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Grand Knight Message

"Get involved ... the world is run by those who show up." - Anonymous

How true that statement is. Though our council is active and functioning well, the opportunities still abound for each of you to step forward and make a difference. The folks running the various activities try to advertise the need for workers in the newsletter – please consider volunteering and contact the activity coordinator before he needs to call around for workers. We have many ongoing activities that have been run by the same folks for several years – consider stepping forward to run one of these, either alone or teaming up with another to run it together. If you have a new idea that you'd like to see implemented, please bring it forward! And while we have the officers and directors in position for this coming year, I'd ask each of you to consider thinking ahead and considering if you could possibly step into one of these roles a year from now. And lastly, when you get the monthly newsletter, check your calendar and if you are available, come to the next meeting to help set the direction we are going as a council!

At our June meeting, we'll be voting on the officers for the coming fraternal year – see the slate of officers later in the newsletter. Immediately following the meeting, we'll hold the installation of officers. For those of you interested, the ceremony is a good lesson in what the roles of the various officers are – come and listen and learn (this will substitute for the regular Lecturer's Program this month).

Nominations are open for our annual Knight of the Year and Family of the Year awards, to be presented at our family picnic in August. Please contact myself or DGK Greg Kapraun if you would like to nominate someone.

Lastly, thanks to all of you for your contributions - large and small - to our council and our church. Each effort you make does indeed make a difference.

Vivat Jesus!

Dave Hubka, Grand Knight

Get-to-Know-a-Knight

Jim Decker was our GTKAK winner this month. Even though he is faithfully present at nearly every council meeting he reminded us that this is the first time he has ever won! Jim and his lovely wife Barb are the proud parents of 6 children, 4 are married and they are blessed with 5 grandchildren. Jim and Barb have been charter members of both Pax Christi and Holy Spirit as well as the Holy Spirit KC Council. He is also our long time Financial Secretary. Jim is "retired" from IBM but still goes to work each day!

Milestones

This is a new section of our newsletter that expands on our traditional birthday announcements. If you want to do a simple announcement of a birth, a baptism, a graduation, an anniversary, or the loss of a loved one you can do it here. Just contact Dave Dykstal before the next newsletter.

We have a long list of Knights with birthdays in June: Bernie Allen, Terry Barker, Tod Bellrichard, Jim Bier, Jeff Block, Tim Burriss, Jim Chihak, Pat Collins, Jonathan Jones, Dan Kennedy, Jerome Lensing, Dave Nissen, William Oertli, Russell Real, Greg Rowekamp, Lawrence Swantko, Eric Schultz, Aaron Jelinek, and Pete Myszkowski.

Congratulations to Knights Jeremy Bodensteiner and Jonathan Van Norman who graduate from high school this June, Congratulations also to the long list of sons and daughters of Knights who are graduating.

Congratulations to Berry Hobbs who has a new grandson.



Calendar

Officer's Meeting	Holy Spirit School Library	Thursday, June 8	7:15pm
Council Meeting	Holy Spirit School Library	Thursday, June 8	7:30pm
VBS set up	Holy Spirit	Sunday, June 11,	noon
VBS take down	Holy Spirit	Friday, June 16	12:30pm
Rochesterfest Parade Marshals	see article	June 23	5:00pm
Adopt A Highway	meet at Holy Spirit	sometime in July	
KC Family Picnic	Holy Spirit North Courtyard	Thursday, August 10	6:00pm
Golf Tourney	Northern Hills GC	Wednesday, September 20	noon

Golf Tourney

Jeff Block

This fall's Golf Tourney is set for Wednesday September 20th at Northern Hills GC. Get out there and practice and start thinking about those foursomes and door prizes!

We've been trying to get a replacement to coordinate the golf tournament for the past couple of years and have not had any success. I believe this may have to do with knowing that I will run the tournament if no one steps forward.

Some wise knight many years ago mentioned that us older knights need to create a vacuum and someone will fill the job.

As long as we keep doing these jobs, no one will step forward. I am about to create that vacuum and it seems like a great time to do that. This will be my 10th and last year organizing the tournament. I enjoy it, but the excitement level is not there anymore. I know it too well, and I'm just doing what needs to get done. It's time to re-energize things and get some new blood in the game. So if you've been sitting on that fence waiting for me to retire, now is your chance. Please don't think you'll need to run the tournament for the next 10 years! I believe that leadership activities need to be rotated every 3 years. Year 1 - Learn, Year 2 - Run, Year 3 - Train. Hopefully this will let everyone more comfortable knowing that they are not signing up for a life time commitment. It's a great job! Call me at 281-5526 or grab me after Mass some Sunday if interested.



VBS Help

Mike McDermott

I need volunteers for setup and takedown for Vacation Bible School.

Setup is on Sunday, June 11 at noon. We'll be stacking chairs on west side of church, setting up part of stage, and other tasks from Mary and Sherry. We'll need cordless drills and an air compressor for inflatables. If someone can bring an air compressor, let me know. This might take 3-4 hours. If you have helped with setup before, your experience would be very

valuable and appreciated.

Takedown is Friday, June 16 at 12:30PM. This will take about 2 hours. Many knights are not available, so it is very much appreciated if you can make it -- a good way to start the weekend.

Please let me know by June 8th if you will or will not help or contact me for questions - Mike McDermott, 367-2545, or mjmcdermot@aol.com

Officers/Directors for Next Fraternal Year

Dave Hubka

This is the second year of our 2-year cycle. My expectation is that all current officers and directors will continue for the second year that they originally committed to. The term for all these positions is July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

Formally, the slate of officers up for (re)election at the June 8 meeting are:

Grand Knight – Dave Hubka

Deputy Grand Knight – Greg Kapraun

Chancellor – Paul Daley

Recorder – Jerome Lensing

Treasurer – Bill Oertli

Advocate – John Lawson

Warden – DeWayne Gallenberg

Guards – Steve Kunkel and Lynn Berning

Trustees – Brad Brech, Mike Madden, and Jeff Block

If there are any other nominations, please contact me prior to the June 8 meeting.

Our Financial Secretary, Jim Decker is appointed by Supreme, so we don't vote for him – we just thank our lucky stars for him!

Appointed positions (so not up for election) are:

Chaplain – Fr. Don Schmitz

Lecturer – Dave Rossman

Program Director – Greg Kapraun

Church Activities Director – Mike McDermott

Community Activities Director – Ken Lentz

Council Activities Director – Mike Riester

Family Activities Director – Joe DiCecco

Youth Activities Director – Paul Daley

Membership Director – Larry Burgart

Newsletter Editor – David Dykstal

Pro-life Activities Coordinator – Steve Kunkel

We'll hold the Installation of Officers Ceremony immediately following our regular meeting on June 8. All officers, please make a special effort to be there!

Welcome Brian!

A 1st degree was held in Spring Valley on May 17, with 7 new members from across the district joining the order. Welcome to our one new member, Brian Burns! Brian, his wife Tammy, and their young kids moved to Rochester from Nebraska last fall, and are still getting settled into the area. Jerome Lensing and Berry Hobbs made the trip to be part of the degree team, and Dave Hubka observed the degree to support the new members.

Parade Marshals Needed

Any knights interested in being parade marshals for the Rochesterfest Parade on June 23rd should show up at the bank parking lot across from the Rochester Civic Theatre on 3rd Ave and Center St, at 5pm. There should be some food and refreshments there for you. We have made phone calls and have about dozen or so volunteers, but we could use more. If you can help us out please show up. If you have any questions please call Gordy Stockinger 507-273-2362 (cell) or Ken Lentz 507-367-4786 (home). Thanks!

Anybody know where our EZ Up is?

A number of years ago, our council had a food booth at Rochesterfest, and we purchased a white EZ Up canopy/shelter. Over the years, we've lost track of who has it or where it is stored. This past month, we had two opportunities where we could have used it, but were unable to locate it. If you have any clue as to where it is stored, please contact Dave Hubka, dhubka@magnaspeed.net or 282-6090.



Roses for Baptism

Brad Brech

We no longer schedule a Knight to present the Rose at the end of Mass. If you are at a Mass with a baptism, please make sure someone presents the rose. If you do not see someone doing it, step forward and do so. All you need to do is read the certificate and hand it and the rose to the parent or Godparents. Thanks.

MN Knights Offer Student Loans

Did you know that the Minnesota Knights of Columbus has a student loan program for family members? The max each year is \$2500, total of \$12,500. Interest rate is low, and is interest is deferred during school. For more information and application forms contact:

Minnesota Knights of Columbus
Student Loan Fund, Inc.
PO Box 126
Belle Plaine, MN 56011
dayly.daly@frontiernet.net
(952)873-2213

Saint(s) of the Month

Dave Dykstal

This month we are lucky enough to have a group of Saints not just one: Charles Lwanga and companions, the martyrs of Uganda.

The Christian evangelization of Uganda began in the late 1800s with Catholic and Protestant missionaries from England. Mwanga II, the new king of the central part of what is now Uganda, was, unlike his charismatic father, an extremely corrupt and vicious man. He objected to the Christian missionaries in his kingdom since they were influencing his court. Indeed, led by Charles Lwanga, his own pages had begun resisting his sexual advances. He ordered the assassination of an Anglican missionary named James Hannington and, when that provoked condemnation from among the newly converted of his kingdom, he began a general persecution of Christians. On November 15, 1885 Joseph Mukasa Balikuddembe was beheaded. Over the next six months many Christians were wantonly dismembered, beheaded, burned, and otherwise mutilated. In June of 1886 twenty-six were burned, among them Karoli (Charles) Lwanga. The persecution continued until January of 1887. In all forty-five martyrs, both Anglican and Catholic, are recorded, but there were surely many more.

In 1964 Pope Paul VI canonized the twenty-two known Catholic martyrs - a first for modern Africa and a source of pride throughout the continent. The day of the death of most of the martyrs, June 3, is their feast day and a national holiday in Uganda.



Knights of Columbus Council #11460

May 11, 2006 General Business Meeting

This is a synopsis of the official minutes of the General Council Business Meeting submitted by Jerome N. Lensing

Opening

Grand Knight Dave Hubka called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM in the School Library. Dave led the group in the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. The Role of Officer's was called. Grand Knight – Dave Hubka; Deputy Grand Knight, Greg Kapraun; Chancellor – Paul Daley; Recorder, Jerome N. Lensing; and Financial Secretary, Jim Decker were present. The minutes of the April 2006 meeting were approved with the following change: add the Jim Campbell Fund that was funded in 2006. One Form 100 was read.

Officers Reports

Grand Knight Dave Hubka sent around Thank You's from Ronald McDonald House, from Dave Nissen for his father's memorial, from Andy Streit for his father's memorial, and from the Holy Spirit Youth Group for the funds for Hurricane Katrina Relief from one of the pancake breakfasts.

Jim Decker, **Financial Secretary**, presented income and expense reports for April, 2006 (Receipts - \$2,184.00; Payments - \$2,405.92) and May, 2006, (Receipts - \$250.00; Payments - \$285.35) which were reviewed by those present and approved. We have 14 memberships not paid; 10 withdrawals with 3 transfers to other councils.

Directors Reports

Membership Director - Dave Hubka discussed the Membership Information Open House which was a huge success! Also mention that Holy Spirit had excellent attendance at the recent Major Degree at Lourdes on April 9th. There will be a 1st Degree on May 17th in Spring Valley.

Call Jerome Lensing for the opportunity to join the **First Degree Team**, he is waiting for your call at 507-251-5626!

Program Director – Greg Kapraun update the council on reports and forms that need to be sent to Supreme. We need two insurance members for Star Council.

Church Director – Mike McDermott discussed the need for help for the upcoming VBS at Holy Spirit, setup will be June 11th with tear down on June 16th. Mike will be sending an email requesting your help.

Community Director – Dave Hubka discussed the need for Parade Marshals at the Rochesterfest Parade on June 23rd at 5 PM. Dave Hubka will ride the KC Float, our council will donate Tootsie Rolls. Call Ken Lentz at 507-367-4786 or Gordy Stockinger at 507-775-6343 if you can help.

Youth – Paul Daley discussed the Servers Appreciation. He mentioned that Mary Nowakowski asked about including all youth ministers. Considering a Valley Fair Trip this year, we will offer to help out with the cost of the bus and possibly other funds for the trip. Dave Hubka updated the council on another very successful Youth Choir Brunch, 70+ hungry youth were fed. He mentioned a possible fundraiser of "Keep Christ in Christmas" car magnets that a KC Council in Indiana produces. Cost would be \$1 with the potential to sell for \$3 to \$5. A motion was made, seconded and passed to purchase one box of 200 and offer to the Youth Group as a fundraiser. Also

discussed the KC Christmas Card program as another possible fundraiser for the youth.

Old Business

Dave Hubka updated the Council on the **Tootsie Roll Drive**, over half of the council braved the cold and rain and the dollars were up!

The **Adopt A Highway** Clean Up program on April 22nd was a great success with a number of treasures found. Join the fun next time to see what interesting things can be found in the road ditches!

State Convention – Jerome Lensing may attend with Berry Hobbs

Greg Kapraun will ask for an update on funds that were donated to the school.

New Business

Steve Kunkel will be our **Pro-Life Director**, thanks Steve!

June meeting – Election and installation of new officers.

Golf Tournament – September 20, 2006. Jeff Block is looking for someone to help out as the co-chair of this event, call Jeff at 507-281-5526 to help him out!

Men's Choir will be singing at the May 28th Mass, call Neil Stiller (507-252-9678), Dave Hubka (507-282-6090) or Frank Vondrashek (507-281-3051) to join this great group. They are always looking for new voices!

It was discussed to fund **Friendship Ventures** next year with some of the Tootsie Roll Funds.

Reminder to always reserve the use of the **Church and School facilities** before you use them.

Discussion on a **Men's Choir thank you** activity.

Dave Hubka for someone to volunteer to take care of **funeral memorials**; talk to Dave if you would like to help with this.

District Items

District Deputy Report – Berry Hobbs discussed the new Baldrics that will be used for 1st Degree's instead of robes.

Congratulated the Holy Spirit Council members who became 4th Degree Members – Jim Decker, Jerome Lensing and Bill Oertli! There will be a 4th Degree in Mankato on October 28th, Talk with one of the new 4th Degree Members or Berry to join the 4th Degree.

Planning to have an in-service in near future for whole district on the new 1st Degree.

Essay, Free Throw, and Soccer Challenge kits can now be found online.

Rochesterfest Parade function is an important for parade safety, your help will be greatly appreciated, sign up today!

Willard Strand is the person to send the Tootsie Roll checks.

Good of the Order

Prayers were offered by the Grand Knight. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM