

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HAROLD GENTLING COUNCIL 1013

# VOCAL KNIGHT FOR JUNE 2009

# **Grand Knight's Message:**

Dear Brother Knights,

I have come to the end of my third and last term as Grand Knight. It has been a great experience to say the least. I thought that I talk about what has happened here over the last three years, but you all know the history. One thing I will never forget is the dedication I have seen in brother Knights. Whether hashing out the Donor Advised Fund procedures, working on membership drives or rounding up members for an event, no one ever gave up no matter how long the struggle. Thanks to all of you.

The biggest struggle now is our membership. Our membership committee has worked very hard in developing new ways of bring more men on board. This is something that all Knights need to get involved if your council will grow. All of us need to look back when we became Knights and remember why.

At the June 8<sup>th</sup> council meeting, new officers will be voted in.

Vivat Jesus, Steve Freese

### 2009 Minnesota Knight of the Year

Please join me in congratulating the 2009 Minnesota Knight of the Year, Jim Decker. Jim is from the Holy Spirit Council in Rochester where he is the Financial Secretary. Jim also serves as Comptroller at the Assembly. Please congratulate Jim when you see him.

#### **State Convention Report:**

Mark Zangs and Steve Freese attended the state convention in St Cloud. The convention went well – all activities were held at the Holiday Inn. Council 1013 received the Certificate of Participants Award. Below are your new state officers:

State Chaplain: Fr. Joseph Richards

State Deputy: Ricardo Acevedo State Secretary: Craig Larson State Treasurer: Joe Konrady State Warden: Ray Wojtysiak

### **Nominated Officers for 2009 – 2010**

Grand Knight Mark Zangs Deputy Grand Knight Rea Schmidt Chaplain Father Lasuba Chancellor Rich Siglow Recorder Brian Willaert Tim Geisler Treasurer Lecturer Jerry Freetly Advocate Chris Nelson Warden Bob Pyfferoen Inside Guard Mike Kleinschmidt **Outside Guard** 

Outside Guard Ryan Keller
Board of Trustees Steve Freese, Mark Stadtherr,

Vivat Jesus, Steve Freese

# Semi-annual Road Clean-up Project (adopt-a-highway)

To those that helped, Thank you, Mark

# **Insurance Segment for council Newsletters- June 2009**

Long Term Care – Why even consider it??

With all the advances in medicine and improved health care life expectancy has increased. The Bad news is that too many people are not prepared financially to live long lives. In particular, the cost of long-term, custodial care, can lay waste to even the best retirement plans.

A 2005 study1 found that 69% of people turning 65 years of age will need some long-term care before they die. Woman are at a higher risk than men with 79% of women turning 65 years of age needing some long-term care and 58% of men turning 65 needing some long-term care. Among those turning 65 years of age, 44% will need less than 1 year; 30% will need 3-5 years; 12% will need 5 or more years. On average, private nursing home care can cost upwards of \$78,000 per year.2 You may be able to manage with at-home nursing care. Yet this option, too, can be quite expensive: such services can cost over \$55,480 per year in the U.S.3 for eight hours of service, 365 days a year.

Average yearly nursing home costs are approaching \$60,000.00 per year. Premiums for a typical 60 year old could be paid for 20 years without surpassing a stay a nursing home.

The Knights have not raised their LTC premiums for eight years and are recognized for having one of the best products in the market. If you wish information please don't hesitate to call. An individual plan specific to your needs may be worth your time and consideration when you look at the alternatives.

Please contact Jim Motz (507-206-6216) to get more information on the programs available to Brother Knights and their families.

# RochesterFest Parade – June 26

Reminder, we need your help, give Brian Bell a call.



Call to Order: 8:06 PM Date: Monday, May 11th, 2009

**Roll Call:** Grand Knight – Steve Freese P

Deputy Grand Knight – Mark Zangs P Chancellor – Deacon Jerry Freetly A Financial Secretary – Brian Bell P

Treasurer – Tim Geisler A Recorder – Brian Willaert P Warden – Rea Schmid P Advocate – Chris Nelson A Inside Guard – John Robinson A Outside Guard – Mike Kleinschmidt P

Chaplain – Father Lasuba A Trustee – Rich Siglow P Trustee – Mark Stadtherr A

District Deputy – Jeff Bagniewski P

**New Members:** The council meeting followed a 1<sup>st</sup> degree ceremony held at St. John's. We welcomed two new members into the council, Les Payne and David Spies. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> and approved.

**Financial Secretaries Report**: Receipts: Dues: \$110, Contributions: \$15, Fish Dinner Start Up Return:

\$200.00 Contributions: \$1112

Pennies for Seminarians: \$266, Student Loan Fund: \$96, Jim Campbell Fund: \$61

Unspecified: \$40. Will contribute \$40 unspecified to student loan fund. Report was approved and seconded.

### **New/Old Business:**

**Road Clean-up:** 4 People helped. Mark Zangs, Mark Stadherr, Steve Freese, and Rea Schmid. They collected 8 bags of trash.

**Christmas Tree Light Removal:** Need to set up a time to remove the lights from the trees in the St. Johns Peace Garden. It was agreed that those who could come early, around 6, on June 8<sup>th</sup> before the next regular council meeting could take the lights down.

**Fish Dinner Recognition Dinner:** A recognition dinner is set for Tuesday May 12<sup>th</sup> in the O'Day room. There will be a report given on the dinners this year.

Website: The "Next Meeting" notice needs to be updated. Brian Willaert will update.

**Officers:** Voting for new officers will be held at the June 8<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

**RochesterFest Parade:** The parade is set for June 26<sup>th</sup>. We will again be coordinating the marshalling of the event.

**4<sup>th</sup> Degree Update:** Mark Zangs gave an update on 4<sup>th</sup> Degree activities. The Assembly has donated a US and Papal flag to St. John's and have sent a photo to the Courier and Columbia. A photo of the Lourdes Scholarship check presentation was also sent to the Courier.

**Insurance Update:** Jim Motz was in attendance to give an insurance update. He mentioned that the Knights of Columbus Insurance plans have enough funds to pay all benefits through conservative investments. They only insure Catholic men in the Knights of Columbus and their families and they only invest in things that follow Catholic beliefs and values.

Meeting closed with a prayer by Grand Knight at 8:35 pm **Faithfully Submitted by Recorder -** Brian Willaert