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Council Business Meeting 2nd Tuesday of the month



From The Grand Knight....

Dear Brother Knights and Family Members,

As we all know winter is upon us. (It has snowed in New Orleans!) The days are getting longer -- some days colder -- but longer every day.

We at council #583 will soon be discussing our plans for the upcoming barbecue - so that will be exciting! I encourage everyone to come out to the Clubhouse on the first Sunday of the month to enjoy a great breakfast. It has been a very successful event. Serving is from 8:30 till noon. The cost is \$13.00 for adults, \$7.00 for 12 and under, and free for those 5 and under. And don't miss the Thursday raffles in McGivney Hall with ticket sales starting at 5:30 p.m. and the drawing at 8:00 p.m.

And we will be looking forward to the popular fish fry's as Lent will soon be upon us as well.

While you are holding the Knightly News in your hands, please look at the back page. When in need of the products and services of our advertisers, please consider making them a first choice. Their advertising helps to pay for this newsletter!

I hope everyone is having a great New Year and that all are in good health! Hope to see you soon at the Club House!

> Chad Altgilbers, Grand Knight Ph. 660-341-9719/ Chadaltqilbers@gmail.com

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- THE BATTLE OF THE PADDLES

An entertaining fundraiser for Blessed Sacrament School will be held on Saturday February 22nd in the KC's McGivney Hall. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. The auction begins at 6:00 p.m.

Bring snacks and lots of quarters!

The KC bar will be open to purchase alcohol and soda, and there will be a few vendors available as well. If you would like to reserve a table call ahead with the number of people you will have. Contact Lori Quevillon 217-228-1477.

How it works: You purchase paddles with numbers on them for \$1 each. Then what follows is an auction with a twist. (We will explain the procedure at the event.) *Come join us for the fun!*

- CHICKEN DINNERS

Our popular Fried Chicken Dinners continue in February in Father McGivney Hall from 5:00 -



7:00 p.m. Price is \$13.00 for adults, \$7.00 for Children 12 & under, Children under 5 eat free.

Includes "all you can eat" fried chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans & corn. Dine-in or

Drive-Thru. Tell your Family & Friends. Everyone is welcome!

Our last chicken dinner will be on Feb. 28, with the Lenten Fish fries starting on Ash Wednesday March 5th, and continuing every Friday night including Good Friday. (Sponsored by the 4th Degree.)

- FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

I hope everyone is doing well & surviving the weather that has hit the Quincy area.

Please remember in your prayers all of our Assembly #200 & Council #583 members, their families and friends who are sick, in the hospital, or at home. Also keep in prayer our servicemen & women and their family members who are serving around

the world. Our next Fourth Degree Meeting will be Tuesday April 15,2025.

- Your Faithful Navigator, Terry Obert, 217-592-6400



- MAIL

Each day when we get our mail most of us quickly sort through it and toss the junk mail. Unless we are careful however, we can at times toss something valuable. Please open all the envelopes that you get from Council #583. It might include a check



to you as a winner in the calendar raffle! We have a lot of outstanding checks sent to raffle winners which have not been cashed!

- A WORTHY OPPORTUNNITY

There is a great pro-life initiative happening in the greater Quincy area. It is a campaign to raise



funds for "Hope House" a proposed residence to give hope for unwed mothers in need. Our Council is currently in

the process of making a commitment to this worthy project. You can learn more at their website: *Hopehouseofquincy.com*.

- Calendar Raffle Update

The 2025 Calendar Raffle proved to be very successful as we ended the year with a net profit well over \$9000. This is one of our better years and the profit is put to good use supporting our various

charities. We want to thank all the members who worked hard to make the raffle a success. Special thanks to those people who sold 50 or more calendars including Dan Hoffman selling the most at 155.



The winners will continue to be drawn weekly and notified with a letter and a check in the mail. The names of the winners will be posted at the club on the wall across from the kitchen as well as on the Council 583 web site. We still have calendars for sale with plenty of chances to win in 2025. For calendars or information please call John Veith at 217-653-0258.

Winners Circle Update: the winner of the 2024 Calendar Raffle winner's circle is Lucas Cramsey who won \$1000. Congratulations.

The family that prays together, stays together!

- CHAPLAIN'S REFLECTION

Judge not, lest ye be judged. (Matthew 7:1)

Dear Brother Knights & Family Members,

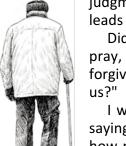
I came across this piece of wisdom some time ago:

- Pray, don't find fault with the man that limps or stumbles along the road unless you have worn the shoes he wears or struggled beneath his load.
- There may be tacks in his shoes that hurt though hidden away from view, or the burden he bears placed on your back might cause you to stumble too.
- Don't sneer at the man who's down today unless you have felt the blow that caused his fall or felt the shame that only the fallen know.
- You may be strong but still the blows that were his if dealt to you in the selfsame way, at the selfsame time might cause you to stagger too.
- Don't be too harsh with the man that sins or pelt him with word or stone unless you are sure yea, doubly sure - that you have no sins of your
- For you know, perhaps, if the tempter's voice should whisper as soft to you as it did to him when he went astray it might cause you to falter too.

- Author unknown

We all make judgments about others, although as the years pass I am uncomfortable doing so - and am indeed happy when I found that I had misjudged another.

And when I find that I was correct in a negative judgment something inside often



leads me to pray for that person.

Did not the Lord Himself teach us to pray, "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against

I wonder if we realize what we are saying when we pray those words - how much they bind us? For we give God permission to be as rough with us as we are with others.

I have come to believe though, that we truly do God's work when we forgive another. We are peace makers. And when we forgive others, God has bound Himself to forgive us!

- Fr. Don Blickhan

- ANNULMENTS

At times marriages fail because something that was fundamental to the marital commitment was missing from the beginning. The process of looking at a failed marriage and finding that missing piece is called an "annulment."

Christ taught that a marriage is a permanent relationship until death. However if there was not a true marriage from the beginning because



something fundamental was lacking - then a church annulment can be given.

Once issued then the parties to the union are free to be married in the Church.

Most parishes have what is called a "procurator advo-

cate." An "advocate" is someone similar to a civilian attorney. His role is to assist persons with obtaining an annulment through the Church.

Persons needing an annulment are encouraged to contact their parish priest for assistance. Or, call the Diocesan Tribunal at (217) 698-8500.

- MASS FOR SHUT-INS

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Sun. Feb. 2, 2025	№ Donald Schuering
Sun. Feb. 9, 2025	Ralph Schwartz
Sun. Feb. 16, 2025	M Mike Marshall
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- TEAM BLAKE UPDATE...

Our Christmas visit was made on December 6th at St. John's Children's Hospital in Springfield delivering four I-Pads for cancer patients, as well as 40 stuffed animals with \$50 gift cards - purchased through the Gene Grawe fund.

Thanks to all who helped by donating their beer and soda tabs. A large box of them was dropped off at the Ronald McDonald House. Please continue to save your tabs and drop them off at the K.C. in the bar area at the Club House.

- A local cancer patient from Quincy was also helped on January 13th: Brylynn Sprinkle, a freshman at QHS is currently battling Synonvial Sarcoma. She received a large stuffed animal and a \$500 check from Team Blake.