



*From the
Chaplain*

**SEPTEMBER SPOTLIGHT:
THE BLESSED MOTHER
MARY**

The Blessed Virgin Mary is honored by three special feast days during the month of September: the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary on September 8, the Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary on September 12, and Our Lady of Sorrows on September 15. These Marian feasts days punctuate the liturgical calendar with timely reminders of the key role that Mary played in our salvation as the mother of the Savior, and provide multiple opportunities to honor her. Devotion to Mary is right and proper because when we focus on her, she leads us to her Son.

September 8 is the feast of the Birth or Nativity of Mary. Mary's birth was the dawn of hope and salvation to the world. She was born without sin, full of grace, the favored one, blessed among women, so she might be the sacred vessel and worthy mother of the Son of God. Mary's birth is cause for great joy and brings us closer to lasting peace.

September 12 is the memorial of the Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a new celebration recently added to the liturgical calendar. Mary is holy because she loved God with her whole heart; was so well schooled in her faith by her mother, St. Anne; worshipped so regularly in the Temple and synagogue; placed her complete faith and trust in God; accepted her special calling; reached out with such generous love to her relative; prayed so eloquently; lived so humbly; was so full of the Holy Spirit; and was such a loving mother, such a devoted companion to her Son on his missionary travels, and offered such good advice to believers: "Do whatever he tells you" (Jn 2:5). Mary is our pattern of holiness. Her exceptional holiness calls us to greater holiness in our own lives.

September 15 is the memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows. Simeon told Mary that her heart would be pierced by a sword (Lk 2:35), and it was on Good Friday when



she stood heartbroken, overwhelmed with sorrow, at the foot of the cross (Jn 19:25). Mary shared in her Son's suffering and death. May we, like Mary, "be glad to share in the sufferings of Christ" (1 Pt 4:13), so we might make up in our own lives whatever is lacking in the sufferings of Christ (Col 1:24). In Mary's suffering, she demonstrated her compassionate love. May we, inspired by her example, be more compassionate with one another.

Please, do not let the month of September pass by without doing something to honor Mary.
Fr. Mike Van Sloun

RIVERFEST 2008

Another smashing success! Over \$1,350 profit for the Knights of Columbus. A special thank you to Roger Renner and Jeff Kieffer – it wouldn't be the same without you. A special thanks to the help: Ray Danzl, Carl Ellingson, Carl Youngquist, Ed Flanders, Wes and Karen Mand, Michelle Swanstrom, Bethany Renner, and Donna and Mitchell Muehlbauer; without you the lines wouldn't form and the pop wouldn't be so cold.

A hats off to the Church of St. Stephen for the use of their three cookers. Also for the ability to pick up pop after Summerfest – less of a hassle! No more reaching for corn dogs in hot oil! Thanks again to all who helped eat what we cooked and I look forward to serving as chair in 2009.

John Kinnick, Roger Renner, Cochairs



*Prayer
List*

Please pray for all those on our prayer list:

Leo Kimmel (son of former brother knight Richard Kimmel); Brian Hoffman; Ruth Lovsted; Jim Lovsted; Merle Mevissen; Terry Phillips; Ray Pipenhagen; Tom O'connell; Patrick O'Gorman; John Patchen; Al Schrupp; Blake Wahlberg; Beth Zelenak (daughter-in-law of Bob); Earl Dehn; Ralph Smithers; Richard Schanhaar; Michael Lehn.

If you wish to add a name to the list, please contact Shield Editor Mike Petschl at 763-421-7926 or mbpetschl@msn.com..

*Grand
Knight's
Message*



Greetings Brother Knights,

Where did the summer of 2008 go? I hope you will be able to look back on this summer, as I will, with fond memories. As I am writing this column, it is the one-year anniversary of the flooding in southeastern Minnesota. This natural disaster was one that hit us, quite literally, 'close-to-home'. We as members of the Knights of Columbus have participated in the outreach and support to these victims as they rebuild their homes and communities. Do not underestimate the impact of your contributions. It is hoped that none of us personally ever need such services, but it is comforting to know that the Knights of Columbus is a constant in our lives. Your active participation and attendance at meetings, events and projects is what keeps our council strong.

We have upcoming opportunities for all of the above. Here are just a couple of the upcoming dates where you and your family can get involved. You are invited to help with the cleanup of the property at St. Katharine Drexel in Ramsey on Saturday, September 27. Please also mark your calendars for our annual Spaghetti Dinner, which is scheduled for Saturday, October 4.

Bingo at the Anoka County Fair has turned in better results this year than the last couple of years. This is in no small way thanks to the efforts of Gary Kempf for all of his time and work in chairing this event and to all of the volunteers who stepped up to fill the many shifts needed for this undertaking.

I'd also like to take a moment to thank Mike Petschl and all the others who help put together this monthly newsletter twelve times a year. Communication is a key component to any successful organization and this is not something that should be taken for granted. I give thanks to all of you for both past and future contributions.

Jim Masteller, Grand Knight

IN MEMORIAM

Florence Lenz, wife of Bernard Lenz, passed away on July 18th. Bernard has been a member for 65 years. Please keep them in your prayers.

History 2018 Back in Time

I'm finally back to my abnormal, old self so let's jump back in time this month and mull over a few things from the past. 'Course I only learned of these things from my parents, 'cuz I'm not that old.

We'll start off by looking back at some beverage products from the 'good old days'. Remember Virginia Dare? It was a concentrated, liquid, drink flavoring that was mixed with sugar and water. Obviously this was before Kool Aid was developed but it produced the same refreshing, summertime drink.

Then there was Postum, which made me feel like a big shot because it tasted somewhat like coffee. I purchased some in the store recently and made a cup to bring back those old memories. Boy was I disappointed! Made me wonder why I ever liked it to begin with. But when I was a kid it was a special drink.

Here's a little test of your knowledge. A guy by the name of Bucky Beaver used to promote this product on TV. Using the numerical keypad from the telephone it translates as 47262. Check it out!

Let's have a show of hands to see who remembers the Fuller Brush man! (On second thought, forget the show of hands. At today's gas prices I'm not going to be driving around to take the count.) Anyhow, he was one of those door-to-door salesmen who sold household products. Carried everything in several cases and set up shop in your living room. Stanley Home Products came along later with a different system where someone hosted a party in their home and the products could be displayed before a larger group.

How many of you remember when doctors made house calls or when drinking water came from the kitchen faucet instead of a plastic bottle? Although I do remember my grandfather getting home delivery of Chippewa water in half gallon, glass, reusable, returnable, bottles back in the early 50s. (At least that's what my Mom and Dad told me.) Beer and pop used to come in glass, reusable, returnable, bottles as well.

Now onto something totally different. When commercial air travel first started most people could only dream about getting on one. You needed a few bucks. Kinda' looks like we've come full circle on that one, doesn't it? And speaking of coming full circle, I got a haircut a few days ago (hold the jokes) and the lady charged me the kids

price. Honest Mike pointed out the price for the men to which she responded 'seniors are the same as kids'. So there ya' have it! I too have come full circle; I'm just a kid again! And with that I will take my leave 'cuz my time is up. See ya' next month!

Mike Petschl
historian

p.s. That product was Ipana toothpaste.

FOLLOW ME HELP US TO BUILD UP THE CHURCH

These are words from our Pope Benedict when our Supreme Deputy Carl Anderson had an audience with him. Our Supreme Deputy adopted this message as our theme for this Knights of Columbus year. As members of the Knights of Columbus that is what our main position is, to support our priests and our parishes. With numbers of members throughout the country we can do a lot to help to build up the church.

As your District Deputy for this year I am excited to be working with you and be of help any where I can. Good luck with this years activities and with Gods Graces we can make this year a successful one.

I do have a position that needs to be filled. It is an appointed position as a District Warden. This position doesn't take a lot of effort. The only requirements are to attend District meetings and help out at installation of officers in June. This position is a stepping stone to be the next District Deputy, if you so desire. Anyone interested can call me. My phone number is 763-757-3330 or email me james.carol@usfamily.net.

God Bless everyone
James Schwalbe
District Deputy

Anoka Halloween Parade

For the third year, the Anoka KCs are planning on putting a float into the Anoka parades. We build the float the Saturday before the "Light up the Night" parade. This year that is October 11. We will be gathering at Ray Danzl's home to build the float. Please call if you are interested in helping at 763-754-6303.

The parade dates are October 18 and 25. Everyone is welcome to ride on the float, your children or if you are a kid at heart and love to dress up for Halloween, please give me a call so I can include you and your family in the float. We will be handing out discount coupons for the Haunted house and candy during the parades.

Ray Danzl
Chairman



TWINS KNIGHT

AT THE

DOME 2008

The motor coach bus from SPECOS BUS SERVICE left for the dome promptly at 6:00pm with 46 TWINS fans to see the home team play the leagues power house the NEW YORK YANKEES. Adam Everett had a two run home run to lead the TWINS to a 4 - 0 shut out. Everett's home run landed just beyond the glove of Justin Christian and fell into the second row seats in left field.

A near flawless pitching by Glen Perkins for 8 solid innings frustrated the Yankees who only made it past first base once in the game on a throwing error. Closure Reardon came in the 9th inning to strike out the last three batters to give the Twins the win.

It was a fantastic game enjoyed by all as the TWINS moved back into first place in the American League Central race. A special thanks to our honored guests: Fr Mike Van Sloun, Fr. John Floeder, District Deputy Jim Schwalbe, and Past State Deputy Phil Harter.

Roger E. Renner, F.S.

A true TWINS GROUP LEADER

FAMILY NIGHT AT THE DOME - 2008

The Anoka Knights of Columbus and the Church of St. Stephen hosted another FAMILY NIGHT AT THE DOME for a parish wide event on Monday August 18TH, 2008.

The event was a sell out with nearly 300 in attendance. We traveled to the game in six (6) plush motor coaches provided by Speco Charter Service. We were blessed with the presence of our Pastor Father Michael Van Sloun, Associate Pastor Fr. Bennet Tran, our Past State Deputy Phil Harter, our Past District Deputy Bob Mathewson and our current District Deputy Jim Schwalbe.

The Oakland Athletics won the game on the opening pitch home run as the team battled the evening getting two runs each as the Twins fell to a 3 to 2 defeat.

Those who attended certainly had a great game to watch and we all had a fantastic time at this family outing. I wish to thank Father Mike for his gracious support of this event. SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!

Fraternally,
Roger E. Renner, F.S.

Round Table Corner

The cleanup of property for St. Katharine Drexel has been set for Saturday, September 27th, 2008. It will be a one day event to get as much done as we can. The amount of what gets done depends on how many people we have helping. The property is located at the intersection of Variolite St. NW and 161st Ave. NW in Ramsey. The property borders Central Park on the east side.

The project will include taking down and chunking dead trees, both standing and fallen. The plan is to use the chips from the branches to create a pathway along the edge of the property for a distance of approximately 700 feet.

We need people with chainsaws, ATVs, trailers, or just the desire to help. You do not need to be there the entire day. Only a few hours would be a great help. Lunch will be provided and our immediate Grand Knight informed me that Paces Restaurant will provide beer at the end of the day.

I will be at the September business meeting to answer any questions, and will have a signup sheet for help. If you will not be at September's meeting and would like to help, please give me a call at the phone number or email me at the address below.

Thank you,

John Smetana, Round Table Coordinator
763-422-1152; jnlsmetana@earthlink.net

Do You Know a Membership Prospect??

A first degree membership installation is scheduled for 7:00 P.M. on October 14, 2008. This would be an excellent opportunity for any prospective member to take the first step to full knighthood. With that in mind I will be conducting three membership information sessions in September. I will cover a basic history of the Knights, the structure of the organization from Supreme down through the local level, and the activities we conduct at all levels. It is an opportunity for all to discover what we are all about. The sessions will begin at 7:30 P.M. at the KC Hall on Tuesday, September 23, Thursday, September 25, and Tuesday, September 30. Only one of the three sessions is needed. If you know of a potential candidate call me or just have him show up at the meeting. Members are also welcome to attend if you would like to know more about the organization. Call me with questions or names of potential members at 763-421-0116.

Al Kempf, Membership Director

2008 Fair Bingo Report

We recently concluded another year of Bingo at the Anoka County Fairgrounds late in July. As previous years have shown, the final results were below expectations, but does not diminish the appreciation I have for those who have helped volunteer for one of our larger fundraisers (it is tough for me to say major anymore!). This years Fair Bingo netted us a little over \$1650. This is slightly higher than 2007, but well below our largest numbers of over \$4500. It is apparent that the County Fair is no longer a priority for families. My job was made easier with the help of Al Kempf, Ray and Roger Renner, Ron and Pat Ward, my wife Cathy, the Tim Fischer family, and all of those who dedicated 3-4 hours (or more for the multi-shifters) of their personal time to help out with this event. You are all a great team!

Thanks again, and we will hope for a better year in 2009!

Gary Kempf
2008 Fair Bingo Chairman

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Spaghetti Dinner & Dance October 4th

Join us for our 9th Annual Spaghetti Dinner & Dance on the 4th of October. This enjoyable evening will be held at the KC Hall with social hour beginning at 6:00 PM and a delicious dinner being served at 7:00. The dinner consists of Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce and Garlic Bread accompanied by a Caesar Salad and a glass of wine. Dinner will end with a serving of Spumoni Ice Cream.

Once again, we will be treated to great live music by 'The Miller Brothers'. They enjoy playing for us, and we enjoy them. There is dancing going on the entire evening. There will also be drawings for great prizes, with a minimal donation. Proceeds from these donations will be going to ACBC food shelf. The cost of this night out is \$15 per person. This event is NOT limited to Knights. Invite friends and neighbors to come and enjoy the evening with us.

Beverages available at the hall will be beer, pop and any remaining wine from dinner. B.Y.O.B. RSVP's are being taken, so please call **John Smetana** at **763-422-1152** or send an email to **jnlsmetana@earthlink.net** to let us know how many are planning to attend. Hope to hear from you!

Ray Danzl, Phil Lesnar, and John Smetana,
Chairs

"500" CARD CLUB

Here it is!! Time to start looking at Fall and Winter activities again. Our charity card club will begin on the **third Sunday** of October, the **19th**, this year. We will then continue on the first and third Sunday of each month through April 5th. The cost is \$2.00 per person; one dollar for the weekly prize fund and the other goes to a charity fund which is determined at the last session. We begin playing at 7:00 P.M. and go to approximately 9:00 P.M. at the Anoka KC Hall. We distribute prize money each night and do not have accumulative point records. That allows you to skip anytime it is not convenient for you to be present. Come when you can.

It would be great to see a few more people taking part in this fun time. It is a low cost evening out and an opportunity to contribute to a meaningful charity at the same time. This activity is not limited to KC members and spouses. It is open to friends and family of members who enjoy a friendly game of cards. If you have any questions please call Al Kempf at 763-421-0116.



The SHIELD



Planning Meeting every 1st Tuesday

Council Meeting every 2nd Tuesday

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept. 2 Planning Meeting, 7:30 PM
KC Hall

Sept. 9 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
KC Hall

Sept 27 Cleanup at St Katharine's
building site
Ramsey

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HAUNTED HOUSE NEEDS

It's that time of year to start thinking Haunted House. The chair people are in their planning and prep stage. Each year they try to add something new or at least change things around to keep it fresh. This year they have some ideas that will take a piece of plexiglass about 3ft. x 6ft. and 1in. thick. We are hoping there is someone who has a connection to get this for us. The cost, if we have to buy it, will cut deep into our profits. We can also use 15gals. of black paint, 100 lbs. of screws and nails.

For further information you can contact Rick Landowski @ 612-508-2891.

Pot of Gold

John Kinnick, one of the co-chairs of Joe's Corn Dogs at Riverfest, missed out on \$120 in the first drawing, which opened the door for Dallas Hildebrandt to win the \$15 second drawing.

HAUNTED HOUSE 2008 OUR 21st YEAR!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

The key dates for 2008 are as follows:
Construction will be Oct. 4th, 5th, 11th & 12th.

The open dates will be as follows:

Oct. 17th Friday 7-9 PM
Oct. 18th Saturday 7-9 PM
Oct. 23rd Thursday 7-9 PM
Oct. 24th Friday 7-10 PM
Oct. 25th Saturday 7-10 PM
Oct. 26th Sunday 6-9 PM
Oct. 30th Thursday 6-9 PM
Oct. 31st Friday 6-10 PM

Tear down will be on Saturday, the 1st of November.

We like to increase the numbers of food items donated to the local ACBC Food Shelf, so last year we changed the customer price to \$8.00 for age 12 and older and \$7.00 for age 11 and younger. With the increase in the customer price we also increased the donation credit for food items donated to \$2.00 per person.

As you all know, this event means a lot to the Council, Anoka Community, ACBC Food Shelf, and Coon Rapids High School Drama Club. We are asking for all of our brother Knights to take an active part in the event – whether your expertise is in construction, staffing, or finance and numbers.

Please call or e-mail to volunteer your name for the 2008 Haunted House.

Ray Dalzell (763-757-1241), e-mail is RaymondDDalzell@cs.com

Steve Beberg 763-286-1439

Rick Landowski 612-508-2891

Mike Johnson

