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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

By Glain Guilmette

Brother Knights,
Vivat Jesus!

We still need help with the Texas Hold Em fundraiser being held June 29-July 2nd. If you can help please contact Darren Gray, or myself at 586-419-4641.

Thank you to all those who worked and attended our Officers Appreciation/Anniversary Dinner. A good time was had by all.

Our July Business Meeting will be on July 11th, in conjunction with the Ice Cream Social and the Installation of Officers, all beginning at 5:30pm. Please plan to attend.

I wish all our members and their families a happy and safe 4th of July. Remember to keep Ken Podgorski and all of our sick brothers and sisters in your prayers!

Fraternally,
Glain C. Guilmette
Grand Knight

Officers Appreciation/Anniversary Dinner Update

Thank you to all of those who attended the dinner. And a special thank you to Craig Massman, Jim Morrison, Janice Polan, and Ron Bertolini for helping at the dinner. And thank you to all of those that helped clean up so that I could run over to St. Faustina for their meeting. I hope everyone enjoyed their dinner.

Sincerely,
Darren Gray, PGK, FDD

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, July 5th, 2022

Diocesan Meeting

Registration 6pm

St. Isidore #7200

18201 23 Mile Road

Monday, **July 11th**, 2022

Officer Installation/

Membership Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

NOTE THE DATE CHANGE!!!

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

Ice Cream Social

Monday July 11th, 2022

5:30 pm at Council

**** Planning Meeting ****

(All are welcome)

Monday, July 18, 2022

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

Shield Deadline:

Sunday, July 17th, 2022

editor@kofc7239.org

(Always 3rd Sunday of Month)

Wednesday, July 27th

Tri-District Meeting

6:30pm

Location TBD

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

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LADIES AUXILIARY

Hi Ladies!

We are currently on summer hiatus. Enjoy your summer and stay cool.

Please continue to pray for our prayer list.

Happy 4th of July!

Cindy Podgorski
 President



ICE CREAM SOCIAL

By James Morrison

Thanks to our new District Deputy, the council has a great steak dinner. The potatoes and steaks were cooked perfect. I don't think anyone went away hungry.

July 11th will be the Ice Cream Social. It will feature rhubarb crisp and banana splits. 5:30-7:00pm. Cost is only \$3.00 per person and that covers seconds and thirds.

COUNCIL BUILDING DISCUSSION UPDATE

At the June Meeting, it was voted on to give Randy Carlisle, Building Corp President, the authorization to set up a meeting with the developers that have expressed interest in the purchase of our property. Along with setting up that meeting, it was decided that the following members should be present: Glain Guilmette, GK; Craig Massman, FS; Darren Gray, PGK, FDD; and Robert Pasternak, Recorder. Once the meetings are held, these members will report back to the council for further discussion. At the time of this writing, no meetings have been held. One meeting was scheduled, but the developer never showed up. It is important to note that no decision on actually selling the property has been made yet. We are simply in the information gathering phase.



**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED
CHARITY POKER!!**

**JUNE 29th – JULY 2nd
4pm – 2am**

**At Five Star Lanes
2666 Metro Parkway, Sterling Heights**

Sign up at: www.kofc7239.org/poker.html

Brother Knights,

It has been a LONG time since we held a Poker Event. The rules have changed again and we only required to have two (2) workers at all times, compared to three (3) last time. However, I have kept the signup at 3, figuring people can take breaks. As we discussed, the majority or the proceeds for this event will be used to help supplement the MRAW, given the lack of funds raised from the Tootsie Roll drives.

Please sign up today. Don't wait. Because if there are Knights working that I did not originally tell the State, I need to get an update into the State.

Vivat Jesus!

Darren Gray, PGK, FDD

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Ploskonka, Ken Podgorski,
Norman Podgorski, Patricia
Podgorski, Marie Szlag, Jeanette
Szeliga, Tony Szeliga, Matt
Ventimiglia, Regis Welsh, Jean
Witkowski, Ken 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.

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”

May is Disability Insurance Awareness Month.

A Founding Notion: Protecting the Breadwinner’s Income

While jobs may be safer in 2022, accidents, injuries, and illnesses that can impact your ability to work still happen. Most, in fact, do not happen on the jobsite or place of employment. Did you know that a 2011 study revealed that more than 95 percent of the long-term disability claims on file were not work related?

The Knights have always sought to protect members’ families from the “loss” of a breadwinner. I’m sure you know all about Father McGivney’s vision for our first, insurance program. But you may not know that Father McGivney also wanted to find a way to help members who couldn’t work because of an illness. After all, the “loss” of the breadwinner does not have to mean that person’s death; it can also mean the loss of the breadwinner’s income.

Consider that loss for a moment. How would your family fare if a source of income suddenly stopped? Could a dual-income family manage on one income stream? What about young families with a working father and a mother who cares for the children? What if his income halted due to an accident or illness?

I’ve heard some people say they have coverage at work, but too many aren’t sure what this coverage entails, how much income it would provide or for how long. Having this protection counts for something, certainly, but it isn’t “yours”; it’s provided by the company for which you work at their discretion. It could be eliminated tomorrow.

That’s where a personally-owned disability income insurance product, like Income Armor, comes into play. It can offer valuable income replacement in the event of an injury or illness. If you have a job, you must know about this coverage.

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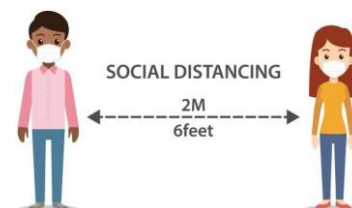
JULY BIRTHDAYS

07/01 Gerald Green
07/03 Mel Szlag
07/13 Doug Fleury
07/13 Ronald Ploskonka
07/16 Warren Broglin
07/31 Rev Steven Keohler

LADIES AUXILIARY JULY BIRTHDAYS

None for July

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



JULY 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Happy Birthday Gerald Green	2
3 Happy Birthday Mel Szlag	4 Happy 4th of July!	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 <i>5:30 – Ice Cream Social</i> <i>7:00 – Officer Installation/Member Meeting</i>	12	13 Happy Birthday Douglas Fleury Ronald Ploskonka	14	15	16 Happy Birthday Warren Broglin
17 HAPPY FATHER’S DAY	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 Tri District Meeting	28	29	30
31 Happy Birthday Rev. Steven Koehler						

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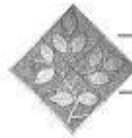
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