



Knights of Columbus



Council 11208

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Ohio Star Council 5 years in a row



AUGUST 2006

Brother Knights



**Fred Kerner
Grand Knight**

Well, here I am in my first month as Grand Knight of Council 11208. As I hosted my first Board Meeting in July I had a puzzled look on my face as Past Grand Knight John Iannucci handed me pamphlets, books, sheets of paper, and other information that I would need in my job as GK.

I came to the realization that this job was not going to be easy. We have some wonderful programs that we of Council 11208 are in charge of. In fact, we are probably doing as much if not more than a lot of Councils around the state.

When I was in the Navy there was a female Admiral who used to get very upset if people said to her, "But, that's the way we always do it." There is always a better way to do something.

As I mentioned in my first article in our July edition, the biggest thing we need to focus on during this next year is attracting new members, and getting the members we already have, involved in our activities.

Deputy Grand Knight Dave Mowery has assumed the title of Program Director. He will be assigning managers to head up the various program activities that we are tasked to do by Supreme. Dave will call on each of those managers to provide an update of what's going on in their program at each general membership meeting. Those programs are:

- Church
- Community
- Council
- Family
- Youth
- Membership

Each program activity has a number of sub-activities. We are required to do two activities in each category. We are expected to do an additional four other activities in each of those categories. Each Manager assigned to these categories should have an assistant. We will need plenty of volunteers for each event. Volunteerism is at the heart of being a successful council. I would ask that each of you consider helping with one activity each year. I understand that your days are filled with work and family time, but we need your help if we are to be successful.

Those of us (Officers) who are on the board make many of the decisions that govern Council 11208. I would like to invite any member, who wishes to attend, to come to our Board meetings each month. We meet on the second Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at the church.

If you can't make it to the board meeting then bring up your ideas at the regular membership meeting. We want your ideas and your thoughts on how we can make Council 11208 better. I welcome your phone calls or email. I look forward to hearing from you.

By the way....my new email address for the Council is:

gkfred11208@yahoo.com



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Officers

*Grand Knight
Fred Kerner*

*Deputy Grand Knight
Dave Mowrey*

*Chaplain
Rev. Roderic DiPietro*

*Chancellor
Dave Larsen*

*Advocate
Richard Clark*

*Recorder
Jeff Lehr*

*Financial Secretary
Jim York*

*Treasurer
Frank Collette*

*Lecturer
Joe Martin*

*Warden
Terry Henkel*

*Inside Guard
Todd Kelleher*

*Outside Guard
Larry Hanchin*

*3 Yr. Trustee
John Iannucci*

*2 Yr. Trustee
Roger File*

*1 Yr. Trustee
Jeff Keller*

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

We meet the 3rd. Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm in Wellnitz. Our next meeting will be on July 16th. Food and refreshments will be served after the meeting.

BOARD MEETING

The Board of Directors meeting is held the Wednesday, preceding the regular membership meeting, at 7:30pm. Our next meeting will be on August 9th 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

As of July 1st, the beginning of our 2006-2007 fraternal year, we have a membership of 172 Knights. We had to suspend 13 Knights who had not paid their 2005 or 2006 dues and we had four Knights who transferred to another Council. **WE STILL HAVE 18 KNIGHTS WHO HAVE NOT YET PAID THEIR 2006 DUES!!!**

With the new fraternal year comes a new membership and growth campaign, the theme of which remains "The Experience of a Lifetime". Since Father McGivney founded our order 123 years ago, the Knights have been there for its members in their time of need. Catholic men take the first step in bringing the experience of supporting our Church, our families, deepening one's faith, and paving a new direction in one's life by being membership recruitment active.

Being a Knight is truly the experience of a lifetime; an experience that all eligible Catholic men should be given the opportunity to take. **WILL YOU JOIN OUR RECRUITMENT TEAM???**

Remember!!! The only reason a Catholic man does not join the Knights is because he was never asked.

PARISH FESTIVAL

Our St. Brendan Parish Festival is August 11th and 12th. Activities include great food, entertainment, charity raffle, silent auction, carnival rides, adult games, kids games, cake bingo and much more.

VOLUNTEERS are needed, especially for the late shifts, and the Knights have always had a large turnout of their members helping out.



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Sign up sheets are posted in the Church gathering space or you can contact Brother Jeff Keller jkeller3@columbus.rr.com, or call him at 777-6229 for more information. If you have not yet returned your raffle tickets, please do so today. There will be number of 50th anniversary commemorative items available at the Festival.

- **50th anniversary T-shirts for \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children.**
- **50th anniversary cook books for \$10.00.**
- **50th anniversary history books for \$18.00.**
- **Engraved pavers for insertion in our Ten Commandments patio in front of the Church for \$50.00.**

BLOOD DRIVE

The St. Brendan Knights of Columbus blood drive will take place on August 22nd from 2:00 pm until 8:00pm in Wellnitz Hall. Donor signups will take place after all the masses on the weekends of August 13th and August 20th, or you can call Mark Ogden at 771-4294 to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins are also welcome! Please make a life saving donation!

CRAFT SHOW

Our annual Knights of Columbus Craft show is scheduled for November 11th. We mailed out registration forms at our June meeting. Registrations are starting to come in, although somewhat slower than they did last year. I am looking for 2 people who are interested in helping repaint and stencil our sandwich board signs that we place in various locations in Hilliard about 3 weeks before the start of the show. Please either call me at 946-8117 or send me an e-mail at gerryliz@columbus.rr.com if you can help.

Gerry Riendeau, Chairman

PARISH PICNIC

On Sunday, July 23rd, the Knights of Columbus, the Men's Club and the Women's club hosted the St. Brendan Parish Picnic at Homestead Park. The weather cooperated and we had a large number of families turn out to share in the fun. The main dish was catered by our own Brother Knight, Jerry Vachon.

PROJECT MOSES

We will have a dedication of the monument on August 6th after the 10:30am Mass. The Fourth Degree will be present. Please try and make every effort to either attend this Mass or come after Mass and participate in the dedication.

Have you purchased a brick for your family or in memory of a loved one? 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, which includes the engraving. Engraving is limited to 3 lines at 14 characters each.

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. Yes, you can purchase more than one brick.

For additional information, or to order a memorial brick, please contact Jeff Keller at 614-777-6229 or jkeller3@columbus.rr.com. You can also contact any officer of the council to place an order.

FOURTH DEGREE

Our next 4th Degree Exemplification will be in the Fall. Are you interested? Any Sir Knight can answer your questions about the Fourth Degree.

Jerry Abraham

ALTAR SERVER RECOGNITION

52 servers attended the server appreciation day at Wyandot Lake on Thursday, July 21st. Knights of Columbus Council 11208 awarded savings bonds to "Servers of the Year" Sean Quinn, Erica Palag and Andrew Vogel.

Bill brake says that while talking to the servers and their parents while meandering through the Park, everyone was very complimentary. There is no doubt in his mind that all servers' attitudes reciprocated appreciation both to the Parish and the Knights of Columbus.

A big thanks to Bill Brake and Dave Larsen for chairing this great event.



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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.

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 Fred Kerner.

DO YOU HAVE E-MAIL ?

We now have the e-mail addresses of 151 of our 172 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.

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.

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Visit our Web site at www.stbrendankofc.org

DEGREE SCHEDULE

FIRST DEGREE:

August 21st, 2006 at St. Brendan.

October 23rd, 2006 at St Joan of Arc.

November 10th, 2006 at St. Brendan.

January 22, 2007 at St. Joan of Arc.

February 10th, 2007 at St. Brendan.

April 23rd, 2007 at St. Joan of Arc.

May 21st, 2007 at St. Brendan.

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

SECOND AND THIRD DEGREE:

We currently have 62 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 on Sunday, October 29th, at OLPH in Grove City.

Please try to arrange your schedule to attend these Degrees and continue your journey to Knighthood if you have only completed the First Degree.





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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The following Brother Knights have a
Birthday in August



Tony Russo	Aug. 2
Roger Versteeg	Aug. 3
Craig Franz	Aug. 4
Walter Boyuk	Aug. 4
Phil Harris	Aug. 4
Ted Miller	Aug. 11
Gerry Riendeau	Aug. 11
Mike Yuzwa	Aug. 11
Doug Trout	Aug. 12
Bill Bulger	Aug. 14
Marty Mitchell	Aug. 15
Richard Moeller	Aug. 15
Gary Zaft	Aug. 15
Tim Ryan	Aug. 16
Roger Krogwold	Aug. 18
Jerry Abraham	Aug. 18
Greg Poppel	Aug. 21
Ray Hinkelman	Aug. 25
Jonathan Bryan	Aug. 25
Don McGaughey	Aug. 25
Richard Clark	Aug. 27
Jim Schlunt	Aug. 28
Jim Gross	Aug. 29
Steve Miller	Aug. 29
Fr. Rod DiPetro	Aug. 30

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Aug. 9 Board mtg. at 7:30pm in school library.
- Aug. 11/12 Parish Festival at St. Brendan.
- Aug. 16 Membership mtg. @ 7:30pm in Wellnitz
- Aug. 21 First Degree at St. Brendan.
- Sept. 13 Board mtg. @ 7:30pm in school library.
- Sept. 20 Membership mtg. @ 7:30pm in Wellnitz
- Oct. 11 Board mtg. @ 7:30pm in school library.
- Oct. 18 Membership mtg. @ 7:30pm in Wellnitz
- Oct. 23 First Degree at St. Joan of Arc.
- Oct. 29 2nd & 3rd Degree at OLPH in Grove City
- Nov. 11 K of C Craft Show.



Please wish these Brother Knights a Happy Birthday.

Why I Became A Knight!

Editor's Note: This is a first in a series of new articles that we are introducing in our monthly newsletter. As you can see by the title above, it is a short article by one of our members on "Why I Became a Knight." We will feature a new member each month. Our first article features long time Knight Joe Martin.



G.K. Fred has asked that we choose a Knight every month to tell why he joined the K of C. Since I will be a member for 50 years in October, he has asked me to be first. Back when I was growing up in Portsmouth, Ohio, we looked for-

ward to the day we turned 18 so we could join the Knights and follow in the footsteps of our father, grandfather, uncles, etc. Council 741 had a box with white marbles and black marbles in which the Knights would vote on you for membership. What an honor when you found out that you were "white balled" and accepted for membership in the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization. You had the feeling that you were finally an adult and could now serve the Church the same way that the Knights before you had served.

Also, you had the chance to purchase life insurance at an affordable cost. Back then when you joined, you had to purchase insurance. It was not an option. I still have my 20 year paid up premium and continue to receive annual dividends. Two years ago, my wife and I purchased the very affordable K of C Long Term Care Insurance. Now that I am a member of Council 11208, I am able to really get involved with, what I consider, the most active Council anywhere. I now reap the awards that I was not able to when I was working and raising a family. I'm thankful that I joined the Knights and maintained my membership over the past 50 years.

For a more inspiring article on "Why I Became a Knight" turn to Page 30 of the July issue of the "Columbia" magazine.

Joe Martin

