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## Grand Knight Message

*Greetings Brother Knights,*

Christmas greetings to all! 2000 years ago John the Baptist was sent to prepare the way for the coming of the Messiah through baptism and with a message of repentance. In this Advent season we prepare ourselves through generosity, reconciliation, and prayerful reflection on what an awesome gift God gave us by sending his only son that we may not die, but have life.

Those of you that were at the last pancake breakfast got to see the energy and joy of the cub scouts. It's been a while since I was involved with cub scouts when my son was that age. But, working the dining area and clean up was a reminding of what fun they can have. Thanks to all that helped out. Our donation to the cub scouts from the breakfast was \$750 which they will put to good use.

I was also helping at Christmas Anonymous yesterday. The number of people that it takes to do everything at store day always amazes me – and that's only part of the work. It takes a week to setup and then there is all of the senior baskets the weekend before. The other thing that amazes is the number of HS Knights that help. There all over the place. Thanks to all who helped. It's a wonderful cause.

I'd also like to thank Tom Sand and Tom Dylla who set up the nativity set at the entrance to the church property. It's one of those many things that gets done behind the scenes by the knights.

*Steve Kunkel, Grand Knight*

## Calendar

### Council Meeting

Thursday, January 19, 2011, 2011, 7:00 p.m.  
Emmaus Room

### Knights Retreat at Christ the King Retreat Center.

- January 13-15, 2011 (OR)
- January 20-22, 2011

**Knights Breakfast** – Sunday, January 15

### Fall Classic – Warrior Dash – June 30, 2012

Looking for 25 volunteers and knights and families to help and watch a terrific event.  
Contact Jerome Lansing.

## Birthdays

### Knights with birthdays in December!

#### Wish them a Happy Birthday.

Dan Brossoit, Tom Dube, Ken Lentz, John McGuire, Roy Musselman, Tim Tracy, Brian Uhlenkamp, Frank Vondrashek, Stephen Wasz, Chet Welle, Joseph Armstrong, Robert Larson, John Orbeck, Randy Vrabel, Marco Rizzo and Alan Speltz

**A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all!**

## Editor's Note

*Rich Hartmann*

Let Rich Hartmann know any items that should be posted in the Knights newsletter ([richardhartmann@aim.com](mailto:richardhartmann@aim.com)). Let Andy Koch([andy.koch@gmail.com](mailto:andy.koch@gmail.com)) know of any Knights 11460 web updates.

## Sunday Noon Lunch @ St Francis

Rich Hartmann

My wife, Marcia and I, coordinate and assist at the Sunday Noon Lunch for Holy Spirit to provide a need for a meal in the community. The Sunday Noon Lunch is sponsored by the six Catholic parishes in Rochester. The coordinators of the Sunday Noon Lunch send a **Thank You to all the Knights of Columbus in Rochester** for the donation of a cart used to get the supplies from the supply room to the kitchen. Holy Spirit coordinated the Lunch this past Sunday (Dec 4<sup>th</sup>). Devon Moore, who does the meal preparation, expressed how nice it was having a cart to bring the food and materials from the storage closet to the kitchen.

## Great turnout for the Pack 110 Cub Scout pancake breakfast!

Gary Moore

We had a great turnout for the November 20 pancake breakfast to support the Holy Spirit Cub Scout Pack. Twenty Knights volunteered their time to put on a successful breakfast which cleared \$670.00 for the benefit of the scouts. THANK YOU to those of you who helped!

Looking ahead, our next breakfast will be on Sunday, January 15 and we would love to have some new volunteers step forward. No kitchen experience is required. The more hands we have, the easier the task. Watch for an email notice which will be sent out in early January requesting volunteers. We hope to see you on January 15.

**Annual Silent Retreat at Christ the King Retreat Center**

*Submitted by Dave Hubka*

For the past several years, Dave Rossman and I have made a men's silent retreat at **Christ the King Retreat Center** in **Buffalo, MN**. Others have occasionally joined us. It has always been refreshing and we keep going back for more! It runs Friday evening through Sunday lunch, with thought-provoking talks by the retreat leaders, mass on Saturday and Sunday, opportunity for individual confession, great food and scenery, and much more. The retreat theme this year is 'Renew My Heart.'

While this retreat is offered several times during the season, Dave Rossman will be making the retreat Jan 13-15, 2012, and Dave Hubka will be making the retreat on January 20-22, 2012. Both Dave's have open seats for a few more who want to ride along. For information, contact me at [djhubka@charter.net](mailto:djhubka@charter.net) or 282-6090, or check out the retreat house directly at [www.kingshouse.com](http://www.kingshouse.com) or 763-682-1394.

**An advance deposit is required to hold a room for the week-end.** A \$30 deposit is required to reserve a room for the weekend. The cost is \$140 for the weekend. You can reserve and make payment on the Christ the King retreat house website. <http://www.kingshouse.com/menretreats.htm>

**Christmas Anonymous – Christ United Methodist Church**

*Submitted by Brad Brech*

Thanks to all the Knights and their family members that helped with Christmas Anonymous this year. With improved weather over last year's blizzard, we were able to services about 640 families. There were so many Knights' in attendance that I will not try and list them all. While we still have a little cleanup to finish, we are already starting to plan for next year.

*This is a synopsis of the official minutes of the Council Business Meeting held on November 20, 2011  
Submitted by Jerome N. Lensing.*

**Opening** – Grand Knight Steve Kunkel called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM in the Emmaus Room. Steve started the meeting with the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. The Role of Officer's was called. Grand Knight, Steve Kunkel; Recorder, Jerome Lensing; Financial Secretary, Jim Decker and Guard, Ken White were present. No Form 100's were read.

**Grand Knight Report – Steve Kunkel** - October minutes were approved. State Convention information for the Golf Tournament has been completed and to the State; take away gift has been settled on as well as the lanyards. Steve thanked all that helped out at the Pancake Breakfast (\$650 to the Youth Group) and the Fall Classic. There will be a First Degree at St. Francis on December 12<sup>th</sup>, candidates; Holy Spirit Team will be conducting the Degree. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree will be held on November 19<sup>th</sup> in Owatonna with the St Ignatius 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Team and the SE MN 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Team conducting the Degrees.

**Officers Reports:** Jim Decker presented the income and expense reports for October – November, 2011 (Receipts \$5478.50.00, Payments - \$4373.27).

**Directors Reports:**

**Membership – Jim Decker** – New Form 100's provide a handout the First Degree Ceremonial Requirements for Star Council Award – Host a First Degree or have a candidate at a Degree.

**Charities Committee** – Motion made, seconded and passed to provide the profits from the November 20<sup>th</sup> Pancake Breakfast to Holy Spirit Cub Scouts.

**Old Business** – Ken White summarized a very successful Spirit Run. He thanked all for their help. There were 199 runners. He will bring extra shirts to the upcoming Pancake Breakfast. Jim Decker provided and update on the Warrior Dash, Jim and Jerome Lensing are coordinating for the Assembly, he suggested that we have someone coordinate the effort for Holy Spirit. Mark the date for this great fundraiser – June 30<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business** – Jim Decker provided information on the upcoming opportunities for Christmas Anonymous – great opportunity to help the less fortunate in the Rochester area. Tom Sand will coordinate setting up the **Nativity Scene for Lite Up for Christ.**

District Deputy Report – Greg Sanders – Greg provide and update on the Fall Classic and upcoming degrees.

**Good of the Order:** Prayers were offered by the Grand Knight. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

