



Knighly News

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April 2008



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Grand Knight Report

I hope this message finds that you had a wonderful Easter filled with the message of Jesus dying and rising again for us. This Lenten season meant much to me personally. The main thing that happened to me is that enough people drove me crazy and bugged me to the point that I went to my first CEW. Wow! I cannot go into details but I cannot encourage enough that each and everyone of us should attend one.

Several things are coming up on the near horizon. Let's not forget the Awards Banquet in May. The State Convention is coming up soon. Also the election of officers is close at hand. My Deputy (Jay) has expressed to me that he would like to devote more time to the upcoming convention in Cedar Rapids in 2009 and has asked me to take the reins as Grand Knight for another one year term. If there are no objections from the council I intend to run for another term and train Jay a little at a time so as not to throw it at him next year. Nominations will be open I believe next month with the election being the month after. If my timing is off I apologize.

I would also like to announce that Chris and Barb Zaugg have agreed to take the chair of the Sodexo operations at the Cell Center, Paramount, and Ice arena. I will still be working very closely with them as they have helped me a great deal in the past and I will be most happy to return the favor for as long as they continue in this position. As for the time being the tip money will remain dedicated to JDRF, but of course, next year Chris may dedicate it to what ever cause he wishes.

Thank you all and if I forget to say it in the future please have a safe and blessed summer.

Vivat Jesus,

Mike Toczykowski

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Special points of interest:

-Family of the month: is Chris and Barb Zaugg for agreeing to chair the concession events at the US Cellular, Paramount and Ice Arena for our council. Thank you both for all that you do, and will do, for us to raise money for the Council!

-CO-Knights of the Month: are Jerry Haeg and Jay Fields for their efforts in enacting the calling tree and leading the Rosary at a brother Knight's wife's funeral. You are both appreciated for all you do!

Grand Knight Quote of the Month

To give real service you must add something which cannot be bought or measured with money, and that is sincerity and integrity."

--Douglas Adams

What the Recorder Heard

This month was certainly full! Before the meeting some of us gave blood, then there was a first degree where we welcomed Dan Rouse into the Knights, then the meeting.

We learned the Spelling Bee went well, the degree team went to Altoona, the chair and table room has been rehabbed, the Free Throws are complete (despite the weather), we have some March US Cellular events coming up, the March breakfast was a success, the April 26th dinner will be combined with a Jam Session (it's going to be a real hoot-you'll be sorry if you miss it). The Altar server night at the Kernels will be July 16th. The Fish Fry's are going well.

On old business: The amendment to the by-laws failed. Bryce Schroeder went to Omaha and it was all good news (it looks like his liver is regenerating). The ice machine is fixed for now.

On new business: A motion was passed to purchase a 1/2 page ad in the State Convention program. There was discussion about the upcoming Men's Conference. Discussion about kitchen clean-up, about selling 1 of our beer kegalators.

Thought of the month: *Our 'manliness' is measured by how we treat those that can do nothing for us, by what we do when no one is watching by how well we protect those weaker than ourselves.*

Dick Street
Recorder

Happy Spring!

Spring Dinner/Jam Session

Council #5544 will be hosting a Spring Dinner on Saturday, April 26th in the Parish Center beginning at 5:30 pm.

The dinner will consist of your choice of a Roast Beef or Chicken Platter. The platter includes the meat, mashed potatoes with gravy, veggie, salad, dessert and beverage. Cost is \$6.00 per person.

Stick around for the Jam Session that will follow. The Jam Session is local talent that will perform various types of music for everyone's enjoyment. Bring along your instrument and join the fun! A snack bar will be available during the Jam Session.

Come enjoy a night of food and fun with us on April 26th.

Directory Updates

Please add the following information to your directories so that they are current.

Welcome to new member **Dan Rouse (Jayne)**, 828 D Ave. NW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52405.
Phone 364-8588.

KJ Pilcher has a new phone number, please update to 319-431-8996.

Thomas Pasker has a new address, please update to: 6204 Hoover Trail RD SW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52404-7477

Dan Dye has a new address and phone number, please update to: 6032 Sharon Lane NW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52405. Phone 390-4774.



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April 6	Pancake Breakfast	6:30 am-2:00 pm	Parish Center
April 9	Council Meeting	7:00pm-8:30 pm	Parish Center
April 26	Spring Dinner	5:30 pm-8:00 PM	Parish Center

May 2008

May 4	Pancake Breakfast	6:30 am-2:00 pm	Parish Center
May 10	Awards Banquet	5:30 pm-9:00 pm	Parish Center
May 14	Council Meeting	7:00 pm-8:30 pm	Parish Center