



St. John's Messenger

"SPREAD THE WORD"

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, ST. JOHN'S COUNCIL 4797
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DATES TO REMEMBER **PROJECT DATES**

None in March

OTHER DATES

March 2 - Next KC meeting @ 7:30 pm
March 19 - 1st Degree @ 9:30 am in New Ulm
March 9 - Ash Wednesday
March 16 - Officer's meeting @ 7pm Cafeteria

Come to March Meeting!

We had several questions about the KC's being members of the Hutchinson Chamber of Commerce at the last meeting. To help answer those questions Bill Corby will be coming to the March meeting with all the information and will tell us how to maximize our benefits of being a member.

Looking Ahead to April

Kirk, St. A's youth minister, will be coming to the April meeting to tell us about the youth ministry and the interesting events they have coming up!

Knight, and Family of the Month:

January Knight of the Month: Jeff Anderson
January Family of the Month: Jeff & Gail Lehn
February Knight of the Month: John Krippner
February Family of the Month: Rob & Margaret Shimpa

Grand Knight's Message:

This appears to be a quiet time for the Knights and projects. Perhaps this is good as we head into Lent so that we can focus on Lent and set our eyes on Christ and what his crucifixion means for us.

A big thank you to Jerry Brown who has stepped in to take the Treasurer position!

It has been an honor and a privilege to be your Grand Knight this last year. It's time to start thinking about the Grand Knight for next year. If you are interested in taking on this challenge let me know.

Oddfellows Banquet - need Chair:

It hasn't taken long to find another position that Gary Larson has left vacant by moving away. The Oddfellows called and ask us to do their Banquet again this year on May 19th. Gary has chaired this event for a number of years. I am looking for a new chair for this event. Could you chair this event for us? I already have some workers lined up that are willing to help. Gary is happy to tell you all about what needs to happen. If you can chair this event, please call me at 587-8102. Thanks in advance!

The Archbishop Calls His Men:

Join Archbishop Nienstedt on March 12 from 8am- Noon at the Cathedral of St. Paul for a Men's Conference. The theme is "The Crucial Role of Men in our Archdiocese." Cost is \$20. Go to their website at www.archspm.org or call 651-291-4488 for more information.

KC Picnic Shelter:

The KC picnic shelter building is closed for the year but you can still rent the grounds if you want. Cost is \$5 for members and \$25 for non-members. We are already starting to get reservations for the summer so start planning now if you need it. Please give Mark Lewandowski a call if you wish to rent this out and to check availability.

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KC Websites:

If you're looking for more information about the KC's, you can check out the Supreme website at www.kofc.org

Also, you can check the Minnesota state website at www.mnknights.org

Check out our Council's website at:

<http://www.kchutch.org>

Thanks to Tim Haas for putting it together for us.

Electronic Newsletter

Sign up, as many other Knights have, to get this newsletter sent to your email. Send me an email at pieps@mediacombb.net to get switched over. It will save the council postage and help the environment. Lets be the best stewards of our environment that we can. Thanks to those that have already responded.

Catholic Minute:

"Christian, recognize your dignity and, now that you share in God's own nature, do not return to your former base condition by sinning. Remember who is your head and of whose body you are a member. Never forget that you have been rescued from the power of darkness and brought into the light of the Kingdom of God." - St Leo the Great. Paragraph 1691 in the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

KC Insurance

Our February thaw was a welcome relief from the cold weather. Now all we have to do is survive the snow we get in March. Wasn't snow a lot more fun when we were younger?

As we are doing our taxes we often think of areas we should be doing something about. Perhaps some of those area's are listed below.

*Show your love by pre-paying and pre-planning your funeral, done right pre-paying can save you money.

*Pass on more of your wealth to your beneficiaries tax free, the younger you look at this the more options you have.

*Protect your spouse and children's lifestyle if you die pre-maturely, life (LOVE) insurance does not have to be an expense if done correctly .

There are other plans we should make also. The Knights of Columbus can help you with the little issues as well as help you with complete estate planning. This is the most important free fraternal benefit available to you. Contact me for more information at 320-224-2587 or at dennis.dunne@kofc.org.

God Bless,
Dennis Dunne, FIC
Field Agent

As always it is an honor serving the Council as your Grand Knight. Thanks to everyone that is able to volunteer their time for our projects. And thanks all of the members, just being a Knight helps our parish and our community. Ask someone to join us!

Yours in Christ,

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