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Make Sure To Check Out The Calendar And Our Website!

Council Events Are Up And Running!

- Sharon & Leo's Weekly Luncheons
- Sept 14th : Cigar Night on the Patio
- Sept & Oct Council Social: Bring a dish to pass! \$1.00 to play euchre, and 50/50 raffle.
- Nov 13: K of C Craft Show
- December: Goodfellows Christmas Food Program!



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From Our Grand Knight

Greetings Worthy Brother & Lady Knights of Council #1266!

First, let me start off by saying, thank you for electing me as your next Grand Knight (65th) for this Columbian year. This is truly a responsibility and honor that I will not take lightly. I will be committed to the Good of the Order along with the well-being of the council and all of our members. Next, let me say thank you to PGK Joseph D. Vitale for all the training he gave me during transition. Thank you also to Deacon Tracy Esper for stepping up as Deputy Grand Knight. Financial Secretary Shawn Piedmonte also deserves my thanks for all the support he has given me. More thanks goes out to all the other officers that have agreed to fill positions in the council. I appreciate everyone's words of encouragement, as I have met many people in the council and lounge.

A little bit about myself: I work midnight shift at the Ford Plant in Flat Rock, home of the Mustang. I have worked for Ford Motor Company for 27 years; 10 years at Milan Plastics and 17 in Flat Rock. I joined the Knights of Columbus in April of 2018. I am a member of St. John the Baptist. I have been married to my wife, Lady Betsy, for 32 years. We have been blessed with one son, a daughter-in-law, and two beautiful grandchildren. They live in Louisville, KY.

When I took office in July of 2021, the council was just told of the biggest award that this council has ever received: THE INTERNATIONAL FAITH IN ACTION AWARD. This was for the Men's Prayer Breakfast, Regular Joes, that was established by Elliot Alfredson and Deacon Mike Stewart. The Worthy State Deputy Walter Winkle presented us with this great honor. We had photographers and a video crew here from the Columbia magazine, along with other dignitaries from around the state. It was an exciting time.

I'm sure there will be challenges for us in the future, but with God's grace and your help, nothing will be impossible for us to accomplish. Our success relies on each of us to work and support each other. Remember, brother knights, we together are the success of #1266!

Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us!

Vivat Jesus,
Julian Rios

65th Grand Knight



"Columbus Day" Tootsie Roll Sale

In 2019, our council expanded our Tootsie Roll Sale to include the fall sale on the closest weekend to Columbus Day. Columbus Day 2021 is Monday, October the 11th, so prepare for the sale on the 9th & 10th. This sale is only to be held after Masses at each of our Parishes. There is no street sale.

In 2020, our council voted that the proceeds of this Columbus Day sale will be donated to the SMCC "St. Andre Bessette Open Door Inclusion Program." SMCC started this program in August of 2018, becoming the first program of its kind in any Catholic high school in Michigan. This program is designed to assist high school aged students with learning disabilities. The inclusion program was founded on the premise of providing access to a Catholic education to all types of students. The goal is to identify their academic strengths, and to improve their weaknesses. Special emphasis is placed on these students' life skills and education to help the students prepare for a successful in life after high school. The students take most of their courses in traditional, mainstream classrooms, but receive modified curriculum on lessons they need special help with. These students will graduate from SMCC with a "Certificate of Completion," since they completed modified coursework. While this accomplishment isn't the same as a traditional high school diploma, it still makes them eligible for post-secondary inclusion-based programs.

Please, if you are able, assist in the Tootsie Sales at our Parishes. OR, if you can't sell Tootsies, buy some so that others see you and join in on donating to this great program!



From The Goodfellows

Fellow Goodfellows,

This summer has brought about some major changes in our Goodfellows Christmas Food program! There are still more changes to come before Christmas 2021.

First, over the past 4 years, we have seen the amount of families we delivered food to decrease by approximately 50%. To increase our help to those in need, we met with MCOP and the Chairperson of the Monroe Housing and Luna Pier Housing Commission. Our goal was to see what has caused the decline and to possibly find a direct line to those in need. These meetings have greatly increased our presence—now these agencies know our capabilities and are communicating directly with us. In 2021, we should be delivering food to over 300 families! We will be delivering food to Veterans that the MCOP is assisting, and will also be handling the senior center of the River Raisin Plaza for the MHC. We will continue to serve the families sent to us by the Salvation Army, including the MHC Greenwood Apartments and the LPH apartments.

We will be changing the foods that we supply based on input received from the different agencies, as they would like all foods items to have a longer shelf life. A committee is working on a new food list, and this will be the major focus of our next meeting. As we all know, the Good Lord works to help those who help others. The MCOP has offered to assist us with purchasing foods from grocery stores that they deal with!

So, please let this be an advance notice: we will definitely need more delivery personnel.

Goodfellows President
PGK Jay Jondro Sr.



From The Building Association



Brother Knights,

The good news is all of our bills are paid and up to date. We also have some savings and two bonds for back-up, in case something were to go haywire.

Our rentals are picking up, so pray this stinking Coronavirus doesn't explode and cause us to cancel scheduled events.

I hope all is well with you and your family. Enjoy what is left of the summer. I hope to see you soon.

Don't forget - The Lounge is open seven days a week, and we have the coldest and cheapest prices in town.

Until next time:

Vivat Jesus
Building Association President
PGK Frank "Fox" Handler



Men's Prayer Breakfast Monroe

The "Regular Joes" are Catholic men inviting men to a comfortable environment for learning, living, strengthening, and "Sharing of our Faith." Meetings are every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month. Meetings are 5:45 AM to 7 AM. Join us in this great program!



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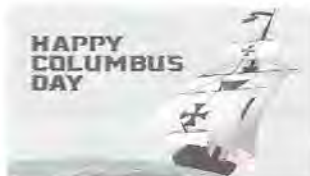
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Council #1266 Calendar



SEPTEMBER

1 Blood Drive in Hall #1	Noon
1 Officers Meeting	7:00 PM
2 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Mtng	5:45 AM
2 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	11:30 AM
6 Labor Day Holiday	All Day
7 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
8 Council Meeting	7:00 PM
8 Building Association Mtng.	8:00 PM
9 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	11:30 AM
14 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
14 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Cigar Night on Patio	TBT
15 4 th Degree Business Meeting	7:00 PM
16 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Mtng.	5:45 AM
16 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	11:30 AM
21 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
23 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	11:30 AM
28 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
30 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	11:30 AM



OCTOBER

5 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
6 Council Officer Meeting	7:00 PM
7 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Mtng.	5:45 AM
7 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	11:30 AM
11 Columbus Day	All Day
12 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
13 Council Meeting	7:00 PM
13 Building Association Meeting	8:00 PM
14 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	11:30 AM
19 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
20 4 th Degree Business Meeting	7:00 PM
21 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Mtng.	5:45 AM
21 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	11:30 AM
22 First Day of Autumn	
26 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
27 Council Social in the Lounge Bring A Dish To Pass	6:00 PM
28 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	11:30 AM



NOVEMBER

2 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
3 Council Officer Meeting	7:00 PM
4 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Mtng.	5:45 AM
4 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	11:30 AM
9 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
10 Blood Drive in Hall #1	1:00 PM
10 Council Business Meeting	7:00 PM
10 Building Association Mtng.	8:00 PM
11 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	11:30 AM
13 K of C Craft Show	9:00 AM
16 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
17 4 th Degree Business Meeting	7:00 PM
18 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Mtng.	5:45 AM
23 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
24 No Council Social This Month	
25 Thanksgiving	All Day
28 First Sunday of Advent	All Day
30 Council Bingo	5:45 PM



DECEMBER

1 Council Officer Meeting	7:00 PM
2 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Mtng.	5:45 AM
2 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	11:30 AM
4 Goodfellows Paper Sale Meet In Lounge For Kickoff	8:00 AM
7 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
8 Council Business Meeting	7:00 PM
8 Building Association Mtng.	8:00 PM
9 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	11:30 AM
11 Council PGK & Clergy Mass and Appreciation Dinner	6:00 PM
14 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
15 4 th Degree Business Meeting	7:00 PM
16 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	11:30 AM
21 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
23 Goodfellows Pack Boxes in Hall #2	6:00 PM
24 Goodfellows Deliver Boxes	8:00 AM
25 Christmas Day	All Day
28 No Council Bingo	
30 No Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	
31 New Years Eve	All Day