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Grand Knight's Letter

Hello Brother Knights,

Welcome to June! The weather is heating up and brighter days are ahead of us! We are finally seeing some light at the end of the tunnel regarding this awful pandemic we've been in for over a year. Hopefully, things will continue to improve and our lives will get back to normal! Let's continue praying for a positive outcome and with our faith in God things will certainly improve.

The pandemic has not changed our councils involvement with church and our local community. Along with our monthly council meetings, we are helping out with weekly masses, Adoration, and we have been asked to help secure the church after future evening functions held there. Also, we have been asked to help out with the annual "Mass on the Green" that is held at Lampe Park. This year's mass is scheduled for June 27. We will need some Knights to move the altar and other equipment from the church to the park at 8:00am that morning and return items to the church after mass. Please let me know if you could help.

The KofC monthly 2 hour food drives have been extremely successful and I truly appreciate the support we have gotten from the community and brother Knights! It is wonderful feeling to be able to help out the less fortunate.

Last months golf tournament at Edgewood Tahoe was a huge success! We had 136 golfers and the weather was perfect! Brother Ron Bankofier did a wonderful job organizing the tournament and everything went smoothly! Thanks to all brother Knights that volunteered, as well. This tournament is a big money maker for our council and allows us to

support the many charities that we have.

Starting up on July 6, our council will be volunteering at Edgewood Tahoe Golf Course during the American Century Celebrity Golf tournament. We will be stationed on Hole #17 (one of the most beautiful holes on the course) selling beer and other refreshments supplied by event organizers. If you would like to volunteer for this please let me know.

The next Council 12845 monthly meeting will be Thursday, June 17. The meetings will be held in the Faith and Genesis Meeting Rooms. Officers meet at 6:30pm and the council meeting is at 7:00pm. Refreshments and social time will be available after the meeting. Please attend.

God Bless!

Vivat Jesus!

Ron Sanchez, Grand Knight

From your Lector A Lesson from the Canada Geese

In the Fall when you see geese heading South for the winter, flying in a “V” formation, you might be interested in knowing what science has discovered about why they fly that way. It has been learned that when each bird flies, it’s wings creates an uplift for the bird immediately following.

By flying in a “V” formation the whole flock adds at least 71% greater flying range than if each bird flew on it’s own.

Quite similar to people who are a part of a team and share a common direction to get where they are going more quickly and easier. They are traveling on the trust of another so lifting each other along the way.

Whenever a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of trying to go through it alone and quickly gets back into formation to take advantage of the power of the flock.

If we have as much sense as a goose, we will stay in formation and share information with those who are headed in the same direction we are going.

When the lead goose gets tired, he rotates back in the formation and another goose takes over. It pays to share leadership and take turns doing hard jobs. The geese honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up their speed.

Words of support and inspiration help energize those on the front line, helping them to keep pace, in spite of the day-to-day pressures and fatigue. It is important that our honking be encouraging, otherwise, it’s just-well-honking.

Finally when a goose gets sick or wounded and falls out, two geese fall out of the formation and follow the injured one down to help and protect him. They stay with him until he is either able to fly or until he is dead. Then they launch out with another formation to catch up with their group.

When one of us is down; it’s up to the others to stand by us in our time of trouble. If we have the sense of a goose, we will stand by each other when things get rough. We will stay in formation with those headed where we want to go.

The next time you see a formation of geese remember their message that “It is indeed a reward, a challenge and a privilege to be a contributing member of a team.

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