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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

By Ron Thompson

Brothers,

We continue to have our meeting virtually, This Months meeting will remain the same way with the same format.

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Our Business meeting will be at 8pm on March 1 , 2021

Last month I was chosen to be 1st delegate to the Michigan State Convention. We thought it would be virtual again this year and that is not the case at this time

Please come to the meeting this month to discuss this further, I would like to go to the convention this year and I would like your support as our last meeting was just 8 people. Things will get back to normal eventually. Get your vaccines , follow CDC guidelines. Be safe

The planning meeting will be at 7:30pm March 29,2021

Ronnie Thompson
Grand Knight 7239

PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPORT

By Ken Podgorski, PGK, DGK

Due to the Coronavirus, any upcoming events scheduled will be cancelled. Stay tuned with the Shield for information.

Bless those who risk their lives to help their community. Police, fire, doctors, nurses, EMTs, store associates, warehouse workers, and anyone else still working to make our daily lives better during this worldwide crisis.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, March 1, 2021

Membership Meeting - 8:00 p.m.

**** Meeting Online / Phone Call-In****

Thursday, March 11, 2021

Ladies Auxiliary Meeting -- 7:00 p.m.

**** Meeting Online ****

Shield Deadline:

Sunday, March 21, 2021

editor@kofc7239.org

(Always 3rd Sunday of Month)

**** Planning Meeting ****

(All are welcome)

Monday, March 29, 2021 - 7:30 p.m.

**** Meeting Online ****

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

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LADIES AUXILIARY

Time Marches on. The Ladies are possibly doing a Meijer gift card giveaway called “Shop Til You Drop” for The Children’s Holy Cross basket raffle at Mackinaw Island. We will have to see if there will be a convention this year.

We need to pray for our prayer list.

Happy March Birthday to Amber Thompson (17) and Marie Bessler (22)!

Our next meeting is Thursday, March 11th at 7:00 P.M. A zoom meeting by Mary.

Happy St. Patrick’s Day!

Cindy Podgorski
President

CHAIRMAN NEWS

I have no activities planned, but I do want to wish that everyone will be able to stay safe and get their vaccine injections..

James Morrison

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT FR. HEARY COUNCIL 7239 ALLOCATE \$700.00 EACH TO TWO DELEGATES TO ATTEND THE 2021 CONVENTION ON MACKINAC ISLAND MAY 26,27 AND 28, 2021

SUBMITTED BY:

Ronnie Thompson and Ken Podgorski



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

Clarence Bessler, Shirley Bliss, Callista Boleski, 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, Yvette Ploskonka 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, Brenda Thomas, Donovan S. Turchin, John Turchin, Debbie Vaughn, Matt Ventimiglia, Greg Vetten, Regis Welsh, Jean Witkowski, Richard Witkowski.

And please pray for all of the men and women of our Armed Services. Also please pray for the recently deceased, Dee Figg.

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”

By the time you read this you and I have probably been working from home, sheltering in place or on lockdown for 11 months! Who would have thought it? I hope you and your family are safe and healthy.

Being at home so much over the past 11 months has been different...mostly in a good way, although I think most of us have “corona virus fatigue.” We’ll keep socially distant and do our part by wearing a mask, but we’re tired of all the restrictions. On the home front we’ve had our minor squabbles but being at home has helped me have more dialogue with my family and has taught me how precious time together is. It’s taught me to slow down, consider the important people in my life and resolve to keep this attitude when the restrictions are lifted.

February is the month of Valentine’s Day and being home makes me appreciate my wife even more. Whether or not you have children at home, our wives don’t get nearly enough credit for all they do. What would we do without them? In *Fiddler on the Roof*, Mama and Golde sing, “Who must know the way to make a proper home... Who must raise a family and run the home?” Of course, that song about “Tradition” is the old-fashioned way of looking at “the mama.” That’s one theme of the play; the changing roles in the family and in society. Many of our spouses have the role of breadwinner, professional, provider, business owner, etc....and manage to also make a proper home, raise the family and run the household. They are remarkable!

So, don’t forget that dozen roses, the heart-shaped box of chocolates, the card or the gift as a token of your love and letting her know how much she means to you. And if you want to really let her know how much you love her, take a few minutes with me and take stock of where you are with your life insurance and disability insurance coverage. With so many spouses in the workplace, it would be neglectful to not make sure they are properly protected. Many households rely on two incomes to pay the bills and the loss of either one, to an untimely death or an illness or accident that means one is unable to work, can be devastating.

I’ve met with many of you over the past months and I can continue to meet virtually over the computer...everyone stays safe. The Order has equipped me to make sure I can properly meet and service all my assigned brother knights and their families.

Let’s spend a few minutes together and make sure everything is in place for the ones you love.

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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.



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

03/04 Mike Niemasz
03/04 Peter Miles
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.



MARCH 2021

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---|-----|--|---|-----|-----|
| | 1 8pm Member Mtg | 2 | 3 | 4 Happy Birthday Mike Niemasz Peter Miles | 5 | 6 |
| 7 | 8 Happy Birthday Duane McLaughlin Glain C. Guilmette | 9 | 10 Happy Birthday Glain A. Guilmette | 11 7pm Ladies Mtg | 12 | 13 |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 Happy Birthday Amber Thompson | 18 Happy Birthday Robert Casman Claude Fiori | 19 | 20 |
| 21 SHIELD DEADLINE | 22 7:30pm Planning Mtg Happy Birthday Patrick Allen Marie Bessler | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 Happy Birthday Rev. Lee Acervo | 29 | 30 | 31 Happy Birthday Adam Wittmer | | | |

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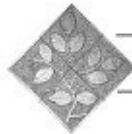
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