



# The Knights Flame

Holy Spirit Council #11460, Rochester, MN

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## Grand Knight Message

It's been a very busy and productive month so there's a lot to be thankful for. I want to thank all of you who participated in the Family Mass on May 21<sup>st</sup>. I heard great things from many people about the Mass, especially about our men's choir. Special thanks needs to go to Pat McCarthy for organizing the Mass and to Neil Stiller for having the men's choir at their best.

On the afternoon of May 19<sup>th</sup>, Dave Nissen, Don Hoerle, Eric Van Norman, Brad Brech, Tom Sand, and Steve Kunkel worked on installing kitchen cabinets for a Habitat for Humanity house being built in Pine Island. Special thanks go out to Dave for organizing this activity and to Don, whom I hear took charge and made the job easy for all to complete about 2 hours sooner than expected. Good job.

Many thanks to all of you that helped man the Med City Marathon course on May 28<sup>th</sup> to provide safety for all of the runners. I know that over 20 of you signed up and worked for this very important job. Special thanks to Tom Sand, Pat McCarthy, Jerome Lensing, Tom Dylla, and Eric Van Norman for calling around and getting those 20 volunteers signed up to work. These men also were able to line up over 25 volunteers to help staff the Rochesterfest parade at the same time.

Thanks to Frank Vondrashek and Brad Brech for their help in transporting the left over rummage sale items to the Salvation Army and Goodwill.

Thanks to all of you that responded to the New Priest Fund. We were able to raise \$3800 to give to newly ordained Fr. Glen Frerichs on Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>. Jim Cox, Rich Siglow, and myself presented the check to Fr. Glen during a reception in his honor at Resurrection Church. He was deeply moved by our generosity and wished us to thank both councils.

Mike Madden and I attended the State Convention in Willmar over the weekend of the 19<sup>th</sup> through the 21<sup>st</sup>. Our council won the award for Best Youth Program in the state for councils under 300 for taking the servers to the Honkers game. A big thanks goes to Frank Vondrashek and his wife Rose for making that the special event that it was.

I'm very pleased to see all of the good work this council does for the church, school and community. Thanks again to all of you for all you continue to do. Your efforts are very much appreciated by all.

**Jeff Block**  
Grand Knight

## Birthday Celebrations



Happy Birthday to the following Knights who have birthdays in June:

Bernie Allen, Terry Barker, Tod Bellrichard, Jim Bier, Jeff Block, Chad Blomgren, Abe Jones, Jerome Lensing, David Nissen, William Oertli, Russell Real, Dennis Rodriquez, and Greg Rowekamp.

## Get-To-Know-A-Knight: John Gappa

John is new to Holy Spirit and the neighborhood. John works in temperature control in the downtown Rochester buildings. John has a 1-year-old son. Welcome to Council 11460!

## *Calendar of Events*

Feast of the Ascension.....		Sunday, June 4 <sup>th</sup>
Officers' Meeting .....	Holy Spirit Room 205 .....	Thursday, June 8 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 p.m.
Council Meeting.....	Holy Spirit Room 205 .....	Thursday, June 8 <sup>th</sup> , 7:30 p.m.
Jubilee 2000 .....	Mankato .....	Saturday, June 10 <sup>th</sup>
Flag Day .....		Wednesday, June 14 <sup>th</sup>
Father's Day .....		Sunday, June 18 <sup>th</sup>
Ice Cream Social for Sister Jane .....		Sunday, June 25 <sup>th</sup> after morning Masses
Knight's Flame Deadline.....		Friday, June 30 <sup>th</sup>
Independence Day .....		Tuesday, July 4 <sup>th</sup>
Officers' Meeting .....	Holy Spirit Room 205 .....	Thursday, July 13 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 p.m.
Council Meeting.....	Holy Spirit Room 205 .....	Thursday, July 13 <sup>th</sup> , 7:30 p.m.
KC State Golf Tournament.....	Mankato .....	July 15 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup>
Council Meeting.....	PICNIC at Holy Spirit....	Thursday, August 10 <sup>th</sup>
Minnesota KC 6 <sup>th</sup> Annual Family Camporee.....	Jordan KOA .....	August 25 <sup>th</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup>
KC Council #11460 Golf Tournament .....	Northern Hills .....	Wednesday, September 20 <sup>th</sup>

### **Habitat for Humanity**

*Submitted by Dave Nissen*

The Knights of Columbus day to work at the Habitat for Humanity project in Pine Island was held on May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2000. The crew consisted of Steve Kunkel, Brad Brech, Dave Nissen, Don Hoerle, Tom Sand, and Eric Van Norman. Their assignment was to install the kitchen cabinets. The guys did an excellent job in record time. Craig Mickelson, construction manager for Habitat, would like the Knights to come back again to do another house in the future.



### **MedCity Marathon**

The MedCity Marathon was held on May 28<sup>th</sup>. The following is a note from Mike Armstead:

Just a note to let you know how much I appreciate all the help the Knights provided me at the MedCity Marathon. You guys are always willing to jump in and take on any of the jobs - I couldn't do it without volunteers like that.

We'd like to thank the following Knights for helping with this event:

Brad Brech, Dave Loechler, Dave Nissen, Chad Blomgren, Pat McCarthy, Brent Samb, Mark Schluttner, Pete Bushman, Gary Benike, Ray Bressel, Paul Daley, Jack Lane, Roy Musselman, Kevin Radamacher, Dennis Rodriguez, John Wald, Ray Wiest, Larry Burgart, Jeff Block, Tom Poterucha and Joe Kluck.

I am sorry if I missed any Knights that helped, as I did not receive a final list after the event.

## Ice Cream Social for Sister Jane

A going away party will be held for Sr. Jane on June 25<sup>th</sup>. The main reception will be after the 10:15 Mass but cake and ice cream will also be available after all morning masses. KC Council # 11460 will provide funding and staffing for the ice cream social. If you would like to volunteer to help, please call Frank Vondrashek at 281-3051 or Jeff Block at 281-5526.

## Volunteers/Leaders Needed:

*Submitted by Jeff Block*

We need to have some Knights step up and take on a couple of projects. If you haven't had a chance to lead a project yet, this would be a good opportunity to get your feet wet.

1. I would like to have someone work with John Lawson this coming year on membership. John is doing a most excellent job, but I would like to have different members rotate through that job on a three-year cycle. Year one you would train in under the previous membership coordinator, year two it would be yours to own and in year three you train in the next membership coordinator.
2. I would like to have a volunteer take over the over-all coordination of the Spirit Run this year. Larry Burgart will continue to head up the race portion of the day, but I need a Knight to get a committee together and make sure the party/fun run/sponsors/ etc. get taken care of. Please contact Larry Burgart at 288-5227 or Jeff Block at 281-5526 for more details.

Please take time to consider these activities and call me for more information. We continue to need new members to take on these kinds of roles to prepare themselves for future officers positions.

## Outstanding Dues and Surveys

KC Dues and surveys are overdue – The 2000 dues have been mailed. Please fill out the survey and return it along with your dues as soon as possible.



## Insurance members needed

*Submitted by Jeff Block*

If any of you is interested in insurance or investments through the Knights and have never been contacted by an insurance representative please contact John Lawson or Jeff Block and we'll get you in contact with the insurance representative for our area. We are 4 insurance members short of receiving the star council award again this year. We must have these 4 new insurance members by the end of June in order to qualify for the award. Thanks for taking the time to consider this opportunity.

## Pre-meeting presentation: Pat Schoenfelder from Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life

MCCL is a grass roots group with county organization. MCCL focuses on legislative and educational issues. The goal is restoration of protection for the unborn. Encouraging statistics included an increase in individuals who identify themselves as "pro-life" over the last 10 years from 37% to 50%.

Mrs. Schoenfelder cited the importance of patience and perseverance in this cause, using slavery as an analogy. Partial birth abortion debates have shed light on abortion practices. Other highlighted points included the financial incentives supporting abortion, recent work on the Woman's Right to Know Bill vetoed by Governor Ventura and the importance of elections in forming abortion policy.

## ***Knights of Columbus Council #11460 May General Business Meeting***

**This is a synopsis of the official minutes for the General Council Business Meeting held May 11, 2000.**

*Submitted by Larry Burgart*

Grand Knight Jeff Block called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

A Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance were recited.

The Roll of Officers was called.

Minutes from the previous meeting, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2000, were approved.

## ***Officer's Reports***

### **Grand Knight's Report: Jeff Block**

1. Thank yous were received from the following:
  - DeWayne & Pat Gallenberg for flowers at the funeral of his father James Gallenberg
  - Ronald McDonald House for food
  - Boy Scout Troop 110 for \$500 start-up funds

2. A new KC Insurance General Agent, Bob Oshel, is stationed in Mankato. Call Jeff Block with insurance concerns.
3. Miscellaneous newsletters were circulated:
  - Vocal Knight (Council 1013)
  - Knightly News (State Council)
  - Fr. Michael J. McGivney Guild
4. Tom Sand was honored with the Past Grand Knight Award in the form of a pin.

### **Financial Secretary: Jim Decker**

1. The most recent pancake breakfast had revenue of \$681 and expenses of \$392.
2. Lois Quinn was reimbursed \$150 for the Jubilee quilt.
3. Council finances remain sound.

## ***Director's Reports***

### **Membership & Recruitment: John Lawson**

1. John Smith's name was read for membership consideration. Three other candidates are also pending a First Degree ceremony.

### **Church: Frank Vondrashek**

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2. Mary Margaret Yeager will be joining our parish in July, assuming many of Sr. Jane's responsibilities.

### **Family: Pat McCarthy**

1. The KC Family mass is scheduled for May 21<sup>st</sup> at 8am. The men's choir will perform.
2. A family picnic will be held in place of the August meeting – August 10.

## ***Old Business***

1. **Tootsie roll drive:** Steve Kunkel summarized this very successful project. 80 Knights participated in the drive that raised \$5200 for organizations that serve individuals with developmental disabilities. Thank yous have been sent to the businesses and organizations that allowed us to collect donations at their sites.
2. **Habitat for Humanity:** David Nissen gave an update on a project scheduled for May 19<sup>th</sup>. Kitchen cabinets will be installed in a house in Pine Island (619 1<sup>st</sup> Ave SW). Contact Dave with any interest in this great program for future projects.
3. **MedCity Marathon:** For the fifth consecutive year, Knights from Council 11460 will help with course safety at this community event benefiting Special Olympics. The marathon will be May 28<sup>th</sup> from 8am to 2 pm.
4. **Rochesterfest Parade:** The parade will be held Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>. The 2 Rochester KC Councils cooperate to provide Parade Marshals. Individual sites will be assigned in advance so families can join working Knights at the parade. Food and refreshments will be available.
5. **Coffeemaker funding:** The final bill for wiring, piping, etc to facilitate the new coffeemaker is \$3000. Council 11460 will pay \$500 now with consideration of additional funding in the fall.
6. **Parish shed:** Discussion is moving toward building a 10x12 foot temporary shed until the larger overall parish-building project takes place.
7. **Kitchen cleaning:** Brad Brech will lead a thorough cleaning effort of the school kitchen June 2<sup>nd</sup> or the following weekend. The goal is to reach areas not typically addressed by the kitchen staff.
8. **Rummage & plant sale:** This annual event will be held May 20<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> with haul away scheduled for 1pm Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. Catholic Aid Society adds additional financial support to this fundraiser.

## ***Prayers for Special Intentions and the Good of the Order***

In thanksgiving for the work of Father Tupper, and Sister Jane,  
Fr. Dominic and his recently deceased nephew,  
James Gallenberg, recently deceased father of DeWayne,  
Chet Welle's father,  
Frank Vondrashek's father,  
Julie Mullins, battling cancer.

Grand Knight Jeff Block offered a closing prayer.



The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.



### WHAT MAKES A DAD?

God took the strength of a mountain, The majesty of a tree,  
The warmth of a summer sun, The calm of a quiet sea,  
The generous soul of nature, The comforting arm of night,  
The wisdom of the ages, The power of the eagles flight,  
The joy of a morning in spring, The faith of a mustard seed,  
The patience of eternity, The depth of a family need.

Then God combined these qualities. When there was nothing more to add, He knew His masterpiece was complete, And so, He called it . . . Dad!

**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!**

Connect with monthly meetings

**Please come to the next Council Meeting**

**Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.**

**Bob Oshel, our Insurance General Agent will be our guest speaker**

**Holy Spirit School – Room 205**

**The Knights Flame**

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