
THE NARRATOR



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The Newsletter of the North Olmsted



Knights of Columbus Council #4731

March 15 Meeting

The Holy Family icon, an etching by Giovanni Balestra (1774-1842), will be on loan to us from Supreme. We are having a program service in St. Clarence Church regarding the icon and a short meeting, followed by Corned beef in the Gathering Room. Wives are welcome to join us.

Jim Sanzi Named 2016 Knight of the Year

North Olmsted Council's Knight of the Year Award is presented annually to a member of our council, who gives time and energy to the programs and causes that contribute to the support of our community.

This year we are proud to present the North Olmsted Council Knight of the Year award to Past Grand Knight Jim Sanzi. A graduate of Indiana University of Pennsylvania with a degree in Safety Engineering, Jim has



been married to his lovely wife, Cathy for 43 years. They have two children, Genevieve and Jamie, and three grandchildren Katrina, Matty and Stella Grace.

Jim joined the Knights in 2000 and transferred to North Olmsted Council when he and his family relocated to Cleveland for Jim to take a job at NASA. He has served the Knights with distinction in both the third and fourth degrees, holding the offices of Warden, Deputy Grand Knight, Grand Knight, Controller, Trustee and Faithful Navigator, among other positions.

Throughout his service in the Knights of Columbus, Jim has provided more than just exemplary leadership. He has given us an example of service that is not fleeting but perseveres, an example of brotherhood and comradery that make all men feel welcome and important, an example of quiet patience which respects the opinions and ideas of others and still builds a consensus for action.

Jim also provides great example of reverence and service to God. Besides his indispensable leadership in the Knights of Columbus, he is a Eucharistic Minister, a Lecturer, an Usher and a PSR teacher along with his wife Cathy. He and Cathy served for 25 years in the Retrovaille ministry for troubled marriages.

Jim is a mechanical engineer, specializing in Thermal Heat Pipes. He has flown in zero gravity four times and is working on a nuclear device that eventually will be used on Mars to generate the power that not only will make the journey there possible but make fuel for the safe return home. To say he loves his job is an understatement. He has no foreseeable plans to retire.

In Memoriam – March and April

Please remember the following deceased members in your prayers . . .

Reverend John P Culliton	03/26/59	Donald C Dechant	03/27/08
Edward J Krejci	03/14/62	Roger McNea	03/25/09
Frank P Zinser	03/16/70	Tom Groff	03/30/10
Gustav Muhlhan	03/11/74	Vincent L Menichini	04/06/77
John P Ruscin	03/27/83	Laurence A Biermacher	04/06/80
Reverend John R Kenny	03/11/85	William J Bonner, PGK	04/26/83
William E Mahoney	03/11/85	Monsignor Oldrich J Korb	04/28/85
Franklin E Yehlik	03/20/88	John Imperatore	04/19/88
John P McLaughlin, PGK	03/08/94	James Tuney	04/16/91
Paul J Gareau	03/25/95	Harry L Geiger	04/03/94
Joseph F Kolick	03/24/96	Matthew J Petron	04/26/99
Norman J Hasek	03/28/96	William Keppler	04/18/00
Edward W Boyer	03/01/97	Trank Enderie	04/02/14
Robert C Hanus	03/11/03		

John Gill 1932-2017

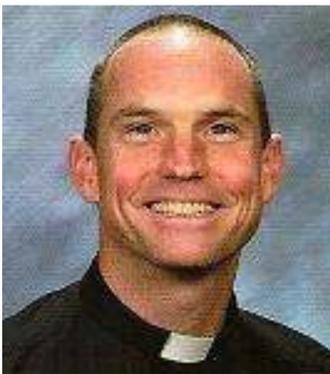
Honorary Life Member John Gill, a long-term active member of North Olmsted Council passed away January 28, 2017. Brother John was a knight for nearly 63 years, having made his first degree April 1, 1954. He remained a strong supporter of the knights, even in his later years. He was a U.S. Army veteran and an avid golfer. Please remember John and his family in your prayers. We will miss you, brother John.

Are Your Dues Current?

New Reinstatement Fee Required for Delinquent Members

It's that time again. Annual membership dues for 2016 are now past due. If you did not get your statement please contact brother knight Henry Kleinhenz, PGK, at (440) 235-0675. Please support our council and the Knights of Columbus in general with your prompt dues payment. As a new benefit, we now accept credit cards (with a \$1.00 service charge).

A new policy has been established whereby if a member has gone through the entire Retention Procedure as it is written in ours and State Charter, and the member has been suspended from the Supreme Roster, the member will need to pay a \$15.00 Re-Instatement Fee along with his dues to be re-instated within 60 Days after his suspension. After 60 days of suspension the Re-Instatement Fee will increase to \$25.00.



Religious of the Year – Father Neil Walters

Fr. Neil Walters, presently the chaplain at Cuyahoga County Jail has been named this year's 2016's North Olmsted Council Religious of the Year. . Fr. Walters perseveres passionately when others might be burned out. To witness him in the jail is to see a man who recognizes Christ in those he serves. He is pragmatic, tireless, flexible and patient. He navigates the politics around the jail and finds ways to serve his community when barriers arise due to policy changes. Nothing can stop him from bringing Christ into that jail. He ministers to prisoners, guards, social

workers and even the volunteers that are there to assist him. All who witness his ministry give witness to Christianity at its most authentic, reaching into the hardened hearts of men and women who are skilled at manipulation and will betray you and break your heart. He is truly a blessing to those troubled people he serves.

Please Keep These Folks in Your Prayers

Over the past couple of months we have prayed at our meetings for the following people. We ask all of you and your families to keep these people in your prayers:

Henry Kleinhenz FS.PGK. PFN, Tom Lisy PGK and his wife Jan, Ruth McNamara, Bob & Edith Schmieler, Lou Kaszas, Kevin Sheehan's Mother, Father and Mother in-law Jeanne Yanochao, Bill Luke PGK, Paul Mathieson PGK, Jim Bailey PFN, Tony and Marilyn Colnar, Tom and Jan Lisy, Francis Moran, Peg Warden, Ray Metsch's wife Gayle, Dennis Carlton, Ed Chavez, Rudy Chavez, Tom Kilbane PGK, Peter Frank, Cathy Sanzi, John Cooney, Marilyn Morgan, Una Ellis, Dr. Robert Kubinski, Bill Marquard, Tom Hart's wife and for the repose of the souls of John Gill, Bill Norris PGK of Trinity Council.



Congratulations to Our 2016 Community Awards Winners

North Olmsted Council's annual spring Communion Mass and Breakfast and Awards Banquet was held Sunday Morning, February 19 at Saint Clarence Parish. After a great breakfast the following outstanding service awards were given:

Knight of the Year	Jim Sanzi, PGK
Volunteer of the Year	Tom Heim
Religious of the Year	Father Neil Walters
Lady of the Year	Maureen Keeper
Family of the Year	Pete and Donna Frank
Blue Coat of the Year	Lieutenant George Lichman (Rocky River Police Dept)

Fish Fry Volunteers Needed

Once again North Olmsted Council will be providing manpower and other material support to the annual St. Clarence fish fries on Fridays in Lent. Fish dinners will be served from 4:30 to 7:00.

Volunteers are needed to man the kitchen and for other duties. Come early to set up, late to clean up, or during the event to help cook and serve. If you are not able to help out, please consider patronizing one of the weekly fish fries for a good meal and to support the parish.



Got fish? These men can use your help – especially you younger members, as you can see. Please read the article above and consider volunteering to help out for a few weeks during Lent at the St. Clarence fish fries.

Annual Charity Ticket Campaign is On . . . Your Early Returns Are Needed

We have begun the Ohio Charity Ticket Campaign, and we need to sell **2,700 tickets** from our council this year. Brother Tom Vojtek is chairing this committee this year. Each of you will be getting your tickets in the mail shortly if you did not make the meeting.

We are looking for your help in getting as many of them sold by the end of March as we can to meet the first turn-in date. This insures that we get our largest rebate back from State.

Knight at the Races April 29 – Crucial Fundraiser for St. Augustine Rainbow Camp We Need YOU! (More Info at www.kofc4731.org)

1 – Attend and Bring Friends (And Reserve a Table) – Horse racing with wagering on the results. Food, drink (beer and wash included, BYOB) and door prizes provided. Tickets \$20 in advance, \$25 at door. Fund raising event benefits St. Augustine Rainbow Camp which serves social needs of area children with and without disabilities.

2 – Help Out at the Event – Many volunteers needed for setup and working the event, including 25 wager takers. You will still have plenty of time to enjoy the evening.

3 – Sponsor a Race – For \$100 you get your name at the top of a race page and a quarter page for your message at the bottom of the race page (can be an ad for recruitment with phone numbers and contact persons or encouragement for the camp).

4 – Buy or Sell Ads in Souvenir Program – \$90 for full page (3' 1/2" x 10"), \$50 for half page (3' 1/2" x 5"), \$30 for quarter page (3' 1/2" x 2"),

5 – Sponsor a Horse – For \$20, you can name the horse and win prizes if your horse wins.

6 – Donate a Door Prize – Gift cards, event tickets, household items, golf items, bottles of adult beverages, etc.

7 – Become an Event Leader – We need a couple of men to be chairmen-in-training this year toward to goal of taking over the reins in 2018. Coordinating Knight at the Races is a lot of fun. Inquire to Bill Goellner at (440) 427-0439 or goellner8158@wowway.com or Kevin Sheehan at (216) 389-0222 or kofc4731@aol.com.. Thank you



Lady of the Year – Maureen Keeper

Congratulations to Maureen Keeper, North Olmsted Council's 2016 Lady of the Year. Since becoming a founding member of St. Clarence Parish in 1978, Maureen has been a Lecturer at Sunday Mass and Tuesday weekly Mass. Maureen is involved in Charity in Action at the parish and works on the Giving Tree every year. She writes up profiles (over 200 of them every year) for the Gift from the Heart program. Profiles are adopted by parishioners with gifts going to the individuals. Maureen also makes Rosaries for missionaries all over the world. She also works Knight at the Races side boards with her husband Jeff and provides the van to transport gifts for the St. Augustine Christmas party.

Consider Becoming a 4th Degree Member

The Knights of Columbus 4th degree is considered to be the patriotic degree. It's also the visible arm of the Knights of Columbus, as 4th degree members participate in many public events wearing their colorful regalia and carrying shiny swords.

North Olmsted Council is blessed to have a large number of 4th degree members. Most of our officers, trustees and directors are 4th degree members. If you are interested in becoming a 4th degree member, please seek out any of these men for more information. The next 4th degree exemplification (degree ceremony) will be held on April 29 in Westlake.

New Incentives for Meeting Attendance

North Olmsted Council has instituted a new membership perk for those who attend our meetings. At each meeting there will be a \$10 door prize for some lucky member in attendance.

Additionally, the split pot drawing at each meeting will now have two prize winners. Odds are good. Be sure to show up!

Opportunities to Get a Little More Involved

There are presently two committee positions open for members who wish to have a little more formal involvement with the council.

We are in need of someone to step up and become the council's Membership Director. The Membership Director coordinates the admission of new members, accepting applications, submitting for their approval and guiding new members to their first degree ceremonies. This is a great way to make new friends.

Co-chairmen of our annual Knight at the Races event, Bill Goellner and Kevin Sheehan, are looking for a couple of men to be chairmen-in-training this year toward to goal of turning over the reins in 2018. Coordinating Knight at the Races is a lot of fun. Please consider reaching out to Bill or Kevin to learn more about this great opportunity.

You Are the Key to Our Growth

All Knights of Columbus are encouraged to actively recruit new members. The future of our council hinges on growth in membership.

Ask all Catholic men to consider joining our charitable, social, fraternal and patriotic organization. If someone expresses interest, and you do not have a membership application, you can obtain one by contacting our temporary membership chairman, Paul C. Mathieson at (440) 835-7203. The recruiting goal for the 2016-2017 fraternal year is one new member per council per month. Recruiting is especially crucial at this time as we have lost some members to newly-formed councils in neighboring parishes.

Thank You to Our *NARRATOR* Patrons

A big **Thank You** to the following council members who have each donated \$10 to be *NARRATOR* patrons for the current year:

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We need more patrons. Each time the *NARRATOR* is produced, over 200 copies have to be printed by a professional printing company and then mailed out. This results in a significant expense for printing and postage. We are working toward migrating much of the *NARRATOR* distribution to the internet, but there are a number of members who do not have internet access.

Last year we had nearly 50 patrons, which was a great help. All patrons will have their names published in each future issue of the *NARRATOR*. To participate please make your \$10.00 check payable to North Olmsted Council 4731, and mail it to Henry Kleinhenz, 7425 Willow Woods Drive, North Olmsted, Ohio 44070.



Tom Heim Named Volunteer of Year

Brother Tom Heim gives an exceptional amount of time and energy as well as sweat and tears to the programs of the Knights of Columbus, and has been named our 2016 Volunteer of the Year.

Tommy became a Knight in August 2009 and is also a fourth degree Knight. He is a Eucharistic Minister, a collection counter, Bell Choir member and the current recording secretary for the Holy Name Society at Blessed Trinity Church. He's also the current Recorder for North Olmsted Council 4731. Tom is a regular volunteer at the annual Steak Night for North Olmsted Council membership drive where his energy and enthusiasm are critical for making that event the success that it is. Tom is also a guard on the 1st Degree Team of our Council. He has worked for the past several years at the annual "Knight at the Races".

Congratulations, Tom, and thanks!



Lieutenant George Lichman 2016 Blue Coat of the Year

The Blue Coat of the Year award is presented to a member of our local Police and Fire departments who demonstrates outstanding service to our communities and sets an example of Christian values for us to follow. This year we are proud to honor Lieutenant George Lichman of the Rocky River Police Department. Lt. Lichman and his wife, Kelly have an eight year old son, Benjamin and a six year old daughter Emersyn. He is very active in the

community, serving as a board member for the IAM local 2848 Voluntary Employee Benefits Association and as a member of the City Club of Cleveland. Lt. Lichman has been instrumental in managing Community Policing and community engagement. He oversees the Citizen's Police Academy, with a 12-week curriculum that he created, is responsible for managing the instructors and donates his own money to furnish students with materials and notebooks. Lt Lichman implemented the Bike Patrol Unit as well as the "Coffee with a Cop" program at the Rocky River Police Department. He assisted in the development of the Cops in Schools Program for the Rocky River School district and is currently in charge of that program. Lt. Lichman is a Certified Instructor with the Ohio Peace Officers Training Academy and is the administrative Lieutenant for the night shift. Congratulations Lt. Lichman, and thank you.

Measure Up Collection Help Needed

Brother knight and Youth Director, Ray Rowe, needs brother knights to solicit donations for developmentally disabled outside Discount Drug Mart and other locations the last week of April and first week of May.

Contact brother Ray at (440) 779-9255 or momrowe13@yahoo.com.

Pete and Donna Frank – Family of the Year

North Olmsted Council's 2016 Family of the Year award goes to Pete and Donna Frank. They are both mainstays at St. Brendan where Pete is a member of the Holy Name Society. Pete and Donna are major contributors to the annual Ohio Charity Raffle campaign and are welcomed and reliable volunteers at our Knight at the Races event. They have both donated many hours to the Measure-Up Campaign and have



tireless in his charity support with the help of Donna. He has helped with the soccer challenge, the Keep Christ in Christmas magnet sales and runs the Football Frenzy contest every year. For many years Pete and Donna have helped to support St. Augustine through the sales of fundraising calendars. As every active member knows, if you haven't had your picture taken by Pete at least 100 times by now then you haven't showed up to enough events! Pete is always ready with his camera to help memorialize all of our charitable and social functions and preserve the history and memory of the council, always with Donna by his side. by now then you haven't showed up to enough events! Pete is always ready with his camera to help memorialize all of our charitable and social functions and preserve the history and memory of the council, always with Donna by his side.

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER (More Info Inside):

Mar	8	First Degree – Terrace Room; 6:30 Degree Team; 7:00 Candidate Call; 7:30 Degree
Mar	9	K of C Luncheon Club Fu Ji's Grill and Buffet Parma
Mar	15	Rosary Before Meeting, 7:00 pm
Mar	15	Social Meeting, 7:30 pm Terrace Room St. Clarence
Apr	4	Officers Meeting, 7:30 pm Class Room St. Clarence
Apr	5	Chaplet of the Divine Mercy Before Meeting, 7:15 pm
Apr	5	Business Meeting of Council 4731, 7:30 pm Terrace Room St. Clarence
Apr	13	K of C Luncheon Club Fu Ji's Grill and Buffet Parma
Apr	19	Rosary Before Meeting, 7:00 pm
Apr	19	Social Meeting of Council 4731, 7:30 pm Terrace Room St. Clarence
Apr	29	Fourth Degree Exemplification – Doubletree by Hilton, Westlake
Apr	29	Knight at the Races; 6:00 pm at St. Clarence
May	2	Officers Meeting, 7:30 pm Class Room St. Clarence
May	3	Chaplet of the Divine Mercy Before Meeting, 7:15 pm
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