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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE By Glain Guilmette

Brother Knights,

Please pray for all the victims and families of the victims of the mass school shooting in Florida.

March is here, we are going to need a lot of help for our MI drive this month. We especially need help collecting on the streets!!

We also need someone to volunteer to cook for our Corned Beef Dinner.

We are nominating and electing our Delegates to the anual State Council Convention this month, so please come to the Buisness Meeting to nominate and vote for your candidate..

I wish all our members and their families a happy St. Patrick's Day.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPORT By Ken Podgorski, PGK, DGK

Anyone wanting to help with the Coffee & Doughnuts at St. Vincent on March 4th please contact Jim Morrison at 248-585-2324. Those wishing to attend the Anniversary Dinner on April 28th should get their reservations in to Ken Podgorski at 313-805-9918 or e-mail at ken.podgorski@yahoo.com ASAP.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner is on Monday March 12th we still need a cook for that event. We will be having a Poker fundraiser on May 9th thru the 12th at Five Star Bowling alley, if interested in working it contact Darren Gray.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Coffee & Donuts Sunday, March 4 & 18, 2018 After 8:30 & 10:30 masses

Monday, March 5, 2018 Building Corporation Meeting - 7:00 p.m. Membership Meeting - 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 8, 2018 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

Monday, March 12, 2018
St. Pat's Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner
5:30 p.m. at the Council
(pending upon having a cook)

Shield Deadline: Sunday, March 18, 2018 editor@kofc7239.org

March 23 - 25, 2018 MI Drive Potluck Dinner, 6:00 p.m. on Sunday

Officers Meeting Monday, March 26, 2018 - 7:30 p.m.

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Peter Kuester

Ron Thompson

LADIES AUXILIARY

By Janice Polan, President

Hoping for some Luck of the Irish in March and that our weather will begin to warm towards the Spring season. During the remainder of Lent, please say extra prayers for members of our council, family and friends in need of good health, cheer and/or happy thoughts.

Our next regular Ladies meeting will be Thursday, March 8th, at 7:00 p.m. Please bring ideas/menu's for our April birthday celebration. And welcome to Amber Arwine (Mary Thompson's future daughter-in-law) on becoming the newest member to join our Auxiliary.

The Ladies voted to purchase a Meijer Gift Card and picture frame for the annual Mackinac Island Basket Raffle to benefit Holy Cross Children's Services of Michigan. Additional contributions by Ladies and/or Knights are welcome and would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Janice Polan (janicem57.polan@gmail.com) or one of our officers if you have questions or wish to donate towards this basket gift card.

The Tootsie Roll Drive Potluck Dinner, hosted by the Auxiliary, will be on Palm Sunday, March 25th, at the SVF Church Hall at 6:00 pm. A food sign-up sheet will be available at our March meeting, or you may contact Janice Polan to see what is needed. Gift donations for a raffle drawing after the dinner are always appreciated. All those who donate, help or work at the Council Tootsie Roll Drive from Friday 3/23-Sunday 3/25, and their families, are welcome to attend the Potluck. Contact our Grand Knight to volunteer to help at the Drive.

Remember to make your reservation with Ken Podgorski ASAP if you plan to attend the Knights Anniversary Dinner in April.

Happy March birthday to Marian Welsh on the 15th.

Wishing all a Happy St. Patrick's Day.

COFFEE & DONUTS

We will host the Coffee & Donuts for March 4 and March 18 after the 8:00 and 10:00 am masses. The MI Drive will be held March 23 through March 25. Workers need to sign in to be covered by insurance .— Fraternally, James Morrison

NEW COFFEE MACHINE

The Ladies Auxiliary has purchased a new 3-burner coffee machine for our Knights of Columbus Council. Instructions for using and brewing coffee are posted on the wall next to the machine in the basement, with additional copies of the instructions located in a ziplock bag in the top drawer of the coffee cabinet. Very important that the machine be switched on AND off after use by pressing the power bar toggle switch. PLEASE do not pour any other liquid than water into the flip lid spout. And PLEASE be responsible in disposing of used coffee grounds/filters and rinsing the decanters after each use. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Let's enjoy our new machine for many years!!

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

By Darren Gray, FS

None this mo	onth.		
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RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT FR. HEARY COUNCIL 7239 ALLOCATE \$700.00 EACH TO TWO DELEGATES TO ATTEND THE 2018 CONVENTION ON MACKINAC ISLAND MAY 24,25 AND 26 2018

RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY: GLAIN GUILMETTE NORM PODGORSKI

TOOTSIE ROLL WEEKEND

Our "Tootsie Roll" weekend for the mentally impaired is approaching. It will be on March 23, 24, & 25, 2018. As you probably know, the majority of the money collected is given to the M.R.A.W. for its use throughout the year, especially at Christmas time.

We are asking all of you who are able to give us a couple hours of your time and help us collect these needed funds. Maybe you could take a box to work and set them out asking for donation, or possibly by making a small contribution to the council in memory of a loved one. We realize that due to many health. work, and commitments, many cannot help with our collections for the fundraiser. Whatever you could do would be appreciated, not only by your council, but by the special people we eventually help.

If you would like to make a personal donation, fill out the form below and mail it, along with your check made out to KofC 7239, to our council. Please note Tootsie Rolls on the envelope.

Name	
Address	
C/S/Z	

Tootsie Roll Donation

Make checks payable to: Fr. Heary KofC 7239

Amount \$_

PRAYER LIST

Don Bessler, Wayne Bessler, Sally Bliss, Callista Boleski, Bob Brunk, Bob Carlisle, Lynette Chandler, Dee Figg, Barbara Fisher, Wallis Flynn, Jessie Giszczak, Glain A. Guilmette, Shawn Guilmette, Russel Kreinbring, Lori Leeman, Rachel McLaughlin, Frank Meister, Sharon McCoy, Frank Meister, Maggie Meister, Dennis Menard, Ed Novak, Norman Podgorski, Patricia Podgorski, Callista Polasek (Meister granddaughter), Sherri Primeau (Darren's mother-inlaw), Patricia M. Scheid (Ernie's daughter-in-law), Michael Studebaker, Dennis Szlag, Christine Tallman, Ron Thompson, Donovan S. Turchin, 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.

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"

April 17 - tax day - is right around the corner. It's become popular this time of year to encourage the opening of an IRA or similar retirement annuity, or the depositing of additional funds into an existing account, as a tax savings vehicle. A secondary approach is to tout the rate of interest that money in one of these accounts can earn. Let me join the chorus of folks encouraging you to open or add funds to an annuity, but for a different reason.

Certainly, contributing money to a Knights of Columbus annuity will allow you to save some money on your income tax return. And our annuities do pay a very competitive interest rate, consistent with our primary goal of absolute safety of principal. Opening or adding to an annuity for these reasons, however, strikes me as taking a short-term view of a product that is designed to provide long-term security. How much security? **How does a retirement income that you cannot outlive - guaranteed – sound to you?**

Here at the Knights of Columbus, you can open a retirement annuity for as little as \$300. Consistent and disciplined savings placed into that annuity over time can guarantee you an income at retirement that you cannot outlive. That guarantee – along with the fact that no one has ever lost money left in a Knights of Columbus annuity (remember – **absolute safety of principal**), really will provide you with peace of mind.

I am happy to meet with you – at your convenience and in your home – to explain in detail the benefits of opening a Knights of Columbus annuity, along with the benefits of our toprated life insurance and long term care insurance plans.

As you ponder all the things that may not work out as you proceed toward retirement, think about one thing you can do to help yourself – opening a Knights of Columbus annuity. It's reasonably priced (\$300 to start), guaranteed, and controlled by someone you trust – you!

*Receive a complete Family Needs Analysis at my expense.
Ask about our GUARANTEED LIFE INSURANCE, ANNUITIES,
LONG TERM CARE & DISABILITY INSURANCE

In Christ,

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ORTHDAL

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

03/04 Mike Niemasz

03/04 Peter Miles

03/06 William Rearick

03/08 Duane McLaughlin

03/08 Glain C. Guilmette

03/10 Glain A. Guilmette

03/18 Robert Casman

03/18 Claude Fiori

03/22 Patrick Allen

03/28 Rev. Lee Acervo

03/31 Adam Wittmer

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

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An Editor's Exposé

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March 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Coffee & Donuts Happy Birthday Mike Niemasz Peter Miles	5 7pm Bld. Corp. Mtg 8pm Member Mtg	6 Happy Birthday William Rearick	7	8 7pm Ladies Aux Mtg. Happy Birthday Duane McLaughlin Glain C. Guilmette	9	10 Happy Birthday Glain A. Guilmette
11	12 5:30pm Corned Beef Dinner.	13	14	15 Happy Birthday Marian Welsh	16	17
18 SHIELD DEADLINE Coffee & Donuts Happy Birthday Robert Casman	19	20	21	22 Happy Birthday Patrick Allen	23 MI Drive	24 MI Drive
25 MI Drive 6pm Dinner	26 7:30pm Officers Mtg	27	28 Happy Birthday Rev. Lee Acervo	29	30	31 Happy Birthday Adam Wittmer



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