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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

By Glain Guilmette

Brother Knights,
No report this month.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPORT

By Ken Podgorski, PGK, DGK

Our charity poker event is May 9th – May 12th help is needed so sign up to work one of the shifts. A signup sheet was e-mailed out from Darren Gray. The state convention is May 25th and 26th. Coffee and Donuts will be May 6th and May 20th. Let Jim Morrison know if you want to help.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Coffee & Donuts
Sunday, May 6 & 20, 2018
After 8:30 & 10:30 masses

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

Thursday, May 10, 2018
Ladies Auxiliary Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

May 9 - 12, 2018
Charity Poker Event
(5-Star Lanes)

Saturday, May 19, 2018
The Way Forward Meeting -- 12:00 Noon
At the Council

Shield Deadline:
Sunday, May 20, 2018
editor@kofc7239.org

Officers Meeting
****Tuesday, May 29, 2018 - 7:30 p.m.****

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LADIES AUXILIARY

By Janice Polan, President

Happy Mother's Day to all our Moms, Grandmas, Aunts, Sisters, Daughters and Godmothers. Wishes for a day filled with love and family. Our regular meeting will be on Thursday, May 10, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. We will be holding our election for the offices of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. If you are interested in one of these positions, or would like to nominate a candidate, please contact our Nominating Chairwoman, Yvette Ploskonka.

The final day to submit any donations to me for the Meijer Card for the Mackinac Island Basket Raffle to benefit Holy Cross Children's Services will be May 5th.

Thank you to all the Ladies that attended our annual birthday celebration at Madhouse Bar & Grill in April. We had a fun time together. Congratulations to our 2018 recipient, Nancy Oparka, on receiving the Ladies Auxiliary "Lady of the Year" Award. Nancy has been an outstanding member and tremendous help to the Ladies Auxiliary, the K/C Council, and especially to me. Thank you, Nancy!!

I hope all that attended our Knights' Anniversary Dinner in April had a great time. Thank you for supporting our council events.

COFFEE & DONUTS

Coffee & Donuts will be May 6 & May 27. Reminder to those attending the Awards Luncheon on May 16, the doors open at the Venetian Club at 11:15 and luncheon will be served at 11:35. The program will start at 12:15.

LADIES BIRTHDAY DINNER AT MADHOUSE GRILL



FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

By Darren Gray, FS

Brother Knights,

The first Open Forum (now formally called The Way Forward Meetings) to discuss the future of our council was, in my opinion, a success. We had 15 members attend, including Janice Polan, the President of the Ladies Auxiliary. The first order of business was to discuss the future of the building itself. While not unanimous, the general consensus was to keep the current building and to make any necessary repairs that are needed. The next meeting will be on Saturday, May 19th, again at Noon, at the Council. The primary focus of this next meeting will be membership and how to get more involvement. Full Meeting minutes from the last meeting are posted on the website, under 'The Shield' tab.

2018 LADY OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to Nancy Oparka on being awarded our 2018 "Lady of the Year". Thank you for your dedicated and outstanding service to our Ladies Auxiliary.



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, Joe Palazzola, Norman Podgorski, Patricia Podgorski, Callista Polasek (Meister granddaughter), Sherri Primeau (Darren's mother-in-law), Patricia M. Scheid (Ernie's daughter-in-law), Michael Studebaker, Dennis Szlag, Mel 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, Ralph Merkel and Dallas Strawska.

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”

LAWS and RULES of the ORDER:

The laws and rules of our Order, as well as state (provincial) laws, specify that the Knights of Columbus may accept insurance applications only from Knights of Columbus members. As a member, you may apply for insurance on yourself, your wife and your dependent, minor children.

The Order’s Board of Directors has taken action, though, to assure that a brother Knight’s widow maintains the right to purchase additional insurance for a limited time. This can be of great benefit and comfort to those we leave behind.

This “right to apply” is available only to the widows of insured members. If a member has not availed himself of our top-rated life insurance program, or purchased an annuity or long-term care policy, Disability Insurance, this benefit is not available to his widow.

But if the member was an insured member, his widow has the right to apply for additional insurance on her life and on the lives of the member’s minor children. This right can be exercised for up to one year following the Order’s receipt of proof of the insured’s death.

Know two things. First, I’ll assist your widow and children in any way possible if you should die, both with your Knights of Columbus insurance and any other life insurance you may have. Second, I’ll provide them my best professional advice and service, to assure that they continue to have adequate insurance protection.

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MAY BIRTHDAYS

05/02 James Linn
05/08 Eric Neustadt
05/10 David Hopcroft
05/11 Rev. Ralph Cahover
05/12 Anthony Ritter
05/13 Larry Surratt
05/14 Matthew Ventimiglia
05/16 Matthew Skoglund
05/16 John Raona

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

May 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Happy Birthday James Linn	3	4	5
6 Coffee & Donuts	7 7pm Bld. Corp. Mtg 8pm Member Mtg	8 Happy Birthday Eric Neustadt	9 Charity Poker Event	10 7pm Ladies Mtg. Happy Birthday David Hopcroft Charity Poker	11 Happy Birthday Rev. Ralph Cahover Charity Poker	12 Happy Birthday Anthony Ritter Charity Poker
13 Happy Birthday Larry Surratt	14 Happy Birthday Matt Ventimiglia	15	16 Happy Birthday Matt Skoglund John Raona	17	18	19 12pm The Way Forward Meeting
20 SHIELD DEADLINE Coffee & Donuts	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29 7:30pm Officers Mtg	30	31		

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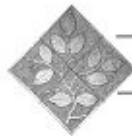
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