

## August, 2016 Newsletter



Jim Gerke – Grand Knight  
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Thanks, everyone, for helping make my first month as Grand Knight enjoyable. We had to cancel last month's Council meeting as there was no room in the inn for a meeting place. I hope everyone is enjoying the lake, hot weather, family and friends. We have had company several weekends and this weekend we will host the Gerke family, all of 35 of them-what fun!

Last month I waited until 8:00 a.m. to call a Knight. When his wife answered, she said he had left at 5:30 to help mow the Cemetery while it was not so hot. Thank you Cemetery Crew for keeping the Cemetery looking so nice, you are appreciated!

### IN THE NEAR FUTURE:

#### August Calendar:

- 5<sup>th</sup> - First Friday Mass, anointing of the sick and Holy Hour
- 10<sup>th</sup> - Shootout Board of Directors is hosting a party for all Shootout Volunteers, 5:30 at the Stables
- 12<sup>th</sup> - Blood Drive, St. Leo's Hall, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.
- 14<sup>th</sup> - All You Can Eat Pancake and Sausage Breakfast, after 8:30 Mass only
- 17<sup>th</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting at Camdenton – 7:30, carpool from Bank of Versailles – 6:30
- 18<sup>th</sup> - Officer Meeting, St. Joe's Hall – 5:30 p.m.
- 19<sup>th</sup> - Welcome Father Schmitz Spaghetti Dinner, St. Leo's Hall – 5:00 p.m. (I would appreciate it if all Knights would wear their blue shirts)
- 21<sup>st</sup> - K of C Breakfast at Elks, wear K of C badge to church to show our unity
- 23<sup>rd</sup> - Council Meeting, Rosary starts at 6:40 p.m.
- 24<sup>th</sup> - **Mandatory Shootout Meeting, Elks Lodge – 6:30 p.m.**, it is Taco Night, they begin serving at 5:00 p.m., if you want to eat, please come early as it will be crowded and we want to get the meeting started on time

### Future Dates:

#### September:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> - First Friday Mass, anointing of Sick and Holy Hour
- 10<sup>th</sup> - Air Show, Camdenton, Brad needs help

11<sup>th</sup> - Pancake Breakfast  
15<sup>th</sup> - Officer Meeting, St. Joe's Hall, 5:30 p.m.  
15-18<sup>th</sup> – Boy Scout Retreat, Help needed  
24<sup>th</sup> – October Fest and Church fundraiser, Raffle  
27<sup>th</sup> – Council Meeting, Rosary starts at 6:40 p.m.  
26-29<sup>th</sup> – Knights' White House Retreat in St. Louis

**October:**

7-8 Tootsie Rolls Drive – need help, wives can work with husbands

**Volunteer Opportunities:**

Volunteers are needed on **August 14<sup>th</sup>** to help with our Pancake Breakfast

Thank you to everyone that signed up to volunteer for the Lake of the Ozarks Shootout on **August, 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>**. Please remember the mandatory meeting for all volunteers on Wednesday, **August 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30, upstairs at the Elks Lodge.**

Air Show in Camdenon on **September 10<sup>th</sup>**, contact Brad.

Boy Scouts Retreat on **September 15<sup>th</sup> through 18<sup>th</sup>**.

October Fest on **September 24<sup>th</sup>**.

Tootsie Roll Drive **October 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>**.

**August Birthdays**

01 – Tom Moser  
03 – Jim Yahnke  
05 – George Stark  
11 – Mike Szemplenski  
13 – Jeff LaHay  
14 – Gene Hanrahan  
16 – Jerry Kleindienst  
22 – Danny DeLuca, John Wilcott  
23 – Howard Smelser  
24 – Tom Gerant, Ed Seaton, Pete Tegeler  
28 – Robert Croker, Ted Schleisman

**August Knights Service Anniversaries (# of years):**

25 – Jim Bock  
20 – Robert Aubuchon, Rick Purdon  
18 – Timothy De Shaw  
16 - Vaughn McCain

02 – Mike Kramer

**GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

Ralph Baracz, Bill Shortino, Duane Kennedy, Tom Gerant, Don Hamilton, Jim Kempf, Mike Kuse, Jim Saab, Clarence Hager, George Tankersley, Andy Bayerl, Dennis Devine, Bud Reker, Tom Costello, Dan DeLuca

**Our Mission to Motherhood:**

Let us consider the Crisis of Motherhood! The most critical and volatile word on this earth is mother. This has come about through the woundedness of our society—that society with its monumental psychological and spiritual problems which speaks of God with its lips but not with its heart.

We equate life with mothers. God graciously allows man and woman to share in His creation of life and has made Mothers to bring forth life to the world. Now, the devil in his devious way, is using mothers to destroy life. Women are choosing to kill their unborn babies. Will they want to eliminate all handicapped children as well? Are grandparents living too long? All over our country and the world, we are seeing this through the abortion movement and the right to die organizations.

This is the challenge as we prepare to enter the future. Can we combat the wiles of the devil? Are we able to stop the destruction of society? For mothers to sit back and not be concerned—for children to be unconcerned as well, bodes for a holocaust that will inevitably destroy all life—yes, the lives that only a mother can birth.

Thank God there are those children who will stand up and defend their mothers and mothers everywhere. We have a Mission to Motherhood at our Shrine dedicated to Mary, Mother of the Church, and to all mothers everywhere. As we give credence to the power of prayer, let us join hands and hearts around the world forming a Prayer Chain for peace in the family and in the world. Through this simple, effective method women can regain their self-respect in being God’s instrument for giving life. Mothers can recapture the dignity and love which the gift of life she brought into the world must demand. With Mary’s intercession and God’s help, the world can be brought back to sanity and stability as we join our hands and hearts in prayer for Motherhood.

God bless each and every one of you,

Jim Gerke

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**LADIES AUXILIARY MONTHLY INFORMATION**

Next meeting: **August 23, 2016 at 6:30 P.M.**

Following praying the rosary, we will meet in St. Joseph's Room.

Dues for the upcoming 2016-2017 year are due - \$12.00

**August Birthdays:**

07 - Dorothy Bock

31 - Glenda Veulemans;

31 - Rosemary Meyers

**Shoot Out Volunteers:** If you are working the Shoot-Out and need to know your hours of work, contact Jackie Scarpino. This is a huge money maker for us, so all are encouraged to volunteer if able to do so.

In September we will be approving the donations for upcoming 6 months. If you have any organizations you would like to have our Auxiliary make a donation to, please bring to the meeting.

Also, bring your calendars to update them with upcoming Events.

Our goal is for 1 new member each month. Every wife of a Knight of Columbus is welcome to join our Auxiliary. So, invite a friend and bring to the meeting.

Hostesses for August meeting are: Jeanie Colby, Donna Hutton

Looking forward to seeing you August 23.

God Bless All – Julie Dorman, President

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