



The St. Jude Journal

Knights of Columbus Council 5801
Gahanna, OH

May 2008

"So that in all things God may be glorified."—Rule of St. Benedict

Dates to Remember:

- May 1, 2, 3
Measure Up
Contact Dale Takach (478-8416) or Wayne Stertzler (861-3241) to volunteer
- May 14, 2008
Business Meeting
ELECTIONS
8 p.m. K of C Room
- May 28, 2008
Social Meeting
8 p.m. K of C Room
- June 2, 2008
Cook for Homeless Shelter
- June 11, 2008
Business Meeting
8 p.m. K of C Room
- June 25, 2008
Social Meeting
8 p.m. K of C Room
Bring family, friends and a snack.

From Our Grand Knight

“... [T]he Christian is under a new and unique obligation. . . . ‘in everyone we can and must recognize the countenance of Christ the Son of Man, especially when tears and sorrows make it plain to see.’ In saying this at the close of the Second Vatican Council, [Pope] Paul VI was calling the laity especially to a higher involvement in their work to renew society. If we see Christ in the suffering of all those around us, then our only response is a response of love. This response has as its essential element a loving communion between the two -- a communion that forms a living stone in the building up of the civilization of love.”

The above is taken from Knights of Columbus Supreme Knight Carl Anderson in his recently released book, *A Civilization of Love: What Every Catholic Can Do to Transform the World*. As exemplified by the above quotation, the book stresses the unique power and duty each of us has to help the suffering, defend the defenseless and work toward a culture in which the love of Christ thrives. As Knights at St. Jude 5801, we are helping to “form[] a living stone in the building up of the civilization of love” and we are responding to the call to “renew society.” We donated items to a Pregnancy Decision Help Center to help parents in need who have been blessed with a baby.

We are raising money for worthy causes, such as for the mentally disabled through the Measure Up program. We have used the power of prayer as we twice met this past fraternal year to pray the rosary together.

Yet, in his book, *A Civilization of Love*, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson encourages us to live our Catholic values in all facets of our life each day, including in areas of our own family, work and neighborhood. In this regard, and through our charitable works, we can fulfill, as Supreme Knight Anderson indicates in his book, “the secular calling of the laity to work toward a just ordering of society. . . .”

Fraternally,
James Anzelmo

Elections:

We will hold elections at our May 14 business meeting. Here are the nominations:

Grand Knight: Brian Novotny

Deputy Grand Knight: All nominees declined

Chancellor: Ern Stovall and Tom LeFever

Recorder: Corey Black

Treasurer: Erin Delffs

Lecturer: Joe Murphy

Advocate: Gus Gastaldo

Inside Guard: Ern Stovall

Outside Guard: Dave Baird and Rob McNair

As was the case last year, we are in need of a deputy grand knight. Please consider this worthy position.

Cash Bonanza Charity Raffle

The final turn in for the Cash Bonanza Charity Raffle is May 14, 2008. Please get your tickets to either Wayne Stertzler or John Sherman.

Closing Social

The last meeting for the 2007-2008 fraternal year will be Wednesday, June 25 at 8 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Room in the Parish Support Center. Bring your family and friends to the meeting for a celebration to close the fraternal year. Bring a snack to share, too.

4th Degree Knights

Congratulations to Brian Novotny and Steve Price who attended the 4th Degree ceremony in April 2008 and are now 4th Degree Knights.

Help the homeless

On June 2, 2008, St. Jude 5801 Knights will cook a dinner at a homeless family shelter. We will meet at the St. Matthew Gahanna parking lot around 4:30 p.m. and drive to the shelter to cook. If you can volunteer, contact James Anzelmo at janzelmo@columbus.rr.com or at 476-9304.

Measure Up

We will be conducting the annual Measure Up campaign on May 1, 2 and 3.

The money goes toward assisting those with mental disabilities (officially the Knights of Columbus uses the term mental retardation)

This is a worthy event, and our council comes through on the event. Last year, we raised \$10,200.00 and we placed third in the state!

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Chuckle with Eckl

PERKS OF BEING OVER 50

If you are not over 50, this is what you have to look forward to.

1. Kidnappers are not very interested in you.
2. In a hostage situation you are likely to be released first.
3. No one expects you to run--anywhere.
4. People call at 9 pm and ask, ' Did I wake you ????'
5. People no longer view you as a hypochondriac.
6. There is nothing left to learn the hard way.
7. Things you buy now won't wear out.
8. You can eat dinner at 4 pm.
9. You can live without sex but not your glasses.
10. You get into heated arguments about pension plans.
11. You no longer think of speed limits as a challenge.
12. You quit trying to hold your stomach in no matter who walks into the room.
13. You sing along with elevator music.
14. Your eyes won't get much worse.
15. Your investment in health insurance is finally beginning to pay off.
16. Your joints are more accurate meteorologists than the national weather service.
17. Your secrets are safe with your friends because they can't remember them either.
18. Your supply of brain cells is finally down to manageable size.

FINANCES: A Buy Recession

DON'T FOLLOW THE CROWD

Why do we think many people haven't learned this lesson? They continue to chase trends. Consider net U.S. purchases of U.S. equity mutual funds.

There have only been three instances in the past 20 years when more money flowed out of equity mutual funds than into them:

FOCUS ON PRINCIPLES, NOT PREDICTIONS

Right now, the outlook for the U.S. market could best be described as very uncertain. Some economists believe that high energy prices and real estate troubles could tip the economy into recession. For that reason, many recommend pulling back from the U.S. market and investing more money overseas. They believe this is a "bad time" to invest in the U.S. We don't agree.

The short-term outlook is always uncertain. We believe basing investment decisions on short-term predictions is a mistake. Whether we're in a recession or not, consider the following:

Recessions tend to be short — Since 1945, U.S. recessions have averaged just 10 months in length, a short period of time relative to the average investor's time horizon.

The market anticipates — The stock market often falls in anticipation of a recession and recovers before it ends, making it very difficult to miss the market decline and then buy back in before the market recovers.

They present a great time to buy — Recessions and the market declines that accompany them can provide long-term investors with an opportunity to buy great investments at a lower price.

PROPER ASSET ALLOCATION IS KEY

The best strategy is to determine an appropriate allocation to the major asset classes (U.S. stocks, bonds and international investments) and rebalance your portfolio to that target weighting. If the performance of international markets pulls your international stock weighting above your target percent, then consider investing new money in U.S. stocks or bonds.

This type of rebalancing is a disciplined approach to money management that should help you avoid chasing the bestperforming investments and selling other investments that may be poised for a rebound.

Following the crowd can be a dangerous investment strategy because when the outlook changes and the crowd suddenly changes direction, you can get trampled. Instead, take a disciplined, principle-based approach, with the help of your Edward Jones financial advisor, to work toward your long-term investment goals.

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From Our Chaplain:

My Dear Brother Knights and Ladies,

As we enter into yet another new month of the year, our thoughts almost automatically turn to the prospect of being able to enjoy warm weather, quiet leisure time, picnics, golf or other pleasant outdoor activities. I suspect that there are many plans now being prepared for the summer vacation as well.

TIMES FAMILIES SPEND TOGETHER ARE ONE OF LIFE'S GREATEST TREASURES!

Melody and I are planning for our TRIP OF A LIFETIME, --- AN ALASKA CRUISE. We have certainly been saving up for this vacation which is to celebrate our 45th wedding anniversary. We will be joined by several of our children as well as the parents of the bride. Our youngest son and his fiance will be married onboard the ship before departure. We have been granted an early boarding (wedding party only), and have been given the opportunity to dine at the Captains table to celebrate these two events. I certainly hope we saved enough money to pay for this once in a lifetime vacation.

My dear brothers and sisters: It is good to take a time-out every once in a while to relax, and to recreate our energies, and to refresh our souls. It is certainly my most sincere hope that many of you will also be able to enjoy a vacation with your families this spring and summer.

That being said, it is equally important to refresh our faith during this more "leisurely season" of the year. I want to express my firm belief that attendance at weekly celebration of the Eucharist is paramount to the health of our spirit. We are all connected to one another by our faith: One Faith, One Baptism, One Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! While walking in the park, or enjoying the beauty of nature on a beach might be more fun, neither of these events can satisfy our need for one another. We (neither ourselves nor our families) simply cannot live in a vacuum. We, as a community of believers, need one another, and should be supporting each other if not in a personal way, then at least in a visible way by our presence at the Eucharistic Table of the Lord. It is in the breaking of the bread that we recognize the presence of Jesus, not only in our community, but also in our lives and in the lives of our neighbors.

Enjoy these coming months of warmth and leisure. Spend time with the family. Spend time with friends. But don't forget to also spend time with the Lord, Jesus Christ, in the weekly celebration of His Passion, Death, and Resurrection. It is in this one enduring event that we are saved.

May God continue to bless each of you and your families in this season of Easter, and in this time for fun in the sun.

Yours In Christ,

Deacon Harry L. Turner

MAY: St. Jude Council Activities



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For the Good of the Order:

Please pray for:

- John Hage
- Hildegarde Schmiedebusch
- Jim Eck
- Debbie Gerald
- Harry Turner, Sr.
- Ms. Chadwick
- Danielle Svestka
- Mamie and Joe Murphy
- Jamie Henderson
- John Wayne Stertz
- Amy Macynski
- David Baum
- Pope Benedict XVI and his papal visit to United States
- Victor Wesolowski (*past RSVP recipient of St. Jude 5801*) on his upcoming ordination to the Holy Priesthood

Knight of the Month

Congratulations to Tom Eckl--Knight of the Month for May 2008. As you know, Brother Tom Eckl has provided much valuable service to our council-he even provides some humor to the newsletters.

We also congratulate Dale Takach as May Knight of the Month. Dale coordinated Measure Up with Wayne Stertz (previous Knight of the Month recipient-but thanks to Wayne, too).