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July 2020 Edition

STAR NEWS

Council meetings are held on the FIRST THURSDAY of the month

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Meetings will resume

July 2, 2020

**Utilizing Social
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And Masks

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July 2020
From the Grand Knight



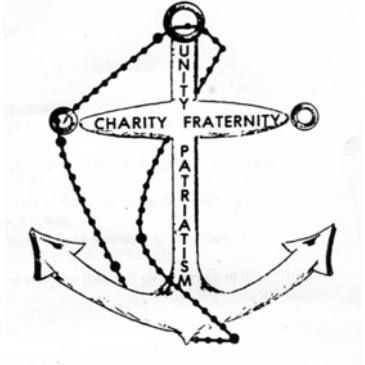
I wish everyone a safe and blessed summer. I hope to see all of you at the next meeting.

Fraternally yours,

Ray

Fun fact

On May 27th 2020 it was announced by Pope Francis that Fr. McGivney had been approved for beatification.



Brother Knights:

I hope all is well with everyone and with everything going on in our world today. Now that parts of our lives are starting to reopen let us be thankful for getting through these troubling times.

We are going to have a regular council meeting on July 2nd. Due to the age and vulnerability of many of our council members, if you attend the meeting you must wear a mask. The council hall will be set up for social distancing.

I'm proud to say, considering the situation, we did really well with the ticket sales for Fr. Tony's shotgun. We now need to come up with more ideas for fundraising and we need to discuss having another food drive for our local food pantries. .



Council Business



Treasurer's Report:

Beginning Balance 5/1/20
\$8,937.68
Deposits:
\$1,252.00
Disbursements:
\$1,895.57
Ending Balance 5/31/20
\$8,294.11

Gun Raffle Update:

As of June 19th, the Gun Raffle is showing a profit of \$4,266.75 with 2,675 tickets sold. Tickets are still out.

We will have a small contingent of members there to do the drawing. Our Chaplain Father Alan will pull the winning ticket. The event will be filmed and posted on our website.



Other Business

Council Meeting:

Our council meetings will resume July 2, 2020. We request for your sake and your brother's sake you wear a mask. We will be setting up the council chambers to follow social distancing guidelines.

Hand in Hand Chicken BBQ:

Our annual Hand in Hand Chicken BBQ planned for the first weekend in June is in discussions to be held later in the summer. We will need to wait and see if the event can still take place. As we get more information we will let you know.

Food Collection:

We are still considering holding a Food Drive when we reassemble. The idea has been circulated among some members to conduct another Food Drive when we assemble once again. The Food Banks are getting hit hard and our neighbors can use our help. A motion to conduct another drive will be presented at our meeting in July.



Family Picnic:

Due to Del Grosso Park closing for the season our Annual Family Picnic scheduled for August 2nd is **CANCELLED!**





2020 Hospitality Meal Volunteer List

July-Jim Zimmerman, Lou Endress

August- Bob Hazenstab

October-Gary Nocek

Spots are open on the 2020 Hospitality Meal Volunteer List (Council reimburses \$50)

Volunteers needed: Contact Ed Dunning.

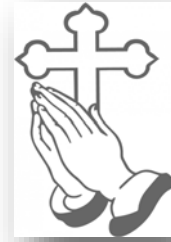


In memory of all our Brother Knights who passed away in our councils history



Happy Birthday July Birthdays

Kenneth W Greene	7/2
William F Gildea II	7/3
Corey A Ray	7/4
J Martin Kooman	7/8
Steven R Sorbera	7/8
Christopher F Ringkamp	7/11
Deacon Charles R Ahearn	7/17
Anthony F Labriola	7/18
Paul L Gargon	7/20
Michael J Burr	7/21
Edward F Hazenstab	7/23
Gary L Selwitz	7/24
Tom Catalano	7/26
Charles B Hauser	7/26
David J Mason	7/28
Devon M McGeehan	7/29
Robert F Kelly	7/30



Please pray for all our first responders, medical personnel, government officials, and all being affected by this pandemic in any way.



2020 Dues are now Due!!

Knight Alert Notices will be mailed soon.

Regular Monthly Meetings will resume July 2, 2020



Upcoming Events:

June 21, 2020 Drawing for the Gun Raffle

For the latest information visit our website:

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Council Calendar

Council meetings are held on the **First Thursday** of the month at 7:00 pm. **Next Meeting: 7/2/20**
Hospitality Provided by:
Jim Zimmerman, Lou Endress

6/29/20 Fundraising Committee Meeting 6:30 PM

7/2/20 Home Association Meeting 5:45 PM

7/2/20 Praying of the Rosary 6:30 PM

7/2/20 Council Meeting 7 PM
Nomination & Election of Officers
Hospitality Provided By:
Jim Zimmerman, Lou Endress

8/3/20 Fundraising Committee Meeting 6:30 PM

8/6/20 Home Association Meeting 5:45 PM

8/6/20 Praying of the Rosary 6:30 PM

8/6/20 Council Meeting 7 PM
Hospitality Provided By:
Bob Hazenstab



The world is slowly beginning its return to the way things were - at least as much as it can. It'll likely be months before we know what normal looks like now.

You've probably heard the saying attributed to an unsavory (to say the least!) historical figure that "there are decades where nothing happens, and there are weeks where decades happens."

It certainly feels that way now. We have crammed decades of changes into these last several weeks, and it's hard to know what change is permanent, and what changes will prove temporary.

Not everything is fluid though. I am struck by the resilience of the permanent things - our faith, our fraternity, our families. I'm sure you've seen the tremendous ways in which the Knights of Columbus in particular has proven itself equal yet again to this current challenge. Whether it was the establishment of the Leave No Neighbor Behind Initiative, or the launch of the diocesan loan fund, or just the every-day, every-city response of councils across the globe, we have responded as we always do: swiftly, powerfully.

Sure we've had to cancel some things. We've had to have some virtual meetings. We've had to stay a safe distance apart. But our distance hasn't diminished our unity, nor has it changed our impact.

I continue to be proud to be a part of this great organization - especially in moments like this. And I know you are too.

That's why, for me, being financially committed to the Knights is such a point of pride. We all need life insurance. We all need to plan for retirement. We all need to think about and prepare for life's what-ifs.

But when it comes time to decide who to make those preparations with, and who to choose to buy those products from, we can choose to spend our money with the company who establishes a multi-million dollar loan funds for Catholic dioceses in their most desperate time of need, or we can go another route. We can choose to buy our insurance from a company who leaves no neighbor behind, or a company who has no real concept of who their neighbor is. We can prepare for our retirement with a company whose members are - once again - setting an example of true Christian charity for all to follow, or we can go in a different direction.

I would challenge you, whether you've never inquired or its been a long time - to take a fresh look at the Knights of Columbus as a trusted financial partner, and see what products and services we may have that might help you and your family. As we all start to get back to things, I can meet with you in person or by video, whichever you prefer, and we can have stress-free, no-commitment conversation about the possibilities.

It's a way to further your commitment to all that we stand for, and - at the same time - obtain some much needed peace of mind in times like these.

I hope we'll chat soon.
Vivat Jesus!

Michael





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