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Knights of Columbus

Knightslife-7018

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COUNCIL #7018
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for Peace

May/June 2012

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COUNCIL #7018 MONTHLY MEETINGS @ 7:00/PM, ON THE 3rd Thursday of each month

Food & Refreshments are always served afterwards.

Come in and get to know your fellow brother Knights!

OFFICERS MEETINGS: All officers meetings are at 7:00 pm on the 2nd Thursday of each month!

Brother Knights,

As we near the end of our fraternal year, we have many activities planned for the month of May and June. We will have a Fraternal / Social night on Thursday, May 10th. Jim Parker will be our guest speaker and advise us of the benefits, the Knights provide our families. We will also have plenty of food and drink. Please bring your wife, significant other or friend as we plan on having lots of fun. If you know of a person whom is interested in becoming a knight, this would be a great event to invite them to.

We will need help from noon to four on Saturday, May 12th as we will work in cooperation with the U.S. Post Office in a food drive to assist the Agape Center. Meet in the parking lot next to the Agape Center. Our efforts will be to unload food from the postal trucks transporting items into the Agape Center.

Many other activities are listed in the newsletter.

This is my last newsletter message as my term as Grand Knight is coming to an end. It has been a pleasure to serve as your Grand Knight. As I stated at the beginning of my term, our council is a fine tuned team. I am proud of all we have done for the good of the order the last two years. I'm not sure I can accurately articulate the good feelings and experience I have obtained; except to say; if you have the opportunity to serve as Grand Knight, don't pass it by. Gentlemen. Thank you for all you do for our council. Please continue to serve and keep our council reputation as a leader in the state.

Vivat Jesus,

GK Mitch Lenczewski

Calendar of Events

- May 10 – 7:00 pm Fraternal and Social Night at St. Clement – Bring your wife and friends!!!
- May 12 – 9:00 am US Post Office Food Drive – at the Agape Center
- May 13 – Country Breakfast at St. Clement after all Masses – Moms Eat Free!!!
- May 17 – 7:00 pm Council Meeting at St. Clement
- June 5 – 6:00 pm Icon Mass – St. Paul of Tarsus, Rosary – look for info on our website
- June 21 – 7:00 pm Council Meeting at St. Clement

Nomination of Officers

Grand Knight: Jim Burns nominated Jim Smiszek
Deputy Grand Knight: Jim Smiszek nominated Steve Betka
Chancellor: Jim Burns nominated Mitch Lenczewski
Advocate: Jim Burns nominated Don Smith
Recorder: Tony Nardozi nominated Jim Szewczyk
Treasurer: Tony Nardozi nominated Lester Ottenwalder
Warden: Jim Smiszek nominated John Cassidy
Inside Guard: John Cassidy nominated Marcel Van Daele
Outside Guard: Mitch Lenczewski nominated Andrew Russell
3 Year Trustee: Mitch Lenczewski nominated Jim Burns
2 Year Scholarship Committee: Mitch Lenczewski nominated Tony Nardozi



Come to the May meeting if you would like to nominate someone or yourself for an officer position and let your vote be counted! Becoming an officer is a great way to serve the Council and have fun doing it!

Congratulations Families and Knights of the Month!

April Family of the month: Dan and Diane Masko Knight of the Month: Dominic McLaughlin

We Need Volunteers!!!

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES – Come and get to know your fellow Brothers!!!

Thanks to all the Brothers who helped out at the MI Drive on Palm Sunday weekend. It was another successful year and the proceeds will go to purchase equipment for several organizations who help those with special needs.



FRATERNAL AND SOCIAL NIGHT

We will have our first annual Fraternal/Social night, Thursday, May 10th @ 6:30 p.m. The grill will be sizzling with plenty of food and drinks. Jim Parker will be our guest speaker. Please bring your wife, significant other or any other person whom may be interested in the Knights of Columbus. Our intent is two fold. Briefly to learn about what the Knights have to offer to protect our families and secondly, to just have a good time with friends. A few of our members are looking for a good Euchre game. The event will take place in the council chambers. Hope to see you there!!!



COUNTRY BREAKFAST

Thank you to all the Brothers who helped at the last breakfast. The next Country Breakfast is coming up on Mothers Day and we can always use help with cooking, serving, and especially cleaning up the gathering area when the breakfast is over. Remember Moms eat free, tell your friends and bring your family!!!

We could also use some help unloading the Forgotten Harvest Food Truck at the Agape Center on Tuesdays. We also will be painting the Agape Center across from the church and removing some fallen trees in the back of the church for the Memorial Garden.

Come to the next Council meeting to find out more details and sign up times for these fun events!
Or call GK Mitch Lenczewski @ 752-3381, DGK Jim Smiszek @ 752-2856, or PGK Tony Nardozi @ 524-0904.

We would love to see some new faces! See the Council website at www.kofc7018.org for details.
See the Calendar of Events at the top of this newsletter for the upcoming dates of the events.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SPEEDY RECOVERY OF OUR COUNCIL BROTHERS AND FAMILY OF OUR BROTHERS WHO ARE GRIEVING, ILL OR RECOVERING FROM ILLNESS OR SURGERY, ESPECIALLY: Ray Lenczewski, Maureen Burns, Dave and Dawn Hribar, Joe Suminski's sisters family, Al Kolitch, Gary Thomas, Larry Foltran's friend Marissa, John Cassidy's uncle Jack Londee, Nancy Gaspari, Viola Johnson, Jill Gapczynski, Tonya Ales, Fr. Ken Brynart, Millie Schoenherr, Jean Dey, Leonard Berlotti, Dick Kabel, Al Masko, Leslie Racz, Annette Griffiee, Chris Gamrat, Fr. Steve's brother-in-law, Brian Conlon's sister Sharon McPhee, Don Spanske, Irene Jordan, Diane Masko, Dave Kaiser, Dan Russell, Larry Rinke, Dick Agusti, Mitch Jabczynski, Gordon McBride, Lauren DiNio – granddaughter of Dick Podolski, Howard Weiler, and Matt Mets.

Brothers, please send me your new or updated email address. It saves time, paper, and ink. Feel free to send me articles or topics to include in upcoming newsletters, I am always looking for new information to pass along to your fellow Brothers (no politics please).

News from our Knight of Columbus Benefits Representative – Jim Parker

Renew what's important to you

Spring is a time for renewal. Trees and plants will soon be blooming, and many animals will shake off the cold and become active again. As the winter doldrums end, you'll be ready to get outside with your family, too, and be part of this renewal.

It is also a perfect opportunity to take a few moments to consider your goals and what's important to you and your loved ones. Are you planning to welcome a new child or sending one to college? Are you looking forward to retirement? Will you have enough money to accomplish these goals? What would happen if something happened to you?

Whether or not you have life insurance with the Order, I'll be happy to meet with you and examine how you can meet your needs and goals. If you've had any life changes since you last bought a policy (new home, new child, new job, etc.), chances are your life insurance needs to be updated. Maybe an annuity or long-term care plan appeals to your situation. Whatever the case, I'll work with you to make sure you have the coverage you need at a price you can afford.

When we meet, you'll discover that the time we spend together will be a commitment to your future and your family's well-being. Let's get together soon to renew your financial goals with the stable backing of the Knights of Columbus.

Whatever your needs, whatever your concerns, I can help.

I'm at 1-810-441-4988 or james.parker@kofc.org. Call me – let's talk.

Brothers, besides our **New Council Website**, www.kofc7018.org, please check out our parish websites at www.stclementromeo.com and www.ssjohndpaul.org

Also take a look at the other Knights of Columbus websites – www.kofc.org and www.mikofc.org
District Deputy's email: j.gapczynski@mikofc.org, Our Grand Knight's email: gk7018@mikofc.org

Religious Freedom – May 12 at the State Capitol

I know that you are all abundantly aware of the GREAT challenge our federal government has beset upon our Holy Mother Church. Our Bishops have stood up to oppose this tyranny against our constitutional rights. They need and deserve OUR support NOW. There will be an opportunity for all to be counted on May 12, 2012 at the Michigan State Capitol at 2:00 p.m. Bishop Earl Boyea will be speaking from the Capitol steps on this subject, Religious Freedom, which will be followed by a 4th Degree Living Rosary on the Capitol lawn and a mass at the cathedral following.