

KNIGHT LINES



OFFICIAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE ABBOT PENNING'S COUNCIL 3955

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUGUST

- 5th Walk for Vocations – UWGB (9AM)
- 5th Packers Family Night Ticket Scanning (4:15PM)
- 7th Charity (6:30), Officers (6:45) and Regular Monthly Meeting (7PM) – OLOL Parish Center
- 10th Packers Ticket Scanning (Eagles) – 4PM
- 15th **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
- 23rd Resch Center – Stevie Nicks (5:30PM)
- 25th Resch Center – Toby Keith (5:30PM)
- 30th Resch Center – Bob Seger (5:30PM)
- 31st Packers Ticket Scanning (Rams) – 3PM

SEPTEMBER

- 5th Walk for Vocations – UWGB (9AM)
- 10th Packers Ticket Scanning (Seahawks) - 12:15PM
- 11th Charity (6:30), Officers (6:45) and Regular Monthly Meeting (7PM) – OLOL Parish Center
- 16th Council PPK/Soccer Challenge – Westwood 9AM
- 24th Packers Ticket Scanning (Bengals) – 12:15PM
- 27th 40 Days for Life Begins
- 28th Packers Ticket Scanning (Bears) – 4:15PM
- 30th De Pere Christian Outreach

JULY KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

David Wheeler

JULY FAMILY OF THE MONTH

John & Lynn Fink

Financial Report

Savings:	\$32,920.63
Checking:	\$5,968.08
Bereavement Account:	\$500.00
Columbian Account:	\$141,007.70

UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Council Meeting

Our next monthly meeting will be held on **Monday, August 7th at 7:00 p.m.** in the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Center. A Charity Committee meeting at 6:30 and Officers meeting at 6:45 will precede the meeting. Drew will be serving another delicious meal. Please come and share some fellowship with your Brother Knights.

COUNCIL OFFICER DUTIES

Several times this coming fraternal year, we'll be highlighting some of the duties our council officers have. Questions come in from time to time about what each role entails. This especially happens around the time of council elections each year. Note that the role descriptions come directly from the Supreme Council. The Abbot Pennings may interpret each role somewhat different from Supreme.

The **Warden** is responsible for supervising and maintaining all council property. He also helps set up the council chambers for meetings and the first, second and third degree exemplifications. Lastly, he oversees the Inside and Outside Guards.

This role is usually the first step toward becoming the Grand Knight. The role typically lasts two years.

The council is always looking for interested Knights to consider becoming an Officer. Please speak with GK Dave Pearson, Corey Coonen or Pete Nordeen if you're interested.

Honorary Member

Brother Paul Kramer has achieved Honorary membership status in the Knights of Columbus. Thanks Paul for your volunteer efforts for the Abbot Pennings Council and congratulations!

Chaplain's Corner



Dear Brother Knights,

Years ago, I was travelling by train from my hometown to a town where my Abbey is in India. I was a frater then. It was a long train journey that took two full days! In and around the railway stations in India, you come across different types of people. One such group is trans-genders. Society mostly hated them, as they would extort money from the passengers. Since they approach you in a group, they often force you to give them money; a kind of extortion you often see in India. As a frater you do not have much money with you.

In my journey, at a particular time, two of them came to the coach I was in. They went around asking for money from all the passengers in the coach as I expected. But I noticed one of them was not that forceful. I also noticed she was limping! Since she was not forcefully asking for money, I ignored her and looked away. I did not give her any money. She clearly had need. Later, as I looked through my window, I saw the same person sitting on a bench examining a deep wound on her leg. From her face, I could feel she was hurting. The bandage was dirty and reddish in color. She unwound it, examined her wound and covered the sore with the same rag! I could read the sadness on her face. She was helpless! As the train moved out of that station, she too moved away from my sight. I was deeply saddened to see that sight! Her deplorable plight! I felt bad for not offering her any money. Our society has several misconceptions about trans-genders. Society tells you that they are bad. I grew up hearing such misconceptions therefore; I too held such an idea about them. I had every excuse to deny that person even one dollar! But I did not search for even one excuse to give her that money. Now I realize that the society was cruel to treat them that way. That was not the way to treat them. That was not Jesus' way!

I shared this incident to explain, how people suffer, often alone, without anyone to help them! We see around us in our society, in our cities and in our world who suffer untold miseries. They need our help. They need our support to rebuild their lives. We have responsibilities towards them. It may be easy for us to ignore them. But God wants us to come to their aid; they are a person in need. That's what Jesus has taught us especially through the parable of Good Samaritan. We are often oblivious to the sufferings of others because of our selfishness. Jesus teaches us to be other-centered and not to be self-centered. This is the basic principle of Knights of Columbus, too. And we the members try to put it into practice by charitable work we do in the society. In this regards, my fellow Knights, you guys are doing a commendable job! What you do in our society is noble. I want to thank you for what you do. Let us continue to challenge ourselves and others to commit to caring for others in every way possible. Let us reach out to the needy more and more. Let us not marginalize any one on the basis of their color, race, creed, status, gender or class. Rather, let us come to the aid of those denied their basic rights. God bless!

Chaplain

Binu Varghese

CHARITABLE DONATIONS

The council has a new way to submit your charity requests. Please send them to the email address kofc3955charity@gmail.com. Don't forget to submit the request form found on our website kofc3955.org, found under "News & Announcements."

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP

Our Council continues to grow and has done many charitable deeds for those in our community over the past 66 years. With this in mind, we are asking all of our members to make an effort over the next 12 months to encourage the Catholic men, over the age of 18, in the De Pere area to join us in our efforts to help those in need. The success of our Council's activities to help the homeless, the needy, those with intellectual disabilities and those with illnesses depends on how many good men who have, and continue to, join us. Please contact Steve Cribben at 606-4700 or John Mueller at 336-8691 with the names of those candidates who will help us continue the Knights of Columbus dedication to helping those in our community who need our assistance. Our next First Degree will be on Monday, October 2nd, following our membership drive at Our Lady of Lourdes the weekend of September 17th.

COUNCIL

We had 34 golfers participate in the first annual "Fun"raiser golf outing. We held a 50/50 raffle as well as bucket raffles. Chris Steier was able to get hole sponsors totaling \$875.00. The raffles raised \$400. The total benefiting Our Lady of Lourdes School (GRACE) was \$1,275.00. We also gave out door prizes. Ryan Funeral Home and CellCom provided a sleeve of golf balls for each participant. Chris Stier, Brian Pritzl & Ron Van Dyck chaired the event. A big thank you to all who participated in the event. We are all looking forward to next year and perhaps working with Notre Dame and Our Lady of Lourdes to grow the event while still making it a "fun" event. Thanks, Ron Van Dyck

CHURCH

On Sunday, July 23rd, our council participated in the annual St. Mary's Picnic in Ledgeview. Thanks to Brother David Wheeler and Brother Dale DeVillers for

leading the Knights of our council at the event. Brother Knights assisted with registering the cars for the car show. Thank you David for you leadership!

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Dick Baeten, Scott Baeten, Dirk Bartolazzi, Nick Baudhuin, Dave Bolle, Dale Brown, Justin Coonen, Dave Diedrick, Richard Farrell, Don Forgette, Jerry Fritsch, Bill Govek, Dennis Graham, John Hager, Greg Hill, Dave Keyser, Ken Kleuskens, John Kubalak, Dave Landwehr, John Lasee, Pat Lennon, Sam Loomis, Joe Maar, Gene Micke, Dave Mileski, Bob Novak, Dave Pearson, Phil Pfeiffer, Dick Piontek, Bryan Rottier, John Schmidt, Peter Shimek, Jim Smits, Ron Van Dyck, Larry Vande Hei, Mike Vieau, Travis Volmert, David Wheeler, Larry Willems, Drew Zellner

LAMBEAU TICKET SCANNING

Thanks to all who volunteered to help ticket scan at Lambeau Field this season. We have three events in August starting with Family Night on August 5th. Thanks – Pete Nordeen

RESCH CENTER

Our council has three concert events planned for August; Stevie Nicks on 8/23, Toby Keith on 8/25 and Bob Seger on 8/30. Thanks to those who have volunteered. Please check your email as future events are posted. Thanks – Matt Diederich

GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE

Brother Knights,

I would like to thank GK Pete Nordeen and Officers for their leadership of the council these past two years. A lot of great work has been achieved. I would ask every Knight for their prayers and support as we move forward to continue our mission of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism so we can be witnesses of Christ to those we encounter each day.

God Bless

GK Dave Pearson

KNIGHT LITES



OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE DIRECTORS 2017-2018

OFFICERS

Chaplain.....	Father Binu Varghese	337-2330
Grand Knight.....	Dave Pearson	632-4035
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Corey Coonen	819-9409
Chancellor.....	Dale Brown	327-2860
Advocate.....	Pat Lennon	336-4381
Warden.....	TBD	000-0000
Recorder.....	Matt Diederich	360-5926
Treasurer.....	John Wilmet.....	336-3074
Financial Secretary	Wayne Van Asten	983-2961
Inside Guard.....	Dennis Leiterman.....	336-0364
Outside Guard.....	Doug Vanden Langenberg	468-0102
Lecturer.....	Drew Weisse	770-7111

TRUSTEES

Matt Mueller	339-1190
Pete Nordeen.....	915-7410
John Hofbauer.....	339-6204

COLUMBIAN INC – DIRECTORS

President	Steve Cribben.....	606-4700
Vice President	Scott Baeten	660-2300
Director.....	Tom Wiers	337-2189
Director.....	Eric Le Brun	621-1708
Secretary-Treasurer.....	Wayne Van Asten	983-2961

MEETING NIGHTS (August-June)

1st Monday of each month.
Meetings start at 7:00 p.m.
Officers and Charity meetings are 30 minutes before regular meeting. All meetings are held at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Center (at the end of Lourdes Ave.)

COMMITTEE DIRECTORS

Program	Corey Coonen.....	819-9409
Membership	Steve Cribben	606-4700
Church	Bob Coenen	336-1634
Youth	Eric Le Brun	621-1708
Council.....	Steve Cribben	606-4700
Bowling.....	Rick Breu.....	339-9482
Pro-Life.....	Richard Porrior	339-9376
Promotion.....	Matthew Mueller	339-1190
Historian.....	John Mueller.....	336-8691
Wake Services.....	Scott Baeten.....	660-2300
ID Program.....	Dave Pearson.....	632-4035
	Matthew Mueller	339-1190
Lambeau Scanning.....	Pete Nordeen	915-7410
Resch Center	Matt Diederich.....	360-5926

ROUND TABLES

Our Lady of Lourdes.....	John Mueller.....	336-8691
St. Francis	Larry Vande Hei	336-7281
St. Mary's.....	Phil Wittman.....	336-6450
St. Mary's Glenmore/Stark.....	Patrick Phillips.....	819-6677

CHARITIES COMMITTEE

Father Binu Varghese	337-2330
Dale Brown-Chairman	327-2860
Dave Pearson	632-4035
Pete Nordeen	915-7410
Matt Diederich	360-5926
Matt Mueller	339-1190
Wayne Van Asten	983-2961

INSURANCE

James Patz.....	(920) 264-8745
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ELECTRONIC SERVICE REQUESTED

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