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Grand Knight Message

Welcome back from the summer's change of pace. Our activities will quickly be ramping up, with the Golf Tournament, our first pancake breakfast of the season, and the Spirit Run all coming up soon. My oldest child just started college – the first one out of the nest – so life is certainly different for our family this fall, as it is no doubt for many of you as well. Good luck to all of you settling (back) into an old or new routine. How about making more involvement in the KCs part of your routine this fall?

I'd like to spend a few minutes talking about the membership in the Knights of Columbus in the Rochester area. Things are changing. Until our council formed, there was a single KC council covering all of the Rochester area. Our council has been a great example of how parish-based councils are able to thrive. Effective immediately, the original Rochester council (#1013) has decided to base themselves at St. John's. In addition, a new council is forming at Pax Christi this fall; plans are underway to form another council at St. Francis soon; and there is preliminary discussion of forming another council in the Byron-Kasson area.

I know a few members of our council have moved to different parishes over the years and yet remained in our council for a variety of reasons. We value your membership – and thanks for the vote of confidence in our council. But all the same, what I want most for each of you is to become as active a KC as you can be at this point in your life. If you and your family are now members of one of these other parishes, you should give serious consideration to transferring to the appropriate council and becoming actively involved. These other councils will need members willing to be active and provide leadership in order to succeed. I do not want to encourage any of you to transfer, but I do ask you reflect on what is best for you as a knight, and if you elect to transfer to one of these other councils, I will support that and wish you well. If this affects you, please contact me ASAP.

If you value your membership in the KCs, please share your enthusiasm and ask a friend to join! You can participate in some of our activities together, helping to get him (and his family) quickly involved and to rejuvenate your involvement as well. Just ask! And if you know of someone you think would make a good member but you feel you are really not good at asking, pass along the candidate name to myself or Membership Director Larry Burgart, and we'll do the asking. We currently have 189 members in our council. I'd challenge each of you to ask one person to join. Allowing for some of you asking the same person, that's probably 150 invites. Even if 90% say 'no' at this time, we can still get 15 new members. Let's make it happen!

And don't forget the most likely candidates – your sons (or other male relatives) who are 18 years or older. Please share your enthusiasm with them and invite them to join. Remember that we discount our regular \$25 annual dues to only \$10 for students.

We'll also do an open invitation to the parish sometime in October, but history has that shown personal invitations are many times more effective!

With the new councils forming, there will be several opportunities to join this fall. Get the membership forms filled out and handed in to myself or Larry ASAP, and then we can line up candidates to join this fall at 1st degree orientations on September 21 at Pax Christi and November 2 at St. John's, and 1st/2nd/3rd degrees in Owatonna on Nov 19.

Vivat Jesus!

Dave Hubka, Grand Knight

Get-to-Know-a-Knight

GTKAK is on hiatus due to August's Family Day picnic. Back next month!

Calendar

HS Founders Day	.....	Sunday, September 10	.....	11:15 am
Officer Meeting	..... Holy Spirit School Library	.....	Thursday, September 14	..... 7:15 pm
Council Meeting	..... Holy Spirit School Library	.....	Thursday, September 14	..... 7:30 pm
Kitchen Training	..... Holy Spirit Kitchen	.....	Thursday, September 14	..... after council meeting
Pancake Breakfast	..... Holy Spirit	.....	Sunday, September 17	..... after morning Masses
Golf Tourney	..... Northern Hills GC	.....	Wednesday, September 20	..... noon
1st Degree Ceremony	..... Pax Christi	.....	Thursday, September 21	..... TBD
4th Degree Ceremony	..... Mankato	.....	Saturday, October 28	
Spirit Run	..... Holy Spirit	.....	Saturday, October 28	
Major Degree Ceremony	..... Owatonna	.....	Sunday, November 19	

Milestones

Baptisms

Garret Clayton Rossman, son of Knight Anthony and Michelle Rossman was baptized on August 27.

Birthdays

Knights with birthdays in September are Pete Bushman, Paul Daley, Dave Dykstal, Tom Dylla, Lee Erdmann, Jack Lane, Terry Lee, Lynn McMahan, Chuck Mosier, Pat Mulligan, Thomas Poterucha, Michael Riester, Jeff Warfield, Aaron Berg, Stephen Czapiewski, and Jon Van Norman. From a completely unbiased viewpoint I can say that September is the best month of the year. Congratulate these Catholic gentlemen the next time you see them!

In Memoriam

Leone Till, mother of Rita Till and mother-in-law of Knight Jim Bier died August 23.

The father of Anita Mattson and father-in-law of Knight Jack Mattson passed away in August.

Thank You Knights!

Kevin Mulligan

I would like to thank the Knights of Columbus for helping to fund my Eagle Scout Project. For my project I built a 150 foot, two-rail cedar fence for Camp Victory. Camp Victory is located 10 miles north of Rochester on Highway 63. It has been around for 60 years hosting groups of young people from southern Minnesota. This camp is "A Christian Camp - gathering from all different denominations, we focus on what God has to say about life from his Word, the Bible". Camp Victory focuses on faith in God and in Christ. They have groups come in from over 100 different churches around the area each year. They also focus on having fun and building relationships with others. They have many activities including swimming, canoeing, archery, campfires, group games, and team building activities. They also have religious services to help build their faith. This group of numerous volunteers and dedicated staff make a trip to Camp Victory faith and fun-filled.

Before I put up the fence I needed to stain it. I organized a group of 3-6 people for 2 shifts to help stain the fence at my house. The staining of the 30 rails and the 16 posts took about 28 man hours to complete. The following Saturday I organized a group of about 8 scouts and I went out to Camp Victory to set up the fence. We dug the holes with a gasoline powered auger that was donated by United Rental. Then we put cement in the holes to give the fence posts a firm foundation. We put up the fence, section by section, bracing the posts as we went along.

This took about 7 hours to complete with all of us working on it. I then came back to my house and fed my fellow scouts. The total amount of time it took to complete my project was 102.5 man-hours. I would not have been able to do it without the funding support of the Knights of Columbus.

Thank You Again Knights of Columbus!

See pictures of Kevin's great work on our [web site!](#)

Family Day Picnic

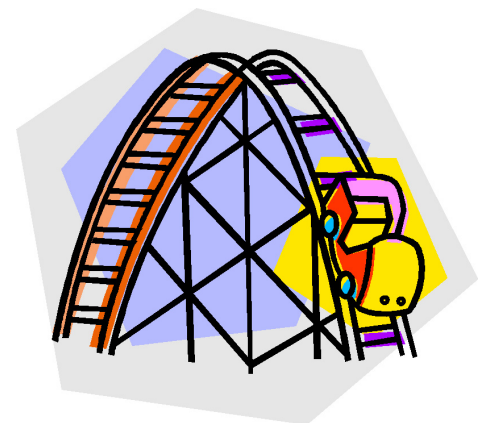
Our annual Family Day picnic was held on August 10. There was a great turnout and the weather was much better than last year. Thanks to Mike Riester for pulling this together and to all the Knights and families who showed up a bit early or stayed a bit late to help out. Check out the pictures on our [web site!](#)

Valleyfair Trip

Mary Nowakowski

A group of 33 young people and adults had a great time at Valleyfair on August 19th. The rides were thrilling and the water park was a great way to cool off during the warm afternoon. Thunder Canyon received terrific, but soggy, reviews. Steel Venom was a hit for those who love roller coaster and have stomachs of steel. We enjoyed traveling by air-conditioned coach bus and the ability to watch DVDs en route.

The Knights of Columbus and Youth Ministry sponsored this trip as a way to say thanks to our youth volunteers at Holy Spirit. We are grateful for the many young people who participate as liturgical ministers, Generations of Faith helpers, nursery helpers, VBS, Sunday School and Middle School summer camp volunteers. Holy Spirit should be very proud of the strong tradition of youth service present in our parish.



Youth Ministry/Youth Choir Kick-Off

Paul Daley

On August 25th the KC's had a booth at the Youth Fair kickoff held at Holy Spirit. We promoted our upcoming youth events for the season and handed out details about the contests and helped answer any questions. Again, thanks to Mary Nowakowski and all her volunteers for sponsoring this youth event.

Golf Tournament

The golf tournament is just around the corner. Get your entries in now! Any entries received after 9/13 are not guaranteed to have a cart. Last year we received over half of the entries within the last 5 days! Help us out and get those entries in as soon as you can. Jeff

Block (281-5526) or
Aaron Berg (285-1039)
Thanks!

Soccer Challenge

Our second annual soccer challenge will be held Sunday September 10th as part of the outdoor games of the Founders Day

picnic. Boys and girls ages 10-14 are invited to participate. The regional competition will be September 24th at Century High School and state finals on October 15 in the Twin Cities. Hope to see you at the picnic!



New Church Tile In The Works

Greg Kapraun

Brother Knights, as you know last year we had a project to remove the old molding carpet from the Narthex, Sacristy, and the rest of the church. As part of that effort it was decided to convert the Sacristy and the area under the water fountain to tile so that water in those areas would not continue to present a mold concern. The Knight's made it known to the Parish at the time that we would help in getting the tile installed. This summer additional tile was added to the school and I was asked if the Knight's were still interested in supporting the Parish Tile project. A quote was received and a vote was taken just before the August family picnic via e-mail among the officers and directors due to no formal meeting being held that month. We agreed to pay for the tiling, but requested the Parish get a second quote as the first one seemed a bit high. The second quote was over 40% less and we gave the go ahead to the Parish. Look for this new tile to be installed in the next few weeks.

Spirit Run

Our annual Spirit Run is coming up on the last Saturday of October. Many volunteers will be needed. Contact Duane Price (289-1972, dpprice@myclearwave.net) if you can help!

Pancake Breakfast on September 17

Gary Moore

The Holy Spirit Knights provides financial support for the youth of our parish and our Rochester Catholic community on many fronts. Join in the cause by attending the first Holy Spirit KC pancake breakfast of this school year, focused on raising funds to support programs for the healthy growth of our parish youth, educationally, spiritually and socially throughout the year. Breakfast will be served following the 8:15 AM and 10:00 AM Masses in the Holy Spirit School gymnasium. Costs are \$3.50 for kids, \$4.50 for adults, and \$20 maximum per family. Stop by and enjoy a full breakfast with great food, great fun and great people!

Kitchen Training

Brad Brech is conducting training on September 14 immediately after our council meeting for all Knights who work in the Holy Spirit kitchen for pancake breakfasts or other events. **If you work in the kitchen you need this!** Knowing how to use the kitchen correctly not only keeps us on good terms with the kitchen staff, but lets us run our events more smoothly.

Degree Ceremonies

There will be a 1st degree on September 21st at Pax Christi. Please consider asking another Catholic gentleman to join. Have the Form 100 filled out and bring it to our September meeting on the 14th (or give it to Dave Hubka or Larry Burgart prior to that meeting). Recruitment is everyone's job. If you feel strongly about the KCs, then share those feelings with someone else and they'll want to join as well. Let's get off to a quick start and get 5 or more new members in September!

On November 2nd we will have a first degree at the O'Day room at St. John's. The degree will begin at 7:00 pm, and the Holy Spirit team will conduct the degree.

Finally, Council 4909 in Owatonna is having a major degree on Sunday November 19th. This is a great chance to get some of your new members and first degree members to a major degree and permit them to enjoy the fullness of Knighthood. We should try to support 4909, for they do bring several of their members to our major degree ceremony in spring.

Another Move by the Knights

Ken Lentz

A huge "Thank You" to all who helped unload the U-Haul on Friday August 11th: Gordy Stockinger for organizing everything with the home owner Sharon; Brad Brech and Jerome Lensing for coming on last minute notice; Steve Kluck for making phone calls and getting his friend Craig to help; and Charlie Farrell. With all the help it went pretty smoothly and took only about two hours. Pizza furnished by Sharon and refreshments that Gordy brought were enjoyed by all. Thanks Again!

Guest House Reception

Dick Quinn

The 15th Annual Guest House Bishop's Reception was held on Thursday, August 10, at the Rochester International Event Center. Guest House is celebrating their 50th year of service to Priests, Deacons, Sisters, and Religious who are suffering from various addictive illnesses including alcoholism, chemical dependency, eating disorders, etc. Our Holy Spirit Council gave a nice donation to sponsor a couple from the parish. This year Joyce and Jack Campion were very appreciative to accept the invitation to attend.

Guest House listed the following items they were able to accomplish in the past year with support from people all over the U.S.

- The program for Priests, Deacon, and Brothers at the Rochester Facility experienced an increase in services again this year.
- The Program for Women Religious in Lake Orion, Michigan was at capacity again this year.
- At the new halfway house for priests in Lake Orion, the Recovery Residence was full throughout the year.
- Guest House provided education programs about alcoholism to 20% of all seminarians in the U.S.
- The women's program provided education to nearly 300 leaders of women's religious congregations.
- Over 200 individuals received their services this past year.
- In the last 50 years, Guest House was a major factor in assisting over 7,000 priests to be able to return to their vocation.

They had an outstanding reception again this year. An excellent dinner was provided. Bishop Harrington welcomed all who were there, and again affirmed his total support for the mission of Guest House. He has been aware of Guest House since he was a seminarian.

An alumni from Guest House always speaks at the dinner. This year it was Rev. Edward J. Shuttleworth from the LaCrosse, Wisconsin diocese. He expressed his thanks for the Faith, Hope, and Love the staff at Guest House showed him on his road to recovery, and thanked all the financial supporters who made his recovery possible.

The main speaker this year was a rare treat! It was George Englund, the son of Guest House founder Austin Ripley. Mr. Englund is a Hollywood movie producer. He gave a humorous, touching, insider's view of his experiences going to the Vatican during the Vatican II Council to shoot "The Shoes of the Fisherman" starring Anthony Quinn, and of negotiating with the Vatican to be able to take his professional cameras and a movie crew into the Vatican to film the background scenes for the movie while the Council was in session. First no cameras at all were allowed, then only one. When the filming finally took place, 17 cameras were allowed. His experience climbing up the inside stairs to the top center of Saint Peters Basilica and going out on a hand made camera stand looking directly down on the floor below was done with much humor.

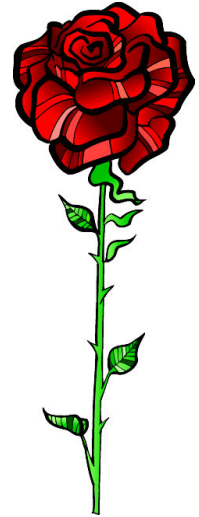
Guest House is supported exclusively by private funds. Austin Ripley set it up this way so no diocese would be able

to influence or control their mission and how they go about accomplishing it. It is well worth our council and individual continued support.

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. It's very easy. The certificate and rose will be in the sacristy. All you need to do is read the certificate and hand it and the rose to the parent or Godparents. Thanks.



Little Known Saint of the Month

Dave Dykstal

Saint Rosalia, the patron saint of Palermo, was born in 1130 at Palermo in Sicily. She was the daughter of a noble family descended from Charlemagne. Being very beautiful she was sought in marriage by several lords of Sicily, but she had dedicated herself to God. Mary appeared to her and advised her become a hermit. She obeyed, and guided by angels, she made her first dwelling in a nearby grotto. When her family began to search for her she was advised by angels to move to a low cave on Mount Pellegrino, three miles from Palermo. There she lived for sixteen years. She died c.1160 apparently in a collapse of her cave. Nothing was heard of her for five centuries.

In 1625, during a period of plague, she appeared in a vision to a hunter near her cave. Her relics were then discovered and brought to Palermo. Three days later the plague ended, and intercession to Rosalia was credited with saving the city. She was proclaimed the city's patroness.

Her feast is on September 4th.

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