



# THE VOCAL KNIGHT

GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE

JUNE 4, 2012

The state KC convention was here and gone now, which was a big success. Thank-you to our council members who helped out with volunteering. This convention was attended by myself and Mark Stadtherr. Highlights include a Friday evening Welcome dinner, Saturday morning and afternoon business session, Saturday evening banquet and a closing mass on Sunday May 20 at St. John’s church. The primary convention speaker and message to all attending was about the upcoming vote in November this fall. The proposed state constitutional amendment to define marriage as the union of “One Man to One Woman”. This amendment will preserve the historic and traditional values of our society. Passage of a state definition of marriage as “One Man to One Woman” now by the average person will ensure that our voice and values will be heard and protected, under the law. For more information contact [www.minnesotaformarriage.com](http://www.minnesotaformarriage.com) and the Minnesota Catholic Conference.

One of our major projects which is underway and I hope nearing completion is the Ultrasound equipment for the Total Life Center in Hastings, MN. We are seeking local funds including a private donation with a matching grant from The KofC Supreme. This project when complete will make a huge difference in the local fight against abortions and the Pro-life movement. We should all Pray for success in this project.

This month of June has several events with lots of opportunity to help the council to continue it’s mission to make a difference in our community. June 3rd will be Doughnut Sunday at St. John’s church, after all masses. Please stop by to help serve and greet the parish members. June 7<sup>th</sup> will be our regular council meeting. June 18 is the council business meeting. There is lots more to come, see the calendar of events posted in the VK. We all have a share in the work to be done to make a difference locally.

A June city-wide event will be the RochesterFest Parade on Friday June 22<sup>nd</sup>. All Rochester area KC councils participate in a Brat feed and volunteer as street parade marshals for the evening. This has been a fun night to get an upfront view of a big city parade. Some members may be called to work at this event.

I have seen a closing or signature statement by many KC members in the past. “Vivat Jesus”, may Jesus live in the hearts of all. It was introduced in 1980’s in a memoir written by Bishop Charles P. Greco a former bishop of Alexandria-Shreveport, LA. and promoted by the Supreme Council soon afterwards.

With Faithful Regards –Vivat Jesus, Grand Knight Robert Pyfferoen

2010—2011  
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Council meetings will be held on June 7th, Thursday. It will start at 7:00 PM with the Rosary and followed by the meeting starting at 7:30 PM.

Calendar of Events for June:

June 3 Doughnut Sunday after all masses

June 7 Council meeting 7:00 pm Rosary 7:30 pm meeting

June 18 Council Officer's meeting at 7:00 pm

June 22 Rochester Fest Parade

Other events (Summer):

July 14 St. John's Block Party

Aug. 24 – 26 Family campout a statewide KC camping weekend in Ely, MN.  
Details available with BOB P.

Birthdays in June

WILLIAM	MORIARTY	1-Jun
A	SZKLARSKI	1-Jun
PAUL	LORENTZ	4-Jun
JAMES	ROONEY	6-Jun
WILLIAM	GROSLIE	9-Jun
DONALD	OTT	16-Jun
JOHN	ROBINSON	17-Jun
DAVID	NESS	19-Jun
DANIEL	PYAN	21-Jun
JOSEPH	GUZINSKI	26-Jun
RICHARD	WITZKE	26-Jun
GERALD	WRUBEL	28-Jun



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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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## **Knights of Columbus Gift to Facilitate Transfer of Stained Glass Windows**

Rochester MN – The Rochester Knights of Columbus are pleased to announce a gift of \$15,000 to the Lourdes *Building Our Future* campaign. The presentation of this gift will take place on Friday, May 11 at 3:00 p.m. at the construction site for the new high school, at 19<sup>th</sup> Street and Valleyhigh Drive NW in Rochester.

The Knights of Columbus gift will fund the transfer of stained glass windows from the historic Lourdes High School Library to the new site. The windows, originally a gift to LHS from the Knights of Columbus, have been in place in the LHS Library since the 1940s. The three lancets of the windows depict philosophy, the arts and the sciences and were designed to provide a vision for the “students of tomorrow.” The centerpiece is Our Lady of Lourdes, as a symbol of healing through faith. The left lancet is dedicated to education through literature, astronomy, rhetoric and grammar; it features Plato, St. Thomas of Aquinas and the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC. On the right, science and the medical profession are the focus. Panels of the right lancet feature Hippocrates and St. Francis of Assisi, and are topped with an image of Mayo Clinic’s Plummer Building.

“Rochester Catholic Schools is committed to bringing the very best of what has made LHS great to the new building,” said RCS Director of Schools, Michael Brennan. “This includes the beautiful Library stained glass windows. We are grateful to the Knights of Columbus for making this move possible.”

“It is the distinct pleasure of the Rochester Knights of Columbus to fund the move of the stained glass windows to the new site,” said Council 1013 Grand Knight Robert Pyfferoen. “This gift renews the connection between the Rochester Knights and Lourdes High School and is a natural opportunity for us to support the building campaign and Catholic education.”

The windows will be placed in the new Lourdes High School Library, and will be acknowledged with a descriptive plaque explaining the symbolism of the windows and sharing the story of the connection between the Knights of Columbus and RCS.

The Rochester Catholic Schools system is a Christ-centered learning community that forms students who love, learn and live their faith in service to others. Rochester Catholic Schools provides academic excellence, faith formation and service learning experiences for 1,790 students in grades Preschool through 12. Lourdes High School is one of four schools in the Rochester Catholic Schools system.



**Knights of Columbus Council 1013**  
**Minutes of Regular 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Council Meeting**  
**May 3rd, 2012**



Meeting called to order by Grand Knight Robert Pyferron @ 7:30 PM, followed by prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Grand Knight Robert Pyferron – Present  
Deputy Grand Knight – Position Vacant  
Chancellor Rich Siglow – Absent  
Financial Secretary Mark Stadtherr – Present  
Treasurer Tim Geisler – Present  
Recorder Mike Wolter – Present  
Warden Brian Willaert – Absent

Advocate – Brian Bell—Present  
Inside Guard Mike Kleinschmidt – Present  
Outside Guard – Position Vacant  
Chaplain Fr. John Lasuba – Absent  
Trustee Steve Freese – Absent  
Trustee Jeff Bagniewski – Absent  
Trustee – Position Vacant

**Reading of the Minutes:** Minutes for April 2012 were read and approved.

**Financial Secretary Report:** Mark read the April 2012 report and it was approved as read.

**Treasurer's Report:** Tim read the April 2012 report and it was approved as read.

**Grand Knight's Report:**

Robert reviewed the current council leadership and calendar of events. May 18-20 2012 is the KC State Convention. Volunteers are needed in numerous positions – please contact your Grand Knight at [rcpyff@hotmail.com](mailto:rcpyff@hotmail.com)

**Deputy Grand Knight's Report:** No report.

**District Deputy's Report:** No report.

**Committee Reports:**

Lenten Fish Dinner's – Mike K noted that overall it was a successful event and we have \$1500.00 for the Charities Committee to distribute. Mike stated that he will not be available to chair next years dinners and a new chairman is needed. If interested please contact Mike or our Grand Knight.

Ultrasound Project – no new information. Work continues towards purchasing the ultrasound machine.

Tootsie Roll Drive – Tim gave a preliminary report – \$2388.93 was donated with a few sites still to report their final numbers but most noticeable to him was the average age of our council members and the difficulty in getting volunteers. Final report next month.

Donor Advised Fund – Tim reported that this year we gave \$15,000 to the Lourdes Building Our Future Fund to allow them to move the KC stained glass window from the old school to the new building. Additionally, \$2,250 was given to Madonna Living Community to provide for some rehab and wellness equipment.

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**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

1. Mother's Day Baby Drive by Paul Lorentz – a display and collection box will be available after all Masses for the two weeks following Mother's Day. Collected items will be donated in support of Birth-right.
2. GuestHouse /Bishop's Reception will be May 16. The council will purchase two tickets and if you are interested in attending please contact our Grand Knight.
3. St. John's Block Party (July 14) – please consider signing up to help.
4. The Catholic Medical Association annual meeting will be here in Rochester (Sept. 27-29, 2012). The current president is Dr. John Lane from here in Rochester and Council 1013. The guest speaker will be Carl Anderson (Supreme Grand Knight). A request for funds to support a student attendee was received but was put on hold pending more information.
5. The annual State KC Family camping weekend will be in August in Ely. If you are interested in attending please see our Grand Knight.
6. The advertisements on the back of the Vocal Knight will be reviewed and updated. If you know of anyone interested in advertising please contact our Grand Knight.
7. A message from Rea Schmid, our past Grand Knight, was read. All is going well with him.
8. A motion was made to reimburse our State Convention delegates' up to \$200 for expenses. The motion was seconded and approved.

**Attendance Lottery:** The attendance lottery of \$55 would have been won by Dave Spies, had he been in attendance. **Next month the prize will be \$60.**

**Memorials:** None.

**For the Good of the Order:** Franklin Jabloski

Meeting closed with a prayer at 9:20 PM.

Faithfully submitted by Michael Wolter, Recorder.

## **The Vocal Knight**

Knights of Columbus Council 1013

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### **Your Help Is Still Needed**

Please remember to send an email when you change your email address.

If you have an email address and do not receive the Vocal Knight via email, please contact VK editor Steve Freese at [sfree49@hotmail.com](mailto:sfree49@hotmail.com) with your correct email address.

#### Submissions

All submissions for next month's Vocal Knight must be received by the second Wednesday of the month for publication.

#### Advertisers Wanted

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