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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

By Glain Guilmette

Brother Knights,

Vivat Jesus!

At our regular meeting on March 7, we will be voting on the resolution published in this month's edition of the Shield, in addition to other important business. Please plan to attend.

Jim Morrison is going to make a Corned Beef Dinner at the Council. The dinner will be on March 19, at 5:30 pm. I hope to see everyone there.

We are also planning another MI Drive in April and we need workers for that drive. please contact me if you can help at 586-419-4641, or at our meetings

I am wishing everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day.

Yours in Christ,
Glain C. Guilmette
Grand Knight

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE FR. JAMES B HEARY COUNCIL 7239 ALLOCATE \$700.00 TO ONE DELEGATE TO ATTEND THE 2022 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE CONVENTION ON MACKINAC ISLAND, MAY 25th, 26th, AND 27th 2022.

**SUBMITTED BY:
Darren Gray, PGK, FDD
Craig Massman, FS**

PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPORT

By Ken Podgorski, PGK, DGK

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, March 7, 2022
Membership Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
**** Meeting In-Person at Council****

Thursday, March 10, 2022
Ladies Auxiliary Meeting -- 7:00 p.m.
**** Meeting In-Person at Council ****

Friday, March 11, 2022
Soup/Salad Dinner – 6:00pm
**** at Council ****

**** Planning Meeting ****
(All are welcome)
Monday, March 14, 2022 - 7:00 p.m.
**** Meeting In-Person at Council ****

Saturday, March 19, 2022
Corn Beef Dinner – 5:30pm - 7:00pm
**** at Council ****
Contact Jim Morrison if planning on attending

Shield Deadline:
Sunday, March 20, 2022
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(Always 3rd Sunday of Month)

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LADIES AUXILIARY

Hi Ladies!

Time Marches on. We will be having a Friday Night Dinner, Friday, March 11th at 6:00pm. The ladies will be making soup, including vegetable soup and spinach tortellini soup and salads including tuna salad sandwiches and egg salad sandwiches, along with pasta and tossed salads. There will also be desserts. Yum! Yum!

The Ladies are doing a gift card give-away called ‘Gift Card Mania’ for The Children’s Holy Cross basket raffle at Mackinaw Island. We will be collecting \$10 cards (minimum) from stores and restaurants.

We will be having a Ladies Birthday Dinner at the Madhouse this year, April 7th, at 6:00pm.

We need to pray for our Prayer List.

Happy March Birthday to Amber Thompson (17th)!

Our next meeting is Thursday, March 10th at 7:00pm. Hostesses are Mary Thompson and Amber Thompson.

Happy St. Patrick’s Day!

Cindy Podgorski
President

CHAIRMAN NEWS

CORN BEEF DINNER

Dorothy and I will be doing a corn beef dinner on Saturday, March 19th starting at 5:30pm to 7:00Pm at the council. We will have corn beef, cabbage, rutabaga, onion and Dorothy’s soda bread. Price will be \$8.00 per person. I am planning on serving twenty people so if you plan to come, let me know so that I can buy enough food. I don’t want late comers to not be able to have dinner. Carryouts will be available.

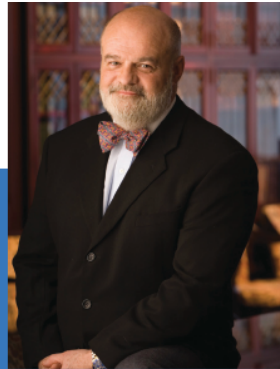
Sincerely,
Jim Morrison



PRAYER LIST

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You're cordially invited to join our new webinar where Joe will be your guide to devising a meaningful and secure retirement strategy!

APRIL 27, 2022 7:00PM-8:00PM

Paul Halkey, Mike Higgins, Heather Lang, Silvio Marchesi, Ray Pasternak, Yvette Ploskonka, Ken Podgorski, Norman Podgorski, Patricia Podgorski, Marie Szlag, Jeanette Szeliga, Tony Szeliga, Matt Ventimiglia, Regis Welsh, Jean 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. Also please pray 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.



Knights of Columbus “BENEFITS NEWS”

The Value of Membership Referrals

As a professional insurance agent, one of the things I appreciate most is when one of my brother Knight clients or his wife refers another member to me. This is a great endorsement of the service I provided. It tells me that they were so pleased with what I helped them accomplish that they want me to help others achieve the safe level of financial safety and security. When I meet with you, please pass along the names of those who might be able to benefit from the analysis that I provide.

Similarly, there is no stronger membership recruiting tool than the referral. How many of us know an eligible Catholic male who is not a member of the Knights of Columbus? Do you have Catholic family or friends, local or not, who have yet to join? Most likely, they’ve never been asked and don’t know enough about the Order to seek out membership on their own.

If you have names of potential members, please pass them along to me or your Grand Knight. Let us know if we can use your name when we contact the gentlemen in question. It’s always more effective to tell a candidate for membership that he was recommended by a current member, especially someone he knows. Don’t worry if the candidate is outside the area I serve or beyond the district of the local councils, we can make sure we put these future members in touch with the right people in their communities.

New members are the lifeblood of the Order. All the good deeds done by the Order are driven by the members. Over the past decade, Knights have given more than \$1.75 billion to charity and provided in excess of 700 million hours of service. And our membership has merely scratched the surface in North America. Imagine the potential.

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THE ROSARY

An Editor’s Request

As we enter our 2nd year of dealing with the Coronavirus pandemic, I would like to request that each Knight take out their rosary and prayer a special dedication to the ending of this pandemic. I am sure most of you are doing this already, but if you’re not, please do. God Bless and stay safe.

Darren Gray, PGK, FDD

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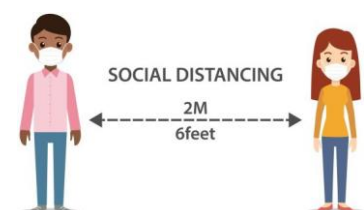
MARCH BIRTHDAYS

03/04 Peter Miles
03/04 Michael Niemasz
03/07 Zachary Parton
03/08 Duane McLaughlin
03/09 Glain Guilmette
03/12 Donald Wesierski
03/18 Claude Fiori
03/20 Ryan Thompson
03/22 Patrick Allen
03/25 Francisco Camarillo
03/30 Thomas Boguslawski
03/31 Thomas Laurencelle Jr
03/31 Adam Wittmer

LADIES AUXILIARY MARCH BIRTHDAYS

03/17 Amber Thompson

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



March 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4 Happy Birthday Peter Miles Michael Niemasz	5
6	7 <i>7pm Member Mtg</i> Happy Birthday Zachary Parton	8 Happy Birthday Duane Mc Laughlin	9 Happy Birthday Glain Guilmette	10 7pm Ladies Mtg	11 Soup/Salad Dinner – 6pm	12 Happy Birthday Donald Wesierski
13	14 <u><i>7:00pm Planning Mtg</i></u>	15	16	17 Happy St. Patrick's Day	18 Happy Birthday Claude Fiori	19 Corned Beef Dinner – 5:30pm
20 SHIELD DEADLINE Happy Birthday Ryan Thompson	21	22 Happy Birthday Patrick Allen	23	24	25 Happy Birthday Francisco Camarillo	26
27	28	29	30 Happy Birthday Thomas Boguslawski	31 Happy Birthday Thomas Laurencelle Jr Adam Wittmer		

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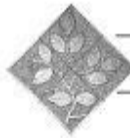
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