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July 2017 Newsletter

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#### GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,

First I want to congratulate the new officers who were officially installed at a Mass held at Our Lady's Chapel at Mayslake Village on June 28. I wish them much success in leading our council forward in 2017-2018.

In July, we celebrate the Fourth of July, which is also known as Independence Day. It has been a federal holiday in the United States since 1941. The tradition of Independence Day celebrations, however, goes back to the 18th century and the American Revolution. On July 2nd, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of independence. It was two days later, however, that the delegates from the 13 colonies adopted the Declaration of Independence, a historic document drafted by Thomas Jefferson. From 1776 to the present day, July 4th has been celebrated as the birth of American independence, with festivities ranging from fireworks, parades and concerts to more casual family gatherings and barbecues. Philadelphia held the first annual commemoration of independence on July 4, 1777. Massachusetts was the first state to make July 4th an official state holiday. In 1870, the U.S. Congress made July 4th a federal holiday; and in 1941, the provision was expanded to grant a paid holiday to all federal employees.

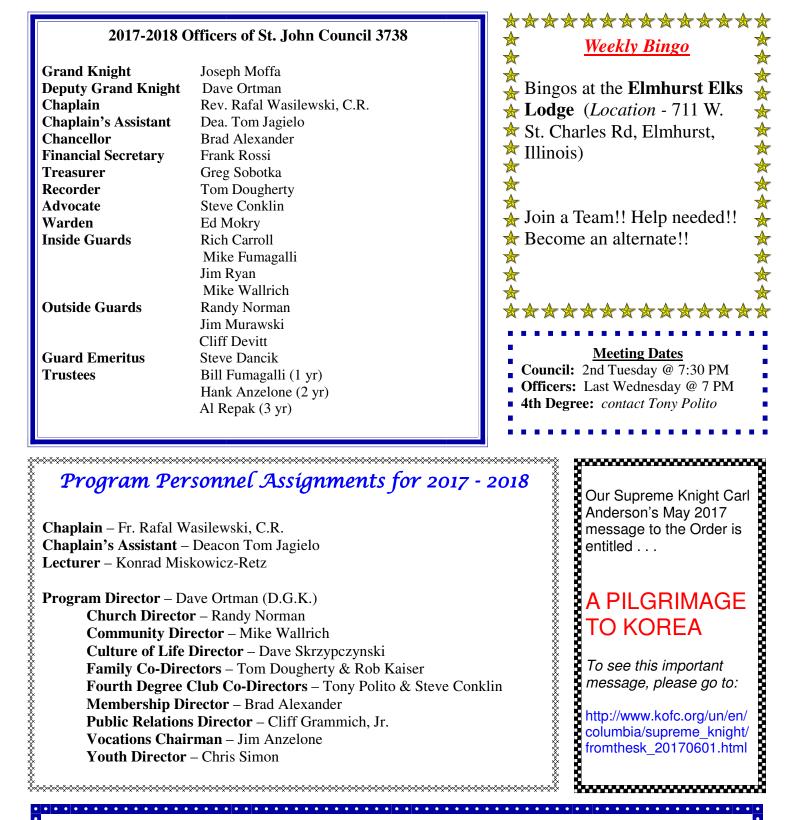
I want to take this opportunity welcome our newest member to Council 3738, Gerald Leganski. Also, thank you to all who worked our poker event in June, helped at bingo on Sunday, worked the Grovefest in Downers Grove to help raise money for our council, were in the Honor Guard for the Corpus Christi Procession from St. Isaac Jogue's Church to Notre Dame Church, and who worked the Cruisin' Nights (Street Fair) Thursday evenings in June. The Street Fair continues every Thursday evening this summer. Come out with the family and enjoy the entertainment and some great barbecue right here at our hall. Also, thank you to everyone who kept me in your prayers during my recent health issues.

Finally, I want to congratulate our Knight of the Month for May, Keith Nega and our Family of the Month for May, the David Skrzypczynski Family.

Vivat Jesus,

Joe Moffa, Grand Knight

"This day must be remembered. The stars and stripes unfurled; ours is a glorious heritage. So bless the whole wide world." -Anonymous



### Chaplain's Message - Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori

Our Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori's June 2017 message to the Order is entitled:

## COME, LET US ADORE HIM

To see this important message, please go to:

http://www.kofc.org/en/columbia/supreme\_chaplain/2017-06-lori-chaplain.html

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### Council News ~ Events

<sup>†</sup> Congratulations to our newly elected Officers for 2017-2018! Also Congratulations to our Knight of the Month, Keith Nega and Family of the Month– Dave Skrzypczynski (pictured above)

**†** Fourth of July Parade: Our Council has participated in this Parade for a long time. Sir Knights are needed in Regalia (weather permitting, otherwise Council shirts) to join our Brothers. Regalia can be borrowed. Line-up is at 11:45 AM, so departure from our Hall will be by 11:30am - the parade steps off at 1 PM. There will be a bus to commute from the hall to the step-off site. Be at the Hall before 11:30am or join us at the Parade Line Up before 1 PM.

<sup>†</sup> Our next St. John Council 3738 meeting will take place on July 11 @ 7:30 PM, at the Hall. Contact Brad Alexander with prospective Knights or direct them to him.

<sup>†</sup> The Westmont Street Fair has begun! These are Thursdays throughout August with the exception of Thursday during Taste of Westmont. \*However, the hall will be open the opening night of the Taste with grilling out back\* Taste of Westmont goes from Thursday, July 13th to Sunday, July 16th.

<sup>†</sup> Corporate Communion on July 30, 7:30am Mass at Holy Trinity. Breakfast to follow at Hall. Honor Guard needed. Bring your family as we celebrate our oneness in the Eucharist.

<sup>†</sup> The tickets for the **Council's Cougars baseball outing** will be a little different this year. This year we will be paying \$20 per person for a reserved seat and \$10 in vouchers that can be used for food and/or beer. Parking passes are \$8 each. All knights of the Council, their family, and friends are welcome. The game will feature the hometown Cougars against the Wisconsin Timber Rattlers on August 12th, at 6:30pm. Please contact Tom Dougherty at 773-332-7333 or slainte001@gmail.com with any questions or to order tickets. The deadline to order is July 24th.

#### for the Good of the Order ... You are asked to please remember in your prayers the following individuals: April Anzelone (daughter-in-law of Hank), Sue Austera (cousin of Steve Dancik), Michael, Andrew and Nancy Bodine, Gene Brenner (FS of St. James Council #9806, Glen Ellen), John Benton (father-in-law of C Grammich Jr.), Billie Chorney, Vincent Coletti, Grace Enzbigilis (daughter of Al Jr.), Ron Gancarczyk (friend of Joe Moffa), Bunny Goers (friend of Miskowicz-Retzs), survivors of Hurricane Matthew in Haiti and Palm Sunday 2017 church bombings in Alexandria and Tanta, Egypt, Eric Hoehler, Frank Joachim, Margarete Jones and Maxine Wilson (mother and mother-in-law of Carlton Jones), the Kaiser family, Mary Jo Kemp (friend of Frank Rossi), Michael Kucko, Rich Lehman, Kathleen Moffa, Jim Murawski, Barbara and Kenneth Norman (mother and brother of Randy), Jeff Pike (friend of Dave Ortman), Gina Reckard (wife of Craig), Jeanette and Walter Repak (Al's stepmother and father), Steve Turner (Jim's brother), Tom Wolinski (brother of Frank), Fr. Marion Wroblewski C.R.,

And, please pray for the repose of the souls of: Edna G. "Nixie" Arseneau (aunt of PFN Mitch Raines), Yvonne Belchers (friend of Steve Dancik), Deacon Paul Brachle (Our Lady of Peace Parish), Rev. Fr. William T. Cullen, Most Reverend Daniel W. Kucera O.S.B., Robert Pietrzak (brother of Jim, uncle of Randy Goralewski), Rosalie Raines (mother of PFN Mitch Raines), Laura Smith (sister-in-law of Hank A.), Roseanne Widrlechner (friend of Randy N.), Harry Wilembrecht (father-in-law of Hank Anzelone) [6/15/17]



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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

# **July 2017**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25	26	27	28	29 Cruisin' Nights	30	1
<b>2</b> Bingo in Elmhurst	3	<b>4</b> Independence Day (Parade)	5	<b>6</b> Cruisin' Nights	7	8
<b>9</b> Bingo in Elmhurst	10	11 Council Meeting	12	13 Taste of Westmont Begins	14	15
<b>16</b> Bingo in Elmhurst	17	18	19	20 Cruisin' Nights	21	22
Taste of Westmont Ends						
<b>23/30</b> Bingo in Elmhurst	24/31	25	<b>26</b> Officers' Meeting	<b>27</b> Cruisin' Nights	28	29
Corporate Communion (30th)						