Knights of Columbus

POPE PIUS XII COUNCIL 4765 Saint Thomas Aquinas Parish July 2008

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Jewels were handed to each of newly elected officers. First Degree Certificates were given to our two newest members; John Ottinger and Kyle Berna. Positions were announced and assigned in our annual service audit to Supreme. The financial audit is due by 15 August. The new council being formed at St. Mike's is in need of assistance. The State is giving them \$250.00 to help with expenses. Councils in the District are being asked if they would also like to help financially. Officers and members of Pius XII are also planning on attending their informal meeting on 17 July at 7:00 PM. Any one interested in attending is welcome. District is pushing for formal meetings. We will hold four per year. Formal meetings require all officers to wear coat and tie and the room is to be set according to plan. September will be our next formal meeting.

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

John Wallover, our Past Deputy Grand Knight presented 4th Degree Certificates to Joe Kelly and Rich Blinn. Sean Berna received his certificate in the mail. Congratulations Worthy Sir Knights!

CHAPLIN'S REPORT

Thank you to all that have helped with the work in Aquinas Hall, especially those that helped with pulling the wire. Please get your names to Father Larry, he will greatly appreciate knowing who you are.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our new 1st Degree Members:

 Kyle Berna (Our youngest First Degree member)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Next General Meeting August 5
Meeting at St. Mike's July 17
Installation of Officers August 19*
Trenton Thunder August 23
Monte Carlo Night October 4
(*Installation of officer's date is not confirmed yet)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer's Report: Final total for the ARC collection is \$3,119.73. Great job all!

Financial Secretary Report:

Unfortunately, seven of our brothers have fallen behind in their dues and risk being removed from our roles. If you, or someone you know is behind, please contact Russ Andrews to clear things up. Membership: Two names were read at the July meeting for the first time. The next First Degree will be in either September or October. Know of someone that is interested? Contact Derek deBeaumont. Also, don't forget to always have a form 100 handy. Monte Carlo Night: Russell has Monte Carlo Night scheduled for 4 October, (1st Saturday in October). Needless to say, he will be looking for volunteers to help; set-up, clean up, work the tables, etc. Please do not let Russ down, volunteer early and get the job you want to do.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

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Trenton Thunder: Jerry Smedley has made arrangements for a night at the Trenton Thunder. The date is August 23 and game time is 7:05. Ticket price is \$7.00 per person. This is a really good price for a great night out. Jerry is taking names and ticket counts now. All orders for tickets must be in to Jerry before 23 July.

Council Social: John Wallover is already hard at work on next year's Council Social. Tentative dates are either Sunday 14 June or Saturday 20 June. Any one that feels one date is better than the other, please let John know.

Degree Team: Our First Degree Team is rebuilding nicely. We have learned that we could really use back ups for all the positions. Some parts are easy, some a little less easy. Several brothers have offered to study as back-ups for positions on the team. There are still positions that need to be covered with back up support. Anyone interested should contact Al Scheck. The District is also considering putting together a Second Degree Team. Again, anyone interested should contact Al.

Coal Tickets: Once again Bob Kringe will be heading up our COALS program. Tickets will be in soon, let's see what we can do to help him out.

Sweeps Tickets: You guessed it! Rich Powell is handling the football sweeps tickets again this year. Rich expects to have tickets in time for the August meeting, just in time to get people when they are really excited about the new football season. See Rich for your tickets.

<u>Food Baskets:</u> It is never too early to start thinking about our baskets for the needy program. Harry Haegele has offered to head this program. If you

know of anyone in need, please let Harry know.

50th ANNIVERSARY

1 April 2009 marks the Council's 50th Anniversary. This momentous event needs to be an all out, big time celebration. Some ideas are already being tossed around, but a committee is needed to ensure that this is an event to be long remembered in the Council's history. Any and all help is greatly appreciated and needed. Let Mike Fratantero know if you are interested. Additionally any; pictures, stories or information regarding the Council's history will also be greatly appreciated.

INFORMATION NEEDED

A suggestion was made when this newsletter was first being discussed that it would be nice to mention; birthdays, years of service and wedding or ordination anniversaries. I just need these dates from you one time and we can mention your special dates.

Another idea to help us grow in our Faith and in our knowledge of the Order would be to each month list a brief fact about each. I need the help of someone that is very knowledgeable in the details of the Order and some that is equally knowledgeable in our Faith to submit a question for reflection or fact each month.

SICK LIST

Please keep the following brothers and / or their family members in your prayers:

- Joe Powell, (Rich & Sean's father)
- Joe Cochran's Sister-in-law
- Un-named brother Knight
- Other family members and members of STA Parish

BAPTISM SCHEDULE

July Gabriel Gallagher August Al Scheck

HELP WANTED

The Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament are planning on a Shrine Dedication Mass and Ceremony. The date is Saturday November 1 at Noon. Color Corps are requested along with someone to take pictures. Bob Gutherman and Jim Berna will again submit to The Columbia for recognition.

DID YOU KNOW?

As we contemplate on our Country's Independence and freedoms we often wonder; "what would have happened if..." One interesting thought; did you know that English as our official language passed by only a one vote margin? Any guess what the runner up language was? (German)

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

By the Ladies of the Knights
July Meeting
July 28
August Meeting
Aug. 25
(August meeting is a dinner meeting)
Soup & Conversation November 2

PARISH PICNIC

The word is that the Ladies of the Knights once again did a fantastic job with putting together the annual Parish Picnic. Great food and great times matched the fabulous weather. Anyone that did not attend certainly missed out on a good thing.

K of C APPAREL

You have undoubtedly seen brothers wearing; shirts, jackets and hats with the Knights of Columbus logo and Pope Pius XII Council. Ever wondered where they got them? You can get them to, just talk to Rich Powell to place an order.

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Any brothers that have something that they want listed in this newsletter should contact Jim Berna. Jim can be reached at 215-788-7004, or by e-mail at buoyz3@aol.com.

