



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
NEENAH COUNCIL #5514 – MEETING OF 11/6/2012
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November

- Nov 25-26, Double Portions (Mike Bushman)

December

- Dec 2, Packer Game (Vikings), 12:00pm (Mike Bushman)
- Dec 4, 7:00 Business Meeting St. Gabriel's (Art Schmeichel)
- Dec 9, Packer Game (Lions), 7:20pm (Mike Bushman)
- Dec 23, Packer Game (Titans), 12:00pm (Mike Bushman)

Grand Knight's Report:

I want to take this opportunity to welcome our newest member Dennis Rudolph. Dennis and his family are members of Saint Margaret Mary. October was a busy month. We had a Saint Margaret Mary pancake and porkie breakfast, five Bemis brat fries, a Packer game, the Landing Day Golf outing/dinner and finally the Winnebago Mental Health Pizza Party. Congratulations to all for their hard work and dedication. Think seriously about taking an hour of adoration, there are both day and night hours available. And last but not least, get your survey of membership activity back to me, if you did not get one last month, they are available on the website or let me know and I can email one to you. Please fill it out and return it.

Knight of the Month – [Mike Bushman & Crew of Concession Volunteers:](#)

Mike Bushman and his crew of the Packer concession volunteers are our Knights of the Month! They are putting in a full day's work at Packer home games, from cooking pizzas and every type of comfort food to serving beer to quench the thirst of Packer fans. After a shaky start and with the season now more than half over, they have settled into a routine that is working well and generates a large portion of our income for our charitable endeavors. Thank you Mike and the rest of the crew; you all know who you are.

Family of the Month – [Marv and Ruth Spielbauer:](#)

Marv and his wife Ruth are very active in our Council and at St. Margaret Mary's Church. Besides attending most meetings and being our Council's round table coordinator at St. Margaret Mary's; Marv should be recognized for his support of Respect for Life month by pounding the crosses into the ground in front of St. Margaret Mary Church. Marv also chairs the annual Pancake and Porky breakfast at St. Margaret Mary's. At Church, he coordinates the 14 Eucharistic Ministers for shut-ins and substitutes as an usher. Both Marv and Ruth are involved at St. Vincent de Paul and the stewardship committee. On her own, Ruth is also a holy duster, prepares funeral meals, hosts coffee and donuts, and assists in the Parish office.

Congratulations Marv and Ruth. You are a great asset to our community.

Financial Secretary's Corner:

My Fellow Knights: In my previous newsletter, I mentioned that if you have a new e-mail or phone number, to advise me accordingly. Yes, the problem is still out there. Please, any of you with these changes, I ask that you notify me as soon as possible, either by phone at 722-3690 or e-mail at yomrst@sbcglobal.net. New 2013 membership cards are now on order. Any Life Member who would like a traveling card, please call me. They will not be automatically sent to you. Annual dues statements for 2013 will be sent in December and will contain all yearly assessments.

Remember: A smile is something that adds to your face value.

Financial Secretary's Report:

- Bob mentioned that for every \$500 we donate to Seminarians, we get \$100 back from Supreme. Supreme will implement the same type of refund next year for donations to Food Pantry's and feeding the hungry. For every \$500 we donate to feed the hungry, we will get \$100 back from Supreme up to a total refund of \$500. We can collect the refund once per fraternal year. Bob will have the paperwork ready to submit on January 1st. We should receive \$500 back from Supreme.
- An article in Knight Line mentioned that councils can get a plaque for volunteer hours toward feeding the hungry. Our council will look into applying for the plaque.

Program Chairman's Report:

- Dan Bornemann will check if we can do our Tootsie Roll drive at Festival Foods.

Packer Concession Stand:

- We have a new booth on the 4th floor.
- We had 16 Knights total (8 from our Council) for the Jaguars game on October 28th. We received \$85 per person, not including tips. We also received an extra \$85 for 2 members who worked other booths.

- We received a WOW award at the Cardinals game on November 4th. We received the award for helping another booth, helping to keep things running smoothly and having a positive attitude. The award was partly for recognition for Jon and Mike graciously helping the sorority girls that are operating our former booth.
- A sign-up sheet was passed around for the next two games. They will leave at 8:00.

Communications:

- Father Mike Carroll would like to talk to us about the Global Outreach Program. He will talk to us at our next meeting. It was mentioned that Michael Zelinka (spell?), an exchange student from the Czech Republic went through his First Degree tonight. He has helped us with Packer Concessions. He will be the first Knight in the Czech Republic. He is hoping to start a Council back home. We will partner with him as we can to help him with starting a Council. He is a great young man!
- We received thoughtful hand written thank you's from the children at the Winnebago Mental Institute who attended the Pizza and Bingo Night.
- We received a thank you form the ARC for our donation of sodas. (We donated the extra sodas from the Pizza and Bingo Night).

Trustee's Report:

- Ed Sypek gave kudos to Mike Bushman and Jon Bolwerk for sticking with the Packer Concession's stand. It has not been an easy transition with Delaware North. Delaware North, recognizing the strength and experience of our Team is now giving us \$85 per person and have been giving us an additional \$85 per person when they are transferred to other booths.
- Ed Sypek will buy a speaker and cordless microphone for Friendship Hall at Saint Margaret Mary's for \$250. Ed recommends that we use porkie and pancake funds to cover the cost of the items. This will be covered under New Business.

Community and Public Relations:

- Mike Bushman stated that the brat and burger cookout at the Make-A-Wish Lube-a-Thon raised \$625 for Make-A-Wish. The Lube-A-Thon serviced over 215 cars.
- Mike Bushman reported on Double Portions on October 28th. They served beef stew, which was well received. Total cost was \$74.10.
- The ARC Christmas Party will be on December 8th. Gary Cunningham and George Heintz will be co-chairing the event.

Brat Fries:

- Lloyd reported that brat fries have gone well this year. Bemis approached Bob about coming back next year. There are two more brat fries left this year.

New Business:

- Jerry Robak placed stuffed animals around the meeting room. The stuffed animals were in one of his family member's attic. Jerry is planning on giving them to members of the ARC at the Christmas Party. Please donate stuffed animals from home to the next meeting or contact Jerry Robak if you would like to drop-off stuffed animals.
- We received a \$25 check toward John Manske's memorial masses. Motion made by Mike Bushman to add \$5 to the donation so we can do 3 additional masses in John's name at St. Gabriel's. Motion seconded by everyone. Motion passed unanimously.
- Mike Bushman thanked the Knights for the Rosary that was performed for Sylvia before her funeral. Mike thanked everyone for their support.
- Motion made by Marv Speilbauer to round up amount from the St. Margaret Mary's porkie pancake breakfast from \$638 to \$650. Motion seconded by Ed Sypek. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion made by Ed Sypek that we use \$250 of the funds from the St. Margaret Mary's porkie pancake breakfast to pay for the speaker and microphone for Friendship Hall at St. Margaret Mary's. The remaining \$400 would be held in reserve for future upgrades or projects. Motion seconded by Jerry VanHandel. Motion passed unanimously.
- The Renew Group of Saint Margaret Mary's will be collecting toothbrushes for those in Haiti during Lent.

District Deputy's Report (Read by Art Schmeichel):

- Please bring items for the Sentiments for Seminarians drive to the next meeting. We are looking for items such as personal hygiene related products, gift cards or gas cards. Jim Rappl will coordinate donations for our Council.

Good of the Order:

- Joseph Putzer, Gividas Vidoras, Cyndy Bornemann, Tom Rebman, Macy Gehr, Paul Bongers, Don Ashley, John Kessler, Sister Donna Marie Kessler, Brian Younger, Mary Brandt, Terry Chang, Erik Duffy, Bud Wickman, Wally Maynard, Virginia Jensen, Evan Williams, Garland Smith, Dan Rosenbaum. Andy Collar, Shana "Beck" Lorraine Borcnik, Shawn Coenen, Dick Winter, Janet Van Handel, Karen Kain, Hannah Sherwood, Dale Bellile, Dick Searles, Dee Kasperek, Tom Jensen, John Froehlke, Tierney Vandoli, Al Palmer, Lee Lloyd, Leroy Gagner, Dan Rosenbaum and Jean Breyer.
- **Priests:** Paul Radeski, Conrad Kratz, Paul Praider, Richard Allen, Larry Seidl, Jim Kubicki, Mike Ingold, and Dave Kasperek. Our Seminarians; especially Brian Wideman and Matt Rappl.

Meeting adjourned by Art Schmeichel at 8:18 pm.