

Knights of Columbus Greensburg Diocesan Chapter

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Chapter Newsletter for SEPTEMBER, 2016

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Worthy Grand Knights and District Deputies in the Greensburg Chapter,

Calendar of Events September/October 2016

9/17 Saturday - PA Western Section Meeting - Ave Maria Parish, 208 Abromatis Street, Bentleyville 15314. Meeting - 10:30 AM. All 3rd Degree members in Section are welcome.

9/19 Monday - Greensburg Chapter Meeting - Father Francis J. Hertzog Council # 1381 @ St.Margaret Mary Parish, Sacred Heart Rm, 2nd Flr. (elavator available), 3055 Leechburg Rd, Lower Burrell, 15068. Rosary @ 7:15 PM, meeting to follow....Please join us, all 3rd Degree members are welcome.

10/9 Sunday - Columbus Day Dinner - Double Tree by Hilton, Meadow Lands Hotel, 340 Racetrack Road, Washington, PA. 15301. Social 5:00 PM, Dinner 6:00 PM.

10/15 Sat – Admission and Formation Degrees - Fr Hertzog Council # 1381 @ St. Margaret Mary Parish, 3055 Leechburg Rd, Lower Burrell, 15068.

10/17 Monday - Greensburg Chapter Meeting - Sacred Heart of Jesus Council # 10960 @ Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, 403 Lucerne Road, Lucernemines, PA. 15754. Rosary @ 7:15 PM, meeting to follow.

10/30 Sunday - Knighthood Degree - Holy Cross Parish, 711 Depot Street, Youngwood, PA. 15697.

From Your Chapter President

<u>Chapter President's Report</u> - First let me congratulate Brother Don Granata for receiving an appointment as the new District Deputy for District # 114 (Councils 940 - Latrobe, 1480 - Greensburg, 2648 - Derry, 8452 - Youngwood, & 14384 - St. Vincent College).

The Chapter Officers, on Friday, Sept. 2nd, enjoyed a wonderful lunch and had a great meeting with our Bishop, Edward Malesic, at the Bishop Connare Center. Bishop Malesic is very supportive of the Knights of Columbus especially in our Diocese. He has seen our support for our Seminarians and the Seminarian Program in our Diocese through financial support and our prayers. He appreciates all that we do to support our Priests, Parishes, communities and charitable works. We appreciate his support and prayers for our Order.

<u>Thank You to Latrobe and Greensburg Councils</u> for inviting me to speak about the Chapter and install your officers at your Council Meetings. It was a pleasure to meet so many wonderful Brother Knights. If the Chapter can assist your Councils please contact any Officer or myself.

Special Knighthood & Patriotic Degrees for Priests - Since Bishop Malesic received his Patriotic Degree before the Bishop's Dinner in June 3 Priests received their Knighthood and Patriotic Degrees - Msgr. Raymond Riffle (Rector, Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Parish, Greensburg), Father Stephen Bugay (Pastor, SS. Simon & Jude Parish, Blairsville) & Father Donald Conroy (retired, Priest - in residence @ St. Bernard's of Clairvaux Parish, Indiana). I want to thank the Greensburg Council 1480 for hosting the Degrees for our Priests and to our Former Patriotic Degree Master Frank Kyc for bestowing the Patriotic Degree on these wonderful Priests. The Degrees were held on Thursday, August 18th. Most Priests are not available when we normally schedule our Knighthood and Patriotic Degrees on Sundays. Let any Chapter officer or your District Deputy know if any of your Priests would like to take these Degrees during the week and we will attempt to schedule, if there's interest. This would be only for Priests/Seminarians.

<u>Chapter Picnic in August</u> - A Big Thank You to Council # 940, Daniel P. Nolan, Latrobe for hosting the Chapter Picnic. Great food, drinks and fellowship with our Brother Knights and our wives.

<u>New Patriotic Degree Master, PA West Announced</u> - All of us in the Greensburg Chapter would like to congratulate Sir Knight Michael Lynch for being appointed to this important position. Michael is from the Pittsburgh Diocese and we are looking forward to working with him.

<u>Knighthood Degree</u> - Date: Sunday, October 30, 2016; Time: Candidates 1:00 PM, Degree 2:00 PM; Location: Holy Cross Church Social Hall; 10 S. 8th St. Youngwood, PA 15697 Registration information will be forthcoming via PA West Degree Schedule.

<u>Voter Registration Program</u> - The Catholic Bishops in PA have asked the K of C to help with this Program in our Parishes. Bishop Malesic sent a letter to all of the Priests in our Diocese letting them know he encourages them to support the Knights in this Program. As always, it is up to the Parish Priest if he wants to allow us to do this Program in his Parish. Remember, if he says No then we don't do it. I am the Coordinator for the Greensburg Diocese for the Voter Registration Program. I will be sending out, in a separate e-mail, the information you will need. Any questions please contact me. trpearson1@gmail.com

Chapter President's Report-cont'

Wrap-up of the Bishop's Dinner June 2016 - As the Chairman for the Bishop's Dinner last June I want to thank all my Chapter Brothers that helped with putting this together, couldn't have done it with out you. I want to thank all that attended, we had a record attendance, 168 Reservations. I want to thank the Bishop Connare Center Staff for all that they did to help make this event the biggest and best. Thank You to the Councils, our Priests, our State Deputy, Stan Glowaski and his lovely wife Anna Marie and all the State Directors, Chairmen, your wives and guests for attending. Congratulations to Abigail Lynch, the State Scholarship winner from the Greensburg Diocese. Her father is a member of the Manordale Valley Council 4226 in Murrysville. Also, for Lori Szala, Executive Director, Curo Women's Clinic for bringing their Ultrasound Mobile Unit so that all could see this wonderful unit that helps save lives. I know Tim Shields, Chapter 1st VP and Chairman, is planning a Great Event & Dinner for Friday, June 16, 2017 at the Bishop Connare Center again. So mark your calendars.



ON THE ROAD, SAVING LIVES!!

Pennsylvania's first mobile unit, installed by Pennsylvania West Section on display at the dinner!



<u>Another Ultrasound Machine Approved</u> - I am pleased to announce that the Director of Pro-Life for the Greensburg Diocese has given our committee approval on the portable ultrasound machine for Life Choices in Kittanning. We can now move forward in the process of procuring the next ultrasound machine to save baby's lives.--Ger

