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Upcoming Events

September

- 9 Mon. Council Meeting 7:30
Rosary 6:30 PM
- 13 Fri. Half Way to St. Patricks
Dinner
- 20 Fri. Monthly Raffle Drawing
- 21 Sat. Veterans Dinner
- 23 Mon. Council Meeting 7:30
- 27 Fri. Fish Fry 5:00 PM - 8:00
- 30 Mon. 4th Degree Meeting
7:30 PM

October

- 4 Fri. Octoberfest Dinner
- 7 Mon. Council Meeting 7:30
Rosary 6:30 PM
- 14 Mon. First Degree
- 18 Fri. Monthly Raffle Drawing
- 21 Mon. Council Meeting 7:30
- 25 Fri. Fish Fry 5:00 - 8:00 PM
- 28 Mon. 4th Degree Meeting
7:30 PM

BINGO every Wednesday 6:00

Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights,

First and foremost, I would like to thank Joe Fredette for all his service and dedication over the past year and a half. Not only did he provide countless hours as our Grand Knight but endless hours in our kitchen preparing meals with Frank Bunch and his team of helpers. I also want to recognize the board members for their continued support of our council. We have many individuals that help in the success of our home. From scheduling of events and bar tenders to Joe Freshwater and Randy who step up after every event to make sure the rooms are clean and ready to go!

I have many goals as your Grand Knight this year. First and foremost, it is important for people to know what a Knight is and what our organization does. I would like for our organization to be out in the public letting people know what it is to be a member of the Knights of Columbus. I would like to see us volunteering for community projects. If you know of any we could assist with, please let me know.

Also, I would like to set up a committee that reaches out to all our members in an effort to increase involvement in our council through projects and or meetings. Please let me know If you would like to be a part of this committee. We will be meeting in October.

Lastly, I would like to see more family based activities at our council such as family movie night. Many of us join the Knights of Columbus because our father/grandfather was a member. I remember attending many events with my mom and dad. It made me want to be part of an organization that gave back.

Council #246 is our council and if you have any suggestions or ideas that you think will help our home become even better, please feel free to reach out to me by e-mail at rspratt6@gmail.com or call me at (518) 260-4402.

Thank you,

Rob Spratt
Grand Knight

2019-2020 Council Officers

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Flag Day Parade

I want to take this time to thank Manny Ballestero and his son Jeff for all the work they put in repairing our float for the flag day parade. Both Manny and Jeff had put in many hours toward this float, which has been a constant for our Council. As you can see by the photos and the finished product, this float is a true trademark to our Council since we march in this parade every year. Thank you from all of us at Council 246.



Helping Hands

As you all are aware, both Joe and Frank have been providing meals for code blue and our vets. These gentlemen put in countless hours of their own time to help those who are less fortunate. With that being said, it is time for our council to step up and help out. We are going to be looking for help in the kitchen. An e-mail will be going out with dates and times for individuals to sign up. There are many ways in which you can assist, such as chopping vegetables, peeling potatoes, just to name a few. Please look for these e-mails in the near future. Please consider donating your time as well as any family members.

Scholarship Raffle

The Assembly's Scholarship raffle has raised \$1150 so far with one drawing left in September. August's drawing was won by #9, Manny Ballestero.

The new year starts in October. We are encouraging all to pay in advance \$60 or 2 payments of \$30. simply to make book keeping easier. The envelopes and mailbox for the raffle are in the bar on the wall next to the bell and under it..

Winners are posted in the bar alcove. September's drawing will be September 20 at 7 p.m. The prize right now for September is \$320. \$5 gets you into the September drawing. Payment is due by Wed., Sept. 18. Chances of winning are 1 in 470. Refreshments will be served, prepared by Chuck L. GOOD LUCK!!!

September Birthdays

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| Donald R Stevenson | Robert Badaszewski |
| Daniel M Matrazzo | William J Mevec |
| Deacon Gary R Picher | Robert L Pitman |
| Roger E Calkins | Donald R O'Neil |
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| Joseph W Honey | John W Crowe |
| Kevin C Joyce | Edward J Desmarais |



Steve Leonardo, Mark Ferris, and Steve Callander

\$10,000 Raffle!

Our \$10,000 raffle sales are going slow. Only 41 sold so far. We still have many "lucky" numbers left. All numbers are between 1 and 250. See Rick Schwartzbeck, or call at 518 893-7074 or e-mail at mooseonmt@aol.com to reserve your "lucky" number! Let's sell all 250 tickets and help fund our Council Columbian Association Projects and Catholic schools.. Tickets cost \$100.00 each. Drawing is at the Christmas Party on December 14th. (Just in time for Christmas!)

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Bingo

As you are aware, every Wednesday, we host Bingo and bell jar. These are two events that raise money for our council. We are looking for additional volunteers to assist. If you can donate a small portion of your time one Wednesday a month, it would make a huge difference. If you are able to assist or would like more information, please e-mail dhtaylor49@aim.com. – Dennis Taylor



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All Council #246 and Assembly #745 News will be distributed to our membership via email. This includes the monthly newsletter, and various bits of K of C news, notices, calendar changes, fundraiser reminders, etc.

Any member-provided news or updates can be sent to our entire membership by sending an email to the Grand Knight at: rspratt6@gmail.com

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