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October 2021 Edition

STAR NEWS

Council meetings are held on the **FIRST THURSDAY** of the month
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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL 4245
HOLLIDAYSBURG, PA**

Ladies night

Saturday October 23, 2021

Cocktail Hour H'ordeuvres: 6-7 PM

Dinner 7 PM

**Choice of Chicken Florentine or Bistro Filet, Oven Roasted Potatoes,
Green Beans, Rolls and Butter, Tossed Salad with Creamy Vinaigrette,
Dessert, Drinks**

\$25 per person

***Payable by October 16th. Please also indicate entrée choice.**

**Entertainment Provided By:
Jimmy Stewart Impersonator
Christopher Collins**



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October 2021 Grand Knights Message

Brother Knights,

As we are now starting the autumn season, I'm glad to see the cooler weather coming. To me, with all the trees changing colors, it's a beautiful time of year.

October 3rd we will be having our 3rd annual BBQ to benefit the parishes in our council. We will need volunteers to help flip and spray the chicken, dip beans, traffic control, collect tickets, load and distribute the meals. Starting time will be 6:00 AM.

I now have tickets for the 5th gun drawing. It is a Savage Axis XP 7 MM-08 Mossy Oak Camo, with a Weaver 3-9X40 scope. Just a few tickets remain. If you need tickets I can be reached at 814-232-6557.

Don't forget about Ladies' Night Saturday, October 23rd.

H'ordeuvres will be from 6:00 to 7:00. Dinner will be served at 7:00. Entertainment by Jimmy Stewart impersonator, Christopher Collins.

Fun fact:

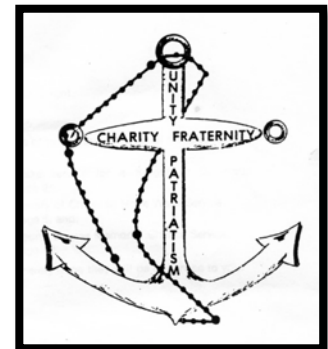
Columbus Day is on Monday, October 11th. In the United States, the first Columbus Day celebration took place in 1792, when New York's Columbian Order better known as "Tammany Hall" held an event to commemorate the historic landing's 300th anniversary. Taking pride in Columbus' birthplace and faith, Italian and Catholic communities in various parts of the country began organizing annual religious ceremonies and parades in his honor.

Fraternally yours,

Ray



**Worthy Grand Knight
SK Raymond J Gregorchik**



September 2021 Council Meeting Minutes

Reading of Minutes from the previous meeting:

The September 2, 2021 meeting minutes were distributed by email and posted on our website. Jerry Kovach presented a motion to accept the minutes as posted; Dan Casey presented the second; motion passed.

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



Tickets are on sale for the next gun raffle (Savage Axis XP 7mm)

Treasurer's Report – Information presented by Dan Weaver:



- Beginning Balance as of August 1, 2021: \$9,369.62
- Deposits: \$1,118
- Disbursements: \$2,556.70
- New Balance as of August 31, 2021: \$7,930.92

Reading of Bills and Communications:

Request to support the Brian Morden Foundation (childhood cancer research). Dan Casey presented a motion to donate \$100; Dan Moringello provided the second; motion passed.

Presentation of awards and certificates - presented by GK Ray Gregorchik:
Certificate was presented to Greg Figurelli

Membership Director – Information presented by Tim Surkovich:

Our current membership roster stands at 200 members. YTD we have added 3 new members and we need 6 additional members to meet the requirements for the Star Council award.

Program Director – Information presented by Tim Surkovich:

Ham and Cheese orders are due September 13th; Assembly on September 16th; benefits the Home Association. The Hand-in-Hand Steak Dinner will be held on September 21st at a cost of \$10/pp at 5:00 PM; please sign up.

The chicken BBQ, which will benefit our local parishes will be held on October 3, 2021.

October 23, 2021 is ladies night. Arrive at 6:00-7:00PM social hour and dinner will be served at 7:00PM. Cost is \$25/pp and is payable by October 16, 2021. Chicken Florentine or Bistro Filet; salad, rolls, dessert. Entertainment to follow by Chris Collins (Jimmy Stewart impersonator – It's a Wonderful Life)

Standing Committee Reports: Fund Raising Committee: Chairman position is vacant – please volunteer:

Copies of the minutes from the August 30, 2021 meeting were available.

The committee will begin to use social media to aid in future fund raising.

March 12, 2022 is the tentative date for the next cash bash event, including the Big One (50-50 drawing)

Fund raising meetings are held on the Monday, immediately preceding the monthly Council meeting, at 6:30 PM – all are welcome and encouraged to attend, we need new ideas.

Tentative plans for a Chicken BBQ on April 3, 2022, to benefit St. Jude's
Tentative plans to hold our 1st Chicken BBQ in memorial of our departed brothers

New Business:

Tim Surkovich reported that 8 members have passed away from the Bishop Garvey Assembly and their names have been engraved onto a chalice and the new chalice will be presented to the parish at St.

Michaels on September 5, 2021 at the 7:30 AM Mass. 5 of the 8 knights were members of the 4245 council. This chalice will now be available for use in the future Eucharistic celebrations at St. Michaels.

The Bellwood Council will be holding a KofC golf tournament at Scotch Valley on October 2, 2021. Ray Hipp presented a motion to donate \$100 and sponsor a hole for this event; Gary Nocek presented the second; motion passed.

The Birth of Mary Celebration (40th anniversary) will be held on September 8, 2021 at St. Catherine's. Victor Ballash presented a motion to donate \$100; John Longenecker provided the second; motion passed.

Ed Dunning requested volunteer help to seal the basement at the new Habit for Humanity home in Martinsburg; the home is

nearing completion and volunteers are needed for 1 evening within the next 1-2 weeks; sign up at the table.

Report of the 4th Degree - presented by Dave Karl on behalf of Lee Zimmerman:



Meetings will resume on September 23, 2021 at 7:00 PM ... we need 4th Degree members to attend these meeting.

Field Insurance Agent Report – presented by Mike McAndrew:



We have 12 agents in our region and this area outperforms many others. Many people are not properly insured and you should take advantage of the free services offered – schedule an appointment at your convenience.



Please Pray For:

- Fr. Grimme
- Ed Garlena
- Jim Zimmerman offered his thanks and appreciation for all of the prayers and support during his recent event.



In memory of all our Brother Knights who passed away in our councils history.



2021 Hospitality Meal Volunteer List

October—Gary Nocek
November—Matt Becker
December—Brian Drum

* Volunteers Needed



Happy Birthday *October Birthdays*

Don Filby	10/1
Dr John Joseph	10/5
Mark Nelson	10/6
Mike Metzgar	10/12
Gary Nocek	10/13
Dan Casey	10/15
John Moore III	10/15
Frank Shoaf	10/16
Gary Ellis	10/17
CJ Buskey	10/20
Dennis McGeehan	10/21
Bob E Hazenstab	10/22
Joe Lechman	10/22
Bob V Hazenstab	10/23
Bruno Felus	10/24
Michael Johnston	10/24
Louis Kelly	10/27
Steve Hess	10/31



We continue to pray the rosary at 6:30pm, prior to each meeting. However, we have started a new tradition of offering up an intention for each decade. If you would like to provide the name of someone that you would like us to pray for, please notify us prior to the meeting. Intentions for the August rosary were as follows: Fire victims in the west; Flood/hurricane victims; Military members in Afghanistan; Council members; Jim Zimmerman's recovery.



Upcoming Events:

For the latest information visit our website:

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



Hand in Hand Steak Dinner
September 21st
5 PM
\$10



**Help Us Help You
Parish BBQ**
Sunday October 3rd
10 AM to 1 PM

Annual Mass with the Bishop

St. Michael the Archangel Basilica in Loretto
October 17th
2 PM
Dinner cost is \$15/PP; children under 12 is \$7.50/pp.



Saturday October 23rd
6 PM
\$25 per person

**October 31st
Gun Raffle**
Savage Axis XP 7mm



**November
Ham & Cheese Sale**
Benefits St. Jude's Hospital

**Chicken BBQ for SVDP Needs
Department**
Sunday December 12
10 AM to 1 PM



Council Calendar

Council meetings are held on the **First Thursday** of the month at 7:00 pm. **Next Meeting: 10/7/21**
Hospitality Provided by:
Gary Nocek

9/21/21 Hand-in-Hand Steak Dinner 5PM

9/23/21 4th Degree Meeting 7 PM

10/3/21 Parish BBQ 10AM-1PM

10/4/21 Fundraising Committee Meeting 6:30 PM

10/7/21 Home Association Meeting 5:45 PM

10/7/21 Praying of the Rosary 6:30 PM

10/7/21 Council Meeting 7 PM
Hospitality Provided By:
Gary Nocek

10/17/21 Annual Mass and dinner with the Bishop St Michaels Loretto 2 PM

10/23/21 Ladies Night 6PM

10/28/21 4th Degree Meeting 7 PM

11/1/21 Fundraising Committee Meeting 6:30 PM

11/4/21 Home Association Meeting 5:45 PM

11/4/21 Praying of the Rosary 6:30 PM

11/4/21 Council Meeting 7 PM
Hospitality Provided By:
Matt Becker



Some events are the harbinger of the change in seasons: swallows returning to Capistrano, opening day for major league baseball, kids getting out of school for summer vacation (and then school shopping in August!), football season in the fall with Halloween and Thanksgiving and finally ending the year with a Christmas celebration.

One harbinger of September that has been like clockwork over the past number of years is our Knights of Columbus Fraternal Survey. It's my chance to stay in touch with you, see what's changed in your life and let you know I am here to be of service. Just like last year the survey can be completed online; simple, fast and confidential.

I'm sure that as you look through the survey you might find a block to check; a subject you'd like some information on. Maybe you've been thinking about your life insurance and other benefits at work...are they adequate? Do I get to keep my group life insurance when I move to another job? Maybe you're thinking about a relative that's had a long term care event and all the agony and worry that entails. Maybe it's time to get serious about retirement.

Perhaps you have some products and you need service—a change of beneficiary or owner...or maybe you've moved and we need to update your contact information.

Any of these can be addressed if you complete the survey.



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In my travels around the area I often run into people who know the Knights of Columbus from our good works in the parish or community, our disaster response, support for Special Olympics and our prolife efforts. But very few of them know that we are a life insurance company...and we make no bones about that. After all Fr. McGivney saw that protecting our families was one of the two key reasons he brought those New Haven men together in the basement of St. Mary's in 1882.

“No doubt Father McGivney was motivated by the wish to keep young Catholics from entering the ranks of condemned secret societies and by the need to protect families during sickness and death.” (*Faith and Fraternalism, The History of the Knights of Columbus 1882-1982*; Christopher J. Kauffman, pg.17)

Unite men of faith and protect our families. Our Order has been faithful to that mission for 139 years. With the beatification of Blessed Michael McGivney I feel a renewed zeal to invite men to join the Order to reap those benefits of Unity, Charity and Fraternity. I am just as zealous to help protect Catholic families. Tempus fugit, memento mori!

Vivat Jesus!

Michael

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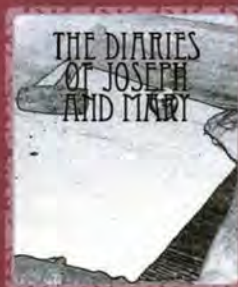
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