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# Happy New Year to everyone!

St Matthew Council #7572

January 2016

### **Upcoming Events**

<u>Date</u>	Event	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Jan 27 <sup>th</sup>	Council Meeting	7:30 PM	Parish Center
Feb 10 <sup>th</sup>	Officers Meeting	7:30 PM	Parish Center
Feb 24 <sup>th</sup>	Council Meeting	7:30 PM	Parish Center

#### **HOLIDAY FOOD BASKETS**

A total of 10 Thanksgiving baskets were distributed to families who very much appreciated them. Each basket contained a \$15 gift card to purchase a turkey or ham along with cans of vegetables, fresh apples, cranberry sauce, potatoes, butter, rolls, pies, and other items. The receiving families expressed their thanks for our generosity. We also prepared 10 baskets for distribution at Christmas.

#### **Hello Fishermen**

The date of this year's fishing trip has not yet been set but Rich Parow is contacting the boat people to see what will be available. Also the cost has not yet been established. If you want to go on this fun filled day your reservation should be sent to Rich Parow, first come, first served. There will be more information about the cost and date, at our meeting on Wednesday.

# Council 7572 Officer Listing For 2015-2016

Grand Knight	Robert Guyre Ir	490-4306
Deputy Grand Knight	Leonard Snell	660-2070
Chancellor	Lawrence Sarkozy	912-5967
Recorder	Richard Parow	434-2501
Financial Secretary	David Kling	434-9243
Treasurer	George Fredette 60.	3 801-1478
Advocate	Patrick Sullivan	216-1748
Warden	Kenneth Spina	475-4689
Inside Guard	Mikę Mrvos	505-7654
Outside Guard	Joe Pfeifer (617)	775-3032
Trustee (3yrs)	Aaron Kesmetis	986-2439
Trustee (2yrs)	David Centazzo	458-2105
Trustee (1yr)	Bennie DelVeechio	890-0072
Insurance Agent	Stephen White	894-4780

#### **New Members**

Welcome to 2 new members Peter Mahoney and William Dufton. Peter is a readmission and William is a transfer to our council. The council will also be electing 2 new men, Jacques Morin and John Bauer at out next meeting.

#### **January Birthdays**

Dave Kling 1-8 Paul Beaudoin 1-19

Tom DeNaro 1-27

## **Council Business Topics**

The Knights of Columbus Council #7572 will contribute to St Matthew parish community with three major social events this year....and we invite you to be a part of them.

On Saturday, March 12 The Knights will host a corned beef and cabbage dinner. This family dinner event will surely invoke memories of the former St Patrick's Day celebration which was a cherished, annual Council event for many years. Return to the blarney!

This spring (date TBD), the success and fun of last year's focal event returns with Grand Night II. On this evening the parish center will be energized with the laughter and conversation of delighted parishioners; the hall will be enchanted with light, decoration and music; and the dining experience will take center stage on this night to remember!

Saturday, November 5 has been reserved for the third and final event of the 2016 program. The theming of this program is still developing. Creative ideas are being considered for this great time of year!

These events are rewarding and are so much fun! We invite and implore you to be part of the action. Make your contribution to the planning committee on one, two or all of these events. We need sustained efforts by leading men on the committees, and we need role players that will only require hour or two of your time. You pick.

Discussions and planning will begin at our next Council meeting this Wednesday.

#### **Soup Suppers during Lent**

Soup suppers will start on the first Friday in Lent, Feb 12<sup>th</sup> and for each Friday for the next 5 weeks. Once again our council has been asked to provide help in the kitchen to coordinate the soup setup and serving for the 6 suppers during Lent.

Volunteers, please use the signup sheets in the gathering space at church to let us know of the dates you can help.

# Council Activities and Events held during 2015

We participated in many events and activities during the past year including;

- Distributed flowers on Mother's Day weekend for Birthright.
- Held our first annual "Grand Night" event.
- Held our annual Tootsie Roll Drive
- Awarded 2-\$500 College Scholarship Awards at our annual summer outing.
- Held our Annual Summer Outing at Larry & Regina Sarkozy's home.
- Helped at the Parish Picnic by cooking hot dogs and hamburgers and setup of the area.
- Held another very successful Craft Fair.
- Special Olympics Bowling awards.
- Held our first "Out of the Ordinary" special evening
- Decorated the outside bushes with Christmas lights and purchased 2 new trees for the balcony over the gathering space.
- Helped to decorate the interior of the church for Christmas and removal of the decorations in January.
- Collected food for and assembled 20 Thanksgiving and Christmas Food baskets.

### **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Our Council Christmas Party took place on Friday evening, December 11<sup>th</sup> at the home of George and Kathy Fredette. The party started at 6:30 PM with delicious appetizers followed by a buffet style meal. The highlight of the evening, along with the companionship and excellent food, was a "Christmas Carol" sing along. Approximately 40 were in attendance and all had a great time. Thanks and an enthusiastic "Well Done" to Dr. Michael Speidel for organizing, planning, setup and coordinating the party and to George and Kathy Fredette for very graciously hosting the party at their beautiful home.