



The Knights' Flame



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Grand Knight Message

Wow! What a month! Booyah, Light Night, First Degree, and Pancake breakfast. Your involvement makes it all possible.

Remember, do not wait to be asked to help out. There are always offers in the newsletter, so volunteer and be an active member.

Several opportunities coming include: pancake breakfast, tootsie roll event, and major degree attendance. There is also the ability to be on some of our ongoing call lists, like helping with Catholic Charities. Service to church and community are an important part of our life balance.

Welcome to our new brother Knights who attended out First Degree in February. Our next goal is to have door busting attendance at the Major Degree on Sunday 4/4. See the article inside for details.

If you have not returned your dues payment to Jim Decker, our Worthy Financial Secretary, please do so ASAP. Jim does a lot of work for the council, and we need to share the load by making tasks such as dues easier by responding promptly.

Lastly, in a discussion with a few brother knights, we were thinking that we needed to have a springtime event or service project around the church. I ask you to bring ideas to the next few meetings so that we can continue our commitment to the parish.

Yours in Christ,

Brad Brech
Grand Knight

Get-to-Know-a-Knight

Back next month!

Birthday Celebrations

We wish a very Happy Birthday to those Knights who have birthdays in March: Gary Benike, Jim Buntrock, John Devlin, Chris Guibert, Steven Hansen, Tom Hunt, Greg King, David Loechler, Steven Loehr, Jim Owens, Duane Price, James Rogers, Andrew Streit, Kent Thielen, Ken White, and Raymond Wiest.

April Meeting Change!

Because of Holy Thursday being on our regular meeting night in April, we will be moving our April meeting to the following Tuesday, 4/13. Same time.

Calendar

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| March Officers' Meeting | Holy Spirit School Library..... | Thursday, March 11..... | 7:00pm |
| March Council Meeting | Holy Spirit School Library..... | Thursday, March 11..... | 7:30pm |
| Pancake Breakfast | Holy Spirit Gym | Sunday, March 21..... | |
| Major Degree..... | Lourdes High School | Sunday, April 4..... | 10:45am |
| April Council Meeting..... | Holy Spirit School Library | Tuesday, April 13..... | 7:30pm |

Booyah and Chili

Everyone that helped cook had a great time. We sold all of our extra Chili and Booyah. A big thanks to Rochester Produce for giving us a great deal on ingredients, to Paul Daley for great ground beef, Pax Christi and KC Council 1013 for the use of some pots. We received many positive comments on the Booyah and Chili, and the event overall.

Pancake Breakfasts

Thanks to all that worked at the pancake breakfast last week. We raised funds for the Lourdes Color Guard. The girls did a great job helping, and I think John K plans to try and get them back to help wash pans in the kitchen. With their help we were all cleaned up and out of the building long before 11:15 mass ended.

Our next breakfast is March 21st, and the Boy Scouts will be the beneficiary. They always draw well, so we will need a few more people to help cleanup after the 9:30 Mass. Please send me an email (MNBRECH@CHARTER.NET) or call (282-5229) if you can sign up to help.

Our last breakfast this year is scheduled on May 16th. At this breakfast we will be honoring all the school graduates this spring.

Major Degree

There will be 2nd and 3rd degree initiation on Sunday, April 4 at Lourdes High School. If you are a 1st degree Knight, this is your chance this year to step up to full membership at the 3rd degree. This is an important transition and our council needs more Knights at this level. In addition, Fr. Don will be there and we need to support him. The 2nd degree starts at 11:00 am, so be there at 10:45 to register. The 3rd degree starts right after the 2nd degree. Those of you who are already 3rd degree Knights should attend and support your brother Knights.

A meal will be served after the ceremonies.

Light Night

We had a good turnout and everyone had a great time at the Light Night. Congratulations to the Mulligans and Kings on being winners of our dinner gift certificate door prizes. Thanks to all that made the night possible (Pat McCarthy, Jeff Block, Larry Burgart, Larry Swantko). A special thanks to Andy's for supporting our event. We will be doing door prizes at the next meeting of the bottles we did not use, so here is some real incentive to attend the next meeting.

Holy Spirit Knights Experience a Weekend Retreat

Dave Hubka and Dave Rossman from the Holy Spirit KC Council attended a weekend retreat at the King's House in Buffalo, Minnesota. The theme was "The Hidden Message of The Cross". Over 40 men, many who are Knights from the Twin City area, joined them. The setting is on the bluff overlooking Lake Buffalo. The staff is from the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate.

Weekend retreats offer a chance to relax, study, listen and enter into a more meaningful relationship with Jesus. Spiritual resources include videotapes, audiotapes, a library, and a bookstore. We invite you to think about joining us next year.