



*From the
Chaplain*

**SEPTEMBER 11
KC DAY OF PRAYER FOR
PEACE**

September 11, 2011 is the tenth anniversary of the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center in New York City, one of the most horrific days in American history, a day that has changed our way of life in the United States and around the world. Security measures have increased dramatically – at airports, around critical facilities like power plants and water treatment plants, and at large gatherings like concerts and sporting events. We are under more surveillance than ever. We are subject to searches and scans. We are on the lookout for suspicious activity. Military operations continue in Iraq and Afghanistan. For ten years there has been relative security and calm at home, but it has been a nervous peace.

Because the peace we enjoy is so tenuous and could be disturbed at any moment, and remembering the devastating loss of life and massive destruction ten years ago in New York, and never forgetting the horrors of war, particularly during World War II and Viet Nam, in 2004 the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus designated September 11 as the Knights of Columbus World Day of Prayer for Peace.

As we pray for peace, we must also work for peace. In his seventh beatitude Jesus said, “Blessed are the peacemakers” (Mt 5:9), and he went on to note, “They will be called children of God.” And as the lyrics to a popular song say so well, “Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.” There is conflict everywhere, not just between countries, but in our families, among our relatives, at work, at school, at church, and in our neighborhoods. As Catholic Christians and Knights of Columbus, it is our duty to keep the peace wherever we may be, and if strife erupts, to work to restore the peace.

As we remember September 11, let us



rededicate ourselves to being peacemakers. Peacemakers regard others as children of God and real people rather than “the enemy;” share rather than hoard; seek the common good over special interest and privilege; empower rather than control and manipulate; are humble rather than arrogant; flexible and cooperative rather than stubborn and unyielding; agreeable rather than quarrelsome; amiable rather than argumentative; reestablish conversation where there has been silence; speak respectfully and politely instead of yell and scream; tell the truth where there have been lies and distortions; set aside resentments, bitterness, and the desire to punish and get even; are able to apologize for past wrongdoing and willing to make amends; ready to let go of the past and make new beginnings; and have a calming effect where there is trouble. While we pray for peace in the world, we need to work diligently for peace where we live, work, and worship.

Fr. Mike Van Sloun



*Prayer
List*

Please pray for all those on our prayer list:

Leo Kimmel (son of former brother knight Richard Kimmel); Ruth Lovsted; Jim Lovsted; Tom O’connell; Patrick O’Gorman; John Patchen; Blake Wahlberg; Beth Zelenak (daughter-in-law of Bob); Ralph Smithers; Michael Lehn; John Gubernatz; Robert Nichols; Leon Barnier; PGK John Johanson; Brian Hoffman; Bob Belousek; Benno Barthel; Wayne Blue; Jeff Kieffer; Brian Sullivan; Bill Ayers; Mathias Schaut.

If you wish to add a name to the list, please contact Shield Editor Mike Petschl at 763-421-7926 or mickeyp1543@gmail.



*Grand
Knight’s
Message*

Greetings Brother Knights,

I hope everyone is doing well. As summer is winding down, we are gearing up for fall. Fall is my favorite time of the year.

In early August I took my family to Sioux Falls to attend Fr. Anthony Urban’s ordination into the priesthood. As you may know, St. Stephen’s Church was Anthony’s teaching parish for the last four years. I was honored to be a member of his teaching committee. It was a wonderful ceremony to witness. Bishop Paul Swain presided over the mass. St. Joseph’s Cathedral was recently renovated and it was a beautiful site to see. It is good to see our Pennies for Seminarians and Jim Campbell Scholarship funds at work.

I want to thank Roger Renner for a great job coordinating the KC Family Night at the Twins game. About 500 people attended. There were 10 bus loads of fans that left from the church. I want to make a special thank you to Fr. Mike for starting us off with a prayer. Even though the Twins lost the game everyone came home with smiles on their faces. It was a nice evening to spend with family and friends.

The annual KC State Softball tournament was held on August 27th and 28th. This is always a fun event to cheer on the home “council” team.

The Supreme Council has changed the degree programs. The two main reasons for the changes are to prevent long delays between the initial sign up and first degree ceremony and to relax the degree process to encourage more degrees more often. In order for our council to thrive and be successful, we need to continue to encourage new members to join our council. If you know someone who is interested in becoming a Knight, please provide the name to our Membership Director, Al Kempf. Our council will be holding a first degree ceremony on October 11th.

October is around the corner and that means the Haunted House will be here soon. We need lots of volunteers. Please consider helping out at one of the many dates. This is our Council’s biggest fundraiser of the year.

Vern Rausch
Grand Knight

History 2018 Inventions IV

Ready for another round of life made fun and easy? Well, too bad; here it is anyway! How many of you can remember the Erector Set? It was invented in 1911 but still going strong when I was a kid in the '50s. We received ours as a pretty expensive Christmas present. You could follow the instructions to build any number of items or let your mind run wild. This was hands-on construction for kids with metal girders, all sorts of connectors, wheels, nuts and bolts and electric motors. It was our introduction to the use of hand tools. That's how I learned to leave my dad's tools laying all over the place outside!

Two items invented in 1922 are still with us today: the golf tee and the refrigerator. They kinda' complement each other. After knocking that little, white ball off the tee all day, you could rely on the refrig to produce a nice, cool beer. The tee was developed because people tired of building a tee in a sand box. I get it! They actually started off in the sand instead of finding it later like me!

The refrigerator was invented to better preserve food. Prior to this, the only means was the ice box, which used large blocks of ice that kept things cool but needed to be replaced often. I may have mentioned before that my maternal grandpa delivered those blocks of ice for a living.

Another hot item from 1922 that's still with us, albeit in a much revised form from the original, is the snowmobile. The original design was for a much larger vehicle that carried several people. Those hotshot, individual machines didn't crop up until the late '50s when lightweight, four stroke engines became available.

From the 'ain't you glad it's gone' department comes this wonder of the modern world in 1924, the shoe store fluoroscope or foot x-ray. Using x-ray technology of the time, a foot x-ray machine was developed to aid in better fitting shoes. The foot bones could be viewed inside the shoe to see if the fit was proper. They realized later that the entire hoof had to be viewed, not just the bones. Unfortunately, those things leaked a substantial amount of radiation and not just aimed at the foot. With the lack of knowledge concerning x-rays, precautions were lax, subjecting employees and anyone else nearby to the escaping radiation. Too many times under the scope would give you your own personal night light not to mention hotfoot. But, since I mentioned it, I'm gonna' do just that and hotfoot it outta' here, 'cuz my time is up. See ya' next month!
Mike Petschl, historian

KC Insurance Column

Brother Knights and families,

I recently had the opportunity to visit with a couple who had just reached retirement age. They wanted my opinion on their life insurance program they'd paid into for about 20 years to make sure it was adequate. Even though they did not have life insurance with the Knights of Columbus I told them I'd take a look at it and provide them with an unbiased review. I promised them that I would never suggest replacing a perfectly good policy, even if it is NOT with the KC's. We agreed to meet.

On one hand, I found them to be adequately insured and told them so. Each had enough to take care of the other in the event of a premature death. They were pretty happy about that. On the other hand, the recent policy statements they had received proved chilling, to say the least! At the bottom of the statement was a notice informing them that even if they continue to pay their premiums the policies would lapse (at age 72 for him and 76 for her)! It turns out that they owned VARIABLE UNIVERSAL LIFE policies. These policies are often sold as "permanent" cash value policies but can lapse if the performance of the mutual fund based cash value does not meet original expectations.

At my suggestion they contacted the insurance company who confirmed they must start paying significantly higher premiums to make the policies last longer; not something they wanted to hear as they begin retirement! Even then, the higher premiums would add only about 7-8 years of coverage.

If you haven't had a review of your policies lately give me a call, especially if they are called "universal," "adjustable," "variable," etc. Even if you've had them for decades. After all, it's YOUR money and a little education never hurts.

God bless,
Dale Robinson

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MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

There will be two opportunities in the near future for new members to be installed as members in the First Degree. Their first opportunity will be in Dayton on Tuesday, September 20, at 7:00 PM. The induction ceremony will be held at the McNeil Building in downtown Dayton. Candidates should be there by 6:30 to 6:45 PM. The Anoka First Degree Team will conduct the installation. A second opportunity will be on Tuesday, October 11, at the Anoka KC Hall. This will also be at 7:00 PM with candidates arriving between 6:30 and 6:45 PM. The Anoka First Degree Team will also conduct this installation. All members that have received only the First Degree are encouraged to become a member in the Third Degree at a Major Degree consisting of both the Second and Third Degree ceremonials. There is an opportunity to do this at the Anoka KC Hall on Saturday, December 10. The Second Degree will begin at 9:00 AM followed immediately by the Third Degree ceremonial. Candidates should arrive by 8:45 at the latest. The ceremonials should be over by noon and will be followed by a lunch.

If you know of anyone you think should be a Knight please contact me at 763-421-0116. I will be conducting information sessions, but the dates haven't been set at this time. Candidates can just show up at the First Degree installations mentioned above as well but should show up earlier then, so that the paperwork can be completed. It would also be good for me to know in advance if anyone shows up in this manner, so we can have materials prepared for the candidate. Please call!! Candidates must be practicing Catholics and are 18 years of age or older.

Al Kempf
Council 2018 Membership Chairman

Soccer Challenge & Free Throw Championship

We are looking for a couple of Brother Knights to co-chair these two events. These events are a great way that we can build community with kids in our area and have fun doing it. Our council held these in the past and we would like to get them going again. It does not take much of your time, especially if a couple of people co-chair them. These are open to boys & girls in our area ages 10-14. Winners from the local challenge will progress to the district, regional, state and international competitions. Last year in the Free Throw Contest, 4 kids from Minnesota were International winners. Please contact Vern Rausch, 763-422-1128 or vrrjrr@hotmail.com if your are interested in these activities.



The SHIELD



Planning Meeting every 1st Tuesday

Council Meeting every 2nd Tuesday

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sept. 6 Planning Meeting, 7:30PM
KC Hall
- Sept. 13 Business Meeting, 7:30PM
KC Hall
- Sept. 17 Shield Deadline
- Sept. 18 KC Golf Outing, 11AM
Rush City

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2011 HAUNTED HOUSE - THE 24th YEAR LOTS OF VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

The key dates are as follows:

Construction – Oct 1st, 2nd, 8th, & 9th

Open Haunted House dates:

Oct 14th – 7 to 10PM,

Oct 15th – 7 to 10PM,

Oct 16th – 10:30AM to 1:30PM (with a car show at the Fairgrounds),

Oct 20th – 7 to 9PM,

Oct 21st – 7 to 10PM,

Oct 22nd – 7 to 10PM,

Oct 23rd – 7 to 9PM,

Oct 27th – 7 to 9PM,

Oct 28th – 6 to 10PM,

Oct 29th – 6 to 10PM,

Teardown – Oct 30th – all day until done,

With construction on 2 weekends, open Haunted House for 10 days, & teardown on 1 day, we need lots of workers! Please help reduce the number of phone calls we need to make by contacting Ray Dalzell at 763-757-1241 or raymondddalzell@cs.com.



2011 KC Golf Outing

All Knights, friends and guests from the Anoka and Osseo/Maple Grove Councils are invited to participate. This includes the gals as well. Sunday, September 18, 2011 is the date. This will take place at Bulrush Golf Club in Rush City, MN. The fees are \$30.00 per person. This covers 18 holes with a cart and also \$5.00 for the prize fund. Check in is from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM with the golfing beginning at 12:00 noon. If interested call John Fritsch at 763-232-6686 or e-mail him at john.fritsch@hotmail.com. Reservations must be made no later than September 5, 2011. The course is located off of I-35 at Exit 159, Rush City, go west to the first road on the left.

Ray Dalzell, Steve Beberg, Mike Johnson, Pat Worcester, Rick Landowski