



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEENAH COUNCIL #5514 – MEETING OF 3/1/2011

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March

- Mar 24, St. Vincent De-Paul, 4:00pm - 6:00pm (George Hintz)
- Mar 27, Pancake and Porkie Breakfast, St. Patrick's Menasha (Mike Bushman)
- Mar 27, Double Portions (preparations), St. Patrick's Cafeteria, 12:00-2:00 pm, (Mike Bushman)
- Mar 28, Double Portions (cooking/serving), St. Patrick's Cafeteria, 7:00-Noon (Mike Bushman)

April

- Apr. 2, 4th Degree Exemplification, Radisson Paper Valley, Appleton
- Apr 2 – 3, Kof C State Bowling competition, Pro Bowl Lanes, Green Bay (Lloyd Delveaux)
- Apr. 5, Business Meeting and Nomination of Officers, 7:00pm (Ed Sypek)
- Apr. 10, Pancake and Porky,, St. Margaret Mary's after both Masses (Marv Spielbauer)
- April 28-30, Tootsie Roll Drive at Stores (Chad)
- Apr. 29-May 1, May K of C Convention, Radisson Convention Center, Green Bay (Ed Sypek)
- Apr. 30-May 1 Tootsie Roll Drive at Parishes (Chad)

PLEASE SIGN UP FOR THE TOOSIE ROLL DRIVE NOW – CONTACT CHAD OLSEN (diverchad@aol.com – 920-751-8566)

Grand Knight's Report:

Thank you to Dan Bornemann for handling the Feb. meeting in my absence and Paul Wolters for leading the successful ARC Valentine's Day party, Gary Cunningham for providing the cotton candy machine, Mike Bushman for Return to Lambeau event and double portions and Tony Ansems for organizing the two Monte Alverno retreats. February was a great month Thank you.

Knight of the Month – Nick Lashua:

Nick Lashua is our Knight of the Month. Nick has assisted our Knights of Columbus chapter by working the Tootsie Roll drive, helping with the Pancake and Porkie breakfasts; and volunteering his time at the ARC of the Fox Cities in support of our holiday programs. Nick and his father Dewey have and will attend the Monte Alverno men's retreat.

Thank you, Nick, for being a valued member of our Knights of Columbus chapter!

Family of the Month – Dan Laurent Family:

Dan along with his wife, Christine, and their eight children, Caroline, Sarah, Emily, Monica, Megan, Bridget, Catherine, and John are our family of the month. Dan is currently in the Deaconate program, serves SMM church as a parish trustee, Eucharistic minister, Lector. He is a regular Adorer of the Lord, trains new parents in preparation for the children's baptism, and is a communion distributor serving the area's nursing homes and hospitals. Dan has supported our Knights of Columbus chapter by volunteering his time by working the Tootsie Roll drive and the parish Pancake –Porkie breakfasts. Chris supports right to life and is one of the SMM parish nurses who give blood pressure tests to their parishioners. Their children have been communion servers and have led the children's liturgy of the word.

Thank you Laurent family for the serving Saint Margaret Mary Church, the Knights of Columbus, and our community.

Financial Secretary's Corner: My Brother Knights:

Brother Knights: As of this newsletter, we have reached our goal in sales of the State Raffle tickets in our Council. I commend all of our members who supported the efforts by selling or buying the tickets. Yes, we have some SUPER SALESMEN in our ranks. The ABSOLUTE DEADLINE for returning sold tickets back to me WILL BE APRIL 15th. Any sold tickets after that will have to be taken to the Convention by our delegates. Please remember, for every ticket sold, our Council receives back \$2.00 toward the Council Vocations Fund.

Members with unpaid dues for 2011, your obligation is NOW DUE. If you have a problem please call your financial Sec'y at 920-722-3690 or e-mail at yomrst@sbcglobal.net to resolve any issues.

Remember: To do nothing is tiresome - One can never stop and take a rest.

Financial Secretary's Report:

Bob mentioned that our goal for raffle tickets is 459. To date, we have sold 504 tickets. If we sell 559 tickets, we will receive an additional \$150. Bob has about 25 tickets available for sale. Members who have tickets they will not sell are encouraged to return them to Bob.

Chaplain's Report:

Ed led a discussion of the Leonardo Da Vinci Last Supper. The painting was controversial when first completed and was not appreciated. Ed showed pictures of the painting and discussed many aspects and meanings behind the painting.

Trustees Report:

- Trustees recommend that we donate \$30 to help with costs for printing tickets for the Haven of Hope fundraiser.
- Trustees recommend that we donate \$250 sponsoring the Pro-Life viewing of Sarah's Choice.

Program Chairman's Report:

- Jim Rapple reported that the Discover the Big Picture of the Bible with Jeff Cavins on February 4th and 5th was a fabulous program.
- We had three members work the St. Vincent DePaul store on February 10th. The evening went well and we received \$150 for our work.
- Paul Wolters reported on the ARC Valentines Dance on Feb. 12th. The dance was held during the day which worked out better than past events when they were held in the evening. Thank you to Paul Nackers for the soda and thank you to Gary Cunningham for bringing the cotton candy machine, it was a big hit. Another thanks to Gary for donating the sugar for the cotton candy.
- Ed Sypek reported on the Men of Christ conference on Feb 19th. Ed reported that 4,000 men attended the event and they brought in 100 Priests. 20 men came forward during the Alter Call.
- Double Portions on February 27 and 28th went well. Brat stroganoff and green beans were served. 88 people were served at a cost of \$81.51. Next month scalloped potatoes and ham will be served.
- A sign up sheet was passed around for the Recognition Dinner on March 8th. Social starts at 5:30. Bring guests and perspective members.
- Mike Simonis reported that they are all set for the Peanut Butter and Jelly drive on March 12 and 13th.

- Mike Bushman reported on the Pancake and Porkie Breakfast at St. Patrick's on March 27th. Mike needs 10 people in two shifts. A sign up sheet was passed around. Mike is still waiting for the Menasha Council to find someone to chair the Breakfast on their side. There will be a membership blitz at the Breakfast. For those who are helping, bring a potato peeler to help with the preparation of the Double Portions meal.
- A sign-up sheet was passed around for the Tootsie Roll Drive. Chad Olsen encouraged members to sign up for slots.

Retreats:

- There were two retreats at Monte Alverno. Tony Ansems reported on the first retreat on February 11-13th. Tony mentioned that the retreat was a fantastic experience with great food. 31 people all together attended the retreat.
- Bob Nackers reported on the second retreat on February 25-27th retreat. Bob mentioned that it was very peaceful and refreshing.

Bowling:

Lloyd Delveaux provided on update on bowling. He had a cancellation, but we had two members on hold and will still have three full teams.

Golf:

We received information on the State Golf Tournament. It will be at Idlewild Golf Course in Door County on July 9th and 10th. Cost is \$115 for both days and \$75 for one day. Lloyd will have more information at the next meeting.

Brat Fry's:

- Bob Gehr reported that Pansies Nursery would like us to have a brat fry at their store on May 7th from 10 -2. This will be a trial and if it goes well, we may have more.
- Bemis-Curwood wants us back this year at the Cecil St. plant.
- Dan Bornemann and Rich Gagner will look into whether we can conduct brat fries at the Innovation Center.

Packer Concession Stand:

- Mike Bushman reported on the concession stand for the Packers Welcome Home event on February 8th. We had 8 from our Council work the event plus a friend. They sold over 340 cups of hot chocolate. Our Council should receive \$30 per person for \$240 and another \$140 due to the amount of sales. They took in over \$6,000 during the event.
- Mike sent in the paperwork to get a contract to have a booth again next year.
- Mike Bushman provided an update on the Kenney Chesney concert at Lambeau Field on June 11th. We will be running two booths during the concert. Mike said we will need 35 people and he will be seeking members from all Councils. Members need to complete the on-line test by the end of May to work at the concert.
- There will be training at Lambeau Field in April.

Unfinished Business:

- Tom Jensen mentioned that our payment of \$500 for sponsorship of the Fun Run is not due until April or May. We will withhold payment until May.
- No one has yet to volunteer to be on the Double Portions Meal Committee. The first four months of this year have been planned out. Mike needs help planning and preparing additional meals.

New Business:

- Renewal of Food Pantries contributions.
 - Marv Spielbauer received a call from Copps. Copps said they would sell him turkeys at \$0.50 per pound if he bought 20 cases. Copps had 75 cases and Marv bought all the cases (220 turkeys) at \$0.50 per pound out of his own pocket. The turkeys were donated to St. Joseph's Food Pantry. Marv is asking \$291 to help pay for the cost of the turkeys. Motion was made and seconded to refund Marv \$291 and to donate \$100 per month for the next three months to St. Joseph's Food Pantry. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Motion made by Lloyd Delveaux to donate \$200 for the next quarter to Father Carr's Place 2B for their food pantry. Motion seconded by Chad Olsen. Motion carried unanimously.
- Lloyd also bought 70 lbs of turkey at the discount price for a future our Double Portions meal.
- Our Council typically covers the cost for PKD (Penny per Knight per Day) and Respect for Life. These are elective per member dues. PKD cost is \$550 and we are short \$291. Last year we only had to cover \$59. Respect for Life is \$3.50 per member and so far we have collected \$28. We cover the costs to be eligible for the Star Council Award. Due to insurance goals, we will probably not receive the Award. The decision to cover the two fees will be deferred until next month. We have until April 1st to cover the costs if we elect to. An appeal to pay the PKD and Respect for Life fees will be made in the newsletter and by Ed Sypek in an email.
- Trustees recommended that we contribute \$30 towards the printing of tickets for a Haven of Hope fundraiser. Motion made by Tony Ansems to contribute the \$30. Motion seconded by Colin Behm. Motion carried unanimously.
- The request to contribute \$250 towards the premier of Sarah's Choice was discussed. Motion made by Dan Bornemann to deny this request. Motion seconded by Mike Mabie. Motion carried unanimously.
- Jim Perry resigned as our Insurance Agent. He and his wife are taking on more family responsibilities.

District Deputy's Report:

- There will be a First Degree on March 31st in Winneconne.
- There will be a 4th Degree on April 2nd in Appleton.
- Chaplain Night will be March 31st in Winneconne following the First Degree.
- State Convention April 29th – May 1st – Chuck does not have to worry about our Council, we are all set for the Convention.
- Bob Yost sent in the list of members with 50, 60 or 70 year anniversaries.
- Clergy Cruise will be June 1st at 6:30 at the Fin 'n Feather in Winneconne. Please start inviting your Clergy now.
- State Golf Tournament is July 9th and 10th in Sturgeon Bay.
- We are considering a District 10 Family day at a Rattler Game. Let Chuck know if our Council is interested in attending.
- State Raffle Tickets are in full swing. Our Council hit its goal today. Please continue to sell tickets.
- Start filling out your Columbian Award Applications. The State would like them submitted by the Convention.
- March is a semi-annual membership Blitz month. Please give consideration to the most effective ways to recruit a new member.

Good of the Order:

Ed Sypek, Betty Gehr, Don Ashley, Joe Wojtowicz, Becky Larza, Dewey Lashua, John Kessler, Lee Sherwood, Hannah Sherwood, Luke Peters, Dan Rosenbaum, Grace Rosenbaum, Vernie Stark, Brian Younger, Megan Sattler, Jerry Linzmeyer, Randy Foth, Gene Berndt, Mary Brandt, Mark Kohlbeck, Dan Stunger, Father Paul Radeski, Father Tony, Father Allen and Father Ingold.

Meeting adjourned by Ed Sypek at 8:36 p.m.