

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
NEENAH COUNCIL #5514
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GRAND KNIGHT REPORT:

Welcome Brother Knights. October was a very busy month for us at Lambeau Field, we had 3 Packer games in a row; all were either late night or early evening games. Of course, we also had the Wednesday brat fry's at Bemis. And the cook-out for Make-a-Wish was on the 22nd.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH ~ MIKE SIMONIS

Mike is a member of St. Margaret Mary Church, and has been a member of the Knights since September 1974, and is currently a Third-Degree Knight. He has been active throughout his years of membership and has earned the right to slow it down a bit. He still helps at Church as usher, and with Double Portions and Wednesday Brat Fry, where he is in charge of the cash register. He has always helped at Tootsie roll drives and Valentine and Christmas dances at SOAR. He and Lloyd Delveaux have been bowling and golf partners at most of the annual Knight outings. He is part of a group of friends who play "Farkel Dice" every Friday night, with a traditional Friday night fish fry scheduled in between. Mike is one of a few Knights with a 100% attendance record at Business Meetings and is the only Knight who has a 90th birthday to celebrate on Thursday, November 3. Congratulations and Happy 90th Birthday to November Knight of the Month, Mike Simonis.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH ~ TOM AND BARB BARTZ

Tom and Barb are members of St. Margaret Mary Church, which has been their second home for many years. Tom joined the Knights in Arlington Heights, IL, in October 1968, later transferred to Neenah, and is currently a Third-Degree Knight. They have six children, Mary, 53; Chris, 50; Peggy, 48; Amy, 46; Matt, 44, and Joe, 39. All but Matt live out of town, including Joe, who is a professional musician in Germany. Both are volunteers at St. Margaret Mary School, where they assist the teachers and tutor the kids in several subjects. Barb works with the RCA program. Both worked with the annual Parrish Festivals and Perpetual Adoration, and both serve as Eucharistic Ministers. Tom served many years on the Parish Council and the Board of Education. Barb works with the India Ministry Group. Tom admits he has not been very active within the Knights but tries to make the Tootsie roll drives, but in his active years spent 2-3 nights a week at the school in various functions. Since retirement he has been a volunteer with the TRI County Dental Clinic, reading and fishing and spending lots of time with his grand and great grandchildren. Congratulations to Tom and Barb Bartz, Family of the month for November 2016.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S CORNER:

Brother Knights: We are fast-approaching 2017 and time to think about your dues for the coming year. There will be only one billing, the same as last year. You will be billed for your dues, Culture for Life, and the optional PKD of \$3.65. Also, if any Life Member would like a traveling card, just call me at 920-722-3690 and one will be sent.

✚ 12 members still owe dues

✚ Daniel J. Van Boxtel is assigned as the Field Agent for our council, effective 11/1/2016 (contact information at end of newsletter)

Remember: Your life is fragile.... handle it with care and PRAYER

TREASURER'S REPORT:

MONTH 2016	BEGINNING BALANCE	CLOSING BALANCE
COUNCIL AND MEMBERSHIP ACCOUNT	\$548.80	(\$593.60)
PROJECT FUND ACCOUNT	\$16,681.00	\$20,438.50
SEMINARIAN ACCOUNT	\$7,625.21	\$7,625.86

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

✚ Mike Bushman - \$55.75/Second Portions

COMMUNICATIONS:

- ✚ We received a thank you from Winnebago Mental Health Facility for the Pizza/Bingo Party.
- ✚ We received a thank you from Father Carr's Place 2B.
- ✚ We received a thank you from Mary Brandt for our contribution in their time of loss.
- ✚ We received a thank you from Winnebago Mental Health Facility for our contribution from the Tootsie Roll drive.

PROGRAMS CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

- ✚ Sal Vitale went through his 2nd and 3rd Degrees on October 8th in Mackville.
- ✚ The Lube-A-Thon made \$498 from our donation of meat. Next year we should provide ¼ lb hamburgers and less hot dogs.
- ✚ Mike Mabie reported on Bingo night at the Winnebago Mental Health Institute on October 25th. The night went well. 24 children attended. There were lots of prizes.
- ✚ Dr. Scanlan went through his First Degree at the Menasha Clubhouse on October 26th.
- ✚ There will be a 1st Degree November 1st at St. Raphael's.
- ✚ We are still trying to set a date for the Memorial Mass. This will be tabled for now. It sounds like there may be enthusiasm for incorporating the mass into our summer picnic.

COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC RELATIONS:

- ✚ Lloyd reported on Double Portions on October 31st. St. Gabriel's gave us 40lbs of chicken. They made a chicken casserole and served 130 people and those at Spiritus.
- ✚ There will be a Thanksgiving Community Dinner on November 19th at St. Mary's Parish in Menasha. Neenah Knights are welcome to help deliver meals to the homebound.
- ✚ Mike needs three volunteers to cook turkey for the November 28th Double Portions meal. He found three volunteers at the meeting. They will be preparing a turkey dinner.
- ✚ Soar Christmas Party will be December 16th.

CHURCH AND VOCATIONS - ST. MARGARET MARY:

- ✚ Tom Bozile reported on the Porkie Pancake breakfast on October 23rd. The breakfast went well. Thanks to all those that helped. They raised \$703.

GOLF:

- ✚ Lloyd stated that he and Paul attended the Landing Day Golf Outing on October 8th. Dinner was very good. Hopefully more attend next year.

BRAT FRY'S:

- ✚ Gerry Van Handel reported that they had their last brat fry for the year. For the year, 16 Knights helped in total and 3 made all 27 events. They made about \$7,400.

PACKER CONCESSION STAND:

- ✚ 55 people worked the game on October 9th, 62 worked the game on October 16th and 51 people worked the game on October 20th. Not all are from our Council.
- ✚ A sign-up sheet was passed around for the next three games.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- ✚ We have packages of brats and 1 package of hot dogs for sale.
- ✚ We have the opportunity to buy ham \$4 for a 3 lb bag. Mike will purchase a case for double portions. Email Dale Youngquist at youngatlast@gmail.com if interested.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ✚ Dennis Rudolf will determine how much we need to transfer into our membership account for the next meeting.
- ✚ Motion made by Ed Sypek to set aside \$750 for St. Margaret Mary's in our Project Account. This is from the porkie pancake breakfast (\$703 rounded up to \$750). Motion seconded by Dennis Rudolf. Motion passed unanimously.
- ✚ Jim Rappl will buy \$500 worth of gas cards for Sentiments for Seminarians.
- ✚ Marv Spielbauer mentioned that his health is declining and that this will be his last year chairing the Bingo night at the Winnebago Mental Health Institute.

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT (READ BY CHUCK ROHR):

Things to accomplish this month:

- ✚ Christmas Poster Contest report is due December 19th.
- ✚ Sentiments for Seminarians collections need to be done before November 27th.
- ✚ Free Throw Contest need to order kits now – the Elks take care of this.
- ✚ Coats for Kids.
- ✚ Plan for a corporate communion in December.
- ✚ We need candidates for the upcoming 1st degree hosted by council 11305 on November 10th.
- ✚ Tony needs to have dates for upcoming church drives that coincide with the degrees that have been scheduled throughout the district. Church drives will be mandated for every district to host a council church drive each month. The State is looking to do a drive-in December. Will be in Oshkosh. If Oshkosh does not work out, they may reach out to Neenah-Menasha.



GOOD OF THE ORDER:

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

Joseph Putzer, Marcy Gehr, Paul Bongers, Terry Cheng, Wally Maynard, Evan Williams, Ken Rosenbaum, Shawn Coenen, Dick Winter, Hannah Sherwood, Mary Jean Schuelke, Joseph Morin, Mary Younger, Joseph Mourn, Jackie Jensen, Amy Paffel, Mary Salm, Bernice Rudolf, Naz Belbusty, Mary Spielbauer, Bernie Kropidlowksi, Lynn Teska, Brandon Mayer, Jill Pearson, Bob & Cecilla Green, Jean Brafam, Ted Dekleyn, Sam and Cathy Nueman, Karen Hill, Don Wichman, Bob Deopker, June Ingold, Joseph Wojtowicz, Marv Spielbauer, Kathryn Nemecek, Ron Wisniewski, Mary Kay Heath, Lynn Billings, Julie Giese, James Votova, Mark Turowski, Mary Brandt, Bruce Darni, Bruce Howe, Derrick Kessler, Julie

Nackers, Bill Heinen, Mike Getchius, Larry Easton, Dick and Mary Wilkinson, Char Van Handel, Reda Weinman, Kathy Reiland, Brad Kosmel, Katie Vitova, John Bergstrom and Judy Krueger.

Meeting adjourned by Mike Bushman at 8:45.

Field Agent for Council, effective 11/1/2016

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