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William P. Stephani Council 710

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We Welcome Five New Members!



Eric Pozorski

Jack Cummings

Joseph Holzinger

Ken Walters

Michael McGlin

October 12th Exemplification

Following the 6:30 p.m. Mass on October 12th, our Council conducted an Exemplification through which our five newest members shown above were awarded their Third Degree. By observing the Exemplification three members of our Council, Richard Rohrer, Thomas Kuenzi and Steve Thiele also advanced from the First to Third Degree. Similarly, two First Degree Members from Mishicot Council 4807, Grand Knight Russell Edmundson and Chaplain Father Christian, also advanced to the Third Degree. Our special honorees for the evening were Robert Schneider and Ralph Schleis, who were recognized as Honorary Life Members. Congratulations to all our new and advancing Brothers!

Our Exemplification team included Chaplain Father Doug LeCaptain, District Deputy Charles Reis, Deputy Grand Knight Max Wagner, Recorder James Goonen, Financial Secretary Nicholas Nett, Warden and Membership Directory Tony Holzinger and Grand Knight Joe Debilzen. The Exemplification was well attended by our Brother Knights, showing good support for our new and advancing members. Much appreciation to our Exemplification Team for their efforts! A tip of the hat to Tony Holzinger for his leadership in seeking new members for our Council!

We enjoyed a social after the Exemplification and extend our thanks to Trustee Len Gatien for organizing this!



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Charity Raffle Tickets

Included with last month's newsletter were a number of the State Charity Raffle tickets. A portion of the sale of these tickets come back to our Council for use in our charity efforts. In addition, our Council obtained a matching charity grant from our State Council to provide much needed funding to a local family with young children after the father passed away. Please make every effort to sell/buy your tickets and return the stub and payment to our Council's mailing address that you will see on the front of the newsletter. Additional tickets are available from Joe Dvorachek (920-323-3998) or Joe Debilzen(920-629-1601). Thank you to Joe Dvorachek for once again leading our Charity Raffle ticket efforts!

November Birthday wishes to Brothers:

Michael Wall	06
Dave Reinbold	08
Kevin Sturm	10
Charles Wotruba	10
Jack Cummings	16
Jay Fricke	17
Peyton Hagerstrom	17
Michael Malek	17
Richard Nitsch	22
James Schleis	24
Michael LeGreve	27
Mark Hammann	28

If I missed your birthday, or have the date wrong, please let me know so I can correct my records. Thank you, GK Joe

Message from Grand Knight Joe Debilzen

Is it just me, or does it seem that our Council has had a whirlwind of activity the last couple of months? And yes, there is more to come! The weekend of October 16/17 we conducted a membership drive at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish and are hoping to welcome some men from there to our Council. As we have done in the past, Brothers are participating in the 40 Days Walk for Life on Monday evenings. I am writing this prior to the brat fry on October 29/30 in conjunction with the St. Clare Society rummage sale and I am looking forward to another successful event. Thank you to those that Walk for Life, organized and assisted during the St. Thomas church drive as well as the brat fry. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

On November 6, we are participating in the International Food Fair sponsored (con't on page 3)

Knights in Action!

Our Council was involved in the Welcome Back Weekend activities the last weekend in September, providing refreshments for the Saturday pizza party as well as brats and refreshments for the Sunday morning brat fry. Pictured are Knights during the pizza party. We received many favorable comments about our involvement. Thank you to all the Knights that were involved to make this a success!



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by Roncalli Catholic Schools. We will have the opportunity to provide a number of bartenders for the evening and as I write this, we are still in need of volunteers. ***If you are able to help, please call me at (920)629-1601.*** Our goal with this sponsorship is to increase our presence in the communities and leverage this as a potential recruiting tool!

We want to restart the KC's Free Throw Contest and are looking for volunteers. For more information please call me.

Our next meeting will be **November 9th**. I encourage you to attend the 6:30 p.m. Mass that evening, after which we will meet at 7:15 p.m. in the Letz Center. It has been great to see so many Brothers attending the 6:30 p.m. Mass. On that note, Faith in Action is one of the programs that we can implement and I am seeking volunteers to explore this for our Council. For more information, please call me.

It has been great to welcome the new and transfer members the past several months. Please continue to invite men to join our fraternity so we can continue the many good works that we do!

We will be participating in the "Keep Christ In Christmas" yard sign program and will be placing 25 signs in each of the worship sites and St. Thomas the Apostle for parishioners to take home and display.

Looking further ahead, on **December 14** we are planning for another Third Degree Exemplification following the 6:30 p.m. Mass as we have some men interested in joining our Council!

I remain thankful that the Holy Spirit is so at work in our efforts. *Vivat Jesus!*

Joe

Meeting Location & Time

Mass – 6:30 p.m.	
Grand Avenue Worship Site	
Meeting – 7:15 p.m.	
Second Tuesday	
of each month	
Letz Center	
Grand Worship Site	

Officers 3rd Degree 2021-2022

Chaplain.....Fr. Doug LeCaptain
Grand Knight.....Joe Debilzen
Deputy Grand Knight.....Max Wagner
Chancellor.....Michael Myers
Recorder.....James Goonen
Lecturer.....Robert Schneider
Financial Secretary.....Nicholas Nett
Treasurer.....Michael Brunet
Advocate.....John Sowinski
Warden.....Anthony Holzinger
Inside Guard.....Mark Leonhard
Outside Guard.....Dave Vraney
Trustee.....Michael LeGreve
Trustee.....Leonard Gatien
Trustee.....Ronald VonDrachek

Officers 4th Degree 2021-2022

Faithful Friar.....Fr. Richard Klingeisen
Faithful Navigator.....Charles Reis
Faithful Captain.....Ronald VonDrachek
Faithful Pilot.....George Levande
Faithful Comptroller.....Michael Brunet
Faithful Scribe.....Robert Becker
Faithful Inner Sentinel.....Ryan Schram
Faithful Outer Sentinel.....Leonard Gatien
Faithful Admiral.....Joseph Dvorachek
One Year Trustee.....Joseph Dvorachek
Two Year Trustee.....Raymond Berres
Three Year Trustee.....George Levande
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