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Grand Knight's Corner

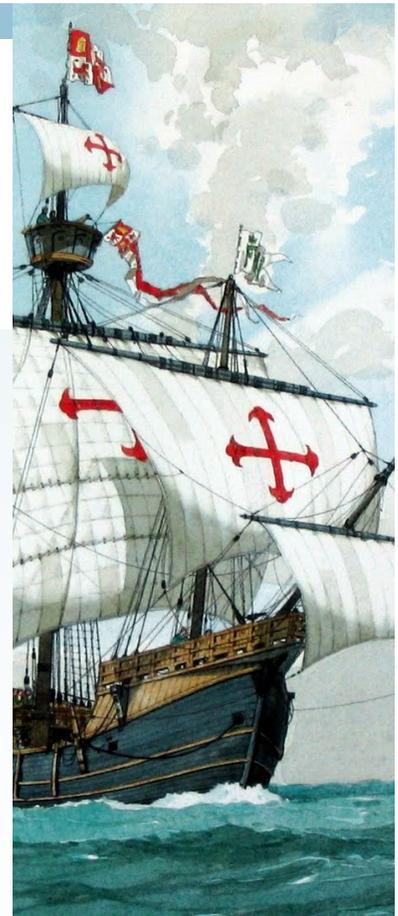
In Catholic tradition, May has always been heralded as the month of Mary. This tradition spans both centuries and cultures, but can probably be traced back to around the 15th or 16th century. During this era, celebrations commemorating the passing of winter and the rebirth of spring were combined with the *Tricesimum* or "Thirty Day Devotion to Mary", however, this custom became especially widespread during the 19th century. Growing up at Mary Help of Christians, I remember well, the many things we used to do as school children to honor our Blessed Mother during this special month. We had a May Crowning every year. Praying the Rosary was a staple during this time. I remember gathering outside for a living Rosary where each prayer would be said by a different student as we stood in front of the statue of "Our lady of the Skies" near the entrance to the school.

The custom seemed to fall out of vogue in many places during the 1970's-80's. We as Knights, however, have all the tools needed to make this a common practice yet again. While we may not commonly do these things in our parishes any more, we can certainly do them at home. Each of us has the opportunity to gather our families around some reminder of "Mary, our mother and patroness", pray the rosary, and rededicate ourselves to her holy cause. I ask you all, in the coming month, to find ways to honor the Blessed Mother and make her a bigger part of our lives

This month's Knight of the Month is PGK John Wolfe. I don't think anyone can disagree, that the Annual Blue Coat awards is one of the biggest and most significant events of our fraternal year. This year was probably our biggest and best ever. All this is due to the hard work and dedication of our Master of Ceremonies, PGK Wolfe. In addition to organizing the splendid event, John also makes sure that we get all the press coverage that our accomplishments deserve. Overall, I think, we had more articles in more papers this year, than we have in a while. Thanks John for all your hard work and dedication.

Our Family of the Month is Tom and Andi Boland. Both Tom and Andi devote quite a bit of their family's time to supporting St. Vincent DePaul. They both provide pantry support, feeding the hungry, usually once a week, as well as helping out at the Sonset Cafe, when it is MHC's turn to supply the meal. In addition, Tom serves as the Conference Secretary, taking meeting minutes and maintaining the Conference roster. Both also sing in the church choir as well as support our Bingo program, usually working one session a month. Tom participates in our parish dinner program by creating and distributing "Gift Certificates" to our meals, to those in need in our community.

Vivat Jesus, Beef



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Special points of interest

- Measure UP
- Blue Coat Awards
- 2017 Cash Bonanza
- Holy Father's Prayer Intention



Apostolate for Family Consecration
An icon not to be sold

ACTIVITIES

Last Call for Ladies Night

The event is almost upon us. If you wish to attend our annual Ladies Appreciation dinner, please get your reservation in quickly. The dinner will be held on May 13 in the MHC Parish Center. The social will start at 5:00 with dinner being served at 5:45, followed by a short program.

The event is always free for the ladies and only \$10 for men. Reservations are required. Please either sign up in the lounge or by calling the Grand Knight at (937) 426-5299. You may also send email to:

GrandKnight@3724kofc.org

Knight of the Year Banquet

The Knight of the Year will be held on 17 June 2017 in the Mary Help of Christians Parish Center. Doors open at 5:00pm. Dinner will be served at 5:30. Dinner will once again be supplied by Christy's catering and the event is free to all members and their guest.

Reservations are required. There is a signup sheet in the lounge or you may RSVP by calling GK Milliron at (937) 426-5299, or via email to GrandKnight@3724kofc.org. Please make sure I have your name and the number attending.

"Let us pray: O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that in the same Spirit we may be truly wise, and ever rejoice in His consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen"

"Ut in omnibus glorificetis Deum"



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"Sayin' 'Amen' is like pressing the 'SEND' button for your prayers."



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"Grandma, how do you work this phone with the little wheel on it?"

ACTIVITIES (cont.)

Election of Officers

May is the month where we will elect the officers that will run your Council for the coming year. We took nominations from the floor for the first time last month. The list of officers and the nominations submitted can be found below. Offices for which no candidate has yet been nominated are marked with "None".

Grand Knight - Gene Erbacher

Deputy Grand Knight - None

Chancellor - None

Warden - Mark Dues

Recorder - Tim Barlow

Treasurer - Larry DeWitt

Advocate - PGK Steve Wal

Inside Guard - Jim Diesel

Outside Guard - Terry McCann

Outside Guard - None

1st year Trustee - PGK Russell Milliron

Please note that Supreme no longer requires us to postpone our May meeting to conduct elections. Our May meeting will be held at its regular time and date. If you would like to server your Council in one of the positions listed above, please contact the Grand Knight at GrandKnight@3724kofc.org or nominating chair, PGK Banford at banfordIII@aol.com

PGK FUND RAISER

Once again we have an big opportunity to get a nice 25% rebate with use of a special coupon, on our own unique date, Saturday, June 24th, at the "City Bar B Que" across from the Mall. So PLEASE mark your calendars and save the date of June 24th. Coupons will be available very soon. Your Past Grand Knight Club certainly appreciates all of your support. Pick that day to eat out or pick up carryout! It's ALL good.

2017 Ohio Cash Bonanza Charity Campaign

Thanks to everyone who stepped up and help us make our first half turn in goal!! It was great to see so many Brother Knights buy and sell a few more tickets for the first half. We now ask for your efforts to reach our maximum rebate for the drive. The final turn in is our May Business Meeting on May 13. (we can accept tickets right up to convention week but would like the majority by the business meeting). Please consider picking up a few more tickets and sell them to your friends and family. Remember, most of the money we collect stays right here for use right in our Council for charitable needs. If you need someone to pick up or drop off tickets, please call PGK Jim McCoy at 879-3570 or 694-3368, PGK Herman Karhoff at 361-2758, Grant Kempf at 609-1471.

MEMBERSHIP

The Knights are passionate about reenergizing the Catholic Church in America and inspiring people to rediscover the genius of Catholicism. We Knights must not hesitate to engage in the battle that is raging around us, the battle that is wounding our children and families, the battle that is distorting the dignity of both women and men. This battle is often hidden, but the battle is real. It is primarily spiritual, but it is progressively killing the remaining Christian ethos in our society and culture, and even in our own homes. The world is under attack by Satan, as our Lord said it would be (1 Peter 5:8-14). This battle is occurring in the Church herself, and the devastation is all too evident. Since AD 2000, 14 million Catholics have left the faith, parish religious education of children has dropped by 24%, Catholic school attendance has dropped by 19%, infant baptism has dropped by 28%, adult baptism has dropped by 31%, and sacramental Catholic marriages have dropped by 41%. This is a serious breach, a gaping hole in Christ's battle lines. One of the key reasons that the Church is faltering under the attacks of Satan is that many Catholic men have not been willing to step into the breach to fill this gap that lies open and vulnerable to further attack. A large number have left the faith, and many who remain Catholic practice the faith timidly and are only minimally committed to passing the faith on to their children. We Knights have pledged ourselves to be the strong right arm of the church. We must support the Domestic Church in our own homes. The proclamation of the fullness of truth found in the Catholic Church is essential. This leads us Knights to live lives where sins do not cause festering wounds. Through Christ's mercy and truth, we are healed and revitalized for battle. In Christ's mercy and truth, we become strong in his strength, courageous with his courage, and can actually experience the joie de guerre of being soldiers for Christ.

Each Catholic Knight must be prepared to give himself completely, to charge into the breach, to engage in spiritual combat, to defend women, children, and others against the wickedness and snares of the devil! Looking to what the secular world holds up as manly is in fact to look at shadows or even at outright counterfeits of masculinity. The idolatry of celebrities at this time is a particular temptation, but to build one's masculine identity on such fleeting models is to build an identity on sand. We can only build a certain foundation for masculinity on the rock, Jesus Christ. We look to our Savior to be transformed in Him, to be the men we are called to be, and to let others see Him in us.

COMMUNITY MASS AND ROSARY

Sunday April 30, 2017 saw your council host another community mass and rosary. Council 3724 and the parishioners in attendance were lead by Bro Herb Edwards and his usual stellar recital of the mysteries. Approximately 25 brothers were in attendance with their families. Worthy PGKs John Maiorano and Phil Ambs performed admirably as servers for Father Tom and the parish of Mary Help of Christians was witness to a group of Catholic Men and their families standing steadfast together in support of our faith, parish, council and community.

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322-4246

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233-8913

Retention Director PGK Jim McCoy
694-3368

Church Activities PGK Phil Ambs
525-0750

Culture of Life Activities Percy Gros
878-5455

Community Activities PGK John Wolfe
609-4552

Council Activities PGK Bill Stoddard
237-9059

Family Activities DGK Gene Erbacher
477-5669

Youth Activities Charles Fagan
605-1874

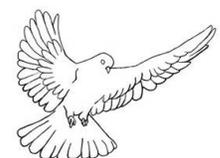
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Corky Block
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K of C Insurance Dennis Kelly
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MEASURE UP 2017

The store front collection blitz is scheduled for May 4 Thu, 5 Fri and 6 Sat. We will be at three locations again this year; Handyman ACE Hdw/Five Points/South Fairborn, Foys Rock & Roll Grill and Tickets Pub on Main St in downtown Fairborn.

Collection times are from 9 am to 8 pm, two hour shifts with minor adjustments for locations and days.

The Measure Up Charities this year are, the Early Childhood Development Center of Clark County, the Four Oaks Early Childhood Intervention Center, Fairborn and the FF Mueller Residential Center, Springfield.

Remember Brothers,

Citizens with Developmental Disabilities, is the Knight's of Columbus's Flagship Charity, let's show Columbianism in action. MU Chairman, Harry Yarwick



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH



PGK John Wolfe

HOME CORPORATION

Your Home Corp Directors met on 20 April. Our monthly raffle winners were:

- 1st- Place - Tony Beiring
- 2nd Place - Alicia Dewitt
- 3rd Place - Tracey Thompson

Our next work party will be the 20th of May. We may be moving our food to a new freezer and, we'll take another shot at working on our chairs.

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions

Offered in Solidarity with Pope Francis

Young People.

That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life. .

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.

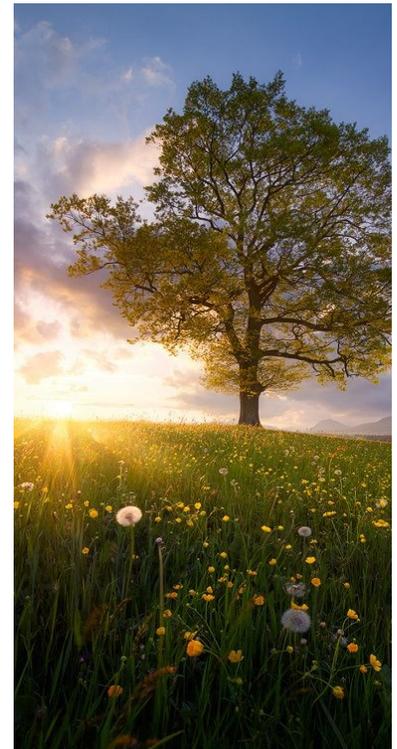
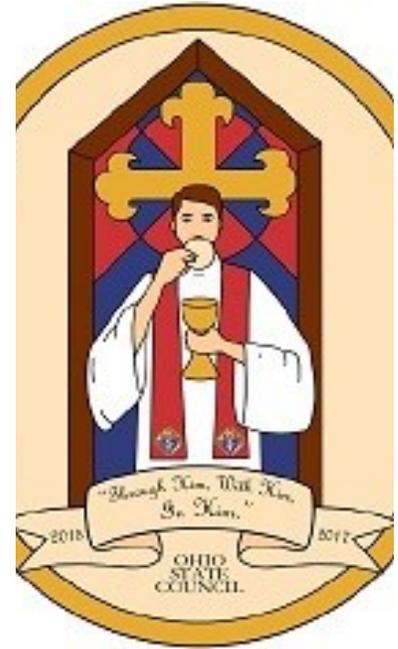
WARDEN: Is in charge of all council property, except money and account record books. With the assistance of the guards, arranges the council chamber for all meeting and degree work, verifies the membership of all present, conducts balloting as directed.

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

OUTSIDE GUARD: 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: The FS 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.



Good of the Order

Repose of the Soul: Bros Bill Russell; Dick Drake and Jack Huey's Nephew Dusty

Health and Healing for Members: PGKs Al Brewer, John Whytal, Lew Murphy; Jim Muma; Bill Stoddard; John Wolfe; Jim McCoy; Dcn Max Roadruck; Bros. Steve Wilkinson, Ed Trefethen, Ed Costello, Bill Lubera, Vic Berberick; Ray Daley; Jim McNamara; Bill Fortener; Paul Yosick; Paul Pitstick; Tom Pitstick; Gregory Groeber; Andy Beiring; Dave Bartok; Jose Nava; Bill Hermiller; Ed Costello; Paul Thomas; Mark Marten. PSD Dennis Shonebarger

Member Requests: Brenda Whytal, Br. Wess Hall's family; Rita

Berberick, Carol Cypher, PGK Steve Wal's Father-in-Law, Wallie Johnson, Bro Terry McCann's niece Kayli; GK Milliron's mother Effie; Joan Trefethen, Melita Murphy, Barbara Roadruck, Bro Cal Smith's granddaughter Hope; Bro Charlie Lump's mother Cathy; Martha Karhoff & granddaughter Kelsey, Bro Greg Groeber's daughter Teresa; Bro Jack Huey's mother and brother; Angie Natalie; Jean Ketchen; Pat Pitstick; Jacqueline Cinelli; Kevin Sullivan; Dave White; Sheila Sullivan-Cox; John Kemp, Rosalie Sloat, Vicki Young, Stan Macora friend of Herb Edwards; Eric Grinde brother in law of Bro. Mark Dues. Bro Mike Uecker's Wife Carolyn. Cathy Wilmot, Ann Brewer, Pat Banazak; Jean Colasanti & Velma Hobbs.



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Fairborn, OH**

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 4	Trustees Meeting	May 4/5/6	Measure Up
May 8	4th Degree Mtg.	May 11	Business Mtg.
May 13	Ladies Night	May 14	Mother's Day
May 18	Home Corp Mtg.	May 29	Memorial Day

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 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.



April 9, 2017 Knighthood Degree at Dayton Council 500 -
PGK John A. Wolfe, Br. Ray Ronan, DD Frank Carchedi, Frank Ivancic, PGK Phil Amb

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