

The Chester Light



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February / March 2016

“In service for our Parish”

Greetings Brother Knights:

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We have held our first organizational meeting for our main fundraising event; “Night at the Races.” It was well attended with your brother Knights showing good enthusiasm as we reviewed last year and started the planning for this year’s event. Please mark your calendars for May 14th, the new date of this important occasion for our Council. We will be talking more about this at the full Council meeting.

We are now in the Lenten season; it was good to see so many Knights able to participate by receiving ashes from Father John and the Church. Lenten sacrifice is always a struggle for me, I think such and such would be a good sacrifice, but then again something else always comes to mind. Here is one that Supreme suggested:

Grand Knight’s Letter



The Knights of Columbus is asking those considering a Lenten sacrifice to give “40 Bucks for Lent” and to use the hashtag #40BucksForLent to help Middle Eastern Christians and other religious minorities suffering religious persecution there.

Not bad, Supreme, those Christians are suffering and dying for their belief in Christ. The Knights take no administrative fees meaning that these dollars actually go to help those that need them and Supreme absorbs the cost of collecting and disbursing the funds. Just go to the Knights of Columbus official home page to find out how to participate.

Our Worthy DGK Ron Nelson, Sr. and Worthy Warden Carl D’Antonio will be handling the food for our meeting this month, save some space for that! Also, we will be hearing how the Free Throw completion went thought Worthy Brothers Bob Moran and Artie Connolly.

As always look forward to seeing everyone at the Council meeting Monday ,March 21st at 7:30pm.

Vivat Jesus,
Kent Fletcher, GK

Reminder

If you are not getting our emails or wish to change from standard mail delivery of our newsletter to email delivery, please update your records at the next meeting. If you also wish to see your birthday printed, include it with the update.

Schedule of Events for the Fraternal Year

2016

Please note: This is a tentative schedule subject to coordination with the Parish.

February 21 SunCity Seminar (tentative)

February 27 Knights Blood Drive

March 12 Membership Drive

March 13 Membership Drive

May 14 Night at the Races

May 22 Blue Mass (tentative)

In The News

Free Throw Competition a Success!



Thanks Bob Moran & Art Connolly for making this another great event!



Good of the Order

If a Brother Knight or a member of the family who is seriously sick, hospitalized, or has passed away, please call or email:

PGK Joe Furey

845-469-2726 or furey68@optimum.net

More News

Food Pantry Needs Volunteers

The next date coming up will be
*When published in Church
Calendar.*

Times: 4:00-5:30pm & 6:00-7:00pm

Contact Kerry Hannifan
krhannifan@hotmail.com



Catholic Pulse - News
Catholics need to know
catholicpulse.com

The Cardinal's Annual Appeal

The Chester Council fully supports the St. Columba Cardinal's Annual Appeal. Please support our church and Father John who has supported our efforts since the Council was reformed.

You can make a contribution at church or at:

www.cardinalsappeal.org

Council Member Birthdays

Dan Mulvey	02/02
Mike Connolly	02/03
Joe Maglio	02/07
Darrell Corti	02/09
Mike Vesely	02/09
Fr John Bonnici	02/17
Peter Puelzl	02/17
Arthur Alzamora	02/21
John Carieri	02/25
Carl Lewandowski	02/26

Editor's Note:

The Council newsletter will have a new editor beginning with the September edition. DGK Ron Nelson Sr will take over content oversight.

Please submit articles or news to:

Ron Nelson Sr, Newsletter Editor
via email at:
rn33@optimum.net

Message from our Advocate Joe Maglio

Often we find that we have a need for assistance in home repairs or personal services, etc. If we don't have someone we use regularly, our options are limited to using the Yellow Pages, the internet or newspaper advertisements.

This is not much better than buying a lottery ticket, with no recommendations or history to judge the resource by. Our Parish, and especially our Knights of Columbus Council, is made up of Catholic parishioners who provide many services and represent many occupations. Perhaps trying a fellow Catholic is more comfortable than a total stranger or company. The "Call Us First" project is an attempt to compile a list of those resources available towards this end. Providing this list of resources is a free service, but not intended to imply any endorsement, warranty or guarantee of any kind. It is simply a suggestion you may want to consider in your search for the assistance needed.

Computer / electric Hard drive recovery	Ron Nelson	914-850-2486	rn33@optimum.net
Landscaping design build / lawn maint	Jim Peters	845-651-2175	jimpeters@warwick.net
Financial Planning Savings & Insurance Retirement planning Social Security tutor	Alan Michels	845-557-0677	alan.michels7@gmail.com

For more information contact Joe Maglio at 845-614-7087

Remember to pay your dues!

Notes

* Our next meeting on Monday March 21st

As the newsletter 'went to press', the February meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather. Hope everyone got the cancellation messages that were sent out and were safe during the windstorms on Tuesday!

St John the Evangelist hosting Pasta Follies

The annual Pasta Follies night sponsored by the Goshen Knights will take place on April 2nd in McCaffrey Hall after the 5pm Mass. Please contact Lee Quaranta at 845-235-1073 to purchase tickets for this special evening of good food, fellowship and entertainment. \$10. per ticket. Where else can you take your wife out for 20 bucks and get sung to?



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Council Meeting

Monday, March 21st

7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting

Hap Murray Hall, St. Columba School

***Note: The monthly food basket will be placed at the door,
please bring a contribution to help make our goal***

