



SANTA MARIA

FAIRBORN COUNCIL #3724
KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

Star Council 2012-2013, 2014-2015 and 2015-2016



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October 2016

GRAND KNIGHT'S CORNER

Welcome to our busiest month of the fraternal year! Between our social outings, fundraising efforts, and charitable activities we have more going on this month than at any other time. In recognition of that, I'd like to take a moment to say "Thank You" to all the brothers that work so hard to make these activities so spectacular. I really appreciate their efforts as do the people who turn out to enjoy these activities as well as the charities that benefit from the proceeds.

I also want to thank the brothers that are doing their part to support our recruiting efforts. We are four months into our fraternal year and have five new members or applicants. This is a little behind where I want to be, but we're at least keeping up with a one member per month pace. If your name isn't on our recruiting honor roll yet, please do what you can to get there. Your Council is reaping the benefits of achieving Star Council last year, even as you read this. Please help us to get there again this year. All it takes is to ask a fellow Catholic man to join.

I would also like to congratulate our August Knight of the Month PGK Don Stefan. PGK Stefan is the Vice President of our Home Association. He supports our Bingo operation by selling instants on the second session of the month. He has also assumed some of the duties of our Assistant Lounge Manager. Don also worked our Funnel Cake business at the Fairborn Sweet Corn Festival. Thanks PGK Stefan for all you do.

A Hearty "Thank You" goes out to our Family of the Month for August, Corky and Cheryl Block as well Corky is our current Home Corporation president. He chaired our efforts to support the Mary Help of Christians summer festival and co-chaired our funnel cake operation at the Fairborn Sweet Corn Festival. He is a regular supporter of our Bingo operation, working the instants counter at least a couple sessions a month.

His wife Cheryl also supports our Bingo operation as a regular kitchen worker and sometimes at the instants counter. She worked both days at the Sweet Corn Festival and helped out in the Funnel Cake booth at the MHC Festival. Thanks Corky and Cheryl for your continued support

Vivat Jesus! Beef

2016 OHIO KNIGHT'S FOOTBALL FRENZY

The 2016 NFL Football season is underway and once again you are asked to participate in the Ohio K of C Football Frenzy Sweepstakes. Brothers, this is one of the easiest fundraisers we have. Each ticket is valid for the last 10 weeks of the NFL season (30 Oct through 1 Jan). There are 32 NFL teams. Each week each player has four teams. Each player has new teams each week. No other ticket has the same teams in any given week. Each week there will be \$2500 in prizes. Thanks to all the brothers who have sold football frenzy tickets. We are behind on ticket sales compared to where we were a year ago. So please get out and sell as many tickets as possible to help Council 3724 achieve its goal of 250 tickets. Final turn-in date is 22 Oct 2016. Please call PGK Herman Karhoff at (937) 361-2758 should you need additional tickets or for ticket pickup. Our Council's goal is to sell 225 tickets to achieve our State quota. Please help us achieve this goal.

REVERSE RAFFLE 2016

The Council's annual Reverse Raffle will be held on October 15th. Doors open following the 4:00 mass. Tickets are \$35 which covers 2 adult's admission, heavy hor d'oeuvres, soft drinks and a chance to win prizes. A cash bar will be available. The first ticket drawn wins \$100, last ticket drawn wins \$2000. The seller of the winning ticket gets \$100. Additional prizes will be awarded throughout the drawing. You need not be present to win. For tickets call the hall at (937)878-2909 contact PGK Minnick (FMINN@aol.com) or the Grand Knight (GrandKnight@3724kofc.org) or (937)426-5299.

This is one of our major fundraisers for the year. Please consider buying or selling a ticket to this important event.

HELP WANTED

Last month, our Worthy Financial Secretary delivered his resignation to me. He wants to pass the baton to his successor this month. The Financial Secretary's job is to:

- Maintain and organize Council records
- Keep Council member's records current
- Accept and account for Council funds
- Keep an accurate accounting of money flow in our Council
- Provide records for the Council audit.

Obviously this is a very important job and one we must fill quickly. If you are interested in providing a very valuable service to your council, please consider applying to be our Financial Secretary. Training is provided in the form of manuals and by Supreme. There is plenty of expertise within the Council to help as well.

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Culture of Life Activities

Percy Gros / 878-5455

Community Activities

PGK John Wolfe 609-4552

Council Activities

PGK Bill Stoddard 237-9059

Family Activities

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Youth Activities

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HOME CORPORATION

Your Home Corp Directors met on 15 September. Special thanks go out to the brother who came to our last work party. The carpets were cleaned in the lounge and the meeting room was rearranged to accommodate the State Deputy's visit. I'd also like to thank the Tuesday crew for their continued efforts.

Our next work party will be the 29th of October. We may do some more work in the kitchen and, we'll take another shot at working on our chairs

MEMBERSHIP

The Open House Membership drive on Base went very well. The reason the men were interested was the poster that told of the financial advantage of membership. It works. We will be using this approach at the Council dinners. You need to capitalize on it. Ask a non-member what he thinks of those numbers and follow through. Be sure you have a Membership package and a Form 100 with your name and member number on it.

Do you ever visit anyone at a Nursing Home? That is a great place to recruit a Catholic Gentleman. Your prospect would probably be disabled, poor and very receptive of the idea that daily Mass would be offered for his soul at St. Mary Church. It would cost him nothing and the degree could be done right in his room using the DVD. This is an easy credit to you.

CULTURE OF LIFE HOG ROAST

It's almost time for the Celebration of Life Hog Roast. Come join us for this popular event. As usual it will be held in the Parish Center, Saturday October 22th at 5:30 p.m. following mass. The K of C will prepare and serve the dinner featuring roast pork donated by Pitstick Pork Farms. The staff of FYI will put on a program and live auction that will round out an evening of fun for all. Don't miss some of the best roast pork you'll ever put in your mouth, as well as some of the great auction items that always make this an activity not to be missed.

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.

CORPORATE COMMUNION

The next Corporate Communion is the last Sunday in October. Let's fill the left front pews with K of C Families for the Rosary of Mary to which we promised to be faithful.

SEMINARIAN

Our seminarian Alex moved to Transfiguration Parish in West Milton 29 Aug. He's settled in and likes his new surroundings. He has transportation and has expressed interest in joining us for a meeting and is looking forward to seeing everyone once again. He also wanted the council to know how much he appreciates our support & prayers.

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

INSURANCE CORNER

By Dennis Kelly, MDRT, FICF, Field Agent
Live On” or “Leave On” Money

As your working life progresses, your priorities will likely shift. Many major life events (weddings, births, education costs for children, etc.) are probably behind you. Your focus shifts to those “golden” retirement years when you can enjoy your hobbies, grandchildren, travel or simply relax at home. During my career as a field agent, I’ve had members ask me what they should do with a sum of money they are looking to “dump” somewhere for safe keeping. First, I tell them that there is no safer place to put their money than with the Knights of Columbus. No one has ever lost money using our retirement products. There are no risks assumed by you, the members. Second, I ask the member a question: Is this money to “live on” or “leave on”?

I ask this because the answer makes all the difference. If you want a guaranteed flow of cash in retirement, one of our annuity options might meet your needs. If this money is intended as a gift for grandchildren, to assist your wife in the event of your passing or to give to your favorite charity, a Single Premium Whole Life policy might be the best product. When it comes to decisions about your finances and your family’s future, don’t leave things to chance. Discuss the options with a brother Knight who knows how to help. Someone who’s helped many other Catholic families not too different from yours. Someone who can offer you life insurance, long-term care, disability income and retirement products backed by the strength and security of an insurance provider rated among the top in the industry.

Call me today to set up a time to meet at 882-6928 or 478-1049. You’ll only regret that you didn’t call sooner.

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HOLY FATHER’S PRAYER INTENTIONS Offered in Solidarity with Pope Francis

Universal: Journalists

That journalists, in carrying out their work, may always be motivated by respect for truth and a strong sense of ethics.

Evangelization: World Mission Day

That World Mission Day may renew within all Christian communities the joy of the Gospel and the responsibility to announce it.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Rest of the Soul

Rest of the souls of Fr John Kummer and Bro Chuck Fagan's Grandmother Anna Mae.

Health and Healing for Members:

PGK Al Brewer and wife Ann; PGK John Whytal and wife Brenda; PGK Lew Murphy and wife Melita; 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; 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; 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 Gazzero's sister-in-law; Bro Jack Huey's mother and brother; Angie Natalie; Jean Ketchen; Velma Hobbs; Pat Pitstick; Jacqueline Cinelli; Kevin Sullivan; Rebecca Meadors; 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, Stan Macora, Phoebe Aubree, Mel Drysdale, friend 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)



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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.

SECOND AND THIRD DEGREE

We will be participating a Second and Third Degree on Sunday October 16th at Springfield Council 624. Candidate call for the Second Degree is 12:30 with the degree at 1 PM. Candidate call for the Third Degree will be at 2:00 pm with the Degree at 2:30 pm. If you need one of the advanced degrees, or know of a brother needing one of the advanced degrees, please consider joining us on the 16th. We also would like to have a good crowd of brother in the audience to congratulate the participants. Please RSVP to the Grand Knight (GrandKnight@3724kofc.org (937)426-5299) if you plan to take your Second or Third Degree by October 10th.

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 fellow 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.

SUPREME CHAPLAIN VISIT

Archbishop William E. Lori, who is the Supreme Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus, will speak at The Athenaeum of Ohio, Mount St. Mary's Seminary, on Wednesday, November 2nd. All (including family members) are invited to attend.

COLUMBUS DAY

First observed by the state of Colorado in 1906, it became a federal holiday in 1937. There are many instances of people observing Columbus' voyage since the colonial period. In 1792, there were celebrations in New York City and other US cities, celebrating the 300th anniversary of his landing in the New World. President Benjamin Harrison called upon the people of the United States to join together in celebration of Columbus Day on the 400th anniversary of the event. During the anniversary in 1892, teachers, preachers, poets and politicians used Columbus Day rituals to teach ideals of patriotism. These patriotic teachings were framed around themes of support for war, citizenship boundaries, the importance of loyalty to the nation and celebrating social progress. The day signifies Christopher Columbus' arrival to America on October 12, 1492. In 1970, Columbus Day was changed to the current observation on the second Monday in October.

HALLOWEEN

It's been said that Halloween was originally a Celtic holiday called Samhain. It is true the ancient Celts celebrated a minor holiday on October 31 dedicated to the harvest, but they also celebrated a festival on the last day of almost every month of the year.

In the Christian calendar November 1 is All Saints Day, or "All Hallows' Day." The word "Halloween" is simply the abbreviated form of "All Hallows' Eve," the vigil celebration in anticipation of the feast day. In the early fourth century, All Saints Day was a way to commemorate the martyrs, but later all of the saints were included in the festival. All Souls Day is our day to remember those who have fallen asleep in Christ who weren't officially recognized as saints.

St. Augustine reminds us, "If we had no care for the dead, we would not be in the habit of praying for them." We are all weak creatures, and none of us are holy enough to stand before the throne of God. Thus we need the prayers of others. All Saints Day and All Souls Day are meant to remind us of the need to be humble before God and each other.



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