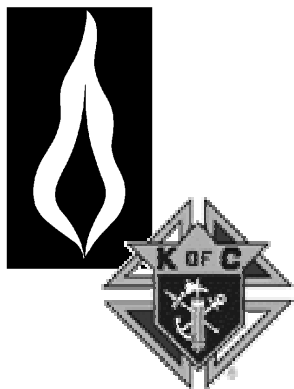


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Grand Knight Message

Before I begin with my first message as Grand Knight, I'd like to thank Tom Sand for the great job he did leading our council for the past two years. His leadership and devotion to the Knights is an example for every one of us. Tom mentioned in his last message that he wasn't going anywhere and for that we should all be grateful. Thanks Tom for a job well done!

I'd like to share our State Deputy's (Mathew C. Brletich) theme for the year and some of his comments: "United for God, Church and Country". "This theme was chosen because as Catholic Knights we must be united in Catholic action if we are to make a difference in our lives. God calls us from birth to use our talents and gifts to do good works. We are asked to give of ourselves and of our time to do His work, the work of the Church and provide moral leadership in our communities and our country. You may hear that activities take too much time. Well it has been said that if you place your Faith in yourself, you will never have the time. But if you place your Faith in God you will always have the time."

I read his words and immediately thought of my late grandmother's favorite saying - "Many hands make light work". How true this is and how lucky I am to be part of a council that believes this as well. I am constantly amazed at how you all step up to the task when asked. This is great! However, waiting to be asked is getting more difficult all the time. With over 130 Knights in our council, it is virtually impossible for an event coordinator to contact every Knight for their event. To become more successful as a council, we need you to volunteer before being called. This is not only true for working many of the events, but for taking on the leadership roles for some of these same events. Many of the same Knights have been running an event for 4 consecutive years. You may want to think about picking out an event you enjoyed working on and this year volunteer to help take over some of the coordination of that event. It will all go towards "Many hands making light work". Thanks.

In God's Love,
Jeff Block
Grand Knight

Get-To-Know-A-Knight: Eric Van Norman

Eric and his wife Mary have 2 children, Jonathan and Thomas. Jonathan and Thomas both attend Holy Spirit School. Eric works at IBM as a Software Engineer and Mary is an RN at Saint Mary's Hospital. Eric is a charter member of our council and currently the editor of The Knights Flame. He has been active in many of the Knights activities as well as volunteering at church, school, and in the community.

Birthday Celebrations

Happy Birthday to the following Knights who have birthdays in August:

John Attinella, James Bowen, Ray Bressel, Mark Buntjer, Robert Loechler, Mike Madden, James Matthews, Stephen Nelson, Tom Sand, Eric Van Norman, Randall Walker, and Maury Zipse.



Calendar of Events

Officers' Meeting	Thursday, August 12 th , 5:45 p.m.
Council Meeting - Family Picnic	Thursday, August 12 th , 6:00 p.m.
Birth of Father McGivney, 147 th Anniversary (Founder of the Knights of Columbus).....	Thursday, August 12 th
Death of Father McGivney, 109 th Anniversary	Saturday, August 14 th
Feast of the Assumption	Sunday, August 15 th
A Night on the Theology of Mary	Sunday, August 15 th , 7:30 p.m.
Knights Flame Deadline	Friday, August 27 th
Labor Day	Monday, September 6 th
Officers' Meeting	Thursday, September 9 th , 7:00 p.m.
Council Meeting	Thursday, September 9 th , 7:30 p.m.
Knights at the Dome.....	Friday, September 10 th , 7:05 p.m.
Pancake Breakfast.....	Sunday, September 19 th
Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament (Northern Hills).....	Friday, September 24 th , 12:00 noon
Spirit Run.....	Saturday, October 30 th

Holy Spirit Mass Servers Appreciation Event

Submitted by Frank Vondrasbek

For this year's Holy Spirit Server Appreciation Event, the Holy Spirit Knights of Columbus hosted the Servers at a Rochester Honkers baseball game. The Holy Spirit Knights of Columbus provided a general admission ticket, hot dog, and pop for each server.

There were 20 kids and 9 parent/chaperons that attended 'Glove Day' at the Honkers. Each child in attendance got a free baseball glove.

The 90+ degree heat held no one back from having fun as the crew enjoyed the game, snacks, and beverages courtesy of the Knights. Because of a previous rain delay, the game turned out to be a double header so we got to see almost five hours of baseball!

Unfortunately, the Honkers didn't fare as well as the fans. Everyone agreed, 'This was a great time, and let's do it again next year!'

Editor's Note: A Big THANK YOU to Rose who also helped make this the event that it was.



Door Prizes Needed!!!!

For this year's Knight's golf tournament we would like **each** Knight to provide a hole/door prize that will be given away at the tournament. This can be as easy as asking your favorite restaurant/bar/store/etc. for a gift certificate or two or maybe provide a sleeve of balls, tees, gloves, hats, towels, umbrellas, etc. Many of you have already been doing this for the past 3 years and this year we'd like to have all the Knights do the same. Please get your door prizes to Jeff Block prior to the September 9th Knight's meeting (The earlier the better, however, they will be accepted up until the day of the tourney).

A Night on the Theology of Mary

Fr. Dale and Sr. Jane will be offering a one-night workshop on the theology of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Sunday, August 15th from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Holy Spirit. All are welcome.

At that time, there will be discussion on Mary's role in the church, prayer, and Biblical images. There will also be some time to look closely at the model of the statue of Mary holding the baby Jesus that the artist has prepared for Holy Spirit.

Tootsie Roll Campaign

Submitted by Tom Sand

Prior to the start of the official July meeting we were pleased to have 3 of the 4 organizations that received money from the Tootsie Roll campaign in attendance. Each organization gave a brief summary of what services they provide and then Steve Kunkel, Tootsie Roll Chairman, presented a check to each organization. Below is a brief description of each organization. Each of these organizations does many things for the community, so don't view this as a complete list of things they do. If you would like more information about any of these organizations, please contact them directly.

Paul Peterson - PossAbilities of Southeastern Minnesota. PossAbilities main focus is to connect individuals with disabilities to the community. This is done through jobs and activities for these individuals.

Doug Butler - Hiawatha Homes. Hiawatha Homes provides residential support services to those with developmental disabilities. Doug spoke of the need and desire to convert larger facilities in the community to small group homes that assimilate into neighborhoods.

Ann McGuire - ARC of Olmsted County (Soon to be ARC of Southeastern Minnesota). ARC acts as a resource for parents of children who discover their child has a disability. ARC also assists individuals with disabilities with the transition from school to adult life.

SPRED - Special Religious Education - SPRED was unable to send a representative to the meeting. SPRED provides non-denominational religious education to people with disabilities.

The Betty Hubbard Heritage Society

With our council's continued donations to Arc of Olmsted County, our council has the honor of receiving the Betty Hubbard Heritage Society award.

Betty Hubbard, one of Arc's greatest leaders, gave generously throughout her lifetime and far beyond it. Arc Olmsted offers special recognition of those members and friends who have also given generously in their lives.

Membership in the Betty Hubbard Society is open to friends of Arc Olmsted and affiliated Chapters in Minnesota. A qualifying gift can be an outright or cumulative gift of cash of \$1000 or more. Qualifying gifts can also be made through the many opportunities presented through estate or planned giving.

Heritage Society members will be recognized in our publications, and at Arc Olmsted and Arc Minnesota's annual award ceremonies. Members will be presented a meaningful memento with our sincere appreciation.

Membership goals for the past year

Congratulations to our council for exceeding our membership goals for the past year.

The minutes for the July General Business meeting will be included in the September newsletter.

Coming up:

Pancake Breakfast - September 19th

Golf Tournament - September 24th

Spirit Run - October 30th

Connect with monthly meetings
Please come to the next Council Meeting
Thursday, September 9th at 7:30 p.m.

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