



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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DEPUTY G. K.

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Robert Kempczynski

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Frank Simanton

TREASURER

PGK Art Stanley

WARDEN

George Patterson

ADVOCATE**LECTURER**

(YOUR Name?)

GUARDS

Bob Herman Don Young

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Permanently disconnected

COLUMBIAN CLUB OF WATERVLIET officers: Bruce Meyers Glen Giannetti Art Stanley Robert Herman
Trustees: Rick Hubona Ryan Ott Joe Giapa

SICK OR IN DISTRESS---**Neal Krietner****Harold White****Pete Mannino****Fran Young****Pauline Palgen****Fr. Don Wieber****REC Frank and Teresa Simanton****Robert Ott****MEMORIAL**---

In your prayers, please remember the soul of Brother Ron Ostrowski. Ron passed away on July 8, 2021. Ron joined the Knights of Columbus in 1993 after he retired from AT&T and moved to the Paw Paw Lake area. He had been extremely active in the council, the club and the parish. Ron was our Treasurer for years, worked a lot of functions, took charge of several construction projects in the club as well as the Church and was chairman of several activities including the Bingo. I am not going to try to list every activity he worked on but, the council will notice that he is not around anymore to do them. May Ron rest in peace.

DONATION NOTED---

The North Berrien Senior Center had an article and picture published in the Tri-City Record of GK Duffy handing the director of the Center the council's donation toward the purchase of a second van with a ramp. Since the Covid pandemic, the NBSC has only allowed one passenger in a vehicle at a time. So a second handicapped vehicle has fulfilled a need in the area.

Fr. THELEN HALL---

The parish's construction project in Fr. Thelen Hall has been completed. The floor still needs to be stripped and waxed. The tables and chairs will need a cleaning and the room set up for activities again.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS---

DD Janssen would like to install the officers at the Officer's Meeting on August 2. ALL OFFICERS are asked to attend the ceremony. Any Knight may attend the officer's meeting which starts at 7pm at the club.

FYI---DGK Bill Ott has suggested that the council file a short form 990 to the IRS for the 2020-2021 fiscal year since the council did not conduct any bingos and our income was well below the income levels for the more extensive form. This action will save the council the expense of our tax accountant.

TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE---The officers decided that our council would do the Tootsie Roll Drive to support organizations that help Citizens with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities on October 9,10,11, 2021. This event is now called the Columbus Day MI Drive.

FS Nickels has asked DD Janssen to include our Tootsie Roll order with the Paw Paw Council. This should save the council some money in shipping and product costs.

This is an activity that Brother Ostrowski did for a lot of years. The council needs a person to organize and follow through with this project. Contact GK Mike Duffy 269-252-3235

BINGO!

1. How does the council come up with the approximately \$12000 that bingo provides to the council's budget? This is the main reason that the officers would like to re-open bingo.
2. Thirteen members have indicated that they would work bingo. As one of the chairmen, I consider this a minimal number to make the bingo possible. Since some of the thirteen are not in the greatest of health, the rest of these men will be called upon to work more frequently than before. I am not willing to volunteer for an every week job and I think it unfair to assume the rest of these volunteers will work every week. (I realize the paperwork must be done every week so that the bingo is accountable to the State of MI and the council.)
3. As a group, we need to decide how we will keep ourselves and our customers safe. Sanitation will have to be increased to keep Fr. Thelen hall safe for all.
4. I hope that some additional K of C members can find the time to help out. Please contact me before the August 9 meeting.

SUNDAY MORNING DONUTS---Except for the 3 servers that have passed in the last 18 months, I would like to assume that the rest of the workers of this project are willing to get back to work.

IF I am mistaken, please contact me ASAP. At church, at the Aug. 9 meeting, email, 269-932-8284

Again, sanitation procedures will change with this project.

EDITOR'S COMMENT

Charity is the first and main reason to join this Catholic organization. Ask yourself if you have lived up to that standard.