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# Grand Knight's Korner

#### Brother Knights and Ladies

July marks the transition to a new fraternal year for Marian Council. I'm looking forward to working with our newly installed officers. Rob Libera along with our officers and committee chairs have set the bar high. We are appreciative of all the great work they did in promoting charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism within our parish and community.

This year brings a change in focus for all Knights with the introduction of the *"Faith in Action"* program. The model is a call for Knights to become spiritual leaders in our families, council, and parish. The Supreme Council will offer various programs with an emphasis on Faith, Family, Community, and Life. There is a more detailed explanation of the programs in the June/July 2018 *Knightline*.

This new direction seems to align well with the initiatives identified through our recent membership survey: enhance our faith sharing at council meetings; develop additional fraternal and social opportunities; recruit new members, especially our young men with families. I plan to keep the business part of our council meetings efficient to allow for more faith and fraternal activity. Marian Council's and Ladies support numerous charities. We will continue to explore and/or enhance our fund-raising opportunities so that we can exceed our past charitable giving levels. I believe that Marian Council can achieve Star Council status, once again. We have a remarkable group of Brother Knights and Ladies with diverse talents, who *INSPIRE* me by their dedication, resourcefulness, and teamwork. I am honored to be elected your Grand Knight and I will serve you to the best of my ability.

> Sincerely, Edward M. Cox *"In God We Trust"*

# **Council Calendar**

## Council meetings for July 2018

July 12<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 6:30 PM – Council Meeting – Notre Dame Basement July 26<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, 7:00 PM – Planning Meeting – Notre Dame Basement

#### Council meetings for August 2018

August 9<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 7:00 PM – Rosary – Cafeteria August 9<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 7:30 PM – Council Meeting – Cafeteria August 23<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 7:00 PM – Planning Meeting – Notre Dame House Basement

# **Event Calendar**

| <u>Bingo –</u> Parish Center – doors open at 6:00PM, first game at 7PM   | July 7  |
|--|---------|
| Come with your friends and play Bingo!                                   | 6:15 pm |
| Gift of Mary Soup Kitchen – Leave from the Legion Post at 7:45 AM        | July 9  |
| Help feed those that need help   | July 12 |
| <u>Council BBQ</u> – Notre Dame Basement – following the Council Meeting | 7:00 pm |
| Come for a short meeting and then BBQ                                    | July 18 |
| <u>CPR Training</u> – Lafayette Industries                               | 7:00 pm |
| Come for a short meeting and then BBQ                                    | Aug 11  |
| <u>Sulphur Spring Cleanup</u> – Meet up after 8:30 AM mass               | 9:00 am |
| Help keep the St. Joe area beautiful                                     | Aug 13  |
| <u>Gift of Mary Soup Kitchen – Leave from the Legion Post at 7:45 AM</u> | 7:45 am |
| Help feed those that need help   | TBD     |
| <u>Pro-Life Mass</u> – TBD   |         |
| Pray for those that can't pray for themselves                            | TBD     |
| <u>Recruitment BBQ</u> – TBD   |         |
| Bring your friend for a night of fellowship and food                     |         |
|  |         |



King of Diamonds 50/50 Progressive Jackpot

The May rollover amount is:

\$120



#### Bingo!!

As most of you know, our first Bingo event success and now the fun begins, building on that success.

Our unofficial survey of first game attendees gave use some ideas on how to improve our program. Such as; have a cover all game with larger dollar pot, increase all pots. have heads/tails, or birthday games for a dollar, some food items for sale, Progressive Bingo...

We will be implementing a majority of these items, starting with Full Card Bingo at our August Event, with \$100 payout.



Thank you for all support our Brother Knights & Ladies have given, both as Workers & Players.

Out next Bingo will be on July 7<sup>th</sup>. Doors open at 6PM, with the first game at 7PM. Come join us!

Joe Caratenuto

Here are some pictures from June 2<sup>nd</sup>.













#### **VBS Hot Dog lunch**

Brothers Gene Banner, Mike Di Salvo, Rob Libera and Jim Schuessler served over 250 hot dogs at this year's Vacation Bible School. This is the third year in a row that the Knights have ended the VBS week with this lunch where preschoolers through grade school receive, courtesy of the Knights, a freshly grilled hot dog, bag of chips, and a fruit drink. Brothers Gene and Mike braved the "elements"--90 degrees and almost as humid!--grilling the dogs and carting them over to the school. Gene said the aroma in his car was so powerful he was tempted to pull over and start gobbling them! This has become a wonderful tradition that is looked forwarded to by the bible-school vacationers, and a rewarding experience for the Knights themselves. And every one said "thank you"! Join us next year, it's always the last Friday in June

Rob Libera

Here are some pictures from the event....

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#### **Donut Sundays**

Our Knights Council will be taking over the set-up and coordination of Donut Sunday at St. Joe's church. We are pleased to be able to serve our wonderful Parish community in this way. We will be in contact with you over the summer to discuss in more detail and look forward to your full cooperation on our first event, on September 9<sup>th</sup>.



**Card Club News** 

Card Club at 1:00 PM on the third Tuesday of each month in the upstairs of the Notre Dame House

The last card game was held on Tuesday, 26 June at 1:00 PM. Seven men attended. So far we have played two different card games, "3-13" and "Oh Hell", but other games can be introduced. The next card game will be held on Tuesday, 17 July, same time and same place. Give us a try. We have a lot of fun.



#### **Knights T-Shirts Available**

We will have Knights T-shirts available at the July Council meeting. The Council is subsidizing the cost, so the T-shirts will only cost \$5 each. They are yellow with black lettering, have Knights of Columbus on the front in 2 lines; and on the back they have the Knights logo with Marian council St. Joseph of Manchester, Mo underneath.

HANDI HELPERS have special shirts with HANDI HELPERS across the back at the top.



#### **Officer Installation and Dinner**

Officers for the 2019 Fraternal year were installed on June  $26^{th}$  and their new positions are effective as of July  $1^{st}$  2018.

As part of the installation dinner awards were given to Knight of the Year, Family of the Year, and Above and Beyond the Call.

#### Your 2019 Officers:

Grand Knight: Ed Cox Deputy Grand Knight: Pete Bitzer Chancellor: Jack Burke Treasurer: Brian Carroll Financial Secretary: Terry Altepeter Advocate: Jon Campbell Chaplin: Open Warden: Mark Husemann Inside Guard: Jim Havens Outside Guard: Mike Wilkes 3 year Trustee: Rob Libera 2 year Trustee: Jim Schuessler 1 year Trustee: Joe Caratenuto Recorder: Tom Will



Jon Campbell accepts the Above and Beyond the Call award from Rob Libera



Stephanie and Joe Caratenuto accept the Family of the Year award



Tom Will accepts the Knight of the Year award



#### Handi-Helpers

The Handi-Helpers of the Knights of Columbus are here for older or disabled parishioners who need help with small projects around the house with no cost to them.

Do you know of anyone in the parish needing help?

Please contact the St. Joseph's Parish office at 636-227-5247 to get your request scheduled.

If you are interested in helping others through the Handi-Helpers, please contact Tom Landzaat for more information.

#### Handi-Helpers Out in the Field

The memorial to the victims of abortion project was finished in May and now just needs to be maintained for the summer. The in-ground watering system is doing a good job keeping the plants watered and the Handi-Helpers committee is doing regular maintenance of pruning and spraying the garden for insects during this very hot summer.



The committee is also continuing to work on a parishioner's house and have finished replacing the fascia on the west side of the house this past weekend with the help of Jim Schuessler and Tom Landzaat. They also cleaned branches off the roof and reworked the mailbox that was damaged, so it stands upright and operates properly. Some additional work on the gutters and siding needs to be completed.







The committee has also been helping a disabled person in the community with moving household furnishings to a storage facility.



#### Soup Kitchen

On August 16, 2018, auxiliary bishop Riuituso will say a dedication mass in the new soup kitchen at 10:30 AM. Hopefully the kitchen will open as there is a lot of digging happening around the new kitchen. Everyone is invited to the dedication.

Of special note, we will no longer have to hand wash trays. The new kitchen will have an automatic dish washer.

On August 17th, the knights will provide fried chicken in memory of Gerry Wilkes Sr. It is fitting that a soup kitchen warrior like Gerry will still be providing support to the kitchen even after passing. Even more note worthy is that this will be the first meal in the new kitchen. Yes Gerry, you will be missed, but ever remembered.

Sometime in early August the kitchen will close for moving into the new facility. Sandwiches will be made in the shelter for carry out meals. We will still need to plan on Aug 13th as a regular Knights day at the kitchen as we will be working out of the shelter making sandwiches.

To date we have fed over 2,144 meals making us well on our way to our goal of 4000 meals a year. There have been 404 hours of Knight's time devoted to community activity as of the end of June. A special thanks to everyone who gives of their personal time to help others.



#### **Knights Accomplishments**

June

- Held first Bingo event raising funds for the parish and our supported charities
- Bartending donated for the first annual Parish Cow Paddy Bingo event
- Soup Kitchen volunteers
- Many Knights donated blood at the parish blood drive
- Handi Helpers maintained the Mworked at a parishioners house, helped a lady move and at LaSalle retreat center

#### May

- Supported Felice Coeurs Dance for the developmentally disabled on May 12
- Supported the St. Joseph Junior High PSR with the Msgr. Mancuso Education Grant
- Soup Kitchen has fed 1,455 meals and worked 275 hours year to date.

#### April

- Supported Felice Coeurs Dance for the developmentally disabled on April 14
- Collected over 1,000 pounds of food during our lenten fish fry that was delivered to food panties.
- Cleaned up Sulphur Springs Rd
- Completed planting flowers around the Memorial to the Unborn on the parish grounds
- Repaired benches behind Notre Dame House
- Began repairs of a parishioners house
- Fixed a bed frame for a parishioner
- Held AED/CPR classes, which were open to all parishioners

#### March

- Handed out basketballs and certificates to parish winners of the Free Throw Basketball Challenge
- Sponsored St Patricks Day Felice Cuores Party for those 18 and older who are physically handicapped or developmentally disabled. 197 guests attended with 36 volunteers, 6 from Marian council.

- Volunteers to fry fish, cook food, tend bar, and serve others at the Parish Fish Fry's
- Donated the beer and wine sold at the Lenten Fish Frys
- Donated 19 meals to our First Responders at the Fish Fry on March 16th

#### February

- Held canned food drive at all St. Joseph's Fish Fry's to benefit local Soup Kitchens and Food Pantries
- Held Almost Spring Trivia Night, collecting \$2.900 for charity
- Sponsored district Basketball Free Throw Championship in the Parish Center
- Sponsored Valentine's Day Felice Cuores Party for those 18 and older who are physically handicapped ordevelopmentally disabled

#### January

- Handi-Helpers repaired damaged ceiling and wall
- Sponsored annual Basketball Free Throw Challenge at the parish
- Organized 'Roses for Life' in the parish, delivering a petition to our Senators and Congressmen in Washington, DC asking them to Respect Life and the rights of the unborn.





Please continue to pray for our brothers and sisters who are sick and in distress, especially:

**Roy Schlumpberger** Frank & Rita Holland Ann Funk Maureen & Jim Winkler Ron & Linda Hantak Myron Willis Sol Hamway Frank & Rita Holland Bruce Verkruyse Jason Moore Stephanie Caratenuto Lucia Lindh Lynn McMillan Cathy & Dick Glatz Barb Lynn Pat Viazanko

Bernie Landau Gerri & Andy Villaire Tom Brown Rich Triola Bill Fogerty Gus & Carroll Baechle Penny Hartley JoAnn & John Kaestner Greta Haynes Deacon Larry Damato Margi Watowa Jan Flake Jean Tedesco Sue Wilkes



#### July Birthdays

| Larry Damato   | July 1  |
|----------------|---------|
| August Baechle | July 1  |
| Don Reitmeyer  | July 3  |
| Tom Landzaat   | July 5  |
| Art Bowles     | July 7  |
| John Diehl     | July 8  |
| Robert Vondera | July 11 |
| Art DeVillar   | July 20 |
| Ted Siegel     | July 20 |
| Pete Bitzer    | July 22 |
| Jason Moore    | July 24 |
| Ron Quillo     | July 28 |
| Tim Breheny    | July 31 |



#### **Welcome New Members**

No new members this month....

Wouldn't it be nice to fill this space everymonth with a new member?



Please help in assisting in the publication of this newsletter by providing feedback and by submitting an articles and/or pictures. If you have an article to submit, please forward it to me, Tom Will at <u>tom.will@sbcglobal.net</u>

Deadline for the next newsletter is 10 days prior to the first of the month.

If you know a member that would like a printed copy of this newsletter, please contact me at <u>tom.will@sbcglobal.net</u>

#### FROM YOUR WEBMASTER!

Thanks to everyone who submitted a photo to be placed in the Membership Rosters. If you go to our website <u>http://www.KofC9522.org</u> you can view the pictures. If there is not a picture by your name, don't be alarmed, just email me at <u>tom.will@sbcglobal.net</u> with your photo and it will be placed next to your name.

If you have any suggestions or comments about our council site, please let me know.

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