

Knights Council 11187

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Attend the June 8th Meeting and **VOTE!**

Grand Knight Knotes

Fellow Knights:

Columbus in gold at the top, our council number in white at the bottom, the Rosary in the center and symbols of our emblem, fish (for fish fry), a measure-up ruler, Father McGivney's picture and an icon of the Virgin and Jesus—truly impressive. Fran Vendetta remarked: "Carl did a heck of a job." We are all proud of Carl.

THE GUARD IS CHANGING

The big night is just around the corner—election night that is. We need to show the candidates a display of support. Please consider coming by even if this is the only meeting you will attend all year. Help elect your new officers on June 8th!

PENTECOST WAS A JOY

18 organizations participated in the pentecost march last Sunday. Thanks to Carl Kipp, our lector, and all the "assigned strutters," your council was represented. For those who were away for the weekend, the banner was decorated blue felt (about 3 ft. by 4 ft.) emblazoned with The Knights of



Please keep Brother Larry

Balanti & wife Margaret in your prayers. Margaret's health has been poor. A show of support in any form for

Larry & Margaret will be appreciated.

STATE MEETING

The state meeting was well attended. Awards were given to the top 4 councils in each category. Last year awards were given to the top 10 in each category. No controversial items were discussed.



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

The idea for creating a day for children to honor their fathers began in Spokane, Washington. A woman by the name of Sonora Smart Dodd thought of the idea for Father's Day while listening to a Mother's Day sermon in 1909.

Having been raised by her father, Henry Jackson Smart, after her mother died, Sonora wanted her father to know how special he was to her. It was her father that made all the parental sacrifices and was in the eyes of his daughter, a courageous, selfless, and loving man. Sonora's father was born in June, so she chose to hold the first Father's Day celebration in Spokane, Washington on the 19th of June, 1910.

In 1926, a National Father's Day Committee was formed in New York City. Father's Day was recognized by a Joint Resolution of Congress in 1956. In 1972, President Richard Nixon established a permanent national observance of Father's Day to be held on the third Sunday of June. So Father's Day was born in memory and gratitude by a daughter who thought that her father and all good fathers should be honored with a special day just like we honor our mothers on Mother's Day.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

Upcoming Events

VOTE, VOTE, VOTE

Don't forget that the meeting nights are the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month: June 8th and 22nd, at 8:00 PM. This month, the June 8th meeting is especially important, because you have the chance to *elect officers!* Do not miss this meeting!

VIOLET FESTIVAL

Our council will man the Beer Tent at the Violet Festival this year. We will need volunteers for 4 days of shifts. All volunteers will get a T-shirt with the Budweiser logo and the Seton Council logo.

BOWLING LEAGUE

The Bowling League will start this Fall as hoped. The rosters are filled up, and there is a waiting list. However, the September Start date is a long way off, so some people may still drop out. If you have interest, contact John Pizzuto at 759-9770.



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*(Continued from page 1)***JIM TESSMER A FREE AGENT**

I have been notified by Hans Juneau (K of C general insurance agent for our area) that Jim Tessmer—who has served as insurance agent to our council members is now representing another company and should no longer be offering insurance benefits as a representative of the K of C.

FIRST DEGREE TEAM MEMBERS RECOGNIZED

I am also pleased to report that our 1st degree team has been officially recognized. A certificate will be presented to Brother Joe Rossi at Monday's meeting. Plastic ID cards will be presented to Joe and others on the team. Well done, brothers.

ONE GOAL LEFT BEFORE JULY 1

We are in the running for Star Council awarded annually by Supreme. (Criteria will be discussed at the Monday Council meeting).

CLIPPER TICKETS

Every Knight received 10 tickets at \$1.00 each. If you didn't pay for them, turn them in. The tickets are like cash. For every one not accounted for, our treasury is responsible and must pay. Either the tickets or the purchase price—\$10 for the ten allotted each member—must be turned in as soon as possible.

CONGRATULATIONS TO NEWEST KNIGHT

Dave McVey became our only new Knight in May. Dave is best known as the concessions coordinator for the parish festival. Dave orders the suds, connects the taps, and pours the bubbly. Congratulations, Dave - and welcome. Yes, it is OK to join the golf league now.

Please remember that election night is Monday, June 8. Missing will be District Deputy and past Grand Knight, Charles Tagliareni. Brother Tag is busy weekdays in Chicago at his new job. He can still be seen at the 9:30 Mass on Sunday.

George Williams
Grand Knight

Knews of Knote**MEASURE-UP CAMPAIGN**

The Measure-Up Campaign raised \$3203.00. We donated \$1500 of that

to the Special Olympics, and \$1062.40 to Fairfield Industries. It was so wet during the collections on Saturday, the cash had to be put through a dryer prior to counting it.

CLIPPERS TICKETS

As of the May 11th meeting, we had received \$381 for Clippers tickets. Don't forget to turn in your money or the unused tickets as soon as possible.

**4TH DEGREE**

The 4th degree Knights, in full regalia, attended First Communion in May, and gave out rosaries. This is the first time 4th Degree Knights have attended a First Communion.

**KOFC INSURANCE**

Congratulations to the Council! We were the only council in the district that made quota on Knight's Insurance for individuals.

**VOTE JUNE
8TH**

Nominations for Officer Elections on June 8th, 1998

On behalf of the Nominations Committee (**Bud Joos, Joe Rossi** and myself) I would like to thank all of the Brothers who accepted the opportunity to be included on the Nomination Slate and potentially elected by our fellow brothers for the respective role.

This years Nomination Slate is chock-full of talent and depth. It is a clear sign of our vibrant chapter to have the variety, willingness and experience of those who said, "Yes!". There were several brothers who were also contacted that for one reason or another could not say yes to this commitment, but were none-the-less enthusiastic about helping in other areas of our future chapter activities.



Unlike previous years and other chapters, we are blessed this year to have several positions with multiple choices - Please give careful consideration to each Nominee, for they all offer great gifts in their own way. There will obviously be some candidates that do not end up in office - for those, we thank you in advance for your willingness and we look forward to sharing your talents in other areas and activities of our chapter.

I would like to offer a special thank you to Bud and Joe as well as the other brothers who helped develop and refine this years slate!

Fraternally,

Tim Bowie

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Nominations for Officers 1998-1999

Grand Knight:

Charlie Giametta

Deputy Grand Knight:

Fran Vendetta

Chancellor:

Tim Bowie

Treasurer:

Joe Rossi
John Mayo
Mark Kossouf

Recorder:

John Samborsky

Advocate:

Bud Joos
Alex Pokora

Warden:

Steve Walter
Joe Drignat
Mike Welling

Inside Guard:

Rob Allen
Bob Snider

Outside Guard:

Mitch Thomas

Non-Elected Positions:

1st Year Trustee:

Harold Egler

2nd Year Trustee:

Hector Raymond

3rd Year Trustee:

George Williams

**Cast Your
Vote on
June 8, 1998!**

Carl's Korner

At the 11 May 1998 Business meeting, we had a very interesting presentation by **Father Denis Kigozi** on his homeland of Uganda.

Geography

Uganda is a country in Southern Africa, surrounded by the Sudan on the north, Zaire on the west, Kenya on the East, and Rwanda and Tanzania on the south. Uganda is also borders Lake Victoria on the south, which is second in size only to Lake Superior.

The land covers about 93,000 square miles (roughly the size of Oregon), and is populated by 19 million people. The currency is the Ugandan shilling (1 Ugandan shilling (US\$) = 100 cents). Uganda is about 80% Christian, and about half the Christians are Catholic, so about 33% to 40% of the population is Catholic.

Since Uganda is on the equator, a casual observer would assume it is unbearably hot. However, it is on a plateau of about 3000 feet, and the altitude causes the temperature to be more moderate—an average of about 70°F year-round. There is no winter, just a dry season and a rainy season. The dry season averages about 85° and the wet season averages 55°-60°. There is rain about 8-8 months a year.

Many Ugandans are farmers. Popular crops are coffee, cotton, tobacco, bananas (7 kinds), plantains, yams, beans, and peanuts. Because of the popularity of farming, they eat a lot of vegetables. Since about

20% of Uganda is covered by water, they also eat a lot of fish.

Politics

Uganda came under British rule in the 1700's, when traders and Anglican missionaries arrived. Prior to that, the region consisted of 10 separate kingdoms, which constantly fought against each other. The British formed a country out of the kingdoms.

In 1962 they declared independence from Britain, but then had internal struggles between Anglicans and Catholics to take power. The king of the biggest tribe chose a prime minister named Milton Obote from a warrior, northern tribe. Since most of the army was from the same warrior tribe, he was very powerful. In 1966 he mounted a coup, declared a republic, and made himself executive president. However, the Israelites helped Idi Amin overthrow him in 1971.

Once Idi Amin got power, he made radical changes. He got rid of foreigners. He put his friends in important positions, but because they had no education, they were unable to efficiently run the government. Business suffered greatly. He also killed thousands of his opponents, making his regime internationally famous. His attempt in 1978 to annex the Kagera area of Tanzania gave President Nyerere the opportunity to send his troops into Uganda. Within six months Amin was defeated.

Obote came back after Amin was defeated, and was even worse than Amin. He tried to kill educated people like doctors and teachers.

He also killed formerly exiled people who came back to Uganda after Amin's departure. However, the world didn't recognize the problems Obote caused, so he wasn't as infamous as Amin.

A guerilla war ensued. There were many atrocities. The people often stayed in the jungle to avoid government reprisals. Finally ousted by Brigadier Basilio Okello in 1985, Obote was granted political asylum in Zambia.

The Slide Show

Father Denis gave us a slide show of pictures of his homeland, from his 1995 visit. The country is making a comeback, and getting more stable. His home was about 9 miles from the capital of Kampala. We saw his family's house, and the surrounding areas. We got to see some of the local food, which looked delicious—everyone was smiling. The food was steamed in banana leaves, so it won't be easy to reproduce here. He also had pictures of Kampala, which looked a lot like any city in the United States.

We saw a slide of the first African bishop, Joseph Kiwanuka, who died in 1966. The actual body is on display in a church.

Father Denis gave us a lot of details, too many to list here. As you know from his sermons, he is an enjoyable, humorous speaker. All those who were absent missed a wonderful chance to learn about Uganda and Father Denis.

Carl Kipp, Lecturer