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Breese Council #2869 May 2009

GRAND KNIGHT'S NOTES

The new fraternal year is coming up July 1st. We are currently looking for quality brothers to fill positions as officers. Nominations for officers will take place at our May 14th meeting with elections at our June 11th meeting. Brother Knights, please seriously consider requests by our Deputy Grand Knight to take on duties as an officer in our council! If you are interested in being an officer or know someone who is, contact Deputy Grand Knight Bob Lager at 210-1977.

We had a very successful Lenten Fish Fry season with a new setup to streamline efficiency of the operations. Special thanks to all who helped clean fish and who came in early for the fries without whom the operation would not have been possible. Thanks to Ralph Maue and all of the workers from their respective chicken fry crews who made this a success.

We had a successful major degree on Palm Sunday. Thanks to Carl Ratermann and Rich Eilermann for preparing the meal for our guests, new members, and degree team and other members present.

A Texas Hold'em was held on April 25th. Thanks to Shane Bowan and all of the workers.

Rich Robben
Grand Knight

WELCOME NEW BROTHERS

Welcome to four new brothers who joined our council. Bill Fischer, Dave Kruep, and Mark Cowgill became Knights on Palm Sunday and Brian Loepker joined a week later. Congratulations.

DEACONATE ORDINATION

Dale Maxfield and Sean Palas will be ordained to the Order of Deacon by Bishop Edward K. Braxton at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 30, 2008 at St. Peter's Cathedral in Belleville.

If you would like to attend call Rich Robben at 806-5401 for ride sharing.

MD DINNERS – HELP NEEDED

Brother Knights and Ladies, we need your help preparing and serving at the Mater Dei Band Award Dinner on Monday May 18th and Parent-Senior Night Dinner on the Thursday May 21st. Earnings from the Band dinner offset the costs of the State Convention bus so all who attend the convention dinner are asked to work this dinner.

PAST GRAND KNIGHTS PARTY

Past Grand Knight Rich Koerkenmeier was honored at the past Grand Knights dinner and party February 28. Thanks to Shane a Sheena Bowen for organizing this event. After mass at St. Dominic, a great dinner and good time were had by all of those in attendance.

STATE CONVENTION

The State Convention will be on May 2nd through the 24th in Lombard Illinois. A bus will leave Friday morning on the 22nd and return Sunday afternoon. Bus costs and one night's stay will be paid for by the council. Members and wives attending are expected to work at the Mater Dei High School Band Banquet at the Breese KC Hall on

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MRLD FUNDS DISTRIBUTED

MRLD Funds of over \$7,000 were distributed to the following charities;

1. Aviston Terrace Group Home
2. Catholic Social Services of Southern Illinois
3. Don Bosco Children's Center
4. Ministry to Sick and Aged
5. Clinton County Community Link
6. Warren G Murray Developmental Center
7. Illinois Center for Autism
8. Special Olympics Area 12-Highland
9. Clinton County Advocates for Recreational Activity

Good Job Chairman Ray Brosch and all of the volunteers!

PRO-LIFE PRAYER AND WREATH LAYING SERVICE

Our council held a Pro-Life Prayer and Wreath Laying Service at St. Dominic. Thanks to our Pro-Life chairman Tony Antonacci for his work in organizing this event, to our priests, Father Pat Peter who presided and to Fathers Chuck Tuttle and Ben Stern. Thanks also to Deacon Linus Klostermann, to Phyllis Mensing and the teachers and students of the Parish School of Religion Program.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Carl Ratermann is the Knight of the Month. Carl is our Hall manager and works very hard in making the operation of the hall efficient. Carl is President of the Sangaeor Chor, a member of St. Augustine Church, an a member of the Holy Name Society where he fries chicken for their luncheon-bingo and works the mother's day Breakfast. He is on chicken fry and bingo crews at our council. Carl is on the Breese City Council, member of the ILBA, and is a member and past president of the Breese Optimists. He has been married for 38 years and is the father of 2 and grandfather of 3. Be sure to stop and thank Carl for all of his work.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Rich and Lynette Eilermann are the family of the month for May. They are members of St. Dominic's Church. Lynette is a volunteer at the House of Manna, a Eucharistic minister, president of the St. Dominic Ladies Sodality, and chairperson of the St. Dominic picnic raffle stand.

Rich is currently the President of the St. Dominic Men's Sodality and is an usher. He is a co-chair for the church dinners and works at the church picnic. Rich is a co-chairman of the PSR Pork Dinner, is on a chicken fry crew and bingo crew, works at the Texas Hold'ems and cooks most of our meeting dinners. Of course, Rich does a lot of other work at the hall and is always willing to help when he is available. Congratulations Rich and Lynette and thanks for all of your dedication and hard work for your church and our council.

COUNCIL CALENDAR

MAY

- 1 - Chicken/Bingo
- 6 - Columbian Board Meeting
- 8 - Chicken/Bingo
- 14 - Monthly Council Meeting, officer nominations 8:00 p.m.**
- 15 - Chicken/Bingo
- 18 - MD Band Dinner
- 21 - Ascension of Jesus**
- 21 - MD Parent-Senior Dinner
- 22 - Chicken/Bingo
- 22-24 State KofC Convention
- 29 - Chicken/Bingo
- 30 - Deaconate Ordination

JUNE

- 3 - Columbian Board Meeting
- 5 - Chicken/Bingo
- 11 - Monthly Council Meeting, officer elections 8:00 p.m.**
- 12 - Chicken/Bingo
- 14 - Bartelso St. Cecelia Church Parade
- 19 - Chicken/Bingo
- 26 - Chicken/Bingo

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