

My Brother Knights,

I would like to open with hearty congratulations to our Knight of the Year and our Family of the Year. Both were honored at our recent Annual Awards Banquet, attended by 42 Knights and guests. Our Knight of the Year is Mike Long. Since retiring from the University of Nebraska, Mike has been a rather ubiquitous presence around the parish and council activities. His technical expertise has been put to use in several parish projects and we are proud to honor him as our Knight of the Year. Our Family of the Year is Terry and Paula Ryan. When I moved to Lincoln and first joined the council and met Terry, I immediately recognized him as a guy who just gets things done. And Paula brings the same energy and enthusiasm to everything she is involved in at St. Patrick's. Whether it's the Parish Festival, fireworks, or anything else that goes on around here, Terry and Paula can be found actively involved.

We continue to deal with the effects of Covid-19 but that didn't stop us from enjoying a great evening of food, fellowship, and fun at our awards dinner. Ricky's Café from Hanover, Kansas catered yet another wonderful meal and thanks to Brother Jeff Boettcher for being a wonderful bartender. We recognized a lot of people who contributed to the success of our council the past Fraternal Year, but a special thanks to Past Grand Knight Rod Middagh for leaving me in good hands. We also gave special thanks to Judy Schrader for all she does helping Al with council duties, Mary Jo Lauer for the amazing job she does helping Father Schweiger, and our parish secretary Kathy Esbri for her attention to detail and unwavering support for the Knights of Columbus.

We are entering a busy time in our calendar. September and October are normally filled with a host of activities and events and 2020 is no different. We are proceeding with our programs, making the necessary adjustments due to Covid-19 and the Directed Health Measures put in place by Lancaster County and with guidance from Supreme and the Nebraska State Council. Our next Fraternal Benefits Night will again be a Zoom meeting 7 PM on September 17<sup>th</sup> and you will receive more information about this. We will be showing the movie 'Unplanned' in the gym on September 20<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM so we will have plenty of space to spread out accordingly. This is a powerful film. I invite you to spread the word among your family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers to join us. I've seen the film a couple of times and get something new each time I've seen it.

In addition to kicking off collections for our upcoming Coats for Kids campaign, October also means it is Tootsie Roll time. Our Co-chairs Don Buresh and Gary Micek have already been hard at work and the most important element is people filling the time slots to pass out the Tootsie Rolls at Hy-Vee and Russ's Market. More information is coming soon, but the Campaign for the Developmentally Disabled will take place October 17-18.

Don't forget to check out our new Facebook page and continue to keep up with your activities as we Leave No Neighbor Behind.

Vivat Jesus, Jim

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September 2, General Meeting, Social Hall at 7 PM

September 17, KOC Virtual Benefits Night, 7 PM

September 17 begins 3 weeks of Coats for Kids in Narthex

September 20, Movie Unplanned in Gym, 7 PM

September 28, approximate for J&J inventory, will update

Family of the Month: Brian and Christina Juneman

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Nico Tarquinio	9/4	Gary Taylor	9/25
Jarod Epp	9/5	Scott Burns	9/26
David Wilson	9/9	John Dailey Jr.	9/28
Joseph Kohls	9/16	Joshua Penas	9/28
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