

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
NEENAH COUNCIL #5514 – October 6, 2015
GRAND KNIGHT ~ Dan Bornemann
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GRAND KNIGHT REPORT:

Welcome Brother Knights. We have our annual Memorial Service and Breakfast planned for November 22nd after the 7:30 mass at St Margaret Mary Church in Friendship Hall. We will be passing a sign-up sheet around during our November business meeting. Anyone who is interested in attending, who did not already sign up can call me at 725-1095 to get your name on the list any time before the 22nd. Please join us for this nice memorial to our departed brothers. A special thanks to Marv Spielbauer for his support with planning this activity. We could use a few helpers in the kitchen for set up and clean up. Let Marv or me know if you are willing to volunteer.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S CORNER:

Brother Knights: As we approach 2016 it is again time to think about your dues for the coming year. As I stated previously there will be one billing only, starting in 2016. You will be billed for your dues Culture for Life and the optional PKD of \$3.65. Also, if any Life Member wants a new card please call me at 920-722-3690. Bob has new 2016 traveling cards for Life Members

Remember: Christ has no place in your life unless He has First Place

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH ~ MIKE MABIE

Mike is a member of St. Gabriel Church, a 3rd Degree Knight, and member since 2002, when he was recruited by Gene Lerza. He ushers weekly and takes care of maintenance at the Church, two days a week. In the past, Mike has worked concessions at the Green Bay Packer games, Tootsie Roll Drives, Parish Friday night Fish Fry, Roundup, Brat Fry, Eucharistic Ministry, and helped with Valentine and Christmas parties for SOAR. He retired two years ago after working close to forty years for the Neenah Boys and Girls Brigade. He now volunteers at St. Vincent De Paul, in Neenah, and co-chairs the 2016 Knights of Columbus Council summer picnic. Mike was well liked by his co-workers and the boys and girls at The Brigade, and is always ready to help out, wherever he can, while his smile is as big as his heart. Congratulations, Mike Mabie, November 2016, Knight of the Month.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH ~ JAY & SUE MARTI AND FAMILY

Jay and Sue have been members of the St. Margaret Mary Parish for ten years. They have two daughters, Julia, 11, and Maria, 9. Jay is a First Degree Knight. He is chairman of the Parish Pastoral Council and is Father Mike's shadow, in guiding Father in running the Parish. He has participated in the Jesuit Retreat in Oshkosh for the past seven years. Jay teaches Catechism to the 10th grade, while Susan teaches the 6th grade and served on the Religious Education Board with now retired Sister Diane. Jay has been involved in "That Man Is You" a Christian Men's group, patterned after King David's life. He participates in Tootsie Roll drives and Pancake Porky breakfasts. Jay and Sue do a 2 AM shift of Perpetual Adoration. Jay's hobbies include playing the trumpet and the piano, and walking his dog in the woods, watching out for hungry puppy eating coyotes. As a family they like to go hiking and camping and love the West. Jay is an English major and as such developed a fondness for dialects, and prides himself in detecting birthplaces of most individuals. Congratulations, Jay and Sue Marti, November 2015 Family of the Month.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

SEPTEMBER 2015	BEGINNING BALANCE	CLOSING BALANCE
COUNCIL AND MEMBERSHIP ACCOUNT	\$794.38	\$173.18
PROJECT FUND ACCOUNT	\$12,234.88	\$13,674.09
TOTAL BALANCE	\$13,029.26	\$13,847.27
SPECIAL PROJECT ACCOUNT	\$_____	

READING OF THE BILLS

The following additional bills were read.

- Art Schmeichel – ink for printing schedule.
- Reinhardt's Food Service – case of porkie links for Pancake Porkie Breakfast.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- We received a thank you from Tim Rosenbaum for our donation towards his Eagle Scout project.
- We received a thank you from Tina Peinek for sponsoring the high school graduation brunch.
- Congratulations to Bill Haga – he was awarded the Family of the Month award from Supreme

TRUSTEE'S REPORT:

- Ed Sypek said the Spiritus Dinner was a great event. Our table got a private serenade from Lexi Harbor, who has a beautiful voice. Ed mentioned that the Spiritus Group prays individually with each child.

PROGRAMS CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

- Chad Olsen reported that Brewfest for St. Gabriel's School went very well. It was well attended and the music was excellent.
- Bob Yost reported on the 2nd and 3rd Degrees on October 24th in Waupaca. 12 and 13 Knights went through the two Degrees, respectively. Bob mentioned it went very well. He also mentioned that 58 members from our Council have not been through their 2nd and 3rd Degrees.
- Memorial Mass will be November 22nd at the 7:30 mass at St. Margaret Mary's. Breakfast consisting of ham, eggs, coffee and fruit will be served after Mass. Please sign up by November 20th. Also, Marv could use help with clean-up after the breakfast.
- One member from Oshkosh and one member from Menasha went through their 1st Degrees on October 28th in Menasha.
- Jerry Robak stated that there will be a Christmas Party at the Eagles Club on December 10th. Jerry will be playing with his band. A sign-up sheet will be passed around at the next meeting.

YOUTH:

- Jim Krautkramer reported on the Winnebago Mental Health Institute Pizza Bingo night that was held on October 27th. Mike, Marv and Jim worked the event. Jim stated that it was a wonderful experience. They played several games of bingo. 17 kids and 6 staff members took part in the event.

COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC RELATIONS:

- Mike Bushman reported on the Make-A-Wish Lube-A-Thon on October 17th. We donated 50 hot dogs, 100 brats and 120 hamburgers. In the end they only had 6 brats and 6 hamburgers left.
- 130 people were served pork tenderloins with potatoes at the Double Portions meal on October 26th.
- The next meal will be a turkey dinner on November 23rd.
- Gary Cunningham and George Hintz will be co-chairing the Soar Christmas Party. It will be held on December 19th. Set-up will start at noon, dance will start at 1:00. A sign-up sheet will be passed around at the next meeting. One thing to note is that we will not be allowed to bring in sodas. They must be purchased through the bowling alley – they will also provide a bar tender. SOAR will pay for the soda.

CHURCH & VOCATIONS ~ ST. MARGARET MARY:

- Marv Spielbauer reported on the porkie pancake breakfast on October 25th. They took in \$681. Marv suggests we put away \$700. He will talk to Father regarding needs for the Church.

GOLF:

- Lloyd reported on the Landing Day Golf Outing on October 10th at Westridge. Three teams from our council participated. It was a fun event. Dinner was well attended.

BRAT FRY'S:

- Gerry Van Handel provided an update on brat fries. The last brat fry was last Wednesday. It was the 26th of the year. All together, they sold about 4,000 sandwiches and made around \$6,600. Thanks to the whole Brat Fry crew.
- Gerry said they will contact Bemis next year to see if they will have them back again next year.

PACKER CONCESSION STAND:

- Mike Bushman reported that we received \$2,234 from concessions and we have \$5,074 owed to us for a total of \$7,308. We had an average of 8 members from our Council work each event, for an average of \$126 per person per event.
- Thanks to Dennis Rudolf for helping with the books and for working through the discrepancy between funds we received vs. funds we were owed.
- Sign-up sheets were passed around for the next two games.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Mike Bushman stated that he actually bought 4 Nescos from Walmart at a cost of \$29.95 each. Three are for St. Pats and the 4th is for our Council. Jerry called him on his way to Walmart and told him that one of our Nescos just died.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Motion made by Ed Sypek to donate \$200 per month to St. Joseph's Food Pantry for the months of Nov/Dec/Jan. Motion seconded by Marv Spielbauer. Motion passed unanimously
- Chuck Rohr mentioned that Sentiments for Seminarians are needed by December 1st. Motion made by Ed Sypek to donate \$500 in gas cards, same as last year. Motion seconded by Bob Yost. Gas cards should be given to Jim Rappl, who will give to Father Schuster. Motion passed unanimously.
- There will be a Teize prayer at Saint Margaret Mary's on Sunday at 6:30 pm to remember those who have passed away.
- Ed Sypek mentioned that Spiritus will be doing an insert in the Compass. They are looking for sponsors for \$150. Motion made by Ed Sypek to sponsor the Spiritus add. Motion seconded by Mike Bushman. Motion passed unanimously.
- Lloyd Delveaux reported that his high school age grandson has been working concessions and other events for the Knights. He would like to go to Hawaii on a high school band trip but his family cannot afford the \$1,000. Lloyd would like the Knights to donate the \$1,000 and his grandson will pay it back by working concessions and other events. Motion made by Lloyd to donate the \$1,000. Motion seconded by Jim Krautkramer. Motion passed unanimously.
- Dan Bornemann reported that we are looking for program directors for the following:
 - Porkie pancake breakfasts.
 - Memorial Mass.
 - History Book – Chuck Rohr volunteered for this.
 - Program Director – Jon Bolwerk volunteered for this.
- We also need to put together a Retention Committee. Rich Gagner volunteered to chair this.

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT (READ BY CHUCK ROHR):

- Here are the tentative scheduled 1st degrees. We are committed to host a first degree every month in our district. The following councils have committed to a first degree and we need to shore up the dates. Please let me know so we can post the dates on the state's website:
 - ✓ 11035 November St. Raphael's Oshkosh November 9th 7:00pm candidates Arrive 6:40pm
 - ✓ 5514 December St. Gabriel's Neenah need date and time
 - ✓ 614 January St. Josephat's Oshkosh need time and date
 - ✓ 8810 February Omro/Winneconne Kaudy hall need time and date
 - ✓ 1838 March Menasha Club House need time and date
 - ✓ 11035 April St. Raphael's Oshkosh need time and date
 - ✓ 614 May St. Josephat's need a time and date
 - ✓ 5514 June St. Gabriel's need a time and date
 - ✓ 2nd & 3rd degree St. Mary Parish N2385 Municipal Drive Greenville November 14th registration begins at 8:00am
- Bishop Ricken Men's Apostate March 16, 2016 KI Convention Center Looking for \$100.00 per council for morning coffee, donuts and bags with the Kof C Logo. Over 1,000 men expected to be in attendance. Excellent opportunity for recruitment and fellowship with the men's apostate. Also, we will be looking for volunteers.
- Building the Domestic Church, congratulations to council 614 and 5514 for implementing "That Man is You". The participation has been wonderful. Let's see what we can do with other councils to implement a monthly holy hour with our brother Knights
- Solidarity Cross a council project in support of persecuted Christians in the Middle East. Please use this opportunity with a church drive or parish social.
- Let's keep focused on developing retention efforts along with keeping our members involved with councils activities and opportunities to advance in the council as real active members.
- Order of Business - the method of conducting a council business meeting. I will be evaluating each of the councils meeting to assure that all councils will be in compliance of conducting a business meeting as outlined in the Grand Knights and Officer's Meetings. We need to do a better job with reporting on the 30 steps of conducting a council meeting. Let's get our field agents involved with this, did you know that their report is just before the District Deputy. We need to know what's going on with their efforts especially when it comes to insurance and star council opportunities.
- This was a rather lengthy report as it relates to our councils and activities. I appreciate the support you have given me and I look forward to giving you the same support in return. Let's keep focused on the 3 priorities that I talked about when I became your District Deputy. Membership, retention and order of business are going to be the key to our success!

LECTURER

- Jim Rappl reflected on excuses that hold us back from God.



GOOD OF THE ORDER

We start with the Priests and Seminarians: Frs. Paul Radeski, Paul Praider, Richard Allen, Larry Seidl, Jim Kubicki, Mike Ingold, Brian Wideman, Justin Werner and Mike Carroll. Seminarian Matt Rappl, Deacon Dan Laurent.

Joseph Putzer, Marcy Gehr, Paul Bongers, Terry Cheng, Wally Maynard, Evan Williams, Garland Smith, Ken Rosenbaum, Shawn Coenen, Dick Winter, Hannah Sherwood, Mary Jean Schuelke, Joseph Morin, Mary Younger, Joseph Mourn, Jackie Jensen, Amy Paffel, Rosemary Schmitz, Mary Salm, Bernice Rudolf, Naz Belbusty, Norm and Mary Spielbauer, Bernie Kropidlowksi, Jody Pearson, Lynn Teska, Brandon Mayer, Jill Pearson, Bob & Cecilla Green, Jean Brafam, Ted Dekleyn, Sam and Cathy Nueman, Karen Hill, Sue Leeman, Faye Daniel, Don Wichman, Bob Deopker, Linda Morey, Tom Elcott, June Ingold, Joseph Wojtowicz, Marv Spielbauer, Kathryn Nemecek, Ron Wisniewski, Mary Kay Heath, Lynn Billings, Walter Helbig, Julie Giese and Al Gresch.

Meeting adjourned by Dan Bornemann at 8:17 p.m.