December, 2009

Grand Knight's Report



Grand Knight Jim Sanzi

Brother Knights and Families,

Greetings everyone, the Thanksgiving Holiday is here and it is time to give thanks for all the blessings that have been bestowed on us. We had beautiful weather this summer and fall. The leaves were beautiful this fall. We have had no snow and we are heading in to late November.

I want to thank everyone who came to our Memorial Mass November 4th; we had a great turnout of members and family. I want to thank everyone for their prayers and cards as my mother-in-law passed away at the end of October.

I would like to ask your help in baking cookies for our annual children's Christmas Party for the disabled and under privileged children at St. Augustine's Church, December 6th. Last year, your response was overwhelming with cookies everyone donated. I hope you are able to help again this year. If you do not have to time to bake you can send a donation to Henry Kleinhenz to offset some of the cost of the gifts, food and supplies. Your generosity for this event is a joy to be a part of this Council.

Don't forget the Grand Knights Christmas Party this year. Please make your reservation ASAP. Call Ray Metsch or Henry Kleinhenz. Prepayment is necessary as the LeCenter requires payment before the event. Look for details in the Narrator.

Have a safe Thanksgiving Holiday if your are traveling.

Please keep all our Brothers and their family in your prayers.

Vivat Jesus Fraternally Yours

Jim Sanzi Grand Knight sanzi@att.net 440-465-6743

St. Augustine Christmas Party for the children will be December 6th at 1:00 p.m. The need for **COOKIES** is great as always. If you can help let Kevin Sheehan know by calling 440-333-4445 or attend one of the meetings in November. Your help is much appreciated.

IN MEMORAL:

December Anniversaries:

12/11/75	John A. Freeborn	12/05/76
12/31/81	Leo J. Swietyniowski	12/01/85
12/02/86	Richard B. Shannon	12/21/01
	12/31/81	•

Roy Seitz 12/09/07

Remember all those whom have died this past year.

K of C 4731 Officer for the 2009 / 2010 Fraternal Year

Grand Knight – Jim Sanzi

DGK – Kevin Cornelius

Recorder—Mark Cunningham

Warden – Peter Frank

Outside Guard—Wayne Petre, PGK

Trustee 1 year – Gene Hanzely

Chaplin - Fr. Joseph McNulty
Chancellor—Jim Bauer

Treasurer—Jim Buckley
Inside Guard—Rudy Chavez
Lecture—Dennis Carlton

Trustee 2 year – Ray Metsch

Trustee 3 year - Kevin Sheehan

KEEP THE SICK IN OUR PRAYERS:

Jim Bauer's wife Wanda, brother John and father in law Fred Nicholson, Carol Senko Wife Of Phil, Tom Groff, Chuck Novak, Gerald Dietrich & his wife Kay, Jean Chokan, Norm Musial's wife Pat, Ray Babinec's Brother in law Ron Westbrook, Jay Ellis, Dan Dugan, Kevin Sheehan Mother in-law Jeanne Yanochao, Jim Allen, Charles Halpin, Shirley Wolfe & her daughter Denise, Howard Schmieler, Ed Frindt's wife Carol, Lou Vinoverski, Ethel Lewis & Ruth Forthofer, Pat Ielapi, and all the Members of our Council who are in need along with all the victim of the wars in the world.

Special Notice: Please contact Phil Senko if you would like to have a Get Well or Sympathy card sent to a Brother Knight or a member of a Brother Knight's Family. Phil can be reached at 440-779-9875 or email him at Allknightphill@hotmail.com.

Remember the Rosary

On the third Wednesday of each month the Rosary will be said in **Terrace Room**. All are welcome to attend at 7:00 pm,. The second meeting of the month will be held following the Rosary.

North Olmsted Knights of Columbus

Chaplin: Rev Joseph McNulty (216-781-5530) Grand Knight: Jim Sanzi (4440-427-9693) Financial Secretary: Henry Kleinhenz (440-235-0675) "Narrator" Editor: Tom Kilbane (440-933-9964)

Give Someone A Christmas Membership Gift of Family Values This Year

Membership in the Knights of Columbus promotes a Christmas gift of family values that lasts a lifetime by providing numerous activities throughout the year that the family can participate in.

Youth:

Free Throw Basketball Contest Soccer Kickoff Contest **Adults:**

Saint Augustine Christmas Party Grand Knight's Christmas Party

Parmadale

Entire Family:

Knights and their friends

Fish Fry Ash Wednesday and every Friday in Lent Two Communion Breakfasts per year Knights of Columbus Family Picnic American Flag internment ceremony on Flag Day Ohio Charities Knight at the races First Degree ceremonies Annual Steak Roast

Personal reasons you may want to get yourself and others to be active members in K of C:

An opportunity to become part of the world's largest Catholic fraternal organization

A great way to make a personal contribution to the Church and community through charity and fraternity

Active participation in Council activities serves as a "school of leadership" which will enable you to develop qualities that enhance your strengths and abilities

A sense of "belonging" in an organization that shares your religious beliefs and brings to together like-minded men joined in a common cause Concerns for your family and your retirement years can be addressed by the

Orders optional, low-cost life insurance A sense of pride, knowing that the Knights of Columbus is second to none in

support of our Holy Father, our Bishops and Priests, and our fellow man.

Please contact Co-Director of Membership:

Paul C. Mathieson Phone: (440) 835-7203 E-Mail: paulmathieson@msn.com Jerry D. Nowesnick Phone: (440) 336-0039 E-Mail: jnowesnick@wowway.com

Visit our WEB SITE at www.kofc4731.org . If you would like to view the NARRATOR on the web site and not receive a mailed copy please contact Tom Kilbane, (440-933-9964) tkilbane@ameritech.net; or Henry Kleinhenz (440-235-0675). We will be setting up an email delivery to let you know when the current NARRATOR is posted.

Notice deadline for the Next Narrator is <u>December 16th</u>. If you have something that you would like to put in the Narrator check with the Grand Knight, then sent it to me as a attachment in MS Word. My Email address is tkilbane@ameritech.net. Please subject it K of C.

Christmas Gift Shop at the Brecksville VA Hospital

As Christmas approaches, brother Knights, families, and friends are being asked to make a special effort to help our hospitalized military veterans at Brecksville VA Medical Center.

I am seeking volunteers to help at the Brecksville Christmas Gift Shop November 30th and December1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th. For your help you will receive a free lunch at the hospital cafeteria, what a deal. We are also looking for donations to support the effort and to help defray cost for the gifts to the veterans. To make a donation to this year's Christmas Gift Shop Fund at the Brecksville VA Hospital, make your check payable to: Brecksville VA Medical Center, for GPF #1039" and send it to, Louis Kaszas 24850 Maple Ridge Rd. Westlake, OH 44145-4933, I will forward your gifts to the VAVS Gift Shop Treasurer. For further questions contact me, Louis Kaszas at 216-287-2050 or e-mail at kaszas@ameritech.net.

A SPIRITUAL NEED FOR HOSPITALIZED VETETRANS

Chaplin Services at Brecksville VA Hospital is in dire need of escorts and Extraordinary Ministers (Eucharistic Ministers). Currently due to the shortage of help, Catholic disabled veterans are unable to attend Sunday Mass. Their only option is to watch the Mass on TV and not have the opportunity to share in the body of Christ through the Eucharist. Your help would be greatly appreciated even if it is only once a month or a few times a year. Please contact Linda Kaczmarek at Chaplain Services at Brecksville VA Hospital. 440-526-3030 Ext. 6265 or e-mail at linda.kaczmarek@va.gov. If you have further questions you can contact Lou Kaszas, VA Chairman Cleveland West at 216-287-2050 or e-mail at kaszas@ameritech.net.

1959 to 2009 500th Anniversary of the Knights of Columbus Brunswick, Ohio Council 4847.

In 1959, when Brunswick was country, a bunch of men got together because they though Brunswick needed a Knights of Columbus Council. Thirty five men were charter members (19 are deceased now).

To Celebrate this on November 7th, 2009 a Mass was held at St. Ambrose Church in Brunswick and a banquet, meeting and dance was held at Mapleside farms Restaurant in Brunswick. Four Charter Members were present and Ralph Kearns was asked to read the minutes from the first meeting of September 17, 1959. Ralph was the first Recorded of the Council.

Ralph Kearns is a very active member of North Olmsted Council 4731.

Keep Christ in Christmas Magnets:

Our council will be selling the magnets starting in November. Contact Kevin Cornelius 440-871-4020.

These magnets are great to display during the Holiday's.

Bros If you plan to move or be out of town for a period of time please inform the F.S. Return mail is costly and it is money from your council operating fund. If you have dropped your land line and only have a cell phone please call or write the F.S. so we have a way to **get in touch** with you and also keep the records correct. **F.S. Henry Kleinhenz**, **7425 Willow Wood**, **North Olmsted**, **Ohio 44070-6329**. **Phone # 440-235-0675**





Grand Knight's Christmas Party

WHERE: LaCentre

25777 Detroit Road, Westlake

WHEN: Saturday, Dec 19th

Cocktails at 6:30pm

COST: \$25/person

Hurry! Only 80 reservations available!

<u>Reservations must be paid before Dec 12th</u>

(LeCentre requires payment 1 week in advance)

Specify your choice of Chicken Breast or Sirloin Steak when making reservations!

For reservations, contact: Kevin Cornelius 440-871-4020 Henry Kleinhenz 440-235-0675









Knights of Columbus

North Olmsted Council #4731

November 15, 2009

Dear Brother Knights,

The 37th Annual St. Augustine Children's Christmas Party is scheduled for Sunday, December 6th. This is one of the most important events of our Council. We have been very successful in the past, providing many children with a Christmas celebration and gifts they would otherwise not have. Last year Santa saw over 400 neighborhood boys and girls. This will be the <u>only Christmas</u> for many of these kids.

Unfortunately, do to the economic down turn this year; we are expecting a large turn out of families. Because of the importance of this event and because of the joy it brings to the children, we do not wish to diminish it in any way. Therefore, I am asking if you would be willing to donate a small sum so we can continue to give a fitting and memorable Christmas to those who have so little. If so, please mail your donation to our Financial Secretary, Henry Kleinhenz at 7425 Willow Woods Drive, North Olmsted, Ohio, 44070.

In past years, we have distributed cookies to each of the 400 plus children and family members. Therefore, we will need a lot of cookies. If you and/or your wife could bake or buy cookies, it would be greatly appreciated.

If you would like to join us as a volunteer for this event, please contact Kevin Sheehan, at 216-389-0222.

I know I am asking a lot of you in this letter. Any help you can extend for these children will be greatly appreciated.

Fraternally Yours,

Jim Sanzi Grand Knight

St. Augustine's 2010 Calendar

I would like to thank the knights who purchased the St. Augustine's Calendar from me in prior years. Last year I sold over 30 of which about 20 were winners so far. The calendars are \$25 each. Each calendar has a number and your name/address is registered for the daily drawing in 2010. This gives you an opportunity to win daily (perhaps several times): **\$25.00** and on special days as much as \$100. At least two of the calendars I sold last year won more than once. These calendars are beautifully made and you will enjoy having them in your home. **They also make wonderful gifts**, giving others a chance also to win as well as to enjoy this calendar. Most of all, the calendars provide needed support for the Hunger Center.

If you would like one, and are not planning on attending the KofC / St Augustine's Christmas party on Sunday December 6th, please call me 440-779-9725 and I will hold a calendar for you.

If you would like to purchase one please contact me or call Sr. Janet Kondra at St. Augustine's (216-781-5530). They are being sold through early January 2010.

If you have purchased a calendar from another person, please feel free to purchase one again from the same source.

ATTEND A MEETING AND WIN!

Each Month until the end of this year a prize of \$25.00 per month will be awarded to the lucky Knight whose name is drawn, and is present at the meeting. GOOD LUCK!

The drawing for Nov was for \$25.00

The first meeting, No Drawing because of the Memorial Mass

The second meeting, Van Peplin was not present.

The December drawing will be for \$30.00

Knights of Columbus List of Upcoming Degree Dates

Note: Details listed on web Site www.kofc4731.org/membership

Date	Degree	Time	Location	Contact	Phone
12-09-09	First	7 P.M.	North Olmsted Council	Paul Mathieson	440-835-7203
12-15-09	First	7 P.M.	Strongsville Council	Bill Pring	440-234-9503
1-14-10	1st & 2nd	7:30 P.M.	Cuyahoga Falls	Larry Valentine	330-328-2137
1-21-10	First	7:30 P.M.	North Ridgeville	Ted Lapponi	440-315-6527
1-31-10	THIRD	1:30 P.M.	Garfield Heights	George Metz	440-449-0081
2-18-10	First	7:30 P.M.	North Ridgeville	Ted Lapponi	440-315-6527
3-10-10	First	7 P.M.	North Olmsted Council	Paul Mathieson	440-835-7203

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Council #4731 is selling "Keep Christ in Christmas" magnets. They are the type that stick to your car like the support the troops ribbon but carry a special message that seems to get lost during the Christmas season. The price is \$3.00 each. The profits support the St. Augustine Christmas Party provided by our Knight of Columbus Council, for the underprivileged and handicapped children. This Christmas party will be on December 6th. Your support is greatly appreciated. Please contact Lou Kaszas at 216-287-2050 or e-mail at kaszas@ameritech.net to order these amazing Keep Christ in Christmas magnets. The actual size of the magnets is 6.5" X 6.5". We will also be selling the magnets after Masses on November 14th &15th Saturday Mass at 4:30 PM and Sunday Masses at 9:30AM and 11AM. We will also repeat the same schedule on the weekend of November 21st and 22nd.





Fr. Joseph McNulty Celebrating Mass



Grand Knight Jim Sanzi reads the names of the Knights who passed away during 2009, Dante Lavelle, Roger McNea, & Robert Dorenkott



Fr. Joe is escorted by the Fourth Degree of Bishop O'Reilly Assembly No. 816 from Church after the Mass.

2009 Memorial Mass at The Church of St. Clarence was said by Farther Joseph McNulty and attended by over 60 Brother Knights and their Families. A reception was held in the Gathering Room after the Mass .

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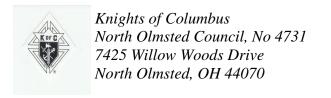


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Next Meeting: December 2nd MEETINGS ARE ON THE FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:30 PM CALL 440-235-0675 FOR MORE INFORMATION

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

Dec 1	Officers Meeting, Class Room St. Clarence
Dec 2	Regular Mtg. Of Council 4731, 7:30p.m. Terrace Room, St. Clarence
Dec 6	Children's Christmas Party at St. Augustine
Dec 9	First Degree at North Olmsted Council Paul Mathieson 440-835-7203
Dec 15	First Degree at Strongsville, Bill Pring 440-234-9503
Dec 16	Rosary before Meeting 7:00pm
Dec 16	Regular Mtg. Of Council 4731, 7:30p.m. Terrace Room, St. Clarence
Dec 19	Grand Knights Christmas Party La Centrae Conference and Banquet Facility
Dec 25	CHRISTMAS DAY
Jan 1	New Years Day