



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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THANK YOU--- The Council received a thank you note from Rev. German Perez-Diaz, the pastor of Immaculate Conception parish in Hartford, for our gift on the anniversary of his ordination.

NEW PROJECT????---The council has been made aware that the local organizations that had been supplying the parish cemetery with Veteran Grave Marker/Flag Holders are no longer doing so. The officers are looking into providing grave marker/flag holders to veterans that are members of our council and buried, or will be buried, in the parish cemetery. The restrictions noted are just to control the logistics of the project and the fact that some cemeteries are no longer allowing such recognition of veterans.

WHAT DO YOU THINK???? The August meetings are on the 1st and the 8th.
Also, if you have other information about this situation, call GK Duffy.

PANCAKE BREAKFASTS???---The council is looking for a chairman and team to start this project back up again. If you are willing, contact GK Mike Duffy.

BUDGET FOR 2022-2023---The members present unanimously passed the budget proposed by DGK Bill Ott. This is a deficit budget, but the officers are confident that Bingo will be able to provide the funds necessary for our operation and donations. Of course, any major donation will still be brought up to the council for its approval.

MOTIONS PASSED---The motions to donate \$500 to the CW Tech Robotics team and \$1590.50 to St. Joseph Parish, for elevator repair, were passed by the members present. The robotics team has members from LMC(Our Lady of the Lake), Coloma, and Watervliet High schools. In my cover letter, I asked them to contact our council again next year.

ANONYMOUS GIFT---The council received an anonymous gift. The officers would like your input into how the council should distribute this gift to local organizations. Some suggestions have been: BIRTHRITE of St. Joseph, North Berrien Senior Center, Parish Food Pantry, Coloma/Hagar Baseball/Softball, Watervliet Baseball/Softball, Hope Resources in Coloma, ???

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COUNCIL/PARISH PICNIC---GK Mike Duffy and DGK Bill Ott, Brother Ryan Ott have volunteered to be chairmen for this September 11 event. HOWEVER, THEY WILL NEED HELP!!!! While showing up the day of an event and offering to help makes you feel good, that type of volunteering does not help the chairmen do their job. Any event takes planning, making sure everything is set up, arranging for supplies to be on hand, games for adults and children, and a few other tasks.
PLEASE CALL THESE BROTHER KNIGHTS TO GET A TASK. PLEASE CALL NOW.

TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE OCTOBER 7,8,9 2022---GK Duffy and DGK Ott have also volunteered to run the tootsie roll drive this year. Please set aside some time(2hours?) to work at one of the locations. DO YOU HAVE A SUGGESTION FOR ANOTHER LOCAL ORGANIZATION?

JULY 31 IS THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH---In memory of our Brother Knights, the council will meet after the 8:30 mass at St Joseph's to pray a rosary for their souls.

REMINDER---Mike Duffy and Bill Ott have been our Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight since 2017. Bill Ott had already been a DGK and GK before that time. Both of these knights have stated that this is their last year. A number of the other officers have been in office since 2017 and before. If you have not tried it, please consider being an officer starting in 2023. (I have been your Financial Secretary since I stopped being GK. Look at the wall to see how long)

BINGO---The community is supporting our bingo. The chairmen are learning their roles and realizing just how much Brother Ron Ostrowski did for the KofC bingo. The chairmen appreciate the donation of time every bingo worker is making and we hope to get a few more men involved. The K of C bingo could use a couple of more callers, another cashier, another record keeper. You will be trained and helped to learn as many tasks as you want.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS ON AUGUST 1, 2022 AT THE HALL.----DD Janssen has promised a short ceremony. All officers are asked to attend this meeting.

*ENJOY THE REST OF YOUR SUMMER
STAY SAFE!!*