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### COUNCIL CALENDAR

#### September

09/02/08	Business Meeting	St. Gabriel's	7:00 pm
09/08/08	Packer Concession	Lambeau Field	6:00 pm
9/15/08	Rosary for Life	Oshkosh	7:00 pm
9/16/08	Steak Night	St. Gabriel's	5:30 pm
9/18/08	Brat Fry	Alcan- Cecil St	8:00 am
09/19/08	Brat Fry	Alcan- Cecil St	8:00 am
09/21/08	Packer Concession	Lambeau Field	7:00 pm

#### Grand Knights Message

Good evening Brother Knights. We've survived summer, and for some of us it's the craziness of back to school time. With almost 40 more activities already on the schedule before the end of the year, we sometimes end up with a number of activities at the same time. We don't want to have to pick which activities to pursue and which to decline, because they are all worthy causes. What we need are more Knights to step up to the plate. Last month, the St. Gabriel Round-up, Best Friends of Neenah Menasha Family Fair, and a Packer Game all fell on the same weekend. This month we have another "crunch" time approaching. September 18th and 19th we have our double shift brat fries at Alcan. We serve in both the morning and evening on both days. The 20th is Punt, Pass and Kick, and the 21st is a Packer Game. The St. Margaret Mary Rummage Sale encompasses the whole weekend, including 2 brat fries for the youth advisory team. As you can see, we could use your help to staff these and our other activities. Contact me at 540-4486 if you would like more details. Tuesday, September 16th is our annual new member steak dinner. This is our largest membership blitz or Wrap of the year. If you know anyone who may be interested in the Knights and our Council, invite them to dinner on us. They will see firsthand what we are about. Remember, new members bring new ideas and (man) power to our council. Contact Jerry Robak at 722-3311 with any prospects.

Speaking of Degrees, there is a special 1<sup>st</sup> Degree scheduled for this Saturday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:00. It precedes the Diocesan meeting and includes state officers and possibly the newly installed Bishop. Contact me if you have anyone to consider.

"Men of God", a Day of Recollection for all Knights and their family members, will take place on Sat., November 1st, at Holy Hill. It starts at 10:00 and concludes with a 4:30 Mass celebrated by Auxiliary Bishop William Callahan. I have registration forms which are due by October 27th for interested Knights. The 40 Days for Life Vigil in Grand Chute is September 24th through November 2nd with new hours. The vigil is from 7:00 am – 5:00 pm. See [www.40daysforlife.com/grandchute](http://www.40daysforlife.com/grandchute) to sign up. In closing, please keep Brother Knight, Jack Rogers, who passed away, and State Deputy Roland Ransom's wife, Judy, who had heart surgery, since our last meeting, in your prayers. God Bless and thank you.

#### The Knight of the Month for August 2008 is **Bob Nackers**

The Knight of the Month for August is a Knight with 42 years of service to his Council, Church, Community, Family and Youth. He has held most offices, including District Deputy, and can be found helping at most Council activities. At Church, he ushers, counts money, helps in the office, and is a coordinator for the Adoration Chapel. Bob Nackers co-chairs and helps Paul Nackers with the youth programs of our Council, including this month's Punt, Pass and Kick, the knowledge contest, and the Respect for Life Essay Contest. We appreciate you Bob, not just for your time involvement, but the wealth of knowledge of the Knights you bring to the table. Thank you, Bob.

As a side note, if anyone would be interested in filling a shift for the Adoration Chapel, either individually, or as a team, please contact Bob at 725-0415.

### **The Family of the Month for August 2008 is *James (Jim) and Kathryn (Katie) Votava***

The Family of the Month is seen mostly at Church and Community activities. With the Council, he can be found at the Tootsie Roll Drive and serving Coffee and Donuts after Mass. Jim Votava recruits and attends two retreats at the Jesuit Retreat House in Oshkosh, distributes Communion both at Church and at the Hospital, and is an adorer at the Perpetual Adoration Chapel. He volunteers at the Festival of Faith, and at the Twin City Catholic Education System Schools. Both Jim and his wife, Katie, work countless hours at the annual St. Margaret Mary Rummage Sale. This month marks the end of Jim's term as St. Margaret Mary Parish Secretary Trustee, after serving the maximum Diocesan allowed term. Besides his duties there, he attended all the Finance and Pastoral Council Meetings, and has been heavily involved in the new 5-year plan for St. Margaret Mary's. Congratulations Jim and Katie.

### **Financial Secretary's Corner**

My fellow Knights, it has been brought to my attention, that through a computer upgrade in software in the mailing department of your official Knights of Columbus magazine, the "Columbian", some members' names were inadvertently dropped in the mailing process. If you **have not** received your publication in the last four or five months, please let me know. Call 920-722-3690 or e-mail to [yomrst@sbcglobal.net](mailto:yomrst@sbcglobal.net) so that corrective measures can be taken. Our Supreme "Columbian" mailing department regrets any inconvenience caused by this disruption.

Once again, members with **unpaid dues for 2008, please respond soon to avoid suspension from the Order for non-payment.**

**Remember: "A smile is something that adds to your face value."**

### **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](mailto:mbushman@new.rr.com).

### **Green Bay Packer Concessions**

We will need Knights to work the Packer Concessions. If interested call Mike at 920 725 6600. Online training is at [www.nhtius.com](http://www.nhtius.com). Anyone wishing to work the games must take the test and notify me please. The games we are working are, 9/8/08, 9/21/08, 11/30/08, and 12/28/08. The booth is in our name so we will help to fill any voids at the other games.

### **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](mailto:mbushman@new.rr.com).

### **Steak Night**

Plan now to attend the annual steak dinner for family and friends. The primary objective is to provide information and entertainment to prospective members and friends. We want to be able to share with others the benefits of membership in the Knights of Columbus.

The details are:

Date: Tuesday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>

Time: 5:30 PM – Social with Music provided by the Donut Holes  
7:00 PM – Dinner – Brief program to follow

Place: St Gabriel's Cafeteria

Cost: \$8.00 per person – Prospective members and guests are free.

Even though we call this a steak dinner, you have a choice of a tenderloin steak or chicken.

Please call Jerry Robak @ 722-3311 for reservations by Sept 12<sup>th</sup> please.

### **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    John Kessler