

Owatonna



Council 945

# The Key

to greater Council unity.

SEPTEMBER  
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](http://www.kofccouncil945.org)

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**August 31** - KC Family Corporate  
Communion  
St. Joseph's Church - 9:30 a.m.  
**September 3** - Officers' Meeting  
and Gambling Meeting  
KC Hall - 7:30 p.m.  
**September 8** - Building Meeting  
KC Hall - 7:00 p.m.  
**September 10** - General Meeting  
Program - 7:30 p.m.  
Meeting - 8:00 p.m.  
**September 14** - Benefit Breakfast  
for St. Isidore's School of Litomysl  
7:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.  
St. Mary's School  
**September 14** - K of C Family Picnic  
Fairground Park 2:00-5:00 p.m.  
**September 20** - Owatonna KC  
Golf Event  
Brooktree Golf Course  
**September 20** - Past Grand Knight  
Event for 2008  
KC Hall - 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.  
**September 25** - Fourth Degree  
Social - 6:30 p.m.  
Meal - 7:00 p.m.  
Meeting - 7:30 p.m.  
**October 12** - Respect Life  
Rosary March  
Sacred Heart Cemetery - 1:00 p.m.

## COMING EVENTS

### OFFICERS' MEETING

Wednesday, September 3  
KC Hall  
Meeting - 7:30 p.m.

### KC FAMILY CORPORATE COMMUNION

Sunday, August 31 - 9:30 a.m.  
at St. Joseph's Church

All members and their families are  
invited to attend this Mass.

### BENEFIT BREAKFAST

for  
St. Isidore's School  
of Litomysl

Sunday, September 14  
7:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.  
at St. Mary's School

**Delicious food served hot  
from the grill to your table!**

Pancakes, French toast,  
fried or scrambled eggs, sausage,  
breakfast potatoes, milk, and coffee

\$5.50 - Presale \$6.00 at the door  
Children free age 5 and under  
Everyone welcome.

### LAST CALL FOR STEAK FRIES

The last steak fries of the season are  
served in the Lounge  
Friday, September 5, 12, and 19  
Served from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
Delicious marinated steak  
or windsor chop,  
served with salad, roll, and baked potato.

### GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, September 10  
KC Hall  
Program - 7:30 p.m.  
General Meeting - 8:00 p.m.



### K OF C FAMILY PICNIC

Sunday, September 14  
2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Fairgrounds Park  
Corner of 18th St. and Austin Road  
Brats, brat burgers, and refreshments.  
Families, please bring a dish to pass.  
Join your fellow Knights and families  
for an afternoon of fun.  
Horse drawn wagon rides, musical entertainment,  
games for kids and adults.  
Mark your calendar!!  
Come, enjoy, bring your family.

### RESPECT LIFE ROSARY MARCH

Sunday, October 12, 2008, at 1:00 p.m. at Sacred  
Heart Cemetery, Council 945 will hold their annual  
Respect Life Rosary March.

The Rosary March will be led by members of the  
Msgr. Henry Speck, Fourth Degree Honor Guard  
and the KC Chorus will provide music.  
Refreshments will be served at the conclusion.  
We encourage all members and their families to  
attend.

### Knights of Columbus - Benefit Breakfast Schedule - 2008-09

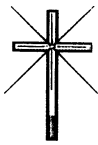
September 14, 2008	St. Isidore's School of Litomysl
October 12, 2008	Owatonna Area Special Olympics
November 16, 2008	St. Mary's Home and School Association
December 14, 2008	Knights of Columbus Charitable Activities - Breakfast with Santa
January 11, 2009	St. Mary's Religious Education Program
February 8, 2009	Exchange Club Center for Family Unity
March 8, 2009	St. Mary's Music Boosters
April 5, 2009	Serra Club

## Knights of Columbus World Day of Prayer for Peace September 11

by Pope Benedict XVI

God of peace, bring your peace to our violent world:  
peace in the hearts of all men and women  
and peace among the nations of the earth.  
Turn to your way of love  
those whose hearts and minds  
are consumed with hatred.  
God of understanding,  
overwhelmed by the magnitude of this tragedy,  
we seek your light and guidance  
as we confront such terrible events.  
Grant that those whose lives were spared  
may live so that the lives were lost . . .  
may not have been lost in vain.  
Comfort and console us,  
strengthen us in hope,  
and give us the wisdom and courage  
to work tirelessly for a world  
where true peace and love reign  
among nations and in the hearts of all.

## 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:***

Suzanne Miedema, daughter of Brother Knight Carl Adams, struggling with health issues.

Brother Knight Adrian Floersch is recovering from broken ribs.

Mary Floersch, wife of Brother Knight Adrian Floersch, recovering from surgery.

Brother Knight Harlan Kern recovering from hip replacement.

Brother Knight Terry Ebeling recovering from hip replacement.

Brother Knight Lawrence Spindler recently hospitalized with pneumonia.

Marvin Spindler, son of Brother Knight Lawrence Spindler recovering from broken ribs.

Sister Cecile is struggling with health issues.

***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, Eris Kelzenberg, Renee Kern, Bernadine Klecker, Thomas Klecker, Marlys Knight, Mary Ann Lammers, Lillian Mamer, Vernon Meixner, Father Ed Mountain, Dorothy Mulert, Darlene Mumm Terry Nelson, Terry O'Brien, Karen Pirk, Robert 'Bob' Rettenmaier, Sharon Rohwer, John Schmidt, Mary Ann Schwab, Delores Seykora, Howard Snyder, Jeneanne Snyder, Jerry Weber, Rownell Weber, Irene Wierzbinski, Jim Wierzbinski, and Jan Wolf.*

### IN MEMORY

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

Sister Immolata Skala, sister of Brother Knight Joe Skala passed away on July 28.

Phyllis Schmidt, widow of Brother Knight Phillip Schmidt passed away on August 6.

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

## Grand Knight's Message by Joe Elbert

We have had an active month as a KC Council. I want to thank all involved with the KC Tootsie Roll Drive as we presented the beneficiaries with the checks from the donations collected. I would also like to thank all who helped with the food and preparation for the last general meeting on August 6 at Gainey Park.

The Steele County Fair presented us good weather so the crowds were record setting. I would like to thank all who helped with the food stand and the sales at the grandstand.

The next event for Council 945 is the Corporate Communion on August 31 at St. Joseph's Church at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Next on the agenda is the General Meeting on September 10th. During the meeting we will observe the Knights of Columbus World Day of Prayer for Peace. The first KC Benefit Breakfast of the season will be held on September 14. The beneficiary will be St. Isidore's School of Litomyšl. The Family Picnic will be held on September 14 as well from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Fairgrounds Park. We will cook some brats and also ask you to bring a dish to pass. Sure hope you can make it.

In November we are going to have a Major Degree in Owatonna. I hope to see a large group of candidates to keep our Council active and growing. We need to bring in new members to help us with existing projects and bring in new ideas. Thank you again to all who helped with projects.

## Membership by LaVerne Klecker

We appreciate all the efforts which have been made toward our successful membership year. We are planning a Major Degree in November. Please sign up any new members now.

Our Council's goal is to achieve Star Council. To make Star Council, our quota is 27 new members.

If you have any questions signing up a new member, please call me at 451-4102.

## 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 Brother Knight John Connor at 455-1401.

## Past Grand Knights Event for 2008

Owatonna Knights of Columbus will honor Past Grand Knights, spouses, and widows of Past Grand Knights at a special Past Grand Knight Event in September.

This complimentary event will take place at the Owatonna Knights of Columbus Hall, Saturday, September 20, 2008. A social reception will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. with refreshments and snacks, followed by a dinner and short program.

We look forward to once again gathering together to share our stories, enjoy each other's company, and celebrate our successes.

Co-Chairmen

George Zwack, PGK 1982-83

Gerald Gunderson, PGK 1987-88

John Kniefel, PGK 1986-87

## Owatonna Knights of Columbus Golf Event 2008

Tee times are still available for the morning of Sept. 20, 2008, Brooktree Golf Course, Owatonna, Mn. This event is open to all Owatonna Knights of Columbus members and spouses, Past Grand Knights, widows, family members, and friends. Cost of green fees and cart rental are on your own. Golf format will be provided at the time of the event. Get your foursome together and reserve a tee time by contacting John Kniefel, phone 451-2759 or E-Mail: [pkniefel@chartermi.net](mailto:pkniefel@chartermi.net).

## 2008-09 COUNCIL OFFICERS

Chaplain: ..... Rev. Ed McGrath  
 GRAND KNIGHT: ..... Joe Elbert - 455-1428  
 Deputy Grand Knight: ..... Bill Lawrence  
 Chancellor: ..... Steve Dornquist  
 Warden: ..... Tom Gebur  
 Advocate: ..... Ben Schneider  
 Inside Guard: ..... Pete Schneider  
 Outside Guard: ..... Tom Burke  
 Financial Secretary: ..... PGK Greg Salmonsens  
 Treasurer: ..... Tom Eichten  
 Recorder: ..... Scot Berkley  
 Trustee (3 year): ..... PGK LaVerne Klecker  
 Trustee (2 year): ..... PGK Brian Fisher  
 Trustee (1 year): ..... PGK Al Nelson

### DIRECTORS AND CHAIRMEN

Program Director: ..... Bill Lawrence  
 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



Matthew Jessop

Council 945's Knight of the Month for July is Matthew Jessop. The announcement was made at the regular August Council meeting by Grand Knight Joe Elbert.

Matt was born in Owatonna, Minnesota, and he joined the KCs on May 10, 2006. When asked about his favorite KC project, he was quick to mention singing in the KC Chorus; in addition, he also enjoys working on the annual Tootsie Roll Drive.

He and his wife of five years, Annie, are members of St. Joseph's Parish. They have a son Henry who is 4, and are expecting their second child in January. The Jessops are active in their parish. Matt serves as a lector and Eucharistic Minister and was recently elected to the Parish Council, while Annie also serves as a Eucharistic Minister.

Matt, an OHS grad, started his post secondary studies at Minnesota State – Mankato, and graduated from St. John's University of Collegeville. He holds a degree in history, and works as a Match Support Specialist with Big Brothers Big Sisters.

When asked about his leisure time activities, Matt said he is taking some theology classes through St. John's University and he likes that very much. In addition, he enjoys playing with his son Henry and just hanging out with the family.

Congratulations to our July Knight of the Month, Matthew Jessop.

### St. Michael's Medal

Do you have a family member or friend serving in the military? Do you know that you can request a St. Michael Medal for them from the State Chaplain? All you need to do is send the name, rank, branch of the service, and address to Tim Rice, 835 Riverwood Place, Owatonna, MN 55060. State Chaplain Fr. Ron Huberty will send them a St. Michael Medal and holy card. The recipient doesn't need to be a Knight. Please send in the names of your military friends and relatives who would like to receive a medal.

## Council Distributes Tootsie Roll Funds

Council 945 presented checks to the recipients of the annual Tootsie Roll drive at the regular August Council meeting. Funds collected go to help people with developmental disabilities. This year the Owatonna Council raised \$7,333.16 which was divided among four beneficiaries.



Pictured left to right are Keven Boettcher - Tootsie Roll Drive Co-chair, Roy Koenig - Owatonna Special Olympics, Wendy Reller - Owatonna Park and Rec. Adult Special Recreation, James Karkhoff - Rainbow Residence, Crystal Westberg - Cedar Valley Services, and Al Nelson - Grand Knight.

## I-35 CLEAN-UP

We need your help.  
 I-35 clean-up project  
 Thursday, September 4, 2008, 5:00 pm.  
 Call Jim Gleason at 451-8473 to sign up.  
 Meet in the parking lot at 151 Park Drive (First Supply).  
 Refreshments at the Hall, after the clean-up.

## MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL CHALLENGE

Every Monday starting Sept. 15 thru Dec. 22,  
 weekly winners receive a  
 large Heggies pizza and a bucket of beer.  
 Year-end winners receive: 1st Place - \$100, 2nd Place - \$50, &  
 3rd Place - \$25  
 Serving "Build Your Own Tacos"  
 Happy hour prices and free peanuts during game.

## TONY DEBLOIS CONERT

On September 11 at 7:30 p.m. there will be a concert at St. Joseph's Church, performing will be Tony DeBlois.

## GO HUSKIES!

After all Huskies home football games, stop by the clubroom for complimentary Chili Dogs.

**Don't let your worries get the best of you;  
 Remember, Moses started out as a basket case.**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Council No. 945  
P.O. Box 945  
Owatonna, MN 55060

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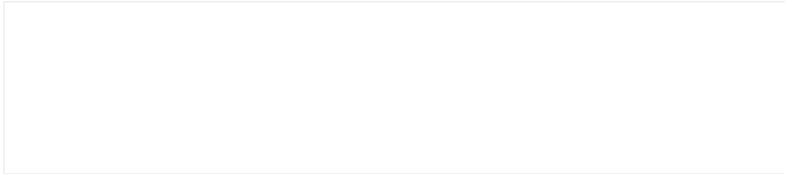
**KC Family Corporate Communion**

Sunday, August 31 - 9:30 a.m.  
St. Joseph Church

Nonprofit Organization  
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**PAID**  
Owatonna, MN  
Permit No. 202

**Benefit Breakfast**

for St. Isidore's School of Litomysl  
September 14 7:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.  
St. Mary's School



**SEPTEMBER 2008**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Aug. 31</b> KC Family Corporate Communion St. Joseph's Church - 9:30 am	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Bar Bingo - 7:00 pm	<b>3</b> Officers' Mtg and Gambling Mtg. - 7:30 pm	<b>4</b> I-35 Clean-up First Supply 5:00 pm	<b>5</b> Summer Steak Fries KC Hall 6:30 - 7:30 pm	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Bldg Mtg - 7:00 pm Monday Night Football Tacos Served 6:30-Halftime	<b>9</b> Bar Bingo - 7:00 pm Spring Into Summer Fest Meeting KC Hall - 7:00 pm	<b>10</b> General Meeting	<b>11</b> Tony DeBlois Concert St. Joseph's Church 7:30 pm	<b>12</b> Summer Steak Fries KC Hall 6:30 - 7:30 pm	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> Benefit Breakfast St. Mary's School 7:30 - 12:15 pm for St. Isidore's School of Litomysl K of C Family Picnic Fairgrounds Park 2:00 - 5:00 pm	<b>15</b> Monday Night Football Tacos Served 6:30-Halftime	<b>16</b> Bar Bingo - 7:00 pm	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Summer Steak Fries KC Hall 6:30 - 7:30 pm	<b>20</b> Owatonna K of C Golf Event Brooktree Golf Course  Past Grand Knights Event KC Hall 6:00 - 7:30 pm
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Monday Night Football Tacos Served 6:30-Halftime	<b>23</b> Bar Bingo - 7:00 pm	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Fourth Degree Social - 6:30 pm Meal - 7:00 pm Meeting - 7:30 pm	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Monday Night Football Tacos Served 6:30-Halftime	<b>30</b> Bar Bingo - 7:00 pm				