



Knights of Columbus
Good Samaritan Council 13096
Grand Knight's Report (Meeting Agenda)
June 9, 2015

a. Upcoming Activities

- a. Fr. Andrew KC Appreciation, Thursday June 18th, 7PM, HNOJ Fireside Room
- b. Serra Club Meeting with the Most Reverend Bishop Piche', Friday June 26, St Anne Hamel, following the 6:45Am Mass
- c. HNOJ parish Rummage Sell, June 25-27. Help needed setting up June 21-24.
Read more: <https://www.hnoj.org/june-2015-rummage-sale>
- d. Officer Installation Ceremony, June 26, following the 6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Peter & Paul Loretto. RSVP counts needs to go to Eric Lloyd.
- e. Fr. Andrew Parish Appreciation following the 10:30 AM Mass on June 28th

b. Communications

- a. April 11th, Cemetery Spring Clean up (Ricker, Kessler, Forrence, Bryan Wernimont & two sons, Swing)
- b. April 18th Property Enhancement Committee Meeting (Attachment 1)
- c. April 19th Breakfast Buffet (Revenue \$1,651; Expenses \$400.77; Net: 1,250.23)
- d. Tootsie Roll Weekend (April 25-26) Total receipts: \$2008.00!!
- e. April 21 Rosaries to RCIA Candidates & Notes of Appreciation (Attachment 2)
- f. April 23rd Council Officers Meeting: 2015-2016 Fraternal Year Transition (Attachment 3)
- g. April 26th Rosary Promotion Speech and donation of rosaries to Confirmation students
- h. May Lecturers Report "THE VALUE OF AN ASSOCIATE PASTOR TO THE KC'S"
<http://hnojkc.org/index.cfm?pageid=190> and Fr. Andrew's response (Attachment 4)
- i. May 12th Awards Dinner (Attachment 5)
- j. Council Bylaws to Supreme
- k. State KC Convention in Duluth. Receipt of the "State Officers Award for Excellence"
- l. May 17th Breakfast Buffet (Revenue \$1,227; Expenses \$381.23; Net: 845.77)
- m. July Council meeting location: Emmaus AB
- n. Order new form 100s – to be used starting July 1st
- o. Women's Day of Renewal, October 10th (a heads up on a new year calendar item)
Labyrinths set up, gate keeping, take-down, serving lunch, i.e. 4-5 knights between 8am – 4pm.
Contacts: Lisa Wagner and Lori Becker
- p. Council article in HNOJ June Newsletter <https://www.hnoj.org/june-2015-k-c-award>

c. Unfinished Business

- a. Presentation of 'May Awards Dinner' gifts
- b. Designation of April 19 and May 17 Breakfast Proceeds.

d. New Business

- a. Fr. Andrew KC Appreciation Evening – Details
- b. Fr. Andrew Parish Appreciation after 10:30am Mass. Request for Knights to serve.
- c. Proposal to Donate \$200 to the Rwanda Mission (Attachment 6)

Respectfully Submitted,
Bill Swing, Grand Knight

Attachment #1: Property Enhancement Committee

Date/Time/Location: April 18th, 9AM, Good Samaritan Center.

Attendees: Carol Bishop, Bill Kessler, Earl Forrence, Bill Swing

Projects discussed:

1. Paint the church walls, with the exception of the stenciled area.
2. Paint hallways by the Fireside and Emmaus Rooms.
3. Clean the wood paneling in the Good Samaritan Center. HNOJ would provide the product to clean and restore the oil to the wood so it looks brighter, warmer.
4. Restore the paved walkway up to the ball field. It's sunken, so we'd need to (1) pull out the pavers placing them on the side in the same pattern/order, (2) install a new base, (3) reinstall the pavers. It would probably only take a few guys since it involves maintaining the pattern that's there.
5. To the extent that time allows, assist with summer painting in the school hallways.

It was felt that the Knights could accomplish most if not all of these projects over time. The ideal time for these projects would be during the summer months with school out and good weather.

Attachment #2: RCIA Rosaries & Notes of Appreciation

From: Lauri Becker [mailto:lbecker@hnoj.org]
Sent: Wednesday, April 22, 2015 8:30 PM
To: Bill Swing
Subject: Rosaries

Bill:

I would like to thank the Knights for their presentation of rosaries to the RCIA this past Tuesday evening. Earl was kind enough come in person and present them during their session. I was unable to be there, because I was working with the First Communion Rehearsals, but I heard he gave a great “commercial” for the Knights of Columbus...

Thank you once again for this gift to the RCIA participants...they have learned how to pray the rosary and now have one of their own, thanks to you!

Blessings,

Lauri

Lauri J. Becker

From: Lauri Becker [mailto:lbecker@hnoj.org]
Sent: Wednesday, April 22, 2015 8:23 PM
To: Bill Swing
Subject: Thank you to all of the Knights

Hi Bill:

I know this is late in coming to you, (and I truly apologize for my tardiness) but I really don't want to miss the chance of telling you and your fellow knights, how incredibly grateful and appreciative that I am for all of the hard work that was put in for the Easter Vigil Reception for the RCIA folks and the parishioners that attended the celebration.

They were so impressed (as am I) by your dedication to this welcoming ministry at Holy Name of Jesus.

That night was such a special night for them because of their reception of the sacraments and the joining of our faith community. But they felt even more welcome by your presence and your service to HNOJ.

I heard many compliments as people went through the line and saw your group...You need to be aware how much you are acknowledged within the larger community. Please know that this Easter Vigil reception could not have happened without this effort from the Knights.

I can only simply say Thank you for ALL that you do and ALL that you have done for the RCIA Ministry.

Forever grateful,

Lauri

Attachment #3: Council Officers Meeting

Date/Time: Thursday April 23, 2015, 7-8:30PM

Location: Fireside Room, HNOJ

Attendees: Dave Stumpf, Earl Forrence, Dan Cincoski, Joe Badalucco, Jim Grube, John Rode, Eugene Dust, Mark Mertens, Ed Hagerty, Bill Swing

Subject: **2015-2016 Fraternal Year Transition**

Goals: Discuss next fraternal year's activities, support functions and assignments with an emphasis on membership recruitment and retention strategies.

Conclusions/Discussion:

1. Emphasis on Committee Structure - Chair, Membership, and Responsibilities

Discussion: To aid in the transition, a move towards a committee structure will help clarify activities to be undertaken next year and related responsibilities – not a big change from what we're already doing. Committees would have more ownership of their function - a greater degree of freedom to act while staying within parameters defined by the Council. There will be less reliance on the Grand Knight. The chair of each committee would need to be clearly communicated with HNOJ admin, i.e. the Grand Knight would not always be their primary contact.

2. Committees

a. Planning/Budget

Chair: Grand Knight

Members: Grand Knight, Financial Secretary, Deputy Grand Knight, Trustees

Discussion: August timeframe. Consider a forum that includes HNOJ administration staff.

b. Membership

Chair: Cincoski

Membership: Chair, GK, Trustees

Discussion: Several ideas were suggested on how the Council could improve on membership recruitment, retention, and activation of silent members:

- Rotating PowerPoint during KC Breakfast advertizing Council's activities/accomplishments.
- Information table in gathering space, i.e. on Founder's Day.
- Add flyer to 'Welcoming Packet'.
- Assign a mentor to new members. The applicant's proposer is the default mentor.
- Quarterly newsletter.
- Informal nudging, i.e. giving Council calling card, pester 3 times (in Minnesota)
- Social events, i.e. engaging the "Social Committee".
- Special types of activities such as facility enhancement activities seem to draw out the silent members.

c. Parish Facility Enhancement

Chair: Forrence

Members: Chair, Dust, Swing

- d. Rosary
Chair: Dehen
Members: Forrence

- e. Breakfast Buffet
Chair: Silver
Members: Silver, Cincoski, Rode
Discussion: More “food prep certification” persons are needed. Currently Steve Zylla is the only one certified.
Officers indicating interest: Stumpf, Rode, Forrence, Cincoski.
Forrence will check with Michele Kirchoff on certification process.

- f. Social, i.e. Christmas Party, May Dinner Meeting, Other.
Chair: Rode
Members: Dust, Stumpf, Mertens

- g. Fall Fest Chair: Cincoski; Member: Rode

- h. Soccer Challenge Chair: Following discussion, decided to drop this activity.

- i. Tootsie Roll Chair: Stumpf

- j. Free Throw Chair: Forrence, Mertens

3. Support Functions

- a. Financial (FS Hagerty, Treasurer Mertens, Trustees, Grand Knight)
Responsibilities: per Council Bylaws

- b. Communications (Swing & TBD)
 - Email
 - Web Site
 - Calendar
 - Letters of Appreciation
 - Announcements to outside publications, i.e. Bulletin, 60 Seconds Connect, Catholic Spirit
 - Newsletter
 - Social Media – looking for another person to maintain social media and possibly the web site.

Discussion: Committee Chairs would be responsible for submitting completed submissions. The Communications Officer may perform minor edits if that.

Attachment #4: Fr. Andrew's Response to May Lecturers Report

From: Father Andrew Stueve [mailto:frandrew.stueve@hnoj.org]

Sent: Tuesday, May 19, 2015 11:39 AM

To: MARTIN DEHEN (mdehen@msn.com)

Cc: Bill Swing

Subject: FW: May 2015 Lecturers Report

Marty,

Good morning, and thanks so much for the kind words! I have been truly honored to have served as the chaplain for this past (nearly) year. I am also truly honored for the "chaplain of the year" award. I hold the KCs here at Holy Name of Jesus in the highest regard!

My maternal grandfather was a KC, my father is a KC, and I am honored to be a KC. I am looking forward to working with the council in my new parish.

Have a great day, and God bless!

Fr. Andrew Stueve

Attachment #5: May Awards Dinner

Location: LaTuff's Pizzeria, 16 Knights in attendance

Program: 6 PM: Social; 7 PM: Dinner; 7:45 PM: Council Meeting

1. Vote on Council Bylaws

A motion to accept the Council Bylaws as distributed by US mail to Council membership was made, seconded and unanimously approved by voice vote.

2. Vote on 2015-2016 Council Officers

GK Swing called for further nominations three consecutive times. Hearing none, he called for a voice vote on the nominees presented. The slate of nominees (below) was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Elected Positions	Nominee
Grand Knight	Dave Stumpf
Deputy Grand Knight	John Rode
Chancellor	Eugene Dust
Recorder	Jim Grube
Treasurer	Mark Mertens
Lecturer	Marty Dehen
Advocate	Tom Silver
Warden	Davone Yang
Inside Guard	John Gooley
Outside Guard	Pat Karn
Trustee 3yr	Bill Swing
Appointed Positions	
Chaplain	Vacant
Financial Secretary	Ed Hagerty
Trustee 2yr	Earl Forrence
Trustee 1yr	Dan Cincoski

3. Presentation of Awards

The following awards were presented by GK Swing:

- "In the Footsteps of St Joseph" Award: Presented to Earl Forrence.
- "Family of the Year" Award: Presented to The Eugene and Beth Dust Family
- "The Knight of the Year" Award: Presented to Dan Cincoski
- "Chaplain of the Year" Award: Presented to Fr. Andrew

Gifts to be provided with the award certificates had not arrived. They will be presented at the June 9th Council meeting.

Attachment #6: Donation to Rwanda Mission

Hi, Frank and Bill: I am forwarding this to you as I know that both Serra Club and the KCs might be interested in hearing about this info below, a priest from Rwanda who heads a seminary there with urgent needs.

Debi O'Leary from our parish works for an organization that aids widows and orphans there, Lift up their Hearts, and has visited a couple of times. She and her co-worker, Kris Worm spoke about their work in Rwanda at the KC Auxiliary's recent tea and we were very moved by their testimony.

Karen Karn

From: "Debera O'Leary" <DOL13335@aol.com>
To: "Karen Karn" <kekarn@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2015 11:49:07 AM
Subject: Re: Tea question

...the head of the seminary in the province of Butare, Rwanda, where we work, will be coming soon to do missionary appeals. The seminary needs a new well desperately. His name is Fr. Denis and besides running the seminary, he has also taken on serving as the director of our school. He's a very warm person, easy to chat with and so good at telling you little tidbits of what life is like living in Rwanda. For instance, a few minutes of conversation led to him telling me how Rwanda families who live in less populated areas and without running water or electricity will wash/bathe outside after dark. No worries about getting a hard packed dirt floor wet that way. And the kitchens with their cooking fires are outside anyway. Obviously, it is also very private because you still might have neighbors close-by. I could also go on about how important it is for American Catholics to support seminaries like this one. Practically speaking, there are so many more young men there who are interested in becoming priests which can help our need for more priests, besides our call to support evangelization globally. Any thoughts on how the HNOJ might be able to informally help him? He is scheduled to speak at some churches in the Midwest and will be here visiting Kris Worm of Lift up their Hearts and her family for a week or so.

Debera O'Leary