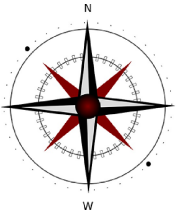


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A MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

A giant thank you is in order for the strong council representation shown all through the busy month of December. Our **Trains at North Park** mission, organized by Joe Prampin and his custom-made train whistle, had a strong coed contingent with several wives participating. The **Bingo at the Cottonwood Creek Healthcare Community** was supported by a large group of members and wives. And the four-pronged event of December 19th – **Blood Drive, Coffee and Donuts, Tamale Sales, and Recruiting Table** – came off solidly. These events were well planned and were served with the humble sincerity that speaks of what our Order is all about.

As the calendar turns, we all know that the first dues notices go out. Seemingly, a few weeks go by, and then the second notices go out, and then, a month or so later, the third notices arrive. At this point, things become awkward. That's when our commitment to the Order and to the Council becomes challenged by people other than ourselves and the financial secretary. Brothers, I urge you to pay your dues before the awkwardness sets in. We are not a reticent group of men. Neither is the Order under whose banner we serve a reticent organization. Let us please get this business behind us so we can function as the strong organization and the strong individuals that we are. Please let the financial secretary know if you cannot pay, for whatever reason, as arrangements can be made.

Vivat Jesus,

– Bill Eldridge

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

The Family of the Month Award for December, 2021 goes to **Carey and Melissa Leslie**. This is an award of appreciation: our council truly appreciates the

long, warm involvement these two people have put into this group. What would the Veteran's Day Parade be without Carey's Corvette? What would our visit to Spring Creek Barbeque after our Memorial Mass have been like without Carey and Melissa making deceased Brother Al Laska's son and daughter welcome in our midst. Then there's a fact about these two awardees that nobody can deny – a fact that has been well documented and recorded for posterity: Carey and Melissa actually met at our old K of C Bowling League. It's a fact, one that we will never let these two forget.

So, congratulations, you two. You deserve this award hands down. We love both of you and hope to have many years of laughter and friendship to come.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Our council is fortunate to have a man like our Worthy Chancellor, **Steve Schmitt**, serving on the officer rolls. He brings something to our council that few other men could. Steve has long experience in council operations. He speaks well and is forthcoming with his thoughts at our meetings. His Corvette is always available for our Veteran's Day Parades, and he has been a regular participant in the Bingo Games at the Cottonwood Creek Health Community. In addition to these things, in case you haven't noticed, Steve is one heck of a good guy. He brings a hearty and sincere cheer to every encounter, and when he speaks, we take notice because he is one of us in mind and soul. Thank you. Steve, for serving with us. We look forward to many years of shared service and good cheer.

JANUARY 6TH MEMBERSHIP MEETING

We will meet in Room 3 of the Parish Center beginning with the recitation of the Scriptural Rosary at 7:00 PM. The meeting will follow a

laid-back agenda along with a presentation by our Worthy Lecturer Ed Long. There will be light snacks and liquid refreshments. We will be able to pay our dues and receive our 2022 Membership Cards. Mostly, we'll be able to hang out with a good bunch of guys and maybe make a few collective decisions along the way.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE GOING STRONG

Our Worthy Program Director, Joe Prampin, is moving forward with the Council Communications Team. You can expect calls from the team which consists of Joe, Miguel Torres, Roger Seberger, Jerry Dreher, Steve Schmitt, Bob Fisher, and your grand knight. This is part of our ongoing **No Neighbor Left Behind** initiative. Please relax, take a moment, and visit with these guys when they call. They sincerely want to know how you are getting along and if there is anything we can do to help you out.

CLETO FAMILY UPDATE

Glenn Angel, Edna Winnette, and Bill Eldridge visited the family on December 20th.

The family, first and foremost, asks for prayers for their daughters Kenia and Nicole. Both girls have now come out of their comas. Considering the early weeks after the accident, when neither girl was conscious, their recoveries seem miraculous. But, as you can imagine, there is still a long road to recovery. Kenia still has not spoken and has only limited use of the extremities on her right side. Nicole still is still experiencing behavioral abnormalities.

We are working on a *GoFundMe* page to assist the family. Please stay tuned to see how you might be able to help.

PHOTO GALLERY



A chilly Sunday morning (December 19th) when we did a tamale sale, blood, drive, coffee and donuts, and recruiting



Five Past Grand Knights after the Memorial Mass



The Nursing Home Bingo Contingent



The Trains at North Park Volunteers



Worthy Lecturer Ed Long Receiving the Knight of the Month Award



Worthy Warden Richard Villarreal and wife Lupita Receiving the Family of the Month Award

CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
Thursday, January 6 th	Membership meeting at the Parish Center, Room 3 (7:00 PM Rosary, 7:30 Meeting - Door Code 18820#)
Sunday, January 16 th	Knights responsible for Coffee and Donuts after 9:30 Mass
Thursday, January 20 th	Officer/Planning Meeting, 7:00 PM at the Parish Center, Room 3, Door Code 18820#
Thursday, February 3 rd	Membership meeting at the Parish Center, Room 3 (7:00 PM Rosary, 7:30 Meeting - Door Code 18820#)
Thursday, February 17 th	Officer/Planning Meeting, 7:00 PM at the Parish Center, Room 3, Door Code 18820#



January 4	Ken Brown
January 5	Wil Zihlman
January 6	Brian Eason
January 7	Pat Costigan
January 10	John Gallent
January 11	Dan O'Connell
January 15	Ronnie Bethea
January 22	Joe Semler
January 30	Eric Dahlgren

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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