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A MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

“The time has come,” the Walrus said, “to talk of many things...”

— Lewis Carroll

And talk of many things we did: on July 10th at the Officer Bonding Retreat for the new council officers. We talked of things like the necessity for and the good and bad elements of meetings; the council’s place in the parish; our own interpersonal and generational ties to the Order; the bowling tournaments; Special Olympics; and, near and dear to my interests, there was a strong discussion about communications. The words spoken in this forum seemed pent up, as if they needed to be spoken. The points made were sincere and offered in the good faith of Christian fellowship. Rarely have I heard a such a set of well-spoken and impassioned ideas, expressed in a single setting. I sincerely thank those of you who participated in this gathering.

After the Corporate Communion and the Installation Ceremony, we convened at Spring Creek Barbeque. Seeing our members and their wives seated at the long table and booths of the back room was something that caused my pride to brim over. It made it all worth it, the phone calls, the meetings, the hopes for an organization that runs generations deep in many of our cases. I’d like to thank everyone who, in any way, has been involved with our council. Especially, I’d like to thank those of you who accepted officer positions and those who participated in the July 10th events. Please know that you are a quality group of people with whom it is a blessing to know and work with.

Vivat Jesus,

– Bill Eldridge

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

It’s high time that our council recognize a man whose silent, stalwart manner has long served our council in many roles. As **Past Grand Knight, Tim Lyons** led the effort that earned us the Star Council Award. In addition, Tim has been one of the longest-running trustees in the history of the council, and thus has become the go-to man for our semi-annual audits. For the past eight years, he has coordinated our parish blood drives in cooperation with the Carter Blood Bank. This has often been a lone ministry, and Tim has handled it pretty much single-handedly. We appreciate all of Tim’s accomplishments, but what really stands out with this man is his kindness, consideration, soft-spoken wisdom, and his presence at our meetings and events. Tim’s calm demeanor and smile are things we can never take for granted. In these attributes, he is an inspiration to the rest of us. So, to this piston who has long been a driving force in our council, we offer a well-deserved **Knight of the Month** recognition.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

The Family of the Month for July is **Roger and JoAnn Seberger**. JoAnn has long been a keystone in the structure of Catholic education in our diocese. Her long association with Bishop Grahmann and Catholic Schools Superintendent Charles LeBlanc set a high standard for the principals and teachers in our diocesan schools. JoAnn still serves on the St. Paul Catholic Classical School Advisory Council where she acts as the chair for the Committee on Catholic Identity. We know and love JoAnn for her disciplined and straight-forward style of getting business accomplished.

Roger is the smiling, non-pretentious gentleman alongside JoAnn. Over the decades, he has mentored many of us on the meaning of the word

“servant.” Whether it’s in the Knights, Wise Guys, or any of the other ministries he’s been a part of, Roger’s easy-going affability makes working alongside him like slipping on a well-fitting glove. He is, indeed, a pleasure to work, pray, and hang out with.

Our council is blessed to have enjoyed our long association with this dear couple and pray for many more years to come.

AUGUST 5TH MEMBERSHIP MEETING

We are pleased to announce that **Courtney DeMakas**, principal of St. Paul Catholic Classical School, will address the council at this meeting. Mrs. DeMakas has used her experience in classical education to usher in a new era for our parish.

Our Worthy Chancellor, Steven Schmitt, has offered to supply the pizza for the evening, and Worthy Deputy Grand Knight, Paul Szatkowski, has agreed to provide the drinks.

The Rosary will commence at 7:00 PM, then we will have the address, and then we will gavel in the meeting. I look forward to seeing you and having a chance to visit in person with each of you. There will be a Zoom component, the information for which I have sent out in a prior e-mail.

For our Membership Meeting on Sept. 2nd, we have tentatively booked **Deacon Elijah Thomson** to address the council.

SPRING CREEK BARBEQUE SPIRIT NIGHT

Our Worthy **Past Grand Knight Jerry Dreher** facilitated the first Spirit Night since the pandemic on the evening of July 19th. The event was a huge success for our parish, our council, and Spring Creek Barbeque. We had nearly two hundred parishioners attend. It was wonderful seeing our parish interacting once again. The council thanks everyone who showed up to dine and to help with the evening.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

- Our Calling Tree Initiative is still alive as part of our *Leave No Neighbor Behind* program. If you feel drawn to the ministry of contacting our members to let them know we are thinking of them and praying for them, please let **Brother Joe Prampin** know as he is going to map out a calling tree structure that will hopefully serve our council in several components of communication.
- **Deacon Bob Bonomi** can use help on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays at the Catholic Charities Facility that he is helping transform from a hotel into a Homeless Facility. Please contact Deacon Bob at 469-387-6824 on the Monday prior to when you are able to help.
- **Brother Tim Lyons** is looking to hand off the reins of the Blood Drive post that he has served on for the last eight years. He will provide a year or two of tutelage to get the next person up to speed.

UPCOMING BINGO

We have a Bingo coming up at the Cottonwood Creek Health Clinic on **Tuesday, August 17th**. The event begins at 2:15 and runs until 3:30 p.m. Volunteers welcome!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
Thu, August 5 th	Membership Meeting, Parish Center Room 4, Rosary at 7:00 p.m., Meeting at 7:30 p.m. (Door Code 18820#)
Thu, August 19 th	Officer Planning Meeting (open to any member), Parish Center Room 4, 7:00 p.m. (Door Code 18820#)
Saturday, August 21 st	Parish Bingo and Dinner after 5:30 p.m. Mass



August 2	Kevin Alewine
August 6	David Smith
August 12	John Bray
August 14	Louis Percoco
August 15	Jeff Cormier
August 15	Roger Seberger
August 17	Carlos Esparza
August 18	Ricardo Villarreal
August 18	Mark Lenzer
August 21	Ben McKee
August 26	Gilbert Gurrola
August 28	Chris Curto Jr.
August 28	Don Rowland
August 31	Chris Curto

REGULAR FUNDRAISING

Our regular fundraising endeavors:

Donating Blood:

Tom Thumb:

Albertsons:

Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation Program:

Compass Bank:

We are number 22058 with Carter Blood Care

Good Neighbor Program No. 54476

Community Partner No. 49000119848

Bar Code No. 10000081304

When opening an account refer to our Affinity code 87719

Forms for all of the above are available at each meeting from our Financial Secretary.

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