

Council Officers

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October 2010

From the Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

Well my brother knights, fall is here, as well as, football season and everyone will be busy going to watch games, but let us forget our religious duties. Advent is just around the corner, and having said that, I would like to see if anyone would be interested in having a Children's Christmas party, just like we used to a few years ago. This would be for member's children and grandchildren. I have set aside the date of December 5th. If I don't get enough response by phone at 695-6844 or by letting me know at the October meeting, I will assume there is not enough interest. Also, I would like to thank everyone that attended our ladies night on September 11th, and to thank all the workers that made this a great success, especially Earl Eger and Lou Endress and his helpers. I would also like to thank the Horseshoe Curve Barbershop Quartet for the entertainment. I am looking forward to having another one in the spring. We had 65 attendees and all had a great time. Hope to see everyone at the next meeting.

Fraternally Yours,

Gary

Chaplain's Message

“Respecting Life and Praying the Rosary”

Brother Knights:

As we all realize by now, October is a month of focus; students focus on another year of school, governments focus on budgets and elections, society focuses on the upcoming holidays, and many athletic teams in various sports focus on successful seasons. During this month the Church finds herself focusing as well. This focus is on two basic facets of our faith as we live it in our day and age: respect for life and the Rosary.

Some years ago the National Conference of Catholic Bishops (NCCB) designated October as a month of heightened awareness of the things that threaten the reverence and the sanctity of human life such as abortion, euthanasia, assisted suicides, stem cell research, etc. In doing so the Bishops exhort all of us a members of the Church and disciples of Christ to stand and speak for Christ against these tragic offences that de-grade and cheapen God's most precious gift. The ways in which we can and should be actively involved in pro-life activities and education are varied and numerous. We should be open to all the possibilities of doing so that the Holy Spirit shows us.

Among the ways in which we respond to the call to promote a respect for life, prayer must be first and foremost; and the most effective prayer to defeat such tragic sins is the daily praying of the Rosary to end

abortion and other sins against human life. This too is part of our focus during the month of October. October 7th is the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Since the Rosary has been revealed to us by the Blessed Mother it has proven time and again to be a most effective weapon against the most horrific of sins, such as those against human life.

However the Holy Spirit moves us to stand and speak for Christ by promoting a respect for human life, we are greatly advantaged by a devotion to the Rosary. Praying the Rosary for God's help through Mary's intercession in this regard is something all of us must include in our pro-life activities as Catholics in general and as Knights in particular. It is Mary who is the model of respect for life, it is Mary who intercedes for us as we seek her help, it is Mary who crushes the head of the serpent, and it is Mary who can lead us back to a culture of life. If we go to her she will most certainly come to us with a fervent desire to help.

As Knights of Columbus, may we be on the front line of promoting a respect for life and may we arm ourselves with a most powerful weapon against sin: the Holy Rosary. In doing so, may we continue to find ourselves guided on our journey as Knights by our Mother and Patroness: Mary, Star of the Sea.

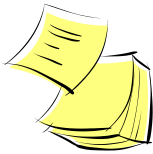
Sincerely Yours in Christ,
Your Council Chaplain

Father Anthony J. Legarski



Happy Birthday

Joseph A. Ball	10/14
Rev. Mark S. Begly	10/25
Clark A. Buskey, Jr.	10/20
Daniel J. Casey	10/15
William H. Dively	10/26
Steve Drochek III	10/19
GK Gary E. Ellis	10/17
Bruno J. Felus	10/24
Donald L. Filby	10/1
Robert E. Hazenstab	10/22
Robert V. Hazenstab	10/23
Stephen H. Hess	10/31
Joseph C. Horgas	10/31
Thomas S. Jandora II	10/28
Michael M. Johnston	10/24
John A. Joseph	10/5
Louis F. Kelly	10/27
Robert E. Korhan	10/30
Joseph F. Lechman, Esq.	10/22
Dennis P. McGeehan	10/21
Michael Metzgar	10/12
Stephen A. Michelone, Jr.	10/15
John V. Moore III	10/15
Mark W. Nelson	10/6
James R. Settlemyer	10/26
James L. Shoemaker	10/17



September Council Meeting Notes

An audit was conducted by the trustees and found no discrepancies. We are good until the next audit.

Football fundraiser tickets are now available for sale at a cost of \$10 each. The game starts October 31st. If interested in purchasing some see Lou Endress.

Tom Sault reported that the fourth degree exemption had over 100 candidates signed up.

Council made a \$200 donation to the Veteran's Hospital Gift Christmas Fund. This allows veterans that are in the hospital and unable to buy their families a gift a way t purchase them while in the hospital at a special holiday gift shop.

Please Consider Helping Us:

Our first degree team is in need of help. So that we can offer the exemption of the first degree in a more timely manner we need members to help with the team. Please consider being a part of the team. If interested contact Dan Turcovsky.

We now have a new field agent to help us with our insurance needs. If interested in his services here is his contact information:

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724-894-2230



Council Calendar

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

The next meetings are:
Thursday, October 7 7:00pm
Thursday, November 4 7:00pm

Degree News

First Degree
Altoona, September 19 12:15

Second Degree
Altoona, September 19 2:00

Third Degree
Altoona, October 17 1:15

- If interested in any of the 1st 2nd or 3rd Degree's See Lou Endress. Council will pick up the cost of the Degree.

Congratulations New First Degree Members

Charles W. Creek
William T. Creek

Congratulations New Fourth Degree Members

William Brill
Philip M. Claar
Lucas A. Harella
Ronald J. Harella
Dennis P. McGeehan
Gary L. Selwitz
Timothy J. Surkovich
Lee. R. Zimmerman

A Note from Brother Mike Metzgar

Brother Knights:

Our Star of the Sea Council is a group of approximately 250 Catholic men. At present the active membership consists of 35-45 men on a regular basis for meetings, fund raisers and other events. In an attempt to keep the membership better informed of Council events we are preparing an electronic mailing list. Please send your current email address to: mikemetzgar@atlanticbb.net. If you do not have an email address please be sure that your phone number is current and on file with the Council.

Fraternally Yours,

Michael Metzgar
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Thoughts and Prayers

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers all brother knight's and their families that are sick, in need or in distress, especially Jim McTigue, Ron Hileman and Barry Lindsay.