



My Brother Knights,

We went into the fireworks season not really knowing what to expect. How would Covid-19 affect sales? What would be the outcome with public fireworks displays being cancelled? How would online sales work and would we be able to meet a large number of orders? Well, I'm pleased to announce that we had our best year ever. Record sales over \$90,000 and a lot of people stepping up to help out at the last moment resulted in our ability to continue supporting the many significant ministries we have traditionally participated in. Thanks to the proactive approach and problem-solving of Chairman Brian Jueneman and Co-Chair Chris Montgomery, processes were put in place to specifically manage online sales and curbside delivery. To all of the Knights, family members, parishioners, neighbors and friends who either helped provide manpower or shopped for their fireworks needs at our tent, a big thanks!

We are wrapping up our planning and budgeting activities for the new Fraternal Year. Thanks to all of our officers and program chairs for your input and participation. We hope to have a budget ready at our meeting August 5<sup>th</sup>.

Our Annual Awards Banquet will be held August 23<sup>rd</sup> in the school gym. Ricky's Café will once again be our caterer. Due to Coronavirus procedures, we will need to provide an accurate count for food preparation. State Deputy Mark Borytsky and his wife Audrey, and District Master Rich Lowery and his wife Gail have already accepted our invitation and we look forward to a great night of fellowship, recognition, and great food. We will also induct our new officers for the year. Reception begins at 5 PM, with dinner and the program to follow. If you cannot attend the August 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, please watch your e-mail for information on how to register.

Our July Family of the Month, Adrian and Holly Carlson, welcomed a new addition to the family with the birth of baby Loretta, their third child, all girls. Congratulations! We also have some members experiencing health issues so please continue to pray for their needs. I hope you take a few moments each day to pray for the needs shared on the Knights Prayer Line. I forward this daily except when I'm out of touch with an Internet connection. Please continue to check in on your neighbors and friends because a lot of people are still somewhat confined to their homes. Any prayer needs can be sent to me at [kofc13576@gmail.com](mailto:kofc13576@gmail.com) and I will forward it to the State Council. Our Executive Secretary does an excellent job maintaining the prayers.

We now have a council Facebook page. It's another tool that we'll use to communicate to you so if you are on Facebook please join the page, Knights of Columbus Council 13576. We rolled out the page prior to the fireworks and I have some other recent event photos to share.

Vivat Jesus, Jim

#### Calendar of Events 2020

August 5, General Meeting, Social Hall at 7 PM  
August 23 Awards Banquet, 5 PM St. Patrick's Gym  
August 25 Officers Meeting, Social Hall at 7 PM

**Knight of the Month, Ryan Rosenthal**

**Family of the Month, Terry & Paula Ryan**

#### Birthdays for August

Kevin Finson	8/1	Joel Blaser	8/16
James Hoelscher	8/1	Michael Wesley	8/16
Don Kuchta	8/1	John Jonas	8/18
Ken Kalisek	8/2	Paul Ceglia	8/19
Dave Micek	8/6	Bob Keltz	8/21
Matt Musiel	8/8	Craig Arent	8/25
Leonard Venhaus Jr.	8/11	Jim Bunch	8/25
Michael McHale	8/12	George Riggs	8/30
Mike Long	8/13	Michael Romberg	8/31
Rodney Gustafson	8/14		

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