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# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

#### **AUGUST**

2<sup>nd</sup> Monthly Meeting 7pm

7<sup>th</sup> Packer Ticket Scanning-(Family Night) 4:30 pm

14th Packer Ticket Scanning-(Texans) 4:00 pm

15<sup>th</sup> KC Family Picnic at Bay Beach 11:00 am

### 15th ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

18-22<sup>nd</sup> Brown County Fair Parking

20th Newsletter Due

21st DePere Christian Outreach

21stPacker Ticket Scanning (Jets) 12:15 pm

#### **SEPTEMBER**

6th Labor Day No Meeting

13th Monthly Meeting 7pm

6,7, 13, 20, 27<sup>th</sup> Scott Crevier Prays the Rosary (8

PM) (ipraytherosary.org)

15th Dancing for Joy (OLOL) 6:00 pm

18th DePere Christian Outreach

20th Packer Ticket Scanning (Lions) 4pm

20<sup>th</sup> Newsletter Due

22<sup>nd</sup>40 Days for Life Begins

TBD Council Punt Pass and Kick (Location TBD)

# **JULY KNIGHT OF THE MONTH**

**Abe Allen** 

# **JULY FAMILY OF THE MONTH**

#### Mark Kralovec Family

<u>Financial Report</u>		
Savings:	\$	31,424.65
Checking:	\$	3,769.34
Bereavement Account:	\$	500.00
Columbian Account:	\$	142,473.72

# **NEXT COUNCIL MEETING**

Our next monthly meeting will be held on **Monday September 13, 2021.** It will take place in the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Center at 7pm. Lecturer Drew Weisse will provide refreshments after the meeting. Charity and Youth (6:30) and Officer's (6:45) will take place prior to the meeting.

# **HONORARY MEMBERS**

# **Honorary Life Member**

Robert De Vos John Van de Ven

# **Honorary Member**

Dan Baeten Scott Vanden Heuvel Jerome Smits

## **EPH PROJECT**

Five Brother Knights invested 15 hours on a beautiful Saturday July 17th removing flooring from one of the EPH houses. Those involved were Abe Allen, Eric LeBrun, Kevin Lezotte, Phil Wittman, and Dale Brown. Our help in renovating this house turns it around quicker for helping another family transition out of local shelters.

Beautiful weather enabled the Knights to handle a pesky floor covering removal in a little over three hours.

Thanks and God Bless

Dale Brown

#### Field Agent Report August 2021

On August 1 I will be celebrating my first-year anniversary as a Field Agent with the Knights of Columbus. Because of this milestone, I thought I would share with you this brief reflection from my experience in the field.

In our post-modern times, it is easy to underestimate the power of individualistic thinking. We can go as far back into human history to know that it all began with the fall of Adam and Eve, who rejected God's gift of using their freedom well. Perhaps the most common manifestation of individualism is intimated by Charles Darwin's theory of survival of the fittest or Thomas Hobbes' Leviathan, where each man for himself permeates humanity in constant strife. This view of humanity is not only wrong, but it has been condemned by the Church as an error of Modernism. I believe Fr. McGivney created the Knights of Columbus to be a practical sign of contradiction to a culture that still believes in a false view of humanity.

Take a moment to use your imagination to image a world that isn't composed of the following:

- 2 Million Members spread over 16,000 councils all united by the principles of Charity, Unity,
   Fraternity, and Patriotism
- \$1.5 billion donated to charity and 700 million service hours given to many worthy causes
- EWTN and Catholic radio stations on the airwaves spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ to billions
- Missionaries of Charity providing \$10K per month to support their global missions
- \$65 million given to support vocations to the priesthood, religious life, and fostering holy marriages
- 1200 3D and 4D ultrasound machines placed in crisis pregnancy centers throughout the country
- Persecuted Christians being able to stay in their homeland

I could think of many more ways in which Knights of Columbus is proving that the individualistic view of humanity is not the path forward for a us as a Catholic community. We still have much more to do.

When members let me see them, the above examples help validate why they became members to begin with. Holding fast to our values is our path forward. Honestly, my wife and I decided to do business with the Knights of Columbus well before I became a field agent because of the foregoing examples. Our financial advisors and insurance agents couldn't match what the Knights of Columbus does with their money.

For those of you who believe it is important to put your money with a Catholic company that doesn't vote against your Catholic values, then I have a very easy way for you to schedule a 15–30-minute review of your insurance and financial programs.

Below is a link that will take you to my online scheduling assistant where you can schedule a meeting with me at a time that is most convenient for you.

https://go.oncehub.com/ChrisThelen

Chris Thelen, FIC 920-401-1040 Chris.thelen@kofc.org

# **CHARITABLE DONATIONS**

Hands Across DePere

\$500

Just a reminder that if you have a charity request, please email it to <a href="mailto:kofc3955charity@gmail.com">kofc3955charity@gmail.com</a>

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

# **COMMUNITY**

Knights operated a food concession stand at West De Pere High School for "7 on 7 Elite football" tournament on July 10, 2021. There were 240 student participants in the tournament. The Knights earned \$1111 including tips.

27 Knights and family members worked a total of 80 hours preparing and selling brats, burgers, drinks and other refreshments to approximately 500 attendees. Those helping included Randy Hock, Matt Mueller, Todd Mader, Dan Hilbert, Malachi Bieker, Pat Byrne, Mike Eikenberry, Abe Allen, Leon Kane, Jim Pokladowski, Mark & Vaughn Gerrits, Scott Seidl, Darrell Heitmann, Dick Schommer, Andre Jacque, Barry Wendricks, John Janssen, Jeff LeMieux, Jim Thompson, Bob Lex, John Mueller, Rick Johnson, Mark, Alek & Jozef Kralovec and Pat Lennon led by Steve Vermeulen.

#### DE PERE CHRISTIAN OUTREACH

Saturday, July 17, the Knight's assisted at the DePere Christian Outreach Thrift Store. Thanks to the following Knights and Family John Mueller, Ron Coenen, John & Lynn Fink, Larry Vande Hei, Ed Kiley. Our next volunteer date at the store will be on Saturday, August 21st. If interested in helping us or have questions about this opportunity, please contact John Fink, 619-2190

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

The new year for the Council begins in August and so does recruiting for new members. We are looking into having a gathering after all masses in September at Our Lady of Lourdes. Now that our Degree ceremony is performed differently than in

please think about coming to a future Degree. A Knight who has his first or second Degree can come and observe the ceremony and become a third Degree member. Please consider advancing to become a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree Knight, any questions please call Steve Cribben.

If you know of a good candidate for becoming a Knight please call Steve Cribben at 920-606-4700.

#### **AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

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

# **GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE**

I am embarking on a two-year term as the council's Grand Knight. I want to thank Pete Nordeen for his leadership and hard work over the last two years. I also am grateful to Pete Nordeen and Wayne Van Asten for coaching me into the Grand Knight position.

I am excited about the calendar of events coming up in the next several months. We are indeed a charitable and fraternal force in the DePere area. I am challenging all of us to get involved and help our parishes and charities REBOUND from the pandemic.

Vivat Jesu Pat Lennon 920-6870-9272

# KNIGHT LITES



# **OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE DIRECTORS 2020-2021**

#### **OFFICERS**

Chaplain	Father Pete Renard	337-4372
Grand Knight	Pat Lennon	336-4381
Deputy Grand Knight	Mark Gerrits	227-7203
Chancellor	Scott Baeten	660-2300
Advocate	<b></b>	
Warden	Jeff LeMeiux	399-1306
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

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#### **COMMITTEE DIRECTORS**

Program	Mark Gerrits	227-7203
Membership		
Faith	Pat Lennon	336-4381
Community	Chris Steier	619-4369
Family	Drew Weisse	770-7111
Bowling	Rick Breu	339-9482
Life & Vocations	Richard Porior	339-9376
Promotion	Matthew Mueller	339-1190
Historian	John Mueller	336-8691
Wake Services	Scott Baeten	660-2300
ID Program	Eric LeBrun	621-1708
	Matthew Mueller	339-1190
Lambeau Scanning	Pete Nordeen	915-7410
Resch Center	Matt Diederich	360-5926

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#### **TRUSTEES**

Matt Mueller	339-1190
Pete Nordeen	915-7410
Ron Van Dyck	609-0869

#### **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)

1<sup>st</sup> 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.)

#### **ROUND TABLES**

Our Lady of Lourdes	John Mueller	336-8691
St. Francis	Larry Vande Hei	370-8160
St. Mary's	Phil Wittman	336-6450
St. Mary's Glenmore/Stark	Pat Phillips	819-6677

#### **CHARITIES COMMITTEE**

Father Pete Renard	337-4372
Scott Baeten-Chairman	660-2300
Pete Nordeen	915-7410
Matt Mueller	390-1190
Pat Lennon	336-4381
Wayne Van Asten	983-2961

#### **INSURANCE**

Chris Thelen ...... (920) 401-1040