



Knights of Columbus



Council 11208

Chartered November 3, 1993

Ohio Star Council 5 years in a row



Moses Monument Dedication Sunday, August 6, 2006

After months of planning and many hours of volunteer hours by many people, the Moses Monument was finally dedicated after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, August 6. Fr. Rod along with Deacon Wiggins, with an honor guard of 4th Degree Knights, celebrated the blessing of this monument. The names are too numerous to mention of those who assisted on this project, but rest assured that your efforts are well noted and appreciated by all parishoners of St. Brendan's. Thanks to all who attended the mass to offer support for this worthwhile endeavor. 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.



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**Fred Kerner
Grand Knight**

SEPTEMBER 2006

Brother Knights

Work sometimes has a bad reputation in our world. But there is something worse than work, and that is boredom. At least that is what Drs. Kathryn Rost and G. Richard Smith of the University of Arkansas say. After analyzing the mental health of heart attack survivors, they concluded that one factor which greatly reduced the chances of depression was going back to work.

And why not? At work we are often around friends, and people with strong relationships will almost always fare better mentally. But we humans also need to be useful and productive!

Arthur Kroeger wrote in Quote magazine (August 1994) that his brother sometimes visited an Anabaptist colony in southern Alberta, Canada. During one visit he asked leaders how they dealt with the problem of misbehavior - when people rebelled against the colony's strict rules. He was told that these people were first asked to correct their behavior. If they did not respond, they would be given a stern "talking to."

But what do you do when all else fails, when somebody stubbornly refuses to behave?" he pressed.

"Ah," came the reply, "if it comes to that, then we don't give him anything to do."

The ultimate punishment - don't give them any work! If that doesn't sound so bad, just ask those who are unemployed how they feel about not working....

It has been wisely said, "The Lord didn't burden us with work, but rather blessed us with it. We need to be busy and productive.

Whatever it is you do to make a living - be grateful. Those long hours and that feeling of exhaustion at the end of the day come from having something useful to do. Your work is a gift. You are blessed.

***Thanks to author Steve Goodier, for this excerpt from his book "A Life That Makes a Difference."**



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MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

We meet the 3rd. Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm in Wellnitz. Our next meeting will be on September 20th. 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 September 13th 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

Our Oktoberfest Open House is Wednesday, October 18th, at 6:30pm in the school cafeteria. This year we will be hosting our own Brother Robert Hendrix as a guest speaker who will be discussing Estate Planning. Oktoberfest Open House is open to all men of the Parish, so please bring a friend! Food will include bratwurst, bar-be-cue, sauerkraut, etc. There will be no formal meeting, so please come for a night of fraternity, German food, and drink.

The next 1st degree ceremony is on Monday, October 23rd at 8:00pm at St. Joan of Arc in Powell. Please let me know (larsencd@earthlink.net) if you have any candidates that wish to participate in this ceremony and join our Council.

The next 2nd and 3rd Degree ceremonies will be held on Sunday, October 29th, at OLPH in Grove City. For all 1st Degree Knights, and we currently have 62 Knights who need to complete their journey, please check your calendar and see if you can participate in these fulfilling degree ceremonies of Unity and Fraternity. The Degrees begin at 12 noon and last until around 5:00pm, which includes an optional dinner. We will meet at St. Brendan and carpool down to Grove City.

On a more negative note, it is my duty to inform the membership that, as of August 1, 2006, our Council has lost several Brothers. In addition to the 12 Brothers who are under suspension, another 13 will be receiving Knight Alerts. With the lost of 25 members, and Supreme's goal of 9 new members, this means that we have to add 34 new members just to reach out quota. We can use all the help we can get from each one of you to attain our goal. As always, remember, the only reason a Catholic man does not join the Knights is because they were never asked. Please talk with your friends about the Knights. Council brochures and Form 100s are available in the gathering space. Give them to a friend and invite them to our Oktoberfest.

Dave Larsen, Membership Chairman

FOOTBALL RAFFLE

After three successful years of our Ohio State Council Football Raffle, it is that time of year again to get your tickets for this season. Each week will have winners totaling \$1,000 or \$2,000 combined. Winning tickets will be posted on the State web-site www.Ohiokofc.org. Rick Hite is again chairman this year for our Council and has plenty of tickets. You can contact Rick at 746-3938 or rhitek@wowway.com for additional tickets. Tickets are \$10.00 each and all money must be turned in to Rick by our Oktoberfest Open House.

CRAFT SHOW

Our annual Knights of Columbus Craft show is scheduled for November 11th. Registration forms were mailed out at our June meeting and the registrations are starting to come in, although somewhat slower than they did last year. Any questions, please either call me at 946-8117 or send me an e-mail at gerryliz@columbus.rr.com. More information in the October newsletter.

Gerry Riendeau, Chairman

COLUMBUS CHAPTER SUPPORT

At our August meeting we approved the following spending:

- Keep Christ in Christmas Billboard \$250.00
- Sunday TV Mass \$200.00
- Family Rosary Day \$25.00

MID OHIO FOOD BANK

The St. Brendan's Knights of Columbus are volunteering at the Mid-Ohio Food Bank on Tuesday, October 17th, 2006, from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM. This is another opportunity to help the needy in our broader community. The Mid-Ohio Food Bank is responsible for the receipt and distribution of non-perishable food and other products to 480 soup kitchens, pantries and shelters in 20 central Ohio counties. They make sure that usable food products that might otherwise be discarded are distributed to needy in our area.

We should wear old clothes, with possibly a sweatshirt to pull on if the warehouse is cold. We will help sort food for the Food Bank and should be there promptly at 6:00pm so the volunteer coordinator can "train" us as a group. The Food Bank is located at 1625 West Mound Street, 1/2 mile west of Cooper Stadium:

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DIRECTIONS FROM HILLIARD AREA: Take Rt. 270 south to Rt. 70 East. Get off at the Broad Street Exit; turn left on Broad. Travel to and turn right at Central Avenue. Travel to Mound St. and turn right. Mid-Ohio Food Bank will be on the left in less than a half of a mile. I hear rumors that we will share pizza and beverages after 8:00 PM.
Chris Warren, Chairman

NEW INSURANCE AGENT

We are glad to welcome back Mark Mandel as our new insurance agent. Mark's phone number is 614-308-2294 and his email is markmandel@wowway.com.

Some facts about K of C Insurance:

- The Knights of Columbus life insurance in force grew to more than \$60 Billion dollars in 2006.
- For the 31st consecutive year, the A.M. Best Company, a worldwide insurance rating and information agency, has given the Knights of Columbus it's highest rating, A++ (Superior).
- For the 14th consecutive year, Standard's and Poor's, the financial industry's foremost independent rating bureau, has given the Knights of Columbus its highest rating: AAA (Extremely Strong).
- If you need insurance, contact Mark today.

OFFICER INSTALLATION

On Sunday, August 6th, our District Deputy, Ed Olenhouse, assisted by Bob Eggerichs and Jim Cogan, formally inducted the officers of Council 11208. After the ceremony, refreshments were served by Jim & Sue York.



3rd Degree Knight and Treasurer Frank Collette receives his medal from wife Georgine at the Installation of Officers on August 6.

BLOOD DRIVE

The St. Brendan Knights of Columbus blood drive was held on August 22nd from 2:00 pm until 8:00pm in Wellnitz Hall. The American Red Cross collected 46 productive units of blood at the August 22nd blood drive sponsored by the St. Brendan Knights of Columbus. This amount once again exceeded our goal. The next blood drive will be on December 6th. The Knights would like to thank everyone who donated and supported this important effort.

Mark Ogden

FOURTH DEGREE

Thank you to all of the Sir Knights, especially the Brothers of Council 11208, who served as Honor Guard for the dedication of the Ten Commandments Monument on August 6. I hope that all of you who participated in your first Honor Guard will consider doing it again sometime. For our Council Brothers who would like to join future Honor Guards, there is always an Exemplification "around the corner". As a Fourth Degree Sir Knight it is always an honor to serve as a member of an Honor Guard for special events including Confirmations, First Communion and special Masses celebrated by Bishop Campbell throughout the city. A little known fact is that Sir Knights serve as Honor Guards for deceased third degree and fourth degree K of C Brothers if requested by the family.

Jerry Abraham

HELP WANTED

Brother Jim York is asking for volunteers to usher at the Saturday night Mass. He also needs volunteers to set up the multi purpose room for 10:30AM Sunday Masses. If you can help, give Jim a call at 873-6899.

GOODBYE JOHN & JUDY

Brother Knight John Torri and his wife Judy will be moving to: 2033 Butterfly Lane, Apt. #411, Naperville, Il. 60563, in September to be closer to their families. John & Judy were members of St. Brendan for 19 years and both were Eucharistic Ministers. John was involved in the Men's Club, a charter member of Council 11208, Financial Secretary for 8 years for our Council, an original member of the New Year's Eve Committee and a ready volunteer anytime he was needed at St. Brendan. Judy was a member of the Women's Club, an original member of the New Year's Eve Committee, and also a ready volunteer anytime she was needed at St. Brendan. Both will be greatly missed by all of us. A going away party was held for them on Saturday night, August 19th, at the home of Jim & Marge Cogan.



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The following Brother Knights have a
Birthday in September



Steve Maziarz	Sept. 2
Scott Torbet	Sept. 3
Hylas Stemen	Sept. 4
Rich Roth	Sept. 5
Kim Friloux	Sept. 6
Chris Hartle	Sept. 7
Jim Janix	Sept. 8
Jim Riley	Sept. 11
Jim Lynch	Sept. 16
Doug Maag	Sept. 20
Ed Govekar	Sept. 21
Mike Elfrink	Sept. 22
Terry Henkel	Sept. 22
Jim Cogan	Sept. 23
Tom Mathews	Sept. 26
Ed Olenhouse	Sept. 29
David Hughes	Sept. 29

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept. 11	First Degree at St. Brigid of Kildare.
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	Oktoberfest Open House at 6:30pm in Wellnitz.
Oct. 23	First Degree at St. Joan of Arc.
Oct. 29 nd & 3 rd	Degree at OLPH in Grove City
Nov. 11	K of C Craft Show.





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OSU FOOTBALL CONCESSION STAND

Did you know that the Men's Club have a concession stand at all the home OSU football games? They are looking for volunteers. If you have children in school at St. Brendan's, working at the concession stand can be credited for school required volunteer hours. Since 2000, the Men's club has proudly donated over \$80,000 to the parish General Fund from money raised at the OSU concessions and Las Vegas Nights. If you are interested in volunteering, you can call me for more information.

Joe Martin (850-9095)

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 Dave Larsen.

DO YOU HAVE E-MAIL ?

We now have the e-mail addresses of 150 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.

Joe Martin

**5043 Breckenhurst Dr.
Hilliard, Ohio 43026 850-9095 or**

JoeandJan@wowway.com

DEGREE SCHEDULE

FIRST DEGREE:

September 11th, 2006 at St. Brigid of Kildare.

October 23rd, 2006 at St Joan of Arc.

November 10th, 2006 at St. Brendan.

December 4th, 2006 at St. Brigid of Kildare.

January 22nd, 2007 at St. Joan of Arc.

February 10th, 2007 at St. Brendan.

March 5th, 2007 at St. Brigid of Kildare.

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

May 21st, 2007 at St. Brendan.

June 4th, 2007 at St. Brigid of Kildare.

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.

WELCOME FR. JEFF

As many of you know, Fr. Jeff Coning has arrived at St. Brendan's as our resident Priest. He is a Knight of the 3rd Degree and is in charge of Vocations for the Diocese of Columbus working directly for Bishop Campbell.

Fr. Jeff has agreed to be the Chaplain of Council 11208. We look forward to having him attend our meetings and participating in our many activities when he is able. Please welcome Fr. Jeff into our Council when you see him.

Why I Became A Knight!

Editor's Note: This is a second 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.



Since I procrastinated this month and didn't ask someone to do an article on "Why I Became A Knight," I thought I would offer my own story.

I grew up in the Protestant church,

Evangelical Lutheran to be exact. I met my wife Joy in 1972 and we were married in February 1973. I had to agree to raise our children Catholic if we were to be married in the Catholic church. Much to my parents, and in particular my father's dismay, I agreed. I spent the next 25 years going to mass each Sunday, helping our children with their Catechism and volunteering in the church.

On our 25th wedding anniversary in 1998, I decided, "if you can't beat em, join em," and officially became a Catholic. And besides, Msr. Maroon is a very persuasive man.

Our esteemed brother, and District Deputy, Ed Olenhouse, would occasionally drop hints that I should join the Knights. My work schedule in previous jobs didn't permit me to participate in many extra activities. But I finally relented and joined in 2003. Little did I realize that 3 years later I would be the Grand Knight. They always taught me in the Navy, "Never volunteer for anything." What do they know.

If you are wondering "Why I Became A Knight" all you need do is look at the picture above. Many of the faces in that picture had a direct hand in putting that monument in front of the church. It is those efforts such as "Project Moses" and other community projects that makes me proud to be a Knight of Council 11208.

I initially felt that I was joining the Knights to get Ed Olenhouse off my back, at least that's the joke that I tell everyone. But I am truly proud to be a part of a great organization and a great bunch of people. I just hope that in my years as a Knight that I can measure up to the task and be as supportive of the many worthwhile events and activities that our council is involved in. Thank you for letting me be a part of your organization.

Fred Kerner

