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Grand Knight Message

Greetings Brother Knights

The time seems to have gone by quickly for me. Thanksgiving is next week already marking the beginning of the Holiday season! While not a Knight's activity, many from our council are heavily involved in Christmas Anonymous. There are many ways to help. Brad Brech is a good contact if you want to help, Jim Decker and Jeff Block are always looking for help as well. Speaking of upcoming events, our next Pancake breakfast is on the 18th. I have not got a date yet for the Christmas recital, so you'll see an email or get a call about stage setup and take down for the Christmas recital. Contact Neil Stiller.

Now turning to the thanks! Thanks to everyone that helped with the Spirit Run. It was a little cool at the start, but that did not bother anyone. The event went very well. By the way, if anyone would like to take over organizing it next year, Ken White would like a replacement. We also had our first pancake breakfast. Thanks to everyone that helped out with that. We also got involved in an Art Festival at Assisi Heights. Thanks to everyone that helped out. My wife went and she was glad that the Knights were helping with parking as the event was well attended. Thanks to Jim Motz for organizing the roadside cleanup this fall. Thanks to those that were willing to help at the Fall Classic. Unexpectedly they didn't need us this year, but I'm sure they could use our help next week.

Two announcements: Pat Mulligan has agreed to be our new financial secretary replacing Jim Decker who has been doing that job for 17 years. I can't thank Jim enough. Also, we have a new field Agent, Kevin Downie. Not quite sure why we got a new one. Kevin is from Pine Island and only a few of the council now have him as their field agent. It looks like there was some re-districting that happened.

Thanks,
Steve Kunkel – Grand Knight

Calendar

Council Meeting

Thursday, November 15th at 7PM

Knights Insurance Agent

Kevin Downie is our Knights insurance agent. Kevin can be reached at 507-202-5304 or e-mail kevin.downie@kofc.org

The web site is:

<http://www.kofc.org/en/insurance>.

Contact Kevin if you are interested in life insurance, long term care insurance, annuities for retirement, Knights of Columbus Scholarships or Careers.

Our Mission

Our Knights of Columbus council is dedicated to the aid and enrichment of Holy Spirit Parish, Holy Spirit School, the surrounding community, and the fellowship and support of that community. We accomplish these goals through work projects, social events, and fund raising to support the needs of the Parish, School, and the Community.

Birthdays

Knights with birthdays in November!

Scott Helt, Dave Hubka, Mike Koranda, Steve Kunkel, Kevin Lenz, Dan Moravec, Dick Quinn, William Reiland, Peter Schommer, Keith Swetz, Kevin Weber, Dale Tupper

Wish all these gentlemen a Happy Birthday!



Holy Spirit Knights flower sale for Respect for Life
Submitter Mike McDermott

In conjunction with Respect for Life Month in October, we sold flower bouquets from Flowers by Jerry. We decided to donate our portion of the proceeds (about \$140) to MCCL. (Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life). Thank You to the knights who helped with the flower sales: Jeff Block, Jim Decker, Steve Kunkel, and Gordy Stockinger. Thank You to all the Knights who purchased flower bouquets.

Spirit Run Race Update

Submitter Ken White – Holy Spirit Run Race Director

The 17th Annual Spirit Run was held on Saturday, October 26, at Holy Spirit School. A total of 183 runners participated in the 5K and 10K races with about 40 participating in the 1K fun run. Many thanks to the volunteers, 31 in total, who helped out with the race activities and to Cheri Block for leading the school staff and parent volunteers who covered the inside activities. And special thanks to Steph and Katie Helt who filled in for their absent father at the Friday night registration and packet pickup and to Steve Decker for leading the 1K fun run. The proceeds from the race came to out to \$2,380 which will be split between Holy Spirit School and our charity fund. I also have 6 Medium t-shirts left if anyone is interested in purchasing one. Thanks to all for a well done job.

Knights Breakfast – November 18th 2012
Submitted by Gary Moore

Calling all Knights! We have our second pancake breakfast of the season coming up on Sunday, November 18 following the morning masses. This breakfast is for the benefit of a group of Lourdes seniors who are raising funds for a mission trip to Central America this summer to work for Habitat for Humanity Global Village. Your help is needed!

We need a few volunteers starting at 7:00 AM for prep and setup, with the bulk of help needed on two shifts, first being 8:30 – 10:30, and second being 10:30 – 12:30, or when clean-up is finished. If you can help at any time between 7:00 AM and 12:30 on Sunday, October 28, please let me know. gmoored@charter.net, or 507-287-6550.

Annual Men's Retreat
Submitted by Dave Hubka

Several years ago, former brother Dave Rossman introduced me to the silent men's retreats at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo, MN. I think I have made such a retreat for 8 of the past 10 years, and have always found it immensely refreshing and fulfilling. I will be making my annual retreat on January 18-20, 2013, and can give anyone else a ride. If interested in attending, please contact me at djhubka@charter.net or 507-282-6090 with questions and to arrange for carpooling. There is also much more information available on their website at <http://www.kingshouse.com/> (a reservation is required – you can print off a brochure including a reservation form at <http://www.kingshouse.com/pdf/2013Calendar.pdf>).

*This is a synopsis of the official minutes of the Council Business Meeting held on October 18, 2012
Submitted by Jerome Lensing*

Eagle Scout Project Proposal: At 7 PM, Paul Musselman presented his Eagle Scout Project for wooden information signs for the Northern Hill Prairie Pack. He is requesting \$100 for supplies.

OPENING: Grand Knight Steve Kunkel called the meeting to order at 7:08 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; Recorder, Jerome Lensing; Financial Secretary, Jim Decker and Guard, Ken White were present. No forms 100's were read.

GRAND KNIGHT REPORT: Steve Kunkel

- September meeting minutes were approved.
- The Thank You messages were read and passed around
- John Hunt will be stepping down as the Rochesterfest Parade Float Chairmen, looking for someone to take the opportunity over.
- Donor Advised Fund proposals are due, call Steve Kunkel for details.
- Council Leadership Training will be held on November 10 in Owatonna KC Hall at 9:30 AM
- First Degree will be held on October 27 at 2 PM at Resurrection Church.

OFFICERS REPORTS:

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: Jim Decker presented the income and expense reports for:
September - October, 2012 receipts = \$5464.00, payments = \$524.73

DIRECTORS REPORTS:

Pro-Life Activities Coordinator, Mike McDermott – Present the Prolife Flower Sales, \$349.00 of sales. Motion made, seconded and passed to donate the proceeds of the sales to MCCL.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ken White asked if our insurance covers the Spirit Run, our policy covers all events such as the Spirit Run. He indicated that he needs 2 more volunteers.

Pancake Breakfast on October 28th, food and supplies have been ordered. Brad Brech is looking in different grills.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion made, seconded and passed to approve \$100 donation to Paul Musselman for his Eagle Scout project.

Fall Classic will be November 11th, need a couple of volunteers from our Council.

Nativity Scene will be placed in the Courtyard due to theft of statues the last couple of years, Tom Sand and Mike McDermott will coordinate the activity

Brad Brech lead a discussion the Council considers providing funds to the Music Ministry for the Men's Choir. Brad will discuss what the needs maybe with Neil Stiller.

District Deputy Report – Greg Sanders: Mentioned that the October 27th First Degree is the last one available for a Knight to be eligible for the Spring Exemption.

Door Prize Winners: Jeff Block and Jerome Lensing. Remember the only way to be eligible for the door prizes – ATTEND THE MEETING!

GOOD OF THE ORDER: Prayers were offered by the Grand Knight for prayer requests from the members in attendance.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM.