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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

By Ron Thompson

Brothers,

I want to thank Ken Podgorski for running the July meeting while I was out of town. August is here, the last full month of our summer. The family picnic is usually held this month, but we are changing the date. We will discuss when it will be at this month's meeting, it will most likely be in September. As this new fraternal year begins, let's commit to planning another fundraising event, to build up our charitable account. As always, let us commit to bringing in new members. Please try to attend the meetings, we need more input on business matters that are being decided by a few of us. Meetings are not long, lasting under an hour. We need to update everyone's contact information for our member roster. Please email me with your name, phone number, and email address. This way we can contact everyone with important information.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPORT

By Ken Podgorski, PGK, DGK

There will be no garage sale this August. The Council picnic is usually the third week of August but this year so far is undecided. Data to be determined at the August meeting. Congratulations to the old and newly elected officers.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, August 4, 2019
Coffee & Donuts

Monday, August 5, 2019
Building Corporation Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
Membership Meeting - 8:00 p.m.

Shield Deadline:
Sunday, August 18, 2019
editor@kofc7239.org
(Always 3rd Sunday of Month)

Sunday, August 25, 2019
Council Picnic - 2:00 p.m.
After the Officer's Installation at 1:00 p.m.

**** Planning Meeting ****
(All are welcome)
Monday, August 26, 2019 - 7:30 p.m.

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LADIES AUXILIARY

Hi Ladies,
 Our next meeting will be September 12th at 7:00 p.m. Hostesses will be the Officers. Remember Ladies you make our club happen! Thanks for your dedication.

We need to pray for our prayer list.
 Happy August 12th Birthday to Lisa Gray!

Cindy Podgorski
 President

COFFEE & DONUTS

Coffee & Donuts will be after the 8:00 & 10:00 masses on August 4th.

COUNCIL'S ANNUAL PICNIC

Date : Sunday August 25th
 Time: 2 PM – right after the Installation of Officers at 1 PM
 Cost: FREE – But feel welcome to bring a dish to pass or dessert, so that we'll have a good variety (Tony will be bringing the Beans)
 The Council will supply the Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Brats, Beverages (Beer and Pop), and Corn on the Cob.
 (Please let us know if you have special dietary needs and we'll try to accommodate them).
 Place: Council Grounds – 30191 Dequindre (Feel free to park next door in the Dentist's parking lot)

This is a perfect activity for Family and Friends.
 There will be kid's games and various activities (Volley Ball, Ladder Ball, Corn Hole, Horse Shoes, Frisbee, etc., or any game that you might want to bring)
 Or just RELAX and sit around, drink a beer, and talk to old friends.

Chairpersons:
 Allie and Mark Bliss
 Sarah and Jeremy Bliss
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 and as always, help on the grill from DGK Ken Podgorski PGK.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

By Darren Gray, FS

None this month..

NEWSLETTER & WEBSITE UPDATES

By Marianne Podgorski, Editor

Just a reminder that any articles are due by the third Sunday of each month. I have an autoresponder set up to notify people via email when the Shield deadline is coming up. If you would like to be added to this notification, please drop me a line. Despite my best intentions, articles continue to be arriving in my inbox later than the deadline. Due to my increased hours working for Amazon, I have limited availability to work on the newsletter so I would appreciate everyone adhering to the deadline. Thanks to those that already do. If in doubt, send your article in early. It helps a great deal.

If you have been to the website lately, you will notice we are using the Knights of Columbus template. I would like to update the officer's page. Everyone listed there should have a head shot photo as well as a brief bio, which may include how long you have been a knight or why you joined the knights or any other information you would like visitors to know about you. Please send your pictures and bio's directly to me and I will update the page. In its current state, the council site looks unfinished.

Thank you.



PRAYER LIST

Cindy Bertolini, Clarence Bessler, Don Bessler, Shirley Bliss, Callista Boleski, John Brehmer, Mary Brehmer, Holly Bush, Bob Carlisle, Paige Chamberlain, Madeline Ford, Wallis Flynn, Jessie Giszczak, Glain A. Guilmette, Shawn Guilmette, Mike Kapolka, Russel Kreinbring, Lori Leeman, Sharon McCoy, Maggie Meister, Dennis Menard, Ed Novak, Yvette Ploskonka Ed Poplawski, Norman Podgorski, Patricia Podgorski, Callista Polasek (Meister granddaughter), Chris Peterson, Sherri Primeau (Darren's mother-in-law), Emily Ramm, Richard Salvatore, Patricia M. Scheid (Ernie's daughter-in-law), Michael Studebaker, Dennis Szlag, Mel Szlag, Christine Tallman, Brenda Thomas, Donovan S. Turchin, John Turchin, Debbie Vaughn, Matt Ventimiglia, Greg Vetten, Marian Welsh, Regis Welsh, Jean Witkowski, Richard Witkowski.

And please pray for all of the men and women of our Armed Services. Also please pray for the recently deceased, Kathy Palmer, Lucille Ostrowski (Pat P's. Sister).

NOTE: Just a reminder. Please make sure to write names clearly so that I can add them correctly to the sick and deceased list.



Knights of Columbus “BENEFITS NEWS”

UPDATE YOUR BENEFICIARIES!

Update Your Beneficiaries. Sometimes it is easy to overlook the simplest of things.

Take, for example, the beneficiaries on your life insurance policies. If your policy was applied for and issued several years ago, it may very well be that the person you originally selected as the beneficiary is no longer the person you would want to receive the policy proceeds. If you bought the policy when you were single, for example, you may have named your parents as beneficiaries. If you have since married, your policies should be updated to reflect your spouse as beneficiary. Maybe you’ve had children since, who are not named on the policies.

Most people list a primary beneficiary, who is specifically designated as the first in priority to receive policy proceeds. We also encourage the naming of a contingent beneficiary, an alternate person designated to receive policy proceeds, usually in the event that the original beneficiary pre-deceases the insured.

I routinely call all of my policyholders for annual review appointments, usually near the anniversary date of your policy – that is, the date it was originally issued. One of the matters that I’ll discuss during this review is the status of your beneficiary designations. If they need updating, and they often do, I can complete the paperwork during that appointment.

I look forward to meeting with each of you to discuss your family’s needs.

***Receive a complete Family Needs Analysis at my expense.**

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Just a reminder that Jakub Shonka is my Administrative Assistant. The #1 role of an Admin is to assist the Field Agent in fulfilling his primary obligation, which is to meet with all members of their assigned Councils on a regular basis, so he’ll be contacting each of you.

In Christ,

Anthony Bliss, FIC, FSCP, FICF

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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

08/01 Edward Adams
 08/03 James McCarthy
 08/03 Michael Claya
 08/04 Edward Poplawski
 08/08 Matthew Thomas
 08/09 Regis Welsh
 08/15 John Claya
 08/18 Ronald Bertolini
 08/19 James Green
 08/22 Paul Palmer
 08/23 Ken Podgorski, PGK
 08/25 Rick Moreyra
 08/25 Ken Witkowski
 08/26 Dr. Chris Gorecki
 08/28 James Palmer
 08/30 Chrles Hamilton

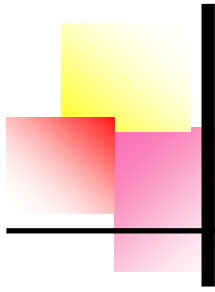
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or the date is wrong, please email
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Thanks.**

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Marianne Podgorski



AUGUST 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Happy Birthday Edward Adams	2	3 Happy Birthday James McCarthy Michael Claya
4 Coffee & Donuts Happy Birthday Edward Poplawski	5 7pm Bld. Corp. Mtg 8pm Member Mtg	6	7	8 Happy Birthday Matt Thomas	9 Happy Birthday Regis Welsh	10
11	12 Happy Birthday Lisa Gray Anthony Bliss	13	14	15 Happy Birthday John Claya	16	17
18 SHIELD DEADLINE Happy Birthday Ron Bertolini	19 Happy Birthday James Green	20	21	22 Happy Birthday Paul Palmer	23 Happy Birthday Ken Podgorski, PGK	24
25 1:00pm Officer's Installation 2:00pm Council Picnic	26 7:30pm Planning Mtg Happy Birthday Dr. Chris Gorecki	27	28 Happy Birthday James Palmer	29	30 Happy Birthday Charles Hamilton	31

Happy Birthday
Rick Moreyra
Ken Witkowski



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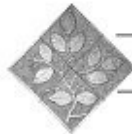
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