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Worthy Brother Knights,

Wishing each and everyone of you and your families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. While we have been immersed in council business, events and community service, we must not overlook the reason for the season. During this very special time of year take time to honor the one who came to us as Baby Jesus. We are so blessed to give so much of ourselves as Knights for the service of others. I hope that all of you had a great November and a Happy Thanksgiving. We began November with Memorial Mass, November 3. We said goodbye to 5 brother Knights this past year. Twenty people attended the memorial service, including 5 wives of our deceased brothers. It's always special each year to pay tribute to the men that have passed on before us. This year our council sold over 1000 raffle books, raising close to \$17,000 for the vocation raffle drive. We began Adoration prayer service for vocations as a council this month. We brought in 8 new Knights and 2 transfers during the month of November. We ended the month with our annual Turkey Social. This event focused on aiding the family of Bill Sutton. Our Knights also participated in an honor guard for the Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 7. The reception and appreciation by the hispanic ministry was just divine. Four brother Knights, Frank Birner, Marco Incrocci, Paul Warda and me lead the procession. Then on December 14, we held our annual Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest. The artwork by Sacred Heart and St. Pius X grade school students was a really delightful way to connect our children to the true meaning of Christmas. Thanks to all of the brothers that sold raffle books, Christmas puzzles and card night raffle tickets after masses in November and December. Special thanks to Terry Bannon our Knight of the Month for his assistance with the School Gala fundraiser. And to the DeValk family who were named family of the month for their devoted service to PADS. Our Knights have supported several parish projects. We assisted with \$5,000 to co-fund the wheelchair access ramp to the rectory. We also assisted with funding the vocation kiosk and the refrigerator warmer. The Annual Christmas Party had the largest attendance our council has ever seen over the years.

Questions For Reflection

- What grabs you most about being a Knight?
- Is there more you can do to share the joy of your faith with others?

Call To Action

- Help make this year's Free Throw Contest a huge success. Join us on January 18 at Sacred Heart.
- Offer a friend the gift of being a Knight!
- We need to increase our participation in Praying the Rosary for vocations,

Acknowledgements

- Terry Bannon Knight of the Month for the Month of November
- The DeValk family, Family of the Month for November
- Matt Koykar well planned and organized Turkey Social Event
- Ken LeBeau another outstanding vocations raffle drive; raising nearly \$17,000

Membership News

• Join me in welcoming 2 new members Brian Lyons and John DeFalco into our ranks.

In God All Is Possible!!!

Your Brother in Christ,

D. Thurman Grand Knight



MEMBER NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS – JANUARY HAPPENINGS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

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



HAPPY BIRTHDAY HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

06 Todd Munson	
06 John J Rudins III	
07 Donald C Gorski Sr	
11 Br Thomas A Harding	
12 James H Vantholen	
13 Rev Arno J Dennerlein	
20 Anthony P Invergo Jr	14 John & Lori Buscher
24 Daniel T Conroy	
24 Dennis R Jensen	
25 Daniel T Matasek	
26 Jonathan Van Broeck	

2019 ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITES

This is the last opportunity to submit your worksheet for your contributions of servicehours in community, charitable and church activities. Please bring the completed form to our next meeting on **JANUARY 2nd**, or mail it 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.

2019_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 2019_to:
Sick — caring for the sick/nursing homes / hospitals
Bereaved — visits of condolence
2. Number of times you served as a blood donor during 2019
3. Estimated hours of community volunteer service during 2019:
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 2019:
Sick/disabled members and their families — household chores, transportation, tutoring, counselling, etc.

NEWMAN APOSTOLATE PROGRAM

Please support the Newman Fund with your dues payment. Newman has been around Illinois since 1918 and is charitable activity that receives nearly all its financial support from members of the Knights of Columbus. Please take a moment to consider your contribution be it \$1.00 or \$100.00-it all helps. Let's see if we can get 100% participation this year!



DUES ARE NOW PAST DUE

Thank you to all members who have paid their dues. Second Notices for 2020 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 for 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 and his youth



minister at Corpus Christi Parish Mark Herwaldt, John Matyasik's sister Joanne Shuster, the repose of the soul for D. Thurman's father Calvin, his niece Kaye Crose, John Plotke's mother Eleanor, brother Knights Don Lamonica and Robert Garvey, Fred Kaefer's mother-in-law Mary Nocek and the repose of the soul of his father-in-law Chester Nocek, Matt & Mary Koykar's Aunt Dorothy Gonzalez, Ron Wisniewski's Brother Ed and his friend John Klemik, Jerry Kramer's son Tom, Dennis Jensen's brother Dale, Paul and Rosa Behrendt, 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 on Jan. 8th at St. Matthew Council 9893, 1555 Glen Ellyn Rd, Glendale Hts. and Feb.12th at St. John Council 3738, 25 N. Cass Ave., Westmont, IL. The meetings start at 7:30pm, with dinner served at 6:30pm. Honor Guard requests can be found at drdooleyassembly.com

The primary 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 will be held February 22nd at the Sheraton – Lisle Hotel, Naperville, Illinois. Please contact Grand Knight D. Thurman at 630-642-2618 to learn more about becoming a Sir Knight. If you would like to become a Sir Knight, please contact Dennis Jensen and he will send you an information packet and a reservation form explaining the exemplification.



January 18th Fr. Boecker Council #6090 will be partnering with Christ the King Council #11027 and sponsoring the 2019 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest. Brother Knights will be needed for scorekeeping and other activities. See the flyer elsewhere in this newsletter for more details.



OCTOBER PERSON OF THE MONTH

In lieu of Knight of the Month we had the Person of the Month for October. Pictured are Grand Knight D. Thurman and Past Grand Knight Joe Martinet with his wife Rose. The award was given to Rose for her clerical support and expertise during her husband Joe's term as Grand Knight, and for her continued years of service in support of council events and activities, and in keeping with the Knights of Columbus principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism is outstanding and whole heartedly appreciated. Thank you for a job well done. Congratulations Rose!

NOVEMBER KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Terry Bannon was awarded Knight of the Month for November by Grand Knight D. Thurman. Since joining the Knights Terry has been nothing short of amazing in his enthusiasm and participation in many of the council's activities. He was in attendance every day to help out in the Beer tent during both the St. Pius X carnival and the St. Pius X fall fest and the school gala. Terry was also there to help serve food at the Councils Card and Game Night. Your service to the Knights and the council has been extremely appreciated by your Grand Knight and the rest of your Brother Knights. Well done Terry!





Saturday, **January 25, 2020** is the date for the next Joliet Diocesan Bowling Tournament to be held at Tivoli Bowl, 938 Warren Ave., in Downers Grove. Get your 4 man team formed now. Please contact Dennis Jensen if you would like a registration form.

From the Deacon's Desk

You Promised What?

Oh No! Either you were experiencing a tremendous mood, feeling very guilty, or unthinking when you made that annual promise/resolution.

But there is still hope, since January 1 is just a calendar change and there are other calendars in our lives. The church calendar starts the

first Sunday of Advent. Most fiscal years start on July 1. And don't forget your birthday year.

Maybe we should stop making promises. Well don't do that. If you are married and/or ordained, keep the promises you made. Don't forget the ones made at Baptism (your parents probably promised) and Confirmation (reaffirmed Baptism). And those frequent ones when you receive the Eucharist.

But one sacrament that always starts a new promise calendar is Reconciliation. Unlike your birthday, which occurs once a year, Reconciliation can occur more often. So, check your local bulletin and celebrate another grace filled new calendar!

Deacon Larry Lissak





Pictured with two of our newest Knights are from left to right: PDD-Al Treado, KC Field Agent-Joe Spada, Brian Lyons, John DeFalco, DD-Stewart Madson, and GK-D. Thurman. Welcome to Brian and John who received their admission degree on 12/19/19



December		January 2020				February ►
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Happy New Year	2 7:00 PM Council Business Mtg.	3	4
5 SH 11:00 AM Corporate Communion	6	7	8 7:30 PM Assembly Mtg. St. Matthew 9893 1555 Glen Ellyn, Rd.	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16 7:00 PM Council Planning Mtg.	17	18 SH 6:00 PM Free Throw Contest
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

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2	3	4	5	6 7:00 PM Council Business Mtg.	7	8		
9 SPX 10:00AM Corporate Communion	10	11	127:30 PM Assembly Mtg. St. John 3738 25 N Cass Ave Westmont	13	14 Valentine's Day	15		
16	17 Presidents Day	18	19	20 7:00 PM Council Planning Mtg.	21 7:00 PM Chapter Mtg. Sheraton, Lisle	22 4 th Degree Exemplification Sheraton, Lisle		
23	24	25	26 Ash Wednesday	27	28	29		

Knights of Columbus Basketball Free Throw Contest For boys and girls ages 9 – 14



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- When: Saturday, January 18th, 2020 (Sign-ups at 6:15 p.m. 6:45 p.m.). Contest 7:00 p.m. 8:30 p.m. (Parental consent will be required to participate in the event.)
- Where: Sacred Heart Parish Gym 114 S. Elizabeth St. Lombard, IL.
 Prizes will be awarded.
 Pizza and refreshments will be provided.

Questions? Contact Fred Kaefer at (630) 889-9829 or fredkaefer@hotmail.com, or Ray Wojkovich at <u>rwojkovich@bulley.com</u> or Henry Sokalski at <u>hrs1021@netzero.net</u>

This is not a School Sponsored Activity



