



SANTA MARIA

FAIRBORN COUNCIL #3724
KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

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November 2016

GRAND KNIGHT'S CORNER

In the month of November, tradition tells us that the first settlers of our great country paused to give thanks to Our Creator for the many gifts he had bestowed on them through the previous year. A similar tradition exists in many countries and among almost all religions.

As a citizen of this Great Country, I also give thanks for the many blessings Our Creator has granted me. Like most of us I have a lot to be thankful for. I also would like to thank, in no small measure, the men who have given so much of themselves to make our Council a success. Even though our Fraternal Year is only four months old, we have had a host of outstanding activities. Our charitable work has already enriched the lives of many people. We've already done a lot of amazing work.

Yet even as we pause to give thanks for our many blessings and the many people we have had the pleasure to serve, we must remember that we have much work left to do. Eight more months of activities still stand before us. Some are just for fun, others to fulfil our promise of Charity. The most important to spread the word of the value of the Knights of Columbus to our Catholic men.

All of them are important, and we want each one of you to be a part of them. If you receive our newsletter via email, there will be a calendar for the rest of the year attached. If you need a hardcopy see me at the Hall. I'll be glad to print you one. Hang it on your refrigerator or put it with your day planner and find a way to attend one of our many activities. Come share in the Fraternity that is the Knights of Columbus. We want to see you.

Our Knight of the Month does a lot to promote our order and at the same time extend a helping hand to the community around us. Tom Boland is a regular supporter of our Bingo program, helping behind the counter or calling one session a month. He also helps us reach out to the hungry in our community by regularly preparing and distributing free passes to our parish dinners through the Sonset Cafe, a multi church effort to provide food to the needy in our area. He is one of the organizers of the men's faith group and heavily involved in the "Coffee and Conversation" group that explores social justice issues in our parish. Tom is also a big supporter of MHC's St. Vincent DePaul Conference, serving as their Secretary and providing pantry support in the form of delivering groceries.

Our Family of the Month are all common faces around the Parish and serve the Parish and our Council in many capacities. Eric and Rhoda Rogalinski both support our Bingo program. Rhonda sells instants on the third week and Eric is the chair. They both are very involved with the church, including PSR and a couple different ministries. Their son's both are altar servers as well. Thanks to the Rogalinski's for all they do.

Vivat Jesus

REVERSE RAFFLE ROUNDUP

The October 2016 Reverse Raffle was an outstanding success. Thanks to all who purchased and sold tickets. The food was fantastic special thanks to PGK Milliron and the kitchen crew. I don't know how he does it but PGK Jim McCoy was top seller again this year, thanks Jim. A special congratulation to Mrs. Kempf who won our top prize this year and of course Jim took home the winning ticket seller award. Hope to see everyone next year. PGK Frank Minnick.

BLUE COAT AWARDS

The 44th Annual Blue Coat Awards (BCA) will be held Thursday, March 23, 2017 at the MHC Parish Center in Fairborn. PGK John Wolfe has been named Chairman for our annual Community event. We would like for a Brother Knight to step forward to train with PGK Wolfe this year and become the 2018 Blue Coat Awards Chairman. Duties include the planning, preparation and successful execution of the event (invitations to the dignitaries, BCA organizations, members, widows & special guests, ordering of plaques & certificates for the Honorees, preparing seating arrangements for those attending and coordinating with GK, DGK, Master of Ceremonies, kitchen crew, set-up & tear-down crews). Since this is an outstanding community event, it is personally rewarding to all that make it a success. Let GK Milliron or PGK Wolfe of your interest as planning is currently underway.

PARISH DINNER

The Knights of Columbus will hold our next Parish Dinner this Saturday November 12th. This month we will be featuring handmade lasagna, salad and a 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 Knights and Parishioners for some good food and even better company

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HOME CORPORATION

A quick meeting this month to pay bills and review existing files and documents. The next meeting is November 17th.

MEMBERSHIP

We are half way through the Fraternal year and we have a long way to go to become a STAR council this year. Your Grand Knight, Program Director and Activity Directors have been working very hard to provide all our members with a gratifying fraternal year. They deserve to have us members support them by recruiting a new council member. During November, we are targeting Former Members including inactive Insurance Members. These men are ripe for reactivation. There is a list of these men on the lounge bulletin board. Check it out and give one of them a council recruiting package. Invite your prospect to the November Saturday dinner which will be followed by an Open House in the Council Chambers. You should have someone to escort to these events. Get your name on their Form 100 and get Supreme credit.

BLOOD DRIVE

There's no greater gift one can give than the gift of life. Your Council is sponsoring a Blood Drive in the Parish Center APR room on Saturday, November 12, 2016 from 8:30AM-12:15PM.

One donation can save up to three lives! How else can you save three lives in less than one hour? Appointments are requested. To schedule an appointment visit www.donortime.com or call 1-800-388-4483.

PANCAKES AT THE BAZAAR

Again this year, your council will be serving pancakes and sausage in support of the Church Christmas Bazaar. We will be serving, in the Parish Center on Sunday November 6th from 9:00am - 11:00am. The cost will be \$5.00 for adults and \$2.50 for children under 12. Please come out and support you council and the Church.

MEMORIAL MASS

The council 3724 annual memorial mass will be held at St. John Bosco (Wright State Campus Ministry) on November 8, 2016. Mass will commence at 6:30pm with a small reception after. For those who wish to attend and need transport, rides to the campus chapel will be at the MHC Parking Lot at 5:45. We need a good council turnout to make this mass a success and perhaps spur some desire in the catholic men at WSU to join the Knights.

FAITH

"Faith is a gift of God which enables us to know and love Him. Faith is a way of knowing, just as reason is. But living in faith is not possible unless there is action on our part.

Through the help of the Holy Spirit, we are able to make a decision to respond to divine Revelation, and to follow through in living out our response.

” United States Catholic Catechism for Adults, 38.

KEY UPCOMING EVENTS

November 3	Trustees Meeting	November 10	Business Meeting
November 6	Pancakes at the Bazaar	November 12	Blood Drive
November 8	Memorial Mass	November 12	Family Dinner
November 8	Pancakes at the Bazaar	November 17	Home Corp Meeting
November 8	Election Day	November 24	Thanksgiving

Home Council of Past State Deputy Robert W. Wilhelm (dec.)

INSURANCE CORNER

By Dennis Kelly, MDRT, FICF, Field Agent
Our guarantees set us apart

Knights of Columbus life insurance offers something precious few other financial products can — guarantees. As long as you pay your premiums, the policy proceeds will be there for your beneficiaries should something happen to you. We call that peace of mind, and that's what we offer with our Shield for Life. We guarantee the cash value in your whole life policies will be there. We guarantee the rates on your term insurance. We guarantee our retirement products will provide a stream of income when you need it.

On top of those product guarantees, I guarantee that I will offer professional, high-quality service that you would expect from our organization. You don't have to take my word for it. The Order consistently earns the highest ratings for strength and security from AM Best and Standard and Poor's. In fact, there is no more highly rated life insurance provider in North America. When you couple this with all the charitable and volunteer work of the Order, it's hard to beat the value of Knights of Columbus Insurance.

I would suggest that a principal reason that we were able to achieve those accolades is because we remain steadfastly committed to the vision of Father Michael J. McGivney by providing life insurance by brother Knights for brother Knights. That commitment is an essential core value of the Order, and our core values permeate all levels of our organization. These principles for marketing are summed up by our Golden Rule: "In all my professional relationships, I pledge myself to the following rule of conduct: I shall, in light of all conditions surrounding those I serve, render that service which, under the same circumstances, I would apply to myself." Give me a call today at 882-6928 or 478-1049 to discuss how our products can bring that peace of mind to you and your family.

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HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

Offered in Solidarity with Pope Francis

Universal: Countries Receiving Refugees

That the countries which take in a great number of displaced persons and refugees may find support for their efforts which show solidarity.

Evangelization: Collaboration of Priests and Laity

That within parishes, priests and lay people may collaborate in service to the community without giving in to the temptation of discouragement

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Restope of the Soul

Restope of the soul Bro Robert Carmazzi

Health and Healing for Members:

PGK Al Brewer and wife Ann; PGK John Whytal and wife Brenda; PGK Lew Murphy; PGK Jim Muma; PGK Bill Stoddard; PGK John Wolfe; Brothers Cal Smith, Ed Trefethen, Ed Costello, Bill Lubera, Vic Berberick; Ray Daley; Jim McNamara; Bill Fortener; Bill Russell; Paul Yosick; Paul Pitstick; Tom Pitstick; Charlie Lump; Gregory Groeber; Andy Beiring; Dave Bartok; Jose Nava; Dick Drake; Bill Gilbert; Bill Hermiller; Billy Russel; Ed Costello; Paul Thomas and wife Rita; Mark Marten; Herb Edwards; Paul Kelley and wife Mary.

Health and Healing Member Requests:

PGK Steve Wal's Father-in-Law, Wallie Johnson, Bro Terry McCann's niece Kayli Fazio; GK Milliron's mother Effie; Bro Ed Trefethen's wife Joann; Barbara Gazzo wife of PGK Bill Gazzo; Melita Murphy wife of PGK Lou Murphy; Martha Karhoff wife of PGK Herm Karhoff; Deacon Max Roadruck's wife Barbara; Bro Cal Smith's granddaughter Hope; Bro Charlie Lump's mother Cathy; PGK Herm Karhoff's granddaughter Kelsey, Bro Jim Diesel's sister-in-law Cammy; Bro Herb Edward's sisters Phyllis and Becky; DGK Erbacher's mother-in-law Aurea; Bro Greg Groeber's daughter Teresa; PGK Gazzo's sister-in-law; Bro Jack Huey's mother and brother; Angie Natalie; Jean Ketchen; Velma Hobbs; Pat Pitstick; Jacqueline Cinelli; Kevin Sullivan; Mary Hellen Kelley; Dave White; Sheila Sullivan-Cox; John Kemp, Irma Carchedi, mother of PGK Frank Carchedi, Rosalie Sloat, PGK Jim McCoy's daughter Amanda, Phoebe Aubree, Vicki Young, Mel Drysdale and Stan Macora friends of Herb Edwards & Eric Grinde brother in law of Bro. Mark Dues.

Special Prayer Requests:

Bro. Grant Kempf's Son-in-Law, Justin Adams (Deployed)



Council 3724
Fairborn, OH



"Ut in omnibus glorificetis Deum"

COUNCIL 3724 RECORDS UPDATE

In this digital age, more and more councils are switching to digital communications and email distribution of their newsletters. Your Council is no exception. For a long time, we have sent out alerts about our activities and our brothers that are sick or in distress via email, and maintained a list of brothers who prefer to receive an electronic copy of the Santa Maria. In recent months, I have begun to get more complaints from brothers because they never knew that one of our members was sick, or that another one died. Unfortunately, the days of a telephone call down list are over. The quickest, easiest and cheapest way for us to keep you up to date is e-mail. To make sure we have the best possible list of everyone's address I'm asking everyone to update their e-mail address in our records. The process is simple. Send an email from your preferred e-mail address to webmaster@3724kofc.org, identifying yourself with your full name. We will make sure that your address is on our Knight Alert and Activities list as well as correct in your permanent records.

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.

ALL SAINTS DAY

All Saints' Day is a solemn holy day of the Catholic Church celebrated annually on November 1. The day is dedicated to the saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained heaven. It should not be confused with All Souls' Day, which is observed on November 2, and is dedicated to those who have died and not yet reached heaven. All Saints' Day was formally started by Pope Boniface IV, who consecrated the Pantheon at Rome to the Virgin Mary and all the Martyrs on May 13 in 609 AD. Boniface IV also established All Souls' Day, which follows All Saints. The holy day was eventually established on November 1 by Pope Gregory III in the mid-eighth century as a day dedicated to the saints and their relics. The May 13 celebration was subsequently abandoned

VETERANS DAY

On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918 an armistice between Germany and the Allied nations came into effect. On November 11, 1919, Armistice Day was commemorated for the first time. In 1919, President Wilson proclaimed the day should be "filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory". In 1926, the United States Congress officially recognized the end of World War I and declared that the anniversary of the armistice should be commemorated with prayer and thanksgiving. An Act (52 Stat. 351; 5 U. S. Code, Sec. 87a) was approved on May 13, 1938, which made November 11 in each year a legal holiday, known as Armistice Day. This day was originally intended to honor veterans of World War I. A few years later, World War II required the largest mobilization of service men in the history of the United States and the American forces fought in Korea. In 1954, the veterans service organizations urged Congress to change the word "Armistice" to "Veterans". Congress approved this change and on June 1, 1954, November 11 became a day to honor all American veterans, where ever and whenever they had served.

THANKSGIVING

For as long as written records have existed, there have been accounts of cultures celebrating the planting and harvest seasons. There is evidence supporting that these types of festivals have taken place in many parts of the world for hundreds if not thousands of years. Outside of the acknowledged first Thanksgiving, Thanksgiving holidays in the colonies were sporadic. They would often follow harvests or periods when the colonists were particularly thankful. As time went on, Thanksgiving feasts became more widespread, and formal dates were set for Thanksgiving. In 1777, George Washington issued a day of Thanksgiving to celebrate the defeat of the British at Saratoga. Again, in 1779, he issued another Thanksgiving holiday to celebrate the victory of the Revolutionary War. This was the first National Thanksgiving holiday. It wasn't until the Civil War, in 1863, that Thanksgiving was set as an annual National holiday. In response to several letters written by Sarah Hale, Abraham Lincoln declared that the final Thursday of November would be a National day of Thanksgiving in a compromise made in 1941, Congress and President Roosevelt agreed to hold Thanksgiving on the fourth Thursday of every November.



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