

Owatonna



Council 945

The Key

to greater Council unity.

JUNE
2008

COLUMBIAN CENTER

820 Elm Avenue South
P.O. Box 623
Owatonna, MN 55060
507.451.6103

KC LOUNGE

Open: Mon-Sat 3:30-12:30
Happy hour Mon-Fri 4 - 6
Free Hors d'oeuvres during
Friday happy hour.
Member discount for Hall
rental.

BAR BINGO

Every Tuesday in the
Lounge at 7:00 p.m.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Officers Meeting - KC Hall,
First Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
General Meeting - KC Hall,
Second Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
Fourth Degree Meeting - KC Hall,
Fourth Thursday 6:30 p.m.

KC WEBSITE

visit our website
www.kofccouncil945.org

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- June 1** - Owatonna Spring Into Summer Fest Pancake Breakfast
Steele County Fairgrounds
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- June 4** - Officer Meeting and Gambling Meeting
KC Hall - 7:30 p.m.
- June 9** - Building Meeting
KC Hall - 7:00 p.m.
- June 11** - General Meeting
Program - 7:30 p.m.
Meeting - 8:00 p.m.
- June 21** - KC Awards Banquet and Installation
Installation - 6:00 p.m.
Social - 7:00 p.m.
Dinner & Awards - 7:30 p.m.
- June 26** - Fourth Degree Officer Installation
Installation - 6:30 p.m.
Social and Meal following Installation

COMING EVENTS

OFFICERS' MEETING

Wednesday, June 4
KC Hall
Meeting - 7:30 p.m.

GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, June 11
Program - 7:30 p.m.
Speaker for the meeting will be Owatonna City
Councilman Les Abraham.
General Meeting - 8:00 p.m.

Barbeque Food
Vendors



Friday, May 30

Carnival Rides
4:00 p.m. - close

**Smokin' In Steele
Barbeque Contest**

Starts at 5:00 p.m.

FREE ADMISSION

**Tim Sigler and the
Lucky Town Band**

Beer Garden
8:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.
(Must be 21)

Live Bands

SPRING INTO SUMMER FEST

Saturday, May 31

Carnival Rides
12:00 p.m. - close

**Smokin In Steele
Barbeque Contest**
between Four Seasons and
Grandstand
Barbeque Contest Awards -
4:00 p.m.

Car Display
11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Local Bands

performing from 12:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Garden Tractor Pull
between Four Seasons and
Grandstand
5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

FREE ADMISSION
Dazy Head Mazy
Beer Garden
8:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.
(Must be 21)

Garden Tractor
Pull



Sunday, June 1

**KC Delicious Pancake
Breakfast**

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Beer Garden

Carnival Rides
1:00 p.m. - close

Pancake
Breakfast

2008 Beneficiary - Cystic Fibrosis Foundation

KC AWARDS BANQUET & INSTALLATION

Saturday, June 21
Installation - 6:00 p.m.
Social - 7:00 p.m.
Dinner & Awards - 7:30 p.m.

FALL FISHING TRIP

Make plans now for the annual KC Fall Fishing trip, Sept 27 - Oct 1. We have reservations at the Williams Narrows Resort on Cut Foot Sioux. We have a few spots open and would be glad to have you come along. The resort has beautiful accommodations on a wonderful lake full of fish and the scenery is absolutely gorgeous that time of year. If interested, call Jerry Kent (451-7493) or Walt Spindler (451-7613).

Happy Fathers Day - author Unknown

What Makes a Dad

God took the strength of a mountain,
The majesty of a tree,
The warmth of a summer sun,
The calm of a quiet sea,
The generous soul of nature,
The comforting arm of night,
The wisdom of the ages,
The power of the eagle's flight,
The joy of a morning in spring,
The faith of a mustard seed,
The patience of eternity,
The depth of a family need,
Then God combined these qualities,
When there was nothing more to add,
He knew His masterpiece was complete,
And so, He called it ... Dad

Eucharistic Visitation and Adoration

Members of the Owatonna Knights of Columbus Council 945 and their families are invited to visit Christ as an Adorer during Eucharistic Adoration at St. Joseph's Church. They are especially in need of Adorers between Midnight and 6 AM. If you would like to spend an hour a week with Christ, please call John Connor at 455-1401.

Membership by LaVerne Klecker

We appreciate all the efforts which have been made toward our successful membership year. We are planning a summer exemplification to accommodate the schedules of college students home for the summer. If your son will be home for the summer, please invite him to join the Knights of Columbus.

Also, we are interested in asking former members to rejoin our Council. This process is very easy to complete. If you have a relative or friend who is a former member, show him your copy of *The Key* and explain all that is happening in your Council.

Please call me anytime to discuss either of these items at 451-4102.

Benefits Corner by Aaron Jelinek

ARE YOUR BENEFICIARIES CURRENT?

Sometimes it is easy to overlook the simplest of things. Take the beneficiaries on your life insurance policies. If your policy was applied for and issued several years ago, it could very well be that the beneficiary originally designated to receive the proceeds from that policy needs to be updated. If you bought the policy when you were single, for example, you may have named your parents as beneficiaries. If you have since been married, that could be updated to reflect your spouse, and even your children.

Most people list a primary beneficiary – that person is specifically designated as the first in priority to receive policy proceeds. We also encourage the naming of a contingent beneficiary – an alternate person designated to receive policy proceeds, usually in the event that the original beneficiary pre-deceases the insured.

When I call to arrange your "annual insurance check-up," one of the matters that we can discuss is the status of your beneficiary designations. If they need updating, and they often do, I can usually complete the paperwork during the appointment.

I look forward to meeting with you to review all your life insurance policies. By the way, in most cases you should never name the beneficiary of your policy the "estate of the insured." This opens it up to creditor claims. Always name a family member of a class, i.e. "equal to all children."

Knights of Columbus Insurance

Aaron Jelinek, FIC, LUTCF, General Agent Ph: 507-281-2970

Visit The Order's Web Site At: <http://www.kofc.org>

Grand Knight's Message by Al Nelson

June is here already. I am proud to have been the Grand Knight for Council 945. This was a very busy Council.

I would like to thank the officers, directors, and members who worked so hard this year. All projects and events went very well. As always, Owatonna 945 is still a Council that people look to as one of the top Councils in the State.

Bill Lawrence and I went to the State Convention in Willmar. It was a great experience and we had a great time. We received some awards for our Council, thanks to the Knights who did great jobs on them. We received the State Officer award for Community Service for Spring Into Summer Fest, Co-Captain LaVerne Klecker/Chairman Joe Elbert; State Award for Youth Activity for the Halloween Party, Chairman Will Pieper; and we also received the Excellence Award Achievement in Programs/Membership.

I would like to say a special thank you to the Knights who helped me thru the year. Frank Conley was the Knight who made sure that I didn't forget anything during the year. Tim 'Tarman' Rice, thanks to him for his understanding that things had to be done the right way, he always made sure of that. Walt Spindler for helping me get thru the yearend reports, and of course Joe Elbert and LaVerne Klecker for helping me at the general meetings.

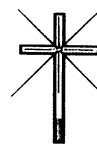
A special thank you to my wife, Jolene for letting me be gone at times and for help throughout the past year.

Also, a big thank you to all Brother Knights and their families for making my year a great one.

Congratulations to our new officers and directors for 2008-2009. Keep it going and keep up the good work.

Aid & Assistance by Leola McNearney

Please remember in your prayers and thoughts all of our sick or injured members of the Knights of Columbus and their families. Let's also offer up prayers for all deceased members and their families.



The KCs' prayers and good wishes go out to:

Sister Cecile is recovering from surgery.

Brother Knight Kenneth Schiller is recovering from surgery.

Mary Floersch, wife of Brother Knight Adrian Floersch, is recovering from a broken wrist.

Madison Jenó, daughter of Brother Knight Luke Jenó and granddaughter of Brother Knight Dave Jenó is recovering from surgery.

Let us be united in prayer for those facing ongoing challenges...

Jan Bates, Tim Beyer, Helen Chesney, Jack Dillemath, Lois Doyle, Gene Gallea, Marge Gruzebeck, Helen Hafstad, Marcella Jenó, Erlis Kelzenberg, Renee Kern, Bernadine Klecker, Thomas Klecker, Marlys Knight, Mary Ann Lammers, Lillian Mamer, Vernon Meixner, Father Ed Mountain, Jack Mracek, Dorothy Mulert, Terry Nelson, Terry O'Brien, Karen Pirkl, Robert 'Bob' Rettenmaier, Sharon Rohwer, John Schmidt, Mary Ann Schwab, Delores Seykora, Howard Snyder, Jeneanne Snyder, Jerry Weber, Rownell Weber, Jim Wierzbinski, and Jan Wolf.

IN MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers the following individuals and their families:

Eileen Pfeifer, sister of Brother Knight David Pfeifer, passed away on April 30.

Brother Knight Larry Sedivy passed away on May 23.

If anyone knows of a Brother Knight who is sick or injured, please call Leola McNearney at 451-6648.

Annual Health Screening Program held on May 14

Dr. Mark Nelson arranged an interesting and important health screening program again this year. Dr. Keith Paley from the Owatonna Clinic explained the need for colo-rectal screening for cancer detection. He also described the services available at the Owatonna Clinic MHS, and Allina Hospital. Blood pressure screening was provided as part of the program by the Owatonna Clinic.

Our thanks to Dr. Mark Nelson, Mary Conley RN, and to Dr. Keith Paley for their work on this program.



Steve Dornquist had his blood pressure checked by Mary Conley as part of the annual KC Health Screening program.



Grand Knight Al Nelson (left) thanked Dr. Keith Paley for his presentation on the importance of colo-rectal examinations.

I-35 Cleanup a Huge Success

Our Spring I-35 Cleanup was held on Thursday, May 8, and there was once again plenty of trash to clean up.

My thanks to a great crew including Kevin Herzog, Steve Fisher, Gary Fisher, Ron Wolf, Terry Kuck, Randy Balausky, George Lambaere, Greg Evans, Joe Elbert, Tom Knight, Tom Standke, Dave Card, Mark Nelson, Bob Hardcopf, Dale Tracy, and professional driver Al Jirele. Thanks to First Supply for the use of their parking lot, Owatonna Bus Company for the use of their van, and to Mark for the hospitality at the hall afterwards.

Our fall I-35 cleanup will be held in September. I hope you all have a great summer!

Jim Gleason, Community Director

Council 945 receives awards at KC State Convention

Bill Lawrence and Al Nelson attended the State Convention in Willmar, Minnesota on April 18-19. During the convention they learned that different Councils have different ideas for fundraisers. Council 945 received three awards during the State Convention. The first award was for Spring Into Summer Fest from 2007, the State Award for Community Activities. The second award was for Youth activities for the Halloween party. For Chairman Will Pieper this was the second time we had received this award in two years. The last award was a Certificate Award for Achievements in Programs and Membership for 2007.



Pictured here with the Community Activities Award are: (L-R) Tom Burke, Co-Chairman LaVerne Klecker, Steve Dornquist, Tom Elbert, Grand Knight Al Nelson, Ray Willmott, Co-Chairman Joe Elbert, Will Pieper, and Walt Spindler.



Halloween Party Chairman Will Pieper (left) and Grand Knight Al Nelson pictured with Youth Activities Award.

Spaghetti Dinner/Silent Auction Benefit for Lauryn Freundl

A benefit for Lauryn Freundl was held on May 3 at St. Mary's School. There were 450 people served at the benefit. Thank you to the following Knights for their help in this benefit: Mark Cunningham, chairman, Tom Burke, Steve Dornquist, Roger Green, Bruce and Denise Born, LaVerne Klecker, Eric Wandersee, Greg Johnson, Walt Spindler, Bill Lawrence, Dennis Kelm, Mark Phillips and Pam Karge, Will Pieper, Tim Chicos, Brian Fisher, and Al Nelson.



2008 Tootsie Roll Drive a Big Success

A corps of dedicated workers resulted in raising \$7,333.16 in gross proceeds for the benefit of the developmentally disabled. A new record!

The weekend of April 25 through the 27th found Brother Knights manning collection stations at Cash Wise Foods, Cabela's, HyVee, Wal-Mart, and the Post Office.

After deducting the cost of the Tootsie Rolls, the remaining money will be distributed to the following beneficiaries: Owatonna Special Olympics, Rainbow Residence, Cedar Valley Services, Owatonna Park & Recreation – Adult Special Recreation, and 5% will go to the Special Olympics Fall Classic.

Al Nelson and Keven Boettcher, co-chairmen, would like to offer a huge thank you to team leaders Terry Kuck, Tom Burke, Brent McCulloch, Tim Chicos, Brian Carlson, Mark Kearin, Dave Wunderlich, Jim Kaplan, and Steve Graff. We also want to gratefully thank the following individuals for their help with the 2008 Tootsie Roll Drive:

<i>Jim Abbe</i>	<i>Joel Dulas</i>	<i>Harlan Kern</i>	<i>Ann McKernon</i>	<i>Tom Schmidt</i>
<i>Les Abraham</i>	<i>Mark Edel</i>	<i>Dean Kirchner</i>	<i>Mike McKernon</i>	<i>Ben Schneider</i>
<i>Steve Addabbo</i>	<i>Dave Effertz</i>	<i>LaVerne Klecker</i>	<i>Al Nelson</i>	<i>Pete Schneider</i>
<i>John Ahlberg</i>	<i>Brian Fisher</i>	<i>Tom Knight</i>	<i>Gary Nelson</i>	<i>Lynn Sibenaller</i>
<i>Keven Boettcher</i>	<i>Gary Fisher</i>	<i>Todd Koan</i>	<i>Greg Nelson</i>	<i>Joe Skala</i>
<i>Don Boesen</i>	<i>Steve Fisher</i>	<i>Jeff Kramer</i>	<i>Jim Nelson</i>	<i>Lavern Soukup</i>
<i>Rich Booe</i>	<i>Bill Foreman</i>	<i>Bruce Kubicek</i>	<i>Mark Nelson</i>	<i>Tom Soukup</i>
<i>Bruce Born</i>	<i>Tom Gebur</i>	<i>Scott Kubicek</i>	<i>Peggy Nelson</i>	<i>Leo Spindler</i>
<i>Jim Brunner</i>	<i>John Graff</i>	<i>Tom Kubista</i>	<i>Steve Nelson</i>	<i>Don Stangel</i>
<i>Herb Budig</i>	<i>Steve Graff</i>	<i>Terry Kuck</i>	<i>Roger Noble</i>	<i>Tom Tuma</i>
<i>Bill Bunkers</i>	<i>Steve Grubish</i>	<i>John Kuehn</i>	<i>Dave Olson</i>	<i>George Wacek</i>
<i>Tom Burke</i>	<i>Mitchell Haberman</i>	<i>John Kuisle</i>	<i>Jeff Pumper</i>	<i>Eric Wandersee</i>
<i>Dave Card</i>	<i>Patrick Haberman</i>	<i>Phil Lamb</i>	<i>Russ Redman</i>	<i>Gary Wandersee</i>
<i>Brian Carlson</i>	<i>Tim Hassing</i>	<i>Eric Lattery</i>	<i>Dennis Ringhofer</i>	<i>Jim Wencl</i>
<i>Perry Chicos</i>	<i>Ron Heim</i>	<i>Bill Lawrence</i>	<i>Bruce Rozeske</i>	<i>Marc Wiese</i>
<i>Tim Chicos</i>	<i>Mark Hood</i>	<i>Jennifer Lawrence</i>	<i>Glen Russell</i>	<i>Tom Wilker</i>
<i>John Connor</i>	<i>Renee Hood</i>	<i>Duane Ludewig</i>	<i>John Rysavy</i>	<i>Rick Wittrock</i>
<i>Ryan Copeland</i>	<i>Jim Kaplan</i>	<i>Jim Lyons</i>	<i>Tom Sager</i>	<i>Ron Wolf</i>
<i>Roger Deml</i>	<i>Pete Kaplan</i>	<i>Gil Mamer</i>	<i>Greg Salmonsens</i>	<i>Dave Wunderlich</i>
<i>Jack Dillemath</i>	<i>Mark Kearin</i>	<i>Al Martin</i>	<i>Frank Schiller</i>	
<i>Steve Dornquast</i>	<i>Mark Kenney</i>	<i>Brent McCulloch</i>		



2007-08 COUNCIL OFFICERS

Chaplain: Rev. Ed McGrath
 GRAND KNIGHT: Al Nelson - 451-0577
 Deputy Grand Knight: Joe Elbert
 Chancellor: Bill Lawrence
 Advocate: Steve Dornquist
 Warden: Open
 Inside Guard: Pete Schneider
 Outside Guard: Tom Burke
 Financial Secretary: PGK Greg Salmonsens
 Treasurer: Tom Eichten
 Recorder: Scot Berkley
 Trustee (3 year): PGK Dave Jenos
 Trustee (2 year): PGK LaVerne Klecker
 Trustee (1 year): PGK Brian Fisher

DIRECTORS AND CHAIRMEN

Program Director: Joe Elbert
 Adv/Publicity Director: Open
 Church Director: Pete Schneider
 Community Director: Jim Gleason
 Council Activity Director: PGK Kevin Raney
 Family Director: Open
 Health Director: Dr. Mark Nelson
 Recruit Director: PGK Mark Cunningham
 Youth Director: Will Pieper
 Membership Director: PGK LaVerne Klecker
 Aid & Assistance: Leola McNearney
 Lecturer: Mark Cunningham
 Historian: Open
 Retention Chairman: PGK LaVerne Klecker
 KC Chorus Director: Stephen Nelson
 Building Comm Chairman: Tom Elbert
 Gambling Manager: PGK Tom Klecker
 District Deputy: PGK Tim Rice
 KC Hall Manager: PGK Mark Cunningham
 Benefits Advisor: Aaron Jelinek

Knight of the Month



Wayne Kubicek

Council 945's Knight of the Month for April is Wayne Kubicek. The announcement was made at the regular May Council meeting by Grand Knight Al Nelson. Wayne, a native of Blooming Prairie, Minnesota, joined the KCs on February 28, 1965. When asked about his favorite KC project, he was quick to mention singing in the KC Chorus. He has been a member since the Chorus was revived eight years ago.

He and his wife of 47 years, Betty, are members of St. Joseph's Parish where they have also been members for 47 years. They have two sons and five grandchildren. Daryl and wife Char have three children while Randy and wife Rebecca have two. Wayne sings in the choir and serves as a lector. He also heads up the Church landscaping committee. In the late 80s he served on the Parish Council. Betty is presently the leader of the Prayer Shawl Ministry

and served 30 years as a Martha.

Wayne, an Owatonna High graduate, is retired now. He operated his own business, Wayne's Auto Center, for 28 years. In addition, he was a partner in Partners Custom Homes for 17 years.

When asked about his leisure time activities, Wayne said he and Betty enjoy square and round dancing. In addition, Wayne is a caller and teaches dancing. As a matter of fact, the Kubiceks have a small dance floor in their home. Since retirement, in addition to dancing, Wayne and Betty have been catching up on their travel. They like touring in the United States and make at least one trip to Branson, Missouri every year.

In naming Wayne the Knight of the Month, Al Nelson mentioned a Robin Hood hat that Wayne wore for a number of years. Wayne was asked about this comment and here is what he reported. It all started during the citizens band radio craze. Many people had the CB radios and Wayne was no exception. His "handle" was Robin Hood. A group of friends were kidding him about the name and bet him \$50 that he wouldn't wear a Robin Hood hat for 30 days. He had a hat made and proceeded to wear it. Well, it went well beyond 30 days and turned into about seven years. It became a trademark for his automotive business and he said that he got thousands of dollars worth of advertising and public relations from that hat. He would go out of town and people would recognize him and call him Robin Hood. By the way, he never collected the \$50 wager!

Congratulations to our April Knight of the Month, Wayne "Robin Hood" Kubicek.

Election of Officers

The annual election of Officers for next year will be held at our next general meeting on Wednesday, June 11. The following Brother Knights have agreed to represent you in 2008-2009.

<i>Grand Knight:</i>	<i>Joe Elbert</i>
<i>Deputy Grand Knight:</i>	<i>Bill Lawrence</i>
<i>Chancellor:</i>	<i>Steve Dornquist</i>
<i>Advocate:</i>	
<i>Warden:</i>	<i>Ben Schneider</i>
<i>Inside Guard:</i>	<i>Pete Schneider</i>
<i>Outside Guard:</i>	<i>Tom Burke</i>
<i>Treasurer:</i>	<i>Tom Eichten</i>
<i>Recorder:</i>	<i>Scot Berkley</i>

This slate has been proposed and endorsed by the Council Trustees for your approval. Additional nominations for all positions will be accepted at the time of the meeting and anyone wishing to serve is welcome to make it known at that time. These members and the Committee Chairs will shape the direction of the Council for the upcoming year. Come and show your support.

KC Annual Awards & Installation Banquet

Saturday, June 21

Installation of Officers - 6:00 p.m.

Social - 7:00 p.m.

Dinner/Awards - 7:30 p.m.

Installation of the 2008-2009

Council Officers will take place at 6:00 p.m.

A Windsor Chop dinner and dessert will be served at 7:30 p.m.

The program includes:

recognition of long-term and new members,
 OAK Awards, Trustee Service Award,
 and Knight of the Year Award.

The KC Chorus will provide a musical program.

All members are encouraged to attend.

Tickets are available at the Club for \$8 per member and \$15 per couple, or call for reservations at 451-6103 by June 18.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Council No. 945
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Spring Into Summer Fest

May 30, 31, and June 1, 2008
Steele County Fairgrounds

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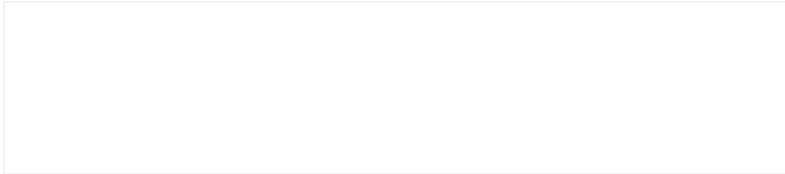
KC Awards Banquet and Installation

Saturday, June 21, 2008

KC Hall

Installation - 6:00 p.m. Social - 7:00 p.m.

Dinner & Awards - 7:30 p.m.



JUNE 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Spring Into Summer Fest Pancake Breakfast 8:00 am - 12:00 Beer Garden Steele County Fairgrounds	2	3 Bar Bingo - 7:00 pm	4 Officers' Mtg and Gambling Mtg. - 7:30 pm	5	6	7
8	9 Bldg Mtg - 7:00 pm	10 Bar Bingo - 7:00 pm	11 General Meeting Program - 7:30 pm Meeting - 8:00 pm	12	13	14
15 Happy Father's Day	16	17 Bar Bingo - 7:00 pm	18	19	20	21 KC Awards Banquet and Installation Summer Begins
22	23	24 Bar Bingo - 7:00 pm	25	26 Fourth Degree Officer Installation Installation-6:30 pm Social and Meal following Installation	27	28
29	30					