

OFFICIAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE ABBOT PENNINGS COUNCIL 3955 February 2016 • www.kofc3955.org

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY

- 1st Youth and Charity (6:30), Officers (6:45), and Regular Meeting (7:00) at OLOL Parish Center
- 1st Catholic Schools Week Begins
- 7th Corporate Communion St. Mary's 10 am Mass
- 9th Pizza Dinner and Dance KC Special Needs OLOL Social Hall 7:00 pm
- 10th 40 Days for Life Starts
- 10th Ash Wednesday
- 20th Diocesan Free Throw Contest at WDPHS (12:00)

MARCH

- 7th First Degree (6:00), Youth (6:30), Charity (6:30), Officers (6:45) and Regular Meeting (7:00) at OLOL Parish Center
- 13th Second and Third Degrees OLOL
- 18th-20th Council Tootsie Roll Drive
- 19th Pro-Life Walk on Oneida St. (8-10 a.m.)
- 27th Easter Sunday

APRIL

23-24th KC State Convention – Chula Vista Resort, Wisconsin Dells

JANUARY KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Tom Franzen

JANUARY FAMILY OF THE MONTH

The Dan & Terianne Nehls

Financial Report

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Savings:	\$30,917.05
Checking:	\$12,697.09
Bereavement Account:	\$350.00
Columbian Account:	\$137,567.57

UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Council Meeting

Please note that our next monthly meeting will be held on **Monday, February 1st at 7:00 p.m.** in the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Center. The meeting will be preceded by Youth & Charity Committee meetings at 6:30 and an Officer's meeting at 6:45. After the meeting, Drew will be serving another delicious meal.

Corporate Communion

Don't forget our Council's Corporate Communion on Sunday, February 7th, at St. Mary's 10:00 a.m. Mass See flyer inside for details.

That Man is You!

A reminder that the successful That Man is You Program continues on Saturday morning's at St. Francis Xavier's Dolski Center. Please join us for prayer, discussion and fellowship beginning at 7 a.m.

Charity Raffle Tickets Reminder

Recently you received Wisconsin State **Charity Raffle tickets** from Raffle Chairman, Jack Wilmet. Our goal for this year is to sell over 1,800 tickets! This endeavor helps many local people every year, so please sell as many tickets as you can. Remember, our Council receives a refund to our charity fund based upon our ticket sales.

Membership Degree Ceremonies

On Sunday, March 13th, our Council will be hosting Second and Third Degree Ceremonies. Participation in these ceremonies will truly give you a better understanding of what being a Knight of Columbus means to you, your family and the community at large. The Officers of Abbot Pennings council would like to invite all those who have not received the advance degrees to take advantage of the opportunity. You will not be disappointed in your decision to do so. Advocate, Phil Wittman and his fellow Officers will be in touch with members needing the advanced degrees in mid to late February, to make reservations call Phil at 299-6296.

Chaplain's Corner



Brother Knights,

While reading the "Knight Lites" (January 2016, K of C Newsletter) I reflected on all the activities that our brotherhood has had this past year. It made me proud. The activities touched the people of De Pere, both young and old. Activities that included dunking basketballs with the youth, (our future Knights); selling Christmas Trees for the 47th year to help raise funds for local charities; spending the weekend helping at the Christian Outreach store; to handing out yard signs as a reminder to "Keep Christ in Christmas". Our success has shared sizable donations to help battered women, the hungry, the homeless, the sick, the elderly and the

unborn to mention just a few. We are doing God's work in a full circle. The De Pere Knights of Columbus have proved that our organization never stops being active in church programs, tirelessly helping people, and reaching out to the needy around the world, again, doing God's work.

Moreover, I've noticed that every month when we gather for meetings in our council, we always have time discussing and listening to those we give assistance to, financially or in kind. We too, never stop reaching out to the local people, we dynamically help the youth programs, and we vigorously help with our own church activities.

Father Judah :)

2015 CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS--GRAND TOTAL \$55,023.00

RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT FUND	1000	DE PERE SOCCER PRORAM	135
RAY VIEAU FAMILY MEDICAL EXPENSES	500	MIRACLE BASEBALL LEAGUE	500
DE PERE GIRLS SOFTBALL	500	AA ALEXANDRINA AID TO UNWED MOTHER	604
MOTHER AND UNBORN BABY CARE	700	LOVE LIFE TO AID NEWBORNS FAMILIES	500
MT. TABOR YOUTH MINISTRY	250	COUNCIL MEMBER IN NEED	1000
ECUMENICAL HOUSING PROGRAM	500	BRENDA WOOD CANCER MEDICAL EXPENSES	500
MARIE MURCADO FAMILY MEDICAL EXPENSES	350	W. DE PERE HIIGH LOW INCOME STUDENT PROG.	500
DE PERE BASEBALL TEAM SPONSORSHIP	400	ST. MARY'S/ST. FRANCIS YOUTH MISSION TRIP	1000
BOOYAH COOKED FOR DE PERE HISTORICAL SOC.	250	CHRISTEN TOMY NOVICE TO SISTERHOOD	500
MS SOCIETY WALK	300	WIS. STATE COUNCIL PRO-LIFE FUND	1438
WIS. KC CATHOLIC EDUCATION FUND	1642	OLOL SCHOOL SCHOLASHIP FUND	1500
JAN JANSSEN MEDICAL EXPENSESE	500	STREET LIGHTS PROGRAM FOR THE NEEDY	1000
NOTRE DAME SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND	1500	OUR LADY OF LOURDES MISSION TRIP	1000
WORLD MISSION SOCIETY ROSARY PROGRAM	1000	ST. ANTHONY IN NEOPIT FOOD PANTRY	500
DE PERE BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM	100	KC HONDURAN MISSION TRIP	100
WALK TO MARY PROGRAM	1000	W. DE PERE HIGH HONOR SOCIETY	750
DE PERE HIGH SCHOOL SHOW CHOIR	750	OLOL PARISH PICNIC BOOYAH	
BOOYAH FOR ST, JUDE'S HOSPITAL	250	OLOL GOLF OUTINGING HOLE SPONSOR	300
ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION GOLF OUTING	300	ERIC JOHNSON IRONMAN SPONSORSHIP	200
OLOL PACKER PARTY	250	COMMUNITY YOUTH CENTER MINISTRY	500
NOTRE DAME SCHOOL GOLF OUTING	300	COATS FOR KIDS PROGRAM	300
THIS MAN IS YOU MEN'S SPIRTUL PROGAM	250	BOOYAH FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE	250
EXCEPTIONAL EQUESTRIAN PROGRAM	500	BOOYAH FOR THE NICOLET TERRACE ELDERLY	250
BOOYAH SUPPLIES BUGSY SOFTBALL TOURNEY	250	IVERSON YANG MEDICAL EXPENSES	1000
ONE DEGREE YOUTH MINISTRY PROGRAM	250	DEPERE FIRE SAFETY PROGRAM IN SCHOOLS	120
NOTRE DAME/OLOL KEY CLUB SPONSORSHIP	400	DE PERE CHRISTIAN OUTREACH FOOD PANTRY	1000
FREEDOM HOUSE	500	JACKIE NITSCHKE DRUG ABUSE PROGRAM	500
HOUSE OF HOPE TO AID UNWED MOTHERS	500	PAUL'S PANTRY	500
GOLDEN HOUSE	500	JEFF MACKLIN FAMILY MEDICAL EXPENSES	4000
JASON WIDI FAMILY MEDICAL EXPENSES	500	KC SPECIAL PEOPLES PROGRAM	11,444
AREA RELIGIOUS SPECIAL ED PROGRAM	1500	SEMINARIAN MIKE PICARD	500
SEMINARIAN GREG PARENT	500	"40 DAYS FOR LIFE' PROGRAM	350
EIGHT EAGLE SCOUT PROGRAM REQUESTS	602	ESTO VIR MEN'S CONFERENCE	125
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ST. JOHN'S HOMELESS SHELTER \$500

THE KNIGHTS & FAMILIES OF THE DE PERE COUNCIL DEVOTED OVER 15,000 HOURS TO CHARITY IN 2015

CHARITABLE DONATIONS

Destiny Davis	\$175
NAMI	\$100
De Pere Rapides Soccer	\$135

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP

Please welcome **Scott Berkowitz** and **Zachary Gilson** as new members of our council. We appreciate and thank these men for their commitment to the Catholic Church and community service as Knights of Columbus. We invite them and their families to become involved in our many activities to help those in need.

Our next First Degree will be held on March 7th prior to our council meeting. If you have someone you think would like to join a very vibrant organization dedicated to making our community a better place, please call John Mueller at 336-8691.

We will be having a membership drive the weekend of Feb 7th St. Mary's Parish as part of our corporate communion. Someone from the membership team will speak at each Mass and Brother Knights will be in the back of church to answer questions and recruit new Brothers.

Pro-Life

Our Council held our annual "Roses For Life" event at St. Mary, St. Francis and Our Lady Of Lourdes Parishes the weekend of January 17th to promote the recognition of the importance and sacredness of life in all stages. We received donations of \$1188 thanks to help of Drew Weisse, Roger & Katy Siebold, Kate & Don Meulemans, the Dan Nehls Family, Dan & Jeanne Van Rite, the Craig & Chris Schmidt Family and the Ryan & Leah Jaecks Family at OLOL. Helping at St. Francis Parish were Larry Vande Hei, Daryl Hutjens, Bryan Mikota, Larry Goeben Charlie Laehn, Bill Janssen, Ron & Jeff Willems, and Bob Phillips. At St. Mary Parish the Phil Wittman Family, the Dave Pearson Family, Kevin Smits and Bob & Ellen Coenen took the donations. The funds received will be given local Pro-Life organizations which include Love Life, AA Alexandrina, and Mother & Unborn Baby Care. Pro-Life Director, Richard Porior, and Parish Round Table leaders; Phil Wittman, Larry Vande Hei and John Mueller would like to thank all involved.

YOUTH

Our Christmas Poster contest was held again this year at both elementary schools. Listed below are the winners for all the grades:

First Grade (total of 62 entries): 1st Place – Amelia Butz - ND 2nd Place – Andrew Stiles - OLOL 3rd Place – Mary Budde - ND Second Grade (total of 56 entries): 1st Place – Lucy Kraft - OLOL 2nd Place – Madison Werner - ND 2nd Place – Hannah Heideman - ND

Third Grade (total of 29 entries): 1st Place – Eva Passel - ND 2nd Place – Kevin Rafferty - ND 3rd Place – Elizabeth Schounard - OLOL

Fourth Grade (total of 36 entries): 1st Place – Paige DeMoulin - ND 2nd Place – Luke Short - ND 3rd Place – Erin Spencer - OLOL

Joel Jansen, chairman.

BIRTHDAYS

Tim Bald, Bob Caprario, Todd Collar, Frank De Bruin, Greg De Cleene, Adam De Cleene, Pete Esser, William Feldkamp, Ross Ficarri, Mark Fischer, Bob Gereau, Mark Gigot, Iggy Gorenc, Brett Healy, Jeff Hoisington, Jeremy Jerdee, Matt Kaftan, Jack Kellerman, Norb Keyser, Norm Koelbl, Charlie Leiterman, Jim Manders, John Meyer, Matt Muenster, Dan Mundt, Dan Nehls, Tom Olejniczak, Jason Peebles, Gary Putnam, Randy Romenesko, Stuart Romenesko, Shawn Shrader, John Steckart, John Van de Ven, John Vandersteen, Steve Vermeulen, Jason Widi and Jesse Zastrow

THANK-YOU

To the Lambeau Field volunteers on January 3rd: Pete & Austin Nordeen, Matt Diederich, John, Lynn and Issac Fink, Chris Heike, Dave Pearson, Bob Green, Lou Cyganek, Jim Crabb, Eric Gerarden, Dan Rafferty, Brett Healy, Dan Nehls and Gary Radke. Thanks to all who worked this season!

Resch Center

Thanks to all who volunteered on 12/31, 1/7 and 1/8. Ron Van Dyck, Joe Maar (2), Tom Franzen (2), Andrea Diederich, Doug Van, Richard Porior, Scott Baeten, Pat Lennon, Dale Brown and Lou Cyganek – Matt D.

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights,

The final reports are all in and together we donated \$55,023 and over 15,000 hours to charity. A hearty thanks to all for your volunteer efforts during our 2015 events. It is a testament to CHARITY--UNITY--FRATERNITY we display as a council. The Lenten journey begins on February 10th. It's a wonderful time of the year to examine our faith!

GK Pete Nordeen

KNIGHT LITES OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE DIRECTORS 2015-2016

OFFICERS

	Rev Judah Ben-Hur Pigon	
Grand Knight	Pete Nordeen	915-7410
Deputy Grand Knight	Dave Pearson	632-4035
Chancellor	Corey Coonen	819-9409
Advocate	Phil Wittman	336-6450
Warden	Dale Brown	327-2860
Recorder	Matthew Mueller	339-1190
	John Wilmet	
Financial Secretary	Wayne Van Asten	983-2961
	Dennis Leiterman	
Outside Guard	Doug Vanden Langenberg	468-0102
Lecturer	Drew Weisser	438-9642

TRUSTEES

Matt Diederich	360-5926
Steve Cribben	606-4700
John Hofbauer	339-6204

COLUMBIAN INC – DIRECTORS

President	Steve Cribben	606-4700
Vice President	Scott Baeten	
Director	Tom Wiers	
Director	Eric Le Brun	
Secretary-Treasurer	Wayne Van Asten	

MEETING NIGHTS (August-June)

1st Monday of each month. Meetings start at 7:00 p.m. Officers and Charity meetings 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	Dave Pearson	632-4035
Membership	John Mueller	336-8691
Church		
Youth	Eric Le Brun	621-1708
Council		
Bowling	Rick Breu	339-9482
Pro-Life		
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		
EHP-OLOL	Dale Brown	327-2860

ROUND TABLES

Our Lady of Lourdes	John Mueller	336-8691
St. Francis	Larry Vande Hei	336-7281
St. Mary's	Phil Wittman	336-6450

CHARITIES COMMITTEE

Rev Judah Ben-Hur Pigon	676-4870
Corey Coonen-Chairman	819-9409
Dave Pearson	632-4035
Pete Nordeen	915-7410
Matt Diederich	360-5926
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Dan Nehls	(262) 365-3537
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