

August 2008

Dear Brother Knights and Families,

It's hard to believe that the summer is quickly coming to an end and it's time for the kids to head back to school.

Congratulations to Matt Ruegg on taking his First Degree and joining our council on August 2nd.

We had a District meeting last month. I want to thank all those who agreed to serve as chairmen of various committees for the coming year. Congratulations to Sir Knight Bob Elbert who is our new District Deputy.

Special thanks to chairmen Sir Knight Danny Hillerman and Sir Knight Gene Roetheli for chairing the Washington Fair Beer stand and all those who volunteered their time. We collected around \$550.00 in tips. The proceeds of this event will go into our vocation fund.

The Tractor Cruise, "Journey for Charity" is scheduled for Sunday, September 14. The Union Council along with St. Clair, St. John's and our council are sponsoring the event. The cruise will conclude at the Washington Park next to the Swimming Pool. All are invited to attend. Food and drinks will be provided. We are also in need of volunteers. Please call me if you can help. It was decided at the last meeting that our council will send our proceeds equally to the Vocation Fund (We are presently helping support two seminarians) and the Pregnancy Assistance Center. All donations from this event will be split equally after expenses with the five councils.

Please mark on your calendars that our Apple butter cook is scheduled for September 16th and 17th. We are in need of lids, rings, pint jars and sugar. Donations are also appreciated. We are also in need of volunteers for Tuesday morning beginning at 7 a.m. to wash jars and lids, Tuesday afternoon to peel apples and Wednesday beginning at 6 a.m. to help stir. Donations are also appreciated. For more information or to volunteer please call chairman, Mark Dobsch or Susan Wilson at the hall.

After our last month's council meeting there was a second reading of the Memorial Association Bylaws. The third reading of three will be read after our council meeting, Tuesday, September 9. After the reading there will be time for discussion and then we will vote to approve the new by-laws. It is very important to attend this meeting.

In sporting events the State Clays and Trap shoot will be held in Branson on September 27 at the Ozark Shooters Complex and the State Bowling Tournament will be held on October 25 and 26 and then again on November 1 and 2 at Town & Country Lanes in Washington hosted by Fr. Bertens #1927 (Dutzow). We would like to see fifty men sign up for this local event.

The Knights of Columbus Annual Family Pilgrimage and Day of Prayer will be Sunday, October 5th at Starkenburg, MO. This day-long event includes a Living Rosary, Stations of the Cross and concludes with Benediction and Mass. There will also be a Fourth Degree Honor Guard. Lunch will be provided for \$9.00 each. All Knights of Columbus members and their families are invited to attend. If we can get enough people interested in attending this event we can car pool together. For more information please call me at 239-4402.

Please mark on your calendars our M.R. Drive on the weekend of October 10th and 11th. The theme this year is "Working Together-We Can Make a Difference for God's Special People." Special thanks to Sir Knight Ken Diener on chairing this year's event.

The next Fish Fry will be August 22 and will benefit the Emmaus Home.

The family of the month is the Charles Feldmann Family. Knight of the Month is Mark Dobsch

Jim Carter won the attendance prize and Donald Hellman won the 50/50 drawing.

Please keep in your prayers the sick and in distress and remember the deceased members of our council and their families. Let us also remember our service men and women who have died and those who continue to serve our country throughout the world.

This month's thought is: "In your patience you are strong."—E.B. Browning

Respectfully submitted, Mark Filla, Grand Knight, 507 Oriole Lane, Washington, MO 63090, 636-239-4402

Notes from the Board of Directors and General Manager

I would like to thank those who made our 41st Annual Picnic a huge success. Your volunteerism and dedication is what makes our organization so successful. Winners in the Benefit Raffle were: \$5,000 – Ed Maschmann, \$1,000 – Tim Mathews, \$500 – Brian Williams, \$250 – Phyllis Moosmann, and \$100 – The Group of Bob Elbert, Dave Elbert, Mike Hoelscher, Bob Hoelscher, Anthony Hoelscher. Thanks to all those who supported this worthy endeavor.

We will vote on our updated and revised By-Laws, after the September 9th Meeting. Meeting time is 7:30pm. For a copy see Bob Elbert or Bill Eckelkamp.

It has come to our attention there has been some misinformation circulating concerning the cost of our Hall Rentals. The Cost are as follows: **Main Hall – \$925, Lower Level - \$500, New Council Room - \$250, Meeting Room - \$125, and the new Pavilion \$150.00.** For current active members there is a \$100 rental discount. For more information contact our General Manager, Tim Mathews @ 636-239-3756 or tmathews@kofc1121.org.

I know it's August, but we are beginning to look forward to the holiday season. We are in need of some decorating assistance; both bodies and eyes for that special holiday touch. Please contact Tim in the office if you are willing to help out.

MIZZOU vs. ILLINI, Saturday, August 30th. Lounge Specials. Bring your pit, snacks, etc. and we'll tailgate on the Patio. Game Time 7:30pm

Wanted: Part-time Saturday Afternoon Bartender 1pm – 6pm. Schedule will be two Saturday Afternoons a month.

Fraternally yours Tom Hellebusch, Board President

Insurance Department: A Way of Life

When was the last time your wife went shopping for the day and left you to mind the children? How would you handle this responsibility, day after day, plus having to work?

When I ask this question, I find that most of our members have closed their minds to this possibility. Unfortunately, it does happen, you know. No man likes to place a monetary value on his spouse. But money is the only thing that will give you a fighting chance to keep a semblance of a home for your kids should anything happen to your wife.

Many insurance men call it "wife insurance." I like to call it "**way of life**" insurance.

Call me today. I want to hear from you. Robert King, Sir Knight, 636-239-1016

Ladies Auxiliary

Hope everyone had a nice summer, and to all our members whose birthdays are in August. Hope you had a great day.

The picnic on July 20, we served about 600 dinners and I want to say a BIG, BIG THANKS to all who helped in the kitchen. You did a GREAT JOB. Thanks again.

We will meet again on September 2nd in the meeting room upstairs. DD Bob Elbert will be at our meeting.

This has been a busy summer for us and if Susan calls you PLEASE say "Yes" to her and help with a dinner.

Remember October 11 is Awards Dinner. We will vote for Lady of the Year at the Septemer meeting.

If you have an address change please call Dee Shirley @ 390-8225 or Susan Wilson @239-3756 ext 21.

If any K of C members wives would like to join the Ladies Auxiliary please call me or we meet the first Tuesday of the month. We would love to have you join in the fun.

Ladies to serve September meeting are : Norma Stockhorst, Ruth Straatmann, Marcella Strubberg, Delores Struckoff, Doris Sullentrup, Doris Tobben. Any questions call Dottie @ 239-6993.

See you all in September Eleanor J. Eckelkamp, Auxiliary President, 721 Stone Gate Drive, Washington, MO 63090, 636-239-3412