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Council, No. 1031

Reading, Massachusetts 01867

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My Brother Knights,

A happy Father's Day to all of you

My term as Grand Knight is about to be over, we will be electing our new Grand Knight on the first business meeting in June. Show your support for the incoming officers by being present at this meeting on June 9th.

As some of you know I will be moving to Florida. I am not going to say goodbye because I will keep in touch and it may not work out.

I want to thank all for your help and support and your patience.

Please continue the good works of our council, support the next Grand Knight and continue serving our God.

Yours in Christ
Len Ebert Grand Knight

Sick and Vigil:

Brother Lenny Merullo is at Sawtelle House, pray that he is at peace.

Brother Ed Knowles is at home, he is still in need of your prayers.

Brother Bill Guazzaloca has been admitted to the Chelsea Soldiers Home and is also in need of our prayers.

Brother Walter Kulakowski is not well, remember him in your prayers.

If you know of any brother or family member in need of prayers or assistance, communicate these needs to Ernie Arsenault for inclusion in the newsletter. ernea101@gmail.com.

A GOOD KNIGHT THOUGHT

Our care of the sick and infirm:

There are many ways to care for the sick. As a parishioner and Brother Knight it's important every day to pray for those who are sick asking God to restore them. Beyond prayer, there are, at least two ways to minister to the sick.

First: Home or hospital visits. Sick folks can use a friend—and God may very well be calling you to be that friend. Make them feel connected to the life of their parish family and our Council. Bring a bulletin, talk about what's new. Buy them a parish or Council raffle ticket—or anything like that to let them know that they are not forgotten.

Second: Bring the hospitalized and home-bound Holy Communion. Ask to be trained to do this and you will find a special joy in bringing the Real Presence of Christ to the sick and infirm.

Of course, the sticking point for serving the sick is always TIME—we are all pulled in so many directions. Think of time, though, as something of great value (like money) that you are called upon to sacrifice. Our time on earth belongs to God and sacrificing that time in order to serve his people shows where our priorities lie.

Jesus talked about judgment day—describing God as dividing everyone into two groups. To one of the groups he says, *"Come, you who are blessed by my Father: inherit the Kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world"*

Why does he offer that group the promise of heaven? Because, among other things he says: **"I was sick and you visited me..."** *We all know someone who **needs** our visit!*

DEACON NEIL

June Birthdays:

6/1 Tom McKenna, John Quinlan, 6/4 Mike Giacalone, 6/7 Mike Olivo, 6/8 Robert Beane, Pat Iapicca, 6/11 Paul Guazzaloca, 6/12 Charles Gazzara, 6/17 Brett Hubbard, 6/19 Ron Beaupre, Paul Millett, 6/20 Steve Goldner, 6/21 Ken Masse, Chris Sullivan, 6/29 Charles Donovan.

Pancake Breakfast:

The Reading Knights of Columbus Council 1031 served a complimentary pancake breakfast to approx. 100 parishioners at St. Athanasius on Sunday, May 17th. They also honored the parish Altar Servers and Youth Choir.



Old Timers Night:

We had our annual Old Timers/Awards Night on Tuesday May 19. The evening was well attended as usual and began with a dinner prepared by Camille followed with the presentation of awards for long service in our Council.

The 50 year membership award was presented to, Gerald Boudreau.

The 25 year Pin was presented to: Robert Haley, Charles Donovan, Francis Enos, George Grilli, Paul Guazzaloca, Ted Kelton, Mark McDonough, Bob Ryan, and Bob Stanton



The recipients that were present; Brothers Donovan, Enos, Guazzaloca, Kelton, McDonough, and Stanton are shown with GK Len Ebert and FS Charlie Fallon.

First Degree:

Jim O'Leary, a member of St. Agnes Parish, became a member of the Knights of Columbus at a First Degree ceremony held on May 17th the Tewksbury Council. Welcome Jim!



The Charities of the Reading Knights:



The council voted recently to establish an annual award of \$500 to a graduating student, selected by the RMHS staff, who excelled in Community Service. The first student recipient, Andrea Nastri is shown receiving the Award from Chancellor Dick Coco.

Spring (50/50) Charity Drive:

The Charities of the Reading Knights are funded with monies that are collected during the Spring Charity Drive that will be held this year on Fri. 6/5 and Sat. 6/6. Your participation is needed to assure its success. Of the monies we collect 50% is donated to the Reading Food Pantry and the remainder goes to our Charity Fund.

Please help to make this a success by donating two hours of your time to this worthy cause. **Sign up now!!**

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Charity Committee:

"There is no better way to experience love and compassion than by helping those in need."

If you have interest in serving on this committee please let PGK/Treasurer know. Also, if you have suggestions for charities you'd like the council support please pass them along anytime.

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Election of Officers:

The election of Officers for the next fraternal year will take place at the meeting of June 9th. Plan to attend to welcome these men that will be leading us.

Advertisers/Memorials:

The bulletin has space available for additional advertisers. If you or someone you know are interested in placing an ad contact Ernie Arsenault erne101@gmail.com. It is also appropriate to add a memorial to a love one. The annual rate for a single space is \$40, \$80 for a double space and \$160 for a four space block.

Dues! Dues!

FS Charlie Fallon has reported that there are many brothers that are still delinquent. He has sent out two mailing but there are still a large number that have not paid. Your support is needed if the council is going to be able to continue its works of charity. Let's hear from you.

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Council Meetings:

June 5-6	Charity Drive
June 9	8:00 PM Council meeting and Election of Officers
June 23	Council Meeting

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