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Grand Knight's Corner

We live in a society that tells us to do our homework before we make a big decision, and to read the fine print. This notion that we can trust what we can't see, or say yes to God's will goes against rational thought. 2017 saw council 3724 accomplish a great deal of good, and we have more to do in 2018. I don't necessarily subscribe to the notion of New Year's Resolutions, but even so there are things that I would probably like to change maybe you as well. Let's look at those things more closely this year, if we achieve them, will they bring happiness and fulfillment or is something deeper needed. Let's look inward, for the unlikely or even the uncomfortable path and contemplate that what's good for us may not be on that list of resolutions.

I have a request brothers, the council needs your help, think about stepping up and looking at one of the council officer positions. Starting this month, I will be featuring a council officer position that I would like to see someone new try, the sitting officers are exemplary and if they wish to continue mores the better. I don't think I'm stepping out of bounds however when I say that some would like to turn over the reins after multiple years of service and would serve as excellent teachers for the position. January's Santa Maria will feature the position of Membership Director. I therefore ask that you pray with me, pray that the Holy Spirit, will fill our hearts with faith, remove the blinders from our eyes and allow us to hear and answer Gods call.

I chose brother Cal Smith for our Knight of the Month because of his tireless work behind the scenes. Many of you know Cal from his Bingo activities for the council but he also handles the legal stuff that makes sure the council stays in line with Ohio codes and regulations, it is a tireless, thankless task but provides great benefit to our charitable works. The Karhoff's were chosen as the family of the month in no small part for the beautiful construction of the podium and gavel stand we presented to the Wright State Council after our annual Memorial Mass. PGK Herman and his son Bro Jeff are master carpenters whose work reflects the responsible use of time and talent for the betterment of all. When you see them in meetings or around the parish, make sure to congratulate and thank them. Until next month

Vivat Jesus,
GK Erbacher



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ACTIVITIES

PARISH DINNER

The Knights of Columbus will hold our next Parish Dinner Saturday January 13. This month we will be featuring our famous chicken pot pie, salad, and dessert. You get all this for just \$10 for adults \$5 for children. We'll be serving in the Parish Center right after the 4:00 Mass. Come and join your fellow Knights and Parishioners for some good food and even better company.

PRO-LIFE DINNER AND AUCTION

It's once again time for the Council's famous Italian dinner and auction. All the proceeds from this event go directly to support Family and Youth Initiatives and their many life changing programs. As in years past, we'll be serving up spaghetti and meatballs, prepared by our own PGK Frank Carchedi, accompanied by a salad, breadsticks, and sherbet with pizzelles. FYI staff will also have a fine array of auction items available for you to bid on, so come and enjoy the fun and good food! Get a great meal, some great deals and support a worthy cause. Doors open after the 4:00 mass on Saturday January 27th. Don't miss this popular event.

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS Men of Faith

The first and third Saturday of each month, men of the parish meet at St Francis Hall to sing, pray, read, and discuss the 'so what' for that weekend's Scriptures. Each man who comes is affirmed and encouraged in their personal walk with our Lord Jesus, the Christ, and with each other as 'Men of Faith'. Please come and join us from 8-9 a.m. (before Honey Do's and Saturday tasks) on first and third Saturday's, if you can make it at 7:30 a.m. you will be able to chew a bagel and have a cup of fair trade coffee before we meet in St Francis Hall Chapel.

BLUE COAT AWARDS 2018

The 45th Annual Blue Coat Awards (BCA) will be held Thursday, March 22, 2018 at the MHC Parish Center in Fairborn. PGK John Wolfe will serve as Chairman for our annual Community event. Help with the set-up & tear-down of tables, chairs and other items will be needed. The Kitchen Crew efforts have been important to the success of the event – they generally can use help with the cooking and serving of the meal. Other areas where help is needed will be listed next month. All members and our Council Widows and their guests are invited to attend this community event at no cost. Reservations are required for food planning and seating assignments. For additional info or reservations, PGK John A. Wolfe can be reached at 937-609-4552, by E-mail at wmc45324jaw@aol.com or use the sign-up sheet in the lounge.

PRO LIFE BILLBOARD

Check out the Council's annual Pro-Life billboard on State Route 444 near the entrance to the base. The billboard will be up for the entire month of January. Drive by and take a look.

FRATERNAL SURVEY

The fraternal activity individual member worksheet should be filled out and returned to the council ASAP. The data needs to be summarized and forwarded to Supreme by Jan 31, 2018. Thanks to those who have already completed and returned the survey.



"Mommy, there's something I should have told you I needed to do before you got me all dressed."



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

YOUR KNIGHTS IN ACTION

PARISH DINNER



WSU PANCAKE BREAKFAST



BREAKFAST WITH ST NICK



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HOME CORPORATION

Your Home Corp continues to work hard to support the Council. The Directors met on 18 December to pay bills and discuss business.

The meeting was moved up to avoid conflict with the PGK open house, scheduled for our normal meeting night. The Tuesday crew was recognized for the great job they did in decorating our dedicated use spaces for the Christmas season. We met for a work party on December 9 to work on last minute cleaning in the business office. Special thanks go out to all who showed up to help.

Our monthly raffle winners were:

1st Place: Clete Buddelmeyer, \$40, Ticket #040
2nd Place: Tom Peterangelo, \$25, Ticket #186
3rd Place: Paul Herchenbach, \$10, Ticket #160

The next work party will be held on January 20th. We'll try to make another run at fixing some of our broken or excessively worn chairs. We look forward to seeing you there.

MEMBERSHIP

Recruiting is not just about numbers; it is about helping each other, and our families grow closer to Christ. This New Year let us challenge ourselves to welcome at least one new or reinstated member into our order. Give the gift of Knighthood to a fellow Catholic and his family.

By joining the Knights a man and his family receives many gifts: a free subscription to *Columbia* magazine with its stories of interest to Catholic families; K of C rosary blessed by the supreme chaplain; access to exclusive affordable insurance and savings products; and participation in a variety of programs and activities for the whole family.

While only God knows for sure, recruiting someone may very well be a factor in saving that man's soul and, at the very least, it is a form of evangelization.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR POSITION

PGK Bill Gazzo is the standard by which all Membership directors should be measured. He has worked tirelessly for our council for many years but has indicated that he would like to let someone else take the reins. Since I've been with the council, under his directorship we have achieved six star council awards.

Under Article 5b of Council 3724's By-Laws, the Membership Director has the supervision of a comprehensive program of recruitment and retention for his council. The Membership Director is appointed by the grand knight and has the primary duty of collaborating with the grand knight and Council Membership Committee on council membership goals for the year. The Membership Director also manages the Recruitment, Retention and Insurance Promotion Committees as they implement the council's membership activities. The Director will also plan and coordinate the council's schedule of recruitment programs. It is a heavy but rewarding responsibility, as the Membership Director your efforts serve to directly strengthen the council



CHAPLAIN FR DON MOSS ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL MEMBERS AT THE DEC. MEETING

INSURANCE CORNER

Put Your Loved Ones First

During the month of January, we spend a lot of time thinking about ourselves. What will our New Year's resolutions be? How will we change our lives? What will 2018 bring for us?

But what about the ones you love? Is protecting them part of your plan for 2018? Sure, there's a lot that you can and do to protect your loved ones. You make sure they're safe. You make sure they're taken care of. You do your best to make them happy. But what if you weren't there for them? What if you couldn't be?

Many are afraid to think about life insurance because they're afraid of their mortality. But life insurance isn't about dying, it's about helping your family to live if and when something should happen to you.

Life insurance allows you to continue providing for your family after you're gone, by seeing to it that they have the money they need to be as safe and secure as they have always been. It can provide mortgage protection, income replacement, retirement income, final expenses, and so much more.

And life insurance doesn't need to be a gift that you'll never see given. Your family can benefit from your policy while you're still here to see them enjoy it.

So this Valentine's Day, when you're out buying that box of chocolates or flowers for your wife to express your continued love for her, make a point to schedule time with me to get your wife a special life-giving gift that will help you to protect her and your whole family for decades.

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HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS



Religious Minorities in Asia
That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.



PRAYER OF ENTRUSTING THE CHURCH TO MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

O Mother of all peoples; you know all their sufferings and their hopes. You maternally feel all their struggles between good and evil, between the light and the darkness which shake the world. Receive our cry, directed in the Holy Spirit straight to your Heart and with the love of the Mother and Handmaid of the Lord, embrace the individuals and peoples who most look for this embrace, together with the individuals and peoples to whose trust you attend in a particular way. Take the entire human family under your maternal protection. With outflows of affection, O Mother, we entrust it to you. May the time of peace and liberty approach for all, the time of truth, justice and hope.

Amen.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Health and Healing requests are entered into the council's prayer request 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 Soul:

Anne Brewer, Susan Takacs and Lenore McCann

Health and Healing:

PGK John Whytal, PGK Jim McCoy, Ed and Joan Trefethen, Victor Berberich, Mike McGuinness, Jim McNammara, Eric Grinde, Bob Johnson, Mary Miller, Terry McCann, Catherine Lumpp, Joyce Hostel, Sandra Jensen, Amanda Wertimer and Javier Perez Jr



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JANUARY EVENTS

Jan 4	Trustee Meeting	Jan 8	4th Degree Meeting
Jan 11	Business Meeting	Jan 13	Parish Dinner
Jan 18	Home Corp Mtg	Jan 19	March for Life
Jan 25	1st Degree	Jan 27	Pro-life Dinner

FEBRUARY PREVIEW

Parish Dinner, Men's Retreat, 1st Degree, Reverse Raffle

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.



Cal Smith Receiving KOTM From GK



PKG Herman Karhoff Receiving FOTM From GK

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