

Grand Knotes from the Grand Knight

Dear Brother Knights,

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First, a big thank you and congratulations to **Bill Yosick**, our retiring Grand Knight. Bill has done a great job of leading our council over the last two years and it appears that under his leadership we will once again earn the Star Council Award. In addition to the Grand Knight duties, Bill has run our Pennies from Heaven Program the last few years and has streamlined the process while continuing to keep it a significant program for retiring the debt of SVdP. Bill, thank you again for your dedication to our council. *

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Here are a couple of questions for each of you: Did you join the Knights just to say you were a member? Or did you join because you wanted to be more involved in our parish and contribute something back to our community? My guess is that almost everyone one who has joined the Knights did so because they wanted to be involved and develop new friendships within our parish. If that is the case, but you have not been involved as much as you had originally planned, I challenge you to start over. One of the themes I will promote hard over the next two years is that we need more opportunities for each member to contribute to our council and to our parish. We plan to expand each committee so that more brother Knights can get more involved. And I challenge each committee chairman to expand their activities and to include more brother Knights in those activities.

So, what are the opportunities now? Glad you asked! We have three activities coming up this month. **Tom Kielty** has the most fun one, an afternoon at the Storm Chasers for you and your family on July 26th. Check out his article in this newsletter for more information. It's a great opportunity to relax and socialize with your fellow Knights!

The second opportunity is one that I head up, but would like to have an assistant chairman for with the possibility of turning this fundraising activity over to someone else down the road. That is our annual Farmers Market. We will be holding this the weekends of July 18/19 and July 25/26. We will need several volunteers to help set up and then sell at our market. Contact me at mick.morrell@me.com if you can help.

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The third opportunity is one to support the priests of our Diocese. There will be a steak fry at Mt. Michael the evening of July 27th to honor our Priests. I have attended this dinner once in the past, but plan to become a regular and invite you to join me. It is a fun evening and proceeds go to support our Priests. Cost is \$25 per person.

Finally, thank you for the opportunity to serve as your next Grand Knight. I will work hard to honor the trust you have placed with me!

Sincerely,

Mick Morrell Grand Knight

July Council Meeting

Tuesday, July 14th Hanneman Hall

Meeting: 6:45 PM

GOOD OF THE ORDER

If you know of any Knight or a member of his family who has recently died, is sick, in distress or is in need of our prayers for any reason, please contact Grand Knight **Mick Morrell** so that the prayers and support of this council may be offered.

The Knightly Knews is the monthly newsletter of the Knights of Columbus Council #10795. All articles, suggestions, critique, and criticisms are welcome and should be directed to the editor: **Ron Frisse** at 402-715-4879 or <u>rfrisse@cox.net</u> Deadline for submission of articles or notes is the 20th of each month for the next month's newsletter. If you have a change of address or email, please notify Financial Secretary **Glen Kampschneider** at <u>glen.kampschneider@gpreinc.com</u>



Knightly Knews



Mick Morrell

This month's Food Bank Team is captained by **Mick Morrell** and the drive will be held on Sunday, July 19th. Members of his team are: **John Bellavia, Damien Anderson, Mike Hugo, Brad Kearney, Tom Meehan, Todd Camp**, and **Chuck Manternach**. Next month's food bank team is captained by **John Smith**.

2015 Dues

Glen Kampschneider, Financial Secretary

Dues are **\$30** for the calendar year. If you have not paid your 2015 dues, please send payment to me at the address below. Make check payable to <u>Knights of Columbus</u>. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at <u>glen.kampschneider@gpreinc.com</u> or at (402) 690-0611. Thank you!

Glen Kampschneider 2443 N. 147th Street Omaha, NE 68116

Family Event News



Knights Family Night out at the Storm Chasers Game July 26th

Thomas Kielty

Are you ready for some tailgating and baseball? Looking to get the Knights families together for **Sunday**, **26 July** at Werner Park. It's a 2:05 start, but we'll begin grilling about 12:30. **Have not heard back from anyone, so please reach out to me at (402) 321-3002 or** <u>thomas.a.kielty@gmail.com</u> with any **interest and a count.** I'll lock in the tickets once we get a hard count. Go Storm Chasers!



Pancake Breakfasts

Mark your calendars to save the dates for our upcoming pancake breakfasts for the 2015/2016 season.

October 4 November 8 December 6 January 24



Farmers Market Mick Morrell

Our 2015 Farmer's Market is set for the weekends of July 18/19 and 25/26. If you are not familiar with the Farmer's Market, we sell sweet corn, melons, tomatoes, and other vegetables after Masses (except Sunday's 5 PM mass) those two weekends. It is not quite like most Farmers Markets where the customers browse the items and take their time, it is generally a fast and furious 10 to 15 minutes after Mass and then we are off until the next Mass.

We set up our stands at the west end of the courtyard and at the bottom of the steps leading up to the courtyard. About 5 volunteers are needed at each Mass for about 45 minutes. A signup sheet will be available at the July meeting or email Mick Morrell at <u>mick.morrell@me.com</u> to volunteer.

Volunteers are requested to attend a different Mass than the one they are helping with as it takes about a half an hour prior to the end of Mass to prepare for the market.

One final note, I would love to have an assistant chairman for this event. If you are willing to help out, please drop me a note!



Mother's Day Flower Sale for EPS Thank You Scott Kerr

I received a thank-you note to the Knights from Rose Regan at EPS for our help in the Mother's Day roses sale. On Mother's Day weekend, we raised \$1268.00 for Essential Pregnancy Services in our annual Flower Sale.



Dear Knights of Columbus,

Once again, gentlemen, the Mother's Day Rose Sale was successful. Total sales from St. Vincent de Paul were \$1268.00!

With great appreciation, Essential Pregnancy Services thanks you for supporting the many services provided to babies, young mothers, and fathers. Most of all, you save babies' lives!

May God continue to bless all that you do and our Blessed Mother guide and protect you.

Sincerely, Rose Regan





GENEROSITY OF KNIGHTS IN NEBRASKA

Craig Collins

Based on reports from Nebraska councils, Knights of Columbus contributed \$95 per member last year to charity. A large portion of this time, 43%, went to community service. Nebraska Knights also donated to our churches (30%), prolife / culture of life causes (17%), and youth (10%).

Knights of Columbus members in Nebraska were also quite generous with their time. On average, Knights served over 40 hours each. This figure includes volunteer hours, visits to the sick, and Habitat for Humanity.

> Upcoming Major Degrees Craig Collins

Interested in details? Contact Craig Collins, our District Deputy at (402) 238 - 2101 or e-mail <u>craigduckman@gmail.com</u>.



Thanks to all who helped make our last blood drive a success including brother knights **Mike Gidden** and **Jim Bogner** who helped man the registration table. We collected 23 pints of blood for patient care. Thanks for taking time out of your Sunday morning to help others in need. We hope to see you at the next blood drive on September 27, 2015.

Our Monthly Meeting Lucky Number Drawing over \$100

If you have not been to a meeting in a while, you may have missed out on some fun money, each month at our council meeting a Brother Knights member number is drawn to win our Lucky Number award. The award is \$10 and grows if the Brother Knight is not present, our council's lucky number fund is over a \$100, so don't be the next Brother Knight to miss out on collecting if your number is drawn. Plus meetings are a great way to get to know your other Brother Knights, get involved and know what is happening in your Council. Hope to see you on Tuesday July 14th in Hanneman Hall for the meeting. Remember you must be present to win !!!!

Knight of the Month

July 2015

John Bellavia

The Grand Knight has named **John Bellavia** as Knight of the Month for July.

John is a Third Degree Knight who has been a member for nearly 50 years! And he continues to be very involved. Check out this list of activities that John helps with: Food Bank Drive, Fish Fries, Farmers Market, Pancake Breakfasts, Tootsie Roll Drive, One Rose One Life, Eucharistic Minister, and a Lector. John is one of those guys who quietly helps in everything he can and recently accepted the role of organizing our Mass at the Holy Family Shine.

Thank you, John, for your service, and congratulations on this deserved recognition of your dedication to our Council, our Church, and our Community.

Family of the Month

July 2015

Dan and Amy Tunning Family

The Grand Knight has named **Dan and Amy Tunning** as Family of the Month for July.

Dan is a Third Degree Knight who has been a member for over 20 years. Our Fish Fries and Pancake Breakfasts would not be the success they are without his help in securing the food for these events. Dan is also involved in our Tootsie Roll Drives, One Rose One Life activities, and is a member of our First Degree Team. Dan is also a Hospitality Captain at SVdP and a member of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Amy is coordinates and teaches at both SVdP Sunday School and the Children's Liturgy of the Word. Both Dan and Amy participate in SVdP's Perpetual Adoration.

Thank you, Dan and Amy, for your service, and congratulations on this deserved recognition of your dedication to our Council, our Church, and our Community.



Priests Appreciation Steak Dinner

Monday July 27, 2015 @ 6 PM Mt. Michael Abbey in Elkhorn



Brother Knights are invited to attend the Priests Appreciation Steak Dinner at Mt. Michael Abbey on Monday July 27th at 6PM. Last year there were over 100 Priests and 200 Knights from the Omaha area that attended. It would be great to have more participation at this wonderful event from our Council. For More info please see the next page, also contact Jim Pavlik at <u>pavfamily@cox.net</u> if attending and you are interested in carpooling with other Knights from St. Vincents.

Knights of Columbus

FOURTH DEGREE

Father Michael P. Dowling General Assembly, No 594 Omaha, Nebraska 68106

Please Discuss at your Next Meeting

The Knights of Columbus of the Archdiocese of Omaha are hosting their annual Priest Appreciation Steak Fry at Mount Michael Abbey in Elkhorn Nebraska on Monday, July 27, 2015.

This will be the 26th year we have had the pleasure to join the clergy that serve our diocese for an evening of good food and fellowship. Believe me, everyone who has attended truly appreciates the good time. The social hour begins at 6 PM and dinner will be served beginning at 7 PM. The meal will be \$25 for non-clergy and refreshments will be available (contributions welcome.)

In addition to a great steak we always take the time to give each priest attending a monetary gift. Your generous contribution will also enable us to provide a special gift to Archbishop Lucas and Abbot Liebl.

Each year our expenses have exceeded our income to where it is necessary to ask each Council and Assembly to consider increasing their contributions. We also pray that those who have not participated will find a way to support this great activity.

In addition to contributions, we are hopeful that all Brother Knights try to attend this function to show their appreciation and support for the clergy.

We greatly appreciate all donations received and will have posters showing the names of Councils and Assemblies that have donated. We especially want to thank Mary Our Queen for managing the bar. Other Councils or individuals are encouraged to volunteer with the setting up, serving, clean up, etc. Please contact me if you are available to help out.

Thank you in advance for your contributions. Councils and Assemblies should mail their contributions to FC Bill Cihal at 8305 Cuming St, Omaha, NE 68114 (bbcihal@cox.net) by July 22, 2015. Brother Knights will pay for their dinner at the door.

Should you have any questions, feel free to call me at (402) 558-5498 or Bill Cihal at (402) 391-5968

Fraternally yours,

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Steve LaGreca Faithful Navigator Fr. Michael P. Dowling Assembly #594

Our Council Officers for 2015-2016

We held our officer elections in June and the following Council Officers were elected for our next two year session. Please Thank our new officers and past officers for their service to our council.

Council Officer Positions					
Position	New Officer				
Grand Knight	Mick Morrell				
Deputy Grand Knight	Ron Frisse				
Financial Secretary	Glen Kampschneider				
Treasurer	Tom Kielty				
Secretary	Matt McConville				
Chancellor	Ray Neppl				
Inside Guard	Chad Marquis				
Outside Guard	Todd Hill				
Warden	Rick Langel				



Ask Eligible Men to Join

Today, I want to address the growth of the Order. Membership growth is the fuel that keeps this great fraternal engine running. All of our charitable works at the council, state, national and international level are thanks to our hard-working members. And more members equals more charity.

We know that the membership blitz is a tried and true way for councils to get more men to join. We see these pushes often in March, in celebration of Founder's Day, and again in October. These drives are successful because brother Knights have increased visibility speaking or presenting during and after Masses and at special events. We must remember that we have a duty to ask each and every Catholic gentleman to join our ranks for the good of the Church, the community and the Order.

During the rest of the year, we often "forget" to ask men to join and to bring their families into the Knights of Columbus family. You probably know an eligible Catholic man you could ask today. What if the only reason he hasn't joined is because no one has asked him yet? When telling a prospect about the strengths of the Order, don't forget our greatest fraternal benefit: our insurance program. This is often a "selling point" to a potential member who is on the fence. Many members become Knights simply to be able to buy coverage to protect their family. Soon after, they realize the good our charitable works do for their community, and they are proud to be members.

As your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, I look forward to helping us grow in fraternity in any way that I can.

Thank You and God Bless, Steve G Kluthe MDRT

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180 Collar Series A Major Success

Excerpts taken from Spirit Catholic Radio Website

Spirit 102.7-FM, along with the Archdiocese of Omaha and Diocese of Lincoln, held the first-ever I-80 Collar Series on Father's Day—Sunday, June 21—at Werner Park in Papillion, Neb. The game was a sixinning softball game between priests of the Archdiocese of Omaha and Diocese of Lincoln with all gate proceeds going toward the support of vocations in each diocese.

Approximately 7,000 people from the two dioceses came out to support the two teams and the participating priests. Parishes, Serra Clubs, Knights of Columbus groups and groups of friends and family began tailgating at the park at 3:30 p.m. The game began at 5 p.m. with Bishop Emeritus Fabian Bruskewitz of the Diocese of Lincoln and Fr. Paul Hoesing, outgoing Vocations Director for the Archdiocese of Omaha, throwing out first pitches.

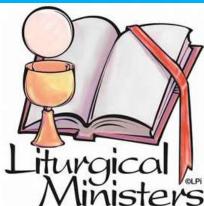
"The turn-out and support for the I-80 Collar Series has exceeded our expectations," said Spirit Catholic Radio Executive Director Jim Carroll. "Our hope is that through this event, we foster a greater awareness of the importance of vocations, and by seeing these great priests in a 'regular guy' setting playing softball, we hope that young people might be inspired to pursue a vocation themselves."

The Diocese of Lincoln team, known as the "Capital City Clergy," wearing red jerseys, won the game and were presented with the winning trophy. The Archdiocese of Omaha team, known as "The Padres," wearing blue, were presented with a runner-up trophy. Each team had 20 priests playing. The total funds raised for vocations are expected to exceed \$50,000. Thanks to a number of generous business underwriters, all event expenses were covered.

Plans are already underway to hold the I-80 Collar Series again next year



Omaha Padres



Are you interested in becoming an EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION (emhc) or Reader? If so, please contact Kathy Mayer at 402.496.7988, ext. 243 or email at <u>mayerk@svdpomaha.org</u>

<u>Training Date Options (must attend ONE training).</u> Sunday, August 9th, 2015 at St. Columbkille (1:30 –4:30 P.M.) Tuesday, August 11th, 2015 at St. Leo (7:00 –10:00 P.M.) Monday, August 17th, 2015 at St. Vincent de Paul (7:00 –10:00 P.M.)

<u>Mandation Mass (must attend).</u> Thursday, September 3rd, 2015 at St. Cecilia Cathedral (7:00 P.M.)

5 In-House Training at SVdP (TBA & must attend).

The ministry of <u>Reader</u> is a wonderful work. Through YOU God's living Word continues to be proclaimed to the young and old, the troubled, the hopeless, the happy, the content, to those in need of challenge and to those in need of comfort.

"The Eucharist constitutes the very life of the Church, for the Lord said, I am the bread of life. No one who comes to me shall ever be hungry, no one who believes in me shall ever thirst." Your willingness to serve as an <u>Extraordinary Minister of Holy</u> <u>Communion</u> (EMHC) reflects not only response to your Baptismal call to serve the people of God, but a commitment to Christ.



Father and Son Retreat July 25-26 St. Benedict Retreat Center - Schuyler, NE

Our kids grow up too fast. As they grow, they learn from their fathers what it means to be a man. Fathers and Sons - Together Forever is a retreat for fathers and their sons, ages 11-15. The retreat is July 25-26, 2015 at t he St. Benedict Retreat Center in Schuyler, Nebraska. Click <u>http://www.fathersandsonstogether.org/</u> for more information and to register, or contact Ed DeSimone at 402.280.2979 (day) or 402.333.4351 (evening) or fathersandsons@cox.net.

July 25-26, 2015 This will be our 12th Annual Retreat Weekend!



The Lake at the St. Benedict Retreat Center

OVERVIEW

Fathers and Sons - Together Forever

This weekend is about spending quality time together as father and son. As boys move toward their pre-teen and teenage years, they are attracted to a newfound sense of "freedom" often referred to as the "moving away phase". In addition to more independence, it also becomes a time of less intimacy and less talking. This retreat provides an opportunity for fathers and their sons to talk, share, and experience what is really important in their relationship.

A father's active presence is crucial for his son's faith development, especially in adolescence. This retreat provides opportunities for open communication in the context of faith between fathers and their pre-adolescent and adolescent sons, and offers assistance to fathers in fostering their sons' growth into mature manhood.

St. Vincent De Paul Knights Council #10795 Calendar

July 2015								
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY		
28 7:30 Kerr 9:00 Camp 10:45 McCullough	29	30	1	2 Heywood Rainbow Team 4	3	4 PFH - 5:00 Yosick		
5 7:30 Tunning 9:00 Pavel 10:45 McConville	6	7	8	9 Krupa Rainbow Team 1	10	11 PFH - 5:00 Zelfel		
12 7:30 Day 9:00 Havermann 10:45 Salerno	13	Meeting 6:45 Hanneman hall	15	16 Morrell Rainbow Team 2	17	18 PFH - 5: 00 Frisse		
19 7:30 Morrell 9:00 Halpin 10:45 Neppl	20	21	22	23 Mantemach Rainbow Team 3	24	25 PFH - 5:00 Janecek		
26 7:30 Kerr 9:00 Camp 10:45 McCullough	27 Priests Dinner	28	29	30 Heywood Rainbow Team 4	31	1 PFH - 5:00 Yosick		

Future Council Meetings

August 11, September 8

