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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 May 3, and the planning meeting will be at 7:30 pm on Tuesday, June 1. During May we will be nominating new officers. If you are interested in becoming an officer, please let us know.

This month Mary and I will be going to the State Convention, as of this writing.

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.

Let us pray for those stricken with the virus and for the ones who have lost their battle with it, and their families. Together, we will get through this.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, May3, 2021 Membership Meeting - 8:00 p.m. ** Meeting Online / Phone Call-In**

Thursday, May 13, 2021 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting -- 7:00 p.m. ** **Meeting Online** **

Shield Deadline: Sunday, May 16, 2021 editor@kofc7239.org (Always 3rd Sunday of Month)

** Planning Meeting **
(All are welcome)
Tuesday, June 1, 2021 - 7:30 p.m.
** Meeting Online **

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LADIES AUXILIARY

Hi Ladies,

We are saddened by the passing of Richard Witkowski. Condolences to the Witkowski family.

We want to congratulate Mary Thompson as Lady of the Year! She holds the meetings faithfully every month on computer. Thanks Mary!

Voting for officers will be held at the May zoom meeting. Yvette will be calling each Lady. Thanks Yvette!

We need to pray for our prayer list.

Happy May Birthday! To all the Ladies!

Our next meeting will be Thursday, May 13th at 7:00 P.M.. Zoom by Mary.

Happy Mother'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



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

Shirley Bliss, Callista Boleski, Jack Brehmer, 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, 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, Donovan S. Turchin, John Turchin, Debbie Vaughn, Matt Ventimiglia, Greg Vetten, Regis Welsh, Jean Witkowski.

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

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"

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.

As a professional agent and a brother Knight, I have no greater responsibility.

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

In Christ,

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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.

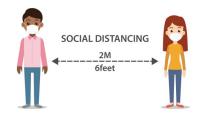
Marianne Podgorski The Shield Editor



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** Matt Ventimiglia 05/14 05/16 Matt Skoglund John Raona

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



MAY 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Happy Birthday James Linn	3 8pm Member Mtg Happy Birthday Richard Witkowski	4	5	6	7	8 Happy Birthday Eric Neustadt
9	Happy Birthday David Hopcroft	Happy Birthday Rev. Ralph Cahover	Happy Birthday Anthony Ritter	13 7pm Ladies Mtg Happy Birthday Larry Surratt	14 Happy Birthday Matt Ventimiglia	15
16 SHIELD DEADLINE Happy Birthday Matt Skoglund John Raona	17	18	19	20	21	22
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30	31	7:30pm Planning Mtg				



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