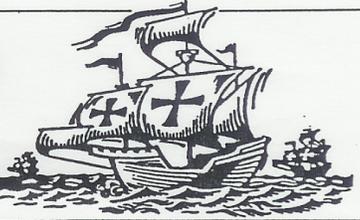


THE NARRATOR



The Newsletter of the North Olmsted



Knights of Columbus Council #4731

April, 2007

Grand Knight's Report

As Holy Week approaches, I hope that we all take this opportunity to meditate and thank Jesus for dying for our sins. May we also be inspired to sacrifice for our fellow man following Jesus' example of ultimate sacrifice.

The Communion Breakfast that was held on Sunday, March 25th, was a true expression of our Brotherhood. This event gave us an opportunity to acknowledge Father Greg Olszewski as our Religious of the Year for the Council, Jim Buckley as Knight of the Year, Ray Rowe and his family as Family of the Year, Edward Chavez, Jr. as Youth of the Year, Henry Kleinhenz as Volunteer of the Year, and Lieutenant Tim Gut of the North Olmsted Fire Department was the recipient of our Blue Coat Award. It was the Council's honor to acknowledge the contributions of these special individuals.

The next big event on our calendar will be the Knight at the Races to be held on May 19th at the Church of St. Clarence. This event is a fund raiser for Father McNulty's Rainbow Children's Camp. Contact Deputy Grand Knight Kevin Sheehan if you wish to volunteer and/or buy a horse and/or sponsor a race.

The election for new officers is fast approaching. If you have an interest in being an officer or know someone you would like to nominate as an officer, please contact Past Grand Knight Bill Goellner at 440-427-0439.

As we celebrate Easter Sunday may God bless you and fill you with the promise of rebirth and renewal.

Think Spring!

See you all at the next meeting.

Ray Metsch
Grand Knight

Community Volunteerism—Meals on Wheels

Meals on wheels was selected as the first featured community service where volunteers are desperately needed. As Jesus said, FEED the hungry and refresh the thirsty! Here is one way North Olmsted Knight of Columbus can carry out that mission! This month we are presenting a feed the hungry opportunity in the communities where our Knights live. Meals on Wheels Inc. WestShore is not government sponsored: under direction of a head cook, volunteers prepare the food and deliver the meals. Each Meals on Wheels location has varying needs and schedules for volunteers.

North Olmsted meals on wheels is run by the City of North Olmsted through the North Olmsted Senior Center, 28114 Lorain rd. Meals are cooked and prepared at St. John WestShore Hospital and transported to the N. O. Senior Center, Currently, volunteer drivers for Mondays and Wednesdays, and substitute drivers are always needed, most volunteers deliver only one day a week, Monday thru Friday.

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IN MEMORAL:

April Anniversaries:

Vincent L. Menichini	4/06/77	Laurence A. Biermacher	4/06/80
William J.. Bonner, PGK	4/26/83	Msgr. Oldrich J. Korb	4/28/85
John Imperatore	4/19/88	James Tuney	4/16/91
Harry L. Geiger	4/03/94	Matthew J. Patron	4/26/99
William Keppler	4/18/00		

Remember all those whom have died this past year.

Membership:

The Grand Knight Ray Metsch, has again placed everyone on the Membership Committee. A committees a whole to reach our goal of 35 new members by June 1, 2007.

PICK A MAN NOW THAT YOU WILL BRING INTO THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
AT NORTH OLMSTED COUNCIL

Notice deadline for the May Narrator is **April 20th**. If you have something that you would like to put in the Narrator check with the Grand Knight, then sent it to me as a attachment in MS Word. My Email address is tkilbane@ameritech.net. Please subject it K of C.

KEEP THE SICK IN OUR PRAYERS:

Gerald Dietrich & his wife Kay, Elmer Choken and his wife Jean, Norm Musial's wife Pat, Gary Nash, Ray Babinec's Brother in law Ron Westbrook, Bill Beyer's wife Phyllis, Jay Ellis, Gab Zsigo, Dan Dugan, Tom Groff's wife Alice, Ed O'Brien (is at Wellington Place), Kevin Sheehan Mother in-law Jeanne Yanochao, Dennis Carlton, Jim Buckley, Jim Allen, Roger McNea, Joe Arnold's wife Mary, Rudy Chavez, Charles Halpin, Ralph Kearns wife Mary Ellen, Shirley Wolfe, Ruth Murray and all the Members of our Council who are in need along with all the victim of the wars in the world.

Remember the Rosary

On the third Wednesday of each month the Rosary will be said in St. Kevin's Chapel. All are welcome to attend at 7:00 pm,. The second meeting of the month will be held following the Rosary.

North Olmsted Knights of Columbus

Chaplin: Rev Joseph McNulty (216-781-5530)
Financial Secretary: Henry Kleinhenz (440-235-0675)

Grand Knight: Ray Metsch (440-235-9530)
"Narrator" Editor: Tom Kilbane (440-933-9964)

APRIL— GOOD ADVICE

Remember your teacher's good advice? "Always start each project with an outline. It will give you the right direction." Experience tells us that the same idea works when it comes to getting ahead on the job.—or in planning for individual or family security. But, in the latter kind of planning, your outline cannot be complete alone.

Rely on the trained advice of your Knights of Columbus Insurance Agent and the Order's long and practical experience in the life insurance business to help you prepare your plans for the years ahead. I will be happy to help you chart and build a sound economic future. Better yet, I'll do it with an individual insurance plan keyed to your own needs and goals.

This sort of professional counsel is available at absolutely no obligation...just through a telephone call to me for an appointment. Today, when programming is essential to effective use of the do-everything computer, it is equally so to the fulfillment of our own dreams and hopes for our families. Life insurance programming is a service you should have...and one that I provide.

Call me today to discuss these needs. I want to hear from you.

Timothy P. Welling Field Agent, Knights of Columbus, 216-218-1838

Nuns Night Dinner

Greater Cleveland Chapter's Annual Nuns Night Dinner is scheduled for April 15, at 3 P.M. at Sherwin—Gilmour Party Center. 5947 Mayfield Rd, Mayfield Heights, Ohio.

If you plan on going or if you know of a Nun that you would like to bring , Please contact Tom Kilbane, (440-933-9964) . We need to have your reservation by April 1st. The Kay C Club will pay for the Nun's ticket and the Knights ticket is \$10.00. You must have a ticket to attend.

Knight at the Races

For the benefit of the St. Augustine Rainbow Camp Program

Your help is need to sell or buy horse, adds, races, and patron listing. SEE INCLUDED FLIER.
North Olmsted Knights are sponsoring the Knight at the Races to be held at St. Clarence Church Hall on May 19th, 2007 , Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the races start at 7:00 p.m. Food will be provided with beer and pop The event will feature video horse racing with wagering on the results. There will be an auction of horses for the 10th race. There will also be side boards. GET a group of your friends together and join us for this fun filled and worthy event.

ATTEND A MEETING AND WIN!

A attendance prize of \$15.00 will be awarded to a member randomly selected from the current roster of active members. **However the member must be present to win.** If the member is not present, \$5.00 will be added to the next months drawing. We will also draw a name at the second meeting of the month, but the \$5.00 will be added only once per month. The cast amount will continue to accumulate until someone wins. If no winner by the second meeting in June , we will draw until there is a winner.

The drawing for March was for \$40.00.

The first meeting, Mike Brezina, Mike was not present.

The second meeting , John McQuillen, John was not present

The April Drawing will be for \$40.00.

Membership Musings—Chuck Novak, Membership Director, 440-716-9197:

.....Many thanks to the mystery Knight who returned Chuck's Cashmere coat to the North Olmsted Party Center. Mae O'Grady says no questions were asked when the coat showed up. Chuck says many, many thanks MYSTERY KNIGHT!

Four new members, James Andolsek, Fred Metz, Rudy Chavez, Jr. and Brian Bodenskis bring our year to date new member total to 13,... Welcome!... Hooray for Leonard Strnad, Dean Taylor, and Paul Lefingwell who were Knighted 3rd degree Knights Jan/ 28 at Garfield Council... and Rudy Chavez, Jr. Tom MacColl and our K of C Field Agent Tim P. Werling who were Knighted 3rd Degree Knights Feb. 18th at Avon Council. Congratulations all!!!! We are pleased to inform you that our R.S.V.P. seminarians will both be part of Council 4731. Michael McCain, 2nd year at Boromeo Seminary, has transferred from Wickliffe Council. Mike is from St. Lad's Parish in Westlake. Voted into membership on March 21, Franz Dool, a 1st year Theology student at St. Mary's Seminary is trying to get a first Degree into his jammed studies schedule—we will get you into 4731 via you making your First degree entry into the Knights quickly, Franz! ...Thanks to Financial Sec'y Henry Kleinhenz and Program Director Jim Buckley, seven more men from Fairview Council have joined North Olmsted Council after the first ten transfers... We believe the fraternal spirit extended to past Fairview Council Brother Knights will be mutually beneficial as we open our doors to: Jack Doyle, Ronald Kenzig, William Doran, Lawrence McQuade, George Davis, William Conrad, and Donald Kenzig, PGK. Thanks to Fairview Council PGK Thomas Sanders and F.S. Frank Buettner for the smooth transitions... Let's see....30 new faces last year, 14 new men this year, 17 transfers in to date.... That's 61 additional Brother Knights to help 4731 grow, flourish and prosper... But that will only happen if our new men join with our current active members to increase the presence and the visibility of the Knights in each of the 10 Parishes we serve... Come to several of our meetings on the FIRST Wednesday (7:30p.m.) and the THIRD Wednesday (7:00 p.m. Rosary at St. Kevin's Chapel followed by the 7:30 meeting)... in the Terrace Room at St. Clarence, 30106 Lorain Rd. between Stearns and Barton Roads.

April and May are the busiest months of the Council 4731 Calendar... we need you to volunteer, sign up for Measure Up collecting at WalMart and Giant Eagle. Likewise for selling Ohio Charities tickets. And there's Knight at the Races on May 19, 2007 for the benefit of the St. Augustine Summer Rainbow Camp... and much more to keep you busy.

ALL BROTHER KNIGHTS!!! Become active, come to meetings, participate in events and activities. If you are not doing so now, you are missing out on so many of the benefits, blessings, graces and rewards that flow to an active Knight and his family. **ALL inactive Knights in 4731!!!** Come check us out at several meetings—you will be amazed at the flourishing vibrancy and re-juvenation going on with the active Knights. See unity, Fraternity and yes Charity happening. Grasp the opportunity to change your life and your lifestyle, for the better! Become an active Knight. **ALL ACTIVE KNIGHTS** of Council 4731: Thank you so much for what each of you does for your Church, your Community, yourself and our families, our youth and our council. We don't want you to do more, unless you want to. We do want you to help us reach the 100 or so inactive Knights present in our Council. Invite them to council meetings, share a ride with someone from your parish or community. Get a Brother Knight to work on an activity or event. Get him to experience the good works we do and the fun that we have fraternally. At one time that Brother Knight was active enough to at least make his First Degree. Let's get him back to becoming an active Knight again.

K of C Golf will be starting on May 2. If you would like to play contact Tom Kilbane at 440-933-9964. We are looking for several golfers. We play on Wednesday, tee times start at 4:00 p. m. and continue till 5:00.

The course is Pine Brook and it is located on Durkee Rd off old Lorain in Lorain County.

A Few Words From The Program Director - Jim Buckley

Church Activities

1. Lent is here. A team of Knights do all the cooking for the St. Clarence Fish Fries every Friday of Lent including Good Friday. Please come by and enjoy a fine meal and support your Bother Knights.

Community Activities.

1. The yearly Measure-Up collection at the Major Food stores is almost upon us. We are looking for volunteers to sign up to help in the collections. The funds collected are for the retarded children in our Community. This is one of the biggest programs of the year for the Knights of Columbus. Please spare an hour and help out.

Council Activities

1. A Degree Team is being formed at our Council. Hopefully we will see our Degree Team enroll our first Degree members soon.

Family Activities

1. Ohio Charities -- ticket selling campaign. The first turning for tickets sold is April 12th at St. Clarence K of C meeting hall between 6-8p.m. The second turnin is scheduled for May 14th and now Gene is going to accept sold tickets also at the regular K of C meeting on Wednesday, May 16th. Past Grand Knight Gene Hanzely is the chairman of the campaign. Sign up and help sell tickets at the stores.
2. We are having our Family Communion Breakfast at Wagner's Country Inn after Mass at St. Clarence on March 25th. If this newsletter arrives before this date, please join us. We need to know who are coming, so please call for a reservation at Scott Metsch, 440-646-9362.
3. On March 14th Chuck Novak assisted our Insurance agent, Timothy Werling with a program that offered insurance and financial planning information. There was 21 people in attendance and he left us with ideas every Knight should consider for his family. For information you can call him at 216-218-1838.

I have enjoyed being the Program Director for the last few years. It is time that I step aside and let another Brother Knight help carry our council into yet another award winning year. In fact I am challenging any Brother Knight that feels he could have something to offer. To make the transition smooth, I will stick around and help for as long as necessary.

Charity Ticket Campaign

The first turn-in date is Thursday, April 12, 2007, between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. at St Clarence in the Terrace Room. We need four (4) tickets per member to meet our first Turn-in quota. Your help is needed again for success. We're counting on you!!

We will be selling tickets at Crocker Park Giant Eagle on Friday April 13th and Saturday, April 14th from 9 a.m. till 5 p.m. A sign up sheet will be available at the April 4th meeting. For information please contact Chairmen Gene Hanzely at 440-930-0732 or Rudy Chavez Co-Chairman at 440-748-0106.

DEGREES:

Up coming 1ST Degrees,

Tues. 4-03-07 6:30 p.m. C. C. Brunswick # 4847
Thru. 4-12-07 7:00 p.m. C.C. Cuyahoga Falls #1351
Thru. 4-19-07 7:30 p.m. C. C. North Ridgeville #7970
Thru. 5-03-07 6:30 p.m. C.C. Strongsville #10792
Thru. 5-17-07 7:30 p.m. C.C. North Ridgeville #7970

If you have a candidate with a from 100 signed, Please call Chuck Novak at 440-716-9197 so your candidate can be registered at the host council and a car pool arranged.

Volunteering in Your Parish

Perhaps the most rewarding liturgical ministry you can participate in is becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. It is the ministry most in need of volunteers, since large Parishes require from 40 to 70 distributors weekly, depending on the number of parish masses, whether the Eucharist is distributed under both species, and the number of distribution locations in the church.

There is an awesome realization by every distributor the first time he/she touches the Body of Christ that he/she has a duty and an obligation to seek reverence for the sacrament by the recipient, one on one. It is for this reason that the Cleveland Diocese requires a training session for candidates recommended by the pastor. The session includes the Theology of the Eucharist, and covers practical techniques on handling the sacrament. You only need to attend one Sunday session from 1 to 4:30 p.m. The closest location is St. Richard in North Olmsted on April 15th. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact your pastor or designated Eucharistic Ministry person so that you may be registered by your parish with the dioceses. Deadline for registering is April 4th, so you will have to act quickly to be involved in the Spring training session. If the April 15th date is not convenient, there will also be a training session in Mentor on April 22nd (again with an April registration deadline date of April 4th). The candidate, after the diocesan session, is also trained in the parish on local pastoral distribution standard. The candidate will be commissioned by the pastor so that extraordinary ministry of Communion can begin.

A long time E.M. has said: I truly enjoy personally keeping in touch with Jesus Christ, and bring His divine Presence into the lives of my Fellow Parishioners.

Eucharistic Ministry in Church leads to bringing Christ to those parishioners who are ill, recovering from a hospital stay, shut-in or otherwise unable to attend parish liturgies each Sunday. In many cases, you are the only contact the parish has with its shut-ins or apartment bound. And Finally, the ministry can lead to distribution of Holy Communion at Hospitals and nursing homes. So if you're interested in this most valuable ministry, tap your pastor on his shoulder, tell him you are a Knight of Columbus, and want to help out in the Parish, and can be registered for the diocesan E.M. training session. BEFORE APRIL 4th.

Community Volunteerism—Meals on Wheels

The following notes on the North Olmsted Meals on Wheels operation are similar to the other communities.

- Service eligibility is limited to the residents of North Olmsted only, over the age of 55, who are: living alone, homebound unable to transport self to a grocery store and unable to prepare own food.
- Volunteering takes approximately an hour and one-half, one day a week.
- Drivers are given a route with detailed map
- Volunteers arrive at the Senior Center at approx. 10:30 a.m. to pickup their routes and meals.
- Drivers deliver one hot and one cold meal on each visit.

Wouldn't it be great if we can grow a nucleus of 45 Knights or more from the 70 or so Knights living in North Olmsted? If you are available and interested in volunteering at North Olmsted Monday's or Wednesday's, Please contact coordinator Tiffany Hunt direct at 440-719-4264 for scheduling or for more information, mention that you are a North Olmsted Knight.

Rocky River Meals on Wheels kitchen is operated out of the food preparation facilities of Our Savior Lutheran Church, 20300 Hilliard rd., contact Jeanette Friederich 440-333-6298, coordinator. Volunteers are scheduled for a full 5 day week: food preparers are needed from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m., Drivers and subs from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Mention the K. of C.

Fairview Park Meals on Wheels is run out of Fairview Community Church, 21220 Lorain Rd. Contact Karen Dorow, coordinator of Monday or Wednesday, 440-331-3842. Needed are cook helpers, food preparers and substitute drivers.

Westlake Meals on Wheels kitchen is located at Dover Congregational United Church of Christ, 2239 Dover Center Rd., 440-871-2251, contact person is Donna Terepka. Cook helpers are needed, 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. daily. Drivers work in pairs 10:30 a.m. to noon, first called to be substitutes. Additionally, volunteer bakers are wanted every Tuesday morning to prepare and bake fresh-baked desserts.

Bay Village Meals on Wheels, contact Debbie Bock at 440-899-3409..

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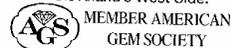
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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

Apr 3	Officer's meeting 7:30 p.m.
Apr 4	Regular Mtg. of Council 4731, 7:30 p.m. Terrace Room St. Clarence
Apr 6	Good Friday
Apr 8	Easter Sunday
Apr 18	Rosary, 7:00 p.m. St Kevin's Chapel
Apr 18	Regular Mtg. of Council 4731, 7:30 p.m. Terrace Room St. Clarence
May 1	Officer's meeting 7:30 p.m.
May 2	Regular Mtg. of Council 4731, 7:30 p.m. Terrace Room St. Clarence
May 16	Rosary, 7:00 p.m. St Kevin's Chapel
May 16	Regular Mtg. of Council 4731, 7:30 p.m. Terrace Room St. Clarenc
May 19	Knight at the Races
May 25	State Convention, Cleveland

