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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

By Ron Thompson

Brothers,

June is Election Times for Officers.

Our Meeting this Month will be conducted at the HOUSE!

Anyone interested in being an officer will need to let us know. Nominations for all officer offices need to be renewed. Our Financial Secretary will remain the same as well as our Treasurer.

Thank You to Craig Massman, and Ryan Thompson for continuing their respective officer positions. The Trustee positions will also be renewed, as necessary. The warden and the guard positions will be voted for. I have been our Grand Knight for the last 3 years and hope to transfer my position to a new brother knight. I want to extend a big thank you to everyone in the Knights, including the families. The new officer position's will take effect at our July meeting.

Jim Morrison will be hosting our Ice Cream Social early this month in June. I hope we can have the officer's appreciation steak dinner in July. It will be great to meet up in person for the August Family Picnic.

I want to have a smooth transfer of leadership and will work with our next Grand Knight. In the past our Grand Knight runs for office as the Advocate. This year I will run for Advocate. Anyone can run for any office, If you have not been active or very active you can be a leader as a officer of our council.

We are a fraternal family organization, and the Knights of Columbus is currently accepting new members for free this year. Online membership with the code McGivney2020 or: ABLISS will make it easy to become a knight. I believe we all should invite all eligible Catholic men to serve in our order as Knights. We are a fraternal family organization and currently accepting new members for free this year. Online membership with the code McGivney2020 or: ABLISS will make it easy to become a knight. catholic men 18 years and older to go to the kofc.org website to sign up for free.

Once they go thru the degree process which is held publicly and not secretly in a *one*-hour ceremony, they are a full 3rd degree knight. The final step is to join our council or another council if they are not a local parish member.

I've always said we need to find our replacements. There is no better way than online membership. I believe we owe it to friends to hear that it is now free for a limited time. The

process can be started online easily. I believe that this is the greatest membership option every. Who did you last recruit? Find your replacement.

We should be able to keep the Legacy of Father Michael J. McGivney going strong.

Ronnie Thompson
Grand Knight 7239

**Brothers,
Come to the meeting an hour early
(7 PM) on June 7th
for Burgers, Brats, Beans,
(and Potato Salad).**

Tony PGK FA

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, June 7, 2021
Membership Meeting - 8:00 p.m.
**** Meeting at the House ****

**Shield Deadline:
Sunday, June 20, 2021
editor@kofc7239.org
(Always 3rd Sunday of Month)**

Monday, June 21, 2021
Ice Cream Social - 6:30 pm

**** Planning Meeting **
(All are welcome)
Monday, June 28, 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

The council will have an ice cream social on Monday, June 21 from 6:30 to 7:30 PM at the council house. Hopefully the weather will cooperate, and you will be able to eat outside. Banana splits, rhubarb crisp, coolers and sundaes will be available. Price for adults \$3.00, children 7 to 13 \$1.00 and children 6 and under are free. Here is a break to get out of the house and socialize. Bring a friend or a neighbor. I will love to see everyone.

James Morrison



FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

By Craig Massman

Nothing to report 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. 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.

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, Sharon McCoy, Maggie Meister, Dennis Menard, Rick Miller, Patricia Nixon, Ed Novak, Ed Poplawski, Norman Podgorski, Patricia Podgorski, Callista Polasek (Meister granddaughter), Chris Peterson, Richard Salvatore, Ernie Scheid, Patricia M. Scheid (Ernie's daughter-in-law), Dennis 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, 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.



Knights of Columbus “BENEFITS NEWS”

May is Disability Awareness Month

A Founding Notion: Protecting the Breadwinner’s Income

While jobs may be safer in 2020, 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.

I’d like to meet with you in your home, at your convenience. I’ll work with you to make sure your family is protected. As a brother Knight you can trust, I’ll take the stress and worry out of the buying decision.

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

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In Christ,

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JUNE BIRTHDAYS

06/03 Paul Reynolds
06/03 Gary Meerschaert
06/10 Darren Gray
06/10 Michael Bernardo
06/11 Christopher Bliss
06/14 Ronnie Thompson
06/16 Rev. Robert Shafer
06/19 Gary Puchalski
06/20 James Wojciechowski
06/20 John McNulty
06/21 Mark Smith
06/23 Thai Hung Nguyen
06/24 Michael Mandarino
06/26 Paul Halkey

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

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.

JUNE 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 Happy Birthday Paul Reynolds Gary Meerschaert	4	5
6	7 8pm Member Mtg	8	9	10 Happy Birthday Darren Gray Michael Bernardo	11 Happy Birthday Christopher Bliss	12
13	14 Happy Birthday Ronnie Thompson	15	16 Happy Birthday Rev. Robert Shafer	17	18	19 Happy Birthday Gary Puchalski
20 SHIELD DEADLINE Happy Birthday James Wojchiechowski John McNulty	21 Happy Birthday Mark Smith	22	23 Happy Birthday Thai Hung Nguyen	24 Happy Birthday Michael Mandarino	25	26 Happy Birthday Paul Halkey
27	28 7:30pm Planning Mtg	29	30			

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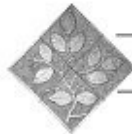
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