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COUNCIL CALENDAR

February

02/01/08	Brat Fry	Alcan Bell St.	9 am
02/03/08	Memorial Mass	St. Margaret Mary's	7:30 am
02/15/08	Valentine Dance	ARC	6 pm
02/18/08	Rosary for Life	Planned Parenthood Oshkosh	6 pm
02/24/08	Pancake Porkie Breakfast	St. Patrick's	7:30 am
02/22-24/08	Monte Alverno Retreat	Monte Alverno	Weekend

March

03/01-02/08	State Bowling Tournament	Waunakee	Weekend
03/09/08	Coffee/Doughnuts	St. Margaret Mary's	Both Masses
03/09/08	2 nd Degree Ceremony	Our Lady of Lourdes School, West Depere	10 am
03/09/08	3 rd Degree Ceremony	Our Lady of Lourdes School, West Depere	1:15 pm
03/15/08	Battling the Culture War	Relevant Radio	7 am
03/17/08	Rosary	Planned Parenthood Bldg.	

Grand Knights Report:

Thank you for being my ears and eyes of the Council the first six months of my term. I couldn't have done it without all your help and support. Remember if there is anyone you know that is deserving of Knight or Family of the Month recognition, let me know. In order to make our history book and web site a better tool to illustrate our Council to prospective members and our Parishes, could someone take photos at the events I can't attend. Call me to use the Council's camera. Could you also save newspaper, bulletin, and newsletter articles concerning our Council or our Knights. A second and third degree ceremony is being held March 9th in West DePere. This will probably be the only 2nd and 3rd degree before the April 12th Fourth Degree Exemplification in Oconomowoc. Please let Bob Yost or myself know if you are interested. Remember, you are not required to hold office if you are a 3rd degree member. Finally, I offer a sincere thanks to all those that remembered our fallen brothers in prayer at the Memorial Mass this past Sunday. God Bless, and keep up the good work of the Lord.

The Knight of the Month for January 2008 is Jerry Robak

The Knight of the Month for January is an active member of our Council. He can be found at various activities including brat fries, ARC parties, pancake and porkie breakfasts and knowledge contests. This past year he took it upon himself to chair the Community Fest Brat Fry in addition to the annual membership steak dinner and recognition dinner. He can be found helping the community with garden problems as a master gardener, or aiding with taxes through AARP. Congratulations Jerry Robak.

The Family of the Month for January 2008 is Lloyd and Judith Delveaux

This Knight and his wife are very involved in our Council, community and at Church. Besides helping at numerous events such as pancake and porkie breakfasts, coffee and donuts, fish fries, Tomah Wheelchair Sunday, ushering and counting money for St. Margaret Mary Parish, Lloyd Delveaux finds time to organize our Council's entry in the state bowling tournament and to cook at our many brat fries. This past week, he directed the annual Memorial Mass in Marv's absence. Lloyd, along with his wife, Judy, put in countless hours at the St. Margaret Mary Rummage Sale. Judy also helps in other Church activities and lends a helping hand at the Council when necessary. Great job, Lloyd and Judy.

Financial Secretary's Corner

Brother Knights: WE NEED YOUR HELP. Back in December, all of you received your WI State Council Knights of Columbus Charity Raffle tickets. As of this letter, we have only recorded 254 sold tickets. At this time one year ago, we had recorded well over 300 sold. Our goal for Council #5514 is 492. In order to maintain our Vocations Fund to support Seminarians, we have a job to do. Yes, with the cooperation of each of you, this will be accomplished. Please make every effort to sell them or purchase them yourself.

Once more I stress that 2008 membership dues, along with the optional PKD (\$3.65), are now due. DO NOT combine dues and raffle ticket monies on the same check.

Congratulations to George Hintz for attaining Honorary Life Membership in the Knights.

Bob completed the six month audit for the end of 2007. During the last six months of the year, our Council collected \$4,508 in brat fry sales.

For the year 2007, our Council donated a total of \$12,520 to excellent causes and contributed 30,952 hours in manpower. Excellent Job Brother Knights!!

Monte Alverno Retreat Weekend

The Monte Alverno Retreat Weekend is February 22, 23 and 24th. Currently, only eight Knights are signed up. Contact Mike Simonis if you would like to attend.

State Bowling Tournament

State Bowling Tournament is March 1st and 2nd in Waunakee. We are in need of one more member to bowl. Contact Lloyd Delveaux if interested.

Tootsie Roll Drive

Tootsie Roll Drive will be on April 17, 18, 19 and 20th. We will not be able to set up at Wal-Mart on Friday and Saturday. We will look for alternate locations, including the west side Walgreens and the Post Office. A sign up sheet will be passed around at the next meeting. Kohls said that they will not allow us to set-up in front of their store, although they will ask employees to help us, and if enough signup, Kohls will contribute \$500 to the drive. We are also looking for volunteers to assist in calling members to fill time slots and to remind members of their time slot. We are also looking for volunteers to assist in setting up tables, chairs, etc. at the stores. Contact Jon Bolwerk or Chad Olsen if interested in helping.

Perpetual Adoration

Bob Nackers is looking for help filling three slots for perpetual adoration. The time slots are Monday 12 am to 1 pm, Wednesday 1 am – 2 am and Thursday 1 am – 2 am. Contact Bob Nackers at 725-0415 if interested in helping

Help Brother Knights Move

Brother Knights, two Knights need help moving in February. Dan Steunger called Bob Yost for help moving. He will be leaving North Carolina on February 14th and plans to be in Appleton on the February 16th. He is moving to an apartment at 3600 Woodman Drive in Appleton. He plans on transferring to Neenah Council when he arrives. Contact Bob Yost if you can help. Also, Scott Sherwood, who received his 1st Degree with our Council, is moving back to the area. He is requesting help moving on February 19th. His wife will be moving their belongings that day, although he has to stay behind. He is asking for Knights to help his wife move the belongings. Contact Chuck Rohr if you can help.

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.

Donations

Our Council will once again sponsor three Seminararians. \$500 was donated to each Seminararian (\$1,500 total) at the Feb meeting.

Corrections to last newsletter - \$500 was donated to Neenah Fun Run during the Jan meeting, not the stated \$200. A \$200 donation to St. Margaret Mary's "Rock for Life" was not included in the Jan newsletter. \$250 was donated to the Kathy Kukuck family, which was misspelled in the Jan newsletter.

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.

Website

Jon Bolwerk just finished our new website at www.kofcneenah5514.com. Please visit site and provide Jon with comments or feedback. Great Job Jon!

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:

Norb Korpinski's wife, Arlen Schroeder, Ginny Lashua and Janice Bruha