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NEXT MEETING June 3, 2021 – 8P
Note: THE BLESSED ROSARY RECITED AT 7:30PM

The Anchor

Knights of Columbus – Council 551

Grand Knight's Message

My Brother Knights,

Greetings all! So great to see so many of you at May's meeting. It was a busy meeting night, and your presence was greatly appreciated! It was especially nice as we welcomed four new members – George Geishauser, Gary Craig, Frank Cortese, and Ken Cortese – all of whom attended and joined at our March Madness Membership Event. And one of our current 1st Degree members, Mike McAndrew Sr., also took the exemplification to become a 3rd Degree! Congratulations and welcome to you all! We look forward to your involvement in Council 551!

As a reminder we don't hold council meetings in July and August. I'll continue to put an Anchor out during that time and use Remind to keep members updated on any news. As we come back in September, we will jump right into our fall fundraising.

Finally, it's all hands on deck for the next few weeks as we ramp up to our Joseph D Tomlinson Memorial Golf Tourney. We really need all members to encourage teams to register, hit up your contacts for sponsorships, and help out to get ready for this event! People are itching to get outside and socialize, which provides us with the opportunity to make this the best tourney yet! So, please do your part – if everyone at the meeting got even just one sponsor or got one prize or monetary donation, we could double the proceeds from the event that funds our scholarships! I would love to hit \$10,000 this year! Let's make it happen!

Fraternally,

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District/State/Supreme News DISTRICT DEPUTY NEWS

The State Council Annual Golf Tournament hosted by Bentleyville KofC Council 5826 is Saturday August 14, 2021. Shotgun start at 9am. Practice rounds available Fri. Aug. 13th for \$29 (18 holes/cart), includes hotdog/drink. Call Chippewa Golf Course (724) 239-4841 for practice round tee time. Mention KofC for the special rate. Awards/dinner held at Council home around 3pm on the 14th. Non-Golfing guests are welcome for the events off the course for \$30 per person. Download the registration flyer at: <http://pakofc.us>, click on the Annual State Golf Tournament image at bottom of home page.

COUNCIL NEWS

“Election of Officers”

At our May meeting, the Council made nominations for Council Officer positions. The nominations will be voted on at our June meeting. Please attend and cast your vote. If you are unable to attend and would like to cast your vote, please email me at kofc551@gmail.com and I will send you a nomination ballot.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

June 3 – Monthly Council Meeting 8pm (Rosary 7:30)

June 9 – Hoagie Sale

June 19 – JDT Memorial Golf Tournament 8am shotgun start

COUNCIL NEWS (CONT'D)

“Membership”

The State Council is challenging all members to try to recruit at least one more new member before the end of June. Every council will receive \$10 per new member recruited and \$50 for achieving Star Council. So, reach out to your network and find that friend, brother, relative that you think would be a great addition to our council. They can join online at www.kofc.org/joinus, and I can arrange for them to participate in an Exemplification Degree before the end of June. For those in our Council who are 1st and/or 2nd Degree members, please let me know and I can arrange for you to take the Exemplification Degree as well to become a 3rd Degree Member.

“Joseph D Tomlinson Memorial Scholarships”

The JDT Memorial Scholarships are available on the website at <https://www.kofc551.org/programs-1>. Students starting their 1st year at Bishop Guilfoyle in 6th, 7th, or 8th grade or are graduating from BG and going to attend Saint Francis University are eligible for a scholarship up to \$1,000. Applications are due by May 31st. If you have questions or have trouble accessing the application, contact Terry Anderson at (814) 932-0465 or e-mail kofc551@gmail.com.

COUNCIL UPCOMING EVENTS

“Council 551 Hoagie Sale”

We will hold another Hoagie sale on Wednesday, June 9. All help is greatly appreciate for prep beginning at 4pm, however, please show up anytime after if you can to help assemble. Hoagies are \$5.00 and orders are due by 10pm Sunday, June 6. Give your order to a current member, call the Council and leave a message at (814) 942-6262 or email your order to kofc551@gmail.org

“Joseph D Tomlinson Memorial Golf Tournament”

Planning is underway for our annual JDT Memorial Golf Tourney, which benefits our scholarship program. Sponsors are sought for Tee/Green Sponsorships (\$100) and Hole-in-One Holes (\$200). The event is Saturday, June 19th at King Valley Golf Course with an 8am shotgun start. We are also seeking donations of money, gift certificates, prizes (apparel, hats, golf items, etc) for our prize table. Consider donating or reach out to your contacts to consider a donation. Volunteers are needed to help setup, witness holes, drive beverages and snacks around, and cleanup. More info, including how to register, donate, or sponsor can be found on the tournament website at <https://joseph-d-tomlinson.perfectgolfevent.com/>.

“Nite at the Races”

We will be resuming our Nite at the Races fundraiser this fall, likely in October. Please keep an eye out for further details in future Anchors, Remind, and our council Website.

Home Association Update

At our May meeting, the Council approved the motion that authorizes its grand knight/deputy grand knight to enter into a Terms of Use Agreement and Charitable Distribution Agreement with the Home Association. This motion effectively disassociates the Home Association away from the Knights of Columbus, per the mandate from Supreme Council. The new Home Association will be known as the 1492 Home Association.

About Our Organization...

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to men 18 years of age or older who are practical (that is, practicing) Catholics in union with the Holy See. This means that an applicant or member accepts the teaching authority of the Catholic Church on matters of faith and morals, aspires to live in accord with the precepts of the Catholic Church, and is in good standing in the Catholic Church.