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THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Dear Brother Knights, November leads us in the direction

of two significant moments in life. We are drawn to remember all our loved ones who have gone to their great reward and we are challenged to give thanks to God for all the blessing He has bestowed on us. Remembrance and thanksgiving are



two wonderful opportunities to recall just how blest we are.

To be loved by someone is a blessing in itself. Our God created us for loving. To receive love and to give love is more than a reflection of God's image in us. It is an extension of the God who loves us so deeply. When we love we bring to life God's love within us. We are given the opportunity to allow the grace of God that is the power of his love to flow through us. How wonderful it is that we become conduits of love as it breaks upon the world through our actions.

Celebrating Thanksgiving offers another chance to exchange our gratitude for Gods incredible desire to embrace us with love. God gives and we say thank you. We say thank you and God gives all the more. This cycle of love becomes the whirlwind of grace flowing directly into our lives. How can we not give thanks for such a blessed gift?

Meanwhile, let us contemplate the possibilities. Let us knowledge the blessing and let us give thanks to the One who loves us so deeply and completely that He chose to send his Son into the world. May the words of the psalmist be on our lips too, "*Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His love endures forever.*" (Psalm 136 1:1) Pax Christi,

Fr Tom

"A population that does not take care of the elderly and of children and the young has no future, because it abuses both its memory and its promise." Pope Francis

Words from the Grand Knight



Dear Brother Knights

The month of November has left the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Council #7473 with

sadness for the loss of one of our Brother Knights, Edwin (Sweet Eddie) Nowak who was a member of ST. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish and passed away at the age of 91 and has joined our Lord in the Kingdom of Heaven. Eddie became a Knight in 1956. He will be remembered in our prayers.

Many of our Santa Maria Venegas Assembly #2712, 4th degree members are also grieving the loss of Robert Slivka. Robert stood side by side with many of us as a member of the Honor Guard. Robert was an active member in the Msgr. Hoffman Council #13003 as well as St. Joan of Arc Parish. He will be greatly missed but always in our prayers

Congratulations to the newest member of our Council, Brother Erik McDonald who received the degree of admission to the Knights of Columbus and to our Council Sunday, November 13th at Our Lady of Consolation with a representation of Knights from our council in attendance. I'm sure Erik will be an active member of our council and I welcome him.

I hope all of you had the opportunity to gather family and friends around the Thanksgiving table and share in the blessings we received from our Lord this past year. Let us not forget those that don't have that opportunity by practicing the precepts of the Knights of Columbus, Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

St. Helen's parish has offered to share the bounty of thanksgiving dinner at their parish hall and our council made a monetary donation to help with their effort. We will give an equal donation to the Holy Spirit and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton St. Vincent DePaul food pantry's. This is the start of Advent and the season of giving so let's all share what we can with those less fortunate and use every opportunity to extend our Charity. If There is the advent tree at your parish help a child or family have a thankful Christmas. Along with your food donations to your community and parish pantry's they are taking coats, hats, gloves and scarfs for those in need.

By now you should have received your Knights of Columbus Charities year end appeal in the mail and I encourage all of you to be as generous as you are able. Your contribution is tax deductible and will benefit people at home and around the world. You can donate via credit card online at kofc.org/donate or by mail, or by check in the return envelope that came with your appeal request.

To all our readers, members, their families and friends a Very Merry Christmas and Safe and Happy Holiday Season to end this year and start the New Year!!!

Vivat Jesus

GK Gerry Glatt

"Our 'Keep Christ in Christmas' program is more important than ever. Our work to keep Christ in Christmas helps everyone remember that you can't have Christmas without Christ."

Carl Anderson, Supreme Knight

News from the Knights of Columbus Bike Program

The Santa and his Elves Christmas is again being hosted by J R Mitsch from St. Helen's Parish.

Last year the Knights of Columbus Bike Project donated 69 refurbished bikes for needy families for Christmas. Our Bike Project Chairman, Mark Siminski and his helpers have already refurbished and delivered 44 bikes to the storage unit at J R Mitsch's farm in preparation for the gift distribution on Saturday, December 17th from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm and on Sunday, December 18th from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm at the Lowell VFW Hall, 17404 Morse St., Lowell, IN.

Santa and His Elves are in need of more volunteer help this year. You can go to their web site at http://www.santaandhiselves.com to learn more about the project and sign up to work two hour shifts.

Brother Mark and his helpers do a great job getting these bikes ready for this event. Lets get the Knights from our council to join in this project and lend a hand. This is a very rewarding project.

Treasurer, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton KofC Council 7473

Merlin Foresman



Life Insurance As a Gift?

The initial reaction for many people when you mention life insurance as a gift is a quick step back and a questioning stare. "How morbid," they think. While it may seem that way when you first mention it, life insurance is really a thoughtful gift that can be a financial life preserver in tough times.

The problem with life insurance is the general perception. Many think of death instead of the great benefits it provides, and the security that it offers even while you're alive. Life insurance should be thought of as a precautionary protective measure for a family unit. The purchase of this product can mean saving your home, sending your children to college, and preserving your spouse's quality of life in the event of your death.

One of the times you may want to purchase life insurance for someone is when a family has a new baby. It's a great, low-cost way to set money aside for the future (i.e. college tuition, housing, business start-up, etc.). Of greater importance, it ensures these children will have insurance as adults, in case an illness later in life makes him or her uninsurable.

Newlyweds are also ideal recipients for life insurance. As they join their lives and financial responsibilities, young couples need to make sure that their early investments are fully protected. If something were to happen to one of them, the other may be faced with serious financial hardship. A life insurance policy is an ideal way to ensure their future and protect their assets.

As nontraditional as it may be, life insurance is a wise and caring gift to purchase for many people.

Wishing you and yours a Merry Christmas and Joyous New Year!!!

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Happy December Birthdays to Brothers

John McNamara, Steven Pavicich, Jason Krampen, Steven Lockhart, John Mullen, Seth Bontempo, Robert Marchina, Daniel Serafin, Charles Conlon, Robert Bradtke, Thomas Coggins, Wayne Monnier, Daniel Lewandowski and Kenneth Williams.

Remember our Brothers and their Families that are need of our Prayers

All the Veterans, Health and Safety workers past and present, Brothers Dennis Conley, Joe Pollaro, Ed Stram, Rich Schutkovske, Marty De Battista, Rich Cunningham, James Feeney, Mark Siminski Brothers Ted Fitzgerald and his wife, Nan, Jim Murphy Sr. and his wife Martha, Leo Mayhew's wife Trish, Josh Murphy, Josephine Purevich, Jen Adler's dad, Peter and our Brother and Seminarian, Jacob McDaniel's Grandfathers family and the family of our deceased Brother Edwin (Sweet Eddie) Nowak.

If you know of anyone that should be included or removed from this list contact Dave Pszonka at 988-2235.

Prayer to God, the Source of Health

God our Father, source of all health, be near those who suffer in the time of weakness and pain; relieve them of their burden and heal them, if it be your will.

Give peaceful sleep to those who need rest for soul and body, and be with them in their hours of silence. Bless those who know not what another day will bring.

Make them ready for whatever it may be. Whether they must stand, or sit or be confined, grant them a strong spirit.

Inspire with your love those who bring healing and care to the suffering. May they bestow Your gifts of health and strength wherever they go. Grant this prayer, through Christ our Lord. Amen.



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WINNER,S

50/50 winner: Dan Serafin won \$19.00 Monthly Attendance drawing: Eric Dorris was not in attendance and did not win \$55.00. The kitty will reset to \$60.00 for the next meeting.

DECEMBER SCHEDULE

- DEC. 8 Council Ofc. Mtg. at SEAS 7:pm
- **DEC. 10** Council Breakfast at Country Kitchen in Hebron 8:am
- DEC. 14 Council Bus. Mtg. at SEAS 7:pm
- DEC.24&25 Birthday Celebration at all Parishes for the baby Jesus. You and all your families are invited.

Give the gift of yourself!!! Celebrate the Holy Family!

Marry Christmas and a Blessed New Year to you and your Families from Council 7473 !

UPCOMING EVENTS

- JAN. 5 Council Ofc. Mtg. at Holy Spirit. 7:pm.
- JAN. 7 Council Social & Christmas Party Hosted by Brother Tim and his wife Celine Henderlong.
- JAN. 11 Council Bus. Mtg. at Holy Spirit. 7: pm
- JAN. 14 Council Breakfast at 12 Islands in C P 8: am
- FEB. 2 Council Ofc. Mtg. at St. Helen's 7: pm
- FEB. 8 Council Bus. Mtg. at St. Helen's at 7: pm
- **FEB. 11** Council Breakfast at George's in C P 8: am
- FEB. 24 Council Fish Fry at St. Helen's 4: pm. Your Help is needed.
- MAR. 1 Ash Wednesday
- MAR. 2 Council Ofc. Mtg. at SEAS 7:pm
- MAR. 8 Council Bus. Mtg. at SEAS 7:pm
- MAR. 10 Council Fish Fry at SEAS 4:pm. Your help is needed.
- MAR. 12 Council Breakfast at Pappas in C P 8: am