



# The KNIGHT'S FLAME

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## Grand Knight Message

Brother Knights, the leaves have turned and are falling while the daylight is getting shorter. It all indicates that we are entering another busy time of year. Fall sports are in full stride and the Major League Baseball teams are into their playoff season (sorry Twins fans). As you read this, we have probably either just had or are about to have our first pancake breakfast of the season. We break the ice with a very worthwhile charity, helping out the Interfaith Hospitality Network. I hope you were able to help or at least stopped by and ate.

I'd like to offer my THANKS! to all those who helped make our golf tournament a success. From those who ran the games to those who played golf, it was great to see this event revived. Special recognition goes to two of our Brothers, tournament directors John Lawson and Fritz Kvaternik. It was their hard work, time and efforts that really brought the tournament back to life....and you too, Mo!

This fall season is also the closure to yet another long drawn out political process. I received a letter from our Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson, encouraging all brother Knights to perform their civic responsibility and participate in the election process. He has also asked that if anyone in our community needs assistance in getting to the polls on Election Day, we as Knights provide any help we can. Please keep this in mind as November 4th draws near and please get out and vote!

Finally I'd like to encourage everyone to volunteer some time this fall for one of the activities that the Knights are involved in. In addition to the pancake breakfast we will have a Youth Appreciation event, and our Spirit Run will need lots of help. We will also be doing plenty of recruiting as we strive to reach our goal of 200 members. Please ask a fellow Catholic gentleman to join the Knights. If everyone helps recruit a friend we'll easily make our goal.

*Vivat Jesus*

*Greg Kapraun, Grand Knight*

## Birthdays

Knights with birthdays in October include Michael Wehr, Ryan Kemmerick, Jack Mattson, David Rossman, John Wilke, Rich Hartmann, Tim Burgart, Kevin Rademacher, Allen Vanderwiel, Paul Schneider, Jeffrey Waldbillig, Steve Kluck, Phil Germann, and Fr. Louis Studer. Thanks to all of these excellent gentlemen for being Knights and helping to make our council better. One year older is one year wiser. Extend a hearty "Happy Birthday" to them the next time you see them.



## Golf Tournament Thanks!

*John Lawson*

The 13th annual golf tourney was a major success this year raising \$5000. We had 84 golfers that enjoyed games, good food, and great weather. The extra games were a success this year raising over \$800 to the cause. Ken Lentz, Ryan Kemmerick, and Dave Rossman volunteered their afternoons to run the games. Thanks to Fritz Kvaternik as he was instrumental in securing many of the 18 hole sponsors this year. Thanks to Steve Strickland, Kevin Coughlin, and Tim Tracy for working the prize committee again. Many comments were received regarding the high quality of our prizes. Also thanks to Jim Decker, Greg Kapraun, and especially Jeff Block for their help in coordinating and guidance. If you didn't play this year, make it a point to join us next year.

## Calendar

Officer Meeting  
Council Meeting  
Spirit Run  
St. Pius Chili Feed  
Pancake Breakfast  
Scholarship Banquet  
Major Degrees

Thursday, October 9, 7:15 p.m.  
Thursday, October 9, 7:30 p.m.  
Saturday, October 25  
Saturday, November 1, 5-7 p.m.  
Sunday November 16  
February 6, 2009  
Sunday, March 22

Holy Spirit School Library  
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Holy Spirit  
St. Pius  
After Morning Masses  
TBA  
Lourdes High School

## Go For 200!

*Dave Hubka*

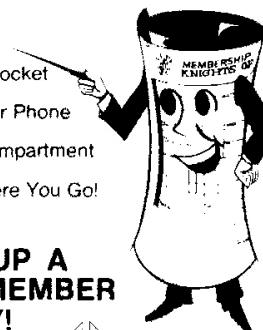
Our council membership is currently about 175. Our Grand Knight has challenged our council to grow to 200 this fraternal year. Is that possible? It sure is! There are many eligible men in our parish who have yet to join our council. But they haven't yet been asked to join. Please ask someone you know to join! Or nominate them by passing their name on to myself. But don't sit back and wait for others to ask someone to join – YOU should ask someone to join.

## Web site for Assembly 548

The Bishop Edward A. Fitzgerald 4th Degree Assembly now has a web site at <http://www.kofcasm548.org/>. All of you 4th Degree Knights should bookmark this and keep the calendar handy!

## Form #100 Belongs in All of These Places

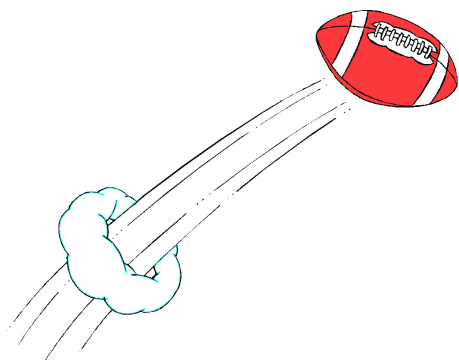
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- In Your Pocket
- Near Your Phone
- Glove Compartment
- Everywhere You Go!



**SIGN UP A  
NEW MEMBER  
TODAY!**



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## Football Frenzy!

*Greg Kapraun*

There are still Football Frenzy raffle tickets available! This is a fundraiser that the State Knights of Columbus is sponsoring. We sell the tickets for a \$10 donation and we receive \$3 back to our Council for every one we sell. In addition, the State Council receives part of the proceeds for their needs and the rest goes towards the weekly prize pool. You can win a prize during each of the last 10 weeks of the NFL football season all from the same ticket. Buy a bunch for yourself and sell some more to your friends!

## Knight and Family of the Year

As we go to press it occurs to your worthy newsletter editor that he has neglected to put before you our Knight and Family of the year. Way back at our picnic in July Jim Decker was proclaimed Knight of the Year and Mike and Pat Riester were named Family of the Year. Please offer them your sincere congratulations!

## Spirit Run on October 25

*Duane Price*

All preparations for the 12th annual Spirit Run are underway. We will need 25-30 Knights and family members as volunteers to have a successful event. The tasks are generally easy and the homemade cookies are great. Please contact me at [dpprice@myclearwave.net](mailto:dpprice@myclearwave.net) or 289-1972 to volunteer.



## Little Known Saint of the Month

Dave Dykstal

This month we honor Saint Faustina Kowalska, another saint of the 20th century. Perhaps barely qualifying for “little-known,” her life still presents some wonderful lessons.

The third of ten children, Elena Kowalska was born in August 1905 in Glogowiec, Poland. She was able to attend only three years of school. As a teenager, she worked as a domestic servant for other families. After being rejected by several religious orders, she became a nun in the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Warsaw, Poland just before her 20th birthday. She changed her name to Sister Maria Faustina of the Most Blessed Sacrament. For 13 years she worked in various houses of her order where she was a cook, gardener, and porter.

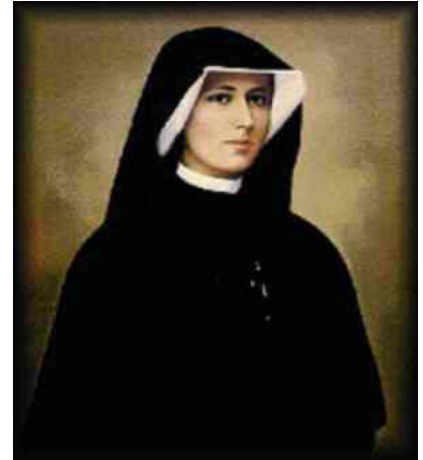
In the 1930's, Sister Faustina received a mission from Jesus telling her to spread throughout the world a message of God's mercy to each person individually, and for humanity as a whole. Jesus asked that a picture be painted of him with the inscription: “Jesus, I Trust in You.” She was asked to be a model of mercy to others, to live her entire life, in imitation of Christ's, as a sacrifice. She commissioned this painting in 1935, showing a red and a white light shining from Christ's Sacred Heart.

She had a special devotion to Mary, to the Blessed Sacrament, and to Reconciliation, which led to a deep mystical interior life. She began to have visions, receive revelations, and experience hidden stigmata. She recorded these experiences in a diary; but, being nearly illiterate, she wrote phonetically and without punctuation. This diary runs almost 700 pages.

A bad translation of this diary reached Rome in 1958 and was labelled heretical. However, when Karol Wojtyla (Pope John Paul II) became Archbishop of Krakow, he was besieged by requests for a reconsideration. He ordered a better translation made, and Vatican authorities realized that instead of heresy, the work proclaimed God's love. It was published as [Divine Mercy In My Soul](#).

Apostles of Divine Mercy is a movement of priests, religious, and lay people inspired by Faustina's experiences; they spread knowledge of the mystery of Divine Mercy, and invoke God's mercy on sinners. Approved in 1996 by the Archdiocese of Krakow, it has spread to 29 countries.

She was canonized, appropriately, by Pope John Paul II on April 30th, 2000. She is a patron of World Youth Day. Her feast is on October 5th.



### Prayer Intentions

For Dan Renier as he deals with neck pain and surgery.

## Knights of Columbus Council #11460

This is a synopsis of the official minutes of the General Council Business Meeting held on September 11th, 2008

*submitted by David Hubka*

### Lecturer Program

Before the meeting began, we were joined by representatives from three of the organizations that we support with our Tootsie Roll proceeds. Each representative accepted the check and gave a short talk about the organization they represented: Sharon Spencer represented SPRED (Special Religious Education), John Flanders represented PossAbilities, Ryan Gosch representing the Arc of SE MN.

### Opening

Grand Knight Greg Kapraun called the meeting to order at 7:39pm in the library at Holy Spirit School. Greg started the

meeting with the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. The Roll of Officers was called: present were Grand Knight Greg Kapraun, Deputy Grand Knight Paul Daley, Chancellor Steve Kunkel, Financial Secretary Jim Decker, and District Deputy Jeff Bagniewski. The minutes of the August 2008 meeting were approved as appeared in the newsletter.

### Officers Reports

Financial Secretary Jim Decker presented his monthly report as of noon on Sept 10 – showing receipts of \$7,330.00 and payments of \$5,211.56 – the report was approved. Jim reported our current roster shows 174 members, and if each officer

recruits 2 new members we'll make our goal of 200 members by the end of this fraternal year.

**Grand Knight Report** – Grand Knight Greg Kapraun handed out pins and officer handbooks, reminded folks of the needs of the Elder Network for male drivers, led a discussion of our liability insurance policy (to be clarified - are we covered when an event is off our site?), gave us details about the MN KC Football Sweepstakes for this fall, talked about ideas for more KC involvement at the annual RCS Scholarship Banquet scheduled for February 6, 2009, let us know about the monthly chili feeds the St. Francis council has started, informed us that Brett Maronde has resigned as the local KC insurance agent, shared a Thank You card from the Serra Club for our recent donation to their priest golf outing, and talked about the Christmas Card sales for Light Up For Christ.

### **Directors Reports**

**Membership Director** – Dave Hubka: Reported we had 1 new member at a first degree in August. We had a display for our order at the annual Ministry Fair at Holy Spirit this past week-end. Another 1st degree is scheduled for 7:30pm at Pax Christi on Tuesday, Sept 30.

**Church Activities Director** – Ken White: Talked about the Ministry Fair, and thanked those who helped serve the cake the KCs provided as desert for Founders Day. Next up will be Light Up For Christ in a couple of months.

**Youth Director Activities** – Dan Kennedy: Summarized the annual Soccer Challenge held during Founders Day this past week-end – we had 7 participants (all in their own categories), and a number of younger kids stopped by and were encouraged to do some kicking but no score was kept for them. We ended up not having any participant forms, so we made them up as we needed and will transfer the data to the official forms later. Ken was thinking next year we could host a soccer camp on the adjoining field to help draw more kids down to the fields. Ken also commented that the soccer goal nets are in pretty sad shape – we should consider fixing them next spring if needed (John Lawson will check with RYSA to see if they will fix them). There is also an event being planned for all the Youth Ministers – perhaps a bonfire or a movie – ideas are being kicked around but we hope to make something happen here soon (note – funds were previously approved for this).

### **Old Business**

John Lawson gave a summary of the Golf Tournament Event. John has breathed new life into this, and the net this year was \$5133.50 (there was some question about another \$100 bill that would need to be subtracted from this). John thanked all who helped, with special thanks to Jeff Block and Greg Kapraun for all their help as John took this over. John was given a round of applause for all his work on this!

Steve Kunkel talked a bit about the annual Tootsie Roll Drive. John Lawson mentioned that when approached about sponsoring the Golf Tourney, Leif Erickson had inquired about whether any of our TR funds could go to the local Adaptive Sports organization – there was discussion about

the requirements, and Steve will check it out and possibly bring it back for discussion. Steve Kunkel was given a round of applause for his 10 years of running our council TR Drive!

Greg Kapraun reported that Duane Price is starting to pull things together for the annual Spirit Run on Oct 25.

Greg led a discussion about pancake breakfasts. Last month we'd found out that we needed another option for a grill. Brad Brech had given Greg information that a solution would be to buy heavy duty, steel grills (with edges) to put over the 6 open burners. \$133 for a large one will cover 4 burners and \$82 for a small one that will cover 2 burners. Motion carried unanimously to approve funds to purchase these. Greg said we should be able to get them in plenty of time for our 1st pancake breakfast of the season on Oct 5. John Lawson suggested we do a trial run with the new equipment prior to that to avoid any last minute surprises on Oct 5.

### **New Business**

None

### **District Deputy Report**

The next local 1st degree is scheduled for 7:30pm at Pax Christi on Tuesday, Sept 30 – have candidates there at 7pm. Major degrees will be held in Rochester on Sunday, March 22, 2009, at Lourdes. One of the other Rochester councils will be hosting it.

District Soccer Challenge will be held at Century on Sunday, Sept 28 – registration 11:30am-noon, with competition to start at noon.

The Fall Classic bowling event for developmentally disabled will be held Fri-Sun, Nov 7-9 at Inver Grove Heights (close to Hwy 52 – only an hour drive away from us). Jeff has signed our district up for a shift on Sunday, Nov 7. He needs 25 workers there 11:30am-5:30pm (lunch is served 11:30am-noon). Work will be anything from keeping score, to doing registration, etc. Let Jeff know by Sept 30 if you can help. Berry Hobbs mentioned that he works this event regularly, and it is very rewarding. Dave Hubka asked if workers could include spouses and/or older, responsible kids, and Jeff said he would check into this.

Our council membership goal of 200 is outstanding – go for it!

Our council's 1st degree team is being used a lot – Jeff is looking into getting another 1st degree team active in the district.

### **Good of the Order**

Closing prayers were led by Grand Knight Greg Kapraun. Special intentions included: the Neil Stiller family, on the death of Neil's brother Dan; Brother Ken Ford (an active DD from another part of the state) as he is having health issues; all the victims and families of 9/11.