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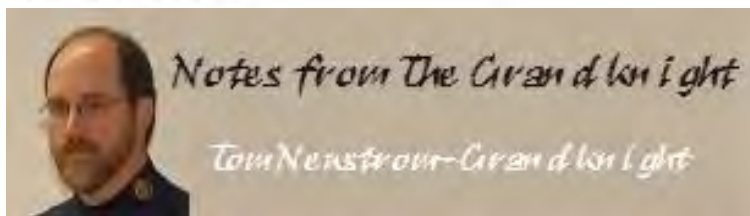
The Catholic Community of
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Membership Meeting 1st Mon, 7:30 pm
Planning Meeting, Last Monday of Month, 7:30pm



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Brothers,

I'd like to introduce the newest members of our council. Brian Avery, John Wittek, Leon Fischer, and Jerry Martin all went through the first degree ceremony in October. Jim Moldenhauer has transferred to our council from Anoka so if you see any of these fine gents say hello and welcome them aboard!

With the Feast days of All Saints and All Souls, I'd like to remind you of our Brother Knight, Bill Harris, who past away this past spring. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

On a lighter note we have a couple of requests for help from our parish community, both on the same day!

The first is the Daylighter group's Bake & Craft sale on Saturday, November 19th. Set up will be at 11am, and the sale will be ending sometime after mass at 4:30. They need help setting up and taking down the tables. Some of you have volunteered already, but we could use a few more.

The other event is the next Beer, Brat and Bingo. We will again be hosting the bar, so if you have the night open and can work that event let me know. There may be a little overlap in activities so we will get more details as soon as possible.

As always I'd encourage you all to invite another man 18 and older to join us. Supreme has set a challenge of recruiting one Knight per month. Go ahead and give it a try, most men approached will consider it if you extend the invitation.

Peace to you,
tom

The Facts of Life

Bill Gates recently gave a speech at a High School, on 11 things they did not, and will not, learn in school. Here they are:

Rule 1: Life is not fair - get used to it!

Rule 2: The world doesn't care about your self-esteem. The world will expect you to accomplish something BEFORE you feel good about yourself.

Rule 3: You will NOT make \$60,000 a year right out of high school. You won't be a vice-president with a car phone until you earn both.

Rule 4: If you think your teacher is tough, wait till you get a boss.

Rule 5: Flipping burgers is not beneath your dignity. Your Grandparents had a different word for burger flipping: they called it opportunity.

Rule 6: If you mess up, it's not your parents' fault, so don't whine about your mistakes, learn from them.

Rule 7: Before you were born, your parents weren't as boring as they are now. They got that way from paying your bills, cleaning your clothes and listening to you talk about how cool you thought you were. So before you save the rain forest from the parasites of your parent's generation, try delousing the closet in your own room.

Rule 8: Your school may have done away with winners and losers, but life HAS NOT. In some schools, they have abolished failing grades and they'll give you as MANY TIMES as you want to get the right answer. This doesn't bear the slightest resemblance to ANYTHING in real life.

Rule 9: Life is not divided into semesters. You don't get summers off and very few employers are interested in helping you FIND YOURSELF. Do that on your own time.

Rule 10: Television is NOT real life. In real life people actually have to leave the coffee shop and go to jobs.

Rule 11: Be nice to nerds. Chances are you'll end up working for one.



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Brother Knights and Families,

My career as your KC representative gives me the opportunity to visit with many people from all walks of life. I always ask if they currently work with a financial planner. When they say "yes," I like to ask a follow up question: "Has your planner ever told you when it's a "good" time to sell your stocks?" Only occasionally do I hear an affirmative to that question. They are typically told one of the following when the markets are going down:

1. Don't get out now! The market always comes back.
2. Let it ride! (Hmmm.... isn't this a gambling term?)
3. Now is the time to buy more!

Now, I'm not against owning stocks, but I do remember when it was a rich man's game, that is until the advent of the 401k. People used to be able to count on the guaranteed income that pensions provide. You can bring this stability back to your portfolio by investing in a Knights of Columbus **guaranteed** annuity. In fact, if you had placed \$100,000 into a KC annuity on January 1, 2000, it would have grown in value by December 30, 2010, to at least **\$150,000** (plus bonus interest!). By comparison, the S&P 500 would have provided you only \$104,000 during the same period. A Knights of Columbus flexible premium annuity is **guaranteed** never to lose money and is currently **guaranteed to earn at least 3% return** annually! Maybe it's time to think about that KC annuity! Call me!

God bless!

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"Every decision you make - every decision - is not a decision about what to do. It's a decision about Who You Are. When you see this, when you understand it, everything changes. You begin to see life in a new way. All events, occurrences, and situations turn into opportunities to do what you came here to do."

– Neale Donald Walsch, Author of [*Conversations With God*](#)



Spaghetti Dinner & Dance at Anoka KC Hall

Here is a chance to enjoy an evening of food, fun, libations, and dancing with friends and other members of the Knight of Columbus.

It's the Anoka KC's 12th Annual Spaghetti Dinner & Dance on Saturday, December 3rd. It's a fun night of great food and enjoyable live music. "The Miller Brothers" will provide the evening's entertainment, playing music from the 50's and 60's.

The event will be held at the Anoka KC hall. Social hour beginning at 6PM, dinner will be served at 7:00 and the band starts playing after dinner.

There will be Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce and Garlic Bread, Caesar Salad and a glass of wine, followed by Spumoni Ice Cream.

There will also be drawings for door prizes. You get a chance to win with every dollar donated, Prizes are donated by a number of businesses in the Anoka area. All money collected will go to charity.

Its only \$15 per person, and the event is **NOT** limited to Knights. Invite friends and neighbors to come and enjoy the evening with us. It **IS** limited to those 21 and older.

Beverages include beer, pop and any remaining wine from dinner – or you can B.Y.O.B.

Reserve your place now by calling **John Smetana** at **763-422-1152** or send an email to jnlsmetana@q.com and let us know how many are planning to attend.

We hope to hear from you! – *John Smetana, Co-chair*





The Chaplain's Desk

Fr. Paul Jaroszeski
Council Chaplain

Brother Knights:

As the seasons change so the Church invites us to reflect on the passing of time and the reality of letting go, dying and opening ourselves and our hearts to the providence of God and God's promises of new life, full life, eternal life with Him.

The article below is offered for your reflection in this Autumn time.

Blessings!

Father Paul

Halloween and All Saints

Halloween is the eve of Halloween, better known to modern Christians as All Saints' Day. Halloween celebrates God's harvesting into heaven the faithful of every age, culture and walk of life. It is a day of glorious rejoicing.

Saints are people who, by their joyful service, have extended the love of God to others. The Roman martyrology—the list of the saints officially recognized as such by the church—contains over ten thousand names. And those are only the saints whose names we remember! All Saints' Day also remembers those holy people whom no one but God any longer knows. The reading for the day from the Book of Revelation describes "a great multitude that no one could count."

The abundance of the harvest of souls is perfectly suited to observance in the northern hemisphere in late autumn. That's why in North America All Saints' Day and Halloween are brightened with corn shocks, pumpkins, apples, nuts and other signs of nature's bounty.

The American tradition of Halloween ghost-and-goblin madness comes from Celtic lands, where the spirits of the dead were thought to roam the earth for one night before winter began. To ward off their fear of the supernatural, people sat around huge bonfires, telling stories and sharing the fruits of the harvest. Children were sent round to beg for fuel for the fire. Although the practice of "trick-or-treating" has its roots in pre-Christian Celtic tradition, it would be a mistake to write off the practice as devil worship. In Christ, all things have been made new. And so we dress as ghosts and goblins to laugh at the devil, who has lost ultimate power over God's beloved children.

In Mexico, especially in the southern state of Oaxaca, families go and tend the graves of their loved ones at this time of year. In the middle of Halloween night, they have a fiesta with masks, food, sweets (like miniature skulls made of candy) and bunches upon bunches of marigolds—all by the light of candles in the cemetery! Those who have gone before us, marked with the sign of faith, are still members of the family!



For The Good Of The Order

by Tom Carey, Lecturer

During the October meeting we watched a video entitled the "Path of Descent" by Father Richard Rohr, Franciscan priest, who founded the Center for Action and Contemplation in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Father Rohr speaks of the importance of powerlessness and not having to be in control all the time. He points out we win by losing and how the human ego actually defeats us. He points out how Jesus trained his disciples in a path of descent and ego stripping and how Jesus in his ministry, reached out to those who were poor and powerless rather than those that were in power and in control. He often spoke out against the Pharisees and their many laws.

We will continue to view the video and Father Richard also offers a daily meditation on his web site of www.cacadicalgrace.org.

Also I am hopeful of having Mark Meier for a return visit. Mark, as you may remember spoke to us last spring on Men's Depression, before he began his bicycle ride from San Francisco to Boston to bring increased awareness to the topic of men's depression. He also started the FACE IT FOUNDATION which has a website.

Thanks,
Tom



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Upcoming Events

Tuesday, 11/1 – Solemnity of All Saints.... Mass celebrated at 12 noon, and 7pm.

Wednesday, 11/2 – All Souls Day.

Mass at 9:30am celebrated for all deceased members of SKD Parish.

Friday, 11/4 – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. 10am – 9pm, Contact Bob Teachman for more information and for times to sign up.

Sunday, 11/6 – Daylight Savings Time ends. Time to turn your clocks back one hour.

Sunday, 11/6 – Evening Prayer. 6pm. Service to celebrate the memory of all who have died since last November 2nd.

Friday, 11/11 – Veteran's Day

Friday, 11/11–Sunday 11/13 – Special Olympics Bowling Tournament. Brunswick Zone in Blaine. Our volunteer time is on Sunday. Contact Joel Coudron or Jim Schwalbe for more info.

Saturday, 11/19 – Daylighter's Christmas Bake and Craft Sale. Noon until after 4:30 Mass.

Saturday, 11/19 – Beer, Brats and Bingo. Final BBB for the season will begin at 6pm. Knights will be tending bar.

Thursday, 11/24 – Thanksgiving!!!



Do You Know a Membership Prospect?

A major degree membership installation is scheduled for Sunday, February 27th, 2012, at the Anoka KC Hall. This would be an excellent opportunity for any prospective member to take all three degrees to reach full knighthood in the 3rd Degree.

With that in mind, I will be conducting three membership information sessions in February. 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 about.

The sessions will begin at 7:30pm, at the KC Hall on Thursday, February 10th, Tuesday the 15th, and again on Thursday the 17th. Prospective Knights need only attend one of the three sessions.

If you know of a potential candidate, call me or just have him show up at the meeting. Current 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.



"One day at a time - this is enough. Do not look back and grieve over the past, for it is gone: and do not be troubled about the future, for it has not yet come. Live in the present, and make it so beautiful that it will be worth remembering."

– *Ida Scott Taylor 1820-1915, Author*

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