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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

By Glain Guilmette

Brother Knights, we are having our officers elections at our meeting on Monday June 5, please come and nominate who you would want for your officers, and vote.

I attended the Madison Heights Round Table Awards Luncheon where I had the honor and privilege to present the Knight of the year award to Randy Carlyle and the Family of the year award to Dwayne and Marge McLaughlin.

Wishing all my Brother Knights and their families a very Happy Memorial Day.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPORT

By Ken Podgorski, PGK

The Election of Officers will be at our June Business meeting. We are also going to be having our annual Officers appreciation steak dinner Friday June 9th at 5:30 pm, everyone is invited and the officers eat for free.

Now speaking as your Deputy Grand Knight I would like to say we would love to see members that are paying their dues show up at our membership meetings. We have a lot of members that pay their dues that we never see. Meetings are less than an hour and food is most of the time provided and is quite enjoyable afterwards. It's always the same people running for office and it would be nice to see new faces getting more involved. This is my second time around to be elected as Grand Knight next year only because there was no one else available. So brother Knights think about what I said and it would be nice to see you at the next membership meeting.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Coffee & Donuts
Sunday, June 4, 2017
After 8:30 & 10:30 masses

Monday, June 5, 2017
Building Corporation Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
Membership Meeting - 8:00 p.m.

Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
Thursday, June 8, 2017 - 6:00 p.m.

Officer Appreciation Steak Dinner
Friday, June 9, 2017 - 5:30 - 7:30
At the Council
All invited - \$7 for Non-Officers

Shield Deadline:
Sunday, June 18, 2017
editor@kofc7239.org

Officers Meeting
Monday, June 26, 2017 - 7:30 p.m.

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James Malley	and
Peter Kuester	Ron Thompson

LADIES AUXILIARY*By Janice Polan, President*

On behalf of the re-elected officers for next year, I would like to extend my thank you to each and every Lady member of our Auxiliary for your support and friendship throughout this past year. And a special thank you to our Officers for your past and future service: Yvette Ploskonka, Vice President, MaryLou Stema, Treasurer, Bernie Turchin, Secretary, and myself, Janice Polan, as President. Looking forward to another successful year with a great leadership team!!

Our last Ladies' meeting for this year will be on Thursday, June 8th, and will be a Potluck Dinner and Chinese Auction. The Potluck meal will begin promptly at 6:00 p.m. and each Lady is asked to contribute a dish and/or dessert to share. If you did not attend our May meeting to sign up, or need a reminder, please contact Janice at 248/585-1573. The Chinese Auction will be held immediately following the dinner. Please remember to bring a small (but new) wrapped gift to auction off. Lady Members, please invite your Knight/Spouse to attend this Potluck Dinner with you.

Our sincere condolences go out to the family of one of our dear members, Sue Landry, on her passing in late May. Sue was an active member of our Ladies Auxiliary, past president, and our "Sunshine Lady" for many years. May the perpetual light shine upon her.

Thank you to all the Ladies and Knights that made a contribution to our "bakeless" bake sale. It's not too late to send in your donation if you would like to participate - donations will be accepted through August 2017, and would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be brought to any upcoming Council event or mailed directly to Janice Polan.

Happy June birthday to Jean Witkowski (6/23).

There will be no summer meetings, but please remember to support our Knights at their Officer's Appreciation Dinner on Friday, June 9th, and with their summer events like the ice cream social, garage sale and picnic.

Our meetings will resume in September with our Officers as hostesses. Look for details in my article in the August newsletter. Hoping to increase our membership and invite new members to attend. Have a wonderful-relaxing-sunny summer vacation.



FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

By Darren Gray, FS

No report this month.

ADVOCATE REPORT

By Ron Thompson, PGK

IMPORTANT MEETING VOTING FOR OFFICERS

We will be holding elections during the June meeting. I want to thank all the current officers for all they have done this past year. If you have someone who would be or want to be an officer for our council, the time is now to come forward as you need to come to the June Meeting. This is a mid-term election, although all positions are elected and as your advocate, I need to state that for things to change we also must change.

When I was your Grand Knight for two years, business meeting's were about 1 HOUR. Come to the meeting in June and YOU can be that CHANGE this council needs. It starts with one person and from there we will succeed in reaching our goals.

Also pay your dues! If you don't, then this council will no longer be able to keep you in the rolls.

The retention committee tried to reach out and we made contact with members. SEND us your current contact information. Without hearing from most of the people in this council, decisions are being made by those who are active and make it to meetings. No one joined the KOFC to go to boring meetings. I know I'm sure I didn't. Our meetings are for business and are conducted by our Grand Knight.

The next meeting is on the first Monday, June 5th, 2017. We meet in the lower level and have a ramp to the meeting room in the basement. Should you need a ride to the next meeting, please call me or another Officer of this Council.

By the way, we have earned STAR Council for the last two years and we need a few more new members to get there again! This is where their name and a completed form 100 is brought to the monthly council meeting for voting of new members.

MEMBERSHIP IS KEY! Finding new members is most important to the Knights and all civic groups. We must all find our replacements.

God Bless!



PRAYER LIST

Callista Boleski, Bob Carlisle, Dee Figg, Wallis Flynn, Glain A. Guilmette, Rachel McLaughlin, Sharon McCoy, Frank Meister, Ed Novak, Patricia Podgorski, Patricia M. Scheid (Ernie's daughter-in-law), Michael Studebaker, Lee Ventimiglia, Matt Ventimiglia, Marian Welsh, Regis Welsh, Jean Witkowski, Richard Witkowski.

And please pray for all of the men and women of our Armed Services. Also please prayer for the recently deceased, including Sue Landry.

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

From the Editor: The old Sick & Deceased List has been removed and replaced with an updated list from your last meeting. If you need someone added back to the list, please let us know. Thanks.



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 2017, 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.

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An Editor’s Exposé

Some of you may or may not know that I’m in still in the process of starting my photography business. All Knights members, their families, and military personnel receive 50% off my rates, so why not take advantage of this?

Marianne Podgorski
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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.



June 2017

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




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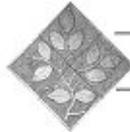
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