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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

At the 1st Degree's that was sponsored by our Council on May 19th and on May 26th six new members joined our council. Welcome to Jake Bettin, Guy Beemer, Nick Kotewa, Michael Theissen, Jerry Bohlsen and Bart Stadtherr. We thank them for joining our council and encourage their involvement as we strive to better serve our Parish, our Community and our Council.

STATE AWARDS

At the annual Knights of Columbus State Convention, which was held in Duluth on May 15th thru May 17th, our council was presented with '7' State Awards. The Awards received were for the following: **"Most Outstanding Program in the State of Minnesota"**, **"Best Church Event in the State of Minnesota"** (Annual KC Raffle with proceeds given to the St. John Vianney Catholic School), **"Best Council Event in the State of Minnesota"** (Major/Major Degree), **"Best Youth Event in the State of Minnesota"** (Annual Ray Rosol Memorial Basketball Tournament), **"State Officers Award for sponsored Family Event"** (Annual Appreciation Dinner), **"State Officers Award for sponsored Culture of Life Event"** (Annual Pro-Life Dinner) and an Award for **"Overall Excellence in Program and Membership Activities"**. What a tremendous accomplishment and was a great reflection on your our members for your continual willingness to give of your time in "Service to Others". **You all have done a great job and should be very proud of your efforts!!**

EVANGELIZATION AND PRAYER

-----MAKE THE FOLLOWING YOUR DAILY PRAYER-----

Lord we are your people.

Please, dear Lord, work through Your Knights of Columbus

That we will respond to give healing to the wounded,

That we will give of self,

So we may touch those in pain, cleanse the soiled, warm the cold.

Help us to know the Father's love through you and through your Spirit.

Help us to liven up that love and show it all over the land.

Help all of us, as Knights, to build love on justice.

Help us, dear Lord, in our efforts at our Knights of Columbus facility,

that we may better serve in our ministry to you.

Renew the Knights of Columbus that we may help to renew the face of the earth.

SUPPORT YOUR BROTHER KNIGHTS

Are you looking for an investment opportunity and in need of someone to help point you in the right direction? Are you in need of a loan for that special purchase that you have been thinking of and putting off? Do you need a new furnace/air conditioner or possibly looking at some new furniture and wondering how to pay for it? How about a Home Equity loan that would meet those needs? Why not contact Brother Chris Pierce at US Bank. Chris and his dedicated staff can help you with any loan that you might need, as well as provide advice as to what money market or savings account that would best fit your needs. Contact Chris today at 236-8300. This is another business who supports our council by advertising on our cover, therefore, making the publishing of our newsletter possible. Please thank them by supporting them whenever possible.

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

During the month of June the membership meetings will be on June 2nd and on June 16th. The membership meetings will begin at 8:00 pm, with lunch being served following the meeting. All members are asked and encouraged to attend, with a special invitation to our new members. Consider calling a fellow member and offering a ride to/from the meeting. **Hope to see you there!!!**

LUNCH COMMITTEE

During the month of June the following Officers are being asked to serve lunch:

June 2nd

*Don Grandgenett

Dave Landsteiner

June 16th

*Dave Landsteiner

Tim Siegler

Lunch will be served immediately following the membership meeting and all who eat are asked to please make a donation toward its cost. Thank you to the Officers for providing this service. *Denotes the member who is responsible for picking up the lunch. The food (meat, chips, ice cream etc.) can be gotten at Hy-Vee, (please pay for it and bring back the receipt for reimbursement), or you may charge it at Fareway Foods. Thank you to the officers of our council for providing this service over the past many years.

BARTENDERS

We are in need of members who would be interested in helping with bartending duties. We presently have '8' members who serve as bartenders and rotate these duties (Ken Gorackowski, Jim Kasel, Mark Kotewa, Denny Pytleski, Jim Hahn, Steve Pavich, Steve Petroviak, Andy Lucas, and Mike Coady). If this is something that you would be interested in trying please call our Bar Manager, Ken Gorackowski at 236-6145 for more information. **Welcome to new bartenders Jim Kasel and Mark Kotewa**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The following members of our council will celebrate their "Birthday" during the month of June:

Jim Anderson	Bob Bulfer	Carroll Collins	Dennis Farrow	Don Grandgenett
Brad Hady	Paul Hargan	Jim Hill	Norby Hines	Gary Hoehn
Loren Kleven	Dareld Koopman	Ed Kotewa	Leo Krumholz	Dave Landsteiner
Isaac Landsteiner	Matt Landsteiner	Chad McGowan	Charles Pearson	Jim Schoener
Jon Slinde	Stan Sukalski	Dave Vogel	Frank Winzenburg	

We wish them a very Happy Birthday and express our gratitude to each of them for being a member of our council. If your name has been omitted or is listed in a wrong month please contact Andy Lucas at 238-1213 or (alucas@frontiernet.net) and our records will be changed accordingly: **HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND THANK YOU FOR BEING A MEMBER OF OUR COUNCIL!!!**

JUNE WORKERS FOR KC BINGO

Captain-----Ed Langford
Cashier-----Dave Kuhl

<u>June 3rd</u>	<u>June 10th</u>	<u>June 17th</u>	<u>June 24th</u>
Caller--Jim	Caller--Rod	Caller--Denny	Caller--Andy
Pull Tabs-Jim	Pull Tabs-Jack	Pull Tabs-Red	Pull Tabs-Ray
Workers:	Workers:	Workers:	Workers:
Andy Noll 238-1559	Mike Lockwood 236-3809	Tom Zehnder 381-1754	Ben Landsteiner 236-2350
Bob Millette 236-4058	Mike Brau 848-4228	Greg Leiferman 236-1423	Bill Rosa 651-775-9404
Dennis Lockwood 236-5782	Ron Kopischke 235-3512	Mark Lenort 399-9144	Richard Birkle 307-331-8324

Thank you to all workers who were assigned to help during the month of May and took the time to do so. Your help is very much appreciated and your willingness to volunteer is what enables us to make the many donations that we do. The above workers are being asked to be at our hall by 6:45 pm on the day that you are scheduled. **If you are not able to work please trade with another assigned worker or find someone else to take your place.** Thank you once again to all the members who are involved with our gambling program. You are the reason for the great amount of success that we realize. A Special Thank You to Don Moritz and Leon Lammers for chairing our gaming committee.

JULY WORKERS FOR KC BINGO

Captain-----Bruce Hady
Cashier-----Ron Mosloski

<u>July 1st</u>	<u>July 8th</u>	<u>July 15th</u>	<u>July 22nd</u>	<u>July 29th</u>
Caller--Rod	Caller--Jim	Caller--Rod	Caller--Denny	Caller--Andy
Pull Tabs-Henry	Pull Tabs-Mike	Pull Tabs-Jim	Pull Tabs-Jack	Pull Tabs-Red
Workers:	Workers:	Workers:	Workers:	Workers:
Mike Nowicki 773-4218	Leland Leichtnam 399-1303	Brad Hady 238-4077	Bob Petrowiak 238-5481	Paul Determan 236-1214
Mel Ruppert 360-9151	Logan Patrick 469-5627	Brian Schultz 238-9369	Brian Petrowiak 235-3762	Gary Haeckel 238-4892
Don Grandgenett 236-8092	Darren Maday 236-5802	John Landsteiner 848-6837	Tom Johanneck 236-7504	Aaron Haycraft 848-6873

KC MEMORIAL DONATIONS

Remember to look for the "Blue Memorial Envelopes" when you are considering making a memorial donation for a friend or a loved one. These envelopes are located at the funeral home and also at the entrances to the Church. This continues to be an excellent way to support our council, while also paying tribute to the individual/s who have gone before us. We would very much like to have this process move along as quickly as possible so that the grieved and the donor receive their acknowledgments soon after the donation is made. If you have a memorial that you would like to give please send it to the following address:

Knights of Columbus, 462 Amber Lake Drive, Fairmont, Minnesota 56031

If you, as a member, have been given a memorial to turn in for someone else, please make every attempt to get it to Tom Johanneck (at the above address) as soon as possible. Tom, thank you for providing this service to our council for the past several years.

SECURITY

We are in need of members who would be interested in helping with "Security" duties. We presently have '5' members who serve on our security committee and they rotate these duties (Joe Schaffer, Tim Siegler, Pat Bulfer, Chad McGowan & Bill Rosa). Security is normally only needed when our bar is open and depending on the number of rentals at our facility, security committee members will work about once ever fifth week in the busy summer months and less frequently during the slower months. If this is something that you would be interested in trying please call our Joe Schaffer at 507-920-8472 for additional information. **Welcome to Security Chad McGowan.**

INSCRIBED PATIO PAVERS

Inscribed Patio Pavers are still available for anyone who might be interested in their purchase. The cost for each paver is \$125. and this will include up '3' lines of printing, with up to '23' characters per line. These pavers will be put into our patio area and as additional ones are sold, four existing brick pavers (that do not have any names on them) will be removed and the inscribed pavers will be added in their place. This continues to be an excellent way to permanently recognize your family or to memorialize a loved one. We still have a few blank pavers available and are now in the process of placing an order getting them inscribed with names of individuals who have purchased them. The cost for inscribed pavers will be increased once the available ones have been sold. If you are considering a purchase now is the time to do so before the price increases. Contact Red Holland today at 728-8812 for additional information or to place your order. Once again this continues to be a great way to support our council, while at the same time establishing a permanent way to recognize your family or to memorialize a loved one. We also have 16" X 16" pavers at a cost of \$400. Contact Red today at 236-1637 for more details!

MAY ROSARIES

During the month of May members of our Council once again led the rosary at the St. John Vianney Parish. The intentions of the rosaries, which were said prior to the 10:00 am Mass, were for the victims of abortion, as well as for those who are contemplating having an abortion. Thank you to the following members for being willing to become involved in this service:

Don Grandgenett Leon Lammers Bart Franta Mark Kiecker Larry Siegler Vince Landsteiner
Andy Lucas

If you as a member of our council would be interested in leading the rosary during the month of October please E-Mail me at alucas@frontiernet.net or call me at 238-1213 (Andy Lucas)

COMMITTEE'S IN OUR FACILITY

Thank you to all members who were involved in the **success** of our council during the month of May. The running of our facility certainly takes a great deal of commitment from all of us, as members, in order to run as smoothly as it does. Your willingness to give of your time is without question the reason for the great amount of success that we have experienced--thank you!!!! If you are scheduled to help on a various committee **PLEASE** do your best to do so. It is certainly understandable that you can not always help when asked to do so, if this is the case, **please find a substitute if you can not help when assigned** (trade with a member on another committee). Please also let the captain of your committee know that you will not be able to help and that you have found someone to take your place. All the duties that we do at our hall are certainly manageable when the members asked to help are able to do so. The duties become much more difficult when the volunteers are reduced and the members present have to pick up the slack. We, as a council, have certainly accomplished great things because of the support that we have received from you our members. Please help us continue our success by your involvement. **If you are not able to be involved, or would rather be assigned to some different duties PLEASE contact Andy Lucas at 238-1213 and the schedule will be adjusted accordingly.** Time is our most valuable asset and the sharing of this asset is the true measure of **success**. **Success** that is not measured in the amount of financial wealth you have accumulated, but rather measured by the feeling that you have in your heart when you put the interest of others before your own. This feeling is something that money can not buy, but rather is the instant gratification for a job well done. Thank you to each member for the contributions that you have made in our quest to make the Fairmont Area a little better place in which to live. **The following are the Bar, Dish, & Security activities scheduled for the months of June/July:**

5-30-15--Krome Rental

Chad McGowan & Andy Lucas

Dishes--Lau Team

Security--Tim

6-13-15--Gormally Rental

Mike Coady & Jim Hahn

Dishes--Pytleski Team

Security-Pat

7-11-15--Brown Rental

Ken Goraczkowski & Jim Kasel

Dishes--Lau Team

Security-Joe

7-18-15--East Chain Class Reunion

Steve Pavich & Steve Petrowiak

Dishes--Pytleski Team

Security-Bill

7-25-15--Class Reunion

Ken Goraczkowski & Mark Kotewa

Dishes--Lau Team

Security--Chad & Joe

June/July Rentals

5-30-15--Krome Rental

6-13-15--Gormally Rental

6-28-15--KC Patio Party

5-31-15--Schweiss Rental

6-14-15--Kosbab Rental

7-9-15--Top of the Hill

6-2-15--KC Meeting

6-16-15--KC Meeting

7-11-15--Brown Rental

6-7-12--AHG Girls

6-25-15--Auctioneer Alley

7-18-15--Reunion

6-11-15--Bradford Rental

6-27-15--Garden Girls

7-25-15--Class Reunion

Dish Committee--June/July

*Larry Lau

Jon Slinde

236-0522

Paul Hargan

236-2038

Paul Determan

236-1214

Mike Theissen

289-5099

Andy Landsteiner

236-1400

David Hill

848-5963

Mike Lockwood

236-3809

Mark Kiecker

236-8621

Dish Committee--June/July

*Denny Pytleski

Daryl Pytleski

Bob Millette

Darwin Kotewa

236-3970

Paul Cihoski

236-3809

Logan Patrick 469-5627

Tom Sonnek

Reid Van Brundt

Dallyn Kotewa

236-7196

Nate Brown

Setup--June/July

*Dave Kuhl

Dennis Lockwood

Bart Eriksen

Steve Schmitz

Tim Clements

399-9699

Joe Corona

Jim Anderson (July)

Gary Hoehn

Dean Dwyer

238-2321

Cleanup--June/July

*Steve Pavich

Jerry Jorgenson

Tim Siegler

236-4253

Jim Duchene

399-2021

Richard Birkle

307-331-8324

*Henry Smith

Paul Betts

Bill Rosa

651-775-9404

Josh McCarthick

848-1619

John Landsteiner

848-6837

* **Will contact team members with additional information. If you are not able to help PLEASE find you own sub and inform your captain of such.** Captains if you need contact numbers for some of your team members please contact Andy @ 238-1213.

AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS BENEFIT BREAKFAST

Our Council will be sponsoring a "Pancake & Sausage Breakfast" benefiting our local "American Heritage Girls" program. The breakfast will be held at our hall on Sunday, June 7th. Pancakes, Sausage, Milk, Juice and Coffee will be served from 9:00 am until noon. A "Free Will Offering" will be taken and the proceeds will be given to our local AHG Program. Mike Murphy and Andy Lucas are being asked to chair this event and the following members are being asked to help:

Gary Haeckel

Bart Franta

John Grotte

Mike Lockwood

David Hill

Scott Higgins

Ben Landsteiner

John Landsteiner

Aaron Haycraft

Mike Garry

Dennis Lockwood

Tim Siegler

Denny Pytleski

Jim Hahn

The above members will be contacted with additional information..

PATIO PARTY

Our council will be sponsoring a "Patio Party" on Sunday, June 28th. All members, their spouses, and guests of members are invited to attend. Our council will be furnishing "Potato Salad", "Salad", "Baked Beans", "Snacks", Coffee, Wine, Soda, and a Keg of Beer. **Those attending are asked to bring the meat of your choice for grilling and will also be asked to grill your own meat. You are also reminded to please bring your own plates and eating utensils.** Fellowship will begin at 3:00 pm, with eating beginning at about 6:00 pm. Jerry Determan, Dave Segar and Larry Siegler are being asked to chair this event and the following members are being asked to help:

Duane Nawrocki

Jim Eberhard

Jack Zimmer

Leon Lammers

Jim Hill

Dallyn Kotewa

Duane Petrowiak

Steve Landsteiner

Archie Farnham

Charles Pearson

Jim Simser

Joe Burns

Carroll Collins

Dennis Lockwood

Scott Mixson

Mel Ruppert

Don Grandgenett

An informational letter, along with a "Reservation Form" has been sent to each members home (same mailing as the golf outing). If you are interested in attending please return the reservation form, along with payment, in the envelope provided by Friday, June 19th.

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Our council's will once again be sponsoring our annual Golf Outing at the Rose Lake Golf Course. The event will be held on Monday, June 29th. An information letter, along with a "Reservation Form", has been sent out to each members home. If you are interested in attending please completed and return the Reservation Form, along with a check, in the envelope provided by Friday, June 19th. As a reminder, the golf outing gives everyone interested a chance to golf, but in addition it also involves a supper following golfing. So if you are not interested in golfing you can still attend the supper. Chuck Carlson and Denny Pytleski are being asked to chair this event and all members and their guests are invited to attend. Remember if we as a council are to continue sponsoring social event we do need your help and support. The amount of work that goes into these projects is considerable and if no one attends it is very disheartening for those who have put in the time organizing the event. So please consider attending and supporting this event, its very future does depend on each of our decisions. If you have any questions please contact Chuck Carlson at 848-5052 or Denny Pytleski at 399-9210.

CORPORATION MEMBERS

The terms of the Building Corporation Officers Henry Smith & Dave Segar will expire on June 30, 2015. If you would be interested in serving on our Building Corporation (responsible for making decisions concerning the running of our facility) please contact Tom Johanneck at 236-7504 or Bob Bishop at 236-2469. If more than '2' members indicate an interest a ballot will be sent out. If only '2' members indicate an interest in filling this '3' year term, approval will be sought at our June 16th membership meeting. The newly elected Corporation Officers will take office on July 1, 2015. Current Corporation Officers are:

Dave Segar & Henry Smith--term ends 6-30-15 Joe Schaffer & Andy Lucas--term ends 6-30-16 Tom Johanneck & Bob Bishop--term ends 6-30-17

INTERLAKEN HERITAGE DAYS PARADE

Our council will once again have a float in the annual Heritage Days Parade on Saturday, June 13th. We will once again be having members ride on the float (**all 4th Degree members are asked to ride on the float**), as well as members walking the parade and handing out candy. Pat Bulfer is being asked to pull the float with Red Holland and John Eisenmenger being asked to chair the parade riders committee and the following members are being asked to ride in the parade:

Larry Lau	Vince Landsteiner	Don Moritz	Carroll Collins	Chad McGowan	Dave Kuhl
Don Grandgenett	Larry Siegler	Ed Langford	Tom Johanneck	Chuck Carlson	Bart Eriksen
Chris Pierce	Charles Pearson	Joe Schaffer	Richard Birkle	Duane Nawrocki	Jim Eberhard

Leon Lammers and Bob Katzenberger are being asked to get the candy ready for the parade walkers and the following members are being asked to walk in the parade:

Kevin Nowicki	Mark Kiecker	Aaron Haycraft	John Landsteiner
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All members of our council are certainly welcome and invited to ride on our float. If your name is not listed above, please do not feel that you are being excluded as all members of our council are invited.

NEW OFFICERS

The Trustees of our council are being asked to provide a 2015/2016 "Slate of Officers" for our June 2nd membership meeting. At that time the approval of the new officer candidates will be sought from the members present. Once approved, the new officers will take office at the July 7th membership meeting. If you are interested in becoming an officer or would like additional information please contact one of the current Trustees: John Eisenmenger @ 238-1370 or Leland Leichtnam at 399-1303 or Pat Bulfer 399-1361. **All newly elected officers will be asked to attend at least one membership meeting per month, thereby, helping to ensure input and direction for our council's 2015/2016 calendar year.** This continues to be a fantastic way to serve your council, so please consider stepping forward and offering your support. If you are willing to become an officer PLEASE be willing to attend at least one membership meeting per month.

TRUMAN DAYS PARADE

Our council will be involved with the Truman Days Parade on Saturday, July 25th. We will be having members of our council ride on the float, as well as members walking the parade handing out candy. Red Holland and Vince Landsteiner are asked to chair the parade riders committee and the following members are being asked to ride in the parade:

John Eisenmenger	Guy Beemer	Mike Murphy	Don Moritz	Don Grandgenett	Larry Siegler	Joe Schaffer
Jake Bettin	Duane Nawrocki	Jim Eberhard	Dave Landsteiner	Jon Slinde	Pat Bulfer	Bob Millette
Nick Kotewa	Mark Kotewa	Jerry Bohlsen	Mike Thissen	Bart Stadtherr		

All 4th Degree members are also asked to consider riding on our float and will be contacted with additional information.

Dave Segar and Ed Langford are being asked to get the candy ready for the parade walkers and the following members are being asked to walk in the parade: Tom Zehnder Pat Graif Brian Ostlie Chuck Carlson

Greg Leiferman is being asked to pull the trailer in the parade.

LET'S GO FISHING

Our Council has Tuesday, June 9th reserved for the "Let's Go Fishing" Program. If you are interested in going fishing on this date please contact Duane Petrowiak at 236-1059 to signup, as well as, to get additional information.

STAR COUNCIL

Our council appears to be well on our way to achieve "Star Council Status" for the 2014/2015 Council year. The reports have been sent into the Supreme for the "Activities" portion of the award and we feel that we have met/exceeded this requirement. We have submitted names to our insurance agent and once he has made contact with our members we feel we have also fulfilled the "Insurance" quota requirement. The last requirement to achieve Star Council Status is to meet/exceed the new member quota established by the Supreme Council for the 2014-2015 council year, that being '18' new members. Going into the month of May our council had '12' new members, meaning that we still needed '6' additional new members to achieve this last and final requirement. Thanks to the work done by Greg Cochran, Mark Kotewa and Don Moritz the 1st Degree held on May 19th resulted in '4' new members to our council, leaving us still '2' new members short. We had an additional 1st Degree on May 26th at which time John Eisenmenger was able to find a previous member who agreed to re-instate his membership and Dave Landsteiner found a candidate who joined our council. We now feel that we have met the last and final requirement, that being "New Membership Quota". We will provide further updates as they become available.

WELL WISHER

If you know of a member of our council, or a member's family, who is celebrating a special birthday, anniversary, who is sick or who has died, please contact Well Wisher, Bob Millette at 235-9833 (E-Mail millette@midco.net). Bob will send a card offering congratulations, wishing a speedy recovery or extending our council's sympathy. During the past couple of months cards have been sent to the following:

Get Well: Jamelle Swanson **Sympathy:** Ralph Wimmer (wife's death)

Thank you Bob for the many years that you have provided this service for our council!!!

KC PRAYER

By your example, Father McGivney, teach me to see Jesus in others especially in my family members and in my fellow Knights. Help me to reach out to those in need. Give me the courage to follow God's will. Under your care may the Good News of Christ be proclaimed through my living. Through your intercession may God guide me to accept the difficulties in my life and to work toward a happy and healthy solution. All of this I ask through Christ, Our Lord. Amen

KNIGHTS NOTES

Congratulations to all members on winning '7' awards at the annual KC State Convention. This is a tremendous accomplishment and a great reflection on you, our members. These awards are much more than mere plaques that are displayed on a wall, but rather show the dedication and willingness of you to give of your time in service to others. You certainly set the standards for others to follow!!! Thank you to all members for a job well done!!!!---Welcome new members (Jake Bettin, Guy Beemer, Nick Kotewa, Mike Theissen, Jerry Bohlsen & Bart Stadtherr). We thank you for taking the time to join our council and we look forward to your involvement.---We encourage everyone to support the American Heritage Girls benefit breakfast, which is being sponsored by our council on Sunday, June 7th. We are the sponsoring agent for this group and I am sure that they could use some financial support for upcoming summer projects.---Our annual spring "Patio Party" will be held at our patio area on Sunday, June 28th. All members should have received an informational letter, along with a reservation form. The cost for the event is only \$5 per person. Hope to see everyone there!!!!---Our annual Golf Outing will be held at the Rose Lake Golf Club on Monday June 29th. Once again an informational letter (same letter as for the patio party) was sent to every members home. Please do your best to attend.---Hope everyone is having a GREAT WEEK!!!!