



Fathers Nellen Council # 6371 - PO Box 322 - Waunakee, WI 53597-0322

May 2019 Newsletter

Next Business Meeting will be **Wednesday, May 15, 2019** at 7:00 pm

Next Officers Meeting will be **Wednesday, June 5, 2019** at 7:00 pm

May Knight of the Month – Dan Meyer – Dan is our Treasurer and has been for over 24 years! Dan and his wife Ann have been married for 60 years and have 5 children and 7 grandchildren. Dan has been a Knight for 43 years and he is a past Grand Knight. He is one of the faithful four that serve meals at the homeless shelter each quarter and he leads the Rosary once a month at the Waunakee Manor. He is also a Eucharistic minister and was very involved with Boy Scouts and the CCD program. Next time you see Dan thank him for all his years of loyal service to our council and parish.



Recent Events

Sunday, April 14th – Server Recognition Party at WaunaBowl – Fred Riederer assisted by Chuck Frederick hosted over twenty altar servers at the WaunaBowl on Sunday, April 14th for bowling and pizza. They all said, that they had a GREAT time.

Saturday, April 27th – KC Choir Sang at the 8:00 PM Mass– Paul Wiesler conducted the KC Choir at the 8:00 PM Mass. Thanks to the Knights who sang at the Mass.

Monday, April 29th – Fifth Monday Meal for the Homeless – Chuck Frederick lead our volunteer team of Tom Dorn, Rich Maier who filled in for Rich Hellenbrand whose wife Beth is recovering from knee surgery and Dan Meyer to serve a hot meal at the Grace Episcopal Church homeless shelter in Madison. Chuck and the team perform this great work of Charity four times a year.



We received a very nice “Thank You Note” from Father Paulraj Sellam – In the photo above left, Father Paulraj shows off the new vestment he bought with funds donated by our Council. In his thank you note, Father said that he has had our Council name embroidered on the inside of the vestment. He said, “please know you are remembered in a very special way each time I offer Mass wearing this vestment”.

In the photo above right, **Tom Reis accepts Family of the Month Award for March** from Grand Knight Bob Sachtjen at the April Business Meeting.

Friday, April 26th – Sunday, April 28th – Annual State Convention – Grand Knight Bob Sachtjen and Deputy Grand Knight Erik Hayko attended the Annual State Convention in Appleton. In the photo below, Grand Knight Bob Sachtjen carried our Council Banner in the Convention’s opening ceremonial “Parade of Banners”.



Upcoming Events

Friday, May 3 – Sunday, May 5 – Tootsie Roll Fund Raising Campaign – Fred Riederer is heading up our Tootsie Roll Fund Raising Campaign again this year for people with intellectual disabilities. He will be assisted in coordinating this event by Jim Bardenwerper. Volunteers can pick a collection location, date and time on Sign Up Genius or they can call Fred at 608-575-7285 or Jim at 608-849-7135 to sign up.

Sunday, May 12 – Mother’s Day Rose Sale – After Masses at Saint John’s – We need some Knights to assist with the Mother’s Day Rose Sale after all Masses at Saint John the Baptist on Mother’s Day. If you can help with the sale, please stop by the kitchenette in the Narthex after your regular Mass time on Sunday. Also, please let Bob Sachtjen know if you will be able to help, 608-218-0872, rsachtjen@charter.net

Wednesday, May 15 – Officer Nominations – Nominations for officers will be taken at the next business meeting. The only requirement is that officers must have taken their 3rd Degree. We still need a Deputy Grand Knight. If you are interested in serving as an officer please contact Bob Sachtjen, at 608-218-0872.

Saturday, May 18 – Fourth Degree Exemplification – Richland Center – If you are a Third-Degree Knight here is a great opportunity to get your Fourth Degree at the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church in nearby Richland Center. Candidate registration will start at 10:00 AM, with a Banquet from 11:00 AM–1:00 PM. The exemplification will start at 1:30 PM. There will also be a Ladies Program from 2:00 – 5:00 PM. Holy Mass will be held after the exemplification starting at 5:15 PM. If you would like to register for this 4th Degree, please contact Bob Sachtjen at 608-218-0872.

Sunday, May 19 – Brunch for Graduating Seniors – We will be preparing and serving a brunch for the graduating seniors and their families after the 8:00 AM Mass. We will also have a team doing prep work on Saturday from 8:00-noon in the school cafeteria. If you can help, please contact Dennis Hampton at 608-225-4790, ddhamp1958@tds.net

Monday, May 27 – Patriotic Rosary for Memorial Day – We will be hosting a Patriotic Rosary for Memorial Day at 7:00 PM in the old Saint John the Baptist Church. If you would like to help, please call Bob Sachtjen at 218-0872, or rsachtjen@charter.net

Saturday, June 1st – Window Washing for Seniors – As part of our “Knights in Action” program we’ll washing windows again this year for seniors. We will be working on Saturday June 1st. We may also do some windows on Friday afternoon May 31st if we get a lot of requests. Anyone who needs assistance with window washing and all Knights who can help with this worthy event, should contact Ed Gilkes at 608-358-5096, edgilkes@gmail.com

Thursday, June 6th – 9:00 AM – Noon – Grilling Food for the Last Day of School – We will be grilling hot dogs and burgers for the Last Day of School Picnic. The Home and School Association is providing all the food. We need several Knights to help set up the grills starting at 9:00 and grill the food to be able to start serving at 11:00 AM. If you can help, contact Bob Sachtjen at 608-218-0872, rsachtjen@charter.net

Monthly Challenge for May by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

Jesus said, “My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another” (Gospel for May 19, Jn. 13:34).

“I give you a new commandment: love one another,” we hear in the Gospel reading. We’ve heard this saying of Jesus before, but do we personalize it this and truly know it to be true? Statistically, we as Catholics in America today are not renowned for loving one another to the point that we risk sharing our faith with others. One recent poll found that only 6% of Catholics characterized sharing their faith as a “high priority.” But Jesus invites us to do more. He does not call the equipped; he equips the called. And each one of us is called to love one another in the most profound way—by caring about others’ eternal well-being.

This month I challenge you to invite one person out for coffee, to your home, or an event at your parish. Tell them what you enjoy about the Catholic faith. Secondly, if they have been away from the Catholic Church, invite them back. If they are not Catholic, ask them if they would consider joining. Either way, be welcoming and nonjudgmental when they give their response.