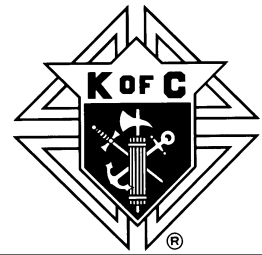


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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

By Sam P. Lamerato

Brother Knights,

Vivat Jesus!

October was a busy month for the Knights.

On October 2nd we held our monthly meeting. Many topics were covered, including the coffee and donuts sponsored by the K of C after the 9:00 am Sunday mass on October 8th. The mass on October 8th was also for members of the Knights of Columbus, both living and deceased. We discussed the Ladies' Appreciation Dinner which was held on October 20th at 6:00pm at the K of C house. There were approximately 22 people in attendance, and all had a great time. My thanks go out to Darren Gray who once again made a delicious pasta dinner with three different sauces, asparagus, garlic bread and salad. Plenty of desserts were also enjoyed. Thank you to the set up and clean-up crew. Also discussed was the Christmas dinner party, which will be held this year on Monday, December 11th at 6:00pm. The Christmas boxes will be packed at 9:00am on Friday, December 15th and delivered Saturday, December 16th starting at 9:00am. Volunteers will be needed for both days. Craig Massman agreed once again to chair this event this year. Thank you, Craig. Please mark your calendars now to hold these dates. We are going to start a 50-50 raffle at the monthly meetings – bring a dollar so you can take a chance on being the lucky winner. We also talked about fundraisers. A few ideas were mentioned: a winter indoor Corn Hole tournament and a spring car show. We need to consider a few yearly fund raisers to put money back into our coffers.

Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring and hosting the coffee and doughnuts after the 9:00am mass on December 10th. Volunteers are needed to work at this function. Please try to attend this mass and the coffee and doughnuts afterwards. We will have brochures available and hope to inspire more membership in our worthy organization.

A Building Cooperation board election needs to be held. We will be taking nominations at our

November meeting and elections will be held at our December meeting. Please consider running for this board.

We will be having one mass per month said at the 9:00am Sunday mass for members of the Knights of Columbus, both living and deceased. The mass dates are November 12th, and December 10th.

We will be seeking ads for the Shield, both new and renewed. If you have any leads, please pass them on to me. The yearly ad will cost \$60.00.

After our October meeting many members stayed to enjoy the light meal and socialize. We plan to do the same for the November meeting.

Just a reminder, our next meeting will be November 6th at 7:00pm. Unfortunately, I will be out of town and unable to attend. I spoke with Deputy Grand Knight Dave Hopcroft, and he will preside over the meeting. Please join us and try to contact a Knight who may need assistance with transportation to and from the meeting and offer a ride. We need their support and wisdom!
Fraternally yours in Christ,

Sam P. Lamerato
Grand Knight

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, November 6, 2023
Membership Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 9th, 2023
Ladies Auxiliary Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

Friday, November 10th, 2023
Ladies Auxiliary Chili Cookoff Dinner
– 6:00 p.m.

Shield Deadline:
Sunday, November 19, 2023
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LADIES AUXILIARY

Hi Ladies,

I heard the Ladies really appreciated the Ladies Appreciation Dinner with a great turnout, good food and desserts. Thanks are in order to Darren Gray, Jim Morrison, and Janice Polan for the food and desserts and whoever brought wine made it more the merrier! Besides all the setting up and clean-up crew.

Speaking of dinners the Ladies are having a Friday night dinner-chili cookoff on November 10th at 6:00 P.M. Sounds delicious!

Remember Ladies we are continuing at each meeting the charity for St. Vincent De Paul Food Bank to bring food and paper product items. Also newborn diapers and wet wipes for the Heart of Christ Clinic.

Happy November Birthday to Pat Nixon (28).

Happy November Anniversary to Meg Lamerato and her husband (22).

We need to pray for the Prayer List and full recovery for those who are recovering.

Our next meeting is November 9th at 7:00 P.M. Hostesses are Kathy Menard and Yvette Ploskonka.

Cindy Podgorski - President

Speaking of dinners the Ladies are having a Friday night dinner-chili cookoff on November 10th at 6:00 P.M. Sounds delicious!

BUILDING CORPORATION NOMINATIONS!

We will be holding nominations for the Building Corporation at the November Council Meeting on November 6th. These are for the following positions:

President – Currently Randy Carlisle

Vice President – Currently Lynn Figg

Treasurer – Currently Tim Oparka

Recorder – Currently Robert Pasternak

Trustees (2) – Currently Vacant

If you would like to be part of the Building Corp and help guide the direction of the building, please consider running for one of these positions. If you are unable to attend the meeting, but would like to be nominated, email Darren Gray @ darren_gray@fytek.com and he'll put your name in.



PROGRAM CORNER

CHRISTMAS BASKETS!!

Our Annual Christmas Basket Campaign. I will be chairing the event this year. I am asking for your continued support and cooperation in making this project a success. I ask that you sign up to purchase a specific item and deliver them to our K. of C. Hall. This will be a huge help. We understand the expense and since we need approximately 30 of each item you may want to consider joining with a fellow knight and purchase an item. I would like to provide each family with \$15 worth of gift certificates in \$5 increments. For those families with a large number of members, I would like to provide extra gift certificates, so any cash donation you could make would be greatly appreciated. The list of items needed is below. Please let me know which item you selected by either emailing me at craigmassman@gmail.com or leaving a message on my cell phone at 586.506.8077 so we don't have any duplicate items purchased. The food baskets will be packed during the day on Friday, December 15 and delivered on Saturday December 16 starting at 9:00 AM. If you can help deliver, I would ask that you arrive at the Counsel hours between 8 - 8:30 AM

- Can of Frosting
- Jar of Jelly
- Jar of Peanut Butter
- Jar of Spaghetti Sauce
- Box of Spaghetti pasta
- Bag of Cookies
- 40 oz box of Cereal
- Gift Certificates

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE FR. JAMES B HEARY COUNCIL 7239 WITHDRAWAL UP TO \$2,000 OUT OF THE MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT TO COVER GENERAL EXPENSES.

**SUBMITTED BY:
Dave Hopcroft, DGK
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Ann Brunk, Larry Bunting, Randy Carlisle, Stephen Clay (John Clay's Grandson), Heather Lang, Edda Marchesi, Silvio Marchesi, Sharon McCoy (Ken Witkowski's Sister), Ron Ploskonka, Yvette Ploskonka, Stefanie Olszewski, Ernie Schied, Marie Szlag, Tony Szeliga, Ronnie Thompson, Matt Ventimiglia, Regis Welsh, Jean Witkowski, Ken Witkowski.

NOTE: I will be clearing out the Prayer List at the beginning of the year. 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”

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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HAPPY THANKSGIVING

I have no activities schedules for November. However, Dorothy and I wish all of our members and their families a very Happy Thanksgiving. And hope that all Halloweeners got lots of candy.

Jim Morrison



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

11/03 Lynn Figg, PGK
11/03 Mark Tripp
11/05 Jon Lechner
11/10 Nick Alexopoulos
11/15 Richard Salvatore
11/23 Safaa Habash
11/25 Stephen Orloski

LADIES AUXILIARY
NOVEMBER
BIRTHDAYS
11/28 Pat Nixon

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

November 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Happy Birthday Lynn Figg, PGK Mark Tripp	4
5 Happy Birthday Jon Lechner	6 <i>7pm Member Mtg</i>	7	8	9 <i>Ladies Auxiliary Meeting – 7pm</i>	10 Happy Birthday Nick Alexopoulos <i>Ladies Chili Cookoff ALL ARE WELCOME 6pm – At Council</i>	11
12 Memorial Mass – 9am at St. Vincent Ferrer	13	14	15 Happy Birthday Richard Salvatore	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 Happy Birthday Rev. Safaa Habash	24	25 Happy Birthday Stephen Orloski
26	27	28 Happy Birthday Pat Nixon	29	30		

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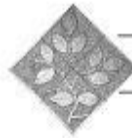
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