



The St. Jude Journal

Knights of Columbus Council 5801
Gahanna, OH

October 2008

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

Dates to Remember:

- October 8, 2008
Business Meeting
8 p.m., K of C Room
- October 12, 2008
Pancake Breakfast
7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- October 15, 2008
SPECIAL Meeting
8 p.m., K of C Room
- October 22, 2008
Social Meeting
8 p.m., K of C Room

Letter From Our Grand Knight:

Autumn is officially here.

The Buckeyes are off to a good season after a little stumble.

DeSales finally beat Watterson.

Pancake breakfasts start up again.

Our indoor Knights events start up.

This is the start of some great times.

We have some great events coming up the next few months. Our membership/recruitment efforts have slowed a little. We have a few people that have readings and need to make it to the next first degree. There are two First Degree ceremonies in the next month and there is also a second and third degree ceremony nearby in the next month. Please work with the candidates that you are sponsoring to get them to a first degree or let an officer know and we will have an officer go with them to their degree. For all the current members that are only First Degree Knights, please consider taking your Second and Third degree. By moving through the degrees, it has helped me to understand what it is to be a member of the Knights of Columbus. We are also still looking to put together a first degree team, if you are interested.

During these colder months, let's try to make full use of our great new council chambers and take the time to have some fun social events. Not just to have a great time now but to plan for even better events come spring. Thanks for your help in making the Knights of Columbus what they are, Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow.

Fraternally,
Brian Novotny

Upcoming First Degrees

Oct 8th 7pm Seton Parish in Pickerington

Oct 20th 7:30pm Saint Andrew

Oct 22nd 7pm Saint Brendan Hilliard

Second and Third Degrees

Oct 26th Noon Saint Andrew Parish

Pro-Life News

Gus is taking over the Pro-life position. Contact him for more information on the Entertainment books.

Special Meeting Oct 15

We are going to have another special 3rd Wednesday meeting at 8pm. The last one went well, but had low attendance due to the power outtages that seemed to hit Gahanna in some areas a lot worse than others. On the topics we are discussing, We are about set on the room issue.

Got Keys?

If you have a set of keys to the Knights room, please let Brian know. Your keys will not be taken away. We just need to know who has access, so when someone needs in we know who to get in touch with to give another member access to the room.

Comment about Hartley Donation

At the last meeting it was brought before the council to make a large donation to Bishop Hartley H.S. for the athletic field renovation that is long overdue. There will be more discussion this month and possibly a vote.

The amount of the donation is \$2500 with \$1500 already spoken for. That would leave the remaining \$1000 to come from our funds. There was a lot of support for this but for a donation this large we need to hear from the members on this.

On page 5 of this newsletter, you will find a complete description of the program. More information is also available on Hartley's website.

Pancake Breakfast Time!

It's that time again. Tom LeFever will be heading up our Pancake Breakfasts again this year, and he deserves thanks from the entire parish for his efforts.

Set up will normally start at 7 a.m. Cleaned up and home by 12:30. The big rush is after the 10:00 mass.

The rest of the schedule will be:

- Oct 12
- Nov 9
- Dec 14
- Jan 11
- Feb 8
- Mar 8

Soccer Challenge

On a beautiful September 10th evening with the sun shining and a cool breeze in the air, 24 youth soccer players participated in the 3rd annual K of C Soccer Challenge at the St. Matthew athletic fields.

"That's the most players we've ever had participate" said Allen Perk. "I saw a lot of talent out there" added new Knight Jeff Lieser.

"Many of the Mom's and Dad's thanked us on behalf of the kids" said Bill Mokus, "I enjoyed it, it was fun to judge the event".

Others assisting in the event were Jim Ryan, son of Tom Ryan and "soon to be Knight" Nick Papus.

Winners at our Council level will go on to the District level which will be held October 7th, at 2:00pm in Reynoldsburg at Huber Park. Registration starts at 1:30.

Our winners were:

Boys	Age	Girls
N/A	14	Ashley Ridgeway
Justin Wengerter	13	Ashley Morello
N/A	12	N/A
Michael Ridgeway	11	Sara Conway
Ethan Ghiloni	10	Sophia Conway

Social Meeting Ideas?

Have any thoughts about activities for our social meetings? Please e-mail Brian with your ideas of what activities would bring more Knights to our social meetings. Cards went over well last month and we hope to continue that this month. Having a dartboard in the room was brought up to interest some members in showing up and sticking around longer. If there is anything else that you would enjoy during our social meetings, please let Brian know.

Flea Market Report

An absolutely gorgeous day greeted all who attended the 2008 Flea Market and for those who visited our Food Booth, lots of smiling faces came by, ate and walked away with happy taste buds!

With a full menu and delicious fair food including lemon shake ups and funnel cakes, the Knights again raised money for our Catholic High School scholarships and The Northeast School.

Over the past 3 years, the Knights have added to our presentation at the event by obtaining our own 10x20 tent, our own 8' grille on a trailer and this year, our equipment to make professional looking and tasting funnel cakes!

Allen Perk who ran the event gives all credit to the 24 Knights, Knights wives (thanks Regina & Sandy) & children and future Knights who helped out and volunteered at the event.



The view of our Food Booth



Allen Perk & Jeff Leiser



Nick Vallera (our newest Knight) with Joe Hartge (hopefully, a future Knight) making money, I mean, Lemon Shake Ups!

Do We Want a Halloween Event?

If we are to have a Halloween event, we need someone to help Brian with it soon so we can get it advertised.

5K Run for Catholic Youth

Our Council will be sponsoring 5k Walk/Run on April 4th 2009 to help fund sending kids to the National Catholic Youth Conference. Rich Schlagchek is heading this up.

October: St. Jude Council Activities



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5	6	7	8 Business Meeting	9	10	11
12 Pancake Breakfast	13	14	15 SPECIAL Meeting	18	17	18
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For the Good of the Order:

Please pray for:

- John Hage
- Debbie Gerardi
- Monsignor Benet
- Tom Ryan
- Pauly Bruce
- Nick Takach
- All families of the victims and the survivors of Sept 11th
- Jesse Tillery
- Gus Gastaldo
- Father Bill Arnold
- Persecuted Christians in India

Knight of the Month

The October Knight of the Month goes to Mike Wypasek for all that he does in creating a great newsletter and a very appealing website. The changes to the website are great and makes our council stand out.

The September Knight of the Month goes to Cliff Allen. Cliff makes sure that those without email still get our newsletter. He is our postman regardless of wind, rain or powerless homes.

Thank you Mike and Cliff. You two have helped me to communicate the messages of our Council to all our members.

Flag Retirement

The Assembly will be collecting flags that are due for a fitting retirement. Around Veterans Day they will have a ceremony to properly dispose of them. Please bring your flags to the next few meetings that you want to have respectfully retired.

Request for Bishop Hartley HS

Bishop Hartley High School (BHHS) is raising funds to update the Outdoor Athletic Fields (OAF). This encompasses a new scoreboard, new track, new lighting, new concession area, real restroom (no more Port-a-Johns), and new field turf. Just so you know, BHHS has not hosted a Track Meet in over 20 years and there has been minimal renovations to the stadium and stadium grounds during that period.

For more information, click on <http://www.bishop-hartley.org/index.php?id=338>

In exchange for our financial contribution, BHHS will engrave the name and logo of the Knights of Columbus and place it in a prominent area at the entrance of the updated football stadium. Individual contributors are recognized by an 8" x 8" brick paver. I have worked with the Chairmen of the OAF fundraiser and we can get something that will stand out even more ... a bench made of stone similar to what we donated and received for the Gahanna High School War & Peace Memorial.

At the September 10th business meeting, I made a motion that our council donate \$2,500 towards this fundraiser and in exchange we would get a stone bench with K of C logo placed prominently in the entrance to the stadium. In that motion, I outlined how we would pay for our contribution. Here it is:

- We will use an upcoming \$1,000 grant from Brother Andy Rose.
- We will use \$500 from the upcoming 2009 Fish Fry's.
- We will ask for \$500 from our 2009-2010 St. Jude Council budget.

Brothers, the outline above effectively donates \$2,500 but it will cost our council \$1,000 and at the same time, promote the Knights and the Knights charities. I ask for your consideration and I ask for your support.

Past Grand Knight Allen Perk

From Our Chaplain:

My Dear Brother Knights and Ladies,

Pardon me if, with all the turmoil and unrest in the markets, especially on Wall Street, and in the midst of a war that seems to go on and on, even though great progress has been made, I begin with a reflection on the weather. I can't help it! Autumn is my favorite season of the year. Autumn arrives as a transitional month between the heat of the summer, and the chill of a cold winter day, and at least in my mind, is one of God's greatest gifts. I speak only for myself, but I need that transition. It allows me the opportunity to slowly acclimate myself to the much more abrupt temperature swing between summer and winter. God's Wisdom makes itself known throughout all of creation. I constantly stand in awe of God's love and compassion for His greatest creation, ... you and me!

However, in this month of October, there are much more pressing issues. Perhaps most of all, ... the upcoming election in November. Actually, this column could have, under normal conditions, been written for the November column. However, since at least one third of the registered voters have elected to vote by absentee ballot, next months column would be too late. So forgive me, ahead of time, for jumping the gun and mentioning the election a month early.

One of the greatest moments in the modern history of our country could take place in this year's election. With all of the great issues facing our country, ... issues which could bring our country to its knees, or allow us to rise once again as a beacon of light showing the rest of the world the way to prosperity and peace, ... we have the opportunity to make our wishes known by taking the time to vote. As you may know, as a member of the clergy, I cannot endorse any particular candidate. Sorry, but that's the way it is. Tax Exempt Status, ... unfortunately not for me, ... but for the Church. Even so, ... I would not even try to influence your vote.

However, what I will do is first, Ask you to exercise your most treasured right, as a citizen of The United States, ... the right to vote. **JUST DO IT!!!!!!!** Secondly, I would ask that you thoughtfully and prayerfully vote your conscience, ... not only for the offices, but for the issues in our State. As Christians, and as Knights of Columbus, and their Ladies, we should be in the forefront, leading the way to the exercising of that most precious right, the right to vote. Whether by absentee ballot, or at the polls, please follow me and your brother Knights and Ladies, and **VOTE FOR YOUR CHOICE FOR THOSE WHO WILL LEAD OUR COUNTRY FOR THE NEXT FOUR YEARS!**

God bless you all as you cast your ballot in this year's election. May The Lord of all grant us Peace and Prosperity in the coming years!

Deacon Harry L. Turner

Keeping a watchful eye while on the Internet.

While reading email, how can one tell if a bank or other financial institution is really them and not the bad guys?

In a nutshell, simply “mouse over” BUT DO NOT CLICK a link in that email. Common links include “Sign In” or “Click Here”. See the example below.

Once a link has the pointer on it (REMEMBER ... DO NOT CLICK) the address destination will appear at the bottom of the window. Hence, if the email really came from the Bank of America and you “mouse over” a link, the destination address should read

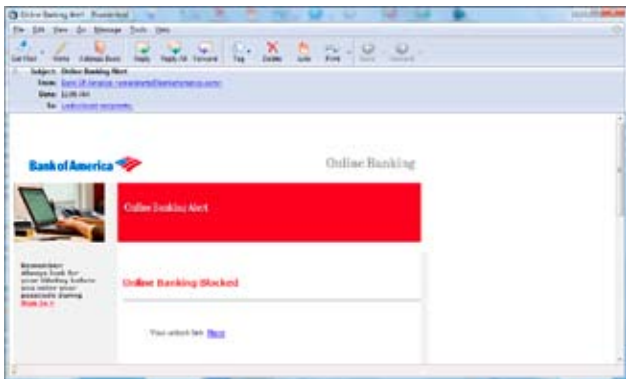
<http://www.bankofamerica.com/etc>

If it were a bad guy or someone up to no good, it would look like something totally different. For example ...

<http://www.russianchina.ru/etc>.

–or– <http://188.68.421.2/etc>

Here’s a quick run through. One might get a legitimate looking email.



Of course you should always be wary of any email from a financial institution. Particularly one that you do not do business with.

To give you an indication of the validity of this email, “mouse over” a link BUT DO NOT CLICK ON THE LINK. This means place the mouse over a link BUT again do not click. See below using the symbol.

The destination should appear on the bottom of the window. That destination will help you determine if this email did in fact come from the Real McCoy. See below using the symbol.

Chuckles

The Michigan jokes have to start sooner or later, so here you go!

A guy walks into a bar in Ann Arbor wearing a Michigan jersey and carrying a cat that also has a Michigan jersey on with a little Wolverine helmet on his head, too. The guy says to the bartender, ‘Can my cat and I watch the Michigan VS Ohio State game here? My TV at home broke down and my cat and I always watch the game together’.

The bartender replies, ‘Normally, cats wouldn’t be allowed In the bar, but it’s not very busy in here right now, so you and the cat can have a seat at the end of the bar. But, if there’s any trouble with you or the cat I’ll have to ask you to leave.’ The guy agrees, and he and his cat start watching the game.

Pretty soon Michigan manages to kick a field goal and the excited cat jumps up on the bar, walks all the way down and gives everyone a high five. The bartender says, ‘Hey, that’s pretty cool! What does he do for a touchdown?’ The guys answers, ‘I don’t know, I’ve only had him for 3 years!!!!’

GO BUCKS!!!!

From Larry the Cable Guy:

1. A day without sunshine is like night.
2. On the other hand, you have different fingers.
3. 42.7% of all statistics are made up on the spot.
4. 99 % of lawyers give the rest a bad name.
5. Remember, half the people you know are below average.
6. He who laughs last, thinks slowest.
7. Depression is merely anger without enthusiasm.
8. The early bird may get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese in the trap.
9. Support bacteria. They’re the only culture some people have.
10. A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.
11. Change is inevitable, except from vending machines.
12. If you think nobody cares, try missing a couple of payments.
13. OK, so what’s the speed of dark?
14. When everything is coming your way, you’re in the wrong lane.
15. Hard work pays off in the future. Laziness pays off now.
16. How much deeper would the ocean be without sponges?
17. Eagles may soar, but weasels don’t get sucked into jet engines.
20. What happens if you get scared half to death, twice?
- 21 Why do psychics have to ask you your name?
22. Inside every older person is a younger person wondering, ‘What the heck happened?’
23. Light travels faster than sound. That’s why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
24. Life isn’t like a box of chocolates. It’s more like a jar of jalapenos. What you do today, might burn your butt tomorrow.

Help Us Create A Council Directory

Please tell us about yourself, and bring this Info Sheet with you to meeting or email the information to our Grand Knight so we can compile a directory and make sure our records are up to date.

Name _____ Spouse _____
Address _____ Anniversary Date ____
City _____ Zip _____ Birthday _____

Children Names and Age's _____

Phone Number _____
E-mail Address _____

Degree _____ Year Joined K of C _____

Event Chair _____

Previous Roles _____

Why did I join the Knights of Columbus?

Why should others join the Knights of Columbus?

