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## DESERT MEAL



Our Council will be hosting a "Desert Meal". This is a dinner to assist Sacred Heart Major Seminary first year Graduate students.

Back in November at a Council, Goodfellow meeting with our local parish Pastors, Priests, and Deacons a request was made to see if our Council would be willing to host a Desert Meal. This fundraising dinner will help defer some of the cost for the Seminarians to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. This is a time for the future Priests to walk the path of our Lord Jesus and pray for their continuation with the Priesthood.

The dinner is scheduled for Saturday February 4<sup>th</sup>. The Council will require the help of our fellow Brother's to make this event a success! You could help by being a Greeter, Checking In Guest, Raffle Sellers for the 50/50 and 60/40 raffle, Raffle table assistance, and more. There will be sign-up sheet in the hall. If you are unable to make it to the lounge then send an email to [kofcmonroe@att.net](mailto:kofcmonroe@att.net) or call.

The January meeting will be the last before the dinner so please attend the meeting and let us know how you can help make this a successful dinner for both the Seminarians and our Council. Check our website for more information. ([www.kofcmonroe1266.com](http://www.kofcmonroe1266.com))

**Desert Meal Chairman, DGK Mark Sobol**



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## From Our Grand Knight

### Happy New Year to All!



I hope that everyone had a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year. Where do I start? I would first like to thank everyone for a great end to 2016! Our annual Clergy and Past Grand Knight Christmas party was a great success, thanks to Affordable Catering and Decorating. We had our District Deputy, 7 PGK's, 6 Priests, 14 Sisters from the IHM and 1 Seminarian attend as our special guests. It was great to see everyone come together for a wonderful evening of celebrating and great conversation. We recognized all of the priests and the seminarian with a certificate of appreciation for their service. We also honored the Knight of the Year, Orville Hammer for his year of hard work and dedication to our council. The Family of the Year honor was presented to the Dennis and Mary Pat Miller family for their past and continued support to council 1266 and the catholic community. Thank you to Father Louis Lapeyre

for saying mass and all his spiritual guidance through out the year as our council chaplain.

We had 6 new members initiated onto our council in 2016 and unfortunately we lost 11 great men. A memorial to our departed brothers was observed at our Christmas mass. Please keep all of their families in your prayers. A list of all of our departed brothers can be found on our website [www.kofcmonroe1266.com](http://www.kofcmonroe1266.com)

I would like to thank everyone that helped with the packing and delivery of our Goodfellow food boxes. Thank you to all of the Goodfellow officers for all of their hard work organizing this great cause. Also, thank you to all of the members who made monetary donations, we couldn't have provided everything we did without your generosity. Please see the Goodfellows article for more details.

We do have a few things coming up that you may want to put on your calendar. On January 15<sup>th</sup> we have a corporate communion at St. John's 10 am mass with a social to follow at our council, please plan on celebrating mass with us. People are starting to talk about the Knights of Columbus again so what better way to show them what we are about. Also on February 4<sup>th</sup> we have a Desert Meal planned to help raise money for the seminarians. All the money raised will go towards their pilgrimage. Lets come together as a council and community to show our support for these young men as they walk the same path Jesus did. We also have a corporate communion at St. Charles on April 2<sup>nd</sup> 10:30 mass with a social afterwards in their social hall. Please mark these dates on your calendar; we would love to have a big showing at all these events.

On March 18<sup>th</sup> there is a Major Degree Ceremony scheduled at St. Anthony's in Temperance. Any 1<sup>st</sup> degree members that would like to go and get initiated into the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degree please let me know at [gk1266@mikofc.org](mailto:gk1266@mikofc.org) so we can make the arrangements. If you know of any potentially new candidates please have them fill out the form 100 application ASAP so we can have the membership vote on them at our next scheduled meeting.

*Best Regards,*

*Shawn Piedmonte Grand Knight*



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## Monroe Council Goodfellow's

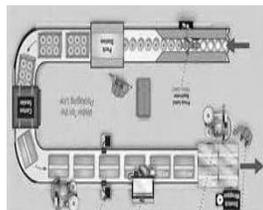
I will try to make this as short but as sincere and heartfelt as this subject deserves. There are so many kind people that helped it is impossible to go into great detail about their acts of kindness in the space allowed. I tried to thank each and every Brother Knight, their family members, and friends who made this years Christmas campaign a success, but if I missed you I am sorry. Here's what it takes to make this Christmas campaign a success:

**Thank You**, to ALL the street Hawkers. For the **THIRD** consecutive year we took on new locations. This is outstanding because we lost an entire corner of Hawkers who could no longer participate. **We do need new Hawkers**, if you can help let us know. We have other corners to sell at if you have a group that would like to help. Unfortunately the weather was really mild this year and our sales totals were down from past years. This always happens, People just feel sorry for us when the weather is bad and donate more.

**That is why the next Thank You is so important!** Our membership donations were way up offsetting our losses in the street sales. **Thank You Members, our donations were up approximately \$2,000.00**

**Thank You**, SMCC Hockey team for unloading and stacking the food, packing the refrigerated and frozen articles in separate bags and placing them in coolers for the night.

**Thank You**, to all who assembled and packed the boxes. We also received help from the St Mary's Boys Scout Troop 519 in packing and delivering the food boxes.



**Thank You to all that delivered boxes**, for giving up your Christmas Eve morning and for your persistence in locating persons with incorrect addresses or that have moved.

A final thanks to : Danny's Market for getting us the best bang for our buck, and to Floral City Beverage for transporting and storing food articles.

**Goodfellow's President**  
*PGK Jay Jondro Sr.*



## Fourth Degree

Dear Sir Knights of Raisin River Assembly 0488 and Brother Knights of District 2.

At this time, while we bring one year to a close, it gives many of us pause to consider how we did over the past 12 months and to reflect on how we will approach the next 12.

Our Assembly has shown its devotion to the Order and its Patriotism, by the support its members have given when called for funerals, Corporate Communion and other events. I want to thank our Color Corps on behalf of all our members for the sacrifice they make to help be the face of the Knights of Columbus. They provide a visual on the dignity and honor we all want to project at those times of need.

We have in the past year added some members at the spring and Fall Exemplification, and they have been a welcome presence. Looking ahead, I believe each of us can and should actively help our 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Councils recruit new members and help them advance to the Patriotic Degree. We cannot wait until someone asks to progress to the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree, by helping to recruit from the entry level, and guiding the way, will provide the opportunity to increase our ranks and visibility. The general public recognizes the Knights of Columbus through its Color Corps, in a way; they are Evangelizing on each fall out. Vivat Jesu,

**Faithful Navigator**  
*William Alati*



## Building Association

Brother Knights I hope everyone had a blessed and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May God bless our efforts in 2017. We have had a good year in 2016. Financially we are in good shape do to our rentals, many fundraisers and the lounge income.

I want to thank all of our members and friends who have donated their time and energy to keep our council successful. Of course we can always use more help perhaps from YOU!

Our building is in good condition but there are always jobs to be done and projects to plan. I want to offer for sale some round tables and metal chairs. Please see the bartender if you are interested. Any money raised will be used to buy new plastic tables and new chairs. We have approximately 50 tables and 150 chairs to sell.

Thanks you to all the officers, directors and volunteers who have helped and supported me this year. If you have any ideas or questions for the Building Association please contact one of the officers . We would be glad to hear from you.

**Building Association President, Dave VanAcker**



**Please remember to consider the Knights of Columbus Building Association when you are planning your will.**

# Council #1266 Calendar



## JANUARY 2017

1	New Year's Day	.....All day
3	Council Bingo	.....5:45 PM
4	Ladies (Columbiette) Meeting	.....7:00 PM
5	No Soup and Sandwich	
10	Council Bingo	.....5:45 PM
11	Council Meeting	.....7:00 PM
	Building Association Meeting	.....8:00 PM
12	Sharon's Soup and Sandwich	.....11:30 AM
15	Corporate Communion at St. John	.....10:00 AM
17	Council Bingo	.....5:45 PM
18	Fourth Degree Meeting	.....7:00 PM
19	Sharon's Soup and Sandwich	.....11:30 AM
20	Inauguration Day	.....Noon
24	Council Bingo	.....5:45 PM
25	Council Social in the Lounge	.....6:00 PM
26	Sharon's Soup and Sandwich	.....11:30 AM
31	Council Bingo	.....5:45 PM



## FEBRUARY 2017

1	Ladies (Columbiette) Meeting	.....7:00 PM
2	Sharon's Soup & Sandwich	.....11:30 AM
4	Desert Meal Halls #1 & #2	.....TBD
6	District Meeting at St. Anthony	.....TBD
7	Council Bingo doors open	.....5:45 PM
8	Council Business Meeting	.....7:00 PM
	Building Association Meeting	.....8:00 PM
9	Sharon's Soup & Sandwich	.....11:30 AM
14	Valentine Day	.....All Day
	Council Bingo doors open	.....5:45 PM
15	4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting	.....7:00 PM
16	Sharon's Soup & Sandwich	.....11:30 AM
20	Flag Day – Washington's Birthday	.....All Day
21	Council Bingo doors open	.....5:45 PM
22	Council Social in the Lounge	.....6:00 PM
23	Sharon's Soup & Sandwich	.....11:30 AM
28	Council Bingo doors open	.....5:45 PM



## MARCH 2017

1	Ash Wednesday	.....All Day
	Ladies (Columbiette) Meeting	.....7:00 PM
2	Sharon's Soup and Sandwich	.....11:30 AM
7	Council Bingo	.....5:45 PM
8	Council Meeting	.....7:00 PM
	Building Association Meeting	.....8:00 PM
9	Sharon's Soup and Sandwich	.....11:30 AM
12	Daylight saving time begins	.....Midnight
14	Council Bingo	.....5:45 PM
15	Fourth Degree Meeting	.....7:00 PM
16	Sharon's Soup and Sandwich	.....11:30 AM
17	St. Patrick's Day	.....All Day
18	Major 1 <sup>st</sup> Degree (St. Anthony)	.....8:30 AM
18	Major 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degrees at (St. Anthony)	.....10:00 AM
20	Spring Begins	.....TBD
21	Council Bingo	.....5:45 AM
22	Council Social in Lounge	.....6:00 PM
23	Sharon's Soup & Sandwich	.....11:30 AM
28	Council Bingo	.....5:45 PM
30	Sharon's Soup & Sandwich	.....11:30 AM



## APRIL 2017

2	Corporate Communion at St. Charles	.....10:30 AM
4	Council Bingo	.....5:45 PM
5	Ladies (Columbiette) Meeting	.....7:00 PM
6	Sharon's Soup & Sandwich	.....11:30 AM
9	Palm Sunday	.....All Day
11	Council Bingo doors open	.....5:45 PM
12	Council Business Meeting	.....7:00 PM
	Building Association Meeting	.....8:00 PM
13	Sharon's Soup & Sandwich	.....11:30 AM
14	Good Friday	.....All Day
16	Easter Sunday	.....All Day
18	Council Bingo doors open	.....5:45 PM
19	4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting	.....7:00 PM
20	Sharon's Soup & Sandwich	.....11:30 AM
25	Council Bingo doors open	.....5:45 PM
26	Council Social in the Lounge	.....6:00 PM
27	Sharon's Soup & Sandwich	.....11:30 AM



### Columbiette's

First, I would like to thank all of the Ladies that have been there to supported the Columbietts. This year has gone by so fast I feel as if I have been in a time machine. We will not have meetings in the months of January or February. Our next meeting will be the first Wednesday of March at 7:00 P.M. in the lounge. Hope to see you there. We will have the annual "Rummage Sale" May the 13th, so clean out the old to bring in the new. Don't forget our "Bake Sales" are the 3rd Tuesday of each month at Bingo! As we start the New Year remember the less fortunate, pray that they have a worm place to sleep, and a hot meal! May 2017 bring you good health wealth and many blessings.

**Sharon Schmelz, Columbiette's President**