

Knight News

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IMPORTANT INFO!

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.

Second notices for dues have been sent out for the next fraternal year. Please consider paying to your membership current.

Thank you to those that have returned their dues notices and payments.

Grand Knights Corner

As we start a new fraternal year I want to first Thank You so much for your support during the past 2 years. It has been experience for me that I will not forget. Thank you to the officers whom I have worked with and who continue to help support the work this council is doing.

This past 6 months has provided the Knights of Columbus and our council specifically with challenges we could never have seen in many of our lifetimes. In a step toward some normalcy the council will return to an in person meeting this month. We will plan to meet in the upstairs Columbian Home chambers July 15th at 7:00 p.m. for the installation of officers for the next fraternal year. Congratulations to all of the newly elected officers and thank you to those who are retiring from their post for their service to this council.

For the 2020-2021 Fraternal Year the officers will be:

Grand Knight: Ray Seegers

Deputy Grand Knight: Vacant

Chancellor: Robert Kleckner

Financial Secretary: Tony Sachse

Treasurer: Ed VanderBloomen

Recorder: Mike Wojta

Warden: Thomas Boutwell

Advocate: Ed Knutson, Jr.

Inside Guard: Stan Snyder

Outside Guard: Jeff Thompson

One Year Trustee: David Abts

Two Year Trustee: Ed Knutson, Jr.

Three Year Trustee: Mike Wojta



WDD Tre Waldren has decided to focus on WI District 11 for his second term and our WT Ed Vander Bloomen is our new WI District 12 Deputy; together, they co-chaired the Summer District 11-12 Meeting last week on Wednesday at

the Saint Gregory Community Center in Saint Nazianz. WDGK Ray and I attended this meeting, which some council officers attended via ZOOM teleconference due to social distancing. All councils must conduct 2 Fraternal Benefits Meetings per year, with a minimum of 10 attendees per meeting, which can be via teleconference. All councils should also get an early start with required Safe Environment Program training through Praesidium's Armatus link on the Supreme website, <https://www.kofc.org/>, which is valid for 3 years from the date of training. We should also begin planning soon for our council's fall 2020 Church Membership Drive in September, with a live or virtual Admission Exemplification in October.

Lastly congratulations to all of the members of this council. Due to your efforts and activities you will be a Star Council for the Knights of Columbus this year! You represent a select few councils in the order and are truly worthy of the recognition.

Together we do great things even in these challenging times, and together we grow in our faith.

Please continue to pray the Novena for Protection in Time of Pandemic or Coronavirus Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe; St. Joseph, pray for us!

Yours in Christ,

Mike

Faith

WFD Marv Krall reports that our "Mother of Good Hope Cleaning Team," consisting of Tom Boutwell, Jeff Thompson, Ray Seegers and Mike Wojta have been helping with the sanitization process of cleaning the church and gathering space after each weekend mass at Saint Peter the Fisherman (SPF) Catholic Parish. Brother Knight Thomas Mitnacht is also assisting with these efforts.

We continue to be at Phase 2 of Returning to Mass, which provides for in person masses with the following limitations:

- 25% capacity (which is about 200 for our church) - we will have a weekly signup
- Temperature checks be taken at the door
- Face masks encouraged
- Safe social distance practices in place
- No Precious Blood at communion
- No congregating before and after Mass

Starting in the first weekend of July, the 4th and 5th, we will schedule certain liturgical ministries.

Also continue to pray your rosary each day. We as Knights have been given this to pray each day and in the stillness of our hearts took the vow to do so during our exemplification. Now more than ever our prayer can provide comfort to ourselves and help to others.

Cullen Hilliker, a local son of SPF Parish, was accepted into the Dominican Order of the Central Province of Saint Albert the Great, and will attend a friar priory with the Class of 2020 in Colorado, after fulfilling his LaBoure Help Rescue Vocations campaign, to which our council donated \$500.00 in May. Vivat Jesus!

If anyone would like to volunteer to lead the next Fifth Sunday Rosary in the SPF Church at 9:30 a.m. on SUN, August 30th; let, please let WKG Ray know. We always recite the glorious mysteries on Sunday's outside of Lent and Advent.

Family

Please keep in your prayers all of the sick, widowed, and suffering in our council and our communities that they may find healing and peace during this time of year. Please keep in your prayers Brother Knights Roger Barner and Andrew Wichlacz who have passed to their eternal reward in the last few weeks.

WPGK William R. Ahearn passed away May 26th at Wisteria House, after 81 years service as a Knight of Columbus and a few weeks short of his 102nd birthday. His daughter, Susan Ahearn Kandler sent me a confirmed date for her father's Funeral/Celebration Mass, in Memoriam of Brother Bill:

Saturday, August 22, 2020

10:00 a.m. Mass

St. Peter the Fisherman (SPF) Parish

8:30 a.m. visitation before mass.

Deja and Martin Funeral Chapels are assisting the family. Susan also emailed that SPF Parish will not have the choir sing, due to the virus pandemic, but will have a Cantor and organist.

God bless Brother Bill and his family.

Our council has received \$275.00 in memoriam donations from those closest to Sir Knight Bill. These have been deposited into the charity account at this time.

June KoM: Tom Boutwell

June FoM: Hartley Arsta

We will publish a synopsis of all 12 Families of the Month (FoMs) from this Calendar Year in the December 2020 Knight News, in order to determine a Council Family of the Year for submission to the Green Bay Diocese next year.

Community

WFS and Program Director Tony Sachse has completed submission of all requirements, and our council has earned this FY's Columbian Award, as well as being the first council in Wisconsin to qualify as a Star Council; well done! Our focus remains on our Faith, the Culture of Life, our families, our parish and our community, as we, "Leave no neighbor behind."

Worthy Tootsie Roll Drive Chairman (WTRDC) Jeff Thompson reports that he has received generous feedback from our membership in signing up to support our annual Tootsie Roll Drive at Pick n Save and Kwik Trip, scheduled for this weekend, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on FRI, July 10th and 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on SAT, July 11th. WTRDC Jeff is coordinating procedures to hand out tootsie rolls while wearing masks and gloves. If you'd like to sign up for a 2-hour time slot during this proposed drive, please let me or WTRDC Jeff know.

As noted earlier, the committee of the Wisconsin State Bowling Tournament made the tough choice to cancel the balance of the tournament due to the coronavirus pandemic. Thank you to WI State Bowling Tournament (WSBT) 2020 Chair Ed Knutson, WSBT 2020 Committee Treasurer Dan Tegen and WSBT 2020 Committee Secretary Ed Vander Bloomen as well as all of the brother knights and family members that assisted in conducting the tournament.

We wish to recognize the generous membership support that we've received during Tourney weekends since the February 8th Tournament Opening to the conclusion of the tournament. We will have more information soon on the final results of the tournament. Well Done!

Worthy State Bowling Committee 2020 Treasurer Dan Tegen has submitted our recommendation that the donated registration monies from councils which did not bowl be donated to the local food pantries, TREP and Peter's; our Worthy State Bowling Committee 2020, fraternally with Manitowoc Council 710, is still planning a wrap-up appreciation party at Meadow Lanes North, probably prior to Labor Day due to League Bowling commencement.

Worthy Fund Raising Chair (WFRC) Dan Tegen reports that we will sell grill items and Port Pizzas again at the rescheduled Cool City Classic Car Show, August 14-15, 2020. We will meet at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, August 14th at the Columbian Home storage shed to load the trailer and set up in front of the south entrance to the Community House facing Central Park, ready to serve by 6:00 p.m.; we should be finished and packing up by 4:00 p.m. on SAT, August 15th.

WFRC Tony Sachse reports that we will sell roasted Wilfert's corn cobs and Port Pizzas again at this year's Kites Over Lake Michigan, which will take place at Two Rivers High School (TRHS) on September 5th and 6th; we will meet at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, September 4th at the Columbian Home storage shed to load the trailer and set up on pavement on the TRHS grounds.

WFRC Jim LaFond reports that we will sell grill items at this year's Ethnic Fest, which will take place in Central Park on September 19th, serving from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; we will meet at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 19th at the Columbian Home storage shed to load the trailer. Please mark your calendars to help support our council's Fund Raisers for charitable giving.

Life

WLD Marv Krall reports that the baby bottle campaign raised over \$3000 this year for The Crossing, the Haven and Hope House, via drop-offs at the SPF office or electronically on the SPF Parish website, www.spfc.org, and also on the SPF Parish Facebook page at www.facebook.com/stpeterfisherman.

WLD Marv Krall reports our council's success in of support for the State Culture of Life Standings; we raised \$545.00 or 117% of our goal!

Fourth Degree

Reverend Francis B. Simono Assembly conducted an online 4th Degree Exemplification on SAT, June 6th. In total 31 gentlemen advanced to the fourth degrees. Of that class of an official exemplification of the Fourth Degree our assembly welcomed new Sir Knights: Timothy Zadalis, Michael Wojta, Thomas Mitnacht, Thomas Rabideau, and Thomas Boutwell. Congratulations to all of these gentlemen on their accomplishment.

We have completed our elections for upcoming fraternal year and we will welcome Faithful Navigator Ed VanderBloomen, Jr. to the helm of the Fourth Degree. We will begin our meetings again in the fall of this year.

We pray for all of the members of the council and their loved ones that may be facing health concerns or any other personal challenges! Venerable Father Michael McGivney, pray for us!

As noted earlier we will be cautiously resuming in person council business meetings in the upper chambers of the Columbian Home with it arranged to promote social distancing. Use of a mask is recommended but not required at this time. Meetings will continue to be held the third Wednesday of the month starting at 7:00p.m.

Continue to check in with your brother Knights, physical distancing doesn't always mean social distancing. A phone call, text, email, or social media message is always appreciated during this time.

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