

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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Richard Council #788 Newsletter

February 2019

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Grand Knights Message

Jay G. Corey

We start into the month of February with temperatures in single digits and minus figures. But hey! Welcome to Michigan and there are only days til spring but who is counting.

I first would like to thank Corey Livingston for stepping into the position of Deputy Grand Knight which was recently vacated by Troy Stanley due to personal reasons. Troy is still helping out with our burger nights and was also involved in the Wild Game Dinner and I thank him for that. The LCA held their annual Wild Game Dinner which was very successful and brought in more money this year than in the past 2-3 years. My thanks to all who worked on this project as well as running it for a job well done.

As we begin February we have a steak dinner on February 1st and I hope everyone will consider coming down to support this dinner and others we have. All of these monies go for our charities. We also have a Pinewood Open on February 3rd, and our annual SUPER BOWL PARTY with doors opening on February 4th at 5:30 pm. Don't forget your sweetheart on Thursday, February 14th as it is Valentine's Day.

We will be having our annual Membership Drive at St. Gerard the weekend of February 23rd and 24th after all of the masses. Help is going to be needed for that after mass and only 5 minutes of your time is needed after the mass of your choice. Please contact Corey Livingston our Membership Chairman at 810-334-5451 to volunteer to help on a mass

If you have **NOT** paid your dues, please do so as soon as possible. Dues are needed for our per capita expenses and funding of our many charities. If you have not received your dues notice for some reason, or you have paid but not received your dues card by February 15th, please contact our Financial Secretary Bruce Witwer at 517-282-8433. If you need assistance with your dues for financial reason, please contact me direct at 517-974-6501 and I am sure we can work something out. Please just **DO NOT IGNOR YOU DUES NOTICE.** Some of you may be caught up in the government shutdown and we are he to help you at least with your dues.

Fat Tuesday and the Lenten Fish Fries are late this year starting with Fat Tuesday on March 5th followed by a great fish fry every Friday up to and including Good Friday. Please make plans to attend this annual Fat Tuesday dinner and our Lenten fish fries.

As Deputy Grand Knight, Corey Livingston will be over the new few months looking for members to assist him with becoming an officer or perhaps a chairman of an event. Please give him every consideration and think about becoming an officer or chairman of an event to help run your council. Nominations of officer's takes place in April with the election for officers for the year of 2019-2020 taking place in May. Please think about this and give Corey a call.

Please continue to use Columbus Hall as often as you can and attend the many events we have to offer including a Comedy Night that is set for February 16th featuring Johnny Lee Dam. Our previous comedy nights have been sellouts so get your tickets early. Only \$25.00 per person and includes a dinner and the show.

I thank everyone who participates in our council and continues to be a positive force among and within our council for the benefit of council 788 and the Knights of Columbus. Please volunteer and give us your time and talent with

our many programs and I thank you for that. Thank you, Jay

Richard Council 788 Honor Roll

State Officials

State Deputy Former Supreme Director Senior Adviser District Deputy District 54 State Web Technologies Director & State Deputy Assistant State Development Director District 54 Warden & Assistant to State Deputy for Special Projects & Athletics District 54 Warden Major Degree Staff Captain State Special Olympics Director

RICHARD COUNCIL #788 OFFICERS

Officers Meeting First Tuesday Of The Month @ 7:00 pm Business Meeting Second Tuesday Of The Month @ 7:00 pm

Grand Knight	Jay G. Corey	517-974-6501		
Chaplain	Rev. John P. Klein	517-323-2379		
Dep. Grand Knight	Corey Livingston	810-334-5451		
Chancellor	Tom Kalchik	517-256-7968		
Recorder	Dennis Becht	517-449-8824		
Financial Secretary	Bruce Witwer	517-282-8433		
Treasurer	John Suckow	517-285-4702		
Advocate	Luis Velasquez	517-930-4660		
Warden	Jake Chasse	517-712-7678		
Inside Guard	Mike Shepard	517-331-4154		
Inside Guard	Josh Lyman	517-215-5220		
Inside Guard	Corey Livingston	810-334-5451		
Outside Guard Scott Chalmers		517-377-5818		
1 Year Trustee	PGK Ken Morrison	517-719-4047		
2 Year Trustee	PGK Mike Schaefer	517-242-4961		
3 Year Trustee	PGK Dave Luedtke	517-303-5555		

COUNCIL DIRECTORS & CHAIRMAN

Membership Director	Corey Livingston	810-334-5451		
Recruitment	All Officers & Members			
First Degree Captain	PGK David Luedtke	517-303-5555		
Retention Captain	DGK Corey Livingston	810-334-5451		
	PGK David Luedtke	517-303-5555		
	PGK Mike Schaefer	517-242-4961		
	PGK Ken Morrison	517-719-4047		
Insurance Agent	Mike Du Mont	517-303-5555 810-334-5451 517-303-5555 517-242-4961 517-719-4047 517-327-0177 517-715-9508 517-256-7968 517-881-2391 517-882-9373 517-242-4961 517-331-4154 517-31-4154 517-303-5555 517-303-5555 517-974-6501 517-242-4961 517-719-4047 517-881-2391		
Program Director	Troy Stanley	517-303-5555 810-334-5451 517-303-5555 517-242-4961 517-719-4047 517-327-0177 517-715-9508 517-256-7968 517-881-2391 517-862-9373 517-242-4961 517-331-4154 517-331-4154 517-313-4154 517-712-7678 517-303-5555 517-303-5555 517-974-6501		
Church Director	Tom Kalchik	517-327-0177 517-715-9508 517-256-7968 517-881-2391 517-862-9373 517-242-4961		
Vocations Director	John Drzik	517-719-4047 517-327-0177 517-715-9508 517-256-7968 517-881-2391 517-862-9373 517-242-4961 517-331-4154 517-331-4154		
Community Director	Chris Wegener	517-862-9373		
Pro-Life Couple	Mike & Pattie Schaefer	517-242-4961		
Family Director	Mike Shepard	517-331-4154		
Youth Director	Mike Shepard	517-331-4154		
M.I. Drive Chairman	Jake Chasse	517-712-7678		
Francis O'Donnell	PGK David Luedtke 517-303			
Council Director	PGK David Luedtke 517-303-			
Eucharistic Ministry	Jay G. Corey 517-974-			
Fish Fry Chairmen	Mike Schaefer	517-242-4961		
	Ken Morrison	517-719-4047		
Public Relations Dir.	John Drzik	517-881-2391		
Newsletter Editor	Jay G.Corey	517-974-6501		



Bill Chasse' Thomas M. Wegener, PSD Richard F. McCloy, Sr. PSD Paul Kelsey, PGK

Dane M. Jurković PGK Mike Wegener PGK

Mike Schaefer PGK Brian Peacock PGK Dave Luedtke PGK Rick McCloy, Jr. PGK

LANSING COLUMBIAN ASSOCIATION Meets Third Wednesday Of Every Month @ 7:00 pm

President	Bill Schaner	517-285-2669
V. President	Brian Peacock, PGK	517-214-9730
Secretary	Rich Rybicki	517-663-1854
Treasurer	Jon Jackinchuk	517-303-1464
Director	Ron Cook	517-282-9035
Director	Dave Schertzing	517-204-4959
Director	Scott Cole	517-256-5592
Dir. G K	Jay Corey	517-974-6501
Dir. Council	Scott Chalmers	517-377-5818
Dir. Council	Corey Livingston	810-334-5451
Dir. Council	Luis Velasquez	517-930-4660

LADIES AUXILIARY

Meets First Wednesday Of Every Month @ 7:00 pm

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President	Angie Rademacher	517-388-3229
V President	Pattie Schaefer	517-242-1830
Secretary	Nancy Luedtke	517-974-5468
Treasurer	Denise Kelsey	517-622-0365

LCA President Message

Bill Schaner

Our Wild Game Banquet was a great success, thanks to our chairpersons PGK Ken Morrison and PGK Mike Schaefer. They have been doing this for 14 years now and the event gets better every year. And special thanks to our current State Deputy, Bill Chasse, who even with his busy schedule was able to help out. And special thanks to all the people who worked the event or cooked for the event. This is the biggest one-day event for the Lansing Columbian Association, thanks for making it successful. Mark your calendar for January 11, 2020 for our next Wild Game Banquet.

We have another Comedy Night/Date Night set up for February 16th at the club. Monica Bergstrom will be cooking up a storm. She will be serving a salad, pot roast over mashed, a vegetable, roll & butter and dessert. Tickets are on sale now for \$25 per person and \$30 the day of the event. Watch our Facebook page for information about the comedians.

PGK Ken Morrison and PGK Mike Schaefer have stepped up as Fish Fry Chairpersons for this year. We are still looking for a future Fish Fry Chairperson for next year, if this is something you are interested in, this will be a great opportunity to learn from two experienced Chairpersons, you can shadow them for part of the year and take over next year, putting your own spin on the event. We have a great team that comes back every year and we just need a great team leader.

Last year, with your very generous donations to our building fund, we were able to recoat the parking lot and upgrade the lights in the building to LED. We are currently replacing the kitchen door, the west side door and the front door. We also have a fryer that has been ordered and we have a convection oven that recently went bad and is used in all our events being replaced. We will be sending out letters again this year asking for donations to the building fund. Your LCA board works hard to control costs and to perform repairs as we can to save money.

The Knights of Columbus is now on facebook. Follow us on Facebook and share our events with your friends. A lot of our events are open to the public, so bring a friend down to the Columbus Hall. Look for us under Knights of Columbus Richard Council 788.



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH - FEBRUARY 2019 Richard Bierwagen



FAMILY OF THE MONTH – FEBRUARY 2019 Duane & Ann Fedewa Phil & Jane Cummings

VOLUNTEER

Volunteers continue to be needed for every event that we have at Council #788. No one should feel that they cannot be part of an event in volunteering their time and talent. It's our own members that are needed to keep our programs, dinners, and other events going. Please consider this and contact our Grand Knight Jay G. Corey at 517-974-6501 if you can help

From The Newsletter Desk

Jay G. Corey

<u>THE 15TH OF THE PRECEEDING MONTH</u> is still the deadline for submitting material for consideration into each newsletter. Anything that you may have for the newsletter, in the way of articles can be sent to me directly at <u>jgc2400@comcast.net</u>. You may also contact me at my home number of 731-6074 or by cell at 974-6501. If you would like to view the newsletter on line, please go to our website location which is the following: <u>www.788.councilnet.us</u>.



Habitat For Humanity Always Needs Your Help

Habitat For Humanity needs your help to build a better tomorrow in the Lansing, East Lansing, Haslett, and Okemos areas. This is done through the **ReStore** which has two area locations. One is at 1605 Haslett Road, Haslett, MI 48840. (517) 999-0488. The other location is at 1941 Benjamin Dr., Lansing, Michigan 48906. (517) 374-6235. Their hours vary from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm depending on which store you choose, and they are all closed Sunday & Monday.

For a quick response, you can call (517) 575-8152 for the pickup hotline. At the **ReStore** you olunteer to help. Everything is always needed and you can call them on the hotline number, the

stores individual numbers, or access them on line at: <u>www.habitatlansing.org</u>. Help them help those less fortunate and please tell all your friends about them.

Sickness & Distress

Prayers and recovery intentions continue to be needed for members PGK Tom Getzmeyer, PGK Ray Plunkett, Frank Brandell, Dick Thelen, Sherrie Drzik, Ginger Book, Richard Nickoff, Jack Pratt, Joe Kobus, Chris Fox, Robert Nelson, Charles Stickney, Delores Tabor surviving widow of Larry Tabor, Nicholas D'Anna, Patricia Humpsch, Ann Killian, Joann Klein wife of Thomas Klein, Lewis McKenna, Wanda Hicks wife of member Richard Hicks, Cindy Leveque wife of Bill Leveque. Our condolences to the family of Joe Deschryver on the passing of his wife Jane, and the families of PGK Al Boucher and Louis Powell who also passed away recently.

If you know of someone that is ill and recovering, or has passed away, please contact our Grand Knight, Jay Corey, at jgc2400@comcast.net or at 517-974-6501. You can reach our Financial Secretary, Bruce Witwer at 517-282-8433 or via email at: <u>fs788@mikofc.org</u>.

REACH OUT AND ASK SOMEONE TO JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #788 !

Propose A New Member Today !! Help Us Meet Our Goals This Year !! Contact Membership Chairman Corey Livingston 810-334-5451



Eucharistic Ministers Needed



The second Sunday of every month, twelve Knights of Columbus members from council #788 participate as Eucharistic Ministers at the 9:00 am mass. We are in need of more volunteers, so please if you would like to be a Eucharistic Minister and give out the body and blood of our Lord, please contact our Grand Knight Jay Corey to volunteer and be put on the list. It usually works out that you participate every three months or so, so it is not every second Sunday each month. You can be trained for this ministry position so please consider this request.

DUES ARE DUE PLEASE AND THANK YOU !!!



EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 10, 2019



RICK SMITH – CAPT. Dave Barker Dan Beachnau

Mark DeWitt Michelle Barker Dave Luedtke John Leabu Jay Corey Casey Griggs Kat Leabu Mary Corey Pat DeWitt

Pinewood Open Set For February 2nd

Chairman Chris Wegener has everything ready for the Pinewood Open will happen on Saturday, February 2, 2019. Registration will start at 1:00 pm with the racing slated to begin at 1:45 pm. Entry fee is only \$10.00 and the Family Deal is only \$25.00 for up to five cars, with a maximum of two cars per person.

There are First, Second, and Third place trophies, a Rehmann Award, and the best Superhero theme. All the proceeds go to the Coats For Kids program sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Council #788.

Put the finishing touches on your race car and get ready to "Start Your Engines" for the competition. If you are not a participant, feel free to come on down and enjoy the competitive racing and design of the different cars.

Euchre In Full Swing At #788 !!!!

Euchre Chairman Bill Schaner is still inviting all who wish to play euchre to mark on their calendars every Monday night starting right after burger nights at 6:30 pm. This is open to all members and non-members, husbands and wives, singles, or whatever you may be to play a fun game and have some fun doing it. You do not need a partner to play. It is hoped that there will be several tables and if you have any further questions contact Bill at 517-285-2669.

Membership Growth Still Is Everyone's Responsibility



Membership Director Corey Livingston again wants to remind everyone throughout our council, that growth of our membership is the key to sustaining Father McGivney's vision of the Knights of Columbus. Everything we do depends upon membership. Our vast array of charities, depend on us for their existence and we must do everything we can to support those less fortunate than we are.

This means recruiting new members and introducing them to the Knights of Columbus. If you have not obtained a new member this fraternal year yet, please consider asking someone to join as we begin to enter into the second half of our fraternal year which began in January 2019. Corey hopes that you will consider making a New Year's resolution to ask someone to become a knight who may just be waiting to be asked. Corey will be having a St. Gerard Membership Drive the weekend of February 23rd and 24th and could use your help after one of the masses. Pick your mass and call Corey to let him know your availability.

Membership Director Corey Livingston or our Grand Knight Jay G. Corey are always more than willing to talk with anyone about joining our Knights of Columbus council. You can reach Corey at 810-334-5451, or our Grand Knight Jay G. Corey at 517-974-6501. Either one of them would be more than willing to talk to a perspective member you might have in mind. Please do not put this off any longer. Ask someone !!!



Burger Nights At Columbus Hall

We are still having Burger Baskets every Monday night at Columbus Hall. Burgers and fries for \$6.00 are served from 5 pm to 7:00 pm. Both takeout and eat in baskets are available and feature a grilled hamburger or cheesburger cooked to your liking, your favorite topping along with a serving of some great steak fries. These great mouth wattering burgers continue to be a hit every Monday, so grab you're your friends, family and the kids and come on down.

Bartenders Still Needed To Reduce Costs

Club Manager Monica Bergstrom and LCA President are putting out an urgent call for bartenders to help reduce costs of hiring a bartender keeping monies in the LCA expense account.

Voluntary bartenders are used Monday thru Thursday from 4:00 pm in the afternoon to closing at night. Generally, the club is closed between 9 pm and 10 pm depending on the crowd or event, but its scheduled closing is 11:00 pm during the weekday regardless. No experience is necessary and you can work only one shift per month or more if you want. The shifts run from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm, and 7:00 pm to closing.

Men or women, husband and wives can work together if they want, but help is needed and you can have a lot of fun in working this important function to save the LCA money. If you are interested, PLEASE contact Monica Bergstrom, Club Manager at 734-747-1541, or LCA President Bill Schaner at 517-285-2669.

Dues Have Been Mailed Out Financial Secretary Bruce Witwer

Please return your dues as soon as possible!! Questions Call Me: 517-282-8433

For many of you the regular dues are \$45.00 but some are less due to Honorary or Life Members. Added to this are **OPTIONAL DONATIONS** you can make with the suggested amounts listed. All of these optional donations are for the charities that we support so you are asked to pray fully consider these when paying your dues.

As important as the optional donations are, getting your **<u>DUES BACK ON A TIMELY BASIS</u>** is also requested and very much appreciated by your Financial Secretary and Membership and Retention Chairman. It sometimes takes hours to chase down a member to pay his dues which they ultimately do, so by sending them in early this task is eliminated.

Council #788 does not want to lose one member of our council for the lack of paying their dues. Every one of you is important as a member to our council and your Grand Knight wants you to stay that way.

Continued Changes To The Newsletter

Newsletter Editor Jay G. Corey is continuing making a few tweaks to the newsletter to shorten the newsletter and maybe make a quick read out of it.

You will notice that most everything now will be line item events of happenings around #788 and what is coming down the road. Gone will be the splashy color and clipart and back to the basic of reporting with less repetitive articles. The Calendar will be the focus of what is going on and everyone is encouraged to take the calendar page and post on their refrigerator and come down to the events. It is important that you **READ THE NEWSLETTER** so you know what and when everything is going on. You and your family are always welcomed !!

CONSIDER COMING TO A COUNCIL MEETING THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00 PM. YOU'LL BE GLAD YOU DID. NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 12TH.

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Program

Future stars perhaps of Michigan State or another favorite college program were on hand this past month on Saturday, January 19th for our annual Hoop Shoot Free Throw Program. Several students from St. Gerard participated in this annual yearly program for a chance to advance to the the District and State finals.

Chairman Mike Shepard did a great job putting this all together along with Ron Cook. Though the weather was bad outside, you couldn't tell from the excitement inside of both boys and girls competing against one another. All participants received a Certificate of Participation with the first and second place winners in the boys and girls age groups winning trophies and 3rd place going with medalions.

Our thanks to Mike for running a great program with some of our winners heading to the District contest which is coming up.

Michigan State Knights of Columbus Raffle Tickets

Most all of us have received in the mail twelve State Knights of Columbus raffle tickets offering some great prizes for only \$5.00 per ticket. You are encouraged to purchase those tickets, or at the very least, sell them to your friends for a chance at the prizes.

The drawing will be held in April of this year so it is important you buy or sell your tickets before then and return them to the State Knights of Columbus. Sales of the tickets may mean you're a winner in the drawing, but at the very least Council 788 gets \$1.00 for every ticket that is sold. If you buy or sell all your tickets, your council receives \$12.00. If every member did this, we could generate over \$7,000 for our council. That is a lot of monies for our charities and keeping your council able to support these charities.

Your Grand Knight is asking that please do **NOT THROW THEM AWAY**, but consider purchasing them for a possible win, with your council winning also with your sales. Your charities count on you and us to help them out.

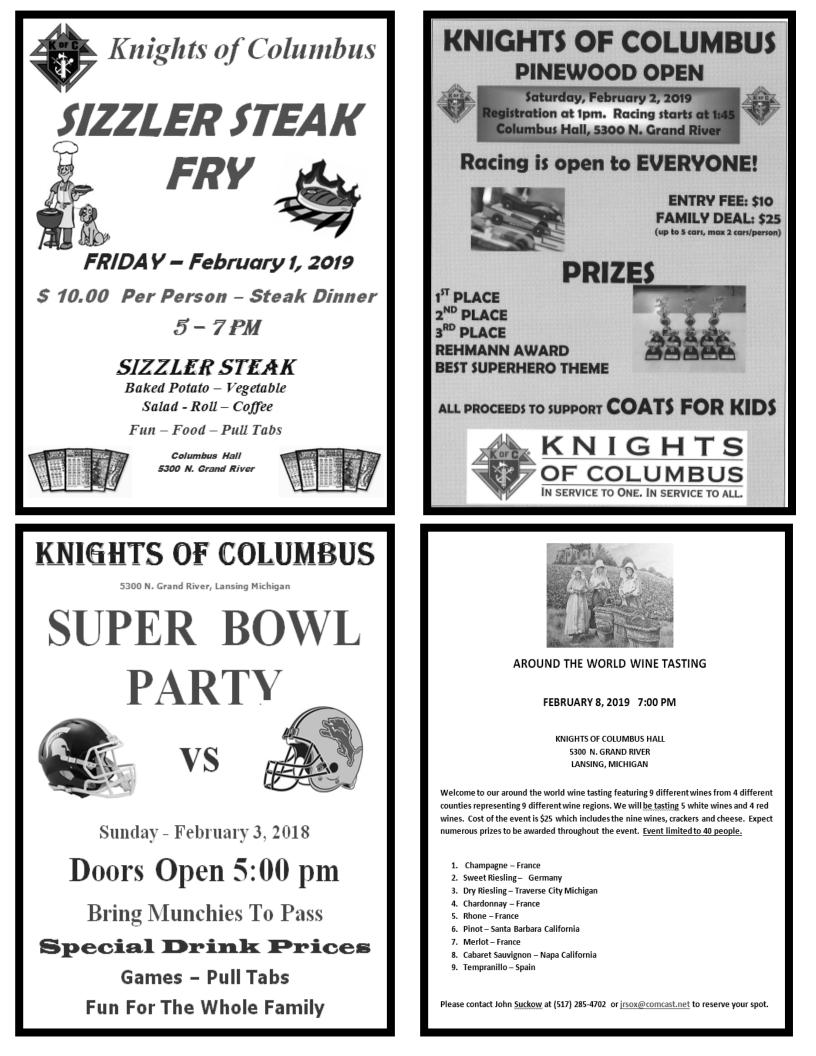
Shared Pregnancy Reaches Out To The Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight Jay G. Corey recently received an email from Soraya Nowland, New Life Center Volunteer, thanking them and council 788 for it's participation with the installation of three new Ultrasound Machines in the Lansing area pregnancy centers in the past two years.

She indicated in her email that she also viewed an amazing video put out by the Knights of Columbus nationally, viewed at Washington DC March for Life in front of over 500,000 people, and aired on EWTN live broadcast that day. The Knights of Columbus have installed their 1,000th ultrasound machine.

PRAISE GOD !! The amount of lives that have been saved due to those ultrasound machines is HUGE. Shared Pregnancy mentions in their news that 595 ultrasounds (up 22% this year) were performed. 85% of their clients that receive an ultrasound choose life. I realize many of your members may not have been able to watch the March for Life Rally held on Friday, January 18th, so I wanted to let you know again how grateful we are for your organization.

The Knights of Columbus were also acknowledged in their newsletter entitled 2018 Year In Review. The title of the article was An Amazing Life-Saving Gift. The article indicated that the highlight of our year was receiving a new state-of the-art Samsung ultrasound machine to replace our outdated machine. With 85% of clients choosing life after getting an ultrasound, it's clear that an ultrasound is a powerful factor in the decision for life. The Knights of Columbus St. Therese of Lisieux #11957 donated \$17,594 and the Supreme Knights of Columbus Council matched this amount. Samsung sells the machine for \$75,914 but allowed us to purchase it for \$35,188. The advanced technology of this new machine, with a clearer picture and 3D option, helps women see their tiny baby with more clarity than before. On November 28th, board members, staff, friends and Knights councilmen celebrated and dedicated the ultrasound machine with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. We thank God for bringing about this miracle and the Knights of Columbus for this amazing, generous and timely gift!





Council #788 FEBRUARY 2019 Activities



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FEBRUARY 2019						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 JANUARY Club Closed	28 Club Opens 4 pm	29 Club Opens 4 pm	30 Club Opens 4 pm	31 Club Opens 4 pm Men's Bowling 6 pm	1 Club Opens 4 pm STEAK FRY 5 – 7 pm	2 Club Opens 4 pm Pinewood Open 1 pm
3 Club Closed SUPER BOWL PARTY 5:30 pm	4 Club Opens 4 pm Build A Burger 5 – 7:00 pm Euchre 6:30 pm	5 Club Opens 4 pm Officers Meeting 7:00 pm	6 Club Opens 4 pm Ladies Auxiliary Meeting 7 pm	7 Club Opens 4 pm Men's Bowling 6 pm	8 Club Opens 4 pm Wine Tasting Party 7 pm	9 Club Opens 4 pm State Officers Bowling in St. Clair Shores
10 Club Closed World Marriage Day Breakfast At St. Gerard	11 Club Opens 4 pm Build A Burger 5 – 7:00 pm Euchre 6:30 pm	12 Club Opens 4 pm Council Meeting Meeting 7 pm First Degree 7 pm	13 Club Opens 4 pm	14 Club Opens 4 pm Men's Bowling 6 pm VALENTINES DAY	15 Club Opens 4 pm	16 Club Opens 4 pm COMEDY NIGHT 6:00 pm
17 Club Closed St. Gerard Breakfast After The 7:30, 9:00, & 11:00 AM Masses	18 Club Opens 4 pm Build A Burger 5 – 7:00 pm Euchre 6:30 pm	19 Club Opens 4 pm Fourth Degree Meeting 7 pm	20 Club Opens 4 pm LCA MEETING 7:00 pm	21 Club Opens 4 pm Men's Bowling 6 pm	22 Club Opens 4 pm	23 Club Opens 4 pm Membership Drive After All Masses St. Gerard
24 Club Closed Membership Drive After All Masses St. Gerard	25 Club Opens 4 pm Build A Burger 5 – 7:00 pm Euchre 6:30 pm	26 Club Opens 4 pm	27 Club Opens 4 pm	28 Club Opens 4 pm Men's Bowling 6 pm	1 MARCH Club Opens 4 pm	2 Club Opens 4 pm
3 Club Closed	4 Club Open 4 pm Build A Burger 5 – 7:00 pm Euchre 6:30 pm	5 Club Opens 4 pm FAT TUESDAY DINNER 4 – 7 pm	6 Club Opens 4 pm Ladies Auxiliary Meeting 7 pm Officers Meeting 7:00 pm	7 Club Opens 4 pm Men's Bowling 6 pm	8 Club Opens 4 pm LENTEN FISH FRIES BEGIN 4 – 7 pm	9 Club Opens 4 pm

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