
THE ANCHOR

Knights of Columbus

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Winter – 2019

Calendar of Events

- Thursday, March 7, 2019 – 8:00 pm – Council Meeting with Pizza
- Saturday, April 27, 2019 6:00 pm – 400 Club Dinner
- Wednesday, May 1, 2019 – Scholarship Applications Due
- Monday, July 22, 2019 – Sunday, July 28, 2019 – Summer Painting Party

*(**Members are notified through email of any cancellations or changes in events.**)*

*Council Meetings are held the first and third Thursday of the month, 8-9 pm, in the Member's Quarters
Non-Members are welcome at any time other than the Council Meetings:*

Club Hours:

3-7pm Monday

3pm-Close Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday

Noon-6pm Saturday

Building Association Meetings are held the second and fourth Thursdays of the month, 7:30 pm, in the Member's Quarters conference room (All members are welcome to attend and speak.)

Grand Knight's Message

My Brother Knights,

The Christmas party was a huge success. We were happy to see many long time members. I tried to meet most of you and apologized if I missed anybody. We had just enough food for everybody to have second and third helpings. The tradition of dollar beers was approved by the Building Association, and we carried on into the late hours of the evening. Thanks to Ronnie for bartending, Swat for delivering the food, Nick Woods for assisting and John Gerhartz on cleanup duty. Thanks to everybody for their donations to the parish food pantry. We collected many cans and bags of food, \$14.00 in cash and \$50.00 in Market Basket gift certificates. Jeremy Hansford donated \$240.00 to the parish food pantry. Let me know if you still want to donate as the parish food pantry operates year round.

We are going to have a summer painting party from July 22, 2019 – July 28, 2019. Our goals are to paint the upstairs hall (maybe grey walls with white trim), refinish the floor, replace the carpeting on and in front of the bar, and maybe paint the bar. This all depends on how you, our members, are willing and skilled in the requested tasks. If possible, please plan your summer vacations before or after this week. We are also considering hiring skilled painters to assist.

We want to thank the 400 club for donating to the "Coats for Kids" drive and Boy Scout Troop 126's fund raiser toward their upcoming trip to Washington D.C. The 400 club is our biggest and oldest fundraiser thanks to Tony Barletta. At last report, there were quite a few 400 numbers still available for purchase. If you have one number,

consider buying a second one, or if you know of family & friends without numbers, encourage them to participate.

Thanks to Jared Constantino for organizing our December Comedy Night. Our net proceeds after all expenses were \$1350.00 which is excellent since we did not need to risk any up-front money. Way to go JARED!!!

I want to thank John Covino for volunteering to serve as Outside Guard this year.

Vivat Jesus,
Frank Petrucci
Grand Knight Council 4982

A Membership Need

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic men's fraternal benefit society incorporated March 29, 1882 and has grown from several members in one Council to more than 13,000 Councils and 1.7 million members worldwide.

Who are we? As a member of the Knights, we are a vassal of the Church, a protector of our family and a conscience of our community needs. We are guided by four core principles: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. We are men of faith guided not only by our belief in God and the Catholic Church but also by our belief in each other and in ourselves. We have the knowledge that we can make a difference by being involved with our Council while supporting the local Catholic Church and enhancing your own faith and family life as a vehicle to give back to our community. As individuals, we are counted on to support our Council, or we weaken our stand. Our success comes from the sum of versatile ideas and partaking from each other to make up the whole, and we need you to get involved.

The threat of losing a great Council and contributor to our community has been affected by a lack of commitment of our members to act on behalf of our leadership. We meet formally on the first and third Thursday each month. We need your help to regain our Unity. We also need you to be part of our team of rotating officers and pass the baton while maintaining a continuity of self-esteem and pride in the Council 4982 Wilmington Knights of Columbus.

Jack Kavanaugh, PGK

Mass of the Roses

The Mass of the Roses was held on Sunday, November 4, 2018 at the 9:00 am mass at St. Thomas of Villanova. This mass was to honor the widows of previous Knights of Columbus members who have passed away. The 400 club sponsored the breakfast and paid for all the food expenses. Special thanks to Billy DuBois and Tony Barletta for cooking a delicious breakfast. We want to thank our Honor Guard that led the church procession. Way to go Allan MacMullin Jr. and Harold Coughlin. Paul Biase prepared the brochures, arrived early for setup duty and also ordered the red roses for all the widows. Thanks to the Grand Knight who cleaned the bath rooms...somebody had to do it. Other helpers included: Stew Ring, Kevin Reese, Kevin Doherty and John Gerhartz. Thanks to all.

Book Kiosks in the Churches

The book kiosks have been a big hit in both churches. We just ordered a re-supply.

College Scholarships

It is not too early to begin applying for our college scholarships with are due on May 1, 2019. Please plan to apply early as we have a limited number of scholarships we will be awarding this year. The updated scholarship application is now available on our website. Immediate family of members are also eligible for a KofC State Council scholarship: <http://massachusettsstatekofc.org/state-scholarship/>

Supreme Council scholarships are also available:

<https://www.kofc.org/uns/en/members/programs/scholarships/index.html>

Council Activity Chairmen

Jared Costantino PGK Installation of Officers
Darren Boehm Scholarships
Rich Casey Tootsie Roll Drive
Doc O/Bud Callahan Larry McGrath Basketball Tournament
Danny Woods Free Throw Contest
Paul Biase Mass of the Roses
If you would like to assist, please contact them.

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Grand Knight Frank Petrucci
Deputy Grand Knight Steve LaCambria
Financial Secretary Thomas Meuse
Chancellor Vacant
Recorder Darren Boehm
Treasurer Ray Mercuri
Advocate Allan D. MacMullin, Jr, PGK, PFN, FDD
Warden Paul Biase
Outside Guard John Covino
Inside Guard Brendan Doherty
Trustee 1 Year Stew Ring, PGK
Trustee 2 Years Michael Connelly, PGK
Trustee 3 Years Dan “Donco” Woods, PGK
Delegate to State Convention Frank Petrucci, GK
Alt. Delegate Allan D. MacMullin Jr, PGK, PFN, FDD

Membership Drive

At the request of the Massachusetts State Council we need volunteers to assist at two membership drives this fraternal year. The plan is for the Grand Knight to speak at the end of mass for an entire weekend and have 3 Knights of Columbus brothers standing at the church exits collecting post cards of interested potential members. Please contact the Grand Knight if you are interested. Dates TBD based on your availability. We have a number of interesting areas of possible involvement for current and new members:

Spiritual Growth
Socializing
Youth Athletics
Fund Raising
Preparing Community
Meals
Blood Drives
Christmas Party
Leadership
Building Association

Function Hall Setup
Raffles
Lottery/Keno
Member Recruitment
Scholarship Award
Committee
Budgeting
Golf Tournament
Landscaping
Carpentry

Publishing
Public Speakers
Comedy Night
Craft Beer Tasting
Throwing Darts
Shuffleboard
Billiards
Fourth Degree

Your Help is Needed

We need your help preparing The Anchor for delivery. If you can spare a couple of hours, please contact the Grand Knight. Thanks to Bill Longo for helping with the last issues of The Anchor. Thanks also to Brendan Doherty and Swat for offering to help. Lunch or dinner is provided to all helpers.

Special Prayers

Please pray for the following people. We have learned that Deb Casey (Rich's wife) who is the Parish Director of Faith Formation & Outreach received a heart transplant and is recuperating at home. Please also pray for Steve LaCambria.

State Raffle Tickets

Please expect to receive a book of State Council raffle tickets after March 1, 2019. Please sell as many tickets as possible and mail or return the proceeds to our local Council with checks made out to "Wilmington KofC 4982."

Errata:

If we forgot to thank you for helping or misspelled your name, please contact the Grand Knight so we can correct the omission.



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