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COUNCIL 1221 NEWS

Dear Brother Knights and Families,

For you that know me I'm your newly elected Grand Knight, Steve Byerley, and for you that do know me, sorry about your luck. If you didn't make the June Council Meeting, it was a close vote. Ha! Ha!

I'm sure that you are asking yourselves, Why would he take on this task? All I know is that it may have been reactionary. I love the Knights of Columbus and what it stands for, charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. Know that I will do the best that I can to live up to those ideals.

I would also like to thank the immediate past Grand Knight, Dan Coffey, and past officers for their hard work in keeping those ideals alive.

There is another letter to all of you included within this newsletter that was endorsed by our House Committee and Officers which explains our current situation in detail.

Thank you and God Bless

**Grand Knight,
Steve Byerley**

The Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge will be published each month in the Chaplain's Report, <https://www.kofc.org/en/members/resources/leadership-communications/chaplain-report.html>, as well as in *Knightline* and *Columbia* magazine.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori for the month of July

This month I challenge you to "come away" to a quiet place by praying at least five minutes a day, first thing in the morning before you check your electronic devices or turn on the TV. You will likely have stops and starts, but strive to be as consistent as possible. Secondly I challenge you to respond to Jesus' invitation to "rest a while" by doing something truly restful on Sunday, the day of rest.

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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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We have some soul searching decisions to make...

Brother Knights,

There are many challenges that lie ahead and, honestly, we can not overcome them without a lot of help from a lot of members. At our July Business Meeting there were 14 members in attendance out of 560 members. That's pretty typical for that last several years, handful of members attending meetings and a handful doing all of the work at fundraisers. There is still a need to fill a Trustee position and a position on the CBC, Columbia Building Corporation. We simply cannot continue this way.

So what path do we take?

There is a lot of history and good memories here at Council 1221. Past members include parents and grandparents of current members. We owe it to them and our children to continue the work that Father McGivney began.

We are at a crossroad and must make some difficult decisions on which path to take. Our council has struggled for some time financially and while we are meeting our obligations, another major repair could easily put us further in debt. Currently we carry a debt of approximately \$23,000 against our building.

The council building draws on our resources and at times overshadows our true goal of being a charitable organization. It costs approximately \$2000 to \$3000 a month to keep this building running. Recently major repairs were completed on the exterior of the building. Much more will need to be done in the future. We were fortunate to receive a grant from The Horseshoe Foundation to complete the repairs. If not for that we would have had to incur further debt* to make those repairs. Schickel Concrete Renovations completed the work and gave us a considerable discount and we are so thankful for that. We have a potential grant from the City of New Albany that remains in Limbo so we really cannot count on that, although we remain hopeful that it will materialize.

Rentals of our facility have been down. This is putting our revenue stream in serious jeopardy. Do we take on more debt to renovate the building to make it a more desirable facility? That option will only work if enough members really desire it and are willing to support the decision by becoming "active" members. While participation last year at our major fundraiser, Harvest Homecoming, was good, we really need to have multiple fundraisers annually something we can not do without member participation.

Another option is to sell the building and move to a more affordable building which would be a better fit for the number of "active" members.

We might also consider moving to become a Parish Council as opposed to a Diocesan Council. This transition might result in the chartering of new councils at individual parishes.

This is not the council of one man or a small group of men. It is your council too. We want to hear from you. Please attend our next business meeting on August 9 at 7:30 P.M. Your input is appreciated and needed.

Council 1221 Officers and Trustees

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Participate at your council and your parishes

Dates to Remember

<http://www.archindy.org/criterion/local/festivals.html>

Jul 12 7:30 p.m. Council Meeting
 Jul 16 6:00 p.m. 4th Degree Officer Installation
 Aug 01 6:00 p.m. House Meeting
 Aug 09 7:30 p.m. Council Meeting
 Aug 12 St. Mary's Lanesville Festival
 Aug 18—18 St. Mary's of The Knobs Floyds Knobs Festival
 Aug 20 4th Degree Meeting beginning with Rosary at 6:30 p.m.
 Sep 05 6:00 p.m. House Meeting
 Sep 07 1st Friday Fish Fry 4:30—7:30 p.m.
 Sep 08 Sacred Heart Jeffersonville Festival
 Sep 09 St. Augustine Jeffersonville Festival
 Sep 13 6:30 p.m. 1st Degree / 7:30 p.m. Council Meeting
 Sep 13 5:00 p.m. Lanesville Heritage Days (Pending)
 Sep 14 All Day...Lanesville Heritage Days (Pending)
 Sep 15 All Day...Lanesville Heritage Days (Pending)
 Sep 15 St. Mary's New Albany Festival
 Sep 16 All Day...Lanesville Heritage Days
 Sep 16 St. Michael's Charlestown Festival
 Sep 17 4th Degree Meeting beginning with Rosary at 6:30 p.m.
 Sep 23 St. Michael's Bradford Festival
 Oct 03 6:00 p.m. House Meeting
 Oct 05 1st Friday Fish Fry 4:30—7:30 p.m.
 Oct 06 New Albany's Harvest Homecoming Parade 11:30 a.m.
 Oct 11 HH Oyster Booth 12:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.
 Oct 11 7:30 p.m. Council Meeting
 Oct 12 HH Oyster Booth 9:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m.
 Oct 12 Corn Hole Tourney @ KofC 6:30 til
 Oct 13 HH Oyster Booth 9:00 a.m.—10 p.m.
 Oct 14 HH Oyster Booth 12:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.
 Oct 15 4th Degree Deceased Memorial Mass 6:00 p.m..
 Oct 31 All Saints Day
 Nov 01 All Souls Day
 Nov 02 1st Friday Fish Fry 4:30—7:30 p.m.

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News Briefs

Happy 100th Birthday

This year is a big one for Father Bonaventure Knaebel, as he will celebrate his 75th jubilee (anniversary) as a priest, 80th as a monk and will turn 100 years old on Sept. 6. Father Bonaveture is the former Archabbott of Saint Meinrad Archabbey and a 4th Degree Knight. Let's make his day special by flooding him with Birthday Cards.

His address is:

RRV Bonaventure Knaebel, OSBBM

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There is still a Trustee opening to be filled. Any 3rd degree member in good standing is eligible to hold this office. The Trustee's meet with the Grand Knight, at least once per month, to address any issues that have to do with daily operations of the House. If you would like to serve, contact any officer.

It's not too early to start thinking about lending a hand at upcoming events. The First Friday Fish Fries resume in September. The New Albany Harvest Homecoming, is October 12th through the 14th. We will need lots of help with the Oyster Booth, the Corn Hole Tournament and with parking. There is another potential fundraiser in September that is still in the planning stage and that is having our Oyster Booth at the Lanesville Heritage Weekend.



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