

September 2008

Dear Brother Knights and Families,

As summer comes to a close we head into fall with many activities and events coming up in the next several weeks.

There is a First Degree scheduled for Tuesday, October 7 beginning at 7p.m. in New Haven and another is scheduled on Thursday, November 6 in Dutzow.

The Knights of Columbus Annual Family Pilgrimage and Day of Prayer will be Sunday, October 5th at Starkeburg, 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.

The M.R. Drive will be 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. This is one of the largest fundraiser's the Knights do every year. Please say yes when called on to volunteer or call Ken or myself to help collect money for this very important event.

Our annual "Awards Night" will be Saturday, October 11 in the lower level of the hall. This is when we recognize our 25 year, 50 year, Honorary and Honorary Life members. We also honor one special gentleman as Knight of the Year. Complimentary cocktails will be served beginning at 6 p.m., followed by the meal at 6:30 p.m. and the program beginning around 7:30 p.m. All members and their families are invited to attend.

Please mark on your calendars our "First Annual Halloween Hayride and Costume Contest Party" on Friday, October 17 beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the lower level of the hall. All children 3 and up are invited. The evening will include a hayride on the grounds, a Costume contest and Halloween games for all ages. Prizes will be awarded. Food and drinks will also be provided. Special thanks to Susan Wilson for putting this event together. If you are interested in volunteering to help please call Susan at the hall or myself.

The Knights of Columbus State Bowling Tournament will be on the weekends of October 25-26 and November 1-2 hosted by the Dutzow Knights of Columbus Council 1927 at the Town & Country Lanes in Washington. Registration forms are in the lounge at the hall. Our council will pay for the first 20 who sign up.

Our memorial Mass is scheduled for Wednesday, November 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the lower level of the hall. A light lunch will be served following the Mass. All members and their families are invited.

The next Fish Fry will be September 26 and will benefit our Vocation fund and Pregnancy Assistance. We are in need of desserts for this next fish fry.

The family of the month is the Aloys Unerstall Family. Knight of the Month is Jim Maniaci III.

Fr. Greg won the attendance prize and Leo Swoboda 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 as we remember the tragic events of September 11 seven years later, let us remember that peace must begin in our own hearts before we can pass it on to others. God bless our country!

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

Notes from the Board of Directors and General Manager

WOW, where did the summer go. Kids are back in school and it's football season already.

The new Memorial Association By-Laws were read, approved and adopted after the September Council meeting. Special thanks to the members of the By-Laws Committee for their time and efforts on this project. If you wish to have a copy of our New By-Laws, contact Tom Hellebusch, Bob Elbert, or Bill Eckelkamp.

Our Bingo and Chicken Stand Chairman are filling out the 2009 calendar, please consider sharing your time for these worthy causes. A great time is had by all when you participate.

Ladies, don't be left @ home on the first week of Deer Season. The Hall will be hosting its 1st **Annual Women's Washer Tourney. 2 person team/\$20 per team. Limited to the first 48 teams. This tournament is open to the public.** Registration @ 11am , Tournament begins at Noon. For more information contact Tim in the office.

MIZZOU vs. NEBRASKA, Saturday October 4th. Lounge Specials. Tim Mathews and Pat Dyson will be donating meat for the tailgate party, all you need is your Mizzou Gear and an appetite. Game Time TBA. Rumor has it Entertainment Director John "Husker" Walsh, will be supplying ears of roasted corn.

We will be hosting a Wii Bowling Tournament in the Lounge Saturday October 25th @ 7pm. There will be an Adult and Children's Division. Prizes for the top 3 teams, food and drink specials. Contact Tim or John Walsh for more details.

We are still looking for assistance with Holiday Decorations, both bodies and eyes for that special holiday touch. Please contact Tim in the office if you are willing to help out.

Fraternally yours Tom Hellebusch, Board President

Insurance Department: Back to School

Is there anyone out there who has not noticed the absence of children on the streets during the day? No question about it, school has reopened. Never before has more emphasis been placed on school costs – and how to pay for them. Sure, the Order has a scholarship program and a student loan program and our Swift-Matthews Educational Trust Fund does answer particular needs. But most still must borrow money from banks in order to finance a college education for their sons or daughters.

Costs, of course, are up. This comes as no great surprise. In fact, while most people loudly protest increases in food prices, taxes and costs of other services, seldom do they oppose increases in the cost of education. Most parents seem to view college costs as an investment. They are investing money in their children's future. It has been definitely established that college graduates earn, on the average, from 1 1/2 to two times as much as non-college grads. Perhaps this is the reason why costs are so infrequently questioned.

Wise members prepare for these expenses by planning for them in advance. I can tell you of a plan specifically designed with college in mind. It enables you to plan, in advance, for your child's college bills. It guarantees that if your child has the desire, the ambition, and the drive, he or she will also have the money. Moreover, it has a feature that no other financial institution can offer. If you die, the money you had planned to save will still be there.

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

Ladies Auxiliary

In September we had 26 ladies at the meeting.

With two new members, Missy Piontek and Eunice Mauntel. Welcome Ladies.

DD Bob Elbert gave a talk on upcoming events with the K of C. Thanks Bob.

Remember October 11 is Awards Dinner. Ladies to receive their 25 year pins are Verona Elbert, Doris Tobben, Thecla Sieve and Marie Toben. 50 years members are Verlin Brinker, Mary Kuenzel, Diane Meyer and Irene Voss. Congratulations Ladies for all you have done for the Auxiliary. A Big Thanks to all! See you at the dinner.

Maxine Johnson gave a talk on the Alzheimer's memory walk and the care givers at the hospital. They have sessions on this and you can call Maxine to find out the time of the meeting. Thanks Maxine. Rose Edler's son has Alzheimer's and asked to help with the walk for her son.

If you have an address change please call Dee Shirley at 390-8225 or Susan Wilson at 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.

Birthdays in July were Doris Weber, Wilma Kuenzel and Delores Struckhoff. Birthdays in August were Susan Wilson. Birthdays in September are Maxine Johnson , Verona Elbert, Mildred Klenke. Hope you all had or have a great day. Happy Birthday to all.

Charity Award won by Mary Kuchs; Gifts won by Doris Sullentrop, Verona Elbert, Doris Tobben, Norma Stockhorst, Mary Kuchs and Marcella Strubberg; Free Dues Ginny Stallmann not present.

Ladies to serve October meeting are : Dorothy Toben, Barbara Trebacz, Donna Unnerstall, Karen Unnerstall, Tina VanBooven and Bernice Volmert. Any questions call Dottie @ 239-6993.

See you all at the October meeting and the dinner on October 11.

..... Eleanor J. Eckelkamp, Auxiliary President, 721 Stone Gate Drive, Washington, MO 63090, 636-239-3412