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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

By Ron Thompson

Happy New Year 2020 - As your Grand Knight, I am proud of what we have done this past year. December was a busy month for us and we did very well. Thank you to all the Knights and Ladies who helped with any of our Christmas activities. E-membership is available to bring in new members! We need to continue to focus on bringing in new members this new year. this is our monthly focus.

Please help out by coming to the planning meeting Monday December 30 at 7:30 pm. We are in need of ideas for projects and events for this new year. Everyone is welcomed. I changed the name of the meeting to planning instead of Officers meeting when I was elected again as your Grand Knight.

Our snow-birds will be going to warmer places for the next few months. I wish them all a great winter! Everyone else please try to come to our business meetings held on the first Monday of each month. Let's make 2020 a year to remember. Please remember to pay your dues, and join us at our business meeting on Monday January 6 at 8pm sharp.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPORT

By Ken Podgorski, PGK, DGK

I'd like to thank Cindy Podgorski and Janice Polan for putting on a very successful children's Christmas party and Laura Geboski, Mary and Amber Thompson for also helping out at the event. Also a big thanks for Tony and Paula Bliss for be-

ing Santa and Mrs. Santa at this successful event. The free throw contest is also sometime at the end of the month. Not much else going on this month.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, January 5, 2020

Coffee & Donuts

After the 8:00 am Mass

Monday, January 6, 2020

Building Corporation Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

Membership Meeting - 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 9, 2020

Ladies Auxiliary Meeting -- 7:00 p.m.

Shield Deadline:

Sunday, January 19, 2020

editor@kofc7239.org

(Always 3rd Sunday of Month)

**** Planning Meeting ****

(All are welcome)

Monday, January 27, 2020 - 7:30 p.m.

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

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LADIES AUXILIARY

January 2020 is here already! A New Year to look forward to. We had a wonderful time at all the Christmas Parties. I want to thank Janice Polan, Mary Thompson, Amber Thompson, and Tony and Paula Bliss for helping with the Children's Christmas Party. The kids had a wonderful time. The food and crafts were fantastic! Santa and Mrs. Santa were great!

ATTENTION! Marie Bessler needs a battery operated Hoyer Lift for her husband Don. If anyone has one they want to sell, lend, or donate please contact Marie Bessler at 248-548-1098.

We need to pray for our prayer list.

Happy January Birthdays to Earlene Carlisle (1), Yvette Ploskonka (9), Janice Polan (14), Marge McLaughlin and Bernie Turchin (24)! Our next meeting is January 9th at 7:00 P.M. The hostesses are Cindy Podgorski and Janice Polan.

Happy New Year!

Cindy Podgorski
President

Coffee & Donuts

By Jim Morrison

Coffee and donuts after the 8:00 am mass on January 5th.



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.

WANTED:

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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, Charlie Hamilton, Joanne Hamilton, Drew James, Mike Kapolka, Russel Kreinbring, Lori Leeman, Sharon McCoy, Maggie Meister, Dennis Menard, Rick Miller, Ed Novak, Yvette Ploskonka Ed Poplawski, Norman Podgorski, Patricia Podgorski, Callista Polasek (Meister granddaughter), Chris Peterson, Richard Salvatore, Patricia M. Scheid (Ernie's daughter-in-law), Dennis Szlag, Mel Szlag, Christine Tallman, Brenda Thomas, Donovan S. Turchin, John Turchin, Debbie Vaughn, Matt Ventimiglia, Greg Vetten, 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, Richard Salvatore's father.

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”

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.

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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

01/04 Randall Dulecki
01/06 Mario Rizzo
01/09 Michael Briggs
01/10 Joseph Palazzola
01/12 Kenneth Jensen
01/14 Timothy Wezner
01/19 Richard Roeske
01/20 Blasé Raona
01/24 Ronald Binienda
01/26 Randall Carlisle
01/27 Donovan Turchin
01/31 Timothy Thorn

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

JANUARY 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Happy Birthday Earlene Castlisle	2	3	4 Happy Birthday Randall Dulecki
5 Coffee & Donuts	6 7pm Bld. Corp. Mtg 8pm Member Mtg Happy Birthday Mario Rizzo	7	8	9 7pm Ladies Aux. Meeting Happy Birthday Michael Briggs Yvette Ploskonka	10 Happy Birthday Joseph Palazzola	11
12 Happy Birthday Kenneth Jensen	13	14 Happy Birthday Timothy Wezner Janice Polan	15	16	17	18
19 SHIELD DEADLINE Happy Birthday Richard Roeske	20 Happy Birthday Blasé Raona	21	22	23	24 Happy Birthday Ronald Binienda Marge McLaughlin Bernie Turchin	25
26 Happy Birthday Randall Carlisle	27 7:30pm Planning Mtg Happy Birthday Donovan Turchin	28	29	30	31 Happy Birthday Timothy Thorn	

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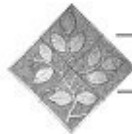
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