

THE SHIELD

Official Publication of Fr. James B. Heary, O.P. - Council 7239 Knights of Columbus
30191 Dequindre, Madison Heights, MI 48071
Phone: (248) 588-3430
<http://www.kofc7239.org>



Vol. XXXIV, No. 2 • February 2019

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

By Ron Thompson

February report Finally got our January Snow...
Happy Ground Hogs Day and Valentines
Day. Let's keep focusing on Membership. Keep
remembering that We need to find our Replace-
ments. Also I need someone to be our new Finan-
cial Secretary. Please contact me or our current FS
if you can help us fill the position. If you have a
desire to become more active in the Knights I
would suggest you come to our next planning or
Business meeting. THE POWER OF ONE is You!
You have in you what is needed to make us a shin-
ing council. Membership is everyone's job. Our
last meeting was less than a hour. So consider join-
ing us this month for another short one.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPORT

By Ken Podgorski, PGK, DGK

February is going to be a fairly uneventful month
other than the Officers Bowling Tournament on
the 9th in St. Clair shores. I am also looking for
someone to cook the Corned Beef/Cabbage Dinner
for our Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner in March.
If someone wants to step up and do our 40th anni-
versary dinner this year let me know. My dad can-
not do it anymore and not sure if we can still get
FR. Kramer hall, I heard they were remodeling it.
Whoever runs it can choose the month and day,
we've been doing it on the last weekend in April
to avoid possibly bad weather.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Coffee & Donuts
Sunday, February 3 & 17, 2019

Monday, February 4, 2019
Building Corporation Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
Membership Meeting - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 9, 2019
Officer's Bowling Tournament
St. Clair Shores

Thursday, February 14, 2019 - 7:00 p.m.
Ladies Auxiliary Meeting

Shield Deadline:
Sunday, February 17, 2019
editor@kofc7239.org
(Always 3rd Sunday of Month)

**** Planning Meeting ****
(All are welcome)
Monday, February 25, 2019 - 7:30 p.m.

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

OFFICER ROSTER**State Deputy**

William H. Chasse

District Deputy

John Hundiak

Chaplain**Grand Knight**

Ron Thompson, PGK (248) 561-3360

Deputy Grand Knight

Kenneth Podgorski, PGK (810) 395-8926

Financial Secretary

Darren Gray, PGK (248) 302-8918

Chancellor

Ron Bertolini (248) 399-9261

Warden

Randy Carlisle

Advocate

Glain C. Guilmette, PGK (586) 419-4641

Treasurer

James Morrison, PGK, FDD (248) 585-2324

Recorder

Robert Pasternak

Guards

Ernie Scheid (248) 544-2739

Paul Halkey (248) 398-7413

Trustees

Joseph Miller, 3 YR (248) 399-0262

Tony Szeliga, 2 YR (248) 399-3574

Frank Meister, PGK, 1 YR (517) 552-9514

Program Director

Kenneth Podgorski, PGK (810) 395-8926

Membership Chairman

Ron Bertolini (248) 399-9261

Church Activities Director

Joseph Miller (248) 399-0262

Boysville Chairman

J. Turchin, PGK, FDD (248) 547-0854

Vocation P.R. Director**Youth Director**

Darren Gray, PGK (248) 302-8918

Mentally Impaired Drive Chairmen

Randy Carlisle

Ernie Scheid (248) 544-2739

Right-to-Life Chairman

Jim Morrison, PGK, FDD (248) 585-2324

THE SHIELD Editor

Marianne Podgorski editor@kofc7239.org

Auxiliary President

Cindy Podgorski (810) 395-8926

Field Insurance Agent

Tony Bliss (248) 224-4396

BUILDING CORPORATION**President**

R. Carlisle C: (248) 703-4136 (248) 585-8069

Vice President

Richard Salvatore (248) 464-5087

Treasurer

Norm Podgorski, PGK, FDD (248) 546-3730

LADIES AUXILIARY

February is here. We have had a lot of snow already. But I'm not here to talk about the weather. We are planning our annual birthday dinner in April. We are open to suggestions of where it will be. We have decided to do a sports theme for a man and a woman for the Holy Cross Services basket raffle at Mackinaw Island- possibly have sports bags to put sports attire in them. March is supposed to be the corned beef and cabbage dinner-we need volunteers.

We need to recruit new ladies and bring back old members to the Ladies Auxiliary. So anyone who is related to a Knight and is 18 years old is welcome to join! We have meetings the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the council. Just come and check it out!

Happy February birthdays: Mary Lou Stema (11), Cindy Podgorski (16), and Stefanie Olzewski (18).

We need to pray for Yvette Ploskonka. Prayer works!

The February meeting is February 14th at 7:00 p.m. The hostess is Cindy Podgorski. Happy Valentines Day!

Cindy Podgorski
President

COFFEE & DONUTS

Coffee and donuts will be February 3 and 17th after the 8:00 and 10:00 masses.



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

Don Bessler, Bishop Cistone of Saginaw, Shirley Bliss, Callista Boleski, Bob Carlisle, Paige Chamberlain, Dee Figg, Madeline Ford, Wallis Flynn, Jessie Giszczak, Glain A. Guilmette, Shawn Guilmette, Russel Kreinbring, Lori Leeman, Rachel McLaughlin, Sharon McCoy, Maggie Meister, Dennis Menard, Ed Novak, Jenny Palazzola, Joe Palazzola, Yvette Ploskonka Ed Poplawski, Norman Podgorski, Patricia Podgorski, Callista Polasek (Meister granddaughter), Chris Peterson, Sherri Primeau (Darren's mother-in-law), Patricia M. Scheid (Ernie's daughter-in-law), Michael Studebaker, Dennis Szlag, Mel Szlag, Christine Tallman, Brenda Thomas, Donovan S. 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, Bob Brunk and Frank Meister.

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”

Insurance check-up for 2019

Can you believe it will soon be 2019? I hope that 2018 was a healthy, prosperous year for you and your family. It's said that time flies, and the older we get, the more that statement seems true. As we review the past year and prepare to welcome a new one, we wonder where the time goes.

If you're like most people, you've made some resolutions for 2019. If I may, I'd like to make two suggestions regarding your resolutions. First, write them down. A resolution is really a goal for the year and, until you commit a goal to writing, it's nothing more than a wish. Writing a resolution down is the first step towards achieving it. Whether your goal is to lose weight, contribute more time and money to charity, read more or watch less television, you're more likely to accomplish it if you write it down.

Second, schedule some time to visit with me, your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent. The “insurance check-up” that I'll provide (free of charge, by the way!) will quickly identify any gaps in your family's life insurance program. And you'll want to fill those gaps now, not later. Because unlike many other products, you need more than money to obtain life insurance. You also need good health, and no one will ring a bell warning you when your health is about to change.

Knights of Columbus life insurance offers something precious few other financial products can – **guarantee**. As long as you pay your premiums, the policy proceeds will be there for your beneficiaries should something happen to you. We call that peace of mind, and that's (as they say in the credit card commercials) priceless.

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

Ask about our GUARANTEED LIFE INSURANCE, ANNUITIES,
LONG TERM CARE & DISABILITY INSURANCE

In Christ,

Anthony C. Bliss, FIC
Field Agent
Knights of Columbus Supreme Council Insurance
750 Pine Ridge Lane, Madison Heights, MI 48071
Cell: (248)-224-4396
E-mail: Anthony.Bliss@KofC.org



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

02/01 Francis LaPointe
02/06 Frederick Greaves
02/07 Ralph Merkel
02/08 Ibezi-Eneno Alexander
02/08 Louis Longo II
02/10 Joseph Marchesi
02/10 Edward Novak
02/10 Craig Massman
02/13 Timothy Morton
02/21 John Brehmer
02/23 William Hughes
02/24 Kevin Gruse
02/25 Scott Wesierski

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

THE MUSE

An Editor's Exposé

As most of you may or may not know, I am an author (with seven published books), a photographer, and a virtual assistant (personal or business). Are you looking for a unique gift? Why not request a customized short story from me, or a personalized signed copy of one of my books? If you like mysteries, suspense, thrillers, or yes, even horror or science fiction or fantasy, then you will enjoy my creative worlds, and so will your recipient. Email me for details at editor@kofc7239.org. Please put in the subject of your email: Gift.

Marianne Podgorski
The Shield Editor
editor@kofc7239.org
www.bookaphotoshoot.com
www.desktopdilemmas.com

February 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Happy Birthday Francis LaPointe	2
3 Coffee & Donuts	4 7pm Bld. Corp. Mtg 8pm Member Mtg	5	6 Happy Birthday Frederick Greaves	7 Happy Birthday Ralph Merkel	8 Happy Birthday Ibezi-Eneno Alexander Louis Longo II	9 Officer's Bowling Tournament
10 Happy Birthday Joseph Marchesi Edward Novak Craig Massman	11 Happy Birthday Mary Lou Stema	12	13 Happy Birthday Timothy Morton	14 7:00pm Ladies Aux. Meeting	15	16 Happy Birthday Cindy Podgorski
17 SHIELD DEADLINE Coffee & Donuts	18 Happy Birthday Stefanie Olszewski	19	20	21 Happy Birthday John Brehmer	22	23 Happy Birthday William Hughes
24 Happy Birthday Kevin Gruse	25 7:30pm Planning Mtg Happy Brithday Scott Wesierski	26	27	28		

Rising Storm Photography
www.risingstormphotography.com

Marianne Podgorski
 Photographer
map@risingstormphotography.com

Find us on Facebook & Instagram
 Text/Voice: 248-747-3762
 Located in SE Michigan



**HOPCROFT
FUNERAL HOMES**

ART HOPCROFT, FOUNDER

HAZEL PARK MADISON HEIGHTS
23919 JOHN R. 31145 JOHN R.
(248) 543-6687 (248) 585-7770

DAVID HOPCROFT, Owner

DANIEL FINLEY, Director

FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED
PROUDLY SERVING THE COMMUNITY
FOR OVER 50 YEARS
Family Owned and Operated



**GERALD'S
FLORIST**

29131 DEQUINDRE
MADISON HEIGHTS, MICHIGAN 48071

(248) 398-2322

Open
Monday - Saturday

Blase Raona

Phone (248) 547-5440

Cell (248) 895-5714

Fax (248) 547-7073



*Carpet Repair • Commercial and Residential
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning*



EDWARD SWANSON & SON

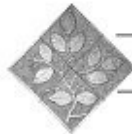
FUNERAL HOME

30351 Dequindre
Madison Heights, MI 48071
Edward C. Swanson

Dennis C. Swanson
(248) 588-5120

FAX (248) 588-5935

Marlow Family Dental



Christopher T. Gorecki, D.D.S.
Michele M. Tulak-Gorecki, D.D.S

**"come and experience
a true family practice"**

1905 Marlow
Warren, MI 48092
(586) 751-7777

The office is located on Dequindre
@ 12 1/2 Mile

Marchesi Printing Co.

**25329 Virginia Drive
Warren, MI 48091-1343**

***Our Specialty:*
Holy Cards and Tickets**

586-757-0944

Fax: 586-754-4709

Email: scm04@wowway.biz



Fr. James B. Heary O.P. - Council 7239
30191 Dequindre
Madison Heights, MI 48071

PLACE
POSTAGE
HERE

