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Dear Brother Knights,

I am truly honored to have been elected as Grand Knight of this council! Thank you! I would like to congratulate my fellow officers who have also been elected to their positions and I look forward to working with you. Thank you to immediate Past Grand Knight Mark Dillon. A lot of changes and obstacles occurred under his tenure as Grand Knight and he handled them with poise and dignity. His dedication to charity and our faith is inspirational. He has left huge shoes to fill in these 2 areas and I hope I can fill them. On a personal note I would like to thank our Worthy District Deputy Dave Schein for getting me involved with the Knights. It is a great time to be a Knight. In August the Supreme Convention will be held in Philadelphia and in September the World Meeting of Families followed by a Papal visit!

My goal as Grand Knight is membership! I want new members, but more importantly I would like the current members to be more active. I feel that if current members became more active more conversations would occur outside of the council that would have potential members ask "What are you guys talking about." I personally had that situation 2 weeks ago. We currently have 206 members and on average 20 show up for meetings, less than 10%. I truly understand how busy life can be. I am married with 2 children and on most week nights do not get home until after 9:00 p.m. even though I am done work at 3:00. Your family and your job come before this council! Our council is a great one! Our members are getting older. We now have a lot of things that you as a brother Knight can do to help without being at every meeting. We need help with our website, mailings, fundraising, finance and other areas. I will lay out my goals and plan at the September business meeting. I am a person that is very driven to the future, while being ever mindful and respectful to the current and past. I believe in tradition and honoring it. I also believe the most important thing is to move forward, while honoring tradition. It is a tough line to walk, but I know we can do it!

We will be having our planning meeting on Tuesday August 18th. I wish all of you a very happy and safe 4th of July. I look forward to seeing you at the council. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

God Bless and Vivat Jesus,
Clint Snyder
Grand Knight

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Please submit all articles for the Banner by the **15th of the month.**

ACTIVITIES FOR JULY

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4 - Independence Day
 9 - Business Meeting
 16 - Home Association Meeting
 23 - Social Night
 30 - Officers Meeting

AUGUST

6 - Supreme Convention
 13 - Business Meeting
 18 - Planning Meeting
 20 - Home Association Meeting
 27 - Officers Meeting

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR ILL BROTHER KNIGHTS & LADIES

Bill Wagenborg, Frank Boyle, Josephine Pistilli, Veronica Kovacik, George Fecik, Sophie Fecik, Gus Larizzio, George Diaz, Richard L. Girkin, Giuseppe Innamorato, Bro. Jerry Sweeney, Paul Marizy, PGK, Joe Efkwitz, Domenic Marzullo, PGK

Please call in the names of all ill Brother Knights

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL WHO WERE BORN IN JULY

Gregory Alaimo	Walter Arrison
Erminio J. DiBacco	Theodore Farrell
Gary Foley	Kenneth Garsey
Steve Grzeszczak	Brian Haughton
David Kerr	Bernard Mack, Jr.
Joseph McKeown	Neal Roach, Jr.
John Severino, Jr.	Clinton Snyder
Edward Tracey	Joseph Ukogy
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Happy Birthday!

Happy Fourth of July!

Independence Day, celebrated each year on July 4th, is the Federal Holiday that commemorates the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, declaring the independence of the thirteen colonies from Great Britain. The Declaration of Independence was authored primarily by Thomas Jefferson, later our third president, who was the head of a committee of five men given the task of preparing the document. Our independence from Great Britain has been celebrated every year since, with grand displays, speeches and parades. All of this is highlighted each year with grand fireworks displays. We want to wish everyone a Happy and Safe Fourth of July celebration!

