



# **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

## **Queen of Peace Council #5296 - Elk River, MN - September Newsletter**

*"A Catholic men's organization promoting Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism, and Family". Serving since 1962.*

### **Grand Knight's Message**

Brother Knights,

Here we are at the end of another summer. I hope everyone was able to enjoy a little bit of it in whatever way you like. Over all it was a bit of a cooler summer which some people don't like and others enjoy more.

Fall is upon us and with that comes the unofficial start of our activities for the year. The first couple weeks of September we have the pet clinic, our first breakfast of the year and the fall festival that we are involved with. These are all great opportunities especially for newer members to get involved with our council and meet new people. We are in need of several volunteers to help at each event, please see the requests for help and consider helping out for a while if you can. You might find it very rewarding. You can also find out a lot more information at our September general meeting at 7pm on the 12th.

I have a special request: If anyone has any experience with gutter drainage into a tank or storm sewer please contact me to discuss a project at church, we need input.

Please take the time to congratulate Keith Bistodeau as the Knight of the month for August.

Blessings

Doug Kraus

Grand Knight

### **Chaplain's Message**

TBD

### **Council Announcements**

We have a new Field Agent! His name is Joe Fuery. He plans on being at our September general meeting if you would like to meet him.

Please congratulate our new officers for this upcoming year.

Also, please let us know any feedback you may have about the new format and design of the council newsletter.

### Council Calendar of Upcoming Events

<u>September</u>	<u>October</u>	<u>November</u>
7th - Big Lake Pet Vaccination Clinic 8th – Pancake Breakfast 12th - General Council Meeting 15th - Parish Festival 25th - Pumpkin Harvest 26th - Admission Degree 26th - Officer’s Meeting  <i>*Pumpkin sales after all masses                      September 28<sup>th</sup> thru October 20<sup>th</sup>*</i>	10th - General Council Meeting 12 <sup>th</sup> /13 <sup>th</sup> - Membership Blitz 13th – Pancake Breakfast 20 <sup>th</sup> – Blood Drive 24th - Admission Degree 24th - Officer’s Meeting 27th – Memorial Mass/Brunch  <i>*Pumpkin sales after all masses                      September 28<sup>th</sup> thru October 20<sup>th</sup>*</i> <i>*Christmas card sales after all masses                      November 23<sup>rd</sup> thru December 8<sup>th</sup>*</i>	3rd – Pancake Breakfast 7th - General Council Meeting 21st - Admission Degree 21st - Officer’s Meeting 30 <sup>th</sup> – Nativity Set-Up  <i>*Christmas card sales after all masses                      November 23<sup>rd</sup> thru December 8<sup>th</sup>*</i>

### Completed Events from August

#### Council Memorial Blood Drive

We had a good turn out and met our goal.

#### Upcoming Council Events

**Big Lake Pet Vaccination Clinic** on September 7th in Big Lake. Start time is 8am at Lions Park in Big Lake.

**Pancake Breakfast (Parish Mission Trip)** on September 8th from 8am to 12pm in the St. Andrew Cafeteria

**General Council Meeting** at 7:00pm (6:30pm Rosary) at St. Andrews in Room 3.

**Parish Festival** at St. Andrew’s on September 15th. Shift times TBD.

**Pumpkin Harvest** on around September 25th around 4:00pm. Meet at St. Andrew.

**Admission Degree** on September 26th at 6:00pm at St. Andrews in Room 3.

**Officer’s Meeting** on September 26th at 7:00pm at St. Andrews in Room 3.

### Fourth Degree

If you are interested in the Fourth Degree, please ask at a Council meeting for more information. Queen of Peace Council has many Fourth Degree members who would gladly assist you or you may contact Rich Belanger directly at: 763-441-3598. **It’s never too late to take the next, final step on your journey to Knighthood.**

## **Knight of the Month**

Our August Knight of the Month is Keith Bistodeau. Keith joined the Knights just over two years ago and has grown in his involvement each year. He is now our current Lecturer and Newsletter Writer. Keith just finished his Doctorate of Education from Hamline University in May and will be a Communication Instructor at Anoka Ramsey Community College and the Head Debate Coach at Wayzata High School starting this Fall. Keith and his Wife Candace love spending time with their children (Charles-2) and Katarina-1), spending time outdoors, and relaxing with friends and family. Please say hi to Keith and his family the next time you see them all.

## Council Officers

<b>Chaplain</b>	Father Rich Aubol	763-333-8805
<b>Grand Knight</b>	SK Doug Kraus	763-441-1783
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<b>Inside Guard</b>	<b>Open</b>	
<b>Outside Guard</b>	<b>Open</b>	
<b>Trustee 3 Year</b>	SK Ray Dixon, PGK	316-722-2603
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<b>Trustee 1 Year</b>	SK Jim Witzman, PGK	612-805-1846
<b>District Deputy</b>	SK Ray Dixon, DD, PGK	316-722-2603
<b>Insurance Agent</b>	Joe Fuery	320-290-9832

## Council Website

[WWW.ELKRIVERKOFC.ORG](http://WWW.ELKRIVERKOFC.ORG)

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## Announcements

If you are currently not receiving emails or newsletter from the council please send your contact information to Keith Bistodeau at [keithcyrilbistodeau@gmail.com](mailto:keithcyrilbistodeau@gmail.com).

## Wanted

Wanted: Good men to join our fraternal brotherhood organization for faith, fun and fellowship in service to our church and community. For membership information, call Bob Hurd, 763-498-3734.