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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

By Glain Guilmette

Brother Knights,

Vivat Jesus!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas holiday.

I want to thank everyone who helped with the Christmas baskets, MRAW Shopping and Parties, the Light Up for Christ, and our Adult Christmas party.

No major events for January, we only have our Business and Planning Meetings. I look forward to seeing all of our members there!!

Yours in Christ,

Glain C. Guilmette
Grand Knight

EDITORS MESSAGE

By Darren Gray, PGK, FDD

Brother Knights,

I have agreed to take over the job as Editor for the Shield. I want to thank Marianne Podgorski for handling this responsibility over the last several years. This is no easy task.

That said, most everything will stay the same. Please continue to send articles to: editor@kofc7239.org and they are still due by the 3rd Sunday of the month. If you would like a reminder, please send me your email address.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPORT

By Ken Podgorski, PGK, DGK

No article this month

Bless those who risk their lives to help their community. Police, fire, doctors, nurses, EMTs, store associates, Amazon workers, and anyone else still working to make our daily lives better during this worldwide crisis.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, January 3, 2022
Membership Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
**** Meeting In-Person at Council****

**** Planning Meeting ****
(All are welcome)
Monday, January 10, 2022 - 7:00 p.m.
**** Meeting In-Person at Council ****

Thursday, January 13, 2022
Ladies Auxiliary Meeting -- 7:00 p.m.
**** Meeting In-Person at Council ****

Shield Deadline:
Sunday, January 16, 2022
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(Always 3rd Sunday of Month)

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LADIES AUXILIARY

January 2022 is here already! A New Year to look forward to. We had a wonderful time at all of the Christmas Parties.

We need to pray for our prayer list.

Happy January Birthdays to: Earlene Carlisle (1), Yvette Ploskonka (9), Janice Polan (14), Marge McLaughlin (24), and Bernie Turchin (24)!

Our next meeting is January 13th at 7:00 P.M. The hostesses are Cindy Podgorski and Bernie Turchin.

Happy New Year!

Cindy Podgorski
President

CHAIRMAN NEWS

I don't have any activities planned for this month. I pray that everyone stays safe from the flu and the virus throughout the year.

Sincerely,
Jim Morrison

CHRISTMAST BASKETS REPORT

Once again, we were able to deliver the food baskets to the needy families in Madison Heights. This year, we delivered a total of 19 baskets. We would not be able to achieve this without all the help I received this year from my fellow Knights and Ladies. I would also like to thank Maureen (Regis' Daughter) for coordinating the food drive again at Hiller Elementary and Jay (Regis' Grandson) for providing the young men to help us carry the heavy boxes.

Sincerely,
Craig Massman



FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

By Craig Massman

None this month..

WEBSITE UPDATES

By Darren Gray, Editor

I will be working on some updates to the website. I will be updating the Officer information, including photos. And I will be trying to add upcoming events to the page at well. This may be more time consuming than expected, so please bear with me.

If you have suggestions on items to include on the website, however, please let me know and I will see what is feasible.

Thank you.

PRAYER LIST

Mike Higgins, Yvette Ploskonka, Ken Podgorski, Norman Podgorski, Patricia Podgorski, Marie Szlag, Matt Ventimiglia, Regis Welsh, Jean Witkowski

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: editor@kofc7239.org

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”

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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THE ROSARY

An Editor’s Request

As we enter our 2nd year of dealing with the Coronavirus pandemic, I would like to request that each Knight take out their rosary and prayer a special dedication to the ending of this pandemic. I am sure most of you are doing this already, but if you’re not, please do. God Bless and stay safe.

Darren Gray, PGK, FDD

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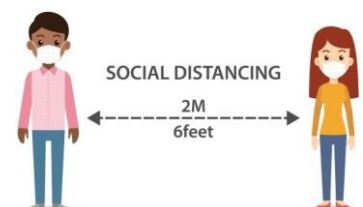
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01/27 Donovan Turchin
01/28 Thomas Cleyman

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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

01/01 Earlene Carlisle
01/09 Yvette Ploskonka
01/14 Janice Polan
01/24 Marge McLaughlin
01/24 Bernie Turchin

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



January 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					NEW YEARS EVE	1 NEW YEARS DAY Happy Birthday Earlene Carlisle
2	3 <i>7pm Member Mtg</i>	4 Happy Birthday Randall Dulecki Joseph Bliss	5	6 Happy Birthday Mario Rizzo Jon Sprecher	7	8
9 Happy Birthday Yvette Ploskonka	10 <i>7:30pm Planning Mtg</i> Happy Birthday Joseph Palazzola Timothy Doran	11	12 Happy Birthday Kenneth Jensen	13 7pm Ladies Mtg	14 Happy Birthday Timothy Wezner Janice Polan	15 Happy Birthday A Mario Limon
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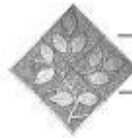
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