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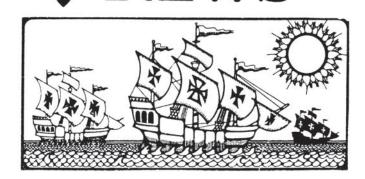


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Knight Light News

January/February 2021

Worthy Brother Knights,

From my family to your family I wish you all a warm, safe and joyful Merry Christmas. His presence is always amongst us, but during this very special time of year we should search for His presence in the hearts and souls of others.

This fraternal year has not been an easy one. I hope that you can take some time this holiday season to relax, rejuvenate, and celebrate the beginning of a new year.

Our council has been blessed with many new faces this year. We have been successful in bringing to our church and parish family many new and exciting opportunities to participate in the service of others. One of our most proudest initiatives is our involvement in the Leave No Neighbor Behind program. During this fraternal year we participated in 3 food drives. We also brought meals to the homes of several parishioners who are homebound. We participated in a blood drive where 19 units of blood were collected which amounted to saving the lives of 54 people.

What we do defines who we are in the eyes of the beholders. As I reflect back on the year, I know we have provided for the needs of our brothers in ways that soothe the heart. Yes, it has been an unbelievably challenging year filled with sadness, pain and turmoil. However, we stayed the course, offered comfort, and provided relief. Our hard work and prayers mattered more this year than ever. We were saddened by the recent loss of our chancellor, John Matyasik. John will surely be missed. His legacy will carry on in our efforts to prayerfully serve the needs of our parish community.

Our council provided hope and served as the beacon of light to many stricken by the pandemic. As we ready our council for the new year, I am thankful for your support and your response to the many calls to service this past year. I look forward to serving you in the new year!

Questions For Reflection

- Can you see His face in the brothers and sisters you serve?
- How are you active in your faith?

Call To Action

- Delta Church Drive, Blood Drive and March Food Drive are upcoming events
- March For Life January 17, 2020

Acknowledgements

Congratulations!!!!

- November Knight of The Month Award and Shining Armor Award James Van Tholen
- Thank you Brother Knights for responding to the call to service to assist a community resident

Membership News

- Thanks John Matyasik your time was well served and we will be seeing you down the road
- Welcome to our newest members Kyle Dolan, Ross Donovan, Terry Lanigan, James E. Van Tholen, Spencer Trefilek, Steve Wallace and Charles Williams

In God All Is Possible!!!

Your Brother in Christ,

D. Thurman Grand Knight



MEMBER NEWS

<u>CONGRATULATIONS – JANUARY HAPPENINGS</u>

HAPPY BIRTHDAY HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

03 Davis Murillo	
05 Kenneth L Piche	
06 Chris Leonard	
07 Jesus Ortega	
18 Stephen Wallace	
18 James R Jenkins	17 Richard & Tina Sharp
20 Raymond N Saavedra	
25 Richard B Kirkwood	



CONGRATULATIONS – FEBRUARY HAPPENINGS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

06 Todd Munson	06 Joseph & Rose Martinet
06 John J Rudins III	
07 Donald C Gorski Sr	
11 Br Thomas A Harding	
12 James H Van Tholen	
13 Rev Arno J Dennerlein	
20 Anthony P Invergo Jr	14 John & Lori Buscher
21 Rev. Robert V Coward	
24 Daniel T Conroy	
24 Dennis R Jensen	
25 Daniel T Matasek	
26 Jonathan Van Broeck	
28 Charles C Williams	

2020 ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITES

This is the last opportunity to submit your worksheet for your contributions of service-hours in community, charitable and church activities. Please mail the completed form by **JANUARY 7th**, to Frank Birner, 325 S. Ahrens, Lombard, IL. 60148. It is important that we notify the Supreme Council by January 31 of Fr. Boecker Council 6090's participation. Thank you for your help and cooperation.

2020 ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY INDIVIDUAL MEMBER WORKSHEET

Over the last ten years, the Knights of Columbus donated more than \$1.5 billion to charitable and benevolent causes and more than 682 million hours of volunteer community service to aid the less fortunate. To help prepare our Fraternal Survey for the Supreme Council office, please complete the information requested below and return it at our next meeting. This information will assist us in determining the total number of hours of community service volunteered by our members.

1. Number of visits you made during 2020_ to: Sick — caring for the sick/nursing homes / hospitals. Bereaved — visits of condolence. 2. Number of times you served as a blood donor during 2020. 3. Estimated hours of community volunteer service during 2020: Church Activities — service in all Church related activities. Community Activities — service in all community related activities. Youth Activities — service in all youth related activities. Habitat for Humanity — service in all related projects. Culture of Life Activities — service in all related projects Food for Families. Special Olympics. Miscellaneous Activities — service in areas not outlined above. 4. Number of hours of fraternal service during 2020: Sick/disabled members and their families — household chores, transportation, tutoring, counselling, etc.	our members.
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DUES ARE NOW PAST DUE

Thank you to all members who have paid their dues. Second Notices for 2021 dues will be mailed in late January. Dues are a major part of our budget, representing almost 50% of our income. Please check your mailbox and return payment as soon as possible. Your cooperation and prompt reply is greatly appreciated. Also, as in past years, we are asking for a donation to the Newman Fund.

If you have any questions or request assistance with the payment of your dues, please contact Grand Knight D. Thurman, 630-642-2618, or Financial Secretary Frank Birner 630-816-5527.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Please keep all members, their families and friends in your prayers, especially Brother Bill Sutton and his wife Kathy, Geraldine Cvach, Ray Seranko's wife Dorothy and his Grandson Brad Benes, Ray and Dorothy Morello, Mike Wiedman's Sister Kathy Turner, his cousin Nancy Glass, and his youth minister at Corpus Christi Parish Mark Herwaldt, Louis Artiaga's father & mother in law Gene and Mary Jo Gaetano, the repose of the soul of John Matyasik, Pam Matyasik, Matt Koykar's friend Cindy Banes, George Ciplichi, Terry Bannons son Jake, Marco Incrocci's sister in law Barbara Kosowski and the repose of the soul of friend Mike Rizzo, Jeff Gosmire's son, Pat Turen, Frank Birner's nephew Mike Adrian and his son Kevin, the repose of the soul for Ron Wisniewski's sister Barbara Paskewic, Joe Martinet's fellow Scout leader Bob Seagraves, District Deputy Stewart Mattson's cousin Bill Lowery, the repose of the soul of Former Vice Supreme Master Paul Isherwood, all those unemployed or underemployed, and all of our service men and women protecting the freedom we so much enjoy.



The next meetings of Dr. Dooley Assembly will be held virtually until further notice. Honor Guard requests can be found at drdooleyassembly.com

The purpose of the Fourth Degree is to foster the spirit of patriotism by promoting responsible citizenship and a love of and loyalty to our country through active membership in local Fourth Degree groups called assemblies.

The next Fourth Degree exemplification is February 20th and will be held virtually from 10:00am -12:00pm, applications need to be in by Jan. 9, 2021. Please contact Grand Knight D. Thurman at 630-642-2618 to learn more about becoming a Sir Knight.



Father Boecker Council 6090 assisted the St. Pius X St. Vincent DePaul Society in providing Thanksgiving Meals to their clients by delivering meals to those unable to pick them up at York Township Center. Five Knights volunteered as stand-by delivery-men and were able to deliver to ten families. The uncooked meals consisted of a frozen turkey, 5 pound bag of potatoes and box of groceries including vegetables and dessert to complete a Thanksgiving Meal.

On Dec. 17th three Knights (Steve Wallace, Steve Wachholz and Dan Matasek) used their pickup trucks and Boy Scout trailer to pick-up between 40 and 45 Christmas meals from the Northern Illinois Food Depository in Geneva, IL and deliver them to St. Pius X. From there, clients of the St. Vincent DePaul Society were able to pick-up their meals in time to celebrate Christmas. For those unable to pick up their meals, volunteer Knights were available to deliver to their home.

KNIGHTS OF THE MONTH SEPTEMBER

Peter Breen, Andrew Kowalski, and Albert Treado were awarded by Grand Knight D. Thurman as the recipients of the September Knights of the Month for their work and commitment in the Blood Drive held on September 19 at Embassy Suites Hotel. With the help of the Versiti staff and 14 Knights they collected 19 units of Blood.





Pictured with Father George and Grand Knight D. Thurman is our newest Brother Knights Terry Lanigan and James E. Van Tholen who received their Admission Degree on Tuesday, November 17, <u>WELCOME</u> Brother Knights!

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH OCTOBER

Our Worthy Financial Secretary Frank Birner was awarded the Knight of the Month for October for his unselfish contributions he made for the October 24th Food Drive, when he drove all over town placing signs out announcing the food drive. Also during the food drive he made several trips to St. Pius from Sacred Heart to deliver donations. **GREAT WORK FRANK!**



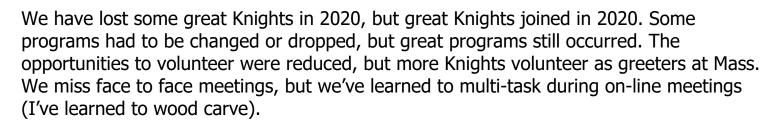
From the Deacon's Desk

Burn your old calendar and get a new one

It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, ... it was the spring of hope, it was the winter of despair... So begins the Tale of Two Cities by Dickens.

A year is just a measure of time, and nothing absolute. As Christians we know that our absolute exists beyond ourselves.

Post-Christmas time is a reminder that Christ became one of us and showed us how to live with both joy and inconvenience.



Which brings me to this last point. If you are bored, then pray, but in between prayers get off your knees and start a hobby, learn a language, read a book, call a someone (include relatives), look over old family pictures, search for volunteer opportunities, etc. As long as your still here, do something!

Deacon Larry Lissak



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH NOVEMBER

James Van Tholen has a heart of gold. He is the proposer for his father James E. Van Tholen. The Van Tholen family attends mass together every Sunday. It is rare to have father/son Knights in the same council. We are truly blessed to have the Van Tholen duo in our council. James the son was named November Knight of the Month and also earned the Shining Armor Award.



CHRISTMAS GIFTS TO OUR PREISTS

Grand Knight D. Thurman presents the Council's Christmas gift to Father George after the 8am Mass on December 20, 2020





Grand Knight D. Thurman, Peter Rodriquez and Rosario Serena Romo presented Father Fermo with the Council's Christmas Gift during the 7pm Mass on December 19, 2020

Recorder Ron Wisniewski and Past Grand Knight Dennis Jensen presented Father Tom Botheroyd and Father Tom Dunn with the Council's Christmas gift after the 11am Mass on December 20, 2020



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31 7:00 PM Rosary for Vocations Virtual						

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14 7:00 PM Rosary for Vocations Virtual	15	16	17	18 7:00 PM Council Planning Mtg.	19	20 4th Degree Exemplification 10am-12pm Virtual
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INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES CHECK DISTRIBUTION

Special Camps President Colleen McDonald and one of her campers made a trip to visit Lilacia Park during the Christmas season to see light displays. She was presented with a check from Grand Knight D. Thurman which is part of the Council's distribution of funds from the Intellectual Disabilities (Tootsie Roll Drive). Accompanying D. is Financial Secretary Frank Birner and Tim Connelly.



Knights of Columbus 2020 Keep Christ In Christmas Poster Contest

The Knights of Columbus Father Boeker Council 6090 hosted its annual Keep Christ In Christmas Poster contest. Students of Sacred Heart and St. Pius X continued the long tradition of drawing posters to the theme of Keep Christ In Christmas. When asked by Grand Knight D. Thurman if the contest should go on this year, Toni Miller and Maureen Nielsen, the principals of St. Pius X and Sacred Heart Schools, respectively responded with a resounding, "Absolutely." The contest was presented in a virtual format and the students' artwork was evaluated by a field of 40 judges. Sixty-six pieces of artwork were evaluated and over 100 students participated in the contest. The contest this year was a huge success. Congratulations to this year's winners: Division 5-7 1st Place Alec Zajaczkowski, 2nd Place Olivia Hall; Division 8-10 1st Place Oliver Rodriguez, 2nd Place Jasmine Villar; and Division 11-14 1st Place Kathleen Nevels, 2nd Place Peter Williams.







For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

Luke 2:11-12

The Gift of life 2020 has been like no other yet through it all, you, our faithful family in Christ, have given the gift of hope to many women and men who otherwise may feel a deep sense of despair. This Christmas season, we celebrate the birth of our Savior who shared the Gift of His Life so that we may remain steadfast in our daily joys and trials. In this joyous season of new life, Waterleaf just celebrated another miracle baby, born on December 2. We are humbled and blessed to share the story of "Nan" and baby "Liam" ...

Having just left a two-year abusive relationship, "Nan" found herself alone and pregnant. Ironically, she worked as a teacher's assistant and loved children but was afraid she lacked the skills to raise a child on her own. When our Waterleaf sonographer showed her the beautiful 3D image of her baby, Nan became enthralled and asked lots of questions. That powerful picture was the difference between choosing life or death...but our work was not yet done. With the help of our Aspire resource team, Nan received the practical, emotional, and spiritual assistance she needed to be a confident young mother. She was so excited to share with us Liam's newborn picture and the news that she had a healthy baby boy telling us "He's the best Christmas gift- God truly sent me a little angel baby." (pictured above)

On behalf of all of us at Waterleaf, and the 154 babies who joined our family this year, we wish you all the Blessings of this Christmas Season!



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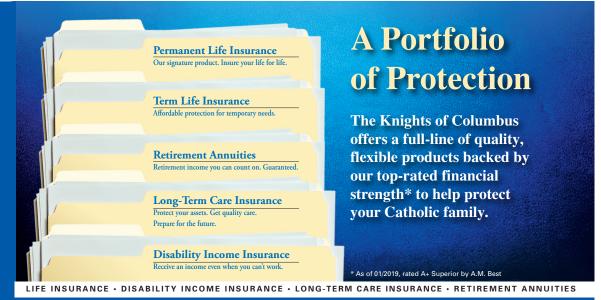


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