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U of A Tries to Defeat K of C Fish Fry

But We Made a Brilliant Comeback!



The Fry Crew: From left, cook Gary Gazaille. Behind the table, Brian Gazaille and up front, right, cook Ricardo Preciado. Behind the table, Jan DePuma, and food runners, Merv Stuckey and Frank Bradley. In the shadows in the back is Mike Connolly, guarding the door.

This year's 4th Degree K of C Fish Fry started out so promising. The first Friday, we served 317 adult meals and the second Friday we jumped to 327 meals. Then on the third Friday we exceeded all expectations by serving an astounding 363 meals!

Then, kaboom! Enter the NCAA Basketball Tournament! Most of us are avid U of A fans but we had no idea how much of a negative impact their participation in the tournament would affect the attendance at our Fish Fry. But affect it, it did! The night that the U of A played, and defeated, Utah, our served meals fell to a miserable 200! We had to waste food already prepared but we did manage to give away most of it instead of throwing it out.

All in all, it was still a successful Fish Fry. We netted \$5307! Not bad considering our shortfall during the NCAA Tournament.

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The serving crew, front right, Al Kingman, Cliff Baumgardner, Alfonso Prieto, Ray Herst, Steve Abeyta and Richard Lavoy.



The first night there were long waiting lines.

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Dignitaries at Meetings

State officers, district deputies, priests or special guests should be accorded due recognition for the office or position they hold. **They should always be seated in a place of honor.**

If a state officer, district deputy, priest or special guest should arrive while a meeting is in progress, the grand knight should instruct the warden to escort him to the rostrum. Then the grand knight will rap the gavel three times for all to stand. The guest will occupy a seat of honor in the front of the room, facing the membership
 ——— *From Protocol Handbook*

Please turn in any request you may have to the Grand Knight. Giving your request to another officer does not make your request the responsibility of that officer. You must still follow-up with the Grand Knight lest your request get lost in the shuffle. ——— *Larry Kiser, Fin. Sec.*

Grand Knight's Message



Stephen Ancell
 Grand Knight
 2008/2009

Hello Brothers,

Gentlemen I wish to thank you all for the incredible assistance you have rendered to the officers of your council this fraternal year! I have truly enjoyed this year as your Grand Knight.

We have accomplished several things. We hosted a 2nd & 3rd degree exemplification for the advancement of many knights of the order. We also hosted our diocesan priests for the Chapter sponsored Priest appreciation dinner here in February. I thank all of you for a very successful year. I invite you all to bring a new candidate to the last first degree of this fraternal year on May 27th. There are a number of 1st degrees scheduled around the area that I am sure we can accommodate many scheduling difficulties. There is also another 2nd & 3rd degree exemplification available before the June 23rd 4th degree exemplification in Phoenix. If there is any information that you need please let me know.

I ask each member to continue with our tradition of volunteerism. Come out to volunteer at the school fund raiser; Multi-Cultural Night! I am sure we can find someplace where your assistance will be welcomed.

I will close by asking you to support the officers in the next fraternal year as you have supported your officers in this fraternal year. I thank you one and all!

Sincerely,
 Stephen Ancell
 Grand Knight

Worthy Sir Knights, we have been asked by our **District Master of the Fourth Degree, Michael Kingman**, to donate toward the new mosaic, inside the dome, of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC. The Knights have been donating toward many portions of this Shrine since 1959, e.g. Bell tower and bells, O&M, ushers, etc. The 3,780 sq ft mosaic depicts themes relating to the Incarnation of Jesus Christ.

Our Worthy Faithful Navigator, **Jerry DePuma**, is asking that we Sir Knights send a **\$5 (or more) donation** each toward this endeavor. Please help out and send your donation to **Larry Kiser, Worthy Faithful Comptroller**. The Assembly will send in all the donations to the District Master by the end of this Fraternal Year.

We have **NEW flags and Fourth Degree pins** per the new Honor Guard/Color Corps manual. Please bring in your pins at the next Assembly meeting in order for us to inspect them. If you have old pins, the Assembly will replace them with the new ones. ——— **4th Degree Captain and DD Ray Obral**

Birthdays

Council 8077

Assembly Not In Council 8077

May	
Date	Name
1	Peter M Bellanti
1	Devin P Laria
3	Garry J Beauregard
6	Benjamin Sheri Jimenez
6	Joseph F Leahy
6	Michael G Santoro
7	John T Davee
7	George M Vince
8	Louis S R Pisani
8	Roy Valenzuela
8	Andy Zamora
9	Joshua L Meehan
11	Jerry E Curtis
12	Thaddeus Semon
13	Rudy L Milchak
13	Xavier Otero
14	Bernard J Mooney
16	Pedro Pacheco
17	Mark S Barraza
17	Michael A Cole
17	Maxemilio B Jimenez
17	Sean Mendoza
17	John B Ponce
17	Gene L Viggiano
19	Anthony J Maher
20	David M Totten
21	Thomas A Curti
23	Anthony Badalucco
23	Harry Maple
24	Joe M Rangel
26	William J Campillo
27	John A Glavin
28	Mark A Arminio
28	Clifford D Baumgardner
28	Lawrence S Dembowski
28	Nick Guttuso
31	Jay J Mc Call

June	
Date	Name
2	Dr Edward H Sawicki
3	Patrick J Campbell
3	Kevin R Haley
3	Joseph Tunzi
6	James L Davis
8	William J Daley
10	Christian J Kimminau
11	Curt E Stinson
12	Gerald J Bonham
12	Frank Carlino
13	Anthony D Kontowicz
13	Robert A Manning
15	Samuel P Crivello
15	James K Druener
16	Lawrence C Abbate
17	Raymond J Herst
22	Luis P Chlup
22	William E Scholz
23	William R Brooks
26	Joseph W Clanton
26	Dennis Steven Widlak
30	Rev Bardo O Antunez

May		
Date	Name	Council
2	James R Ford	12345
5	Fred G Acosta	12345
6	Mark A Joseph	14089
9	Richard M Robinson	13272
17	Ernest F Rego	14132
18	Joseph Landon	13240
19	Jose M Aranda	14089
19	Remigio T Mariano (Fr. Miguel)	8813
24	Jose U Gonzales	12345
24	Bernie W Lee	12345

June		
Date	Name	Council
1	Tony M Mendoza	6933
10	Elmer K Mc Lay	14089
16	Maurice E Weis	12345

**Happy Birthday to all you
Fine Brothers!**

April Rummage Sale A Success

There was plenty of warm sunshine, lots of customers and just enough volunteers among the knights and their wives to get the job done. Worthy Warden and Rummage Sale Coordinator Jerry DePuma and his wife Jan, pictured below with Chris Obral, thank everyone who helped.



Calendar of Events

May, 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 Multi-Cultural Night—SEAS
3	4	5	6 Officers' Meeting 8077	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 Business Meeting 8077	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 4th Degree Meeting 2308	21	22	23 Deadline for 4th Degree Exemplification
24 31	25	26	27 1st Degree & Social Meeting 8077	28	29	30

June, 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Officers' Meeting 8077	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Business Meeting 8077	11	12	13 4th Degree Exemplification Phoenix
14	15	16	17 4th Degree Meeting 2308	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Social Meeting 8077	25	26	27
28	29	30				

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photos by Spencer McAllister



The cole slaw crew, from left, Patricia McAllister, Amelia Kingman, Mao Maple, Pat Wadman, Lilian Baumgardner and Bobbie DeSantis.



John Hartigan, the ultimate coffee man.



Left, all around kitchen aid John Vallinoto with head chef Tom Flanigan and his hard-working wife Virginia Flanigan.



Jim Maino can bake a mean fish!



Just Desserts with Irma Bradley, Leona Bonham and Mary Herst.



Fish Fry Coordinator Spencer McAllister extends his THANK YOU to all the volunteers who made the Fish Fry run so smoothly and successfully.

The Kiser Family: Wife Rosanna, Husband Richard and Daughter Angelina.

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News From The Fourth Degree

Jerry DePuma
Faithful Navigator
Fr. Henry Miller Assembly # 2308
2008-2009



Sir Knights and Brothers All:

I can't believe that my term as Faithful Navigator is almost over. It really flew by quickly, and a lot was accomplished by our organization for those in need.

I can only say thanks to all of my officers for their support in all the endeavors undertaken. The first fundraiser was the spaghetti dinner which raised \$1,000.00 for the VA hospital, the next was the dinner on Veteran's day for the World War II veterans, the money we raised for that will be given to the VA. I am looking forward to one more fundraiser to raise some additional funds for the VA. At this point we are unsure as to what exactly it will be. I am definitely open to suggestions

The most recent one, the Fish Fry, was a huge success. I would personally like to thank all of my Brothers who helped

for their hard work in making the fish fry the success it was. Behind the scenes a great big thanks has to go to Ricardo Preciado for picking up the supplies, Spencer McAllister for doing all the ordering, and monitoring the supplies, Tom and Virginia Flanagan for getting the ball rolling in the kitchen way before any of us were even there, and especially all of the wives who worked hard with us by preparing the food and baking all those delicious cakes.

A VERY special thanks goes to our pastor, Fr. Joseph Lombardo for his support in all of our efforts for without his support we would be unable to have any of these functions. Thanks to Suzanne Shadonix, our school Principal for her unfailing support for the Knights of Columbus. We are currently getting estimates for the installation of lights on our Flag. We hope to have this completed in the very near future.

I look forward to next year and being able to help your new Faithful Navigator, Ray Obral. Ray deserves as much help as you gave me, so let's not let him down. Once again, I can't thank you all enough for all you have done to help me make this year a great success!

God Bless you and your families!.

Vivat Jesus!

Your Faithful Navigator

Jerry DePuma