

## THE SHIELD

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## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE By Proxy

Brother Knights,

Vivat Jesus!

Please give your new Grand Knight, Sam Lamerato, a huge thank you for taking on this important position. Unfortunately, I did not have him on the email list for the reminder for Shield Articles. This has been corrected for next month.

We hope to see you at the Council Picnic on August 20<sup>th</sup>. Burgers & Hot Dogs will be served. Along with various side dishes. Feel free to bring a dish to share. And bring your own chairs!

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Shield Editor

#### Officer Appreciation Dinner By Darren Gray, PGK, DD

Thank you to everyone who attended the Officer Appreciation Steak Dinner in July. We held the Officer Installation that evening as well. The turnout of this dinner was wonderful. And a huge thank you to our Financial Secretary, Craig Massman, for handling the grilling duties. Although, we all know it's because he doesn't like my cooking techniques. And thank you to everyone who brought desserts and helped with the clean up. It truly is a team effort.

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Monday, August 7th, 2023

Membership Meeting - 7:00 p.m. \*\* Meeting In-Person at Council\*\*

\*\* Planning Meeting \*\*

(All are welcome)

Monday, August 14th, 2023 - 7:00 p.m.

\*\* Meeting In-Person at Council \*\*

\*\* Council Picnic \*\*

(All are welcome) Sunday, August 20th, 2023 – 1:00 p.m.

Shield Deadline: Sunday, August 20, 2023 editor@kofc7239.org (Usually 3rd Sunday of Month)

\*\* Find us on Facebook \*\*

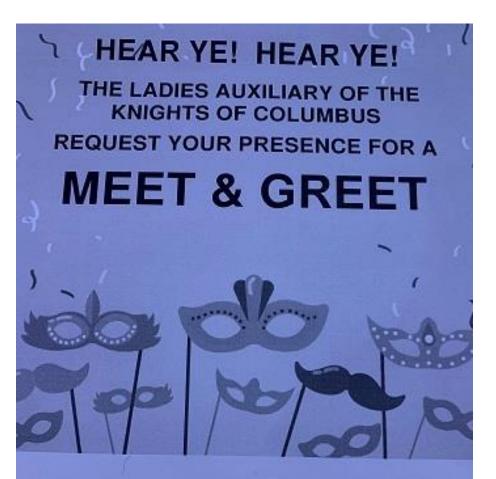
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| OFFICER ROSTER<br>State Deputy<br>Christopher Kolomjec                   |                                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| District Deputy<br>Darren Gray   | (248) 302-8918                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Ron Bertolini<br>Church Activities Dir                                   | (248) 399-9261<br>rector         |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Randy Carlisle   |                                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| THE SHIELD Editor<br>Darren Gray editor@kofc7239.org                     |                                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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## LADIES AUXILIARY

## SAVE THE DATE!!!!



## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2023 AT 7 PM 30191 DEQUINDRE, MADISON HEIGHTS

## WINE & APPETIZERS

ALL WIVES, DAUGHTERS AND SISTERS OF ELEGIBLE KNIGHTS

We are looking forward to meeting you!

## INTERNATIONAL LEFT HANDERS DAY Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023

## Brother Knights,

August is kind of a slow month. Not a lot going on, so I had to fill in the blanks. As such, I came across that August has the International Left Handers Day. And I know we have a few south paws in the group. So let's rejoice!

Here's just a little snippet from the website: https://nationaltoday.com/international-lefthanders-day/

## HISTORY OF INTERNATIONAL LEFTHANDERS DAY

In a world dominated by right-handers, International Lefthanders Day on August 13 celebrates lefties and raises awareness on the issues faced by left-handers in their daily lives. The day was first observed by the founder of Lefthanders International, Inc. — Dean R. Campbell, in 1976. and has been celebrated every year since. From the 1600s, when lefthanded people were thought of as being in cahoots with the devil, to the present day, they continue to face difficulties and challenges in accomplishing tasks.

The Left-Handers Club was founded in 1990 with the mission statement to keep members up to date with developments and to serve as a bridge between the views of left-handers and manufacturers. The club also provides help and assistance to those who require it, and they continuously conduct research on left-handedness and new items that can offer lefties increased ease of use. The number of members has been increasing with participants from all over the world since the club's formation. As of now, the club is highly regarded and revered as a pressure group representing all left-handers.

Continuing the tradition created by Campbell, the Left-Handers Club launched International Lefthanders Day as a part of their organization on August 13, 1992. The aim was to create awareness of the advantages and disadvantages of left-handedness. The holiday is now celebrated worldwide, with 20 regional events taking place in the U.K. alone to commemorate the day, including sports matches and parties. Some of the greatest people in history were/are left-handed, like Mother Teresa, Barack Obama, Walt Disney, Bill Gates, Charlie Chaplin, Mark Zuckerberg, and Albert Einstein, to name a few.

From your Left-Handed Editor

## PRAYER LIST

Ann Brunk, Larry Bunting, Stephen Claya (John Claya's Grandson), Heather Lang, Silvio Marchesi, Sharon McCoy (Ken Witkowski's Sister), Ron Ploskonka, Yvette Ploskonka, Ernie Schied, Marie Szlag, Tony Szeliga, Ronnie Thompson, Matt Ventimiglia, Regis Welsh, Jean Witkowski, Ken Witkowski, Fr. Michel from Our Lady of Redemption.

Please say an extra prayer for Mike Kapolka, who passed away in July, and for his wife, Helen and the rest of the Kapolka family.

**NOTE**: I have cleared out the Prayer List for the new year, except for those who have been added at the last meeting. If you wish to have someone added to this list, please send an email to: <u>editor@kofc7239.org</u>

And please pray for all of the men and women of our Armed Services. Also please pray for the recently deceased.

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"**

### LAWS and RULES of the ORDER

The laws and rules of our Order, as well as state (provincial) laws, specify that the Knights of Columbus may accept insurance applications only from Knights of Columbus members. As a member, you may apply for insurance on yourself, your wife and your dependent, minor children.

The Order's Board of Directors has taken action, though, to assure that a brother Knight's widow maintains the right to purchase additional insurance for a limited time. This can be of great benefit and comfort to those we leave behind.

This "right to apply" is available only to the widows of insured members. If a member has not availed himself of our top-rated life insurance program, or purchased an annuity or long-term care policy, Disability Insurance, this benefit is not available to his widow.

But if the member was an insured member, his widow has the right to apply for additional insurance on her life and on the lives of the member's minor children. This right can be exercised for up to one year following the Order's receipt of proof of the insured's death.

Know two things. First, I'll assist your widow and children in any way possible if you should die, both with your Knights of Columbus insurance and any other life insurance you may have. Second, I'll provide them my best professional advice and service, to assure that they continue to have adequate insurance protection.

As a professional agent and a brother Knight, I have no greater responsibility.

\*Receive a complete Family Needs Analysis at my expense. Ask about our GUARANTEED LIFE INSURANCE, ANNUITIES, LONG TERM CARE & DISABILITY INSURANCE

In Christ,

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> **THE ROSARY** An Editor's Request

August is getting towards the end of summer. If you are not doing so, please consider taking out your Bible and your Rosary and say a special dedication for our Country, as it is in much need of healing. God Bless and stay safe.

Darren Gray, PGK, FDD

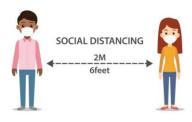
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UGUST BIRTHDAYS 08/01 Edward Adams 08/08 Shawn Guilmette 08/09 Regis Welsh 08/15 John Claya 08/15 Martin Peklo 08/18 Ron Bertolini 08/19 James Green 08/22 Paul Palmer 08/25 Ricardo Moreyra 08/25 Kenneth Witkowski 08/26 Christopher Gorecki 08/28 James O Palmer 08/30 Charles Hamilton

LADIES AUXILIARY AUGUST BIRTHDAYS 08/12 Lisa Gray

If we missed your birthday or the date is wrong, please email me at editor@kofc7239.org. Thanks.



# **AUGUST 2023**

| Sun   | Mon  | Tue  | Wed                                      | Thu | Fri  | Sat   |
|---|--|--|--|-----|--|---|
|   |  | 1<br>Happy Birthday<br>Ed Adams                    | 2  | 3   | 4  | 5   |
| 6   | 7<br>7 <u>pm Member Mtg</u>                | 8<br>Happy Birthday<br>Shawn Guilmette             | 9<br>Happy Birthday<br>Regis Welsh       | 10  | 11   | 12<br>Happy Birthday<br>Lisa Gray           |
| 13  | 14<br><u>7:00pm Planning</u><br><u>Mtg</u> | 15<br>Happy Birthday<br>John Claya<br>Martin Peklo | 16                                       | 17  | 18<br>Happy Birthday<br>Ron Bertolini                        | 19<br>Happy Birthday<br>James Green         |
| 20<br>COUNCIL PICNIC<br>1pm at the council<br>SHIELD DEADLINE | 21   | 22<br>Happy Birthday<br>Paul Palmer                | 23                                       | 24  | 25<br>Happy Birthday<br>Ricardo Moreyra<br>Kenneth Witkowski | 26<br>Happy Birthday<br>Christopher Gorecki |
| 27  | 28<br>Happy Birthday<br>James O Palmer     | 29   | 30<br>Happy Birthday<br>Charles Hamilton | 31  |  |   |



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