



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DEC 1-2	PEANUT & ALMOND SALE AT HOLY TRINITY
DEC 2	COUNCIL CHRISTMAS PARTY AT HALL - 1PM
DEC 3	BLOOD DRIVE - 1:30PM AT ST. JOE'S
DEC 3	ADVENT SERIES AT HALL - 7PM
DEC 4	COUNCIL MEETING - 7PM
DEC 4	ELECTION OF CORPORATION BOARD
DEC 5	EUCHRE TOURNAMENT BEGINS - 7PM
DEC 8-9	PEANUT & ALMOND SALE AT CLUSTER PARISHES
DEC 8-9	PEANUT & ALMOND SALE AT HOLY TRINITY
DEC 10	ADVENT SERIES AT HALL - 7PM
DEC 12	EUCHRE TOURNAMENT - 7PM
DEC 15-16	PEANUT & ALMOND SALE AT CLUSTER PARISHES
DEC 17	ADVENT SERIES AT HALL - 7PM
DEC 19	EUCHRE TOURNAMENT - 7PM
DEC 26	EUCHRE TOURNAMENT - 7PM
JAN 7	ADVENT SERIES AT HALL - 7PM
JAN 8	COUNCIL MEETING - 7PM - NOTE DATE CHANGE
JAN 9	EUCHRE TOURNAMENT - 7PM
JAN 13	SUNDAY BREAKFAST - 8:30AM
JAN 14	ADVENT SERIES AT HALL - 7PM
JAN 16	EUCHRE TOURNAMENT - 7PM
JAN 20	SUNDAY BREAKFAST - 8:30AM
JAN 21	ADVENT SERIES AT HALL - 7PM
JAN 23	EUCHRE TOURNAMENT - 7PM
JAN 25	CORP. COUPLES EUCHRE TOURNAMENT - 6:30PM
JAN 28	ADVENT SERIES AT HALL - 7PM
JAN 27	SUNDAY BREAKFAST - 8:30AM
JAN 30	EUCHRE TOURNAMENT - 7PM
FEB 3	SUNDAY BREAKFAST - 8:30AM
FEB 5	COUNCIL MEETING - 7PM
FEB 6	EUCHRE TOURNAMENT - 7PM
FEB 17	CORPORATE COMMUNION 11AM - ST. JOE'S
MAY 19	CORPORATE COMMUNION 9:00AM - ST. CATHERINE

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

October - Randy Graftema
November - Jason Klein

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

October - Mark & Lori Conran
November - Mark & Brenda McDonald

COUNCIL CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Council Christmas Party will be held at the hall on Sunday December 2nd at 12:45pm, and we'll eat at 1pm. This is open for anyone to attend. Please bring a dish to pass and table service for your family. Meat and refreshments will be furnished by the council. There will be a visit from Santa, so please let Randy Graftema (837-6836) know in advance how many kids will be attending.

ADVENT SERIES

Mark your calendars. The Wild Goose Advent Series will be held at our hall on December 3rd, 10th, and 17th, and January 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th. These are all Monday evenings at 7pm sharp. This series is open to anyone to attend.

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

The tournament will be starting on December 5th at 7pm sharp, and runs for 7 weeks. This is a male only event, but you do not need to be a member. If you are unable to make one of the nights, you must find a substitute to take your place. This is a major fund raiser for the council and corporation so please make an effort to participate.

SUNDAY BREAKFASTS

Our annual Sunday breakfasts will start on January 13, 2019. The first two weeks will benefit Divine Providence Academy. Serving starts at 8:30am and run through 1pm. Menu: Regular and blueberry pancakes, scrambled eggs, Made-to-Order Omelets, hash-browns, bacon, sausage, apple sauce, juice, and coffee. We need cooks and servers, and will be contacting members to help. If you would like to volunteer, call Randy Graftema (616-502-2628) or Ed Denhof (616-302-0368).

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

2019 dues statements will be sent out in early December. Please send your payment in promptly.

There are still a number of council members who haven't paid their 2018 dues. The council has to pay per-capita tax to Supreme on all members, even if they haven't paid their dues. If you wish to remain a member of the order please get up-to-date. You are only required to pay the current year's dues to return to being a member in good standing.

If you no longer wish to be a member of the Knights of Columbus, please send a signed letter expressing that to me at the address below. This is the only way we are allowed by Supreme to remove a member from our rolls.

Dues payments may also be sent to me at:
365 Center St., Coopersville, MI 49404.

Mike Host | FINANCIAL SECRETARY

COUNCIL PICNIC

The Council Picnic held September 30th only had 45 people attend. Considering the lack of support, we will have to consider whether it's worth while having the event in the future.

DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

The 2nd & 3rd degree we hosted at our hall on Sept. 27th had 13 candidates attend. 5 were from our council. Congratulate these new 3rd degree members of our council: Mark McDonald, Mathew Mooney, Dan Kasperlik, Jason Klein, and Earl Jones.

At the 1st degree we held on Sept. 20 we welcomed Joe Lozon as a new member to our council.

MIXED EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

The Building Corporation will be holding two mixed euchre tournaments open to men and women. Dates are January 25, 2019 and February 22, 2019. Doors open at 6:30, play starts promptly at 7pm. Food and refreshments will be available. There will also be 50/50 raffles. Cost is \$15 per couple plus 50 cents per euchre. All proceeds will benefit hall improvements.

RECENT COUNCIL DONATIONS

- \$400 to Lori's Voice
- \$300 to God's Kitchen
- \$500 to Millie Conran's Benefit
- \$200 to Holy Cross Christmas Baskets
- \$250 to Youth Ministry for March for Life
- \$400 for Cluster Advent Books
- \$200 for Advent Series Snacks & Refreshments
- Lunch for Youth Ministry Retreat

These donations are made possible by our council fund raisers like Sunday Breakfasts and Euchre Tournaments. These events are coming up so please turn out and support them so we can continue to do charitable works.

COUNCIL MEETING

The next council meeting will be on January 8 at 7:00pm at the hall. Note the date change due to New Years Day.

At this meeting we will elect 4 members to the Building Corporation Board.

Please take time to come and find out what we're up to, and how you can become involved.

PEANUT SALE

Peanuts and almonds will be sold for \$5 per bag at Holy Trinity Alpine on December 1st, 2nd, 8th, and 9th. And at our cluster of parishes on December 8th, 9th, 15th, and 16th. Call Ben Looks (899-2155) to order if you can't make the sale. This fund raiser will benefit our sponsorship of Grand Rapids seminarians.

HOLY CROSS CALENDARS

Calendars benefiting Holy Cross Children's Services are available for \$25. Call Randy Graftema (837-6836) to purchase one.

CORPORATION NEWS

The December 3rd meeting has been canceled.

At the October meeting, a motion was made to approve Mark Janose of Coopersville Heating and Cooling to remove the heat pumps on the south end of the hall, and replace them with two gas heat and air conditioning units. The compressors for these units will sit on the west side of the hall south of the bridge. The total cost for this improvement is not to exceed \$20,000.

When the corporation has enough funds, the bar change over will take place with a budget not to exceed \$15,000. Also repairing the warped wall paneling, and replacing the 8ft folding tables with white plastic versions are on the list of projects to accomplish. In addition, erosion control along the creek bank will have to be addressed. If any member would like to make a donation towards any of these projects, maybe in memory of a loved one, they can send a check to Corporation Treasurer Joe looks at 3025 Wilson St. Conklin, MI 49403.

As was recommended by our attorney back in 2013, we've been working to build up a separate emergency fund that will be there in the event a major repair, or equipment replacement, needs to happen quickly. The fund was started with \$5,000 from the corporation and has been added to from forfeited rental deposits and damage/cleaning fees. The fund has now grown to the full \$10,000 goal, and is kept in the same separate account that refundable rental deposits are kept.

PRAYERS & REMEMBRANCE

Please remember all Knights and family members who have gone to eternal rest in your prayers, and all service men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country.

Also remember Eugene Lemieux, father of Rich and Joe; and Justin Brown, son of Gary Brown.

Also remember Pope Francis, Bishop Walkowiak, Fr. Fred, all our Priests, all service personnel, and our Brother Knights, and their families, that are sick or in distress, including the family of Millie Conran.

The Grand Rapids Press will include the KofC emblem in the obituary of any Brother Knight. When making funeral arrangements, inform the funeral home to include the emblem and mention the deceased was a member of Knights of Columbus #4404. Also, notify the current Grand Knight, or any council officers listed on the back of this newsletter.

BLOOD DRIVE

The next blood drive will be held on December 3rd at St. Joseph Church, from 1:30pm till 7pm. You must be 17 or older to donate. Walk-ins are welcome, but may have to wait for an opening. You can call 1-866-642-5663 or visit donate.miblood.org to schedule a donation time in advance.

This is a wonderful opportunity to help save a life.

CURRENT FRATERNAL YEAR OFFICERS

CHAPLAIN	Fr. Fred Brucker	
GRAND KNIGHT	Randy Graftema	837-6836
DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT	Rodney Harrison	
CHANCELLOR	Tim Walker	818-6726
RECORDER	Ben Looks	899-2155
FINANCIAL SEC	Mike Host	293-8894
TREASURER	Joseph Schweitzer	887-0540
WARDEN	Chuck May	899-2145
ADVOCATE	Mike Kluting	677-5046
LECTURER	Bill May	899-2292
INSIDE GUARD	Mel Snowdin	477-4984
OUTSIDE GUARD	Jerome May	677-3473
TRUSTEE 1 YR.	Ben Benefiel	481-9363
TRUSTEE 2 YR.	Carl Dunn	887-1140
TRUSTEE 3 YR.	Ed Denhof	616-302-0368
INSURANCE AGENT	Joe Tackx	231-865-1230
DISTRICT DEPUTY	Alan Baldrige	

CURRENT FRATERNAL YEAR OFFICERS

PROGRAM DIRECTOR	Ben Benefiel	481-9363
MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR	Martin Brown	560-0479
RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE	Jerome May	677-3473
RETENTION DIRECTOR	Ken Alt	784-9609
PRO-LIFE CHAIR COUPLE	M/M Larry Williams	899-5596
INSURANCE PROMOTION	Bernard Looks	899-2155

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PRESIDENT	Chuck May	899-2145	EX OFFICIO MEMBER	Ben Benefiel	481-9363
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TREASURER	Joseph Looks	899-2982	EX OFFICIO MEMBER	Ed Denhof	616-302-0368
SECRETARY	Jon Denhof	899-2267	HALL RENTALS	Ed & Cindy Denhof	616-302-0368
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