

KNIGHT LITES



OFFICIAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE ABBOT PENNINGS COUNCIL 3955
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

- 1st SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
- 4th Monthly Meeting (7PM)
- 4th Charity Raffle Begins
- 16th/17th Roses for Life at De Pere Churches (TBD)
- 30th De Pere Christian Outreach

FEBRUARY

- 1st Monthly Meeting (7PM)
- 17th ASH WEDNESDAY
- 24th 40 Days for Life Begins

DECEMBER KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Gene Micke

DECEMBER FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Steve & Lisa Cribben

Financial Report

Savings:	\$ 44,925.14
Checking:	\$ 3,604.27
Bereavement Account:	\$ 500.00
Columbian Account:	\$ 132,291.00

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Our in-person council meetings remain canceled for now. We are looking for ways using video meetings to connect with our members. Stay tuned!

2021 CHARITY RAFFLE

For the Fraternal Year 2019-20, we sold 1369 raffle tickets. Great job to all considering how trying a year it was! We received a check from the state council for \$3,398 to donate to those in need. There were two winners that came from tickets sold by our council. We receive \$2.25 for each ticket sold. Due to COVID-19, we hope this coming year will have great participation and we can help more in need than ever. Thanks to those who bought and sold tickets for the council. We would encourage those who did not participate this past year to help us break our goal in the coming year! John Wilmet will continue once again as the State Raffle Chairman. **John would also encourage a Brother Knight who may be interested in running the raffle to contact him at 336-3074.** Thanks!

PAY YOUR DUES VIA PAYPAL!

In an effort to reduce cost for the council, members with an email address were sent an invoice from PayPal for this year's dues. Payment in this method is optional as you can still mail a check. We plan to continue to send dues notices by PayPal in the future. If you don't want a PayPal invoice emailed, please let Wayne know and he will mail you a paper invoice. As always, the sooner you pay your dues, the more you save the council costs. Thank you to all those who have already paid!

2020 CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

The De Pere Knights of Columbus had a very successful 52nd Christmas Tree Sale. We sold 769 trees in 14 days which is one of the quickest sale efforts in our history of selling Christmas trees. We made a record profit of \$20,703 which will be given to those in need. A big thank you to the 131 Council and Family members listed below who worked 850 hours to make this project successful. We also must thank the many people who said prayers to aid this endeavor and especially those who bought a tree from us. Abbot Pennings Council hopes everyone had a Blessed Christmas and will have a Happy New Year.

Hank Aldrich	Abe Allen	Dave Anderson	Bob Augustian	Scott Baeten	Tim Bald	Tom Bast
Neil Basten	Kevin Brauer	Greg Bieker	Malachi Bieker	Eli Bieker	Rick Breu	Dennis Aschenbrenner
Danny Brick	Kyle Brittnacher	Dale Brown	Brett Buratti	Pat Byrne	Henry Byrne	Al Callahan
Rick Cerney	Colin Cochart	Bob Coenen	Ron Coenen	Brad Collard	Chris Collard	Corey Coonen
Jim Crabb	Rick Crabb	Steve Cribben	Josh Cribben	Gary Czachor	Pat Daanen	James Daanen
Ross Davister	Fran De Cleene	Frank De Bruin	Connor De Bruin	Matt Diederich	Levi Diederich	Tom Diedrich
Dave Diedrick	Mike Donovan	John Fink	Scott Genson	Eric Gerarden	Mark Gerrits	Vaughn Gerrits
Neil Green	Steve Handrick	Mike Hannon	Tom Harper	Darrel Hettmann	Dan Hilbert	Gary Jaeckel
Jeff Jindra	Delvin Johnson	Rick Johnson	Jeff Jorgensen	Matt Kaftan	Bill Kempen	Ed Kiley
Don Koltz	Ron Kocken	Mark Kralovec	Alec Kralovec	Josef Kralovec	Jarek Kralovec	Paul Kramer
Josh Kramer	Dave La Crosse	Eric Le Brun	Pat Lennon	Pam Lennon	Erich Lennon	Bob Lex
Joe Maar	Jeff Macklin	Todd Mader	Brian Maes	Mike Malchow	Dave Mancl	Scott Mathewson
Mark Matzke	Chip McDonald	Gene Micke	Mark Mommaerts	Tom Mommaerts	Pat Moran	Liam McDonough
John Mueller	Carol Mueller	Matt Mueller	Henry Nooyen	Charlie Ott	Jim Podladowski	Conner McDonough
Brian Pritzl	Dale Reuter	Bryan Rottier	Eric Ruechel	Nathaniel Ruechel	Dick Schommer	David Schindler
Shawn Shrader	Steve Sipiorski	Julie Sipiorski	Dar Smet	Dave Sladek	Tony Smith	Kevin Smits
Larry Smits	Mark Smits	Bill Smits	Chris Steier	Tim Stevens	Alan Tesoro	Bob Thornton
Brian Tomac	Adam Turriff	Larry Vande Hei	Ron Van Dyck	Mary Van Dyck	Luke Ver Boort	Steve Vermeulen
Larry Van Dyck	Phil Wittman	Brian Walder	Jennifer Vanden	Langenberg	Jesse Zastrow	

Thanks to these businesses: Associated Bank for letting us use their parking lot for the sale, Valley Unit Step for moving and storing our concrete weights, Royal Plastics storing our Christmas Tree Hut, De Pere Y Mart for advertising the sale on their sign and Country Visions for donating twine.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS

Meat Raffle (Benefits OLOL School) \$1000
De Pere Christian Outreach Food Pantry \$500
St. John's Homeless Shelter \$500
Just a reminder that if you have a charity request,
please email it to kofc3955charity@gmail.com

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP

We have a wonderful opportunity through membership to receive more funds to donate. Between January 1st and March 15th, if our council adds 5 new members the State of Wisconsin council will not charge us our per capita. That will give our council \$2000 which can be used for charity in our community. Please let Membership Director Steve Cribben (606-4700) or John Mueller (336-8691) know of any new candidates. Thanks for helping us achieve our goal!

FAITH

On December 8th, five members of our Council put up our Christmas Creche on the corner of 8th & Main Ave. in W. De Pere. Those helping with this project to remind the many people who travel through this intersection each day of the real meaning of Christmas were Mike Hannon, Bob Augustian, Henry Nooyen, Rick Johnson and John Mueller. The new LED lights really made the Creche stand out.

One great way to stay connected to your faith during this time is to pray the rosary. Scott Crevier, who is a council member, leads the rosary every Monday at 8PM and on the 7th day of each month at 8PM. Please visit ipraytherosary.org to participate or get more information.

Congratulations to the winners of this year's Pro-Life Essay Contest. This year's theme was "Acting to Stop the Deadly Effects of Bullying." The winners are; 1st place – Bennett Steier, 7th Grade OLOL, 2nd Place – Kooper Diederich, 8th grade OLOL, 3rd Place – Payton Shefchik, 8th grade OLOL and 4th Place – Julia Nolle, 7th grade OLOL. Thanks to Richard Porior for coordinating this event.

COUNCIL

Rick Johnson and his team have completed the staining and varnishing of all 192 chairs. Pat Lennon helped stain

chairs on Monday and Terry and I varnished on Monday and Tuesday to get them all done. Another 24hrs of work time was needed this week to complete the wood part of the chair project. Since this project started on October 20th, a total of 295 volunteer hours were committed to get it done. A huge thank you to Tom Rockstroh and Stan Sukowaty who helped us! We have Scott re-doing the cushions and Tom putting the chairs back together. This part of the project may take another month or two to complete. Terry and I are grateful for all who shared their time and talent to help complete this much needed project for the OLOL church community. Most of the volunteers worked several days a week over the past 6 weeks. John Fink (8 Dates), Pat Lennon (10 dates), Ron Coenen (5 dates), Dave Mancl (4 dates), Randy Baeten (5 dates), John Mueller (3 dates), Matt Mueller (1), Pat Moran (1), Roger Nienhaus (1), Ron Van Dyck (1), Tom Rockstroh & Stan Sukowaty, Terry Johnson (10 dates) and Rick Johnson (18 dates).

2020 CHARITY FUNDS

Our council donated \$51,768.25 in charity funds for the 2020 calendar year. Incredible considering the pandemic. Thanks to all of our members for their hard work and dedication to our charitable activities. Happy New Year!

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Greg Ashauer, Mike Augustian, Craig Biber, Kevin Brauer, Rick Crabb, Dave Derbique, Steve Donovan, Tom Harper, Adam Hock, Don Koltz, Dave Mancl, Pat Moran, Pat Normoyle, Brian Pritzl, Dale Reuter, Scott Seidl, Steve Sipiorski, Bill Smits, Rick Thiesfeldt, Drew Weisse, Perry Willems, Jeff Young

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Congratulations to the council on another successful and record setting Christmas Tree Sale! \$46,594 in total sales earning us a profit of \$20,703! Thanks to all of those who either worked the tree lot or prayed for a successful sale.

As we move into the New Year, the council is looking at ways to get more members involved in our meetings. One idea in consideration is providing live video through Facebook similar to what many parishes are currently doing. Stay tuned! God Bless, GK Pete Nordeen

KNIGHT LITES

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE DIRECTORS 2020-2021



OFFICERS

Chaplain.....	Father Pete Renard	337-4372
Grand Knight.....	Pete Nordeen.....	915-7410
Deputy Grand Knight	Pat Lennon.....	336-4381
Chancellor.....	Dale Brown	327-2860
Advocate.....	Mark Gerrits	227-7203
Warden.....	Neil Basten.....	619-0356
Recorder	Matt Diederich.....	360-5926
Treasurer	John Wilmet.....	336-3074
Financial Secretary.....	Wayne Van Asten	983-2961
Inside Guard	Dennis Leiterman.....	336-0364
Outside Guard	Doug Vanden Langenberg	468-0102
Lecturer	Drew Weisse	770-7111

COMMITTEE DIRECTORS

Program	Pat Lennon	336-4381
Membership	Steve Cribben	606-4700
Faith.....	Pat Lennon	336-4381
Community	Chris Steier	619-4369
Family	Drew Weisse	770-7111
Bowling.....	Rick Breu	339-9482
Life & Vocations.....	Richard Porior	339-9376
Promotion.....	Matthew Mueller	339-1190
Historian	John Mueller	336-8691
Wake Services.....	Scott Baeten.....	660-2300
ID Program.....	Eric LeBrun	621-1708
	Matthew Mueller	339-1190
Lambeau Scanning.....	Pete Nordeen.....	915-7410
Resch Center.....	Matt Diederich	360-5926

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Matt Mueller	339-1190
Tom Wiers	337-2189
Ron Van Dyck.....	609-0869

COLUMBIAN INC – DIRECTORS

President.....	Steve Cribben	606-4700
Vice President.....	Scott Baeten	660-2300
Director.....	Tom Wiers	337-2189
Director.....	Eric Le Brun.....	621-1708
Secretary-Treasurer.....	Wayne Van Asten	983-2961

MEETING NIGHTS (August-June)

1st Monday of each month.
Meetings start at 7:00 p.m.

Officers and Charity meetings are 30 minutes before regular meeting. All meetings are held at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Center (at the end of Lourdes Ave.)

ROUND TABLES

Our Lady of Lourdes	John Mueller	336-8691
St. Francis	Larry Vande Hei.....	370-8160
St. Mary's.....	Phil Wittman	336-6450
St. Mary's Glenmore/Stark....	Patrick Phillips.....	819-6677

CHARITIES COMMITTEE

Father Pete Renard	337-4372
Dale Brown-Chairman	327-2860
Pete Nordeen	915-7410
Matt Mueller	390-1190
Pat Lennon	336-4381
Wayne Van Asten	983-2961

INSURANCE

James Patz	(920) 264-8745
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