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Grand Knight's Corner

I have been anxious to share the Grand Knight's Corner this month. I will start with our monthly business meetings. If you missed our last meeting you missed an inspiring talk from our Lecturer Brother Herb Edwards. I had asked Brother Edwards to be our Lecturer when I became Grand Knight because I thought we needed an inspirational talk as we ended each meeting and he has never disappointed. The topic of this past month was to finish the race strong. Since many of us are closer to the end of the race than the beginning, I thought it was a very appropriate topic to discuss. We never know when it will be our time to cross the finish line so we need to be ready. I was made painfully aware of that when my brother-in-law and new Brother Knight Chris Kerley passed away unexpectedly. I am so appreciative for all the thoughts and prayers and to Brother Knights Dave Johnston and Dan Cyphers and others who helped with dispersing belongings. I am comforted in knowing his belongings went to those in need and he was also a tissue donor so he lives on in others.

The month of April in the Fraternal year is when we need to report a lot of things to Supreme and State. While some of them are audits and per capita stuff, we also have the opportunity to report on many of the great activities we do throughout the year. I struggle with this (just a little) because I try to be a humble person and I know for a fact not a single Knight does all their great works for any type of recognition. I want to report these things so the State and Supreme folks know that there is a Council out here in Fairborn, Ohio that lives the life of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. I am also so proud of these men that I want them to receive the recognition they deserve. So, each month our Program Directors and I submit activity reports that have given us the full 500 points, which are the maximum allowed in the state program. In addition, we can submit additional programs for possible state recognition. Again, while I don't expect any special recognition, I wanted to showcase all we do for the Knights of Columbus. I started to add up specific activities we do and stopped counting when I got to over 50. Remember, these are just scheduled activities and don't include all the individual things we do when no one is looking. I continue to be in awe. It has been a pleasure to tell all of our new Knights about what we do.

Speaking of being in awe, I continue to be surprised by acts of kindness and charity. Anonymously we get cash donations at our Parish breakfast to share with those who are in need. A Brother Knight sent in his Ohio Charity tickets with extra money, to be used as we see fit.



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Grand Knight's Column (cont)

Another Brother Knight sent in a significant check with his Ohio charity tickets and asked us to fill them out for our seminarian and those in need. Recently a Brother Knight was approached by a parishioner with a check to be used for something we don't normally budget for, with the stipulation that it is anonymous. All this tells me there are a lot of wonderful people out there doing great things and they see that the Fairborn Knights of Columbus work hard and will put their donations to excellent use. One of my favorite bible verses is Mark 12:41-44. These people epitomize the poor widow.

Finally, I recently had the opportunity to see the movie Jesus Revolution. I am not a critic but highly recommend it. One statement made during the movie struck me. At a revival, a reporter said, "inside that tent, there is hope." Wow! I truly believe we will fill our churches again and the programs of the Family of Parishes will be part of that. Inside our church is hope. The premise of the movie was the Jesus movement of the 1970's and one preacher who did not turn his back on those who were looking for God. Never pass up the opportunity to share your faith.

My honorees this month are very special people and do so much for our Council and Church. Knight of the Month, Matt Justice and Family of the Month, PGK Larry and Mary Bogemann. Please congratulate Matt, Larry and Mary when you see them. May God Bless.
Vivat Jesus. Grant

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2023 (CMA)

We thank everyone who has participated in the 2023 Catholic Ministries Appeal. **from Mary, Help of Christians**. If you have not yet made your pledge, please consider doing so this week. Please prayerfully complete your pledge card make your checks payable to Catholic Ministries Appeal and mail your pledge card to 100 East Eighth Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 in the envelope provided in your information packet. You may also bring your completed pledge card sealed in its return envelope to Mass. Pledge cards are available in the gathering space for your convenience. There will be a basket marked CMA in the gathering space. There will be a basket marked CMA in the gathering space. For more information about the CMA or to donate online, please visit <https://catholicaoc.org/cma>

Thank you!

Patris Corde Prayer

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer. Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen

PRAY THE ROSARY AS OFTEN AS YOU CAN, PLEASE
COME EARLY TO THE BUSINESS MEETING (7 PM) AND
PRAY THE ROSARY WITH YOUR BROTHER KNIGHTS.



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"Easter tastes better than Halloween,
and we don't have to ring a lot
of doorbells."
BY
and
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Beloved in Christ,

Now that we are in Holy Week, how do we finish Lent strong, have the fullest experience of the Paschal Triduum, and Celebrate the glory of Easter? On

Tuesday of this week, I will concelebrate the Chrism Mass with the Archbishop and priests of the Archdiocese. At that Mass we will renew our priestly promises to teach, sanctify and pastor God’s people. Please see the bulletin for the times of all the liturgies of Holy Week and the Triduum in our parishes. Since the Lord Jesus expects us to fast, Holy Mother Church provides us with a minimal benchmark for fasting this time of year. So, once again here is the reminder for fasting and abstinence on Good Friday and Holy Saturday: Good Friday, April 7, is a day of abstinence from meat and also a day of fast, that is, limited to a single full meal. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years and older. The law of fasting binds all Catholics from their 18th birthday until their 59th birthday (canons 97, 1252). “Let the paschal fast be kept sacred. Let it be celebrated everywhere on Good Friday and, where possible, prolonged throughout Holy Saturday, so that the joys of the Sunday of the Resurrection may be attained with uplifted and clear mind.” (Constitution on the Liturgy, No. 110) With regard to the obligatory days listed above, however, there are frequent questions about the degree of seriousness of the matter. To paraphrase Pope John Paul II: the obligation to do penance is a serious one; the obligation to observe, as a whole or “substantially,” the penitential days specified by the Church is also serious. No one should be scrupulous in this regard; failure to observe an individual day of penance is not considered serious. People should seek to do more rather than less. Fast and abstinence on the days prescribed should be considered a minimum response to the Lord’s call to penance and conversion. Thanks for your prayers. Be assured of my daily prayers for you.

Blessed Holy Week,

Fr. Bedel

Fraternal Benefit Night
April 13, 2023 8:00 PM



Jim Effner presents
**Importance of Whole Life
as Part of a Retirement Plan**

Jim Effner is founder and President of P2P Group and specializes in training financial services professionals. Previously Jim was Managing Partner of one of the largest Northwestern Mutual offices in the country. He built the Effner Group to nearly 150 full-time and college advisors, insuring over 65,000 policyholders.



You are invited to join our webinar featuring Jim Effner, who specializes in financial services and has been helping thousands of families with financial planning.

April 13, 2023

Date

7:00 PM CST

Time

<https://tinyurl.com/KofCEffnerApril13>

RSVP



Scan here

No purchase is necessary. This event is for informational purposes only and does not constitute financial, tax or legal advice. Knights of Columbus, One Columbus Plaza, New Haven, CT 06510

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MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR'S CORNER

John Francis and Luke Downing are our newest brothers to join Council 3724! Please welcome them and make them feel at home in their new fraternity! We are almost at our membership goal of 13 this fraternal year. Just one more before we reach that "lucky number." Let's keep going! We're so close! If you know of someone who would be a good prospect, invite him. You might be surprised by his response.

Incentive for the month of April!

Recruiting a new member into the Order is one of the most important and noteworthy accomplishment that any Knight can achieve. New members keep our organization vibrant and ensure our success in the years ahead. For the proposer, however, there is more to recruitment than just asking a man to join. When a proposer recruits a member, he will receive 500 VIP Points to use at Knights Gear. Please visit the Knights Gear website and select items that your points will cover. NOTE: 500 VIP Points are equal to \$3.00.

Don't forget to add Join Us | Knights of Columbus (kofc.org) as an app to your cell phone. It's a lot easier to sign someone up and get information to him immediately. Remember, all online member applications with the Promo Code RHERNANDEZ (the code from our K of C Insurance Representative) will receive twelve months of online membership free. You can also use the promo code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY.

Name Tags

If you need a Council 3724 and/or Fourth Degree name tag, see me, Mark Dues, or Brother Herb Edwards at the next business meeting. Cost per tag is \$5.00.

This Month's Personal Goal

Invite your prospect and his family to a family function our council is holding, such as our monthly Sunday breakfast usually on the second Sunday of each month following the 8:30 AM Mass at Mary, Help of Christians. You might make an even greater impression by providing their donation for their meal.

April 2023

Those who were born in April have a diamond as their birthstone, which represents innocence. Their birth flower is either a Daisy or a Sweet Pea. The month of April is dedicated to the Holy Spirit. To believe in the Holy Spirit is to profess that the Holy Spirit is one of the persons of the Holy Trinity, consubstantial with the Father and the Son: "with the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified."

Happy Birthday to Brother Knights born in April

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| Edward L Fancett | Tyler Gilliland | Jonathan A Young |
| William F Borchers | PGK Stephen G Wal | Gary D Plunket |
| Robert W Brandstetter | Jack H Franz | Gerald W Rouch |
| PGK Gene Erbacher | Raymond G Moorman Jr | |

Blood Drive Results & Mark Your Calendar

Thank you for supporting the MHC/KofC Blood Drive. A total of 36 donors registered to donate, 2 were first time donors. The goal was 27 units, we collected 29, achieving 107% of the goal. The next blood drive is scheduled for Saturday, November 11, 2023, from 8:30am – 12:30pm, in the Parish Center. Thank you for your commitment to saving lives.

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Ladies Night

Mark your calendars for May 6 for our annual Ladies Night. Please note that it is a week earlier than normal since the Archbishop will be in town on Mother's Day weekend for Confirmation. Plan on attending to help us honor the wives and widows of our Brother Knights for all they do in support of our mission. A sign-up sheet is in the lounge or you can RSVP to the Grand Knight at grant.kempf@gmail.com or 937-609-1471

“Blossom with FYI”

On Saturday, March 25, 2023, the Fairborn Knights hosted the annual Family and Youth Initiatives (FYI) fundraising dinner event. Throughout the fraternal year the Knights assist FYI with their mission, “to empower families and provide hope.” Everyday, families and children are suffering from traumas caused by generational cycles of abuse and poverty. The Knights, through their financial support and hosting dinner events, help to enable this worthy cause. The evening was an immensely powerful one with personal stories of hope and involvement shared by volunteers and people who have been helped by the program. All present enjoyed wonderful camaraderie and a delicious dinner served by your brother knights the STELLAR Kitchen Crew!!

K of C Parish Breakfast

Our next breakfast will be on April 16th. We will start serving in the Parish Center Cafeteria at 9:30 and will continue until 11:00. We will be featuring our same popular menus of scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, hash browns, toast, omelets made to order, biscuits and gravy. You'll get all this for \$10 for adults, \$5 for children under 10. Come and join your fellow Knights and Parishioners for some good food and even better company.

Home Corporation

Your Home Corporation continues to work hard in support of the council. The HC drawing will restart on June 15th, 2023, and run through May 16th, 2024. See HC President PGK Frank Minnick for tickets. Parts are being ordered to refresh the bingo carts, wheels, new tops. Work continues on labeling the council chairs and tables. The work party which was held on April 1 centered around cleaning up the parish grounds. Pictures and write up on the council Facebook page. The home corporation officers are grateful for all the brothers who showed up to help.

BINGO!!

Bingo attendance continues to grow which is great and has allowed our Bingo Committee to donate significantly to various groups to help their missions. This requires a lot of Brother Knights to work bingo sessions so this can continue. Thank you to those who have stepped up to help occasionally. Now we need some help with specific jobs. We desperately need someone to work the traditional desk (the cage) on the second Wednesday of the month. The job is to sell the paper bingo sheets and do payouts. We also need someone to run the instants table one Wednesday a month (you pick the week). Full training will be provided. Currently some Brothers work every week so please consider giving them a little break. Please consider helping out with BINGO one Wednesday a month so we can keep this going for years to come.

Contact Brother Eric Rogalinski at 937-657-6958 or erogalinski@woh.rr.com.

St. Michael the Archangel:

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the Power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

COUNCIL OFFICER DESCRIPTIONS

GRAND KNIGHT: The GK is the chief administrative and financial officer of the council. He presides over all council meetings and is Chairman of the Board of trustees. He appoints a Program Director who, with the Activity Directors plans, coordinates and conducts all council activities and is an ex-officio member of all committees.

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT: The DGK performs all the duties of the GK in his absence or inability of the GK and all duties the Order manual imposes.

CHANCELLOR: Assists the GK and DGK in performing their duties. Third in the line of succession to run the council. Charged with the total participation of the membership in activities of the council. Exercises special interest in sick or distressed members. Council's representative to the District Vocation's Committee.

RECORDER: Keeps a true record of the doings of the council.

TREASURER: Custodian of all council funds. Receives from the Financial Secretary all monies, deposits and disburses all monies of the council

ADVOCATE: The attorney of the council in case of the trial and investigation of any matter of interest to the council, keeps current on the orders and council's by-laws and Roberts Rules.

WARDEN: Is in charge of all council property, except money and account/record books. With the assistance of the guards, arranges the council chamber for all meeting and degree work, verifies the membership of all present, conducts balloting as directed.

INSIDE GUARD: Attends the entrance to the council chamber from the inside door. Assists the Warden in the performance of his duties.

OUTSIDE GUARDS: These two attend the entrance to the council chamber from the outside entrance. They assist the Warden in the performance of his duties.

TRUSTEES: There are three trustees serving under the GK to supervise the financial business of the council approve payments and audits the account of the Financial Secretary and Treasurer every six months. They serve three-one year terms. One trustee is elected each year.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: Is appointed by the Supreme Knight. Receives all monies owed the council, collects dues, maintains council current membership roster, advises Retention Committee, Grand Knight and Trustees when a member becomes delinquent in paying his dues.

Brothers,

Please prayerfully consider taking up an officer's position to help chart your council's path this next Fraternal year. You will not be alone in this as many of the previous officers continue to be active and available to help with the duties of each position. If you want to start off slowly any of the guard positions are a great way to get involved. All position descriptions are listed above, if you have any questions reach out to me, or current Grand Knight Grant or any of the Past Grand Knights, Trustees or currently serving officers. To serve your council is a great honor and brings a lot of personal satisfaction. If you can't serve as an officer please consider stepping into one of the Program Chairman roles. Vivat Jesus PGK Erbacher.

Mary Help of Christians / Knights of Columbus Men of Faith Fellowship

Needing encouragement or an opportunity to share with other men of faith – men of like mind and heart? Our Men of Faith fellowship meets twice monthly to do just that! Join us at St Francis Hall from 8 – 9 a.m. on the first and third Saturday of each month. Come at 7:30 a.m. for bagels and fair-trade coffee. We then gather to sing, pray, read and discuss Sunday scripture readings from 8-9 a.m. Come join us! You will be affirmed and encouraged in your walk with our Lord Jesus Christ and be blessed by fellowship with other ‘Men of Faith’.



Financial Advisory Board Fraternal Year 2022-2023

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| Grand Knight: | Grant Kempf |
| Deputy Grand Knight: | Don Shepherd |
| Trustee: | PGK Gene Erbacher |
| Council Treasurer: | Larry DeWitt |
| Home Corp President: | PGK Frank Minnick |
| Home Corp Treasurer: | PGK Herman Karhoff |
| 1st Member At Large: | PGK Steve Wal |
| 2nd Member At Large: | Steve Glass |

The FAB met on March 30, 2023. Joe White of Johnson Investments was on hand to discuss the funds performance and market trends. The council funds have performed okay despite the market conditions losing some value as everything has but performing better than the index's they are measured against. Johnson's advice was to make no drastic changes at this time. There was discussion at the meeting on the value of moving funds into bonds or money market accounts and Johnson Investments will bring some alternative possibilities to the next FAB meeting for discussion. The FAB charter has been revised and voted on by the board and is heading to the Trustees next. The revised charter will then be presented to the council at the May or June business meeting.

The next meeting of the FAB will be on June 29th, 2023 at 6:30PM.

Ohio Charities Super Cash Bonanza 2023

3724's Ohio Charities campaign is gathering steam and moving pretty well. As mentioned last month the council's goal is ten tickets per member. The tickets are \$5.00 with the council retaining \$2.40 of every ticket sold. The drawing will be held at the State Convention on Saturday, May 20th, 2023. Prize winners will be published in the June 2023 Santa Maria. Your hard work last year netted over \$6,000 for the council and 3724 was ranked 4th in the archdiocese. Some of the charities we supported are; Food for Families, 2nd Harvest Food Bank, St. Vincent DePaul, Coats for Kids, Family and Youth Initiatives, various Right to Life activities including sponsoring the Right to Life Wash DC trip and various Veteran's programs.

We completed the first phase and turned in 1050 tickets, so we are off to a decent start. The final turn in for phase 2 will be Thursday May 4, 2023 so we can make the May 12 cutoff prior to the convention. Tickets can be turned in any Thursday night at the Hall, at Bingo, or mailed to 934 N Maple Ave, Fairborn, OH 45324. (Please make checks payable to **K of C Council #3724**).

If you need any additional tickets, need someone to pick up your sold tickets, or have any questions, please contact PGK Gene Erbacher at cell (937) 477-5669, email gene.erbacher@gmail.com or GK Grant Kempf at (937) 609-1471, email grandknight@3724kofc.org. On behalf of your Grand Knight thank you brothers for a stellar start to this years campaign.

INSURANCE CORNER

GREENER PASTURES



We all know the old phrase the grass is always greener. If you are considering replacing your existing Knights of Columbus life insurance with coverage from another company, be wary appearances are deceiving. A move to the other side of the fence might seem like a good one, but it can leave you with less green in your wallet. That's why it pays to remember another old saying "Read the fine print". There are many reasons to keep your existing coverage in force, whether that coverage is with the Knights of Columbus or with another company. I'll focus potential pitfalls of replacing coverage, pitfalls that an agent trying to convince you to change might neglect to mention. First, all life insurance contracts contain a contestability period, which allows the insurer to contest claims made for a period, typically two years, after the contract is issued. Chances are, this is no longer an issue with your current coverage. Second, it's unlikely that you can obtain the same amount of coverage, for the same premium, that you were able to obtain with your existing contract. The two factors that determine how much you'll need to pay for life insurance coverage are age and health. Certainly, you're older now than you were when you took out your current coverage. There's no way around that one. And you have to ask yourself, has your health changed during that time? Is your blood pressure the same? Your cholesterol? Have you gained weight? All these factors affect the amount of coverage you'll get for your premium dollar. We don't even need to go into the dangers of equity based insurance products or those offering no guarantees, regardless of how long you might live! If someone encourages you to replace your existing coverage, please Give me a call.

Robert Hernandez

Knights of Columbus Insurance Field Agent # 18446

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HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

For a culture of peace and non violence

We pray for the spread of peace and non violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Health and Healing requests are entered into the council's prayer book prior to the business meeting. If you can't make a meeting and have a name you wish to include in the Santa Maria prayer intentions, please call the council hall and leave a message or send an email to Santamaria @3724kofc.org

Rest of the Souls:

Mike Ludwick, Clem Schmid

Health and Healing:

PGK Steve Wal, PGK Russ Milliron, PGK Jim McCoy, PGK Gene Erbacher, PGK John Maiorano, DGK Don Shepherd, Charlie Lumppp, Bob Goeke, Charles Zeller, Jason Hake Alice Smith, Maureen Edwards, Ponzi Swett, Marilyn Dues, Cathy Lumppp, and Alicia DeWitt

PRAYER FOR HEALTH AND HEALING

Lord, look upon me with eyes of mercy, may Your healing hand rest upon me, may Your lifegiving powers flow into every cell of my body and into the depths of my soul, cleansing, purifying, restoring me to wholeness and strength for service in Your Kingdom. Amen.

Fallen Brothers



Mike Ludwick

Brother Knight Michael E. Ludwick, 78, of Medway, OH, passed away on Thursday, February 23, 2023. He was born on November 18, 1944, in Lancaster, PA, the son of the late Mary and Ray Ludwick. Mike graduated from York Catholic High School in York, PA. after graduation he went on to serve in the U.S. Air Force during the Vietnam War. After his service he joined Bethel Township and W.P.A.F.B. Fire Dept., during that time he taught at Sinclair in the Fire Science Program. He graduated from Wright State University with a bachelor's degree. He retired as District Chief from W.P.A.F.B and as Chief from Bethel Twp. Fire after

32 years. Brother Mike took his first degree on July 1, 1971 and re-entered the order on May, 18, 2017. Over the years he also worked part-time at the Greene County Career Center, Beaver Creek F.D., and the Dayton Art Institute. He was a member of Mary, Help of Christians Church in Fairborn and the Knights of Columbus Council 3724.



Clem Schmid

Brother Clement "Clem" J. Schmid Jr., 93 of Enon, Ohio passed away on March 2, 2023. He was born on January 9, 1930, in Springfield, Minnesota to the late Clement J. Schmid, Sr., and Helen (Callanan) Schmid. Clem served 2 years in the United States Air Force Reserve following his commission. He worked for over 30 years at Wright Patterson Air Force Base as an Aeronautical engineer. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and Springfield Model Airplane Club.

Brother Clem received his 1st degree on April 2, 1967 and 2nd & 3rd degrees on April 30, 1967, making him an honorary life member. Brother Clem and wife

Mary Ann were lifelong supporters of the Fairborn Council and Mary, Help of Christians church. Mike and Clem now join our many departed Brother Knights with our respect and thanks."

"May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed Rest in Peace."

History of the Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel has a special heavenly role in doing battle against the devil, protecting the Church, protecting Christians against assault from the devil. The prayer to St. Michael originated with Pope Leo XIII in 1886. Legend has it that the Pope, following Holy Mass, received a vision in which he saw the great damage Satan would do to the Church and the world in the 20th century. Pope Leo XIII composed this prayer in response and added it to the Leonnine prayers to be recited after Low Mass, which were originally intended for the intentions of the defense of the temporal sovereignty of the Holy See. Although no longer required to be said after Low Mass, the prayer is still encouraged.

Prayer to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

O Immaculate Heart of Mary, Heavenly beauty and splendor of the Father, You are the most valued Heavenly treasure. New Eve, immaculate in soul, spirit and body, Created of the godly seed by the Spirit of God, You are the spiritual Mother of mankind. Pure Virgin, full of grace then and now, Your whole being was raised Heavenly in full glory, To be elevated above all the hosts within the Kingdom of God. O Heavenly Mother, Queen of Heaven and earth, I recognize the glory of your highest title, The Immaculate Heart of Mary! Loving Mother, dispenser of endless blessings, You who continuously intercedes on our behalf, Please present my need before your loving Son Jesus. *(In your own words, make your special request here. Do not just mention a word. Speak to the Immaculate Heart of Mary as you would speak to another person, begging your Heavenly Mother to plea to Jesus on your behalf, that you be granted this special request.)* O Immaculate Heart of Mary, I know that you are now presenting my need before Jesus, For you have never turned away those in dire need. Mother dearest, I await your favorable answer, Submitting myself to the Divine will of the Lord, For all glories are His forever and ever. Amen

Scouting Food Drive

Brother Knights again helped with this annual food drive event. Scouts went door to door collecting food and Brother Knights transported all of it to the SVDP Food Bank. This year collecting 2838 pounds of food!



APRIL EVENTS



**Council 3724
Fairborn, OH**

April 1 Work Party
April 6 Holy Thursday Service
April 12 K of C Bingo
April 16 Parish Breakfast
April 29 OLQP Corp. Comm
April 6 Trustees Meeting
April 9 Easter Sunday
April 13 Bus Meeting (nom. of officers)
April 20 Home Corp Meeting
April 30 MHC Corp Comm

Note: Trustees meeting on April 6 will start at 8:15 so Brothers can attend Holy Thursday services. We need 2 Brothers to help with washing of feet. Please see Julie on Thursday before start of service.

MAY PREVIEW

Trustees Meeting, Ladies Night, K of C Bingo, Business Meeting, Final turn-in for Ohio Charity tickets, Home Corp Meeting, State Convention, 2nd K of C Bingo night

BUSINESS MEETING ATTENDANCE

The 2nd Thursday on each month, we pray the Rosary at 7:00 pm which is followed by our business meeting. Please attend, stay after the meeting and socialize with your brother knights. Every Thurs there's a Pot-of-Gold drawing. Entry fee is 50 cents and you are required to sign your name in "The Book". At 10:00 pm on the meeting night and at 9:30 pm on the other Thursdays there's a random drawing from our membership pool. The name of the winner drawn win's the Pot-of-Gold if they completed the entry requirements.



Knight of the Month
Bro Matt Justice



Family of the Month
PGK Larry & Mary Bogemann



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