

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
NEENAH COUNCIL #5514
Mike Bushman, Grand Knight
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GRAND KNIGHT REPORT: MIKE BUSHMAN

Welcome Brother Knights. Last month was busy for us with the Tootsie Roll Drive and Fr. Mike's reception. But, June looks to be the start of another good fiscal year. This month we have the Billy Joel Concert in Green Bay, Irish Fest this coming weekend, and an opportunity to work the Spartan Race at Lambeau Field. There are plenty of openings for volunteers, so don't be shy.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH ~ FATHER MICHAEL INGOLD

Fr. Michael Ingold of St. Margaret Mary joined the Knights while attending seminary in August 1989. He has served as chaplain for our council. He will be leaving the Neenah church next month for Nativity Parish in Green Bay, after 12 years at St. Margaret Mary, where he enjoyed every minute of it, according to Fr. Mike. A farewell reception was held at the Best Western on May 21 and there was a constant wave of parishioners and friends coming in and out. He was ordained in 1991 and immediately joined Holy Name Family Church in Marinette. In 1993, he was transferred to St. Peter and Paul in Green Bay, in 1995 served at St. Teresa Church in Kewaunee County, St. Joe's in Green Bay in 1998, and since 2005, St. Margaret Mary, Neenah, until transferred to Nativity Parish in Ashwaubenon. His mom retired from this church and he will be closer to her, his two brothers, and one sister, who also live in Green Bay. Congratulations to Fr. Michael Ingold, June 2017 Knight of the Month!

FAMILY OF THE MONTH ~ ROBERT AND DOROTHY DEGRACE & FAMILY

Robert and Dorothy DeGrace, with three children, Paula, 50; Dan, 49; and Greg, 47 are members of St. Gabriel Church. Bob was recruited by longtime classmate and friend, Gerry Van Handel, and took all three degrees in March 1980. He has been a lector, communion distributor, helps at funeral masses, and helped the Round Up. He has led the Boy Scouts in several functions at St. Gabriel School. Dorothy is heavily involved in bible studies and bakes for parish funerals. With our council, Bob helps at brat fries, porky pancake breakfasts, Tootsie Roll Drives, retreats, bowling, and golf tournaments. Bob must have had some music going through his veins as one of his grandsons just got hired by Sony Music in Nashville, which is one of Bob and Dorothy's favorite cities to visit. Bob grew up in Milwaukee and ended up working 21 years at Fleet Farm and several years running his own business as a producer of board games. He currently drives motor coach for Kobussen Busses. Congratulations, Dorothy and Bob DeGrace, Family of the Month for June 2017!

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S CORNER: BOB YOST

Brother Knights: If your traveling card still reads 2016, you are behind on your dues. Try to submit them as soon as possible. New bills will be sent dated July 1, 2017.

- Congratulations to Mike Bushman for attaining the Honorary Life status with the Knights of Columbus. Way to go, Mike!
- We have also received the check in the amount of \$500, which goes into our Seminarian account. This check covers the "Food for Families" program.
- All Sports for medals/Knowledge Contest \$150.00
- Jerry Van Handel Neenah High School post-graduation food \$28.35

*Remember: It is generally in the **summertime** that religion gets **snowed under**.*

TREASURER'S REPORT: DENNIS RUDOLPH

May 2017	BEGINNING BALANCE	CLOSING BALANCE
COUNCIL AND MEMBERSHIP ACCOUNT	\$ 1,156.21	\$ 1,146.96
PROJECT FUND ACCOUNT	22,872.09	21,647.67
SEMINARIAN ACCOUNT	6,455.39	6,456.05

READING OF THE BILLS: The following additional bills were read.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Thank you from Brittany/Youth Ministry St. Gabe's/Pancake & Porky Breakfast chaired by Paul Wolters on Palm Sunday
- Thank you from Mike Pokorny \$250 donation/Human Race
- Holy Hill Request – John Bosco Youth Day (new business)
- Thank you from St. Joseph Food Pantry \$600 donation
- Thank you from Spiritus Group
- Thank you from Neenah HS Graduation Committee for brats/burgers (received and read by Rich Gagner)

TRUSTEE'S REPORT: ART SCHMEICHEL

New Business:

- Packer Family Night ticket sales \$600 (Art Schmeichel)
- Young Neighbors in Action (YNIA) \$2590 request (Jon Bolwerk)
- Gift for Fr. Mike reassignment (Dennis Rudolph)
- Compass ad for Deacons (Dennis Rudolph)
- Electricity Bill for St. Gabe's (Jerry Van Handel)
- John Bosco Youth Day (Mike Bushman)

FIELD AGENT'S REPORT:

PROGRAMS CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: JON BOLWERK

- Appreciation for Fr. Mike, Joan Bartman, Sallie B., Elinore Healy (Mike Bushman): Four 4th Degree Knights assisted with escorting/opening doors. Thank you.
- Irish Fest (Chuck Rohr): signup sheet going around/busy weekend but if you can help, call Chuck or Mike Jordan / last year we raised \$10/hour per person.
- Clergy Cruise (Paul Wolters): Fr. Larry from St. Gabe's and newly ordained Deacon Tom Gritton going. It's on 06/14 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Finn & Feather. Deacons and priests' meals paid. Anyone else who attends it's \$40/person. Request to make exception and pay for the newly ordained Deacon's wife's meal.
- List of all new officers for website (request by Paul Wolters) – new officers in last month's newsletter.
- Billy Joel Concert (Mike Bushman): June 17 at Lambeau. Be there by 4; opens at 6PM. 4th floor booth, 2-man dessert booth, and 1 more stand on 3rd floor for 18. Commitment from Hortonville for 8 people, plus 14 for 4th floor from here.
- July 1, ordination reception at St. Gabe's. (Ordination mass at St. Mary's Church De Pere / no 4th Degree) Deacon Rappl (soon to be Fr. Rappl) expressed his thanks for all support through years leading to this point – encourage all to come to ordination. Deacon Rappl shared that Fr. Mike ordained 1991, which was the last class w/5 men ordained. Deacon Rappl was born in 1991. Fr. Mike's classmate, Fr. Tom Long, brought Deacon Rappl into seminary. Fr. Tom Long has been named pastor at St. Raphael's in Oshkosh, where soon-to-be Fr. Rappl will be appointed associated pastor.
 - Ordination Mass of Thanksgiving on July 1 – St. Gabe's / Deacon Rappl asked for four bartenders and sign-up sheet passed around.
- Family Picnic on July 16 (Paul Wolters): Bob Yost put together list of 14 ladies whose husbands were Knights and have passed away. Tom Bozile and Paul Wolters sent invitations to the 14 ladies for a memorial/remembrance gathering at the park prior to the meal
 - Family picnic will be held in South pavilion this year, as North was not available (change of pavilion) this year

COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC RELATIONS:

- June 26, Double Portions (Mike Bushman) Spanish hamburgers & calico beans.
 - No double portions on Christmas Day
- Senior Meal at St. Gabe's (Paul Wolters): July 18 at St. Gabe's. Brats/burgers will be served with Paul & Lloyd cooking, Mike B. will help – anyone else who can help is welcome. Meal starts at 12, cooking begins at 10.
- Appreciation for Fr. Mike, Joan Bartman, Sallie B., Elinore Healy (Mike Bushman): Four 4th Degree Knights assisted with escorting/opening doors. Thank you.
- Neenah HS Graduation (Rich Gagner): Went well 2 brats left over. Cooked them earlier/already had own Nescos were there / trailer loaded back up and parked by 9 pm. Thank you for Dan Bornemann helping Rich with cooking.
- SMM parishioner move (Art Schmeichel): 4 members helped and it took 3-4 hours.

TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE: JON BOLWERK

\$6,918.81, second best year ever. Highest year was 2015 by \$31. 26 members worked 2 or more shifts/accounted for 70 of the 128 2-hour shifts available. 10 members and/or families worked 3 or more shifts. Jerry Van Handel worked 8 shifts this year. Andy Teska helped w/phone calls – to ask people to work and to remind people to work / accounting crew helped with counting money / Chad and Dan helped to deliver Tootsie Roll "stuff" – great to have a lot of help. Thank you for patience and help! Great job, Jon!

GOLF: (LLOYD D.)

- State Golf Tournament Golf prizes. We had one team attend. Raffle prizes, won 6 of 13 prizes, took 4th place (15 or 16 teams) – not an easy course. Good time.
- Bishops charity golf tourney coming up.

BRAT FRY'S:

Five brat fry's/Bemis (must be doing good job asked to do food for tournament on August 19, agreed to do that.
• Thank you to those who stepped in while a couple of guys were out on medical leave last week

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- \$45 payment to John Kessler for bartending for Appreciation Dinner, he didn't get paid so we need to write him a check.
- \$90 to Tony Weber for our share for hospitality room at State Convention
 - No need to vote on John Kessler & Tony as they were already agreed to be paid
- Motion to donate \$2000 towards Haiti Project / because of bylaws, proposal on floor last month & motion made again this month to donate \$2000 / Dennis spoke of Haiti Project. There are 5 committees (Mission Experience, Financial, Education, Twinning Parish, and _____) Past missions have provided dental work for children, fitting of reader glasses, helping at Mother Theresa's Center helping those who are very sick or malnourished. Twinning with St. Joseph's located in central plateau of Haiti. 45,000 people in urban and rural areas w/lots of needs / food for children, help with education/help with structures. Lots of resources combined – video on SMM website with more information or talk to Dennis. Budget of \$45,000 to \$50,000. Everyone who goes on mission pays own way. All monies provided goes directly towards people of Haiti or education of people here of culture/needs
 - Motion made for 2nd month in accordance with bylaws to donate \$2000 by Rich Gagner, 2nd by Colin Behm. Comments by Rich Gagner w/one of the Boy Scout members helping and will be going w/group in Jan. Comment regarding phone call each week with Fr. Paul/interpreter / money managed very tightly by Dennis / pictures of sand pile/invoice marked as paid / commend Dennis on managing the money tightly. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Request – capitol project funds with three parishes (Joe) / proposal on floor to donate \$3000 to each of the parishes / round table chairman for each parish needs to come through them. Separate meeting with Trustees and officers to discuss in more detail.
- St. John Bosco Youth Day Oct 7, 2017 at Holy Hill. Motion to donate \$100 by Chuck, 2nd by Lloyd. This is general donation to pay to get kids there, total of \$9,000 is what they need to raise. Motion carried.
- Ad in Compass for Fr. Matt Rappl – 4x4" ad cost \$65 / Motion made by Rich G., 2nd by Chuck. Motion carried.
- Packer Family Night - \$6/per ticket and sold at \$10/per ticket – Council makes \$4/ticket sold. Asking for \$600/release of check to order 100 tickets. Motion by Art S. & seconded. Motion carried
- Young Neighbors in Action, Youth from SMM going to Winnebago Indian Reservation in Nebraska/Mission Trip, roughing it (no hotels). SMM Parish Amy Matz asked if Knights would match what was raised. Five kids going - \$200/kid for a total of \$1,000 motion made by Rich Gagner. 2nd by Jon Bolwerk. Motion carried.
- Gift for Fr. Mike (Dennis R.): Fr. Mike w/parish for 12 years – \$250 for gift to be determined (donation to India Mission with Fr. Mike and his mother or otherwise as determined by Dennis Rudolph). Motion by Dennis R., 2nd by Joe Wojtotovich. Motion carried
- Jerry Van Handel donate \$250 to cover electricity/space at St. Gabe's for existing 2 freezers & 2 refrigerators and donated additional freezer.
- Motion by Paul Wolters for newly ordained Deacon Tom Gritton's wife, Lori, to pay for her meal on Clergy Cruise \$40 cost. 2nd by Mike Mabie. Motion carried.

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT:

BROTHER KNIGHTS:

- Mark calendars for 09/23 for Green Bay Diocese Meeting @ St. Paul's Combined
- All councils should have officers voted in for upcoming fraternal year. When elections complete, submit on form 185 and copy District Deputy Tony Weber.
- Officer Installation on June 19 at 7PM hosted by Council 8810 Winneconne at Kaudy Hall
- Next District Meeting hosted by Council 615 in Oshkosh at St. Vincent's on July 17 at 6:30 p.m.
- Father's Day Affirmation of Wedding Vows – Councils should partner w/their parishes the weekend of Father's Day, June 18.
- Upcoming 1st Degrees and openings:
- Tentative 1st Degree Kaudy Hall 6pm in Winneconne June; candidates to arrive 20 to 30 minutes before installation.
- I need to have dates for upcoming church drives that coincide with the degrees that have been scheduled throughout the district. Church drives will be mandatory for every district to host a council church drive each month.
- Your SP-7 Columbian Award Application needs to be submitted as soon as possible.

RETENTION plus ACTIVITIES plus RECRUITING equals MEMBERSHIP / Thanks for all you do and I appreciate all your efforts for making District 10 a relevant part of the Knights of Columbus.

Best Regards and God Bless!

Tony Weber, District Deputy



GOOD OF THE ORDER:

We start with the Priests and Seminarians: **Frs. Paul Praider, Richard Allen, Larry Seidl, Jim Kubicki, Mike Ingold, Brian Wideman, Justin Werner, Mike Carroll, Justin Warner and Bishop Banks. Seminarian Matt Rappl, Deacon Dan Laurent.**

Amy Paffel, Andrew Baird, Bernice Rudolf, Bernie Kropidowski, Bob & Cecelia Greene, Bob Deopker, Brandon Mayer, Bruce Darni, Char Van Handel, Colin & Becky Brehm, Dan Leeman, Derrick Kessler, Dick & Mary Wilkinson, Dick Winter, Don Wichman, Donna Bouschele, Ed Hirsh, Eric Larsen, Evan Williams, Garth Walling, George & Marge Thierung, Gwen Heinen, Hannah Sherwood, Jackie Jensen, James Bosco, James Vovova, Jean Brafam, Jill Pearson, John Bergstrom, John Graham, Joseph Morin, Joseph Mourn, Joseph Putzer, Joseph Wojtowicz, Judy Kaul, Julie Griese, Julie Nackers, June Ingold, Karen Hill, Karen Sippel, Kathy Bornemann, Kathy Reiland, Katie Votova, Ken Rosenbaum, Larry Easton, Luanne Sippel, Macy Van Zeeland, Marcy Gehr, Mark & Pam Franz, Mark Turowski, Mary Brandt, Mary Jean Schuelke, Mary Kay Heath, Mary Spielbauer, Mary Younger, Michael Brickem, Mike Getchius, Mike Simonis, Naz Belbusty, Paul Bongers, Reda Weinman, Ron Wisniewski, Sam & Cathy Neuman, Shawn Coenen, Sherry Zwicky, Sister Jolene Van Handel, Steve Otto, Steve Wideman, Ted Dekleyn, Ted Westgor, Terry Cheng, Wally Maynard

Meeting adjourned by Mike Bushman at 8:12.