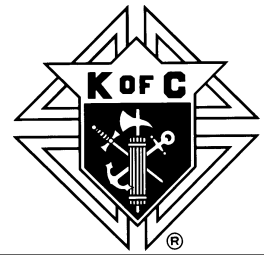


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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

By Sam P. Lamerato

Brother Knights,

Vivat Jesus!

On June 3rd the Building Corp held their monthly meeting before our K of C meeting. Summary minutes of this meeting can be found in the Shield.

The Ladies Auxiliary held their potluck dinner and raffle on June 13th. All who attended enjoyed the dinner, raffle, and socializing. Thank you to the auxiliary for all your support throughout the year.

Another possible fundraiser that was brought up at the meeting was a euchre tournament. Darren Gray will have more details at a future meeting. A request was made to use the social hall at St. Vincent for this fundraiser.

A discussion was held to help support the Madison Family Planning - Image of Christ pregnancy center. I placed a call and left a voice mail to find out more details. Hopefully, I will have more information at the July meeting.

Save these dates - The K of C officer's appreciation steak dinner will be held on Friday, July 12th at 6:00pm. The cost for non-officers and guests is \$10 per person. The picnic will be held on Sunday, August 25th at 1:00pm. Both events will take place at the Council house.

The Sunday, June 16th 9:00am mass intention was for the living and deceased members of the Knights. ***The next scheduled mass for the living and deceased members of the Knights will be Sunday, July 14th at 9:00am. If you have a Knights of Columbus shirt, please wear it for this mass.***

The May Knight of the month was Joe Miller.

We are ***still*** seeking ads for the Shield, both new and renewed. If you have any leads, please pass them on to me. The yearly ad will cost \$60.00.

The July meeting for both the K of C and the Building Corp will be held Monday, July 1st. Please join us and try to contact a Knight who may need assistance with transportation to and from the meeting and offer a ride. We need their support and wisdom! Please stay after the meeting to socialize and have a quick bite to eat.

Fraternally yours in Christ,
Sam P. Lamerato

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, July 1st, 2024

Building Corp Meeting – 6:15pm

Membership Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

**** Meeting In-Person at Council****

**** Officer Appreciation Steak Dinner ****

(All are welcome)

Friday, July 12th, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.

\$10 per person that are not Officers

**** Officers Installation ****

(All are welcome)

Friday, July 12th, 2024 - 7:00 p.m.

Shield Deadline:

Sunday, July 21, 2024

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(Usually 3rd Sunday of Month)

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LADIES AUXILIARY

Ladies,

Due to the fault of the Editor, you do not have an article this month. I forgot to add your new President, Amber Thompson, to the email reminder list. Rest assured, that has been corrected.

That said, congratulations to all of the new Officers for the Ladies Auxiliary. I hope to see you at the Officer Appreciation Steak Dinner on Friday, July 12th.

Sincerely,

Darren Gray
 Shield Editor

Attendance Drawing Winner

The June meeting drawing would have gone to Lynn Figg, but was not in attendance. The pot rolls over to the July meeting.

For those that haven't been to a meeting, we hold a drawing with everyone's roster number. If you are in attendance, you win the drawing. It starts at \$5 and goes up \$5 at every meeting until a winner is drawn.

**Officer Appreciation Dinner
 By Darren Gray, PGK, DD**

The Officer Appreciation Steak Dinner is going to be held on Friday, July 12th, 6:00pm, at the Council. As determined at the last meeting, the dinner is free for all CURRENT and IMMEDIATE PAST OFFICERS of the Council and Building Corp, as well as Officers of the Ladies Auxiliary. Everyone else, it's \$10.

Please email/call me if you are attending so that I can get enough steaks.

**Poker EVENT BACK ON!!!
 By Darren Gray, PGK, DD**

Brothers, I have been able to secure a 3-Night Charity Poker Event from August 30-September 1, at Dicicco's Lounge at 52963 Van Dyke in Shelby Township. I know this isn't ideal, but everything else was booked for the rest of the year. One thing to note: Wives of members ARE allowed to help, but I need to add them to the worker list. So if you are able to help and your wife wants to help, please let me know.



NEW OFFICERS

Congratulations to our new Officers, who will carry the council into the new Fraternal Year! Thank you gentlemen for your dedication to taking the extra step to lead our Council. And thank you to those Officers that have stepped down from their current roles.

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Deloris Bail, Marie Bessler, Ann Brunk, Larry Bunting, Sherry Cajac, Randy Carlisle, Stephen Claya (John Claya's Grandson), Diane Emerick, Doug Evans, Lisa Gray, Rory Grant, Alexander Hopcroft, Shirley Hopcroft (Dave's Mother), Heather Lang, Edda Marchesi, Silvio Marchesi, Sharon McCoy (Ken Witkowski's Sister), Duane McLaughlin, Mary Jo Miles, Ron Ploskonka, Yvette Ploskonka, Stefanie Olszewski, Ernie Schied, Marie Szlag, Tony & Jeanette Szeliga, Matt Ventimiglia, Regis Welsh, Jean Witkowski, Ken Witkowski.

Please keep the family of Billy Evans in your prayers, Billy passed away recently.

NOTE: I have cleared out the Prayer List for the new year, except for those who have been added at the last meeting. If you wish to have someone added to this list, please send an email to: editor@kofc7239.org

And please pray for all of the men and women of our Armed Services. Also please pray for the recently deceased.

NOTE: Just a reminder. Please make sure to write names clearly so that I can add them correctly to the sick and deceased list.



Knights of Columbus “BENEFITS NEWS”

LAWS and RULES of the ORDER

The laws and rules of our Order, as well as state (provincial) laws, specify that the Knights of Columbus may accept insurance applications only from Knights of Columbus members. As a member, you may apply for insurance on yourself, your wife and your dependent, minor children.

The Order’s Board of Directors has taken action, though, to assure that a brother Knight’s widow maintains the right to purchase additional insurance for a limited time. This can be of great benefit and comfort to those we leave behind.

This “right to apply” is available only to the widows of insured members. If a member has not availed himself of our top-rated life insurance program, or purchased an annuity or long-term care policy, Disability Insurance, this benefit is not available to his widow.

But if the member was an insured member, his widow has the right to apply for additional insurance on her life and on the lives of the member’s minor children. This right can be exercised for up to one year following the Order’s receipt of proof of the insured’s death.

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THE ROSARY *An Editor’s Request*

July is the heart of the summer. If you are not doing so, please consider taking out your Bible and your Rosary and say a special dedication for our Country, as it is in much need of healing. God Bless and stay safe.

Darren Gray, PGK, FDD

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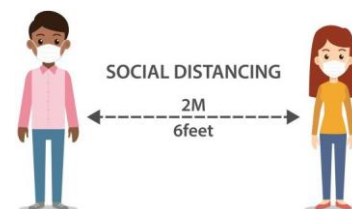
JULY BIRTHDAYS

07/01 Gerald Green
07/03 Mel Szag
07/13 Douglas Fleury
07/13 Ronald Ploskonka
07/16 Warren Broglin
07/31 Fr. Steven Koehler

LADIES AUXILIARY JULY BIRTHDAYS

None for July

**If we missed your birthday
or the date is wrong, please email
me at editor@kofc7239.org .
Thanks.**



JULY 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>6:15pm Building Corp</i> <i>7pm Member Mtg</i> Happy Birthday Gerald Green	2	3 Happy Birthday Mel Szlag	4 Happy 4 th of July	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12 STEAK DINNER 6:00pm	13 Happy Birthday Douglas Fleury Ronald Ploskonka
14	15	16 Happy Birthday Warren Broglin	17	18	19	20
21 SHIELD DEADLINE	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 Tri-District Meeting – 6pm at Council	31 Happy Birthday Fr. Steven Koehler			

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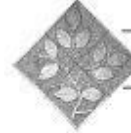
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