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The KC Hall is a great place for a Wedding or special event. To rent the hall call: Paul Nevins 715-720-9601 Steve Gilles at 715-723-1060

# Goldsmith News April/May 2018 Knights of Columbus Council #974

#### Regular Meetings 7:30 PM

Mon. May 7, 2018 Mon. June 4, 2018 Mon. July 2, 2018

# Officers Meetings 7:00 PM

Mon. May 21, 2018 Mon. June 18, 2018 Mon. July 16, 2018

#### \*\*Mon. June 4, 2018 \*\*

# **Annual Columbus Association Meeting after Council Meeting**

At this meeting two new Association Directors will be elected to replace those whose terms will expire June 30th. Any interested in serving as a Columbus Association Director, or if you know of someone who would be a good candidate, please contact Mike Crawford prior to the June meeting. All members of Council 974 are elegible to serve on the Columbus Association. All KC members of 974 are members of the Columbus Association. The Columbus Association actually owns the building and its directors manage the business of building and grounds. The Columbus Associaiton answers to the Fr. Goldsmith Council 974. Please plan to stay after the Council meeting to be a part of this annual meeting. It usually lasts only 15 minutes.

#### **Events**

Agnes Table Thursday, May 10 at Trinity Methodist Church was held in conjunction with the St. Elizabeth of Hungary Secular Franciscan Fraternity.

# **Knight of the Month** May 2018 - Jon Czech III

Jon has been a member of the Knights of Columbus for 15 years. He belongs to Holy Ghost Parish. He serves his parish as usher and is involved in other parish activities. He serves the KC council by calling Bingo every other week. When we have events which draw large crowds he directs the parking of cars. He also often handles the bar when we have mixed drinks for a council event. He is active in other community activities involving ice skating and serves on the Board of Directors for skating instructors.

# Family of the Month May 2018 **Rolly & Mel Enderes**

Rolly and Mel have been a part of the Knights of Columbus family since 2015. They are active members of Notre Dame Parish. They participate as Usher, EMOC, and Lector. They are also active in community volunteerism.

#### Nominate a Knight/Family of the Month

We need your input on selecting a Family of the Month and a Knight of the Month each month. Please give your recommendations to Tim Tozer. We know that there are many families who are doing wonderful things in our community.

# **Knights of Columbus Insurance**

If you have any questions or needs, please contact our Field Agent Terry Knutson at terry.knutson@kofc.org, by phone 715-425-8074.

# Notice of Member's Illness

Please contact Dale Schultz at 715-944-7483 to report a member's illness or hospitalization. We ask this so we can send our Brother Knight a card conveying our best wishes and prayers.

# **Prayer Requests**

Please remember in your prayers the following people who are dealing with illnesses: Jeff Smiskey, Dan Smiskey, Jerry Eslinger, James F. Loew, Suzanne Mousel, Claudia Hable, Ryan Nolan, Pete and Janice Peloquin, Pete Dachel, Claudia Harings, John Kling, Barb Czech, Joelle Bremness, Gary Korger, Robert Bell, Francis and Hjordis Martell, Hank Schemeneaur, Tom Walsh, Delores Bergeron, Dick Schemeneaur, Ralph Coushman, John Rassmus, Jerry Verwey, Scott Wild, Harold Hunt, Paul McElroy, and Tom Eder's sister Beverly Eder Murphy who was severely injured in a fall.

# April/May News

#### \*\*Please send in your dues for 2018\*\*

Russ Rowan, our Financial Secretary, reported that there are around 70 members that have not paid their 2018 dues yet.

#### **Smelt Fry**

The annual Smelt Fry was held on Thursday, April 19th. It was a huge success. About 700 people were served. It looks like the profit will be about \$7000. The gross receipts were approximately \$13,500 with approximately \$6500 in costs. The serving line moved steady from 4:30-7pm. Many compliments were received on the nice golden brown fried smelt. There are so many people to thank. First, thanks to all who came and bought tickets. Second, thanks to those who sold tickets. Thanks to all who helped with the various stages of planning, advertising and prep work. Thank you to Jeff Smiskey who was the overall leader of the event and rounded up some of the unique raffle prizes. Thanks to Rich Mousel for getting the other raffle prizes. Thanks to Ken and Rita Guden for driving to Two Rivers Fishery to pick up the smelt. Thanks to Robert Parkhurst who headed up the crew for the meal preparation and planning. Thanks to Leon Zwiefelhofer and the crew who helped with making potato salad and other food items. Thanks to Mike Horan and the fryer gang who set up the fryer area and fried the fish. Thanks to Ken Ripienski for the great advertising. Another thanks to Mike Horan for getting more signs made to place around town and contacting members to help. Thanks to all who helped serve the food and beverages, as well as those who helped clean up after the event and reset for bingo.

#### **Smelt Feed Raffle Winners**

John Kopf \$300. Rose Marsh \$100. Cheryl Hackett \$100. Matt Elstran \$50. Bob Jenneman \$50. Marvin Lynn \$50. Donald Kucchler \$25. Matt Milkert \$25. Tom Henneman \$25. John Rasmus \$25.

#### **Tootsie Roll Drive**

The annual Tootsie Roll drive for the mentally disabled will be held on the following weekends: May 5 & 6 at Gordy's downtown store; May 26 & 27 at Blain's Farm & Fleet; Walmart is not able to let us come this year. If you can help, please contact John Czech at 715-723-9410 for the time slots on May 26 & 27. We have conducted the drive at some of our local parishes. The final results will be published in the next newsletter.

#### **Knights of Columbus Convention**

The 117th Annual Wisconsin State Council Kights of Columbus Convention was held on April 28-29th in Middleton, WI. Our Council sent two delegates: GK Kevin Van Den Heuvel and DGK Tim Tozer. Joe Oberweis and Tom Eder attended as alternate delegates. There were 380 seated delegates plus numerous other members, past state deputies, and past directors representing councils across the State of Wisconsin. The Saturday morning opening Mass was celebrated by the Most Reverend Robert Morlino, Bishop of Madison. There were numerous other priests attending and concelebrating including our State Chaplain, Fr. Richard Heilman. This Mass is called the Memorial Mass. We placed the names of our council's deceased members for the year on the altar. Our deceased council members for the year are: Donald Bichner, Joseph Chisholm, Jerald Dietsche, James Globensky, Jerome Hayes, Joseph Kastelic, Dennis Pischer, Frank Steinmetz and Wayne Waldusky. The business of the convention consisted of voting on resolutions made by the councils across the state and the election of State Officers for the 2018/2019 Fraternal year. One of the highlights of the convention was the Mass on Saturday afternoon which was concelebrated by Bishop Morlino of Madison, Bishop William Callahan of LaCrosse, Bishop James Powers of Superior and Archbishop Jerome Listecki of Milwaukee. At the banquet in the evening each of the bishops spoke. Their common theme was respect for life at all stages. These bishops seemed very much at home and relaxed with their brother knights and ladies. They all expressed their thanks to the knights for the work they do and the support they give the priests and bishops. Bishop Powers from Superior shared with the group that the farmhouse he was brought up in was within eye sight of the home State Deputy Tim Guski was brought up in near New Richmond. He stated that he was the Boy Scout leader for the group that Tim was in and the only thing he seemed to get the boys proficient in was starting fires. Archbishop Listecki commented that the bishops enjoyed being able to be at the same event with each other. He quipped, "We really are friends."

#### Bingo

Bingo proceeds are what oils the machinery of our Charity programs. Jeff Smiskey tells us that it is going very well. A couple weeks ago the big progressive pot was finally won. Our workers were ready for a break. Some bingos with the progressive pot were bringing in well over 500 people and at times they had to turn people away at the door because there was no more room. Thanks to all who help with this and also Jane and her crew in the kitchen. It has been a very successful year for the council's Bingo.

# **Charity Raffle Report**

The Charity Raffle drawing was held at the Knights of Columbus State Convention on Saturday, April 28th. Ticket sales were down statewide by 2.8%. 121,345 tickets were sold bringing \$606,725 in gross receipts. Our local ticket sales were up from last year. Our council sold 990 tickets grosing \$4950. There were winners from Chippewa Falls and the surrounding area. Ruth and Aaron Jenneman from Chippewa won \$1000. Other \$1000 winners were from Menomonie and Cameron. The \$50,000 winner was Gary Geisler from Onalaska. The \$25,000 winner was Constance Mara from Wauzka. \$15,000 was won by Brian Opsal from Geona City. Our money will be used for local charity needs. We can also request monies for our local charities from the State Fund. Thanks to all who purchased tickets and to those who sold tickets. Thanks to Paul Nevins for accepting the position of Charity Fund Coordinator and a thank you to Ken Ripienski for handling this position for numerous years.

# Fourth Degree News

The Spring Social was held on April 8th at the new River Prairie Event Center. Approximately 50 Sir Knights and ladies enjoyed the evening. The next business meeting is scheduled for May 9th at Guadalupe Council at St. Mary's in Altoona at 7pm. A summer social is in the planning stages. The Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree Annual Meeting was held prior to the State Convention on Friday, April 27th in Middleton. SK Tom Eder and SK Joe Oberweis attended.

### The Good of the Order Drawing

The name drawn for the Good of the Order at the May 7th meeting was Tom Schlosser and he was not present to collect.

#### Eternal Rest Grant onto him, O Lord

Please remember the following Brother Knights and their families in your prayers:

Kenny Schemenauer died March 26, 2018. He was always willing to help with the council activities and was a member of the card club. Kenny joined the Knight of columbus in 1996.

Ken Naumen died April 27, 2018. He was a 60 year member of the council. He served as an officer and was a very active member over the years.

Please let us know if there is a Brother Knight or family member in need of our prayers.