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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

By Ron Thompson

Brother Knights,

Thank you to everyone who helped in any way with the MI drive and the pot luck dinner. I will be attending the Madison Heights Round Table awards banquet this month. In the middle of the month I will be attending the annual Michigan State Convention which concludes on the start of Memorial day weekend. Congratulations to my Knight of the year, Randy Carlisle, and Family of the year Norm and Pat Podgorski. Thank you to all of the members of the Podgorski family who have been helping our council for the past 40 years. Happy Mothers Day to all our ladies. This past month we had our 40th year anniversary and we had a great time. Events like this milestone anniversary are made possible by hard work from the event coordinator and I want to give a special thanks to Jim Morrison for taking on the job this year. This month we are voting for council officers and I would recommend that you make it to our business meeting. It is possible to still be a new officer this fraternal year. Also we need to have qualified candidates for two of our most important positions filled soon! I am asking for a new Financial Secretary as currently this position is being filled by Darren on a month to month basis and he wants to step down. Also Jim wants to step down from being our treasurer. Lastly I want everyone to step forward in recruiting a new member. Membership is key for our council to continue to grow. Programs are also in need of re-vamping for the new younger members who are the ones that we so much need to continue on another 40 years as Knights of Columbus in Madison Heights. .

PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPORT

By Ken Podgorski, PGK, DGK

No article this month.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, May 6, 2019
Building Corporation Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
Membership Meeting - 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 9, 2019 - 7:00 p.m.
Ladies Auxiliary Meeting

Shield Deadline:
Sunday, May 19, 2019
editor@kofc7239.org
(Always 3rd Sunday of Month)

**** Planning Meeting ****
(All are welcome)
Monday, May 27, 2019 - 7:30 p.m.

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LADIES AUXILIARY

Three parties all in one month (April). The Ladies birthday dinner was very nice. Lady of the Year went to Mary Thompson for doing such a fine job as Sunshine Lady and for helping with the Children’s Christmas Party. Janice Polan got a special ovation for her years of dedication and service to the Ladies Auxiliary and Knights of Columbus! She is super! Of course, our club just wouldn’t be without all of you Ladies! Thanks Ladies for putting on a fantastic Palm Sunday dinner! As I’m writing this article the Anniversary dinner hasn’t happened yet but am looking forward to it.

May is here. The Mackinac Island prize raffle baskets for Holy Cross Children Services will be sweatshirts and socks “No Sweat! Sock it to Me!” with a \$50 gift card from Meijers. Don’t forget we need to vote for officers in May. Think about running for office. Yvette will call all the Ladies and ask them if they want to run for office.

We need to pray for our prayer list.

The next meeting is Thursday May 9th at 7:00 p.m. Hostesses are Nancy Oparka and Yvette Ploskonka. Happy Mothers Day!

Cindy Podgorski
 President



FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

By Darren Gray, FS

None 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. Despite my best intentions, articles continue to be arriving in my inbox later than the deadline. Due to my increased hours working for Amazon, I have limited availability to work on the newsletter so I would appreciate everyone adhering to the deadline. Thanks to those that already do. If in doubt, send your article in early. It helps a great deal.

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

Don Bessler, Bishop Cistone of Saginaw, Shirley Bliss, Callista Boleski, John Brehmer, Mary Brehmer, Holly Bush, Bob Carlisle, Paige Chamberlain, Dee Figg, Madeline Ford, Wallis Flynn, Jessie Giszczak, Glain A. Guilmette, Shawn Guilmette, Mike Kapolka, Russel Kreinbring, Lori Leeman, Rachel McLaughlin, Sharon McCoy, Maggie Meister, Dennis Menard, Ed Novak, Jenny Palazzola, Joe Palazzola, Yvette Ploskonka Ed Poplawski, Norman Podgorski, Patricia Podgorski, Callista Polasek (Meister granddaughter), Chris Peterson, Sherri Primeau (Darren's mother-in-law), Emily Ramm, Patricia M. Scheid (Ernie's daughter-in-law), Michael Studebaker, Dennis Szlag, Mel Szlag, Christine Tallman, Brenda Thomas, Donovan S. Turchin, John Turchin, Debbie Vaughn, Matt Ventimiglia, Greg Vetten, Marian Welsh, 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, Betty Pontia and Amil Jauj Utant.

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”

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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Just a reminder that Jakub Shonka is my Administrative Assistant. Jakub is a 4th degree Sir Knight & an active 3rd Degree member of St Jane De Chantal Council #13340. The #1 role of an Admin is to assist the Field Agent in fulfilling his primary obligation, which is to meet with all members of their assigned Councils on a regular basis, so he’ll be contacting each of you.

In Christ,

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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.**

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An Editor’s Exposé

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MAY 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2 Happy Birthday James Linn	3	4
5	6 7pm Bld. Corp. Mtg 8pm Member Mtg Happy Birthday Mike Niemasz Peter Miles	7	8 Happy Birthday Eric Neustadt	9 7:00pm Ladies Aux. Meeting	10 Happy Birthday David Hopcroft	11 Happy Birthday Rev. Ralph Cahover
12 Happy Birthday Anthony Ritter	13 Happy Birthday Larry Surratt	14 Happy Birthday Matt Ventimiglia	15	16 Happy Birthday Matt Skoglund John Raona	17	18
19 SHIELD DEADLINE	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 7:30pm Planning Mtg	28	29	30	31	

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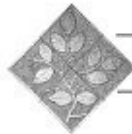
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