

Today's man faces many commitments. From his duty to his family to his obligation to his work place, there are constant calls on his time. The most common response is: "I don't have much time to give to the Knights, so why should I join?" It is possible to be active if you can spare about 24 hours a year as follows.

- 12 hours a year reading the weekly parish bulletin, the state and local council newsletters, *Columbia* magazine, and following our council website, along with the state council and Supreme Council Web sites.
- 2 hours a year volunteering at the council's annual drive for people with intellectual disabilities.
- 2 hours a year attending, with your family two 5th Sunday Masses or other prayer services at the parish.
- 2 hours a year on a council-sponsored Church, community, pro life, council, family or youth project of your choosing.
- 2 hours a year attending one or more council meetings.
- 4 hours a year enjoying a council social function such as a dinner, dance, picnic, etc. Most of which include your family.

There are 8,760 hours in a year. By sharing these 24 hours with the **Knights of Columbus** (less than .3 percent of your year), you can be a better Catholic, a better father, a better husband and a better person.

You along with the **Knight of Columbus** can make a difference in our community.

### **MAJOR COUNCIL ACTIVITIES**

- Financial & Moral Support to Seminarians
- Blood Drives
- Bull & Oyster Roast
- Family Insurance Program
- Fifth Sunday Communion Mass & Breakfast
- Food & Clothes Drive
- Funds & Manpower Assistance to the Parish
- Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest
- Light Up for Christ Family Night
- Monthly Council Newsletters & Web Site
- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Suppers
- Spaghetti Dinner for ProLife Support
- Spring Fling Refreshment Stand
- The Catholic Bee
- Support for the Apostleship of the Seas Program
- Thanksgiving Food Drive Project
- Tootsie Roll Drive for our citizens with intellectual disabilities.
- Tuition Assistance to St. John's School
- Widow Support
- Youth Activities: Rocket Launch, Soccer and Basketball Challenges, Essay Contest, and Scout Support

# **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

## **LONG GREEN VALLEY COUNCIL NO. 8736**



**Hydes, MD**  
EST 1984

*Meets every 2nd and 4th  
Tuesday of the Month*

<http://kofc8736.org/>

## WHAT IS THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS?

The **Knights of Columbus** is the world's largest Catholic, family, fraternal service organization with more than 1.7 million members in more than 14 thousand Councils. The principles of the Knights of Columbus – **Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism** are the foundation on which the organization continues to grow. Support for the Catholic Church is the hallmark of the **Knights of Columbus** activities at all levels of the organizations. We stand steadfast in support of our Priest and others serving in the religious life.

## WHAT DOES LONG GREEN VALLEY'S COUNCIL DO?

Long Green Valley Council was instituted on June 25, 1984 and has grown to a membership of almost 200 energetic, caring, Catholic men. The Council operates within six major program areas: **Church, Community, Pro Life, Family, Youth, and Council**. Examples of the specific activities sponsored by Long Green Valley Council are listed on the back of this brochure. Our Knights are also involved in special events throughout the year, such as the "Tootsie Roll Fund Drive". In this activity, thousands of dollars are raised each year for out citizens with intellectual disabilities.



## HOW OFTEN DOES THE COUNCIL MEET?

Meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month at 8:00pm in the Knights of Columbus Hall located on the grounds of St. John the Evangelist Church, 13305 Long Green Pike, Hydes, Maryland. The second meeting of the month is a social meeting and it is usually followed by a special activity such as a guest speaker, informative video, fellowship games, and refreshments are served.

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR MEMBERSHIP?

Any practicing Catholic man, 18 years of age or older may apply for membership in the Knights of Columbus.

## WHAT IS REQUIRED OF THE MEMBERS?

Each member must be an active Catholic and is required to pay \$40.00 in annual dues. A new member must also pay an initiation fee of \$20.00. There are no other specific requirements to maintain membership. Men who join the Order attend meetings, participate in Council activities, and serve on committees, run for office, etc, as their time permits and interests dictate. The many rewards of membership are increased proportionate to the member's participation.

**Please visit our website:**

**<http://kofc8736.org/>**

## WHY SHOULD I JOIN?

That's really up to you. "Most Brothers will tell you that they joined in order to become more actively involved with other Catholic men and their families in order to strengthen their ties to the faith, to expand their social and community activities, to help others, and thereby to achieve a unique sense of accomplishment.

We are looking for good Catholic men to join our ranks. We extend to you a most cordial invitation to join the largest Catholic fraternal organization in the world, the Knights of Columbus.

## WHERE DO YOU GET MORE INFORMATION?

Call our current Membership Director, Chuck Bogdanowicz at (410) 592-5913 or [ChuckBod@msn.com](mailto:ChuckBod@msn.com), or our Grand Knight, Tom Zaegel (410)557-4465 or [tomzagel1@comcast.net](mailto:tomzagel1@comcast.net). They will be most happy to answer any questions you may have.

## Ladies Auxiliary **KNIGHTS LADIES OF LONG GREEN VALLEY**

Assist the Council with our programs and promote their own charitable projects and fund raisers. Among them are: White House Christmas Ornaments, Courage Lion Program, Leprechaun Muffins, Stella Maris, CFCA Adopted Child & Children Literacy Program, Spring Fling Bake Sale, and Lap blankets for the veterans.

All ladies of the parish are welcomed to contact President Dana Rowan at 443-299-6143 to join, or for more information.