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THE KNOXVILLE COUNCIL  
6515 MILLERTOWN PIKE  
JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2012



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**Meetings: First Tuesday and Third Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. at the Council Hall**

**COME EARLY FOR THE ROSARY AT 7PM**

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Jan 29 Pancake Breakfast @ I.C,**
- Feb 7 Membership Meeting @ Shea Hall 7:30**
- Feb 18 Mardi Gras @ St Joseph**
- Feb 21 Membership Meeting @ Shea Hall 7:30**
- Feb 25 3<sup>rd</sup> degree @ Holy Ghost**  
Candidates arrive 10:30 AM  
Degree begins @ 11:00 AM  
Council 645 will be hosting this event.  
Assistance is needed for meal prep and Clean up. Please Let Greg McGinnis know if you can assist with this. Anyone who plans on attending as a participant also needs to let us know so we can buy enough food. There is a \$5.00 per person charge for food. Candidates eat free.
- Mar 24<sup>th</sup> MR Drive Clinton Highway Walmart.**  
Volunteers needed.
- Mar 31 4<sup>th</sup> degree exemplification @ Holy Family in Seymour. 1:00 PM**
- April 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>: MR drives @ East Town Walmart. Volunteers Needed.**

## Grand Knights Report

Gentlemen I hope each and every one of you had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I trust that you enjoyed the short break from K of C business. Now that we are well rested it's time to spring back into action. We have many of the same projects and hopefully we will add some new ones in the future. I would like to thank Dave Yelmini for doing the newsletter. I also want to thank Bert and Jack for all of their help and hard work. As our fraternal year comes to an end in June we will be looking to fill officer positions. If asked, please consider saying "yes".

Vivat Jesus  
Greg McGinnis G.K.



## Recruiting Notice

As we begin calendar year 2012, we need to commit ourselves to recruiting new members to our council. If you know of good and virtuous catholic men who would like to serve their community and grow in their faith, than please encourage them to join the Knights. The more members we have, the more good works we can do. We will be having several MR drives this spring, and we have recurring service projects at St. Joseph school, Holy Ghost church, Immaculate Conception church, and at our own Shea hall that would all benefit from having more manpower.

If you know someone who has been on the fence about joining our council, please be sure to emphasize that 2012 is a year of special grace and there will not be any hazing or branding at the initiation ceremony.

## Unity and Fraternity

It is no secret that the last several years have been very difficult for most of us. Many of our brother Knights have faced layoffs, health problems, and other personal challenges that have caused hardship for themselves and their families. As Knights of Columbus, it is our duty to help our brothers in need, but far too often, we lose touch with brother Knights that face these difficult times. We are in the process of updating our members list, and we would ask that each Knight take the time to respond with current contact information, so that we may have the ability to stay in contact with you, and offer our assistance if/when the time comes. Please note that this information will be kept strictly confidential, will not be sold or distributed to anyone outside the Knights of Columbus, or used for anything besides Knights of Columbus business.

Additionally, we would really like to see more of our members attend the membership meetings. If you are having difficulty with transportation to Shea Hall, please let us know and we can find a brother Knight who can assist. If you are having difficulty paying dues, and are reluctant to attend meetings because of it, please let us know.

While we ask that all men who are able to pay their yearly dues do so promptly, we do not want to exclude any brother who wishes to participate in our functions because of financial hardship. If you would like to discuss forgiveness of past dues or to arrange for transportation to a Knight's function, please call Grand Knight Greg McGinnis at 705-9635 to discuss your situation in full confidence and respect.