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Grand Knight Message

Worthy Brother Knights, I hope that you've had an enjoyable summer and were able to spend lots of time with your families. As school starts and the leaves start to turn, it signifies that our efforts as Knights to support our priest, parish, school, and community begin anew.

One of the most important aspects and goals for our council this year is to work on growing our membership. I have set a goal for us to reach the 200 member mark by the end of the fraternal year next June. With the members we already have, that means that only about 1 out of every 9 of you can get a new member signed up and we'll reach our goal. Or put another way if each of our officers and directors signs up 2 members we'll exceed our goal. In order to kick start this effort the Knights will be doing their display and handing out information at the Founders' Day picnic and ministry fair. The display will stay up for a couple of weeks at church. If you know of a Catholic gentleman that is not yet a Knight, please ask them to join.

There are several other activities for you to get involved with in the next month or so. Please volunteer to help out when asked. It's always easier to do these things when everyone pitches in. Find the activity that you like and please join us. We are serving dessert at the Founders' Day picnic headed up by Ken White; we are running our soccer challenge that day lead by Dan Kennedy; on Wednesday September 10th, we'll have our golf tournament; Thursday the 11th will be our regular meeting that I'd like to see people attend and we distribute our checks from the Tootsie Roll drive; late September the school HSA will have their spaghetti dinner and can use the Knights' help; and early October we hope to have our first pancake breakfast. I say hope to have, for those that haven't heard, the church's insurance company told Joe that the grill we've been using for cooking pancakes does not meet standards and is in violation of our liability insurance, so it has been removed from the kitchen. Brad Brech is looking for a grill top that we can place over the burners on the stove. We'll let you know if we find an alternative.

So as you can see there are many activities that the Knights are supporting, please get involved and display the tenets of our order: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

Vivat Jesus

Greg Kapraun, Grand Knight



Knights with birthdays in September include Andy Koch, Paul Daley, Jon Van Norman, Pat Mulligan, Jeff Warfield, Terry Lee, Douglas Cederholm, Matthew Nigbur, Michael Riestler, Dave Dykstal, Stephen Czapiewski, Chuck Mosier, Lynn McMahon, Pete Bushman, and Tom Dylla. Thanks to all these excellent gentlemen for being Knights and helping to make our council better. Please extend a hearty "Happy Birthday" to them the next time you see them.

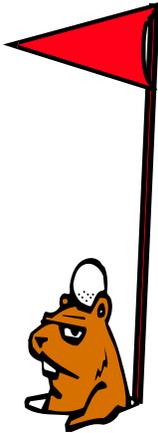
Calendar

Holy Spirit Founders' Day
Golf Tournament
Council Meeting
Men's CEW
October Newsletter Deadline
Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, September 7
Wednesday, September 10, noon
Thursday, September 11, 7:30 p.m.
September 12-14
Sunday, September 28
Sunday, October 5, after morning Masses

Holy Spirit Courtyard/Commons
Northern Hills Golf Course
Holy Spirit School Library
Ironwood Springs Christian Ranch

Holy Spirit Gym



Golf Tournament

On Wednesday, September 10th, 2008 our council will host our annual Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament at Northern Hills Golf Course. We begin this, again, at 12 noon with a shotgun start. Registration is closed so you'll have to pay a very large bribe to John Lawson to let you in. However, we can still use some help with door prizes. If you'd like to donate a prize, say a golf item or a gift certificate, please contact John Lawson at 289-7006, or jlawdds@aol.com.

Little Known Saint of the Month

Dave Dykstal

Getting tired of European saints? Let's move further east, Far East to be specific, where we meet Lorenzo Ruiz.

Lorenzo was born in Manila around 1600 of a Chinese father and a Filipino mother. Both were Christians. As a child he learned both Chinese and Tagalog. He served as an altar boy and sacristan to the local Dominicans and from them learned Spanish. He became a professional calligrapher. He became a full member of the Confraternity of the Holy Rosary. He married and had two sons and a daughter. All in all, a normal Catholic family man of his time.

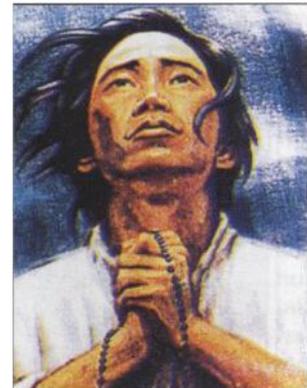
His life took an abrupt turn when he was accused of murder. He was given an offer to escape the Philippines and to sail to Japan with Dominican missionaries. Japan was a dangerous place at the time because of severe persecution of Christians.

They landed at Okinawa and Lorenzo could have gone on to Formosa, but decided to remain with his priest companions. They were soon found out, arrested and taken to Nagasaki. There they were subjected to unspeakable torture: huge quantities of water were forced down their throats and they were made to lie down. Long boards were then placed on their stomachs and guards then stepped on the ends of the boards, forcing the water to spurt violently from mouth, nose and ears.

The superior soon died. Lorenzo was offered freedom if he renounced his faith. His response? "I am a Catholic and I wholeheartedly accept to die for God. If I have a thousand lives to offer, I will offer them all up to Him." He and the others were then hung upside down in pits. Boards fitted with semicircular holes were fitted around their waists and stones put on top to increase the pressure. They were tightly bound, to slow circulation and prevent a speedy death. They were allowed to hang for three days. By that time Lorenzo and one of the others was dead. The remaining members of the party were beheaded.

Pope John Paul II canonized Lorenzo, his 5 companions, and 10 others, Asians and Europeans, men and women, who spread the faith in the Philippines, Formosa and Japan. Lorenzo Ruiz is the first canonized Filipino martyr.

We celebrate his life on September 28th.



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This is a synopsis of the official minutes of the General Council Business Meeting held on August 14th, 2008

submitted by Jerome N. Lensing

Lecturer Program – Instead of a Lecturer program, Drew Majewski presented a proposal for funding of his Eagle Scout Award project. His project involves landscaping a portion of the Holy Spirit Church grounds. Total project is \$5000 with mulch being provided by Hathaway's and labor of \$2500 being provided by volunteers. He has also indicated that many of the trees, shrubs and prairie grasses will be provided at discounted prices. He is planning on completing the project on September 6th. He is looking for donations to total \$900 to complete the project.

Opening

Grand Knight Greg Kapraun called the meeting to order at 7:20 PM in the Library of Holy Spirit Parish. Greg led the group in the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. The Role of Officer's was called. Chaplain, Father Don; Grand Knight, Greg Kapraun; Deputy Grand Knight, Paul Daley; Recorder, Jerome N. Lensing; Financial Secretary, Jim Decker; and Lecturer, Rob Larson were present. No Form 100's were read.

Officers Reports

Jim Decker, Financial Secretary, presented income and expense reports for July (Payments- \$659.91; Receipts - \$101.00); August (Payments- \$1815.14; Receipts-\$580.00). Audit went well.

Grand Knight Report – Greg Kapraun: Plaques for Family and Knight of the Year have been updated. Greg updated us on the Rochester Donor Fund. He thanked the First Degree Team for their efforts.

Directors Reports

Chaplain Report – Father Don Schmitz: Thanked all for the birthday wishes even though they were a bit early! Father is very grateful for the seen and unseen efforts of our Council and the influence that our Council has had on the formation of other Councils in the Rochester area.

Church Activities Director – Ken White: Ken needs servers for Father's Birthday celebration. He also is looking for a number of good men to help out at the Founders Day Picnic to serve cake as well as help out with the soccer challenge.

Youth Director – Paul Daley: Arrangements have been made to hold the Soccer Challenge earlier during the Founder's Day Picnic. Paul will work with Dan Kennedy and Mary Nowakowski on the Youth Ministry Appreciation Event. Joe O'Toole provided information on the Youth Ministry Appreciation Event. Due to Mary's time commitment, we as Knights need to organize it. It was mentioned that we may want to consider a cookout with games and movies at the end of September or early October. The idea of having a bonfire at Paul Daley's was also discussed.

Membership Director – Dave Hubka: We have gained 5 new members at the most recent First Degree's that have been held. There was one held last night with one new member. The Rochester Visitor's publication now has our Website listed. Jim Decker reported on 7 suspensions.

**Form #100
Belongs in
All of These Places**

- Briefcase
- In Your Pocket
- Near Your Phone
- Glove Compartment
- Everywhere You Go!

**SIGN UP A
NEW MEMBER
TODAY!**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Old Business

There are about 100 people signed up for the Golf Tournament, a report will be given at the next meeting. A number of people attend the Bishop's Reception that was held last night.

New Business

We need to thinking about the upcoming Spirit Run, give Duane Price a call if you can help out!

Pancake Breakfast dates have been set – October 5, November 16 (Youth Choir will be singing), January 18 (Youth Choir will be singing), February 22 (Youth Choir will be singing) and March 22. Brad Brech mentioned that due to fire codes and insurance we will need to look at an alternative to the current use of the grill. He will be checking into possibilities.

There was a discussion on Drew Majewski Eagle Scout Project proposal. A motion was made, seconded and passed to provide him with \$300 and \$150 to the Green Team to be used also for his project.

Good of the Order

Prayers were offered by the Grand Knight. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.