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*****NEXT APRIL 13, 2023 – 8PM*****
Note: THE BLESSED ROSARY RECITED AT 7:45PM

THE ANCHOR

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

My Brother Knights,

The next several months will be some of our busiest – our upcoming Nite at the Races (April), our joint Chicken BBQ dinner benefitting St. Jude's Hospital with Star of the Sea Council (May), and our Joseph D. Tomlinson Memorial Golf tournament (June), not to mention our continued improvements of our Council home. These are all excellent opportunities for you to involve your friends and family who could be great additions to our council. I'm asking everyone to try to involve one person in our upcoming events and let them see what they can be a part of. Joining is even easier now using the online application at www.kofc.org/joinus. For the remainder of the year, candidates that join online and use the code MMCANDREW can join for free. If they join before the end of March, they can take their Exemplification Degree on Thursday, April 13th, just before our next council meeting, and then take part in their first meeting. Let's get to building up our Council.

Please note that April's Monthly Council Meeting is moved to the 2nd Thursday, April 13th instead of the 6th due to the 6th being Holy Thursday.

I appreciate all your efforts! Thank you.

Vivat Jesu,

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District/State/Supreme News

The State Supreme Council has a new website. The new website is www.kofcpennsylvania.org.

The 125th Annual State Convention of the PA Knights of Columbus will take place from May 5-7, 2023. The convention will be held at the Hilton Harrisburg, 1 North Second Street, Harrisburg, PA. You can find more info including registration information at <https://kofcpennsylvania.org/convention>.

2023 Chance of a Lifetime (C.O.A.L.) tickets are available at the Council home. C.O.A.L. is the raffle that funds the state scholarships. 2 tickets are included with this Anchor for you to buy or sell; however, more are available. Your purchased tix with payment are due back to the Council by April 15th. To request additional tix, call the council at (814) 942-6262 or email kofc551@gmail.com.

Are you interested in helping our council achieve the Founders Award and/or Star Council Award? Then register for the upcoming Fraternal Benefits Webinar, *Jim Effner on the "Importance of Whole Life as part of Retirement Plan" on April 26th at 7:30 PM EST*. Attending these webinars helps us move closer to our requirements for the Founders Award and Star Council.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 13th – Exemplification Degree – 7pm

April 13th (moved to 2nd Thursday due to Holy Thursday) – 8pm Monthly Council Meeting, 7:45pm Blessed Rosary

April 22 – Council 551 Nite at the Races – Doors open 6pm, Races start 7pm

May 7th – Chicken BBQ Dinner with Start of the Sea Council Benefitting St. Jude's Children's Hospital – 8am to 2pm (at the Star of the Sea Council in Hollidaysburg)

June 17th – Joseph D Tomlinson Memorial Golf Tournament – 8am Shotgun Start (registration 7:30am).

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COUNCIL NEWS

1492 Home Association – We are applying for a grant through the City of Altoona to help offset costs of repairing brickwork around windows and to install a chair lift in the back stairwell. We'll keep you posted on our progress.

Joseph D Tomlinson Memorial Scholarships – Scholarship applications are now available for students coming from Holy Trinity and going into Bishop Guilfoyle. Scholarships range from \$250 - \$1,000. Scholarship Applications can be obtained online at <https://www.kofc551.org/programs-1> or by contacting GK Terry Anderson at kofc551@gmail.com. Applications are due by May 15th. Students graduating Bishop Guilfoyle and going to Saint Francis University can apply for our newly endowed scholarship directly with SFU by contacting financial aid at Saint Francis University. Any questions on scholarships can be directed to GK Terry Anderson at (814) 932-0465.

Joseph D Tomlinson Memorial Golf Tournament – Mark your calendars for our 2023 Joseph D Tomlinson Memorial Golf Tournament scheduled for June 17, 2023 at King Valley Golf Course. Remember that all proceeds from the golf tourney fund our JDT Memorial Scholarships, including our newly endowed Joseph D Tomlinson Memorial Scholarship at Saint Francis University. Registration through the Tournament Website will be available in the coming weeks.

Council 551 Nite at the Races – Our next Council 551 Nite at the Races is Saturday, April 22nd. Tickets are \$50 and include entrance for 2, name your horse, food and drinks. Always a great time, so invite your friends. Tix are available. Call Frank Goss (814) 329-6094 or email kofc551@gmail.com to reserve your tix.

Chicken BBQ Dinner for St. Jude's Children Hospital – We will once again be holding our joint Chicken BBQ with the Star of the Sea Council in Hollidaysburg. The Chicken BBQ will be on Sunday, May 7th. We will need help with prep, boxing meals, serving, and directing traffic, and of course, selling tix. The event usually runs from about 11am to 1pm. However, people are needed as early as 8am for the prep and as late as 2pm for clean up. Please volunteer to help even if only for a few hours. Tix are now available to purchase and to sell. Tix are \$10 and can be purchased by contacting Frank Goss (814) 329-6094, Terry Anderson (814) 932-0465, calling the council (leave msg) at (814) 942-6262, or emailing the council at kofc551@gmail.com. Let's make this another great event by spreading the word, selling tix, and helping out at the event!

Felix & the Hurricanes Event – We will be hosting an event featuring Felix & the Hurricanes on Saturday, November 18th. Door will open at 6pm with the band playing from 7pm-10pm. More details will following in the coming months. Mark your calendars now!

Council 551Gear – Continue to check our Council website for great new options of Council 551 gear including polos, t-shirts, hats, hoodies, and crewnecks. More seasonal apparel will be coming soon. You can view and order items at <https://www.kofc551.org/council-551-gear>.

"News from our Field Agent, Mike McAndrew" - If you have questions about insurance and/or retirement, please give Mike a call at (814) 505-4971.

About Our Organization...

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to men 18 years of age or older who are practical (that is, practicing) Catholics in union with the Holy See. This means that an applicant or member accepts the teaching authority of the Catholic Church on matters of faith and morals, aspires to live in accord with the precepts of the Catholic Church, and is in good standing in the Catholic Church.