



The Knights' Flame



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Grand Knight Message

I hope the start of colder weather finds everyone and their families well and in the swing of fall activities. Before we know it we will be eating turkey while watching football, and after another blink of the eye, Christmas will be here. Don't let the time slip by, be active and use it to enrich your life and the lives around you. The Knights of Columbus is just the organization to help you.

As October starts, we have several things happening soon: October 30th Spirit Run, October 31st pancake breakfast, November 14th 10th Anniversary and Men's choir, Christmas Anonymous, and Fall membership drive. The opportunities to support your council, your parish, and your community are waiting for you to step forward. Members make the council what it is, and it is not just a small group. We have over 150 brother Knights, but we need over 150 ACTIVE Knights.

I have suggested to the Giving Tree Committee that we have a Knight as a member, so that the council can stay in tune with the needs and programs they run. I think this fits perfectly with a charge of Charity. If you are interested in this position, please let me know.

We are still looking for a few people to help with the convention booklet for the 2005 State Convention. 1013 helped us out, so let's step up and help them. Let me know if you are interested in helping. I will try and take the role of committee chair, but I can only do this with an active committee.

As you see in this newsletter, we have several events coming and to be discussed, so please try and connect with the rest of your brother Knights at the monthly meeting.

Vivat Jesus

Brad Brech

Grand Knight

Get-to-Know-a-Knight

Our Knight this month is Paul Daley. Paul is a dairy farmer in the Oxbow area. His lovely wife Ruth is a dental hygienist. They have four children: Alyssa - 11, Spencer - 10, Logan - 6, and Olivia - 3. Paul has live in this area his whole life. The family has been a member of Holy Spirit for 9 years. Paul is currently the Youth Director of our council and is looking forward to another eventful year.

Birthday Celebrations

The following Knights have birthdays in October: Mitchell Dahl, Phil Germann, Kevin Hafner, Ryan Kemmerick, Steve Kluck, Kevin Rademacher, Dave Rossman, Paul Schneider, and John Wilke.

If you see them this month wish them a very Happy Birthday and thank them for being a member of Council #11460!

Calendar

Officer's Meeting.....	Holy Spirit School Library.....	Thursday, October 14, 7:00pm
Council Meeting.....	Holy Spirit School Library.....	Thursday, October 14, 7:30pm
Spirit Run.....	Holy Spirit Church.....	Saturday, October 30
Pancake Breakfast.....	Holy Spirit School Gym.....	Sunday, October 31
10th Anniversary Celebration.....	Holy Spirit Church.....	Sunday, November 14
Major Degree.....	Owatonna.....	Sunday, November 21
Major Degree.....	Winona.....	Saturday, February 26, 2005
Major Degree (mark your calendars now!).....	Rochester.....	Sunday, March 20, 2005
Tootsie Roll Drive.....		April 29 -- May 1, 2005

9th Annual Golf Tournament

Jeff Block

On Wednesday, Sept. 22nd we held our 9th annual Knights golf tournament. The weather turned out to be the best we ever had, however, that didn't stop the worrying that Monday when the forecast showed rain all day. Somehow miraculously by Tuesday, that front had stalled and Wednesday would end up rain free. I'm not positive, but I heard that Fr. Don (who golfed that day) took credit for the weather. So our thanks go out to Fr. Don.

With a score of 56 (16 under), Two Knights & Two Jesters (which included Knights Kevin Coughlin and Steve Strickland) won the tournament. Yes, I know they officially changed their team name, but I reserve the right not to repeat it.

There are many people that helped make this event a big success once again. First and foremost my thanks go out to all of our hole sponsors, many of whom are Knights. They include Scott Johnson, John Lawson, Duane Price, and Bill Oertli. We raised almost \$2,000 again this year, due in large part to their help. A special thanks goes to Holy Spirit parish member Fritz Kvaternik who made a very nice cash donation to the cause prior to the event.

Thanks also go out to the many Knights that helped with the event. Jim Buntrock, Steve Strickland and Kevin Coughlin were my door prize committee. Tom Sand and Brad Brech helped with registration, and thanks again to Kevin and Steve for their help with the scoring at the end of the tournament. John Lawson helped with the prize ceremony after the dinner.

I'd also like to specifically thank Jeff Swantko and Kevin Rademacher for providing multiple door prizes for the golf tourney. Those light up pens provided by Jeff turned out to be quite popular.

We always have some great games at the golf tournament and this year was no exception. Big thanks to Paul Daley and Jim Decker who once again gave up their afternoon to run the on the green and putting contests, respectively. Jim also introduced us to a game called "ladder golf" which turned out to be lots of fun.

Last, but not least, thanks to all of the Knights that golfed that day. Without you we have no event.

See you all again for the big 10th anniversary tournament next year.

Pancake Breakfast

Thanks to all of the Knights, parents, and youth that worked at the September pancake breakfast. We raised enough to cover the Youth's funding request. Our next breakfast is on October 31st -- the day after Spirit Run. Maybe we will find a way to make the event a bit spooky for Halloween. If you can work at the October breakfast, please call or email Brad Brech (MNBRECH@CHARTER.NET or 282-5229)

Men's Choir To Sing At 10th Anniversary

All men of Holy Spirit parish are invited to join the Men's Choir. We will sing on Nov. 14th at the 8:00 and 9:30am Masses. Rehearsals are scheduled for 7:30pm of October 17 & 24, and November 3 and 9. If you are a member of the Knights of Columbus, you are especially invited, as we will include the celebration of the Holy Spirit council's 10th anniversary on November 14th. We look forward to having you sing. Please contact Neil Stiller (252-9678) or Frank Vondrashek for more information.

Christmas Anonymous Needs New Board Member

If you are interested in becoming an active member on the Christmas Anonymous planning board, please contact Frank Vondrashek. It is not as much work as you may be thinking, as it is a very active group already, and Frank needs some help filling a few roles. It is a great community and Christian event that is extremely rewarding.

Major Degree Ceremonies

All current 1st degree members should plan to eventually participate in the 2nd and 3rd degree ceremonials. Do it this year and put it behind you! It's a one-time commitment, and definitely worth the time. The 2nd/3rd degrees planned in the nearby area are listed above in the Calendar. Please mark the local Rochester one on your calendar now. And if you have a conflict then or would otherwise like to attend the ones in Owatonna or Winona instead, please contact Brad Brech, Dave Hubka, or Bob Taraba.

MN Knights Offer Student Loans

Did you know that the Minnesota Knights of Columbus has a student loan program for family members? The max each year is \$2500, total of \$12,500. Interest rate is low, and interest is deferred during school. For more information and application forms contact:

Minnesota Knights of Columbus
Student Loan Fund, Inc.
PO Box 126
Belle Plaine, MN 56011
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(952) 873-2213

Words From The Lecturer

Dave Rossman

Brother Knights

Are you aware of what is needed to be considered an active Knight? Here is a short lesson:

1. Participate in at least three events during the year. My favorite are the Tootsie Roll Drive, One of the Pancake Breakfasts and the Men's Choir. But there are many to chose from. We have a very active Council, so step up.
2. Attend 3 Council Business meetings. This is where you will find out what is going on, what is planned for the next few months and who the Movers-N-Shakers are. Did you know our council offers you a chance to reduce your annual dues by attending?
3. Talk to the Insurance Agent: The Knights offer great deals on insurance and investments. The Council needs to have a certain level of participation to be considered for annual awards. Besides that they know how to use your money well while you are insured or invested. Check it out.

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David Dykstal

The current and previous issues of the newsletter will be kept there as well as council officers, history, and current activities. Visit <http://www.holyspiritrochester.org/> and look for us under "Groups" on the left of the page. Let me know of any corrections or things you like to see there. Each month I will email those who signed up for e-mail distribution of the newsletter a monthly reminder with a pointer to the newsletter page.

Knights of Columbus Council #11460

September 9, 2004 General Business Meeting

Submitted by David M, Rossman, Council Lecturer

Opening

Steve Kunkel introduced the guests from 2 organizations that were presented with checks from the Council. This money was raised during the recent Tootsie Roll Drive. Each recipient said thank you and described how the funds would be used.

The District Deputy conducted installation of Officers for the Council Year 2004-05. The same roll of officers from the previous year was re-installed.

Words from the District Deputy: Berry Hobbs thanked the Knights of Council #11460 for their work at the Region 3 meeting. He discussed our up coming Anniversary ceremony on November 14 and promised to attend and participate. He invited the Holy Spirit Men's choir to sing at next years State Convention mass. He offered words of encouragement to our Degree Team and encouraged them to memorize their parts. Your prayers for a new council have been answered with the establishment of a council at Spring Valley MN. Leadership positions are available in the 2005 State Convention work. Don't forget to recruit new members. Finally he presented the Council with the Columbian and the McGivney Award for the year 2003-04.

Officer's Reports

Deputy Grand Knight Dave Hubka called the meeting to order. The minutes from the July 2004 meeting were printed in the August newsletter and were approved as printed. No new applications were read. A recruitment effort will be conducted on Sunday 11-14-04 at all masses. A thank you letter from John Lawson was passed around to the meeting attendees.

Fr. Don talked about the 10th Anniversary ceremony on 11-14, and indicated that this is also the Parish Faith Festival. The Financial reports for August and September were distributed and approved as presented.

Director's Reports

Membership Director Bob Taraba discussed the recruiting effort consists of the recruitment drive at Sunday masses, a membership letter to new parish families. He will be expanding efforts to include a letter to the school families as well, and discussed an idea called "Rookie of the Year Award"

Church Activities Director Jim Buntrock reported on the server appreciation trip to the Twins game, and said something will be planned for the next time.

Community Activity Director Steve Kluck - no report.

Council Activity Director Pat McCarthy talked about the 10 year celebration, the next men's choir schedule on 11-14, the wall area for Council 11460 awards, and the membership picture.

Family Activities Director Tom Dube - no report.

Youth Director Paul Daley talked about a request from the youth for a bonfire event, a youth choir appreciation breakfast on 4-24-05, the annual free throw contest, and official information about a possible Squires group.

Old Business

The first pancake breakfast of the year will be on 9-19-04, so sign-up early for the work slots Brad.

Jeff Block discussed golf tournament is scheduled for September 22.

Convention booklet volunteers are needed so contact Brad Brech or Dave Hubka.

The storage shed was again discussed. There is over \$4,000 dedicated for this improvement. The issue will be at the next Parish Council and Finance Council meetings. The size and location are undetermined.

The members requested an annual budget from the Grand knight.

New Business

There will not be a Marathon for Non-public Education this year.

Dwayne Gallenberg requested \$150 dollars to fund the In-patient Christmas party. Motion passed unanimously.

The Bishop will be conducting a Day-of-Prayer at St. Pius church and protest at Planned Parenthood offices on 9-17-04. Look for printed material at the parish Narthex.

Greg Kapraun brought up the idea of providing Council funds to purchase bibles for the 2nd graders. The youth director was requested to discuss this with parish staff.

Good of the Order

Prayers were offered by the Deputy Grand knight. Lecturer Dave Rossman encouraged knights to set annual spiritual goals and to take advantage of spiritual resources right here at Holy Spirit. Fr. Don ended the meeting with The Glory Be prayer.