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Grand Knight's Log

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To volunteer for any Committee, contact the Chairman. We have an active schedule planned for the year, and all assistance will be greatly appreciated

Brothers,

My time as your Grand Knight has come to an end. Elections are done, the installation has taken place and the newly elected officers are geared up and ready to move forward with council business. Some of the elected officers have not held any position with our council while some have been re-elected to either the same or different position. What I would like for all of you to do is to make the commitment to fully support these new officers and keep the council moving forward. I know some feel that the "old" way was great and would prefer to continue but as time has shown and will continue to show, the "old" ways become obsolete and new ideas, strategies, and programs, become necessary to grow. Growth, it is imperative that we work on building the council with exceptional members. Recently, we have added a few good men who have jumped right in and got involved. These men are committed to the council and are looking for activities now. We'll make their wishes come true, maybe to the point where the old saying comes to mind, "You better watch what you wish for. It just may come true." We've had many of these new members elevate their membership to full Knighthood by receiving their 3rd Degree and I am hoping they go all the way and apply for Sir Knighthood in the 4th Degree. Well, you know if PGK Ed Kitts has his way, they'll all be Knighted at this year's 4th Degree installation. Personally, I think that's great for members to be that committed to the Knights of Columbus to want to advance as soon as they are able. Reminds me of someone I know very well. Me. I became a member of our council looking to do things for others and make new friends. I've done both. I was also permitted to serve all of you as your Deputy Grand Knight under PGK Ed Kitts and as your Grand Knight for the past two years. It was tough but I enjoyed serving as your Grand Knight. My goal was to kick-start the council and get it going in a new direction by finding new ways to fund our programs, develop and implement new programs, get more members involved, get long-time members back to the council and have more fun times for you and your families. We, as a council, have accomplished some of these things and so many of you remain excited about continuing on with what we've started. Even many of our long-time Brothers support what we've done because that's what they've wanted as well. We got the ball rolling and now it's time to pick up the pace and shift into high gear.

Please, fully support and commit yourselves to do whatever we have to do to reach our goals. Don't have one? Create one! Bring it to the council meetings, discuss it, develop your plan and funding strategy, make it work. Get excited and get involved! It's imperative that we support and assist our new officers and trustees and make their jobs as easy as possible.



Insurance Corner — We All Want The Same Thing

Most men worry about their families. If you are like most, there are so many demands on your current income that you find it difficult to set anything aside for the kind of future you'd like to provide. If you are like most fathers, you probably want the same things:



- ◆ The respect of your family, your friends and the community in which you live.
- ◆ A happy home with a family that is content.
- ◆ A good house that will always be home.
- ◆ The ability to help your children with their education.

- ◆ Enough money to make your retirement easier.
- ◆ And enough money to enjoy some of the better things in life.

With good fortune (and a long life), you'll probably be able to accomplish most of these objectives. But if you are like most people, you'd benefit from a plan to help you realize them.

I can design a plan that will help you realize your ambitions.

Call me today and we'll work on it
together

John Ross 386-0145

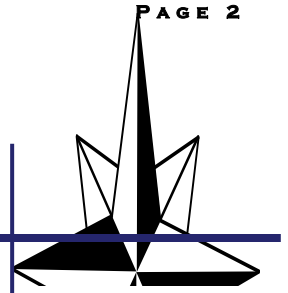
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Paperwork is a pain; I know, I've done it all my professional life but it is necessary. Submit your reports to the Program Director in a timely manner, have all your receipts together and be prepared to do a little write-up about your program to share with the entire council. Most of all, make sure you submit a newsletter article to the editor, Mike Wetzstein. Since this will be my last newsletter to write, it will be up to you, Council 7170, to make the newsletter a monthly reality.

I will not drag this on, you all know what needs to be done and what you have to do. Simply speaking, just do it. And while you're at it, pay a visit to Jesus through prayer. Ask for his blessing on our new officers so that they will be able to fulfill their duties to the best of their ability. As your Grand Knight, I wish the council much success and as you hear the slam of the gavel just one more time, this meeting is adjourned. Thank you all for your support and I deeply appreciate your assistance in making these past two years an experience that I will never forget. God bless you all!

Vivat Jesus!

Jim Brewster



COMING EVENTS

- ◆ **July 1**
Eucharistic Adoration
- ◆ **July 5**
Officer / Chair Meeting
- ◆ **July 7**
Business Meeting
- ◆ **July 10**
KofC softball end reg. season game. Appling complex
- ◆ **July 21**
Social meeting
- ◆ **July 25**
4th degree @ St. Francis
- ◆ **August 1**
Officer / Chair Meeting
- ◆ **August 4**
Business Meeting
- ◆ **August 5**
Eucharistic Adoration

NFL SWEEPSTAKES UPDATE

Brothers, information has been forwarded to the council concerning any game of chance in the state of Tennessee and it appears that the NFL/March Madness Sweepstakes will probably have to be canceled and tickets returned. Currently, tickets are available but will not be distributed until discussion with the officers and trustees has taken place and everyone will be updated at the next business meeting on Thursday, July 7th with a notice to be published in the July newsletter as to the status of the program. Should the council be forced to scrap the program, we will need to find other revenue generating activities to replace this worthwhile and profitable program.

NEWSLETTER UPDATE

Here's the heads-up that you should all pay close attention to so that you will continue to receive a newsletter with vital information each and every month. It is imperative that anyone who has information that needs distribution to the entire council, submit your information to Grand Knight Pat Casey for review prior to publishing in the newsletter. We all must take responsibility to ensure that information is gathered and published in a timely fashion to keep everyone informed as to what is going on and what is coming up. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

COUNCIL CHAPLIN

Brothers, Father Bruce has graciously asked that we accept our new associate pastor, Father Joe Tagg, to serve as our council Chaplin due to the busy schedule that Father Bruce will have in the coming year and future years. Father Bruce will be doing quite a bit of teaching and would prefer to have a Chaplin at each of our business meetings this coming year. Father Bruce will remain involved with council activities and will meet with the Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight monthly, with Father Tagg, to discuss council business. Please welcome Father Tagg and extend your warmest Knights of Columbus welcome.

LADIES/CLERGY APPRECIATION DINNER

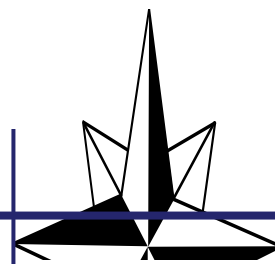
We had a fantastic time at this year's Ladies/Clergy Appreciation Dinner and everyone enjoyed a catered steak dinner by Chuck's Catering. We had 76 in attendance, including our Council Chaplin, Fr. Bruce, and both associate pastors, Fr. Joseph and Fr. Peter, graced us with their attendance as well. Everyone had a fantastic evening with Grand Knight Jim Brewster keeping his talks to a minimum. We also announced our council's Knight and Family of the Year. So, as to not keep you guessing, here they are. Family of the Year went to a most deserving family this year and the recipient family was none other than the Brother George Moore family. Now, for Knight of the Year. This was a close race with so many things going on and many Brothers deserving of this award. Knight of the Year for the 2004 – 2005 year was awarded to Deputy Grand Knight Pat Casey. Brothers George and Pat, congratulations on your achievements and thank you for your continued commitment to making Council 7170 the best it can be!

OLD BUSINESS

Just a reminder that the budget vote is to take place at the next business meeting on Thursday, July 7th. You must be present to vote and again, it is asked that you keep the discussions professional, and direct to the business at hand. By now, you should all have had an opportunity to review the budget and formulate any questions. Since the Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight have not received any questions to date, the vote should be a smooth procedure.

50/50 SPLIT THE POT DRAWING

Time is running out for you to donate a dollar per ticket to be able to receive up to \$500.00 dollars. The drawing will take place after the 9:00 AM Mass on Monday, July 4th and the drawing will be done by Father Bruce. So get your tickets now before it's too late!

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**NEXT BUSINESS MEETING – Thursday, July 7th 7:30 P.M. McGivney Hall
Rosary, upstairs in St. Joachim Chapel, begins 6:45 P.M.**

KofC KNIGHTS SOFTBALL TEAM NEWS

At the June business meeting, council approval was made to assist the softball team with new uniforms. Well, those uniforms have been purchased and worn to the game for the first time on Sunday, June 19th. The team didn't win but they sure looked good out there. The team Coach, Grand Knight Jim Brewster, got some very positive comments on how well the uniforms looked. Thanks go out to Eddie Hayes of McDowell Marketing for providing the team with a great looking uniform.



The fundraisers are in the works right now with the 50/50 Split Drawing to take place on Monday, July 4th. One lucky winner will walk away with half the ticket donations. Will it be you?

Hope you got your tickets! By the time of distribution, the Car Wash Fund Raiser will have taken place. Reports on the outcome of the 50/50 Split and Car Wash will be published in the July Compass. Watch for details.

Another fund raising activity in the works is a special breakfast/brunch that will include Eggs Benedict, hash browns, fresh fruit platters, bacon, silver dollar pancakes, coffee, tea and juice. Most of the supplies will be donated by vendors supplying the Rafferty's restaurants and special thanks go to our very own Brother Paul Fratus for negotiating the donations. The date for the breakfast will be Sunday, September 11th after the 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM Masses. That's correct, the breakfast will not be available after the 7:30 AM Mass. Tickets will be sold in advance and the cost will be \$6.00 per adult and \$2.00 per child 11 and under. All proceeds to benefit the softball team for uniforms and equipment. We are working on a bake sale to coincide with the breakfast as well. Watch the church bulletin and future articles published in the Compass for further details! This should be a fantastic, out-of-this world breakfast/brunch!

On a final softball note. The last regular season game will be played on Sunday, July 10th at 5:00 PM at the Appling Softball Complex on Appling Road. Come on out to watch the team play, get a look at the new uniform

and have a great time with all the team's fans. We really do have the biggest fan base of any team playing this year so come on out and join the excitement. Full concession stand is available for your ballpark enjoyment. Best of all, all the seats are on top of the action and they are free!!

STAND UP, JUMP IN AND STEAK OUT!

If you are looking for a fun, safe and most enjoyable evening this summer, look no further! Mark your calendars now for Saturday, August 27th, for a grilled steak dinner and dance to be held in the St. Ann School Gymnasium with music provided by John Angotti and Common Ground. Tickets will go on sale beginning Friday, July 1st and will be available after each Mass and the St. Ann Church office. Ticket prices will be \$35.00 per couple, \$20.00 per individual with all proceeds donated to St. Ann Catholic Church. Each individual attending will also receive two (2) tickets towards the purchase of beer and wine. Soft drinks and tea will be provided as well. Get your tickets early, don't hesitate, ticket availability will be limited. This will be an adult's only gathering and will begin at 6:30 PM Saturday night and end around 11:00 PM. Please, we ask that you refrain from bringing any alcoholic beverage with you to the dinner. Dress should be limited to appropriate, summer casual.



AWARDS CORNER

It happens at every business meeting, we have an attendance drawing and the winner is never in attendance. I know that \$36.00 isn't a lot of money but I sure wish my name was called. I could use the extra spending cash or use it to pay for my next year's dues. So on with the announcements of the June award winners!

Attendance Prize went unclaimed, again, for the drawn name was Will Carpenter! Brother Will, come on out to the next business meeting. You never know whose name will be drawn, it could be you!

50/50 Warden's Purse went to Brother Ed Wiseman. Now I know that Brother Ed did a wonderful deed with his new-found wealth and brought his wife to the Ladies/Clergy Appreciation Dinner. Congratulations Ed!

Knight of the Month went to one of our older Brother Knights. He's been around for a bit, mostly stays pretty quiet but certainly has been very active in the council lately. This Brother Knight is certainly deserving of the honor for June and the Knight of the Month was awarded to Brother Ed Woratzeck. Congratulations Brother Ed on your selection as Knight of the Month!

June had no Family of the Month awarded. Brings back a thought. Newly elected Grand Knight Pat Casey will need Brothers to assist in these programs and may still need a good Family Director. This is a very tough position and Brother Bob McCurdy has done a great job and I'm not sure if he's volunteered to continue for the next year but if Bob has, he certainly will need a co-Director. If you are interested in this very important and worthwhile program, contact the newly elected Deputy Grand Knight, Brother Ray Meadows to express your interest. Information concerning this program can be provided by your newest Past Grand Knight Jim Brewster. Think about it, won't you?

THIRD DEGREE BROTHER KNIGHTS

Brothers all, please extend your congratulations to the following Brother Knights who have taken the final step to full Knighthood in our Order and achieved their 3rd Degree. Most of the men on the list have been with us just a short period of time which shows their dedication to the council. It certainly makes me proud to see new members obtain 3rd Degree status and apply for the 4th Degree as well. So without any further delay, I am pleased to place their names on the 3rd Degree list. Congratulations!

Vince Balla Steve Croxdale

Robert Duncan
Steve Lovato
Justin Wehmeyer

Gary Lisco
Daniel Robinson

The Degree was in honor of fallen Sir Knight J.D. Dougherty.

COUNCIL TIDBITS

Sometimes we have to say good bye to one of our own and that time has recently come again. Brother Keith Gustely will be leaving us in July to pursue career advancement opportunities in the Chicago area. Brother Keith and his family will be deeply missed. Keith has certainly been blessed with his wonderful wife Tina and three super children, Anthony, Ben and Abbie. Brother Keith is a member of the Degree Team in the roll of the Financial Secretary and did a superb job. He had his lines memorized and performed with the best. Brother Keith is also a member of the KofC Knights Softball Team and was a force to be reckoned with. Keith's size and strength alone scared the bejesus out of our opponents and they certainly stepped aside as he rounded the bases. I know, I got out of the way as well. Congratulations Brother Keith on your new endeavors and we all wish you the very best.

For some happier news, Grand Knight Jim Brewster has become a Grandfather for the second time with the birth of his beautiful little baby granddaughter on Tuesday, June 14th. Chloe Veronica weighed in at 8 pounds and 1 ounce and 20 inches. Proud parents are Jim's son Jim Jr. and daughter-in-law Laura. The family is doing just fantastic and looking forward to the addition to the family.

FALLEN BROTHER KNIGHT

It is always a very sad occasion when we lose one of our Brother Knights to a battle with disease. On June 17th, Brother Billy Dwyer lost his long battle with leukemia. Brother Billy was certainly loved by many and prior to his passing, Billy became a member of our Order in the highest degree, Sir Knight Billy Dwyer in Lee R. Hurst Assembly 2183. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his wife Carolyn and other family members. Brother Billy is now at peace with God in Heaven; his battle to be fought no more.



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