

Knights of Columbus

Bishop Leo J. Brust
Council #3702

KNIGHT NEWS

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MAY, 2006

May 11	7:30pm	Foundation Meeting at Clubhouse
May 18	7:00pm	Pro-Life Mass & Gen. Meeting with Election of 2006-07 Officers
May 21		Fred Miller Council Ushering at Holy Hill
May 25	7:30pm	Business Meeting
June 1	7:30pm	Clubhouse Board Meeting
June 3		HONORS BALL AT THE WESTERN RACQUET CLUB
June 7	5:00pm	Bishop Brust Bingo at Pere Marquette
June 15	5:00pm	Pro-Life Mass, PGK Cookout & Installation of 2006-07 Officers
June 21		Fish Boil at Menomonee Falls Council Clubhouse
June 29	7:30pm	Business Meeting
July 5	5:00pm	Bishop Brust Bingo at Pere Marquette
July 18		All Faith Night at West Allis Clubhouse
July 19		Fish Boil at Menomonee Falls Council Clubhouse
July 26		DAY AT THE RACES; Call Ed Kleine
Aug. 31	7:30pm	Business Meeting

BRADLEY CENTER

Date	Event	Stand	Gate Time
Wed., 6/14	Bruce Springsteen Concert <i>Call Bern Schlaefer at 414-476-4662</i>		

**RENT OUR CLUBHOUSE FOR THAT
SPECIAL OCCASION!
Call Bill at 414-529-5334**

FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT'S DESK

We have to give recognition to our First Degree Team that did such a great job at our April meeting. The are: **John Bannen, Dick & Mike Cattani, Tom Powers, Neil Schmidt, Bob Kalscheur and Clarence Heger.**

That was a great luncheon that **Darlene Truss** hosted in April for the ladies. **Joe Becker** had a very interesting speaker about Discovery World at Pier Wisconsin. I would also like to thank the ladies for the snacks at the April meeting - **Francis Bruno, El Sikora, Janice Maultra and Ruth Clifford.** They were very delicious.

We are in the planning stage of starting to organize bingo playing with the leadership of **Mike Jakus.** It will be held at Pere Marquette Council 524 on the first Wednesday of each month. Bingo has been held there for a number of years. The Bradley Center is winding down for the year under **Bern Schlaefer's** leadership and that of his captains.

The Honors Ball will be held at the Western Racquet Club on Saturday, June 3, 2006 Your reservations can be made by **calling Ben or Tina Burns at 262-253-4742.**

Augie Kalinoski - Grand Knight

CONGRATULATIONS to Shirley & Gene Esselman! They celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on April 28.

FRED MILLER COUNCIL is ushering at Holy Hill on Sunday, May 21. Volunteers should call Dennis Crain (262/255-2714).

STATE CHARITY RAFFLE results are in. Bishop Brust Council set a new record of 940 tickets sold (up from 908 in 2004); thanks, at least partially, to our transfers from Fred Miller Council.

As in the past several years, our top seller was **Paul Berweiler** at 120. Next in line is **Andrew Saunders** (FM transfer) **who, with a bit of assistance from his father, John, and mother, Kathy, sold 60 tickets. Jim Dragani did his usual 50, Frank Kerhin 35, Joe Truss 25, Joe Caprez 20 and Wayne Miller 19.** Quite a number of members sold 10 - 15, etc. **THANKS TO ALL!**

Mark Wagner tells us to expect **\$1980 back** from the State Council. To get a list of all winners, call 414-771-5445. **Four Council 3702 winners will be drawn at the Honors Ball.**

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

As the deadline for our May newsletter approaches we have almost too much to report on Council families who are grieving or in need of prayers and consolation due to health problems.

Gerald Jung, our KC Clubhouse President, died in the early morning hours of April 22nd, just days after a diagnosis of lung cancer was confirmed. Jerry had given many years of dedicated service to the Knights of Columbus and had assumed voluntary leadership roles in several other organizations with which his family was involved. Wife, Sharon, three adult children, and four small grandchildren survive him. **His funeral Mass at Christ King Church on April 26th** and the visitation on the previous evening were attended by a very large number of fellow Knights, as well as relatives, neighbors, parishioners, and other associates. He will be missed by many.

Our **Chaplain, Fr. Birringer**, was absent from our last General Meeting due to illness and a fall in his apartment earlier that day. We subsequently learned that on the same night he had suffered a second fall from which he was unable to rise for more than an hour until help arrived. After a 911 call, he was taken to a hospital emergency room from which he was released to be taken home following examination and minor treatment. Please pray for Father's return to good health.

Condolences are extended to the family of **John Jerge** following the death of his older brother, who was a **diocesan priest in Erie, Pennsylvania..**

Bob Vaughan, who had been slowly recuperating at home from previous health problems, recently underwent back-surgery. He is currently getting further treatment at Care Age of Brookfield Nursing Home, where he enjoys having visitors. Both Bob and his wife, Mary, need our prayers.

Irene Ferencevich, who continued to serve KC Council 3702 in many ways for years after the death of her husband, **PGK Joseph J.**, now needs our prayers and encouraging phone calls. Irene suffered a stroke on January 1st of this year. She says that she can't walk, but her speech seems unimpaired.

Please continue to remember in your prayers those named in previous reports as having long-term problems. **Call me at (414) 607-0133** with information about any Knight or family member afflicted with illness or other concerns that should be made known to the Council.

Your Chancellor, Dick Schmidt

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

May is Mary's month!!! It is the month during which the entire Catholic world joins together to pay special honor and respect to Mary, to sing her praises as the Mother of God, the Mother of the Church, the Mother of all Christians, to congratulate her, to rejoice with her and to request her loving, motherly protection.

Mary has certainly been an inspiration for many. Through the years poets have put into verse the noblest affections of man for Mary; artists have drawn much honor and praise to her in their masterful creations of song, of painting, of sculpture; churches have been designed and erected in her name; and millions of people have lived and still live in the consciousness of Mary's love for them. **Mary is unique among all creatures, and this uniqueness prompted St. Bernard to exclaim: "She has no equal - neither before nor after."**

Mary is and must be our Mother. No matter what state in life we may have chosen, Mary has a definite claim on our love and loyalty and service. **Since Mary has given Christ to us and Christ in turn has given Mary to us**, there should be nothing - nothing, I repeat - holding us back from giving ourselves to Christ and his Mother.

Fr. Raphael Birringer, S.D.S. - Chaplain

MERGER NEWS

Yes, "The Merger" with Fred Miller Council has had a most **significant effect on Council 3702 membership**. With a total of 34 official transfers to date (many of whom have already been quite active) we now, officially, have 287 real members in our council (82 of those are "insurance" members). We expect at least four additional transfers; essentially the Fred Miller officers who have been overseeing this process, to occur within the next month or two.

As shown on Page 5 of this newsletter, we will be recognizing fifteen **Knights for attaining Honorary or Honorary Life membership**. Eleven of those are transfers from Fred Miller. Make it a point to **attend our Honors Ball** this coming June 3 when, among many other things, **we will give special recognition to our Brothers from "FM"**.

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WILL BE AWARDED
THEIR **HONORARY AND HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP**
AT THE MAY 18, 2006 GENERAL MEETING.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

William K. Kerner Thomas P. Rauen
Thomas F. Schramka, Sr. Ronald J. Tourtillott

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Paul Bartsch Leo S. Brzezinski
Richard J. Berg William J. Crain
Ralph G. Dane Edwin M. Gross
James H. Kasdorf Paul E. Schramka
William J. Spitzer Elmer J. Streng
Leroy J. Schueller

Please be present to honor these brothers for their dedicated service
to our order and council.

**HOW DOES ONE QUALIFY AS AN HONORARY
OR HONORARY LIFE MEMBER?**

Excerpts from the By Laws concerning Honorary or Honorary Life
Membership.

Sec. 118 (c) Members who have attained the actual age of **65 years**
and who have been members of the Order for **twenty-five**
consecutive years, shall be designated as Honorary members and on
due request in writing they shall be exempt from general fund
charges, **except for payment of State and Supreme Council per**
capita charges and levies.

Sec. 118 (d) Members who have attained the actual age of **70 years**
and who have been members of the Order for **twenty-five**
consecutive years, and those who have been members of the Order
for fifty years regardless of age, shall be designated as Honorary Life
members, and on due request in writing they shall be exempt from
further payment of dues, per capita charges and assessments.

ALL FAITH NIGHT

Tuesday, July 18, 2006

ALL DENOMINATIONS WELCOME

Sponsored by Tripoli Shrine & The Metro Milwaukee Chapter
of the Knights of Columbus at:

K of C Clubhouse, West Allis Council #3095

1800 South 92nd Street, West Allis, WI

Wives & Guests Invited

FEATURED SPEAKER

Wayne Larrivee

Voice of the Green Bay Packers

Social (Open Bar) at 6:00pm, Dinner at 7:00pm

Dinner includes Hot Appetizers & Warm Italian Rolls

Tossed Salad Greens with French or Ranch Dressing

8 - 10 Oz. Filet and River Blend Vegetables

Wisconsin Baked Potato, Beverage & Chocolate Mousse for Dessert

Cost: \$23.00 per person (includes tax & gratuity)

NAME _____ Council No. _____

SPOUSE or GUEST _____

Number of Persons _____ X \$23.00 = \$ _____

Please return your check (payable to: Metropolitan Milwaukee
Chapter), with above information **no later than**

Wednesday, July 12, 2006 to:

Metropolitan Milwaukee Chapter

3200 South 103rd Street

Greenfield, WI 53227

Your tickets will be available at the door.

Tickets MUST be purchased in advance.

TICKETS WILL NOT BE SOLD AT THE DOOR

BRADLEY CENTER UPDATE

We've finished our regular schedule, picking up a few more events than originally planned. Our income was **over \$13,000.00** while our **tips amounted to \$1,300.00**. No doubt the transition from Bradley management to Levy took its toll in more ways than monetary. We must insist on changes for the coming year.

Meanwhile, we have picked up two Bucks playoff dates plus the **Springsteen Concert which is scheduled for June 14th**.

All the splendid cooperation has made this a successful volunteer operation. I personally want to thank everyone who participated and am sure the Council does the same!

Bern Schlaefer - Bradley Liaison

BISHOP BRUST BINGO

Yes, your council is on the way into the **“Bingo Business”**. Our Bingo License Application has been filed with the State of Wisconsin, Office of Charitable Gaming, and commitments have been made to **conduct Bingo at Pere Marquette Council Clubhouse, 3200 S. 103rd Street on the first Wednesday of each month for a 12-month period**. We expect to average about \$1,000 above costs for each event and **will need 8 to 10 volunteers to run each one**.

A crew of our volunteers is running an event the evening of May 3 under the license and with the assistance of our Pere Marquette brothers. The “crew” will be needed from about 4:30 or 5:00pm until about 9:30pm.

We expect to run the first event under our license on **Wednesday, June 7**. If you will be available to be part of this or some future Bingo “crew” please **call Mike Jakus (262-782-4181)**.

NAME BADGE – WEAR IT -- All Council 3702 members are asked to *please wear their Name Badge at the monthly General Meetings*. The practice seems to be catching on; it is especially useful to our numerous new members! **If you have lost your Name Badge or haven't received one, please notify Bob Kalscheur (414-771-5445).**

MAY BIRTHDAYS

05/01 Louis S. Winter	05/02 E. Gloudeman DDS
05/10 Raymond Marotte	05/11 Gerald J Ives
05/11 Richard C. Cattani	05/12 Robert J. Dornoff
05/13 Robert Nadon	05/13 Emery Cardenas, Sr.
05/14 Edward J. Kleine	05/15 Mike Mantey
05/15 William Roedell	05/16 Richard Hoener
05/19 Tom Zalewski	05/21 Charles Carton
05/21 Earl J. Smith	05/24 Del Dettmann
05/26 Terrance P. Lynch	05/30 Joseph J. Becker

**IF POSSIBLE PLEASE ATTEND MASS ON YOUR BIRTHDAY
PRAY FOR YOUR DECEASED BROTHER KNIGHTS**

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

All in attendance at the April 20th general meeting were most impressed with the “First Degree” ceremony. What a fitting way to introduce **Father Jerry Hudziak to the Bishop Brust Council!**

The Bishop Brust Degree Team under **the leadership of John Bannen** continues to excel in conducting a disciplined and thought provoking ceremony. **Virgil Guralski and Adam Hartung** agreed that they gained much by participating in the ceremony. By witnessing the ceremony, Father Jerry has become a member.

Congratulations to Father Jerry, and all the brother knights who, over the years, have encouraged you by their example to become a member.

Our Degree Team participants include John Bannen, Dick Cattani, Mike Cattani, Clarence Heger, Bob Kalscheur, Tom Powers, and Neil Schmidt. **Thanks again to all for making Father Jerry's initiation a warm success.**

Please continue to approach your practicing Catholic friends about joining the KC's. I'm sure they would enjoy being a member as much as you do! If you have any questions, please call **Dick Rappl (414-258-2022), Bob Kalscheur (414-771-5445) or Augie Kalinoski (262-786-2038).**

Dick Rappl -- Membership Director

DAY AT THE RACES – 2006

ARLINGTON PARK

Wednesday, July 26, 2006

Send check to:

Ed Kleine

10520 W. Fisher Parkway

Wauwatosa, WI 53226

414-774-9471

Price - \$24 Includes Bus Transportation, Lunch, Beer & Soda

\$2.00 For Entrance

Bus leaves Council #3702 Clubhouse at 10:00am Sharp

Returns at approximately 7:00pm

Your Check, Payable to Ed Kleine, is your Reservation

OFFICERS: 2006 - 2007

Our Nominating Committee reports the following nominations to be voted upon at our May 18 Meeting:

Grand Knight

Deputy Grand Knight

Chancellor

Recorder

Treasurer

Advocate

Warden

Inside Guard

Outside Guard

Trustee - 1 Year

Trustee - 2 Years

Trustee - 3 Years

Joe Becker

Dan Woehrer

Dick Schmidt

Wayne Miller

John Troglia

Phil Miller

Tom Stepp

To be Nominated

Neil Schmidt

John Jerge

Joe Truss

Augie Kalinoski

PRO-LIFE NEWS

In the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel, feature articles were printed for **three days on stem cell research** - on the front page, no less. The emphasis of these articles was on the UW facilities for said research. UW is one of the leading laboratories nationally, specializing in this area of research and stands to make millions from their efforts. Needless to say the paper appears to be all for these efforts, especially when our great governor is for this program. After all, follow the money!

Admittedly, there was an article on the ethics of this activity. After all **we are allowing these scientists to kill embryos**, but we must consider the “**potential**” cures possible if everything can be successfully accomplished. Success may be a long way off but the potential is the thing. After all, look at the success we are having with **adult stem cells**. Apparently, the fact that the President of this country has banned federal spending on embryonic stem cell research is no obstruction to this important activity!

The fact is that we have reached a point where **we have to take a stand and let the State of Wisconsin legislature know** that we don't approve of embryonic stem cell research and we don't want to waste **taxpayer funds** on this activity even though there is a potential a long way down the road for some health benefit **the likelihood of which we may never see**.

The church is clear in its position that life begins at conception. To permit the destruction of human life for any reason is not acceptable except for a few very limited cases and embryonic killing is not one of them. If we permit ourselves to think otherwise it is wrong. The end never justifies the means. Other types of thought can lead to many terrible consequences. I read the other day that in China prisoners are being killed to permit harvesting of vital organs for commercial purposes. Did you see anything on the Journal's front page about that? Think about it – is that any different than killing embryos for commercial purposes?

George W. Koch, Pro-life Director

Please express your thanks to these Brother Knights who have made a commitment to give of their time and talents for the continuing benefit of Bishop Brust Council. Some have accepted the responsibility of serving for more than ten years and continue to serve unselfishly, enabling all our members to enjoy the benefits of truly Catholic fraternalism.