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A MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

Well, gentlemen, let us strap in for yet another productive year of service to our parish. As we do so, can we please consider broadening our purpose? When Father McGivney founded the Order, he had the goal of providing help for the members of the community who could no longer support their families. But Father McGivney had a second, less remembered, goal: Bringing Men Closer to God. Last year, the K of C jurisdiction of Arkansas took a trial run at concentrating on the second goal of our founder. They didn't cease or lessen their service mission, but they added a call to a closer spiritual bonding between the members. The trial was so informing that over twenty jurisdictions, including Texas, chose to have their own go at this. We have an excellent model in how this can work in the ACTS community. Another example is the Renew/Why Catholic movement whereby individuals once gathered weekly to learn more about the faith and what they could do to support each other. Several of these groups still come together long after the programs that spawned them ceased.

Since this is a new initiative, we need to listen for now to how the Order directs us to accomplish this. We also need to consider the ways our council might want to engage in this ministry.

And, as we enter this second half of the fraternal year, let us pray for the continued vibrancy of our council and for a smooth transition to a strong slate of officers for the next fraternal year.

Vivat Jesus,

– Bill Eldridge

KNIGHT AND FAMILY OF THE MONTH

For this recognition, I'd like to depart from the way members have been recognized in the last several months. Rather than the framed certificates that recognize a general kind of appreciation, I'd like to make the distinction more specific, recognizing individuals for things they've stepped forward to accomplish.

For the month of December, I'd like to thank our Worthy Chancellor **Steve Schmitt** for chairing the December 15th Planning Meeting. Neither the Grand Knight nor the Deputy Grand Knight could lead the meeting due to family responsibilities. So, Steve graciously chaired the meeting and recorded the results in due manner. This as Steve's wife Cathe recovers from double hip replacement surgery.

Thank you, **Steve and Cathe**, for being the solid members of our community that you both are. We pray for Cathe's strong recovery and for her continued appreciation of well-hit drives down the middle of the fairway.

I'd also like to recognize Brother **Jerry Dreher** for his diligence in organizing a visit to two of our brothers who stand as exemplars of Christian faith long into their golden years. Jerry and I had an outstanding visit with Brother Pat Costigan in his room at the Treemont Facility. Pat inspired both of us with his positive attitude as well as his appreciation of our having taken the time to visit him.

That same afternoon, Jerry suggested we visit Brother Joe Semler next door at the Emerson on Harvest Hill. Joe is one of those guys who always makes other people feel bigger than they were before. His affability spreads cheer to the halls of his facility just like it has for years to homeless shelters, to our council, and to our parish.

Jerry was the catalyst in these visits. For this and for projecting his own sense of dignity, we recognize Jerry Dreher and, of course, Dixie, who has her way of keeping all of us honest.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS TEAM CONTACTS

One of the positive outcomes of the pandemic was the *No Neighbor Left Behind Initiative* of the K of C National Organization. This inspired our own council efforts to reach out to the members in a way that strengthens the relationships between the members. Brother Joe Prampin put together a network that does a fantastic job of keeping us in touch. Six members of our council: Joe Prampin, Paul Szatkowski, Jerry Dreher, Steve Schmitt, Bob Fisher, and Bill Eldridge, will be reaching out to all of our members in the coming months to let everyone know that we are united in concern for each other as a brotherhood in Christ.

Modern communications evolving as they are, what we once knew as a "phone call" has become rightfully fraught with filters such as voice mail and text messages. Please understand that our attempts to reach each of you are sincere. As we try to work our way through the various filters, please be patient with us and make an effort to respond to your caller however you choose to so we can get a feel for how we can serve each other and get to know how you might like to participate in the many activities we engage in.

DECEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Our November Membership Meeting will take place on Thursday, December 3rd in Room 1 of the St. Paul Parish Center. We will commence with the recitation of the Scriptural Holy Rosary at 7:00 p.m. followed by the meeting at 7:30. Worthy Lecturer Ed Long will offer a lesson on the Evangelists. We will have light snacks and liquid refreshments, and of course time for fellowship. There will be a 50/50 drawing. The last drawing was won by David Hurster, one of the featured members of last month's Family of the Month.



RECALLING DECEMBER EVENTS

See page below...



Tamale Sales and Coffee and Donuts
Chris Curto, Richard Villareal, David Roberson,
Tony Casmus, Bob Fisher, and Ed Long



Trains at Northpark
Miguel and Mary Torres, Joe and Sandra Prampin,
Richard and Lupita Villarreal



St. Vincent de Paul Furniture Move
Lyle Winnette, Mike O'Malley, and Joe Prampin



C.S. Lewis Event at the Eismann Theater

CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
Thursday, January 5 th	Membership meeting at the Parish Center, East Room 1 (7:00 PM Rosary, 7:30 Meeting - Door Code 18820#)
Saturday, January 14 th	Parish Bingo at the Parish Center
Tuesday, January 17 th	Bingo at Cottonwood Creek Health Center
Thursday, January 19 th	Officer/Director Planning Meeting, 7:00 PM at the Parish Center, Room 2, 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 14	Ryan Eldridge
January 15	Ronnie Bethea
January 22	Joe Semler
January 30	Eric Dahlgren

REGULAR FUNDRAISING

Our regular fundraising endeavors:

Donating Blood:

Tom Thumb:

Albertsons:

Compass Bank:

We are number 22058 with Carter Blood Care

Good Neighbor Program No. 54476

Community Partner No. 49000119848

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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