

# THE SHIELD

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# **GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE**

By Glain Guilmette

Brother Knights,

Thank You to all the knights and their wives who helped to set up and run our annual garage sale. All your hard work is greatly appreciated for this important fundraiser for our council.

September is a pretty slow month for us, other than the coffee and doughnuts and our officers and buisness meetings.

However October we have our second MI drive, it is very important that all members, wives, friends and families who can help in any way with this drive come out and help. We need you ,Please!!

Since Labor Day is Monday the 4th of September our Business Meeting will be on Tuesday the 5th of September at 8:00 pm the Building Corporation meeting will be at 7:00 pm.

Finally I want to wish everyone a happy and healthy Labor Day!

# PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPORT By Ken Podgorski, PGK, DGK

Picnic was a success. Thanks to my Dad, Janice and Cindy and anyone else who helped. Not sure how the Garage Sale went, but I'm sure it was good. Coffee and Donuts is Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> after the 8 & 10 am Mass. Pancake Breakfast is September 17<sup>th</sup>. All help is welcome. I'm sure there will be no complaints from Jim Morrison. Just a reminder we still need a recording secretary to take the minutes at our general KofC meetings. If interested let one of our officers know so you can be nominated at the September meeting.

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Coffee & Donuts Sunday, September 3, 2017 After 8:30 & 10:30 masses

\*\* Tuesday, September 5, 2017 \*\*
Building Corporation Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
Membership Meeting - 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 14, 2017 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

> Sunday, September 17, 2017 Pancake Breakfast

Shield Deadline: Sunday, September 17, 2017 editor@kofc7239.org

Officers Meeting Monday, September 25, 2017 - 7:30 p.m.

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## LADIES AUXILIARY

By Janice Polan, President

It's been a warm summer and hope you are keeping safe and cool and enjoying the sunny weather. Thank you to all that cooled off at the Ice Cream Social. Remember to keep supporting our Knights in August at their garage sale and annual picnic. Check the newsletter for details. Happy August birthdays to Lisa Gray and Genny Palazzola. Mark your calendars - our first regular meeting will be Thursday, Sept 14, at 7:00 pm at the Council. Once again, I am encouraging potential new Lady members to attend the summer events and our meeting in September and join in the fun!!

#### PICNIC SOCIAL

Thanks to everyone that attended our picnic on August 20, 2017. I would especially thank all the help that I received. My Daughter Janice for Shopping for all the food, and shucking all the Corn, and setting up the hall. My Son Ken For All the Cooking And setting up the coolers with Refreshments. And Mostly A great big Thank you To My Daughter-in-Law Cindy for her tireless help with setting up the food, and to her and Marge McLaughlin for cleaning up the hall after all the mess left over. These Ladies worked tirelessly and deserve a big hand from us.

Norm P. So-called Chairman



### FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

By Darren Gray, FS

No report this month.

# FACTS ABOUT SEPTEMBER Customs and Traditions

Birthstone: Sapphire Flower: Aster

Zodiac Signs: Virgo and Libra

The name September comes from the old Roman word 'Septem', which means seven, because in the Roman calendar it was the seventh month. The Romans believed that the month of September was looked after by the god, Vulcan. As the god of the fire and forge, they expected September to be associated with fires, volcanic eruptions and earthquakes.

September is the start of the school year for many kids.

Traditionally, September 24th was the day on which harvesting began in medieval England.

Michaelmas Day is the feast of Saint Michael the Archangel, celebrated on September 29th. St. Michael is the patron saint of the sea and maritime lands, of ships and boatmen, of horses and horsemen. He was the Angel who hurled Lucifer (the devil) down from Heaven for his treachery.

September 1, 1830: The poem "Mary had a Little Lamb" was published.

September 5, 1774: The 1st Continental Congress was called to order.

September 11, 2001: The United States was attacked by terrorists.

September 18, 1851: The New York Times published its first edition.

September 19th: International "Talk Like A Pirate Day".

September 24, 1789: The US Supreme Court was established.

### **PRAYER LIST**

Wayne Bessler, Sally Bliss,
Callista Boleski, Bob Brunk, Bob
Carlisle, Dee Figg, Wallis Flynn,
Jessie Giszczak, Darren Gray, Glain
A. Guilmette, Shawn Guilmette,
Rachel McLaughlin, Sharon McCoy,
Frank Meister, Maggie Meister, Ed
Novak, Patricia Podgorski, Callista
Polasek (Meister granddaughter),
Patricia M. Scheid (Ernie's daughterin-law), Michael Studebaker, Ron
Thompson, Donovan S. Turchin, Lee
Ventimiglia, Matt Ventimiglia, Marian
Welsh, Regis Welsh, Don Wesierski,
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, including Lenny (related to Mel Szlag), Ronald Allen, Marty Bentley, Wayne Bessler, Nan Brown, Lenoto Ventimiglia, and Helen Zolna.

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"**

# Life Insurance As a Gift?

The initial reaction for many people when you mention life insurance as a gift is a quick step back and a questioning stare. "How morbid," they think. While it may seem that way when you first mention it, life insurance is really a thoughtful gift that can be a financial life preserver in tough times.

The problem with life insurance is the general perception. Many think of death instead of the great benefits it provides, and the security that it offers – even while you're alive. Life insurance should be thought of as a precautionary protective measure for a family unit. The purchase of this product can mean saving your home, sending your children to college, and preserving your spouse's quality of life in the event of your death.

One of the times you may want to purchase life insurance for someone is when a family has a new baby. It's a great, low-cost way to set money aside for the future (i.e. college tuition, housing, business start-up, etc.). Of greater importance, it ensures these children will have insurance as adults, in case an illness later in life makes him or her uninsurable.

Newlyweds are also ideal recipients for life insurance. As they join their lives and financial responsibilities, young couples need to make sure that their early investments are fully protected. If something were to happen to one of them, the other may be faced with serious financial hardship. A life insurance policy is an ideal way to ensure their future and protect their assets.

As nontraditional as it may be, life insurance is a wise and caring gift to purchase for many people.

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# SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

09/01 Rev. John Esper

09/03 Mel Szlag

09/05 Joseph Miller

09/07 Joseph Longo

09/08 Mark Bliss

09/18 David Notarianni

09/24 Michael Lehr

09/29 Kevin Pawlowski

09/30 Michael Kapolka

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

# THE MUSE

An Editor's Exposé

I'm looking into an affordable but permanent solution to replace missing teeth. Insurance doesn't cover dental implants; only the rich can afford them. Anyone have options for raising the funds necessary to opt for this more expensive surgery? Any help would be appreciated.

Marianne Podgorski The Shield Editor

# September 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					Happy Birthday Rev. John Esper	2
Goffee & Donuts Happy Birthday Mel Szlag	HAPPY LABOR DAY	5 7pm Bld. Corp. Mtg 8pm Member Mtg Happy Birthday Joe Miller	6	7 Happy Birthday Joseph Longo	8 Happy Birthday Mark Bliss	9
10	11	12	13	14 7pm Ladies Mtg.	15	16
17 SHIELD DEADLINE Pancake Breakfast	18 Happy Birthday Dave Notarianni	19	20	21	22	23
24 Happy Birthday Mike Lehr	7:30pm Officers Mtg Happy Birthday James Palmer	26	27	28	29 Happy Birthday Kevin Pawlowski	30 Happy Birthday Michael Kapolka



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