THE NARRATOR

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The Newsletter of the North Olmsted



Knights of Columbus Council #4731



Knight at the Races Saturday, April 29



Crucial Fundraiser for St. Augustine Rainbow Camp . . . We Need YOU! (More Info at <u>www.kofc4731.org</u>)

1 – Attend and Bring Friends (And Reserve a Table) – Horse racing with wagering on the results. Food, drink (beer and wash included, BYOB) and door prizes provided. Tickets \$20 in advance, \$25 at door. Fund raising event benefits St. Augustine Rainbow Camp which services social needs of area children with and without disabilities.

2 – Help Out at the Event – Many volunteers needed for setup and working the event, including 25 wager takers. You will still have plenty of time to enjoy the evening.

3 – **Sponsor a Race** – For \$100 you get your name at the top of a race page and a quarter page for your message at the bottom of the race page (can be an ad for recruitment with phone numbers and contact persons or encouragement for the camp).

4 – Buy or Sell Ads in Souvenir Program – \$90 for full page (3'1/2" x 10"), \$50 for half page (3'1/2" x 5"), \$30 for quarter page (3'1/2" x 2"),

5 – Sponsor a Horse – For \$20, you can name the horse and win prizes if your horse wins.

6 – Donate a Door Prize – Gift cards, event tickets, household items, golf items, bottles of adult beverages, etc.

7 – Become an Event Leader – We need a couple of men to be chairmen-in-training this year toward to goal of taking over the reins in 2018. Coordinating Knight at the Races is a lot of fun. Inquire to Bill Goellner at (440) 427-0439 or goellner8158@wowway.com or Kevin Sheehan at (216) 389-0222 or kofc4731@aol.com. Thank you

In Memoriam – May and June

Please remember the following deceased members in your prayers . . .

Joseph A Somerville	05/22/62	Chuck Novak	05/29/10
Adolf E. Spakowski, PGK	05/03/72	Stuart A. Foster	05/09/13
John E. Kilbane	05/09/75	Eamon A. D'Arcy	05/16/14
Edward J. Kimmick	05/30/80	Louis A. Cargo	05/03/15
Vincent J. Amaddio	05/22/85	Louis B. Markling	06/23/62
Leo T. Lasky	05/24/86	George A. Gross	06/23/72
David C. Mersing, Sr	05/12/87	Edward J. Zarn, SR	06/08/74
Thomas W. Ballash	05/19/90	Melvin J. O'Hara	06/20/87
Thomas O'Grady, PGK	05/27/91	Bernard M. Lyons, PGK	06/28/93
Raymond Ted Mack, PGK	05/28/92	John W. Lesick	06/19/96
Robert T. Young	05/21/95	Frank Fanta	06/20/97
Jerome J. Sklarek	05/13/99	Leonard S. Emery	06/13/03
James D. Boehmer	05/29/99	Guido J. Cassno	06/06/08
Frederick Heierding	05/18/00	Robert Dorenkott	06/14/09
Rev. Joseph Wagner	05/11/05	Ronald J. Wike	06/07/14
Edward F. O'Brien	05/06/08		

Charity Unity Fraternity Patriotism



Grand Knight's Message

April is a busy month for us Brothers, and I am asking all of you for your help. The solemn season of Lent has come to a close and we have celebrated the Risen Christ on Easter Sunday. Please continue to keep your Brother Knights and this council in your prayers.

The Ohio Charity Ticket Campaign has begun and we need to sell 2,000 tickets from our council this year. Each of you should have received your tickets. We are looking

for your help in getting as many of them sold by the end of April as we can. This insures that we get our largest rebate back from State. There will be more info elsewhere in this issue of the *Narrator*.

Don't forget Knight at the Races April 29th at St. Clarence. We are in need of volunteers to help run the windows; at least for some of the races. Your wife is more than welcome to help you out. It is an easy process. We will show you everything you need to know. Please give it a try. It is for the kids after all...

We are still working on a plan to help new members feel more a part of our council. If you are interested in helping us contact and work with the new members, please give me a call (216) 389-0222.

Hope you all had a joyous and Happy Easter! See you at the next meeting!

Kevin Sheehan, Grand Knight, Council #4731



17th Annual Knights of Columbus Flag Retirement Ceremony – June 14

North Olmsted Council will join with North Olmsted VFW Post 7647, 4th Degree Bishop O'Reilly Assembly and various scouting groups to hold a solemn Flag Retirement (Internment) on Flag Day, June 14. The specific scouting groups that will participate include North Olmsted Cub Scout Pack #153, Westlake Boy Scout Troop #225 from St. Bernadette parish, Boy Scout Troop #421 of

Fairview Park, and Boy Scout Troop #664 of North Olmsted.

During the ceremony, flags that are weathered or damaged and therefore no longer fit for display are respectfully burned in accordance with proper flag etiquette. The first North Olmsted Council Flag Retirement Ceremony was organized by Jim Bailey, PGK and James M. Barrett, Jr. in June, 2014. Please consider attending and joining in this patriotic event.

Tribute to Paul C. Mathieson, PGK

At our April 5 business meeting current Grand Knight Kevin Sheehan presented a council plaque to Past Grand Knight Paul C. Mathieson in appreciation for his service to the council as Grand Knight. Kevin also presented a second plaque awarded by the Greater Cleveland Chapter in recognition for all of Paul's efforts on behalf of the chapter and the council.



Thanks for all you do for the Knights, Paul.

Please Keep These Folks in Your Prayers

Over the past couple of months we have prayed at our meetings for the following people. We ask all of you and your families to keep these people in your prayers:

Henry Kleinhenz FS.PGK. PFN, Tom Lisy PGK and his wife Jan, Ruth McNamara, Bob & Edith Schmieler, Lou Kaszas, Kevin Sheehan's Mother, Father and Mother in-law Jeanne Yanochao, Bill Luke PGK, Paul Mathieson PGK, Jim Bailey PFN, Tony and Marilyn Colnar, Francis Moran, Peg Warden, Ray Metsch's wife Gayle, Dennis Carlton, Ed Chavez, Rudy Chavez, Tom Kilbane PGK, Peter Frank, Cathy Sanzi, John Cooney, Marilyn Morgan, Una Ellis, Dr. Robert Kubinski, Bill Marquard, Tom Hart's wife Kay, Joe Martis, Tom Hummer and for the repose of the souls of John Gill, Bill Norris PGK of Trinity Council and Ken Herron of Trinity Council.

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We need more patrons. Each time the *NARRATOR* is produced, over 200 copies have to be printed by a professional printing company and then mailed out. This results in a significant expense for printing and postage. We are working toward migrating much of the *NARRATOR* distribution to the internet, but there are a number of members who do not have internet access.

Last year we had nearly 50 patrons, which was a great help. All patrons will have their names published in each future issue of the *NARRATOR*. To participate please make your \$10.00 check payable to North Olmsted Council 4731, and mail it to Henry Kleinhenz, 7425 Willow Woods Drive, North Olmsted, Ohio 44070.

Measure Up Collection Help Needed

Brother knight and Youth Director, Ray Rowe, needs brother knights to solicit donations for the developmentally disabled outside Discount Drug Mart and other locations the last week of April and the first week of May. Contact brother Ray at (440) 779-9255 or momrowe13@yahoo.com.

You Are the Key to Our Growth

All Knights of Columbus are encouraged to actively recruit new members. The future of our council hinges on growth in membership.

Ask all Catholic men to consider joining our charitable, social, fraternal and patriotic organization. If someone expresses interest, and you do not have a membership application, you can obtain one by contacting our temporary membership chairman, Paul C. Mathieson at (440) 835-7203. Recruiting is especially crucial as we have lost a lot of active members to newly formed councils at nearby parishes.

Charity Ticket Campaign is On . . . Your Sales Are <u>Needed</u>

The annual Ohio Knights of Columbus Charity Ticket Campaign is well underway, and we need to sell **2,700 tickets** from our council this year. You should have received your tickets either at a meeting or in the mail. Most of the proceeds from ticket sales come back to our council from state for use in our council's local charitable activities.

We are looking for your help in getting as many of them sold by early May as we can to meet the final turn-in date. Early ticket sales were good, which insures that we will get our largest rebate back from State.

Brother Tom Vojtek is chairing this committee again this year. If you need tickets or have ticket sales to turn in, please contact Tom at (440) 382-4471 or <u>tvojtek@wowway.com</u>. Thanks for your help.

Nominations Needed for Upcoming Elections

Elections for 2017-2018 fraternal year officers will be held either at the last meeting in May or the first meeting in June. Prior to the elections our nominating committee will be seeking members who are willing to take leadership positions in our council.

This is a great opportunity to do something special for the knights and to grow as a leader and as a Catholic man. Please consider offering your services. See any of our nominating committee members, namely Kevin Sheen, Ray Metsch, Jim Stanzi and Bill Goellner.

Have Fun ... Man Our "Super Cash Bonanza" Public Ticket Sale Locations

"Super Cash Bonanza" is a huge fundraiser for our council. So North Olmsted Council needs you to man a shift to sell tickets at the following locations: Avon Lake Giant Eagle and Westlake Promenade Giant Eagle in April, Rocky River Giant Eagle May 6-8, and North Olmsted Water Tower Giant Eagle May 12-14.

Cash awards in the form of discounts off your dues are also given for volumes of ticket sales. The tickets you sell at these weekend events count towards these discounts. The more you sell, the more you receive.

The annual Knights of Columbus "Super Cash Bonanza" raffle offers \$108,000 in CASH prizes! So, besides helping sell the tickets at these events, be sure to buy tickets yourself and sell them to your friends to have a chance at winning big money.

Our ticket chairman Tom Vojtek is waiting for your call at (440) 382-4471 to choose your shifts. Thanks for your help.

Recruiting Event	State Convention
St. Clarence Ministry Fair	Alternate Delegates Needed
St. Clarence Parish will hold its annual Ministry Fair	Two alternate delegates are needed for the Ohio
after all masses the weekend of May 20 and 21.	State Knights of convention May 26-28 in
North Olmsted Council will also be recruiting new	Columbus in case Grand Knight Kevin Sheehan or
members at this event. So, please come by and help	Deputy Grand Knight Jim Szczublewski are
out. You may be the one who says the right words	unable to attend. Contact Kevin or Jim if you are
to bring in a new member.	interested.

Check Out Our Council Website ... KofC4731.org

Members of North Olmsted Council can now stay up to date on all Council activities simply by going to our online North Olmsted Council website at www.kofc4731.org.

A wealth of information is available on our website, including a calendar of upcoming meetings and events, photos from recent council activities, current and past issues of our council's newsletter The *Narrator*, links to state and national KofC and other Catholic websites, contact information for council officers and more.

Many thanks to Past Grand Knight Paul Mathieson, who is doing a great job as our webmaster.

... Sell Me Please ...



Great fundraiser for our council and our charities. Sell to earn discounts off your dues! Buy a few for yourself to win your share of \$108,000! See related stories in this issue of the *Narrator* for more details.

Leaders Wanted – No Experience Necessary Make New Friends and Have Fun

We are seeking members who wish to put your leadership skills to work as either North Olmsted Council's membership chairman or as co-chairs of next year's Knight at the Races.

On the job training and mentorship are provided. The positions offer great compensation through lots of fun, meeting new people and the rewards of a job well done. Contact Grand Knight Kevin Sheehan (216) 389-0222 to become a leader.

Council Shirts and Jackets Available

Advocate Bill Goellner, PGK has order forms for monogrammed North Olmsted Council shirts and jackets. Both long sleeve and short sleeve shirts as well as a variety of jackets are available. To order contact Bill at (440) 427-0439 or bgoellner8158@wowway.co

K of C Luncheon Club – Second Thursday of Every month

The K of C Luncheon Club meets at 11:30 am on the second Thursday of every month at Fuji's Grill & Buffet, 1930 Snow Road in Parma.

All K of C members, clergy and lady guests are welcome to attend. The next two luncheon club meetings are May 11 and June 8.

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Next Meetings: May 3 & 17; June 7 & 21 MEETINGS ARE ON THE FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS OF THE MONTH AT 7:30 PM CALL 216-389-0222 FOR MORE INFORMATION

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER (More Info Inside):

Apr 28-30 Measure UP Collections, Discount Drug Mart – North Olmsted

- Apr 29 Knight at the Races; 6:00 pm at St. Clarence
- May 2 Officers Meeting, 7:30 pm Class Room St. Clarence
- May 3 Chaplet of the Divine Mercy Before Meeting, 7:15 pm
- May 3 Business Meeting of Council 4731, 7:30 pm Terrace Room St. Clarence
- May 5-7 Measure UP Collections, Discount Drug Mart North Olmsted
- May 11 K of C Luncheon Club Fu Ji's Grill and Buffet Parma
- May 17 Rosary Before Meeting, 7:00 pm
- Mar 17 Social Meeting, 7:30 pm Terrace Room St. Clarence
- Jun 6 Officers Meeting, 7:30 pm Class Room St. Clarence
- Jun 7 Chaplet of the Divine Mercy Before Meeting, 7:15 pm
- Jun 7 Business Meeting of Council 4731, 7:30 pm Terrace Room St. Clarence
- Jun 14 Flag Retirement Ceremony, Outside Pavilion and Terrace Room St. Clarence
- Jun 14 K of C Luncheon Club Fu Ji's Grill and Buffet Parma
- Jun 21 Rosary Before Meeting, 7:00 pm
- Jun 21 Social Meeting of Council 4731, 7:30 pm Terrace Room St. Clarence