



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
NEENAH COUNCIL #5514 – MEETING OF 8/5/2014  
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GRAND KNIGHT – Dan Bornemann



**Grand Knight's Report:**

Hello Brothers. It's hard to believe it is August already. I heard geese honking in the sky yesterday morning. A tell-tale sign that summer will quickly be gone. But we still have a couple months of warm weather to spend with family and friends!

We had another busy month. Bemis brat fries continue to be a valuable contributor to our charity fund and we had our first Packer concession opportunity during the July 26th practice session. We have a great base of volunteers for both of these ongoing programs but could always use more help! I challenge everyone to just try working one Packer game. I guarantee you it is more fun than work. And is one of the easiest ways to earn money so we can give more to others who need our help.

Thanks to everyone who helped out and attended our Annual Council Picnic last month. We had over 60 people attend. We could not have asked for a nicer day! A special thank you to Mike Mabie for being my co-chairman and to Chris Rigotti for reserving the park, helping set up and making his awesome beans!

Anyone interested in becoming our Program Director? Art Schmeichel is covering the duty short-term and we need to find someone who can take this duty. It is not too time consuming and would be a nice way for some of our newer members to be a little more active! Please see me if you are interested or know of someone who might be interested.

**Knight of the Month – Tom Jensen:**

Tom is a member of St. Margaret Mary's parish and has been with our Council for almost six years. While Tom's interests outside the Council keep him quite busy, he has been able to engage in various Council activities, including helping with the Bemis brat fries, the annual Tootsie Roll drive and Brewfest.

Tom retired in 1996 from over 30 years of teaching and coaching at Neenah High School. His retirement has been anything but slow. Tom assists St Margaret Mary in serving funeral dinners and devotes time to Perpetual Adoration. Tom has answered the call a number of times to support RCIA candidates in their journey of faith towards confirmation. In addition, Tom has worked with ThedaCare Hospice for 15 years by visiting patients and their families.

Upon retiring, Tom leveraged his track and cross country coaching experience to found the Neenah Fun Run. The Fun Run will be celebrating 20 years in 2015 and has grown tremendously since its inception. This year over 1,000 individuals participated in the races. Tom said that there are many reasons for the success of the event, including, keeping it family oriented, recognizing the participants for their efforts and achievements, providing treats for attendees and being able to provide all of this while not charging an entry fee. The biggest reason for the success, however, has been the dedication of the volunteers, many of which have been with the Fun Run since its inception and/or are former students and race participants.

Thank you, Tom, for the generosity of your time and heartfelt efforts to your church and community.

**Family of the Month – Tom & Sandy Bozile & Family:**

Tom and his wife, Sandy, have been members of St. Margaret Mary's parish since 1976. They raised two sons, Michael and Nathan, who are now busy raising families of their own in Arizona and Appleton. They participate in many humanitarian and religious activities.

Tom has been very active within Council 5514 for the 4+ years that he has been a member. He has his 3rd degree and is considering taking his 4th degree when it comes to the Fox Valley in 2015. Tom supports many Knights projects including IrishFest, Packer Concessions, Bemis brat fries, Tootsie Roll Drives, BrewFest and Porky Pancake breakfasts at both St Margaret Mary and St Gabe's Churches. In addition, Tom served as Warden the past 2 years.

In addition to supporting Tom's efforts with the Knights, Sandy helps out at St Margaret Mary's in selling script, donating generously to the giving tree projects, and helping out with various drives. She also leverages her work with Kohl's Associates in Action program, where she is able to volunteer many hours to specific programs such as reading with school children, working concessions for school events, and other community projects.

Tom and Sandy enjoy various activities including golfing, reading, gardening. They particularly like walking or running together which they use in supporting Breast Cancer campaigns by participating in numerous walks/runs each year.

Thank you, Tom and Sandy, for all that you do to support the Knights of Columbus, your Church and your community.

### **Financial Secretary's Corner:**

Brother Knights: As of this newsletter, we begin the last half of 2014. We have many programs going, so let's get involved. This is also time to check your membership card. If it is not up to date, please make every effort to bring it current. If you are having a problem, call me so a solution can be worked out. Also, if you have a change of address, phone number, e-mail, etc. please call me with the changes.

***Remember: Footprints in the sand of time are not made by sitting down.***

### **Financial Secretary's Report:**

- The ½ year audit has been completed and sent out.
- We have 12 members who have not paid dues from last year.

### **New Business:**

- Special Olympics is looking for a donation of \$0.75 per member per year for 4 years. This would cost our Council \$126 per year. Mike Bushman will see if we can do another Perkins night to raise these funds for Special Olympics. This will be tabled until the next meeting.
- Motion made by Rich Gagner to donate \$600 to St. Joes Food Pantry to cover the months of August, September and October. Motion seconded by Lloyd Delvauex. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion made by Mike Bushman to donate \$500 to the Christine Anne Center as suggested by Trustees. Motion seconded by many. Motion carried unanimously.
- Art will do further research into Mothers and Unborn Baby Care. We will table their donation request until the next meeting.
- Marv Spielbauer got the go ahead to schedule another Bingo and Pizza Night at the Winnebago County Mental Health Institute.
- Alexi Harbor is working two jobs and could use help with room and board. She is studying to become a Nun. Motion made by Art Schmeichel to donate \$450, which is the cost of one month's rent. This is the same amount we donated last year. Motion seconded by Mike Pokorny. Motion passed unanimously.
- Bob Yost reported that the last time we paid St. Gabriel's for electricity was \$75 in 2011 to cover May 2010 thru April 2011. Marv Spielbauer made a motion to donate \$200 to pay for two years. Motion was amended to \$250 to get us through 2014. Motion seconded by Tom Bozile. Motion passed unanimously.
- Bob Gehr is looking for a new person to coordinate brat fries.
- Motion made by Dennis Howard to donate \$200 to Friends of Haiti. They are putting together diaper kits. Motion seconded by Mike Mabie. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Programs Chairman's Report:**

- Rich Gagner mentioned that his son went through the First Degree on July 2nd in Red Granite. He said his son enjoyed the First Degree.
- Dan Bornemann reported that the Family Picnic went well. The Olsen twins took home travelling trophies for ladder ball.
- Jerry VanHandel mentioned that the Senior Meal at St. Gabriel's on July 15th went well. There was a good crowd and they were well fed.
- Art reported that we sold all 1,000 of our Family Night Tickets for a profit of \$400.
- Mike Bushman could use help on August 13th making pancakes for the new Global Outreach Students at Mount Tabor. Be there by 7:30 am.

### **Community and Public Relations:**

- Lee Lloyd reported that they made a chicken casserole for Double Portions on July 28th. 121 people were served.
- Lloyd reported that we need a new refrigerator for St. Gabriel's. Rich Gagner stated that he has one he can donate.
- Chris Rigotti will be making a spaghetti dinner for the Double Portions meal on August 25th.

### **Communications:**

- We got a notice that the State Bowling Tournament will be February 14 - March 29 in Weston, WI
- EstoVir will be Saturday September 13, 2014 at ST. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Green Bay. Applications available upon request.
- We received information on Invite Pope Francis to Green Bay, WI in our packet. Go to PopetoGreenBay.com. Read about the plan to get Pope Francis to come to GB and sign the petition if interested.
- Denmark Council 4735 is holding their annual Charity Golf Outing Saturday, September 20, 2014 at Twin Oaks Golf Course. Contact Dan B if interested. This is his Father-in-Law's Council. Fee is \$90/person. Proceeds will go to the family of a gentleman who recently died of cancer.
- We received a thank you from Saint Margaret Mary's for our donation towards a chair lift.
- We received a thank you from the Winnebago County Mental Health Institute for our donation from the Tootsie Roll Drive.
- We received a thank you from Haven of Hope for our donation from the Tootsie Roll Drive.
- We received a thank you from Father Carr's Place2B.
- We received a thank you from Dan's House of Hope for sponsoring a hole at their golf outing.
- We received a Golden Certificate from Carl Anderson of Supreme Council for recognition of our 50 year anniversary.
- We received a thank you from Julie Schmidt of St. Gabriel's for our DVD donation.

### **Trustees Report:**

- We received a request for funds form Christine Anne Center. JJ Keller will match our donation. Jerry Robak will recommend that we donate \$500, the same as last year.

- Jon Bolwerk received a letter from Mothers and Unborn Baby Care looking for \$200 sponsors for their bowling event.

**District Deputy's Report:**

I will be vacationing (along with a possible college tour) this month, and may not be attending your meeting. This would be okay because my report would only include the upcoming Degree dates and upcoming events. This should give you time to request required Degree team membership. It is not hard work, and we average 1-1st Degree per month. If necessary, we can have a training practice for the new members. MEMORIZATION IS NOT REQUIRED.

**Faith Formation Events:**

- 2014 Witnesses for Christ Conference, Aug 8-9, LaCrosse
- 2014 Esto Vir Retreat, Sept 13, Green Bay
- 2014 Marion Eucharistic Conference, Oct 3-4, Green Bay\

**Fraternal Survey Numbers**

- State councils, local councils, assemblies, circles and the Supreme Council total contributions: \$170,135,754
- Total volunteer/fraternal activity hours: 70,534,278

Star and Other Council Awards Announced (The page with your Council should be printed out and included in your history book.)

**Good of the Order:**

Joseph Wojtowicz, Joseph Putzer, Marcy Gehr, Paul Bongers, 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, Hannah Sherwood, Dee Kasperek, Mary Jean Schuelke, Joseph Morin, Mary Younger, Joseph Mourn, Jackie Jensen, Jim Rhymer, Donn Quinn, Mike Burns, Craig Ryder, Amy Paffel, Carol Clark, Ron Wisniewski, Tony Holt, Joyce Frazier, Rosemary Schmitz, Mary Salm, Victor Miranda, Ester Gagner, Steve Wideman, Don Wideman, Cindi Bornemann, Katheryn Mellot, Bernice Rudolf and Bev Kirchner.

**Priests:** Frs. Paul Radeski, Conrad Kratz, Paul Praider, Richard Allen, Larry Seidl, Jim Kubicki, Mike Ingold, Dave Kasperek, Brian Wideman and Justin Werner. Seminarian Matt Rappl.

***Meeting adjourned by Dan Bornemann at 8:14 p.m.***