

# Knights of Columbus

## Council 996

### GREETINGS FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

**SPECIAL DATES OF INTEREST:**

- Bingo every Tuesday @ 7pm
- January 1st-Black Eyed Peas Meal
- January 3rd-Bible Study and Business Meeting
- January 10th-Columbus Club Meeting
- January 17th-Social Night
- January 19th-Family Night

HAPPY NEW YEAR BROTHERS!!

I hope your Christmas was filled with the love of Christ and family and that this new year is everything you wish for.

I am so very proud to, not only be a member of 996, but to be your Grand Knight! I think we can all look back on the things we have done through the K of C 996, not only this last year, but in all the years past, and be very, very proud!

When I took a few minutes yesterday to reflect on my life as a member of K of C 996, I remembered how everyone was just like family. True, lots of the men there really were brothers, sons, and uncles, but it was hard to tell who was really related. We have seen brothers get married. We've seen them have children and grandchildren-some great grandchildren! We have celebrated our lives together. We have buried some of our beloved brothers, their wives, children and their parents, as we have just recently with four of our brothers, Kyle DeJaeger, Art Rideout, Bob and Joe Swartz. There has been a lot of sorrows, but the joyous times far out way those sadder times!

I found it was far easier to remember those happier times than those of sadness.

A large THANK YOU goes out to Gus Coopenhaver and Carder Ferguson for representing Knights of Columbus Council 996 as they fed the inmates at the JDC, (Juvenile Detention Center) on December 8th. These gentlemen were helped by Lottie Kline and Cathy Hutchinson. Carole Hargrave reported that it was done very well and that the officers on duty agreed. The inmates send their thanks as well. All look forward to our return in May. Thank you Ladies and Gentlemen!

Right now our building is in a bind! We need several repairs, things to replace, the bills keep coming, and we have little or no money coming in to pay for these things. What do we do? We need all hands on deck to get ourselves out of a hole we've gotten ourselves in to. January 10, at 7:30 there will be a Columbus Club meeting. We advise all officers and our members to attend this meeting. We will discuss future plans for the hall and what direction we should turn. PLEASE- COME TO THIS MEETING! WE NEED YOUR INPUT!!

To start the ball rolling, we are hosting a Mardi Gras dance on February 10, 2018. There are going to be several meetings to plan this event and we would love any

ideas from all of you. We also are looking for you to help us during this event! If you can't help with the party, PLEASE come and bring friends!! Right now the plan is: Doors open at 6:00; Dinner starts at 6:30; Band- Oreo Blue starts at 7:00. There will be drawings through the night instead of an auction. The menu is: Gumbo, Red Beans and Rice, Jambalaya, and Bread Pudding, along with a Cash Bar. The cost of this event is \$30.00 per person in advance, \$35.00 at the door.

Again I wish you and your families health, happiness, and prosperity throughout the new year.

Matt Hutchinson  
Grand Knight 996  
Fort Smith, AR

God Bless our members who lost family members and loved ones in 2017-  
Eternal rest grant unto them oh Lord.

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## NEW YEAR'S DAY MEAL!!

Our annual New Year's Day Black-Eye Peas and Hog Jowls meal on New Year's Day will begin on January 1st at 11:00am. Come out to the Hall for a good food, fellowship, and a new start for a new year!!!

# WELCOME 2018!!!



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## COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

We will be having a Family Night on January 19th, starting at 6pm. The menu will be determined and announced at the next meeting. It will also be posted on the website.

AND.....before you know it, it will be time for our annual Super Bowl Party!! This year, it will be held on February 4th starting at 4pm. More details will come in next month's bulletin, but put this date on your calendar NOW!!!



*Laissez les bons temps rouler*  
"Let the good times roll"

## MARDI GRAS 2018

FEBRUARY 10

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00

DINNER STARTS AT 6:30

GUMBO, RED BEANS AND RICE, JAMBALYA

BREAD PUDDING

OREO BLUE

STARTS AT 7:30

DRAWINGS THROUGHOUT THE EVENING

CASH BAR

\$30.00 PER PERSON IN ADVANCE

\$35.00 AT THE DOOR

ADVANCE TICKETS PURCHASED AT

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## J A N U A R Y B I R T H D A Y S

1st- James Swain, Jr.	18th-Dennis Koch, Danny Meyers
2nd-Greg Rickner	19th-Daniel Pfeiffer, James Troxler
3rd- David Wilhelm	23rd-James Geels
6th-Dr. Fred DeMiranda	24th-Gaylord Armstrong
7th- Mike Weisenfels	25th-Edward Zimmer
8th- Robert Schwartz	27th-Angelo Martinez, Lee Watson
9th-Jack Danciu	28th-Edward Weisenfels
10th-Ed Winkelman	30th-Rudy Worner
11th- Hilary Toon	31st-Daniel Weidman
12th-Raymond Liotta	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FROM YOUR BROTHER KNIGHTS!

## F A M I L I E S I N N E E D O F P R A Y E R

**Sick:**

Tony Spahn, Harold Willie, Beverly Heathcott, Dick and Kathy Furhman, Betty Uerling, Jim Foldvary, Anne Maestri, Tia Marsh, Robbie Foldvary, Dickie Spahn.

**Deaths:**

Donald Burns, father of Kyle DeJaeger, Mildred Rideout, mother of Arthur Rideout, Virginia "Ginger" Belmont, sister of Marilyn (Jimmy) Newman and Louis Sparks.



# JANUARY 2018

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 New Year's Day	2 Bingo 7pm	3 Bible Study 6:30pm	4	5	6 Epiphany \
		Black Eyed Peas Meal @ 11am		Business Mtg. 7:30pm			Lounge Rented
		Solemnity of Mary					
7	8	9 Bingo 7pm	10 Columbus Club Mtg. 6:30pm	11	12	13	
14	15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	16 Bingo 7pm	17 Social Meeting 7:30pm	18	19 Family Night 6pm	20	
21	22	23 Bingo 7pm	24 4th Degree Mtg. 7:30pm	25	26	27	
28 Start of Catholic Schools Week	29	30 Bingo 7pm	31				

CHECK US OUT ON THE WEB OR ON  
FACEBOOK FOR UPCOMING EVENTS!!



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**COUNCIL 996**

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**2017-2018 Council Officers**

Chaplain	Fr. Juan Guido
Grand Knight	Matt Hutchinson
Deputy Grand Knight	Carder Ferguson
Financial Secretary	Marc Lux
Treasurer	Mark Urban

**2017-2018 Columbus Club**

Joe Luebke, President

*Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of  
every other month at 6:30 P.M. All Council  
996 members are invited and encouraged to  
attend.*



**WELCOME 2018!!!!**