

Knights of Columbus



St. Mary Mystical Rose
Council 7561

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NOMINATION OF COUNCIL OFFICERS



The next general membership meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 13th at 7:30 PM at our hall. This is a very important meeting since nomination of officers for the coming year will begin. If you have any interest in becoming an officer or nominating a candidate for office, please

make every effort to attend this meeting. According to our by-laws, the regular election of officers shall take place at our first general meeting in June. If you have ever wondered what the duties of each officer are, check out our web site. In the "About KofC" section under "Officers" you will find the duties for each office in the Council. Check it out at www.creekcenter.com.

Joseph P. Bova
Grand Knight

E-MAIL NEWSLETTER

I would like to thank all the Brother Knights that have had their Newsletter switched from mail delivery to e-mail. Not only does this save our Council approximately \$1.00 per copy but also give you a better newsletter. We are introducing more color into the e-mail version. Also we can send informational updates by e-mail which are not sent by mail. If you have an e-mail address, we ask once more that you please sign up for e-mail delivery. Just send a note to bobdevers@comcast.net to get on the list.

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Community Yard Sale and Country Breakfast

On Sunday, July 19th we will once again be hosting a community yard sale. We will invite local churches and other non-profit groups to participate for free. Other vendors will be charged \$15.00 for a 20x20 space. We will also be promoting a car corral whereby a vendor can sell cars, boats, and tractors on the south side of the drive at a cost of \$10 / vehicle. We have also moved our July breakfast to July 19th since this worked out well last year and we have our installation of officers on the 12th. Please help us promote this event to your friends, neighbors, 4-H groups, scouting groups, etc. For vendor information, you may contact Joe or Brenda Bova at 784-4147 or email JoeBoval@aol.com

Fall Fest News

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For the past 6 years our council has had a major fundraiser on the second weekend of October. The event which I am talking about is our Annual Fall Festival. During this 2-day event we have upwards of 3000 people come to our home (Creek Center Banquet Hall, home of the Armada Knights of Columbus) and enjoy our hospitality. As the co-chairperson for this event, for the majority of these years, I can tell you that the number one feedback we hear is the fact that the hospitality and courtesy we show our guests stands out more than anything else. I would like to say Thank You to all who come out and help with this yearly event. For those of you who have never come out to help us, all I can say is that you are missing a GREAT time. If you go to our Fall Fest website at www.armadafallfest.org you can see some of what we do. I know it is a bit early to be talking about this event however it is fast approaching and we have to start planning this years event. We are holding a Fall Festival meeting on Thursday May 21st at 7:00pm. This meeting will be for all who would like to be on the organizing committee and for anyone who is a current chairperson for any of the weekend's events. Please mark this date on your calendar and plan on attending. We are in need of some new faces and new ideas for the 2 day event. It is our responsibility to keep the Fall Fest up to date and lively so as to keep our guests coming back year after year. Not only do we come out ahead from this event but the local organizations we donate to throughout the year also reap the benefits from our hard work. See you May 21st @ 7 pm.

Ken C.

- Thu., Apr 30: Fraternal Benefits Meeting 7:00 pm
(see article for details)
- Fri., May 1: May Crowning after 7:00 pm Mass
(see article for details)
- Wed., May 6: Officer's Meeting 7:00 pm
Building Corp. Meeting 8:30
- Thur., May 7: Rosary at St. Mary's Church 7:00 pm
- Sun., May 10: Country 8:00 am - 12:00 Noon - need help
call Joe Bova @ 784-4147 if you can help
- Wed., May 13: General Membership Meeting 7:30 pm
- Thur., May 14: Men's Conference at St. Anastasia in Troy
6:00 pm - 9:30 pm. Tickets \$15 - \$20.
(See www.creekcenter.com for details
or call 586-296-9595.)
- Thur., May 14: Rosary at St. Mary's Church 7:00 pm
- Fri., May 15: Social Night 6:30 pm
- Thu., May 21: Fall Festival Meeting 7:00 pm
- Thur., May 21: Rosary at St. Mary's Church 7:00 pm
- Wed., May 27: 4th Degree at Creek Center 7:30 pm
- Thur., May 28: Rosary at St. Mary's Church 7:00 pm
- May 30 - 31: Council receives traveling icon
details to come on week-end services
- Sun., May 31: Corporate Communion at 8:00 am Mass
- Wed., June 3: Officer's Meeting 7:00 pm
Building Corp. Meeting 8:30 pm
- Fri., June 5: Outdoor Movie - doors open at 8:00pm
- Wed., June 10: General Membership Meeting 7:30
- June 12 - 14: Camping at Addison Oakes - All Welcome
- Sun., June 14: Country Breakfast 8:00 am - 12:00 Noon
- Wed., June 24: 4th Degree in Romeo 7:30 PM
- Wed., July 1: Officer's Meeting 7:00 pm
Building Corp. Meeting 8:30 pm
- Wed., July 8: General Membership Meeting 7:30 pm
- Fri., July 10: Outdoor Movie - doors open at 8:00 pm
- Sun., July 12: Installation of Officers 11 am Mass at SS Peter
& Paul, 6645 Washington, North Branch
- Fri., July 17: Social Night 6:30 pm
- Sun., July 19: Country Breakfast at Hall 8:00 am 12:00
- Sun., July 19: Community Garage Sale - (see article)
- Wed., July 22: 4th Degree meeting at Armada 7:30 pm.
- Tues., July 28: Blood Drive 2:00 pm - 8:00 pm

KofC Insurance Fraternal Benefits Night

On Thursday, April 30th at 7:00 PM, we will host a fraternal benefits night at the hall. Our insurance agent, James Parker, will give a presentation on some of the various products that are available from life insurance to annuities. All of our members are encouraged to attend and wives are also welcome.

In addition to this meeting, we also have an insurance link to the Supreme Council built into our web site (www.creekcenter.com) to give you fast and easy access to insurance information. Whether you are interested in new policies, checking on existing policies or just have general questions. You will find this an important link to your insurance needs.

May Crowning

On Friday, May 1st, there will be a special mass at St. Mary Mystical Rose Church which begins at 7:00 PM followed by a May Crowning ceremony. The Color Corp will be in attendance at this mass. I would like to see as many Knights as possible at this mass in devotion to our Blessed Mother Mary. I'm sure it will be a very beautiful mass and ceremony. There will be a small reception following. Hope to see you all there.

Also, to continue the observance of Mary's month, we will be conducting weekly rosaries on Thursday evenings at St. Mary's Church in Armada. I hope you will make an effort to join us at these rosaries if possible. Dates for the rosaries are May 7, 14, 21 and 28. The time will be 7:00 pm.

Joseph P. Bova
Grand Knight

www.creekcenter.com

Over the past couple months I have been attempting to revive the Council website which is www.creekcenter.com. Due to lack of a web master, the site has been neglected over the past few years. It is my hope that the web site will be a place where the membership will be able to find updated information presented in a way which will be pleasing to the viewer. I was also concerned about the effectiveness of this web site on our hall rentals which are necessary if we are to keep our hall.

I began by attempting to upgrade the hall rental portion of the web site to make it more informative and pleasing to prospective renters. I have added many pictures, rental information, menus and costs for renting the hall or pavilion. I have been told that these changes have lead to several rentals already.

At the same time, I also began to update information on the site as a whole and on the calendar of events. I have been making changes to the calendar any time I have updated information on any proposed event(s).

Check out the Catholic Men's Conference under News & Events on our new site. This is something that will be of interest to most KofC members.

SQUIRES

Hello, I'm Rob Thomas, chief squire for the Armada Circle, Pope John Paul II. Currently we are in need of new members. We are planning an open house for anyone interested in joining the squires. The squires is a K of C youth group. We have about 7 outings a year including our convention, canoe outings, football & basketball tournaments. Its always a lot of fun going to these different events and it's a good way to meet new really cool people. If you have any questions or want more information you can contact me at (H) (586)-784-5890 or (C) (586)-453-5412. Thanks!

BLOOD DRIVES

In March, we had the first blood drive for this calendar year. It was a great success. We had 50 sign in and we collected 52 pints of blood. That means we provided blood to save the lives of up to 104 people. Without this blood at critical times, generally 1/2 pint is needed to pull a patient through. Our blood collection was greater than the number of donors due to what is called "double reds". These donors donate 2 pints of red blood cells but the white cells and plasma are returned to the donors body. If you are interested in donating a double red, talk to a nurse at our next drive. Double red donors must wait 4 month between donations rather than the customary 2 months for other donors.



We would like to take this opportunity to **thank** all those who helped make this blood drive a success. The members that helped with the call list to remind donors, the members that physically helped with the blood drive and of course the members and their families that turned out to donate at the drive. Without the help of all these people the drive could not succeed.

We hope you will continue to support the Council blood drives. Our next drive will be held on Tuesday, July 28th. Please mark this on your calendar and help us out with your donation.

Howard Weiler, Coordinator

2nd Annual Golf Outing **St. Mary Mystical Rose** **Youth Group**

If you play golf, you might consider supporting the St. Mary's Youth Group golf outing. The event takes place on Saturday, July 18th at Richmond Forest Golf Club. The format is a 4-man scramble and includes 18 holes of golf with cart and dinner after golf (about 6:00 pm). The Dinner is a 3 meat buffet. Cost of the event is \$60 / person or \$110 / 2 players. Registration begins at 12:30 pm and shot gun start is 1:30 pm.

Deadline for payment is July 7th. Reserve your spot, get your money in early.

DRIVE-IN MOVIES

If you didn't get a chance to come to an Outdoor Movie Night last year, you and your family missed an enjoyable family time out. Those who attended the movies last year requested that we continue to have movies this summer. With our huge outdoor screen its like a return of the 50's when family members shared an evening out watching a movie and having fun together. We will be holding movies on Friday, June 5 and again on Friday, July 10 to start out our season. Doors open at 8 pm and the movie begins at dusk. There is entertainment for the younger members of the family while they wait and a snack bar for the entire family. Come join the fun with us this year.

BRIDAL SHOW

We have now held three bridal shows to promote our hall. Our next Fall show is planned for October 4th - one week before fall festival. These shows provide the only real advertising for our hall plus they provide us the opportunity to meet with many prospective brides who may rent our hall for their weddings and showers. The promotion is working - Our hall is renting! Let's keep it going --- As previously mentioned, the gown vendors who PAY to participate in our shows have asked us to provide models for a fashion show at the event. If you could PLEASE ask your wives, your daughters, or even your sisters if they would like to participate, it would be appreciated. They might even have fun dressing up. I only had two volunteers at the winter show and more ladies are needed. We need AT LEAST ten ladies since we are planning a runway fashion show (a bigger attendance draw) for this fall. Models of every shape and size are needed, but David's Bridal asks for ladies to be at least 5' 5" since they will be wearing off-the-rack dresses and they don't want anybody to trip or for the dresses to be so long that they drag on the floor and get ruined. Models would be volunteering for one fitting at David's Bridal (across from Birchwood Mall) and the time at the event (12:00 Noon until 4:00 PM on October 4th). We need models for bride's, bridesmaid's and mother of the bride dresses, and possibly even a flower girl. PLEASE If any ladies / teens are interested, they can email Brenda Bova at ArmadaTownship@aol.com or call (586) 871-3806.



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