: \$100.00
- PS State Council help sponsor State Golf Tourney; sponsor two holes for \$150.00
- Bishop Mark's night for Vocations \$150.00
- Family Crises Center in Bedford (helps with victims of domestic violence) requested by PGK Leo McKenzie of the Bedford Council; \$100.00
- The above requests were all moved and seconded and passed with unanimous vote
- Request from PA State Council for a donation to help with the Central-East operating expenses
- This was tabled for lack of motion

- Lou noted we still had several unsold seminarian endowment tickets. Motion was made and second for the council to purchase them; Passed unanimously.

Report of Standing Committees:

- The 40 Cans for 40 Days: 40 cans for 40 days: 1,305 pounds of food collected and delivered to St. Vincent DePaul on Holy Thursday. Many Brothers participated.
- Mothers Day Dinner chaired by Brother Dennis Dombrosky, will be held at St. Patrick's in Newry on May 10, 2015. There will be one seating from 11:30-2:30. Three hundred tickets will be sold beginning April 9, 2015 at \$10 each. If you are interested in being a part of the Committee or want to reserve tickets contact Dennis at: dinopapt@aol.com.

- Ham and Cheese sandwich sale will be May 22nd with orders due May 19th by noon. Sandwiches will be made May 21st at 4pm at the council home.

- Prayer cards are available relative to the Pope's visit to US. Motion made to order 1,500 for distribution to our respective parishes. Passed unanimously

May Birthdays:

Clarence	Becker	05-13
Peter	Berggren	05-06
Louis	Endress	05-19
Douglas	Harker	05-27
Donald	Harrington	05-22
John	Hazensstab, Jr.	05-16
Stephen	Kovach	05-20
Clark	Liebegott	05-07
Albert	Brown	05-07
Ronald	Harella	05-17
William	Creek	05-29
William	Bogel	05-24
Daniel	Brogdon	05-29
Philip	Claar	05-12
John	Donley II	05-02
Mark	Mielnik, Sr.	05-14
Robert	Moyer	05-16
Darryll	Sommers	05-20
Daniel	Turcovsky	05-05
Chad	Eger	05-07
Edward	Dunning	05-25
Douglas	Keating	05-11
Barry	Ray	05-12

Unfinished Business:

- Car Raffle: Tim Surkovich reported the initiative is moving forward pending the actual procurement of the Shelby Mustang; we should have final word from Stuckey Ford soon. He further noted that many people have volunteered to help. Additionally, the Diocese has offered to cover the car with comprehensive insurance.

New Business :

- Annual spaghetti dinner will be held on April 21 beginning with a happy hour at 5:00. Jaffa Clowns invited to attend as to discuss the annual chicken Bar-B-Q

Calendar of Coming Knights of Columbus Events:

- The date for the April Meeting was changed to April 9, 2015

Good of the Order:

- Prayers requested for the return to good health for:
- Mike Metzgar's father, Henry, Bob Hazensstab, Sr., Jim Zimmermans's daughter, Darryl Sommers, Lee Zimmerman's Aunt, David DePastina's Mother, Pray for all Brother Knights
- The Council sang the closing ode and the meeting was adjourned at 8:58 pm by GK Tim Surkovich.



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