

# THE SHIELD

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## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE By Ron Thompson

Brother Knights, this is a last report as the Grand Knight. Covid extended my position one additional year I want to thank everyone for all of support that you have given me over the last three years, especially my officers and the Ladies Auxiliary. Without your help, my term would have been a lot harder.

Please continue to support the new Grand Knight and all of the new officers. In looking back, I am very happy with the progress that we have made as a Council, but there is still so much that we can do and I want to thank everyone for having me lead this council. I also want to thank everyone who will be serving as your new officers this new fraternal year. We can have a great year if we help our newest members who are the backbone of our organization. Remember that we will always need to find our replacements.

The officer team will be conducting most of our business on the last Monday's of the month at the planning meeting's. All are welcome. The meeting's on the first of the month are going to go faster.

Unfortunately I will not be at our meeting this month, when my new role changes to Advocate. Thank you for electing me for this important position. I have served as Grand Knight for the last three years and for 2 years when I was elected as Grand Knight the first time. It is time for another Grand Knight to take on the position. Thank you Glain Guilmette for again being our Grand Knight. The gavel will be moved to you for the new fraternal year! Glain is a past Grand Knight and has accepted the position again to support our council. Ken Podgorski accepted being our Deputy Grand Knight again. Thank You Ken. Ken is also a Past Grand Knight. I also want to thank all other new officers and wish them good luck this coming year.

Lets keep our faith in Christ, Let him lead us. I also want to keep everyone who we have lost this past year, members, friends and their families in our prayers.

God Bless you all,

Thank You, Ronnie Thompson

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, July 5, 2021 Membership Meeting - 8:00 p.m. \*\* Meeting at the House\*\*

Shield Deadline: Sunday, July 18, 2021 editor@kofc7239.org (Always 3rd Sunday of Month)

\*\* Planning Meeting \*\*
(All are welcome)
Monday, July 26, 2021 - 7:30 p.m.
\*\* Meeting at the House \*\*

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#### LADIES AUXILIARY

Hi Ladies,

We have ended our meetings until September 9, 2021. We are hoping to meet at the council in person.

The Officers are the same. Mary Lou is Treasurer, Bernie Turchin is Secretary, Yvette Ploskonka is Vice President, and Cindy Podgorski is President. Welcome back Officers. We are looking forward to another year.

We need to pray for our prayer list.

We will not resume meetings until September 9, 2021.

On Friday, September 10, 2021 the Ladies Auxiliary is planning on having a chili dinner with all the fixings. Be sure to join us. It will only cost 6 dollars. We will have 50/50 raffle and a prize raffle. It will be like old times of a Friday night dinner!

Hope you all had a nice Mother's Day! Happy Father's Day!

Cindy Podgorski President

#### **CHAIRMAN NEWS**

No news for this month.

James Morrison



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#### **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. If in doubt, send your article in early. It helps a great deal.

Future newsletters may only be available via email or the website. If you would like to be added to the email list to receive a pdf version of the newsletter, please send me your email address.

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.

#### THE MUSE

An Editor's Exposé

I want to take this time to personally thank the Knights of Columbus, Father Heary Council, for allowing me to put together this monthly newsletter. Who am I? Well, let me tell you a most wonderful story, friends.

For the past thirty years, I have crafted well-written stories and published over a handful of books. Living the dream here.

When I'm not working my day job, you can also find me with a camera around my neck doing photo shoots (events, portraits, pets, special occasions, products, you name it). And now I'm delving into the world of film. It's a whole new ballpark now. You need photos or videos? Let's talk.



#### JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 07/01 Carmollo Mandarino
- 07/01 Lee Sharp
- 07/03 Mel Szlag
- 07/09 Gordon Szlag
- 07/13 Ron Ploskonka, PGk
- 07/16 Warren Broglin
- 07/19 Michael Studebaker
- 07/31 Rev. Steven Koehler

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

#### PRAYER LIST

Shirley Bliss, Callista Boleski, Jack Brehmer, John Brehmer, Mary Brehmer, Holly Bush, Bob Carlisle, Paige Chamberlain, Madeline Ford, Wallis Flynn, Jessie Giszczak, Paul Gray, Charlie Hamilton, Joanne Hamilton, Drew James, Mike Kapolka, Russel Kreinbring, Lori Leeman, Apolonio F. Limon, Aurora M. Limon, Don May, Sharon McCoy, Maggie Meister, Dennis Menard, Joe Miller, Rick Miller, Patricia Nixon, Ed Novak, Ed Poplawski, Norman Podgorski, Patricia Podgorski, Callista Polasek (Meister granddaughter), Chris Peterson, GK James Reid (Fr. Kramer Council), Richard Salvatore, Ernie Scheid, Patricia M. Scheid (Ernie's daughter-in-law), Jeanette Szeliga, Dennis Szlag, Marie Szlag, Mel Szlag, Christine Tallman, Donovan S. Turchin, John Turchin, Debbie Vaughn, Matt Ventimiglia, Greg Vetten, Regis Welsh, Jean Witkowski.

And please pray for all of the men and women of our Armed Services. Also please pray for the recently deceased, Tony Bliss and Richard Witkowski.

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



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| Sun                   | Mon  | Tue                             | Wed | Thu   | Fri                                    | Sat                                  |
|-----------------------|--|---------------------------------|-----|---|--|--------------------------------------|
|                       |  |                                 |     | Happy Birthday<br>Carmollo Mandarino<br>Lee Sharp | 2                                      | Happy Birthday<br>Mel Szlag          |
| 4                     | 5<br>8pm Member Mtg                        | 6                               | 7   | 8   | Happy Birthday<br>Gordon Szlag         | 10                                   |
| 11                    | 12   | Happy Birthday<br>Ron Ploskonka | 14  | 15  | 16<br>Happy Birthday<br>Warren Broglin | 17                                   |
| 18<br>SHIELD DEADLINE | 19<br>Happy Birthday<br>Michael Studebaker | 20                              | 21  | 22  | 23                                     | 24                                   |
| 25                    | 26<br>7:30pm Planning Mtg                  | 27                              | 28  | 29  | 30                                     | Happy Birthday<br>Rev. Steve Koehler |



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