

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
NEENAH COUNCIL #5514
Rich Gagner, Grand Knight**



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GRAND KNIGHT REPORT:

Welcome Brother Knights, thank you for coming out on this lovely evening. This month our Council had its annual Tootsie Roll drive, Neenah High School post-graduation party cooking, Rise Against Hunger meal packing, Double Portions, and the BRAT FRYS are BACK!

I want to personally thank all the members of Council 5514 for all you do to make a difference for the glory of God. I would like to introduce our new Financial Secretary Chuck Rohr

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH ~ BOB YOST



Bob Yost was a Charter member of St. Gabriel Church. Sadly, Bob passed away on May 1, 2018, on his 90th birthday, about two years after his wife, Millie, passed away. They were selected Family of the month in June 2016. Bob and Millie were no strangers to this honor, since they have been selected many times, including being named Family of the Year for 2015. Bob and Millie were also selected as the Green Bay Diocese Family of the Year in 2015. Bob was a 4th Degree Knight, very actively involved in the Honor

Guard, and is a charter member of the Neenah Council, joining in 1964 and recruited by Bud Salm. They have one daughter, Catherin, and five grandchildren, in Marietta, GA. Bob and Millie ran the first Roundup Picnic, Bob was President of Holy Name Society, Communion Distributor, and was the Funeral Services Coordinator for many years. He was the current Financial Secretary in our Council, a position he has held for almost 50 years. As a member of the 4th Degree, he was the youngest Faithful Navigator at age 39. Bob served on 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Degree Teams. He was a sales rep for Neenah Foundry for 45 years and even sold man hole covers all over Saudi Arabia. Bob served as Exalted Ruler for the Neenah Menasha Elks, initiating many programs, such as soccer skills, etc. Bob started on trumpet at age 7 and played dance music for 45 years with the Bob Yost Orchestra. Bob also performed with the Oshkosh Symphony. He was a life member of the American Federation of Musicians, where Bob served as President for many years and attended many conventions as officers representing their Union. Bob was born on a farm between Neenah and Oshkosh, just about the time the quarry was blasted. Some of his friends still believe that Bob's birth was a result of this blast. Congratulations to Bob Yost, Knight of the month for June 2018! **MAY ETERNAL LIGHT SHINE UPON HIM. REST IN PEACE, BROTHER BOB.**

FAMILY OF THE MONTH ~ GENE & BUNNY LERZA FAMILY

Gene and Bunny Lerza joined St. Gabriel in 1962. He joined our Council in May 1996, recruited by the late Al Zagdebski, and he is currently a 3rd Degree Knight. They have two children: Joe, 60, and Mary, 58; 6 grandchildren, 5 great grandchildren, and two more on the way. They both worked at funerals and taught 6th grade CCD classes, worked at the Roundup and ran Bingo for many years. Gene was Grand Knight of our Council for two years and is known for making two changes at the time: he moved the meeting time to 7 PM instead of 7:30 PM and he moved the meeting place from St. Margaret Mary to St. Gabriel. He has worked the Brat Frys and they both did Tootsie Rolls. Gene taught 6th grade school at Hoover for all but 3 years in his teaching career. Bunny helped at elections, blood bank, etc. Currently, they provide rides for residents at Highlands at Mahler Park, for doctors' appointments, etc. They were both born and raised in the Hurley area, and Gene received his teaching and Master's Degree from UW Superior. They both enjoy reading, watching some TV, and socializing with friends and family. Congratulations, Gene and Bunny Lerza, Family of the Month for June 2018!

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S CORNER (CHUCK ROHR):

- We will be purchasing 150 Packer Family Night tickets.
- John Kessler needs to be paid for bartending at the Recognition Dinner (\$50).

2018		BEGINNING BALANCE	CLOSING BALANCE
COUNCIL AND MEMBERSHIP ACCOUNT	\$	1,688.76	1,680.76
PROJECT FUND ACCOUNT		22,207.54	24,044.33
SEMINARIAN ACCOUNT		6,404.25	6,406.37

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

COMMUNICATIONS:

- We received a thank you from Father Carr's Place 2B for our donation.
- We received a thank you from Jon Hynek II, a Seminarian we supported.
- We received a thank you from St. Joseph's Food Pantry for our donation.
- We received a thank you from Spiritus Group for our sponsorship to the State Convention.

PROGRAMS CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

- Rich Gagner grilled about 100 burgers and brats for the Neenah High School post-graduation party on May 30th. There were no leftovers. This is the oldest continuous post-graduation party in the United States.
- Installation of Officers will be June 18th at St. Gabriel's at 7:00 pm.
- The Memorial Service and Family Picnic will be July 15 at O'Hauser Park.

COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC RELATIONS:

- We did not have a double portions meal on Memorial Day.
- The next Double Portions will be on June 25th. We will serve pork roast with egg noodles and green beans.

TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE:

- The Tootsie Roll Drive went very well. **It was a record year - \$7,149.51 was collected.** The past record was \$6,949.
- Tootsie Rolls were not distributed at St. Gabriel's.
- Funds will be distributed as follows:
 - \$750 to Fox Valley Autism
 - \$250 Winnebago County Mental Health Institute.
 - Remainder to SOAR Fox Cities

BRAT FRYS:

- They have had 5 brat frys to date. Things have been going quite well, except for the mix up on buns from Simple Simons. They are selling extra buns (frozen) for \$1.00 per dozen.

GOLF OUTING:

- We have one team going to the State Golf Tournament on June 9th and 10th in Arbor Vita.

Report on 4th Degree:

- Ed Sypek mentioned that he will be the new commander of the Honor Guard.
- New officers will be installed in July.

CHAPLIN'S REPORT:

- Rise Against Hunger went very well. Over 20,000 meals were packed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Mike Bushman reported that the family would like Bob Yost's five masses with Father Larry.
- St. Margaret Mary's Liturgical Ministers' dinner will be August 23rd at Riverside Park from 3 to 10 pm with dinner at 6:00. They are looking for help with grilling and will reimburse us for materials. A motion as made by Justin Krueger to provide manpower and to provide the meat and buns. Motion seconded by Dennis Rudolf. Motion passed unanimously.
- Chuck Rohr will determine how much we owe Special Olympics and will pay the balance.

NEW BUSINESS:

- We owe \$448.50 for our balance on Culture of Life. Motion made by Chuck Rohr to pay balance for Culture of Life. Motion seconded by Lloyd Delveaux. Dennis Rudolf mentioned that members are voting by not paying this voluntary fee. It was also stated that the newsletter should include information on this fee/fund. Motion passed with 4 nays.

- PKD fund was discussed. We did not pay the balance of the fund due in 2017. In 2018 we would owe \$660.65 to fully fund. Motion made by Chad Olsen to pay \$660.65 to fully fund. Motion seconded by Art Schmeichel. Motion passed unanimously.
- We will need help setting up for Installation of Officers. Show up at 6:00 pm to help. We will provide a cake and gallon of ice cream.
- Motion made by Mike Bushman to pay all bills read by Chuck Rohr. Motion seconded by Art Schmeichel. Motion passed unanimously.

Nomination of Officers. The following nominations were read:

Grand Knight – Rich Gagner	Warden – Jerry Van Handel
Deputy Grand Knight – Sal Vitale	Inside Guard – Jeff Heinen
Chancellor – Jim Gruber	Outside Guard – Andy Teska
Recorder – Chad Olsen	3-year Trustee – Mike Bushman
Treasurer – Dennis Rudolph	2-year Trustee – Dan Bornemann
Advocate – Mike Mabie	1-year Trustee – Art Schmeichel

Motion made by Jerry Robak to accept all nominations. Motion seconded by Mike Bushman. Motion passed unanimously.

DISTRICT DEPUTY’S REPORT:

- The date for the installation of officers for this upcoming fraternal year will be June 18th. This year’s installation will be hosted by council 5514 in at St. Gabriel’s. at 7:00pm on Monday. We need to have 100% participation with all the councils in District 10. Please bring your officers jewels.
- The next district meeting will be hosted in Winneconne by council 8810 to be scheduled in July.
- Start working on the completion of your SP-7 Columbian Award Application and submit it as soon as possible the deadline is June 30th.
- I need to have dates for upcoming church drives.
- RETENTION + ACTIVITIES+ RECRUITING = MEMBERSHIP
- Thanks for all you do, and I appreciate all your efforts for making District 10 a relevant part of the Knights of Columbus.

LECTURER:

- Rich Gagner read a letter.



GOOD OF THE ORDER:

We start with the Priests and Seminarians: Frs. Paul Praider, Richard Allen, Larry Seidl, Jim Kubicki, Dennis Bergsbaken, Justin Werner, Mike Carroll, Matt Rappl, Bishop Banks, Bishop Ricken, Bishop Morneau. Seminarian Patrick Costello, Deacon Dan Laurent.

Amy Paffel, Andrew Baird, Ann Lorenz, Becky Kouba, Bernice Rudolf, Bernie Kropidowski, Bev Wickman, Bob Benson, Bob & Cecilia Greene, Bob Deopker, Bruce Darni, Char Van Handel, Chuck Miller, Colin & Becky Behm, Connie Schraven, Dan Leeman, Daniel Lella, Derrick Kessler, Dick Winter, Don Wichman, Donna Bouschele, Ed Hirsch, Evan Williams, Garth Walling, George Gullick, George & Marge Thierung, Hannah Sherwood, Jackie Jensen, James Bosco, James Votava, Jean Brafam, Jill Perason, John Ravinsko, Joseph Morin, Joseph Mourn, Joseph Putzer, Joseph Wojtowicz, Judy Kaul, Julie Giese, Jack Giese, Julie Nackers, Julie Schmitz, June Ingold, Karen Hill, Karren Sippel, Karen Stenson, Kathy Rigotti,

Katie Votova, Ken Rosenbaum, Larry Easton, Luanne Sipple, Marcie Gehr, Marge Frohna, Mark and Pam Franz, Marty and Lola Ruge, Mary Brandt, Mary Jean Schuelke, Mary Kay Heath, Mary Poindexter, Mary Wilkinson, Mary Younger, Mike Getchius, Mike Simonis, Paul Bongers, Ron Kouba, Ron Wisniewski, Sam & Cathy Neuman, Shawn Coenen, Sherry Zwicky, Sister Jolene Van Handel, Sister Therese Reynolds, Steve Wideman, Ted Dekleyn, Ted Westgor, Terry Chang, Tom Freehley, Tim Hamblin, Wally Maynard and those on the Perpetual Adoration Prayer List.

MEETING ADJOURNED BY RICH GAGNER AT 8:11