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.

COUNCIL WEBSITE
visit our website
www.kofccouncil945.org

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
September 3 - Officers’ and Gambling Meeting
KC Hall - 7:30 p.m.
September 8 - Building Meeting
KC Hall - 7:00 p.m.
September 10 - General Meeting
KC Hall
Program - 7:30 p.m.
September 14 - Benefit Breakfast
St. Mary’s School
8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
for SERRA Club
September 25 - Fourth Degree
Meeting - Flag retirement ceremony
with brats and burgers to follow,
at Albert F. Reding Education Center,
1546 58th. Street SW, Owatonna.
6:00 p.m.
September 27 - Fall Fishing Trip
October 11 - America Needs Fatima
Rosary Rally
Central Park - 1:00 p.m.
October 19 - Respect Life
Rosary March
Sacred Heart Cemetery - 1:00 p.m.

COMING EVENTS

OFFICERS’ MEETING
Wednesday, September 3
KC Hall
Meeting - 7:30 p.m.

BENEFIT BREAKFAST
Benefitting the SERRA Club
Sunday, September 14, 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.

FALL FISHING TRIP
September 27 - October 2
Cut Foot Sioux (off the NE corner of Lake Winnibigoshish)
For info, contact Walt Spindler (451-7613)

TUESDAY NIGHT AT THE CLUB
Serving potato salad and BLTs every Tuesday in August
5:45 - 6:45 p.m. in the Lounge

THE BOYS OF SUMMER ARE BACK
Stop at the Hall to catch all the Twins action and play Taters for Todiddes and guess the score to win free drinks.

COUNCIL UNVEILS NEW WEB SITE
A new and improved web site has been developed to better communicate important news about your council and also give you an opportunity to volunteer for one of our many activities. There is even an inter-active feature that allows you to send a birthday greeting to your Brother Knights. Go to www.kofccouncil945.org and check it out.

SEPTEMBER 2014

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 $3.50 served 6:30 p.m. thru half-time.
Happy hour prices and free peanuts during game.
$1.50 Coors Lite tap beer with purchase of glass.

RESPECT LIFE ROSARY MARCH
Sunday, October 19
Sacred Heart Cemetery - 1:00 p.m.
Billy Graham

Billy Graham is now 92 years-old with Parkinson's disease.
In January, leaders in Charlotte, North Carolina invited their favorite son, Billy Graham, to a luncheon in his honor.
Billy initially hesitated to accept the invitation because he struggles with Parkinson's disease. But the Charlotte leaders said, 'We don't expect a major address. Just come and let us honor you.' So he agreed.

After wonderful things were said about him, Dr. Graham stepped to the rostrum, looked at the crowd, and said, "I'm reminded today of Albert Einstein, the great physicist who this month has been honored by Time magazine as the Man of the 20th Century.

"Einstein was once traveling from Princeton on a train when the conductor came down the aisle, punching the tickets for every passenger. When he came to Einstein, Einstein reached in his vest pocket. He couldn't find his ticket, so he reached in his trouser pockets. It wasn't there. He looked in his briefcase but couldn't find it. Then he looked in the seat beside him. He still couldn't find it.

"The conductor said, 'Dr. Einstein, I know who you are. We all know who you are. I'm sure you bought a ticket. Don't worry about it.'

"Einstein nodded appreciatively. The conductor continued down the aisle punching tickets. As he was ready to move to the next car, he turned around and saw the great physicist down on his hands and knees looking under his seat for his ticket.

"The conductor rushed back and said, 'Dr. Einstein, Dr. Einstein, don't worry, I know who you are: no problem. You don't need a ticket. I'm sure you bought one.'"

"Einstein looked at him and said, "Young man, I too, know who I am. What I don't know is where I'm going.'"

Having said that Billy Graham continued, "See the suit I'm wearing? It's a brand new suit. My children, and my grandchildren are telling me I've gotten a little slovenly in my old age. I used to be a bit more fastidious. So I went out and bought a new suit for this luncheon and one more occasion.

I am. What I don't know is where I'm going."

Grand Knight’s Message by Dan Wolfe

I write this column one day after participating in a 1st degree exemplification with four new Brother Knights. Pictures and information of these new Knights are in this Key and I encourage you to get to know their names and faces and offer them a welcoming greeting when you get to meet them, sooner than later, I hope. These four impressive young men, who came to us last night as "strangers," are now part of our Council brotherhood and they represent the future of our Council. But their future as active members is shaped by the support and encouragement they receive from us, their senior Brothers. It is incumbent upon all our membership to foster a spirit of friendship and inclusion for all our new members. It means getting to know each other on a personal level, sharing our positive experiences as Knights, the friendships we have made, and the charitable works we have helped to achieve. These new members cannot fully appreciate the success of our Council and the true benefit in joining until they can meet the membership that makes Council 945 one of the largest and most active Councils in the state of Minnesota.

I challenge all of you reading my message today to make an extra effort to meet and greet all our new Brother Knights, both recent and going forward. I want each of you to attend at least 1 exemplification ceremony in the coming months so you can show your thanks and support for these new members who have chosen to join our ranks. Come and renew your promises to embrace the virtues of the Knights of Columbus. Help us celebrate the new friendships we are about to foster, the new talents we are acquiring and the new enthusiasm we are gaining as a growing Council. But don’t forget, we can’t welcome new members if we don’t actively work to encourage potential new members to come join the Knights of Columbus. If you have truly enjoyed your time and involvement as a Brother Knight, then it should be an easy step to offer the same opportunity for greater faith, fellowship, and fun to other Catholic men who have yet to make the same commitment.

So please assist our Membership Director, Brother LaVerne Klecker, in his quest to bring in more of these fine young Catholic men into our Council and help advance their success and satisfaction as active Brother Knights for years to come.

Vivat Jesus

Knights of Columbus - Benefit Breakfast Schedule 2014-2015

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Four New Knights Exemplified on August 18

Scott Balzer is a member of Christ the King Parish. He is employed with Balzer Dairy and also farms with his father. He was sponsored by Brother Knight LaVerne Klecker.

Joseph Nelson is a member of Sacred Heart Parish. He will be attending the University of Notre Dame. He was sponsored by his dad, Brother Knight Stephen Nelson.

Benjamin Trom and his wife Libby have one son, Cole. They are members of St. Joseph Parish. He is employed at Cybex. He was sponsored by his father-in-law, Brother Knight Lee Jardine.

Robert Jardine is a member of St. Joseph Parish. He is employed at Bosch and HyVee. He will be attending the University of St. Thomas. He was sponsored by his dad, Brother Knight Lee Jardine.

Music in Central Park - July 31

KC Chorus performed in Central Park in the new red shirts supplied by the Assembly and Council 945.

Litomysl Summer Festival - July 27

KC Chorus performed at Litomysl Summer Festival.
2014 ALTAR SERVER APPRECIATION PARTY
This year’s Altar Server Party was held at River Springs Water Park on Tuesday, August 5. The servers were treated to free admission, two slices of pizza, and a drink. There were 40 attendees from three parishes, Sacred Heart, St. Joseph, and Holy Trinity.

2014 KC COUNCIL 945 PICNIC
As is the custom, Council 945 held their annual pre-fair picnic on Wednesday, August 6, at Brown Park. At this event, attendees were treated to a sneak preview of the brats that will be served at the KC food stand during the Steele County Free Fair.
In addition, checks were distributed to the beneficiaries of the Fund Raiser For People with Developmental Disabilities (more commonly known as the Tootsie Roll Drive). Funds totaling $5,600.00 were distributed to these organizations.
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**Directors and Chairmen**

- 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: Aaron Jelinek - 952-513-8784

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**Membership by LaVerne Klecker**

Congratulations to our four new members.

We are planning on having a membership blitz. Date will be announced.

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. The publication rack at the club also has Form 100s and information brochures. New members are important to our Council. Don’t wait any longer, call and visit your prospective member today. Explain our Council’s accomplishments and invite them to join us, they will thank you.

Keep in mind we are having a Major Degree Exemplification on November 22 at the KC Hall in Owatonna.

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.

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**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.

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


**IN MEMORY**

Please remember in your prayers the following individuals and their families:

- Mary Supalla, mother of Brother Knight Todd Supalla passed away on July 29.

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

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**Our July Knight of the Month says, “it’s hard to believe it’s been 40 years already.”**

That's how long Jim Joachim has been a member of Council 945. Yet, he's been an effective member all these years, and he's now getting the recognition he deserves.

Jim is a lifelong resident of Owatonna. He was recruited by LaVerne Klecker back in 1974. Since then, Jim's made it to a number of benefit breakfasts; brat stands at the fair, and Tootsie Roll drives. Jim also says he likes to participate in the monthly meetings, and he also sings in the KC Choir. He's been a member all these years because, he says, “I enjoy the fellowship and my fellow members.”

Jim currently works for the Steele County SMART Bus system as a driver. In his spare time, he enjoys gardening and woodworking. He’s a member of Sacred Heart, and has three children. Jim has two grandsons, and has two more grandchildren on the way.

Congratulations to Jim Joachim, Council 945’s Knight of the Month!
**Benefit Breakfast**
for SERRA Club
Sunday, September 14  8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
St. Mary’s School

**General Meeting**
KC Hall
Program starts at 7:30 p.m.
Door prizes will be drawn at each meeting.

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Tuesday Night at the Club  
5:45 - 6:45 pm | 3 Officers’ Meeting and Gambling Meeting - 7:30 pm | 4 | 5 Summer Steak Fries  
KC Hall  
6:30 - 7:30 pm | 6 |
| 7      | 8 Bldg Mtg - 7:00 pm  
Monday Night Football  
Tacos Served  
6:30-Halftime | 9 Bar Bingo - 7:00 pm  
Tuesday Night at the Club  
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