## Owatonna



#### COLUMBIAN CENTER

820 Elm Avenue South P.O. Box 623 Owatonna, MN 55060 **507.451.6103** 

## KC LOUNGE

Open: Mon-Sat 3:30-12:30 Happy hour Mon-Fri 4 - 6 Free Hors d'oeuvres during Friday happy hour. Member discount for Hall rental.

## BAR BINGO

Every Tuesday in the Lounge at 7:00 p.m.

## **COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Officers Meeting - KC Hall, First Wednesday 7:30 p.m. General Meeting - KC Hall, Second Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Fourth Degree Meeting - KC Hall, Fourth Thursday 7:30 p.m.

#### KC WEBSITE visit our website www.kofccouncil945.org

#### Mark Your Calendar

October 31 - Halloween Party St. Mary's School - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. November 1 - KC Memorial Mass St. Joseph Church Rosary - 7:30 a.m. Mass - 8:00 a.m. November 1 & 2 - Membership Blitz Sacred Heart & St. Joseph Church November 5 - Officers' and

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<u>November 9</u> - Benefit Breakfast St. Mary's School 8:00 a.m. -12:30 p.m. for St. Mary's Home/School Assn.

<u>November 10</u> - Building Meeting KC Hall - 7:00 p.m.

<u>November 10</u> - First Degree Exemplification

KC Hall - 7:00 p.m. <u>November 12</u> - General Meeting KC Hall

Program - 7:30 p.m. <u>November 20</u> - Meger's Annual Food Shelf Benefit Social Brick-Meger Funeral Home reception center - 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

November 22 - Major Degree Owatonna KC Hall First Degree - 9:30 a.m. Second & Third Degree - 11:00 a.m.

<u>November 30</u> - KC Family Corporate Communion Sacred Heart Church - 9:00 a.m.

# The Key

to greater Council unity.

## **COMING EVENTS**

**O**FFICERS' **M**EETING

Wednesday, November 5 KC Hall Meeting - 7:30 p.m.

## BENEFIT BREAKFAST

Benefitting the St. Mary's Home/School Assn.

Sunday, November 9, 8:00 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.

at St. Mary's School \$6.00 Advance, \$6.50 at the door Kids under six eat free All are welcome!

#### "KC Omelet Breakfasts"

The Twins omelet - ham & cheese The Viking omelet - ham & cheese, with sauteed onions, red & green peppers The Wild omelet - cheese,

with sauteed onions, red & green peppers Each served with pancakes or French Toast, milk and coffee

#### "KC Country Breakfast"

Pancakes or French toast; ham or sausage, eggs - scrambled or fried-to-order, milk, & coffee

All with table service - delicious food served hot from the grill to your table.

#### **BLUES NIGHT**

Saturday, November 15 7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. Featuring Scottie Miller See You There!

#### TAKE A TRIP DOWN OWATONNA MEMORY LANE

Serving "Ala Jerry Burgers" Saturday, November 15 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. All proceeds to benefit Alzheimer's Association.

#### TUESDAY NIGHT AT THE CLUB

Serving BLTs and homemade soup every Tuesday in November 5:45 - 6:45 p.m. in the Lounge

## PUB GRUB FRIDAYS

KC Hall - 5:30-7:30 p.m. Every Friday in November, serving appetizers, assorted burger baskets, steak sandwiches, fish sandwiches, shrimp baskets, chicken strips, and more.

## General Meeting

Wednesday, November 12

Program - 7:30 p.m. Speaker will be Laurie Running, Director of the Advocates for Developmental Disabilities Door prizes will be drawn at each meeting.

## KC MEMORIAL MASS

In Memory of: Stanley G. Ennis John B. Schmidt Dean R. Lechner Rownell H. Weber All Brother Knights and families are encouraged to attend. St. Joseph Church - Saturday, November 1 7:30 a.m. - Rosary 8:00 a.m. - Mass

#### **BLUES & BURGERS**

Friday, November 7 & 21 Owatonna KC Hall 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. Featuring Dave Lambert performing Blues music.

#### FIRST DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

Monday, November 10 - 7:00 p.m. Owatonna KC Hall Candidates be at the Hall at 6:30 p.m. ASKA FRIEND TO JOIN!

## MAJOR DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

Saturday, November 22 Owatonna KC Hall First Degree Exemplification - 9:30 a.m. Second & Third Degree Exemplification - 11:00 a.m. Candidates please be at the Hall at 9:00 a.m. ASK A FRIEND TO JOIN!

#### **BAR TRIVIA**

Get your team of one to four together to play trivia, Saturday, Nov. 22 and 29 at the KC Hall at 4:00 p.m. Weekly winners receive a \$25.00 bar tab.

#### KC FAMILY CORPORATE COMMUNION

Sunday, November 30 - 9:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church

All members and their families are invited to process in and be seated together at this Mass. A light breakfast will be served after Mass at the KC Hall.



## Membership by LaVerne Klecker

We are having a membership blitz on November 1 and 2 at Sacred Heart and St. Joseph Parishes. We need the help of our membership to work on both of these dates. Please contact me if you are interested in working.

We are planning a First Degree Exemplification on Monday, November 10. Keep in mind we are having a Major Degree Exemplification on Saturday, November 22, at the KC Hall in Owatonna. Anyone who knows of someone who would like to join, and is *just waiting to be asked*, let me know and I will help you get them signed up. All First Degree members, this is an opportunity to become a Third Degree member.

The members in the KCs who are involved in our projects have a lot of enthusiasm and enjoy the projects that they participate in. We need to continue to sign up new members to provide us with new ideas for projects that we could bring into our Council.

Any members who have not paid their dues for the past year, please get them paid. We need the money from our dues to make ends meet for our Council expenses.

If you have any questions, please call me at (507) 451-4102 or my cell phone (507) 456-6738.

## Benefits Corner by Luke J. Rennie



Luke J. Rennie family.

Meet our new Knights of Columbus Insurance General Agent and his family. Luke J. Rennie, FICF Knights of Columbus Ins. 135 West Main Street Suite 2 PO Box 1067 Owatonna, Minnesota 55060 507-417-4169 Luke.Rennie@KofC.org Contact me about Full-Time, Professional Career Opportunities in your area!

#### THURSDAY IS HOTDISH NIGHT

Every Thursday in November (except Thanksgiving) Serving a couple varieties of Minnesota favorite meal "Hotdish" in the Lounge from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. Meal served with homemade bread and a cookie for dessert. All for \$6.00.

#### MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL CHALLENGE

Every Monday starting Sept.8 thru Dec.22, weekly winners receive a large Heggies pizza, a bucket of Coors Lite beer, and Coors Lite prizes. Year-end winners receive: 1st - \$100, 2nd - \$50, & 3rd - \$25 Tacos - 2 for \$4.00 served 6:30 p.m. thru half-time. Happy hour prices and free peanuts during game.

Happy hour prices and free peanuts during game. \$1.50 Coors Lite tap beer with purchase of glass.

#### **RICHARD ROHWER CHRISTMAS PARTY**

For special people with developmental disabilities. Wednesday, December 3 - 6:30 p.m. SeniorPlace Contact Russ Bowar, 451-1778, if you can help.

## Grand Knight's Message by Dan Wolfe

#### Brother Knights,

I had the pleasure recently to attend the Serra Club of Owatonna -Great Promise Award ceremony, where ten 6th graders who have demonstrated "great promise" in their daily lives to become Catholic role models and future leaders were honored. It was so uplifting to hear about and meet these special young people who have demonstrated in their daily actions the high moral character, peer leadership and Christian values that we hope will carry them on to future leadership positions in our Church. They represent all that is positive and possible of our future young leaders that we rarely hear about. It is not surprising that many of these promising young people were guided by a moral compass provided by their Brother Knight parent. Please provide your prayers and support of the Serra Club in helping to foster and encourage our youth to follow a path guided by our Christian principles and help develop the next generation of Church servants and leaders.

Have you attended a Corporate Communion Mass in the past as a Brother Knight? Are you familiar with what a Corporate Communion is and when it is held? A Corporate Communion is held at a designated Mass on the 5th Sunday of a month, which means our next one upcoming is on November 30th. At this Mass we invite all Council KC members and families to come together and celebrate our faith in the sharing of the Eucharist. Not only is it a great opportunity for fellowship and faith sharing, it enhances the visibility of our Council and its membership to the parish community. The 4th degree Honor Guard and the KC Chorus help to make the event even more meaningful.

What we really need to make our next Corporate Communion a truly great event is your active participation. By active, I mean not only attending the designated Mass but also joining together as we march in as a Council family to the front of the church. We will try to do a better job of sending out reminders beforehand and coordinating everyone once we arrive at the church. If you are like me, have a good memory but feel it getting shorter each day, then please put November 30th down on your calendar, in your smart phone or circle the information in this month's *Key* and post in on your refrigerator, right next to that next dental appointment. I would love to see a great turnout this month. The Mass will be at Sacred Heart at 9:00 a.m..

#### Vivat Jesus

## Aid & Assistance by Greg Nelson



Please remember in your prayers and thoughts all of our sick or injured members of the Knights of Columbus and their families. Let's also offer up prayers for all deceased members and their families.

**The KCs' prayers and good wishes go out to:** Brother Knight Tom Eichten is recovering from a broken leg.

Let us be united in prayer for those facing ongoing challenges...

John Berning, Bruce Born, Fr. Michael Cronin, Jack Dillemuth, Marilyn Dillemuth, Lois Doyle, Mary Floersch, Rose Hoffman, Sharon Skala, Barb Klecker, Jim Klecker, Larry Klocek, Marlys Knight, Don Loeb, Bev Macht, Gil Mamer, Msgr. James McCauley, Mary Meixner, Bob McDermott, Suzanne Miedema, Father Ed Mountain, Dorothy Mulert, Darlene Mumm, Karen Pirkl, Ray Pirkl, Kevin Raney, Sharon Rohwer, Ron Schleif, Rita Schiller, Howard Snyder, Jeanine Snyder, Duane Spindler, Gary Wandrey, Jerry Weber, Earl Wheeler, Irene Wierzbinski, Jim Wierzbinski, Shirley Wierzbinski, and Jan Wolf.

If anyone knows of a Brother Knight who is sick or injured, please call Greg Nelson at (507) 676-1748.



The late Sir Knight Frank Conley, honoree for the 2014 flag retirement ceremony.



*Tim Rice served as ceremony leader.* 

## FLAG CEREMONY DEDICATED TO FRANK CONLEY

A well attended ceremony to retire worn and tattered flags was held on Thursday evening, September 25, at the Izaak Walton's Albert Reding Education Center in rural Owatonna. Worn and tattered flags were collected by Assembly members on Flag Day at three area grocery stores.

The ceremony was dedicated to the late Sir Knight Frank Conley who served in the United States Air Force and was a very active Knight in both the third and fourth degrees. Frank passed away in 2012.

Special thanks go out to Council 945's KC Chorus for providing patriotic music for the event and to the Boy Scouts of the KC sponsored Troop 253, who assisted with the ceremony and handled the burning of the approximately 250 flags.

A meal of burgers and brats was prepared by Faithful Navigator, Jerome Spindler and Sir Knight Conrad Bahe for those in attendance.



Pictured from left to right are KC members Dan Wolfe, Tim Rice, LaVerne Klecker, and Joe Elbert.



KC sponsored Boy Scout Troop 253 fold the first flag to be burned in the retirement ceremony.



## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY STEELE AND WASECA COUNTY - SEPTEMBER 25

The Habitat for Humanity of Steele -Waseca counties hosted a KC Day at their new house project at 611 Glendale Street NE in Owatonna on Saturday, September 25th.

The weather was perfect and the crew led by Habitat Construction Manager (PFN Lynn Becker) erected the roof trusses on the main house and installed exterior house wrap.We look forward to another KC Day when siding begins.

Pictured from left to right are KC members Dale Janke, Dan Wolfe, Jose Galen (homeowner), Mike Jensen, and Lynn Becker.

## NEW DISHWASHER INSTALLED AT KC HALL

Hi fellow KC members. I would just like to update you on a new improvement at the KC Hall. For some time now we have been having problems with the dish sanitizer in the kitchen. It did not always function the way it was intended. So the Fourth Degree decided to do something about it and get it fixed up, (in other words git 'er done).

Dave Lax and Joe Elbert looked into it and decided enough was enough with the one we had and it was time for a change. They found a new dishwasher that would do the job. The dishwasher was approved and ordered. However, while in transit the new dishwasher was destroyed in a semi accident in Des Moines, Iowa. Fortunately a second unit made it to Minnesota with no problems..

The new dishwasher is installed now and can do a load of dishes in about two minutes. This machine takes a lot of work off the kitchen crew.

I would like to thank Dave and Joe for making this happen in record time all things considered. Thanks to the Fourth Degree for a well needed improvement for our Council. Jerome "Spinny" Spindler, Faithful Navigator





Msgr. Henry Speck Fourth Degree honor guard prepare for the march.



## RESPECT LIFE ROSARY MARCH HELD SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

The annual Respect Life Rosary March was held at Sacred Heart Cemetery with windy conditions challenging the flag bearers. An honor guard from the Msgr. Henry Speck Assembly, Fourth Degree and cross bearer, Past Faithful Navigator LaVerne Klecker led the march. Church Director, Peter Schneider led the entourage in praying the rosary as they traversed the winding roadway through the cemetery, passing by the grave markers of many Brother Knights and members of the Catholic community of Owatonna.

At the conclusion of the march, attendees were treated to cookies, coffee, and punch at the cemetery maintenance building.



A nice group of participants follow the honor guard at the cemetery.



A bald eagle welcomed the fishermen to four fun-filled days of fishing.

## **KC FISHING TRIP WAS A SUCCESS!**

The KC fishing trip to Cut Foot Sioux (connected to Lake Winnibigoshish) went quite well. Thirty-two fellows, mostly from Owatonna, ventured north September 27 for a fourday trip. A warm south wind felt good, bringing the temperature to 80 degrees when we arrived. It's tough to do; fall fishing in those conditions. A few crappies were caught that first day - just not good weather for walleyes. The wind turned from the north and blew in some cooler temps Sunday afternoon. A couple walleyes and more crappies showed up in the fish cleaning house. The Windsor chops served to the group were mighty tasty. Otto Lehrer even came over to visit and do a little crappie fishing with us. Monday was fish contest day - and the weather wanted to put us to the test. With the wind 'howling' out the east and northeast, the fish were all but lock-jawed. However, by the end of the day, a number of respectable fish were entered. Biggest fish included: walleye, 23-1/2"; northern, 30"; and crappie, 13-1/2". The trees were about 50% in fall colors - and the eagles were providing good shows of flying prowess. The quick temperature change (highs about 50 Monday & Tuesday) put the fish down and made catching a pretty good challenge. All in all, however, the trip was enjoyable and most are planning to return again next year.



From left to right: Mike Jensen, Paul Trautman, and Dave Heine clean some fish.

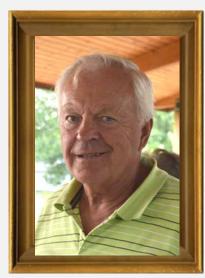


Walt Spindler and Otto Lehrer display some of the fish that were caught.

#### 2014-15 COUNCIL OFFICERS

Chaplain: Open
Grand Knight: Dan Wolfe
Deputy Grand Knight: Dave Lax
Chancellor: Gary Sanford
Advocate: Nicholas Matejcek
Warden: Thomas Burke
Inside Guard: Pete Schneider
Outside Guard: Harlan Kern
Financial Secretary: John Ahlberg
Treasurer: Tom Eichten
Recorder: Ben Lampinein
Trustee (3 year): PGK Randy Balausky
Trustee (2 year): PGK Wade Schroeder
Trustee (1 year): PGK Dustin Reese
<b>Directors and Chairmen</b>
Program Director: Dave Lax (DGK)
Membership Director: LaVerne Klecker (PGK)
Adv/Publicity Director: Dan Ruiter
Aid & Assistance: Greg Nelson
KC Chorus Director Stephen Nelson
Building Director Tom Elbert
Director of Church Activities: Pete Schneider
Director of Community Activities: Open
Director of Council Activities: Open
Director of Youth Activities Will Pieper
Dir. of Family Life Activities: Stephen Nelson
Gambling Manager: Randy Balausky (PGK)
District Deputy:Randy Balausky (PGK)
KC Hall Manager: Mark Cunningham (PGK)
Benefits Advisor: Luke J. Rennie - (507) 417-4169

## Knight of the Month



Sir Knight Jim Wencl

Jim Wencl joined Council 945 more than 40 years ago. In his time, he's served in leadership roles with the KC's as Inside Guard, Outside Guard, and Chancellor. He even says he helped with the remodel of the KC Hall's downstairs back in the 1970's. He's also dedicated his time to pancake breakfasts, Tootsie Roll drives, the Richard Rohwer Christmas parties, the Free Fair brat stand, and even the bingo crew from many years ago. It's this history of helping that makes him the September Knight of the Month.

Jim joined in the early 70's because he and a friend worked together as plumbers, and he'd been doing a lot for the Church at the time. He says that he enjoys being with the guys.

"There are a lot of my friends there," he said. "I really enjoy the social events." Jim became a Fourth Degree Knight when he joined the Msgr. Henry Speck Assembly in 2004.

Jim and his wife Barbara recently celebrated

their 50th wedding anniversary. They are members at Sacred Heart, and they have two children. Jim is now retired after working at his own company for many years, Wencl Plumbing. In his spare time, he enjoys spending time at the lake, fishing, hunting, and enjoying his vintage cars that he's had restored.

Congratulations to Jim Wencl, Council 945's Knight of the Month!

## SECOND BREAKFAST OF SEASON BENEFITS ST. MARY'S REP

The second benefit breakfast of the 2014 - 15 season produced a nice profit for the St. Mary's REP program. Hungry breakfast patrons numbering approximately 443 were treated to another fine KC breakfast on Sunday morning, October 12. The REP folks gave their usual fine support for this breakfast. A big thank you goes out to the Saturday morning prep crew and the Sunday crew who do an excellent job of providing the best benefit breakfast in Owatonna.

The Saturday prep team included: Jerry Barry, Bob Grebe, Al Jirele, Tom Kingsley, LaVerne Klecker, Al Nelson, Lyle Snider, Ken Thurnau, Ray Willmott, and Ron Wolf. Thanks to our excellent Knights of Columbus Breakfast Team. The Sunday team included: Tom Burke, Brian Carlson, Joe Docksey, Tom Docksey, Steve Fisher, Kevin Gallagher, Ron Heim, Lee Jardine, Paul Jardine, Rob Jardine, Jim Kaplan, Mark Kassen, Dennis Kelm, LaVerne Klecker, Terry Kuck, Tony Nguyen, Al Nelson, Al Pieper, Ethan Pieper, Jessica Pieper, Stephanie Pieper, William Pieper, Shirley Pfeifer, Dan Sawyer, Lavern Soukup, Jerome Spindler, Dick Thamert, Ben Trom, Eric Tucker, and Eric Wandersee.

We have many workers, so if we missed anyone, please let us know and accept our apologies.

Our next benefit breakfast will be held on Sunday, November 9, for the benefit of the St. Mary's Home and School Association. We invite all Brother Knights along with their families and friends to attend this next breakfast. Also, if you are interested in working on either the Saturday morning prep crew or the Sunday crew, just give Al Nelson a call at 456-4635. Additional help is always welcome.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMORIAL MASS -NOVEMBER 1

The Owatonna Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass will be held on Saturday, November 1, at St. Joseph Church. The liturgy will begin at 8:00 a.m. with Sir Knight Fr. Edward McGrath as celebrant. There will be a rosary prior to the Mass beginning at 7:30 a.m.

The memorial Mass is held each November and serves as a remembrance of those Knights who passed away since the previous year's Memorial Mass.

Those Knights are: Stanley G. Ennis Dean R. Lechner John B. Schmidt Rownell H. Weber

Everyone is invited to join the families of these Brother Knights as their memory is celebrated in this annual tradition.

Music will be provided by the Knights of Columbus Chorus under the direction of Stephen Nelson. A Fourth Degree honor guard will assist with the ceremony. Refreshments served after Mass at the KC Hall.

#### Knights of Columbus - Benefit Breakfast Schedule 2014-2015

November 9	St. Mary's Home/School Assoc.
December 7	KC Benefit Breakfast – Holiday
	Extravaganza.
January 11	Special Olympics/Advocates for Developmental Disabilities
January 25	KC Breakfast – St. Mary's Open House
February 8	KC Valentine Breakfast – KC projects
February 22	St. Isidore School
March 8	St. Mary's Music Boosters
April 19	St. Vincent DePaul Society

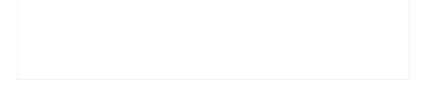
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



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