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Upcoming Council Events



On June 14th before our council meeting we will be having a social to honor our Chaplain, Fr. Louis Lapeyre. Please stop down and show your appreciation to Father for all that he has done for our council. The social will start at 6pm and we will have a light snack for everyone.

We are currently have a "Chainsaw" carving of a raccoon to be raffled off on July 7, 2017. Each ticket will be \$5 and the proceeds will benefit K of C Charities. Keep checking the website www.kofcmonroe1266.com for more upcoming events.

Stop by for lunch, we have volunteers working every weekday trying to make our lounge a favorite lunch spot for members and their guest. When bringing a guest, make sure they sign the guest book so we are in compliance with the State liquor Commission.



The Knights play 9 holes of golf each Wednesday morning around 9:00 AM during the summer at one of the local golf courses. Place and time will be posted on the bar Wednesday afternoon the week before. 9 holes with cart at senior rate



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Greetings Brother Knights,

From Our Grand Knight

I hope this finds everyone in good health and sprits.

Some of you may be wondering why you are receiving this publication of the Courier earlier than normal. We have decided to start sending out the quarterly Courier in the months of September, December, March and June. The reason for the change is so that we can get information about important council events to you closer to the event date. These new dates will fall more inline with our council elections, MI-Drive, Food for Families collection and distribution, the Clergy and PGK Christmas party and many more events that take place through out the year. In the past, it seemed like we were always sending out the courier with the information months prior to the event. We hope this will eliminate that problem.

Thanks to the 50/50 we held during the Lenten fish fry's, we collected nearly \$900 for the cause. On May 12th we had distributed 90 "Casey the Teddy Bears" to the Monroe Fire Department and also Monroe Police Department. Both agencies were extremely excited to receive the bears and to start reviving their distribution to children in emergency situations. Also on May 13th a few of our brother Knights assisted in building wheelchair ramp for the parents of a brother Knight from the Saranac Council 11113. Mr. & Mrs. Hughs could not have been more appreciative of our help.

At the end of this month, we will be losing our Chaplain. Father Louis Lapeyre has been reassigned to be the new Associate Pastor for Our Lady Queen of Creation Parish in New Baltimore, Michigan. I can not express enough the thanks and appreciation to Fr. Louis for his three years of service to our council. Father Louis has been a major reason for our councils growth the last few years. His continuous support and spiritual words for our order has brought a new found interest to those who had been thinking about joining the Knights of Columbus. Please join us in thanking Fr. Louis, at a social on June 14, 2017 at 6pm prior to our council meeting. I hope everyone will consider joining us for this special occasion.

DGK Mark Sobol and I attended this years State Convention on Mackinac Island. There was a lot of information presented to help all councils prosper in the upcoming fraternal year. This years main focus was on "Building the Domestic Church and Strengthening our Parishes". I feel that we have succeeded in fulfilling the requirements set by the Supreme council but we need to continue with the programs to help all of our parishes. Look for information on future programs in upcoming publications.

Our State Council was considering us to host the annual Detroit Diocesan meeting on July 12th but they decided to hold it in Dearborn instead. At least they are starting to consider us for major events. With that being said, the meeting will still be on July 12, 2017 which is a regular business meeting for us. Since the GK & DGK are expected to attend, **I am going to reschedule the July meeting for Thursday July 13, 2017.** Please make note of the change.

Respectfully,
Shawn Piedmonte
Grand Knight



City Jazz Fest

Don't Forget to check out the Councils website for council activities during the City's Jazzfest the weekend of the 12th & 13 of Aug.

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**Knights were among
the tens of thousands
attending the
2017 March for Life.**



Monroe Council #1266 Knights of Columbus Goodfellows

Brother Knights,

Although the Goodfellow Committee is not in full bore Tootsie Roll or Paper Sale mode the committee has not been resting. In fact the board has been busy. Here's just a couple of items we been doing:

- Your kind donation that was sent in during the Christmas Drive are currently providing a \$100.00 per -month gift to each and every parish that is connected to our council. Simply put your donation is now supporting food for the needy year round
- The Goodfellows donated all monies to print an Altar Server appreciation certificate. This was requested by our local Pastors at a meeting. This is the first time to anyone's knowledge that this has ever been done.
- The Goodfellows have assisted our Council in programs throughout this past year. Examples are the Coats for Kids, Desert Meal for our future Priest.

Bottom Line, PLEASE remember how much your gift has helped us to help those in need year around! The main principle in the Knights of Columbus is Charity and YOU have made that happen for our Council!

- Finally the Goodfellows Board of Directors has been busy updating our By-Laws. Our rules of operation have not been updated in many, many years. A complete set of our bylaws were given to those attending our meeting and they were reviewed, discussed and suggested updates were agreed upon. At our next meeting in June a second reading of the by-law alterations will voted on by the board of Board of Directors

Jay Jondro Sr. PGK
Goodfellow President



Monroe Council Building Association

Dear Brother Knights, I pray all of you and your families are well.

Good news all the bills are current and income is steady thanks to all our hard working men and women. We have hall rentals nearly every weekend through the rest of the year. Thanks to Sharon and Leo for all the hard work. They continue to make improvements throughout the building. Check out the new chandeliers in Hall 1 entrance.

Everything is good with the building but we had a roof leak at the entrance and it was quickly repaired. We are getting a quote to reroof the second floor. That area was not addressed when we did the main roof. Also the parking lot will be sealed and restriped soon.

Please consider joining us in the lounge sometime as there is always some activity for everyone. We need volunteers to raise funds and get more members involved.

Next I want to thank the following:
Sharon and Leo and all who help the Thursday soup and sandwich. Kevin and all the Tuesday KC bingo workers. Greg for the rib dinner. Wayne and Renee for the taco's.

All of our bartenders and Steve and Fox. I hope I didn't miss anyone

We are posting a "To Do List" in the lounge. The goal is for YOU to select a project and coordinate the work with Steve, Fox or me.

Finally please consider the KC Building Association when planning your will.

Building Association President
Dave Vanacker



Fourth Degree Raisin River Assembly 0488

We have some updates from our District 1 meeting on from May 6; 2017. There was a plea for all Assemblies to consider supporting the Knights of Columbus Military Chaplain scholarship program, I am happy to report that our Assembly did approve a donation to this worthwhile program. The next Provincial meeting will be September 8-10, 2017 at Sawmill Creek, Sandusky, Ohio.

We are also involved in sponsoring a local Religious Novice, Sister Audra Tumbull, who is with the IHM sisters in Monroe, she has sent a nice note to our Assembly, thanking us for this year's donation, and asking us to keep her in our prayers, for those wishing to send cards or correspondence, please contact me for information.

A reminder for all Sir Knights, and any Third Degree Knight wanting to be part of the Patriotic Degree Color Corps, our Assembly can help you get some of the regalia needed, some we have on hand, in some cases we may be able to assist with the purchase, additional Color Corps members are needed!, please consider stepping up to this vital position, more hands make for lighter work. Take care and God Bless you, Respectfully yours,

William Alati,
Faithful Navigator

Council #1266 Calendar



July 2017

4 Independence Day 4 TH of July	ALL DAY
No Council Bingo - Holiday	
5 No Ladies Meeting	No Meeting
6 Sharon's Soup & Sandwich.....	11:30 AM
11 Council Bingo.....	5:45 PM
12 Council Business Meeting (new officers)	7:00 PM
Building Association Meeting.....	8:00 PM
State Diocesan Meeting.....	TBD
13 Sharon's Soup & Sandwich.....	11:30 AM
14 Toledo Mud Hens Ball Game.....	7:00 PM
15 Corporate Communion at St. Michael.....	5:00 PM
18 Council Bingo.....	5:45 PM
19 4 th Degree Meeting (new officers).....	7:00 PM
20 Sharon's Soup & Sandwich.....	11:30 AM
25 Council Bingo.....	5:45 PM
Clydesdales and Dalmation arrive in town, Thanks FCB!	
26 Council Social in the Lounge	6:00 PM
27 Sharon's Soup & Sandwich.....	11:30 AM
30 Monroe County Fair Parade	1:00 PM



August 2017

1 Council Bingo.....	5:45 PM
2 Ladies meeting.....	7:00 PM
3 Sharon's Soup & Sandwich.....	11:30 AM
8 Council Bingo.....	5:45 PM
9 Council Business Meeting.....	7:00 PM
Building Association Business Meeting.....	8:00 PM
10 Sharon's Soup & Sandwich.....	11:30 AM
12 City Jazz Festival in St. Mary's Park	Noon
13 City Jazz Festival in St. Mary's Park	Noon
No Sunday Bingo	
15 Council Bingo.....	5:45 PM
16 4 th Degree Business Meeting.....	7:00 PM
17 Sharon's Soup & Sandwich.....	11:30 AM
22 Council Bingo.....	5:45 PM
23 Council Blood Drive – Hall #1.....	1:00 PM
Council Social in the Lounge	6:00 PM
24 Sharon's Soup & Sandwich.....	11:30 AM
29 Council Bingo.....	5:45 PM
31 Sharon's Soup & Sandwich.....	11:30 AM



AFFORDABLE CATERING & ELEGANT DECORATING

4 Labor Day – Fly the Flag Day	All Day
5 Council Bingo.....	5:45 PM
6 Ladies Meeting	7:00 PM
7 Sharon's Soup & sandwich.....	11:30 AM
9 Terry Price HOB0 dinner.....	4:00 PM
12 Council Bingo.....	5:45 PM
13 Council Business Meeting.....	7:00 PM
Building Association Business Meeting.....	8:00 PM
14 Sharon's Soup & Sandwich.....	11:30 AM
16 4 th Degree Fall Exemplification.....	9:00 AM
19 Council Bingo.....	5:45 PM
20 4 th Degree Business Meeting	7:00 PM
21 Sharon's Soup & Sandwich.....	11:30 AM
22 Autumn Begins	TBD
23 Mike's Minutes Benefit H alls #1 & #2.....	3 to 11 PM
26 Council Bingo.....	5:45 PM
27 Council Social in the Lounge	6:00 PM



October 2017

3 Council Bingo.....	5:45 PM
4 Ladies Meeting	6:00 PM
5 Sharon's Soup & Sandwich.....	11:30 AM
7 Tootsie Roll Sale: meet in the lounge.....	8:00 AM
8 Tootsie Roll Sale at all the Catholic Churches, all Masses	
9 Christopher Columbus Day	All Day
10 Council Bingo.....	5:45 PM
11 Council Business Meeting.....	7:00 PM
Building Association Meeting.....	8:00 PM
12 Sharon's Soup & Sandwich.....	11:30 AM
17 Council Bingo.....	5:45 PM
18 4 th Degree Business Meeting	7:00 PM
19 Sharon's Soup & Sandwich.....	11:30 AM
24 Council Bingo.....	5:45 PM
25 Council Social in the Lounge	6:00 PM
26 Sharon Soup & Sandwich.....	11:30 AM
Right to Life Dinner at LaRoy's Hall.....	6:00 PM
31 Council Bingo.....	5:45 PM
Halloween Night Trick or Treat.....	6:00 PM



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