



Knights of Columbus



Council 11208

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MAY 2006

Dear Brother Knights

Last Saturday night I attended an event that had two tremendous speakers, and I'd like to share parts of their message. The first speaker was Heather Pick, a member of our community (and a mother of two young children) who has waged a very public battle with cancer while remaining on the air at Channel 10, and being a very active volunteer at numerous events around town. The second speaker was Jim Tressel, who was speaking on the night that 5 of his players were chosen in the first round of the NFL draft.

Heather Pick spoke about handling adversity, and was very appreciative of the support that she takes from those around her. She told a modern parable about how a mother explained to a complaining teenager about adversity. The mother took three pots of water and placed them on the stovetop. In one she placed a carrot, in one she placed an egg, and in one she placed a handful of coffee beans. She turned on the heat and they waited and watched together in silence, until all three pots had boiled for some time. The mother turned off the heat and asked the teenager what she saw. The teenager said she saw a carrot, an egg, and some coffee beans – same as before. The mother explained – the carrot went into the water solid and strong, but was made soft by boiling, the egg went into the water hard on the outside, but with a weak and soft center, but was made hard all the way through by boiling. It was the coffee beans that took on the boiling water, and instead of being changed, they changed everything around them a little at a time. All three had faced the same circumstances, just like we face the boiling waters of adversity in our lives, it's just a matter of choosing how to face the challenges.

Jim Tressel spoke of the 5 men drafted that afternoon, not as their coach bragging about their football skills, but with the pride and love of a father that sees a successful child. As a matter of fact, he didn't mention one thing about how any of them had improved their playing abilities during their time with his coaching team. All he could say about each was how it was their character that had made them champions. He told stories about how they didn't compromise their standards when given the chance, how they represented themselves and their university within the community, and how they were so intently focused on the team. It was these traits that made them worthy champions.

The message I heard from both Heather Pick and Jim Tressel speaks to what happens in our everyday lives as well. The one thing we have control over is ourselves and our actions, but it is easy to get wrapped up in what's going on around us and become changed by our circumstances. Last month, we met with the Wilson family, that has taken a tragedy in their lives and turned it into a drive to serve the community. Next month, we will have an opportunity to change the world around us when our members and their families volunteer at the Ohio Special Olympics. The athletes that weekend don't have some of the advantages in life that we enjoy, but their attitudes in the face of adversity are positive and uplifting. Please take advantage of the opportunity.

**John Iannucci
Grand Knight**



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Officers

Grand Knight
John Iannucci

Deputy Grand Knight
Fred Kerner

Chaplain
Rev. Roderic DiPietro

Chancellor
Dave Mowery

Advocate
Terry Henkel

Recorder
Rick Hite

Financial Secretary
Jim York

Treasurer
Frank Collette

Lecturer
Joe Martin

Warden
Bob Kapala

Inside Guard
Larry Hanchin

Outside Guard
Todd Kelleher

3 Yr. Trustee
Roger File
Steve Bennison

2 Yr. Trustee
Jeff Keller

3rd WEDNESDAYS OF THE MONTH

We meet the 3rd. Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm in Wellnitz. Our next meeting will be on May 17th. PLEASE NOTE!!! We no longer will begin at 6:30pm. We tried this to encourage prospective members but we have been unsuccessful. Food and refreshments will be served after the meeting.

BOARD MEETING

The Board of Directors meeting is held the Thursday, preceding the regular membership meeting, at 7:30pm. Our next meeting will be on May 11th in the school library. All members are invited to attend and learn more about how your Council functions. Officers and Board members are expected to attend. If you have a request for funding or a project, please present these items to one of the Officers or Board members at, or prior to, the Board meeting.

MEMBERSHIP

Congratulations to Mike Heffernan who took his first degree on April 17th at St. Brendan and to Steve Howe and Chris Altenburg, who took their first degrees on April 24th at St. Joan of Arc.

Congratulations also to Steve Howe and Chris Altenburg for completing their 2nd and 3rd degree on April 30th at OLPH in Grove City. We still have 68 Knights who need to complete their 2nd and 3rd degrees. These degrees probably won't be scheduled until the fall.

As of April 1st our Council has 185 members with one member in the process of transferring in. Our goal this year was 16, for a total of 200 new members, and so far we have only brought in 7 new members. WE NEED YOUR HELP! We still have 2 months left in this fraternal year to recruit new members. WILL YOU HELP? The only reason a Catholic man does not join the We are still looking for a few good men to help out with membership. It is a great way to get involved and learn about all the brother knights of the Council. It is a vital part of the Council's success and very rewarding as well. If there are 2 or 3 members doing the work, it can be divided up and be fairly easy to manage. Let either John Iannucci or Fred Kerner know if you are interested in helping out.

AWARDS

At our April meeting, Grand Knight John announced the following Knight awards:

Knight of the year	Joe Martin
Family of the Year	Chris & Martha Warren
Lady of the Year	Fran Kienle
Volunteer of the Year	Mark Ogden
Religious of the Year	Sister Joanne Fogarty
Youth of the Year	Ian Clark

Congratulations to all the winners.



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BLUE CARDS

Do you have a blue membership card in your wallet. If you answered "no", than you have not yet paid your dues. We still have 43 men who have not paid their 2006 dues.

Currently, we have sent out nine Knight Alerts and these Knights will be suspended in July if they have not paid their dues. (1 moved out of state, 1 moved out of the parish, 1 left the knights and the other 6 are question marks).

There were second notices sent to 34 knights. (4 moved out of state, 1 moved ?, 1 leaving the knights and 28 are question marks).

As of this newsletter, 142 of our 185 members have paid their dues for 2006. If you are one of the 43 who have not yet paid, please send your check to Jim York **TODAY!!!** Jim's address is:

Jim York
10530 Laguna Circle
Plain City, Ohio 43064-8607

OHIO CHARITY RAFFLE

Here are our results to date on the Charity Raffle:

1st turn in 58 Knights sold 292 tickets.
 2nd turn in 2 Knights sold 33 tickets.
 Total 60 Knights sold 325 tickets.
 Last Year 81 Knights sold 485 tickets.

- Our top seller so far this year is Matt Humphrey, with 25 tickets sold.

Tickets may be turned in to me at:

Sat. 5/6 at 5:30 pm Mass.

Sun. 5/7 at 8:15- 9:30 am at Multi Purpose Room Mass set-up.

Thu. 5/11 at K of C board meeting.

Wed. 5/17 at K of C membership meeting.

Or mail to me at 10530 Laguna Circle, Plain City, OH 43064. The campaign is one of our council's largest money-makers. Last year 81 Knights sold 485 tickets, netting \$1356.35 for our council.

REMEMBER! Our Council has an internal raffle. You could win \$25, \$50 or even \$100. For each ticket sold before May 14th, you will receive 1 ticket. We do ask that you attend the May council meeting when we have the drawing.

CLIPPER TICKETS

Rick still has Clipper tickets available. The tickets are \$2 each, and when you get to the gate, if you would like to upgrade to Reserved Seating, it is just \$1 more. This is a savings of \$4 over tickets purchased at the gate.

These tickets are good for all home games thru June 16th. June 16th is K of C night at the stadium and that is where a presentation to the Franklin County Special Olympics will be made. Last year, through your generosity, it was possible for the Greater Columbus Chapter to present a check to them for \$10,000.00.

Again this year our Council has purchased 100 tickets to give to St. Brendan School for use as "awards".

For more information or to obtain tickets, Please call Rick Hite at 746-3938, or he will be at the 8:45 Mass on Sundays.

MEASURE UP

Our annual "Measure Up" campaign was held on the weekend of April 29th & 30th with 31 Knights and their families volunteering.

We collected at the Kroger stores on Cemetery Road and Rome Hilliard Road and was able to collect \$2,449.00 (\$565.62 less than 2005) which we will donate to The Ohio Special Olympics. *A BIG THANK YOU to all who volunteered.*

OFFICER ELECTIONS

Your nominating committee has come up with the following proposed slate of officers for Council 11208 for the 2005-2006 Fraternal year.

Chaplain
Grand Knight
Deputy Grand Knight
Chancellor
Advocate
Recorder
Financial Secretary
Treasurer
Lecturer
(appointed)
Warden
Inside guard
Outside Guard
Three Year Trustee
Two Year Trustee

Rev. Rod DiPietro
Fred Kerner
Dave Mowery
(Need a nomination)
Richard Clark
(Need a nomination)
Jim York (appointed)
Frank Collette
Joe Martin

Terry Henkel
Todd Kelleher
Larry Hanchin
John Iannucci
Roger File



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This slate was proposed at our April meeting and additional nominations were taken from the floor. We will again propose this slate at our May meeting and take additional nominations from the floor. After all nominations are in, we will conduct a vote at the May meeting. Any 3rd degree member, who has his dues paid up, is eligible to serve. If you are interested in serving as an officer, please let any current officer know of your desire.

STATE CONVENTION

The 107th Ohio State Council Convention is scheduled for the weekend of May 26-28, at the Cincinnati Millenium Hotel. Bishop Carl K. Moeddel of the Cincinnati archdiocese will be the main speaker at the Saturday night banquet and Archbishop Daniel Pilarczyk will celebrate the Sunday morning Mass at the St. Peter in Chains Cathedral, within walking distance of the hotel.

Our delegates will be John Iannucci and Fred Kerner. All Knights are welcome to attend the general awards ceremony on Saturday morning and may attend the banquet on Saturday. However, if you wish to attend the banquet, you need to let John Iannucci know so that he can make the reservations.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

The Ohio Special Olympics will be held on June 23rd, 24th and 25th. This will be our fourth year as a participant in "tent town", an entertainment venue designed to help entertain the more than 3,000 athletes that will be participating. We need volunteers and family members are welcome to help us.

The times are Friday night from 7pm until 10pm, Saturday from 9am until 11:30am and 1pm until 3:30pm and Sunday from 9am until 11:30am. Please let Roger File (459-9091) know if you can help out and what day and shift you want to work.

MOTHERS DAY

On Mother's Day, May 14th, our Council will be hosting the coffee and donuts after the 10:30am Mass. We will also be passing out Rosary Rings to each of the Mothers of the Parish.

WILSON FOUNDATION

At our April meeting, Mr. & Mrs. Tim Wilson accepted a check for \$1200.00, which we raised at our "March Madness for a Cause", to benefit the Christine Wilson foundation.

OHIO MIRACLE LEAGUE

The Ohio Miracle League is starting their spring season on April 29th and it will run until June 24th.

For those of you who are not familiar with the Ohio Miracle League, the Miracle League of Central Ohio was formed in 2004 with the mission of raising funds to build a unique baseball field for children with disabilities in the Central Ohio area. The City of Dublin kindly donated the land required for this unique field.

Opening Day was on August 28, 2005 at Darree Fields Park on Cosgray Road in Dublin, Ohio. This Miracle League field is the first of its kind in Ohio. The league is open to all children with disabilities in central Ohio and around the state. Each player is paired with a buddy who helps the player during the game. The buddies and coaches of the Miracle League are all volunteers. Each player bats once per inning and the last batter up will hit a home run. The teams will then swap and the other team will take their turn at bat. The score will always end up even. Last year for the fall season the kids played two innings and games usually last about 1 to 1-1/2 hours depending on how many kids are on a team. My son Ian, who is Autistic, played on the Indians last year for the league and really enjoyed playing and is looking forward to it this year. The games start at 10:00 am on Saturday and go all day.

This season the league had enough players to form 16 teams, that is up from 10 teams last year. My son Ian, will be playing again this season with the support of our council, who has agree to pay for his registration fees. The registration fees goes for the uniforms and hats that each player receives. Ian will again be on the Indians and his number will be determine this Saturday when he plays at 1:00pm. The season schedule can be seen at the Ohio Miracle Leagues website <http://www.ohiomiracleleague.org/schedule.jsp>. Please if you have any spare time on a Saturday to come watch a game, please do so. The players with disabilities really enjoy the opportunity to play and as a parent of one of the players, I really enjoy watching the players getting excited about playing a baseball game.
Thank You, Brother Knight, Richard Clark



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PROJECT MOSES

WHAT A BEAUTIFUL SIGHT!!! A monument of the Ten Commandments in the front of our Church. I'm sure we all agree that this is a great addition for our parish families. A **BIG, BIG, BIG THANK YOU** to parishioner Dan Mahoney for installing the memorial bricks and for donating and planting the shrubs and flowers. In conjunction with the 50th anniversary of our parish, we are offering a "special" on the memorial bricks. You may purchase a brick for your family, or for a loved one, for only \$50.00 per brick, until May 31st, which includes the engraving. Engraving is limited to 3 lines at 14 characters each.

Other levels of support are:

- Level 1 A: Purchase an 8 x 8 plaque for \$35.00.
- Level 2: Purchase a "gift brick" for \$125.00 and level 1 is included.
- Level 3: Purchase a "table top" monuments for \$275.00 and level 2 is included.

I would think that every Knight would want to purchase a brick for their family, or to honor a deceased member of their family. What a lasting tribute that would be. For additional information, or to order a memorial brick, please contact **Jeff Keller at 614-777-6229 or jkeller3@columbus.rr.com**.

COUNCIL SHIRTS

Our Council offers a long sleeve denim shirt and a short sleeve golf shirt, embroidered with the K of C emblem and St. Brendan Council 11208 on one side and your name on the other side. Grand Knight John is asking every member to wear their Council shirt to Mass on the weekend before our meetings to increase our visibility, especially during this 50th Anniversary Year. Plan to wear your shirt to Mass the weekend of May 12th and 13th. To order a shirt, please go to our web page www.stbrendankofc.org. At the bottom of the membership page click on the Word icon.

NAME TAGS

We are also asking all our members to please wear their name tags to our meetings and to other K of C functions. What a great way to meet and know our members. If you need a name tag, or have lost your name tag, you can order one from John Iannucci.

DO YOU HAVE E-MAIL ?

We now have the e-mail addresses of 158 of our 185 members. We realize everyone does not have e-mail, but if you do, please send your address to Joe Martin. Also, if your e-mail address changes, please let Joe Martin know so we can update our records.

DEGREE SCHEDULE

FIRST DEGREE:

May 15th at St. Brendan.

June 5th at St. Brigid in Powell.

Please check our web site for more dates and particulars on these degrees.

SECOND AND THIRD DEGREE:

We currently have 68 Knights who need to schedule their 2nd and 3rd Degree. These degrees are only scheduled about three times a year, and the next one will probably be in the fall.

FUTURE K of C NEWSLETTERS

Do you have any news or other correspondence you would like to see in our newsletter? If so please contact me with the information by the first Monday of the month.

Joe Martin

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Hilliard, Ohio 43026**

850-9095 or JoeandJan@wowway.com

Visit our Web site at www.stbrendankofc.org

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The following Brother Knights have a Birthday in May



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| Joe Cuddy | May 1 |
| Bill Brake | May 2 |
| Ron Grannan | May 2 |
| Brian Omara | May 2 |
| Joe Mayer | May 3 |
| John Ryan Jr. | May 3 |
| Dave Mowery | May 6 |
| Don Davis | May 7 |
| Steve Bennison | May 10 |
| Mike Anderson | May 11 |
| Jerry Vachon | May 13 |
| Pat Haney | May 18 |
| Todd Kelleher | May 19 |
| Frank Whyte | May 19 |



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 11 Board mtg. @ 7:30pm in the Library.

May 15 First degree at St. Brendan.

May 17 Membership mtg. @ 6:30pm in Wellnitz

May 19-21 4th Degree Exemplification.

June 5 First Degree at St. Brigid in Powell.

June 15 St. Brendan K of C Blood Drive.

June 16 K of C Night at Clipper Stadium.

June 23/24/25 Summer Special Olympics.