



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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COUNCIL CALENDAR

April

04/01/08	Business Meeting	St. Gabriel's	7:00 pm
04/06/08	Pancake Porkie Breakfast	St. Margaret Mary's	7:30 am
04/12/08	4 th Degree	Oconomowoc	
04/15/08	Recognition Dinner	Germania Hall	6 pm
04/17-20/08	Tootsie Roll Drive	Neenah Area	8 am to 8 pm
04/21/08	Rosary for Life	Planned Parenthood Oshkosh	6 pm
04/25-27/08	State Convention	Wisconsin Dells	Weekend
04/27/08	Wood Chippers	Monarch Gardens	9 am to 5 pm

May

05/06/08	Business Meeting	St. Gabriel's	7:00 pm
05/19/08	Rosary for Life	Planned Parenthood Oshkosh	6 pm

Grand Knight's Report (April 08)

After a slow period in both Council and membership activities, it's time to get motivated and start looking forward to spring and summer. In April alone, we have the St. Margaret Mary Pancake and Porky breakfast, Recognition Dinner, Tootsie Roll Drive, Youth Awards Night, the State Charity Raffle, and the Wood Chippers Show. These are activities that all the Council's Knights and their families can get involved in. If you've helped out before, please do so again. If you haven't, please get involved. We need your help and fresh ideas. If you're reading this in the newsletter, or you're not sure tonight on volunteering, don't wait for someone to call you. Pick up the phone and give me a call.

Concerning membership, except for transfers, we haven't had a new member initiated into our Council since the fall. The pancake and porky on April 6th is part of our spring Wisconsin Recruitment Activity Project (W.R.A.P.). Bring a prospective member or two to breakfast. We will have materials and people available to talk to your prospect. *Remember, new members bring new ideas, and new ideas help our Council grow.*

The Family of the Month March are Ed and Cindy Sypek

The Family of the Month for March, since joining the Knights of Columbus in November 2005, has actively participated with the annual ARC of the Fox Cities Christmas and Valentine Parties, the knowledge contests, and the Pancake and Porky breakfast among others. They are also involved in Advancing the Mission and St. Vincent de Paul. Besides leading the Rosary before 7:30 Mass at St. Margaret Mary Church and other Church activities, they adore at the Twin Cities Perpetual Adoration Chapel. Thanks to Ed and Cindy Sypek, we frequently have fresh fruits, at their expense, for the Sunday St. Margaret Mary coffee and donuts. Ed has also done a remarkable job, keeping myself and the Council informed on outside activities such as the "Athletes for Christ" DVD, "Men for Christ" programs, and Relevant Radio's "Battling the Culture War". Ed always has his eyes and ears open in the community and brings information to the Council. I would like to thank our Chancellor, a 4th Degree Knight, Ed Sypek and his wife, Cindy, for their involvement and interest shown with the Church, community and the Knights of Columbus.

The Knight of the Month March is Gene Lerza

This 3rd Degree Knight, entering his 13th year as a member of our Council next month, has contributed to so many events with the Council, Church, and community. Our trustee, and a past Grand Knight, Gene Lerza attends most of the brat fries, knowledge contests, and participates in most of the annual ARC of the Fox Cities Christmas Parties and Valentine Dances to name a few. He gives attention to the homebound and in nursing homes with visits, transportation and sharing of prayers. Thank you for showing compassion by sharing time with those in need in our community and helping out with our Council.

Annual Peanut Butter & Jelly drive

Mike Simonis reported that the Annual Peanut Butter & Jelly drive on March 8th and 9th went well with 235 units collected between the two parishes.

Financial Secretary's Corner

Brother Knights: At the present time, we still have over thirty members with **unpaid dues** for 2008. Please check your card, if it still reads 2007, your dues are now due. Your Per Capita Tax to both State and the Supreme Councils have been paid. It's your duty as a member to fulfill your obligation.

Our sale of 2008 Charity Raffle tickets have fallen short of our goal of 492. If anyone still wants to purchase them or sell them, they can be taken to the State Convention by our delegates. But absolute deadline will be no later than April 15th to get them to your Financial Secretary.

We still have Daily Meditation Prayer Books available for \$6.00 each, which make an excellent gift.

Remember: Winning isn't everything, but wanting to win is!

Recognition Dinner

Mark your calendar for Tuesday evening, April 15th, to attend the annual Recognition Dinner to be held at The Germania Hall. The evening will start with live music provided by the Do-Nut Holes at 5:30PM. Dinner will start at about 7PM followed by the Awards ceremony. Plan to stay afterward for more music and dancing. The cost is \$14 per person. Invite as many guests as you like. **Reservations are required. Please call Jerry Robak at 722-3311 or e-mail at jrobak@athenet.net.**

By April 8th

Wood Chippers Food Service

A sign-up sheet was passed around for helping with the Wood Chippers Food Service on April 27th at Monarch Gardens. Set-up will be at 10:00. Contact Paul Wolters at 727-2139 to help.

Perpetual Adoration

- Bob Nackers reported that the following time slots are open for Perpetual Adoration:
 - Monday 12 am to 1 am
 - Tuesday 1 am to 2 am starting after September
 - Wednesday 1 am to 2 am
 - Thursday 2 am to 3 am starting after September

Please call Bob at 725-0415 to help fill these slots. As stated at the meeting by Ed Sypek "If you had \$168 and came across a starving person, would you give him a dollar for food? Well there are 168 hours in a week will you give God an hour?" Can't do it by yourself, try alternating with some one and sharing that hour.

E-Mail Addresses

With the rise in postage we have come up with a way to save our Council \$5 per member per year for those Knights willing to receive their Newsletter via e-mail instead of snail mail. If you haven't signed up already, just drop me a note at mbushman@new.rr.com. I will see that you are on the e-mail list and you will receive your newsletter before they are printed. I started e-mailing with the July newsletter. We have about 90 Knights signed up already. All new members with e-mail addresses on their form 100's are automatically added to the mailing list.

Rosary for Life

On the third Monday of every month a group of people get together and pray the Rosary in front of the Planned Parenthood building in Oshkosh. Members from our Council meet at the old Big Lots parking lot and car pool. We meet at 5:15 pm, leave for Oshkosh at 5:30 pm, start the rosary at 6 pm, and you are back home by 7 pm. Usually about 30 people in all attend this event. If you are interested in going, drop me a line; my phone number is 725-6600 and my e-mail is mbushman@new.rr.com.

The Good of the Order

If anyone knows of any Knight who is in the Hospital or going in the Hospital, please call Mike Bushman at 725-6600. This will insure that we get them on our prayer list.

Please remember the following Brother Knights and loved ones in your Prayers:

Don Ashley	Ginny Lashua	Belva Simonis	Willie Bolwerk
Mike Mabie	Barbara Wichman	Bob Yost	