

Knight News

Mother of Hope Council 1957

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IMPORTANT INFO!

A quick reminder to return your dues payment if appropriate along with the two surveys that were included with the dues notice. Please try to return this information to Tony Sachse, Financial Secretary as soon as possible.

If you know of other members of the council who might not be receiving this newsletter, please pass their email information along to Tony Sachse as well so we can add them to the mailing list.



Grand Knights Corner

Wow, so many great things going on the Knights these past few months. Sorry that this is late in getting out as with all of the great things we are doing time has gotten a little tight.

As we come to the end of the fraternal year our fundraisers are ramping up with the Car Show, Community Care Days, Kites over Lake Michigan and Ethnic Fest to come. We will be looking for your help in all of these important fundraisers for the work of the council.

Please support the collection of Baby Bottles during Masses this Father's Day weekend at SPF Parish. Last month on Mother's Day, we handed out over 1000 Novena for Life cards and Baby Bottles at the parish to promote Faith in Action. We look forward to supporting this and many other programs focused on promoting a culture of Life!

Kudos to Don Kumbalek, Chairman Claude Vogel and our members for service at Kwik Trip, our two local grocery stores and after SPF Parish Masses on May 3-5, 2019; we raised \$2831.00 in support of our annual Tootsie Roll Drive for the intellectually disabled!

Thank you again to Chairman Jim Schulz and all those who sold Annual Charity Raffle Tickets; \$2620.00 was raised!

Our Council 1957 first received its charter on April 27, 1919 and we celebrated a Century of Columbianism in Two Rivers on Sunday, May 5th with a Councilor Mass and Banquet at the Light House Inn! Our Council and 80-Year Member William R. Ahearn received citations for longevity of service from the State Deputy & Council at our Centennial Celebration and at the State Convention the previous weekend. (Pictures included later in the newsletter)

Brother Bill also received a special 4th Degree memento from our Father Francis B. Simono Assembly; well done to our Centennial Committee!

Faithfully yours,

-Mike

Faith

WPGK Rick Wondrash reminds us the Diocesan-sponsored Alpha Program continues on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. at our Columbian Home; please support this parish-focus, spiritual growth seminar.

SPF Parish requires that all Knights who wish to directly participate in parish activities that require interaction with children and teens to complete VIRTUS training.

Our District 12 supported the Wisconsin Knights of Columbus High School Recruitment Initiative (WIKofCHSRI) on 2 consecutive Wednesdays (May 8th & 15th), by having the District's GKs led by WSMD Ron Faust attend lunch and noon Memorare prayer services to recruit local Catholic Seniors from Roncalli High School to join our Order.

Family

Good of the order for the Month of May:

Knight of the Month May: Worthy Treasurer Ed Vander Bloomen

Family of the Month March: Brother Knight Jim Schulz

Community

Early in May, our Council sent two teams of Knights to bag some strikes for the Mother of Good Hope Council, April 6-7th! The teams included Brother Knights: Ron Gordon, Jeff Sachse, Tony Sachse, Marvin Krall, Thomas Clarkson, Wayne Schleis, Ed Knutson, and Paul Francisco (pictured below). Fun was had by all.



Our Council will co-host with Council 710 of Manitowoc the 2020 Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus State Bowling Tournament at Meadow Lanes North in the March-April of 2020; we will need help in many different areas to make this a success! More information will continue to come out about this event in the coming months.

WGK Mike Wojta had the opportunity to present two \$750.00, well-deserved Scholarships, one each to sibling Seniors Madelyn & Isaiah Polich, at the TRHS Awards Ceremony on May 22nd; we wish these 2 students well in future endeavors!



Life

We also pray for all of the members of the council and their loved ones that may be facing health concerns or any other personal challenges

4th Degree

The 4th Degree concluded its Fraternal Year May 8th at Gills in Whitelaw. Members and their spouses were joined by our Area Coordinator Michael Johnson and his wife as well as Rev. Jeffrey Briones. Officers for the next Fraternal Year were elected and will be noted in the next newsletter. Congratulations to Faithful Navigator Elect Richard Wondrash, and thank you to our outgoing Faithful Navigator for the work he has done throughout this year as well.

Welcome to the newest Members for the 4th Degree **Sir Knights: Jim LaFond, Sid Kemp, Steve Bacalzo, Lee Sleger, and Hartley Arsta** who completed their 4th degree at the exemplification April 6th in Appleton. They were part of a class of 65 and we are glad to have them as part of the Assembly.



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The 4th degree will resume in September of this year with the installation of officers. More to come on this. Enjoy the summer break Sir Knights!

Centennial Celebration

On May 5th, members of the council and their spouses joined together to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the charter of the Knights of Columbus in Two Rivers. Members of the state Leadership team including WSD Jack Wrbanich as well as our WDD Tre Waldren attended and spoke at the banquet.

Prior to the banquet a Councilar mass was said by Father Thomas Reynebeau assisted by members of the council and Brother Knight Deacon Frank Burr. Deacon Burr and his wife Sandy assisted with the music for the mass.



Following the mass a social hour was held followed by a banquet and presentation. Speakers included WGK Mike Wojta, WDD Tre Waldren, our Insurance Agent Jerome Powell and WSD Jack Wrbanich. We thank them all for their words and guidance.



Worthy Grand Knight Mike Wojta opens the program

Insurance Agent Jerome Powell discusses the importance of the Knights





Worthy State Deputy Jack Wrbanich addresses the group as well as bringing the welcome of the Supreme Knight

Worthy District Deputy Tre Waldren addresses the attendees.





Worthy District Deputy Tre Waldren presents William Ahearn with a copy of a State Resolution commending his 80 years of service in the Knights of Columbus

Past District Master Ed Vander Bloomen presents William Ahearn a top hat used by the 4th degree which was provided by the Two Rivers Historical Society and was owned by Bill's Father





William Ahearn with his grandson Vincent Megna, who is himself a Grand Knight and District Deputy in Illinois. Bill presented the top hat to Vincent.

Upcoming Events

June 28-29th Two Rivers Main Street Car Show Fundraiser-Looking for volunteers. Contact Dan Tegen or Tony Sachse

July 17th Installation of Council Officers as part of 3rd Degree Meeting

August 2nd Community Care Days Fundraiser. Looking for someone to chair this event; please contact me or Dan Tegen, if interested.