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Grand Knight Message

Greetings Brother Knights

Door prizes at our meetings! Due to relatively low attendance at our meetings in recent years, we have talked about ways to encourage attendance. At our last meeting, we decided to try to offer door prizes in the form of scrip. So, come win some scrip.

One thing that I forgot to mention last month is that Wynter Bergner, an 11 year old girl from Holy Spirit, won the regional free throw contest and moved onto the state competition in St. Cloud.

I would like to update you on the state convention which is May 18-20. We are having a golf tournament on Friday afternoon and are a little low on attendance so I would like to invite all of the knights to attend. Contact Dan Kennedy at 285-5183. You are also welcome to attend the convention. To do so register at <http://www.kofcasm548.org/news/default.html> The highlights are the opening dinner on Friday night will be on the peace plaza, the major business meeting is Saturday afternoon, and the major banquet is Saturday night.

Thanks,
Steve Kunkel – Grand Knight

Calendar

Council Meeting

Thursday, May 17th at 7PM.

Warrior Dash Opportunity

Saturday June 30th 6AM-12:30PM – Holy Spirit Council and Assembly 548 – 12:30PM-8:00PM

Youth Choir Appreciation Brunch

April 22nd following 10AM Mass

Dinner and Dance

April 13th at International Event Center hosted by Pax Christi church

Birthdays

Knights with birthdays in April!

William Adamson, Lynn Berning, Dennis Clark, Don Cratchy, Rich Dettinger, Greg Eaton, Pat McCarthy, Gary Moore, Ron Schmerbauch, Richard Stevens

Wish all these gentlemen a Happy Birthday!

New Knights Insurance Agent

Submitted by Steve Kunkel

Bryan Streefland is our Knights insurance agent. If you are interested in life insurance, long term care insurance, annuities for retirement, Knights of Columbus Scholarships or Careers, Bryan has a contact form on this page. <http://www.kofc.org/en/insurance/faa.html>

Warrior Dash Opportunity

Submitted by Jerome Lensing

NEED YOUR HELP NOW – Call Jerome at 507-252-5626 or email me at

Jerome.Lensing@pioneer.com to help! Get ready for the opportunity to participate in the 2012 Warrior Dash. All of the Rochester Knights of Columbus Councils and Assembly 548 will be volunteering at the Warrior Dash on Saturday June 30 and Sunday July 1. Last year, we did check in duties and helped run the ticket booth for food and drinks. All of the Knights and their family members who participated had fun and make a large amount of money (**25 volunteers provides \$1000 for the Council!**) for our council. Make sure you mark your calendars now to join your brother Knights for some serious fun! The schedule is on **Saturday, June 30 - 6 AM to 12:30 PM – Holy Spirit Council.**

Yes it is early in the morning but a blast – see below!

12:30-8:00 pm Assembly 548



9th Annual Youth Choir Appreciation Brunch on April 22

Submitted by Dave Hubka

The Youth Choir wraps up their season by singing at the 10:00 AM Mass on April 22. Once again, after Mass we will treat them to a fabulous brunch with our spectacular waffle bar, chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetables, fresh buns, etc. I'll organize the work crew, Joe DiCecco and Neil Stiller will be head chefs, and Paul Daley will be in charge of the waffle bar. It promises to be a great event for the Holy Spirit Youth Choir and for those of us working the event! As in past years, I'll primarily ask for KC dads of Youth Choir members to be the workers but I will take any other willing volunteers! For more information or to sign up to help, contact Dave Hubka at djhubka@charter.net or 282-6090.

Dinner and Dance at International Event Center

Submitted by Steve Kunkel

Once again the Pax Christi council, Gene Eiden in particular, organized a district wide dinner/dance which occurred on April 13th. Approximately 100 knights attended to enjoy the meal and dancing. Great music was provided by the Notachords.

Tootsie Roll Drive

Submitted by Steve Kunkel

The annual tootsie roll drive will be the weekend April 27-29th. If you haven't been contacted yet, call Jeff Block at 281-5526, Please be generous with your time. As usual, all proceeds will go to organizations that work with people with mental disabilities.

2011-2012 Pancake Season Summary

Submitted by Gary Moore

March 18 was our final pancake breakfast of a very successful 2011-2012 "Pancake Season". We put on 5 breakfasts from October through March, and were able to donate a total of over \$4100.00 to some very worthy causes. Thank you to each of you who volunteered your time to make this possible! Following are the facts which summarize the season, including some interesting food trivia:

The benefactors:

- Holy Spirit Youth Group to help with the cost of their participation in the annual National Catholic Youth Conference
- Holy Spirit Cub Scouts to support their pack development and events
- Holy Spirit Giving Tree to support those in need around our community
- Holy Spirit Boy Scouts to support their participation in a high adventure trip to Seabase this summer in Florida
- Holy Spirit Youth Group to support their participation in the Steubenville retreat/conference

The Knights who made it possible:

- 46 Knights participated across the 5 breakfasts
- Approximately 400 hours of volunteer time was contributed.

The food consumed:

- 200 pounds of dry pancake batter (approx 4000 pancakes!)
- 150 pounds of sausage
- 90 pounds of ham
- 35 gallons of orange juice
- 15 gallons of syrup
- 225 dozen eggs
- 250 dozen muffins
- Somewhere between 40 and 50 gallons of coffee!

Once again, **thank you** to all who made this happen. If you were not able to participate this season, our breakfasts will start again this fall in September or October, so watch for the email notices and sign up to help! There is no training required, and it really is fun working these breakfasts together. One final special thanks to Dave Rossman, who provided honey for sale at each Knights breakfast, donated the entire sale amount to the group receiving the breakfast proceeds.

*This is a synopsis of the official minutes of the Council Business Meeting held on March 15, 2012
Submitted by Gary Moore*

The following are the minutes of the Council 11460 Business Meeting held on March 15, 2011. The minutes are submitted by Gary Moore, covering for Jerome Lensing.

OPENING: Grand Knight Steve Kunkel called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM in the Emmaus Room. Steve started the meeting with the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. The Role of Officers was called. Grand Knight, Steve Kunkel, Deputy Grand Knight, Gary Moore, Chancellor, Dan Kennedy, Financial Secretary, Jim Decker, and Jeff Block were present. No forms 100's were read.

GRAND KNIGHT REPORT: Steve Kunkel - January Council Meeting minutes were approved.

- The annual KC dinner/dance will be April 13; details are in the February newsletter.
- March 28 is Grand Knight training at Resurrection Church for anyone interested in future leadership positions.
- The new insurance agent for the Rochester area is Bryan Streefland
- Registration is open for the State Convention
- Events are open to everyone, not just delegates
- There is a link on our webpage to sign up for events
- No one has yet signed up for the golf tourney
- Thank you letter was received from Rochester Catholic Schools for our support of SOCS
- Final Pancake breakfast of the season will be March 18, for Holy Spirit Youth Group participation in the Steubenville retreat/conference.
- Thank you to Mike Riestler for arranging Light Night
- Welcome to our newest council member, Joe Adamson, who joined the March 4 First Degree ceremony.

OFFICERS REPORTS: Jim Decker presented the income and expense reports for February and March, 2012:

- February receipts = \$2382.00, payments = \$2039.35
- March receipts = \$610.00, payments = \$1005.71

DIRECTORS REPORTS: Nothing to report

OLD BUSINESS: No old business

NEW BUSINESS:

1) Charities Committee recommendations were reviewed.

- Request for \$500 for Bibles for confirmation youth - this was tabled, pending receipt of the charity request form.
- "Food for Kidz" request for support of the youth food packing event on Oct 13. Having the youth do roadside pickup was suggested in return for a donation of \$300. A motion for approval was made by Gary Moore, seconded by Jeff Block. The motion was voted on and passed.
- The district Donor Advisory Fund requests were discussed.

2) Delegates for the State Convention were elected. Steve Kunkel and Gary Moore were approved as delegates, with Jerome Lensing and Dan Kennedy as alternates.

3) We had a brainstorming discussion on how to stimulate our Council participation

- Our membership from 2007 to 2012 has gone from 190 members to 150 members.
- We discussed the potential of doing a survey to understand what interest's members, new social events, etc.
- The suggestion was made to have door prizes at our council meetings. We agreed, and this will start with our April council meeting.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: Prayers were offered by the Grand Knight for Dave Rossman, Dan Kennedy, Frank Vondrashek, and for the repose of the soul of Father Joe Keefe.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.