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COUNCIL 1221 NEWS

Hello Brother Knights,

I would like to take this opportunity to update everyone on our Council's progress and our future plans. Most recently, we are fresh off of a very successful fundraiser. Our "Help Us Help Others Gala" was a great evening for all those in attendance. Thanks to all the sponsors and volunteers who worked so hard. The proceeds raised will aid us in our continuing mission to help those most in need.

If you haven't been by recently, then you may have missed the major facelift to the building facade. Thanks to grants from the Horseshoe Foundation and the City of New Albany we were able to address and repair structural concerns. We also vastly improved our curb appeal. These improvements will allow new economic opportunities for the Council moving forward.

Throughout all of this we have continued to help others. We were able to feed hungry families at Thanksgiving and Christmas as well as financially contribute to many others in need. As Knights we are called to be the strong right arm of the Church. Our Council continues to serve in that role. However, we are capable of more.

Our future plans will address our need to strengthen our faith and the faith of those we encounter. We will have a new level of transparency where the members will feel closer to the Council. You will see new lines of communication so that you can stay up to date with Council activities. We are going to actively seek out new Brothers to aid us in our mission and ensure Cardinal Ritter 1221's future. I encourage all our Brothers to engage with your officers and give your input. Personally, I can be reached by cell at 812-987-2944. Feel free to contact me there or email me at seangunshop@gmail.com. There is so much more to say and unfortunately a newsletter limits my ability to do so. I encourage everyone to attend our meetings and participate. It is going to be a fun year full of exciting times. We hope to share it with all of you.

Vivat Jesus,

Grand Knight,

Sean K. Missi

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Behind everything a Knight does is the vision of our founder, Venerable Michael J. McGivney, and the mission he left us as Catholic men united in faith. We ask for his intercession, pray for his canonization, and live out in our own lives the principles he left us as Knights.

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Deputy Grand Knight Introduction

To all my Brother Knights, Catholic men, husbands and fathers, thanks for your confidence in me electing me as your new Deputy Grand Knight. It was a close, hard fought election. Yeah right. A brief bio for those of you who don't know me: born and raised in NA, NAHS Class of 1974, Air Force Academy Class of 1978, 10 years active duty in the USAF then 30-year career with Delta Airlines. I retired in 2018. My wife (Shannon) and I have two children (Reid and Boyd) who attend college in LA (Lower Alabama). Proud parishioners of Holy Family.

My introductory message to you my Brother Knights is to look for opportunities; they are plentiful. I totally get the fact that you are busy with your family (always first) and your job. But take a moment and look at the calendar of events at the council. Commit to just one now even if it is just a monthly meeting or attending a fish fry. You will see old friends and meet new ones.

We have a new slate of officers for the fraternal year (July '19 – June '20) with some energetic plans. Moreover, we have young, vibrant priests who, with the Holy Spirit's guidance, can shepherd us as Catholic husbands and fathers on our faith journey.

In closing a sincere note of appreciation to our past Chaplain Father Bill Ernst. For many years he guided Cardinal Ritter Council 1221 to be the great Catholic organization it is today. Thanks Father Bill.

Sincerely,

DGK Michael Carter

How's Your ROI?

For crossword fanatics out there you probably have seen the clue "King in France" (Roi). From that we get the word corduroy (king's clothes). Still with me? Let's talk about a different ROI—Return On Investment. No, I am not trying to sell you insurance or financial products. I will leave that to the licensed professionals. I do have some Enron shares that I could let go for cheap. If wise Ben Franklin said that "time is money" then how we invest our time is critical. I know I want to get the biggest bang for my buck of time. So here's a way to solidly invest your limited amount of time and get a tenfold return. Get active with us at the council. We are approaching the busiest time of year as Knights: Harvest Homecoming (parking lot and oyster booth), Thanksgiving (baskets to the less fortunate), and Christmas (homeless breakfast). Then throw in our monthly First Friday Fish Frys starting in September. All of these events take enormous amount of prep to execute fully. Please commit to help us – bring your family along. You won't regret your investment of time with us.

I guarantee your time spent with the Knights will reap much in the community and deepen your faith. Brother, can you spare the time?

How to Keep in Touch

You might recall that in the last newsletter published I made a case for why that would be the last hardcopy newsletter. Guess what? I'm renegeing. Shortly after the election of WGK Sean Missi he came to me and asked me to reconsider. To make it short, I did and the newsletter lives on to see another day. My resolve that it makes sense for us to shift our newsletter to a digital format remains. As postage and printing prices increase it makes sense to utilize the internet to save money that could serve the charities that we support. If you need help getting connected digitally, feel free to reach out to me.

Sean and I discussed the importance of communications to members and how that can best be achieved in today's evolving technological world. The conclusion from that conversation, and conversations with others, is that to effectively stay in touch we ought to maintain several avenues of communications. With the blessing of our WGK, a Communications Committee was formed which includes me, Bro. Steve Volpert, Bro. Dustin Jones and Bro. Chris Dunn. The vehicles of communications will be the hardcopy newsletter, text messages, emails, our website, Facebook and Signup Genius. Signup Genius is a program that facilitates the scheduling of volunteers and we hope to implement that for the upcoming Harvest Homecoming.

In order for this to work we need as many members as possible to get onboard by providing a current email address and Mobile Phone Number to the Financial Secretary (Matt Lincoln, p.matt.lincoln@gmail.com, 502 641-7392) and let him know anytime there is a change.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Bro. Keith Byerley

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Council Calendar

Friday, September 6	4:30pm	1st Friday Fish Fry (Back to school)
Wednesday, September 11	6:30pm	House Committee Meeting
Thursday, September 12	7:00pm	Council Meeting
Saturday, September 14	4 - 11:00 pm	St. Mary New Albany Fiesta
Monday, September 16	6:30pm	4th Degree Rosary
	7:00pm	4th Degree Mtg.
Saturday, September 21		OLPH Knights' Church Drive S. Ellen Jones/Cardinal Ritter House Block Party
Sunday, September 22		OLPH Knights' Church Drive
Friday, October 4	4:30pm	1st Friday Fish Fry
¹ Saturday, October 5	2:00pm	Harvest Homecoming Parade
Thursday, October 10		Harvest Homecoming
Friday, October 11		Harvest Homecoming & HH Cornhole Tourney
Saturday, October 12		Harvest Homecoming
Sunday, October 13		Harvest Homecoming
² Wednesday, October 16	6:30pm	House Committee Meeting
² Thursday, October 17	7:00pm	Council Meeting
Monday, October 21	7:00pm	Deceased Member's Mass
Friday, November 1		All Saints Day
	4:30pm	1st Friday Fish Fry
Saturday, November 2		Bishops Foys/Siegel Banquet
Wednesday, November 13	6:30pm	House Committee Meeting
Thursday, November 14	7:00pm	Council Meeting
Friday, November 15		Dinner at the Council to benefit the Christmas Day Breakfast
Monday, November 18	6:30pm	4th Degree Rosary
	7:00pm	4th Degree Mtg.
Saturday, November 23	9:00am	Thanksgiving Baskets
Friday, December 6	4:30pm	1st Friday Fish Fry
Sunday, December 8,		Children's Christmas Party
Wednesday, December 11	6:30pm	House Committee Meeting
Thursday, December 12	7:00pm	Council Meeting
Friday, December 13		J&J Pallet Christmas Party
Monday, December 16	6:00pm	4th Degree Christmas Party
Saturday, December 21		Globe Mech. Christmas Party
Wednesday, December 25		Homeless Breakfast
Wednesday, January 1		Solemnity of Mary
Friday, January 3	4:30pm	1st Friday Fish Fry
Wednesday, January 8	6:30pm	House Committee Meeting
Thursday, January 9	7:00pm	Council Meeting

Dates and times are subject to change. Updates will be reflected on the online calendar at: <http://www.kofc1221.org/calendar.html>

¹We will have a float in the parade. Watch for more info as the plan develops.

²The October meetings were changed from their regular dates due to the Harvest Homecoming events.

News Briefs

Emails

We've been utilizing emails to get info out to members. If you want to be added to the email list or update your existing address, please send an email to, Financial Secretary: Matt Lincoln, p.matt.lincoln@gmail.com, Ph. 502 641-7392



Please consider lending a hand at events and participating in club activities.

Setting up for events, cleaning up before and after, tending bar, etc. See events on the calendar to the left. Call Brother Mike Carter to be added to the list of men that he can call on for help. Bro. Bob Knable is going to be out of commission for surgery. Bartender help is **urgently needed**. I can help you get the required license.

Mike Carter—502-548-2968

LOUNGE HOURS

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SAT.-SUN.: Normally Closed

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Thank You!

Fr. Jeremy Gries accepted the request to serve as our Council Chaplain. See Fr. Jeremy's Bio. at <https://www.holyfamilynewalbany.org/our-parish/our-pastor/>
If you see him out and about, introduce yourself and take a moment to say thanks.

John 14:1-3 "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be.



Chaplain's Challenge



Council 1221 Calendar



Archdiocese Holy Days



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Fr. Jeremy's Bio