



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
NEENAH COUNCIL #5514 – MEETING OF 8/5/2013
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September

- Sept 4, Brat Fry, Bemis-Curwood Cecil St., setup, 8am. (Bob Gehr)
- Sept 14, Diocesan Meeting, Nativity Parish, Green Bay (Chuck Rohr)
- Sept 11, Brat Fry, Bemis-Curwood Cecil St., setup, 8am. (Bob Gehr)
- Sept. 15, Packer's Concessions, 1:00 p.m game time. (Mike Bushman)
- Sept 18, Brat Fry, Bemis-Curwood Cecil St., setup, 8am. (Bob Gehr)
- Sept. 29, Pancake and Porky Breakfast, St. Gabriel Church, after both Masses, (Paul Wolters)
- Sept 30, Double Portions (prep, cook, serve), St. Pat's Cafeteria, 8:00am-1:00 pm (Mike Bushman)

Grand Knight's Report:

Summer is quickly coming to an end and Delaware North season, or I should say football season, is upon us. We should have another good year if we can get the response on volunteers like we did for family night (21 volunteers). Next month we will tentatively be holding a first degree on September 17th. Mark your calendars and let's see how many new members we can get for our council. Lastly, I have been asked to remind everyone that our new member steak night is coming up on September 24th. Cost is \$8.00. This event is free to all new members and their wives. Jerry will have a sign-up going around during our September meeting.

Knight of the Month – Jerry Robak:

Jerry has been a Knight for 33 years and is currently a Trustee. He is the long standing chairman for our annual steak nights and our recognition dinners. Jerry works many of our council's activities including the Tootsie Roll Drive, Pancake/Porkie breakfasts and coffee and doughnuts. He works the ARC Valentine's Dance and has played Santa Claus at the ARC Christmas party for many years. Jerry also gives his time to the Neenah Historical Society and is a tax counselor, helping senior citizens prepare their taxes. In his spare time he plays drums in the Foggy Valley Boys and is a master gardener. Jerry, thank you for your steady and consistent service to the Knights of Columbus and to our community.

Family of the Month – Dennis and Marcie Howard Family:

Dennis has been a Knight for 5 years and has served our council as Warden. He has volunteered at pancake and porkie breakfasts and Tootsie Roll drives. Dennis has a shift for the adoration chapel and has been a sponsor for RCIA candidates. His wife, Marcie, works in the Religious Formation department at Saint Margaret Mary. She is a Eucharistic Minister, co-chair of the Adult Faith Enrichment committee, and, with Dennis, a supporter of the Friends of Haiti. Dennis and Marcie are members of a SMM RENEW group, the SMM Garden club and distribute giving tree Christmas gifts. Dennis and Marcie have three children; Ryan, Katie and Adam. Ryan is a product engineer at Enerpac in Columbus and Katie is in the Milwaukee area. Their youngest, Adam, is a junior at the University of Minnesota. Thank you, Dennis, Marcia, Ryan, Katie, and Adam for everything you do.

Financial Secretary's Corner:

Brother Knights: With this newsletter, we began the last half of 2013 and lets be assured it will be a very busy one. There are lots of programs that everyone can get involved with. It is also time to check your membership card. Is it up to date? If not, please make every effort to pay as soon as possible. Also, I would appreciate any updates on addresses, e-mails, etc., and most of all phone numbers.

Remember: God is the silent partner in all great enterprises.

Financial Secretary's Report:

- Annual audit went well. Our books were to the penny.
- We still need dues from four members, two from last year and two for this year.
- We recently took five members off our rolls.

New Business:

- We received an invoice for continuing our ad in the St. Gabriel's bulletin. Dan Bornemann made a motion to cancel the ad. Motion seconded by Joe Nemecek. Motion carried unanimously.
- Motion made by Ed Sypek to give \$100 to Friends of Haiti for their formula drive. Rich Gagner would like to give more. Motion seconded by Mike Bushman. Motion passed with two nays.
- Motion made by Chad Olsen to sponsor 2013 Brewfest for \$250. Motion seconded by Tom Bozile. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion made by Ed Sypek to donate \$150 for the Boy Scout camp Chaplains Program. Motion seconded by Ed Sypek. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion made by Ed Sypek to donate funds toward the landscaping needed at St. Gabriel's. Amount would be up to \$850. Ed will find out from Parish on how much is actually needed. Funds would come from the porkie/pancake breakfast. We would

reimburse our account the money given to St. Gabriel's and give any remaining funds from the breakfast to St. Gabriel's. Motion seconded by Marv Spielbauer. Motion passed with one dissenting vote from Chris Rigotti.

- Motion made by Rich Gagner donate \$600 to St. Joes Food Pantry to cover the months of August/September/October. Motion seconded by Mike Mabie. Motion passed unanimously.
- Marv Spielbauer will look into scheduling a pizza/bingo night for youth at the Winnebago Mental Health Institute.
- Joe Nemecek discussed that the Bella Clinic is looking for the "little feet" pendants They will have a walk for life in October and she would like to hand them out at the walk and she gives them out with each ultrasound. Last time we ordered them it was \$0.50 a piece for 500 or more or \$0.79 each. Mike Bushman will check on current pricing. Motion made by Chad Olsen to allow Mike Bushman to order 500 pendants and submit the bill at the next meeting. Motion seconded by Rich Gagner. Motion passed unanimously.
- Mike Bushman reported that the Menasha Council will have a sparnfarkle and corn roast membership blitz on August 24th. Contact Art if you would like to attend with a prospective member.

Programs Chairman's Report:

- The family picnic went well. It was a fun event.
- New Member Steak Night will be September 10th or 24th.

Brat Fries:

- The brat fries have been going well in July.
- There will be three brat fries in September.

Community and Public Relations:

- Mike Bushman reported that they made sloppy joes with remaining venison for Double Portions. They also served red potatoes and green beans. They served 124 people. The lunch went very well.

Communications:

- We received a thank you from St. Margaret Mary's for the vestment for Deacon Dan Laurent.
- We received a thank you from Mount Tabor for our donation.

Trustees Report:

- Jon Bolwerk and Dan Bornemann were presented a trophy for being the bean bag toss champions at the family picnic.
- Friends of Haiti is requesting funds for purchasing infant formula.
- St. Gabriel's PTO is requesting \$250 for sponsoring Brewfest.
- Boy Scouts are requesting \$150 for camp chancellery fund.
- St. Gabriel's needs \$850 to finish the landscaping between the two wings of the school.

District Deputy's Report:

- We have a number of Degrees coming up. There is a 1st Degree pending the week of August 19th. The exact date will be sent out as soon as it's definite. I will be sending out the list of 1st Degrees in our District as soon as they are firmed up. Even if you have supplied the information, would the Grand Knights please send me the date and location their Councils have chosen.
- There will be 2nd & 3rd Degree Exemplifications on September 21, 2013, in Hortonville, and 2nd & 3rd degree scheduled for Sunday Sept. 29th at Holy
- Family Catholic church in Woodruff. Information for these degrees has been forwarded to the Grand Knights. The next 4th Degree is on October 26th in Marshfield.
- The District is looking for back up team members for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Degree teams. We don't want to decline having a Degree for your candidates because we can't put a complete team together. Contact me for more information.
- The Diocesan meeting is on September 14th, at St. Benard's Parish in Green Bay. Registration is at 8:30. Grand Knights, Deputy Grand Knights, Financial Secretaries, and Membership and program directors are advised to attend. Any other member is allowed to attend. Your Grand Knight or Financial Secretary will be receiving the registration form in the mail.

Good of the Order:

Joseph Putzer, Cyndy Bornemann, Marcy Gehr, Paul Bongers, John Kessler, Sister Donna Marie Kessler, Terry Chang, Erik Duffy, Bud Wickman, Wally Maynard, Evan Williams, Garland Smith, Dan Rosenbaum, Andy Collar, Shana "Beck" Lorraine Borcnik, Shawn Coenen, Dick Winter, Janet Van Handel, Hannah Sherwood, Dee Kasperek, Jean Breyer, Phil Ansems, Mary Jean Schuelke, Harold Seymour, Joseph Morin, Betty Gehr, Tom Pawlowski, Mary Younger, Joseph Mourn, Judith Delveaux, Tina Robak, Jackie Jensen, LeRoy Gagner, Jim Rhymer, Donn Quinn, Gene Lerza and Steve Seymour.

Priests: Paul Radeski, Conrad Kratz, Paul Praider, Richard Allen, Larry Seidl, Jim Kubicki, Larry Adler, Mike Ingold, Dave Kasperek and Justin Werner. Our Seminarians; especially Brian Wideman and Matt Rapp.

Meeting adjourned by Art Schmeichel at 8:03 pm.