



Knights of Columbus Council 996



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GREETINGS FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

Brothers,

In the first month of the new fraternal year, I received a call for help from a brother Knight. He was asking for help to build an access ramp to his front door. I told him and his wife that I would ask some members to help, hoping to get maybe three or four of the same guys that I always lean on to help. I sent an email out, and had ten Brothers ready to go to work, and in the next few hours had to turn down three more. I know that I have never had to turn down help, and it was a little odd to say the least! It was as if every one of these Brothers had heard Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson say the words "I AM MY BROTHERS KEEPER" at the State Deputies Meeting in June. So on Saturday, July 16th, in 100 degree heat, these Brothers, Jason Morland, Mark Giuliani and his son Patrick, Daniel Moore, Gary Barker, Mike Heathcott, Gilbert Koch, Roger Donald, and Chris Brown, gave up their Saturday to help a Brother. Also thanks to Steve Alhert, Nick Gramlich, Henry Moore, Mark Urban, Tom Stoddard, and Don Chaffin, who I know wanted to be there. I cannot thank these Brothers enough!

Wonderful technology is among us, and we as a Council have not used much, if any, in the past few years. We are working to change toward a more social media type network to get information to you. This will be a process that I hope will not take too long, but I am confident, with help from everyone in our Council, that we can achieve this goal. I am asking for everyone who has an email to please send it to me. My email address is at the bottom of this page. One of the first steps to better serve the membership is that we have set up an informational email at info@kofc996.com. We also can send a text message to members from this same domain. All we need is your cell phone number and carrier, such as A T & T, Verizon, etc. All of your info we be secure and not used but to inform you about Knights activities. So please send your email address. Do not assume we already have it! Also send along your cell phone number if you would like a text message.

One more thing: there will be a very LARGE car show at the acres on Saturday and Sunday, August 6th and 7th. We will have concession stands inside the hall and will be selling drinks outside. If any of you can work, please let me know.

Fraternally Yours,
Robert Collins, GK
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LADIES AUXILIARY
LORETTA COLLINS

They always say change is good, and we are no exception. As we start another year, we have a few changes in our officers. Daphne Dahlem has accepted the position of treasurer, and Lisa Koenig has accepted the position of secretary. I would like to extend a big welcome and a huge thank you to these ladies for giving their time to our organization. I would also like to thank Traci Barker and June Lyons for being there during our reorganization. There was quite a bit of confusion (on my part) and all of the ladies in office were very patient with me. I will continue as president and Kathy Furstenburg will continue as vice president.

Our regular meetings will start in October, so please check the September bulletin for dates and times. We will also collect dues at that meeting, or if you see me, you can give the dues to me or Daphne. I hope we can encourage more ladies to join us. We have done some really great things this past year, and I would love to share them with all of you, and also talk about our plans for the coming year.

As always, if you have any questions about our organization, you can contact me and I will be happy to help you. We have some family nights coming up, and I look forward to seeing all of our Knights families join us.

SPECIAL NOTE SPECIAL NOTE SPECIAL NOTE SPECIAL NOTE SPECIAL NOTE

At Church Sunday there was a request for help with the Community Clearinghouse needing canned goods and cereal. I am going to start a collection to help with this need and would like to request your help also. I will be accepting these items either at my house or my office. Please take a look at your shelves or drop by the store and see if you are able to spare a little for this request.

My home address is: 211 North 51st
My office address is: 4801 Wheeler Ave, both of which are in Fort Smith.

Thank you so much for taking the time to help!



A NOTE OF THANKS

The family of Brother Knight John Furstenburg wish to thank Grand Knight Robert Collins and the group of Brother Knights who build the ramp for their home. MANY THANKS!!



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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



1st-William Meyers, Roger Tusing

2nd-Chris Hahn

3rd-Rick Finch

5th-Jerry Abbott, John Meyers

6th-Lawrence Komp

7th-Stephen Criswell

8th-Joe Lyons, Rodney Woods

11th-Robert Foldvary

14th-Jeffrey Medlock, Joseph Schwartz

15th-Richard Spears

17th-Roger Donald, Jason Morland

18th-William Kerr, Vincent Hug, Kevin Mallon

19th-William Boothman, Joseph Fagan

20th-Charles Lensing

21st-Joe Nolte

22nd-Kerry Bercher

23rd-Phillip Hindman, Jeffrey Hines, Gerald Miller

24th-David Brooks

25th-Austin Ervin, Tim Schumacher

26th-Jack Smith

28th-Vitas Birgelis

29th-Andy Weisenfels

30th-Brett Avols

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FROM YOUR BROTHER KNIGHTS!!!

FAMILIES IN NEED OF PRAYER

For our ill members and their family members:

Marilyn Reed, daughter of Lawrence and Lorene Komp, Louise Paino, Betsy Schluterman, Jack Merrywell, Dr. Eric Stein, Mary Drake, granddaughter of our former insurance agent Bob Moellers, David Brooks, who is in the later stages of Huntington's Disease, John and Kathy Furstenberg, Bob Lensing, Gerald Miller, Harold Wilie, former insurance agent of 996, Mary Carolyn Borengasser, mother of Richard, Gretchen Rideout (Art), Christine Wheeler (Pat), Kathleen Weidman (Daniel), and Susan Abbott (Jerry), Ella Mae Ritzinthalder, sister of Doris Moschner and aunt of Brother Knight Anthony Moschner, Gerald Geisbauer, Rita Helfrich, John and Sharon Borengasser, Brian Borengasser, son of John Borengasser, Rick Finch, Bob Kleine, father of Barbara (Marvin) Chapin and Dorothy (Tommy) Hunter, State Deputy Charlie Ketter, Prince Miller, father of Jayne Ann Spahn, Dave Uerling, Jack Smith, Pauline Boerner, Anthony Moschner, and Phyllis Gilker, mother of Brother Knight Brian Gilker.

For our members that have died and their family members:

Brother Knight Ed Schluterman, Peter Ketter, brother of State Deputy and Sir Knight Charles Ketter, Brother Knight John Kohler, brother-in-law to Emily (Bill) Soller and Doris (Gilbert) Koch, and Beatrice Velte, mother of Sir and Brother Knight Carl Velte, Sr.

For our members serving overseas in the military:

We are pleased to announce that Eric Elser, grandson of Agnes Elser and the late Brother Knight Larry Elser, has returned safely home from Afghanistan, and is stationed in Fort Carson, Colorado. Joe Casanova, son of Cheri and Brother Knight Jack Danciu, returned safely earlier this spring.

If you have a family member serving overseas in a war zone or have someone who is ill, and would like to have their name listed here, please email us at susandubois@hotmail.com.



ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS OF COUNCIL 996!!

Join the Venerable Michael J. McGivney Guild!!

The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild serves as a source for information about the life, works, and spirituality of Father McGivney. The Guild distributes informational materials about him, receives reports of favors granted through his intercession and oversees the distribution of relics. Guild members receive regular updates on the progress of Father McGivney's cause for canonization and are invited to participate in promoting devotion to this Servant of God. Members of the Knights of Columbus are NOT automatically Guild members and must elect to join the Guild. The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild Newsletter is published bimonthly except July-August, and is sent free to Guild members. To join the Guild, men and women, please visit:

<http://www.fathermcgivney.org/mcg/en/contact/register.html>



COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

WAYLON HORN

On August 12th, we will have our first family night of the month. Menu will be:

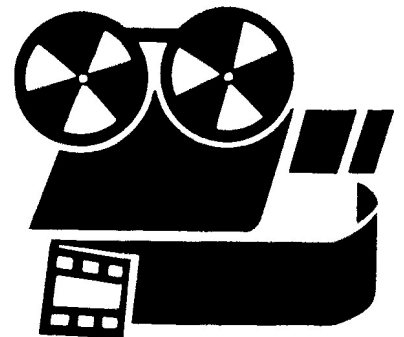
Pork chops
Mashed Potatoes and Gravy
Green Beans
Roll

Our next family night will be on August 26th. Menu that night will be:

Philly Cheese Steaks
Quesadillas
French Fries, etc.

Also on both nights, we are going to have movie nights!! We have purchased a very nice projector that has an awesome HD picture!!! The movie will be PG rated.....popcorn anyone???

So bring your families out and have a great time!!!!





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Outside Guard	David Sessions
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Trustee	Art Rideout

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**2011-2012 Columbus Club Board of
Directors**

Gary Barker, President	<i>Meetings are held</i>
Art Rideout, Vice President	<i>the 2nd Tuesday</i>
Sammy Ray	<i>of each month</i>
Wayland Horn	<i>at 7:00 PM</i>
Dickie Spahn	<i>All Council 996</i>
Robert Collins	<i>members are invited</i>
Marvin Copenhaver	<i>and encouraged</i>
	<i>to attend.</i>