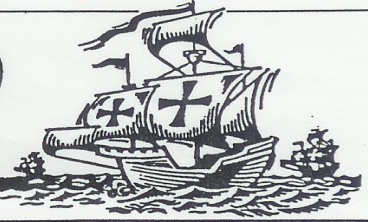


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The Newsletter of the North Olmsted



Knights of Columbus Council #4731

Fall 2020

Henry Kleinhenz, PGK Retires as Financial Secretary

A major change has occurred! After 27 years as Financial Secretary, Henry Kleinhenz, PGK has stepped down as Financial Secretary of our council. As many of you know, Henry has been a driving force within the council, keeping our council up to date on Supreme. Kevin Cornelius, PGK, FDD has taken on the role of Financial Secretary for our council. Over the past 6 months, Henry has been mentoring Kevin on many of the duties during the transition. Referencing the TV show MASH, Kevin says he feels like Klinger taking over for Radar! Kevin asks for patience and prayers as he takes on the new role. Henry has been a knight for 60 years. In every one of those years he has either led a committee which served the youth or the poor in our community or held a chair which led and inspired his brother Knights. Henry is ever-present, engaged and passionate. He is the heart and soul of our council. He knows every job, and every committee; probably because he's done every job and chaired every committee. There is no detail too small to slip by his vigilant guardianship of our Order; from insuring we have the proper literature from Supreme, to making sure meetings are run in an inclusive and orderly way. We rely on him, are comforted by his presence and blessed by his continued unrelenting contribution. Most importantly each of us models our knighthood after his example. Whenever he stands to address the men, he holds the attention and respect of everyone in the room. The foundation he has laid by his dedication and work ethic over the last 60 years will insure a council and that will thrive and grow for another 150 years and beyond. And so we salute Henry F. Kleinhenz for his dedication to our Council. Just because he is stepping down as Financial Secretary doesn't mean he still isn't a force to be reckoned with. We continue to rely on his leadership and guidance. We wish our brother well and keep him and Joan in our prayers.



Grand Knight's Report – Scott Metsch, Grand Knight

I hope you are all staying safe during these difficult times. First some good news. We will re-instate the business meetings at the Terrace room on the first Wednesdays of the month. Social distancing will be observed and you will be required to wear a mask. Attendance is not required. If you decide to attend, make sure to take your temperature first and that you don't have any of the reported COVID-19 symptoms. Also, we will also be holding the memorial Mass on November 18th and will keep you posted with details or if plans change.

Sadly, there are cancellations to announce: First, all social meetings (third Wednesdays of the month) are cancelled for the remainder of 2020. Secondly, the St. Augustine Children's Christmas Party is cancelled due to the financial impact and logistical problems caused by COVID-19. Finally, the Grand Knight Christmas Party at St. Clarence is cancelled this year as well.

This year we have experienced a lengthy period of the COVID-19 pandemic and our council has not had the opportunities to generate income for our various programs and charities. The officers are working hard to evaluate our charity obligations and making decisions as to how to prioritize our spending and where we need to emphasize our charity contributions. Utmost in our minds are the poor and the suffering. We need to keep in mind our duty to the church as well and that means supporting our seminarians. Therefore, we will use all proceeds of the **FUND CRAZR FOOTBALL SWEEPSTAKES** to support our seminarians.

The program involves the last 10 weeks of games played by the NFL this season – games that will be played between November 1, 2020 and January 3, 2021. Winners are determined by ticket holders with the four teams that score the most – or the least – number of points in that given week of games. If the NFL season is canceled, the Ohio State Council has data from the past five seasons that will randomly determine the weekly winners each week. Our Council will earn \$5.50 for each ticket sold.

I would like your help by either buying or selling the two sweepstakes tickets that are enclosed in this mailing. The cost for each ticket is **\$20.00**. There will be \$25,000 in prizes is being awarded to over 230 winners – ranging from \$40.00 to \$400.00.

Kristen and I are keeping you all in our prayers.

Deputy Grand Knight's Report—Carl Zelinski

It's been a while since we have seen each other or talked to one another, but certain things haven't changed.. people are ill, people have needs, people are caring for others. We, the Knights of Columbus need to continue to be those who are praying for others, helping others as much as we possibly can. We have sent out fundraising tickets with this post, please try as much as possible to sell these, and as many more as possible to raise money for the council. Unfortunately because of health conditions we weren't able to have the Knights at the races this year or any of the other fundraisers. This is needed for us to be able to continue to help others as we have for decades. Thank you. Speaking of thank you' s.. THANK YOU Henry Kleinhenz for your 27 years of commitment to the Council treasury. You made everyone's duties SO much easier.

We are looking forward to restarting our monthly meetings and understand that there is concern over health and safety issues. We will have the necessary components and social distancing requirements for everyone's safety at the meetings. There will only be one meeting a month and unfortunately after the meeting we won't be able to enjoy the specials that Ray Babinec has provided us with in the past.

We are also looking into doing a virtual online meeting at the same time to include those who won't be at the meetings. This will hopefully bring other Knights in who haven't been able to attend meetings in the past. I would like to ask anyone who would like to take part in the virtual meetings to send me your email address so we can invite you to join us. Cskisr@roadrunner.com... is my address and I will send messages to keep you updated and to invite you when it begins.

District Deputy's Report—Brett Hazen, PGK

THANKS - With your help, our Ohio District #32 received the Star District Award for the fraternal year ended June 30,2020 recognizing achievements in membership growth, insurance promotion, and overall operational excellence. Of the 83 Districts in Ohio, only 5 Districts received the Award; keep up the good work!

MEMBERSHIP - With Council activities hampered due to the pandemic, our doors are still open! Supreme has done a great job on providing the tools necessary to continue to bring in new members. With e-membership and online exemplification, it has never been easier to bring a new member in to your council. If you have someone who is interested, direct them to the kofcoho.org website and click on the gold "Click Here to Join Us" button and they will be directed to the application for membership. Make sure to give them the Council number (4731) to enter on the 2nd part of the application. As our Councils are aging, adding more (and preferably younger) members is key. Do you know someone who might be interested?

DEGREES – As you probably already know, Supreme has revised the Exemplification to combine all 3 degrees into one. My preference is still for live degrees but there are many online options during this period of social distancing. If you don't have your 2nd or 3rd degree yet, go to <https://www.kofc.org/apps/resources/invitation-en.pdf> to sign up for a 30 minute video to complete your Knighthood.

BEATIFICATION – With the joyous news that, on May 26, 2020, Pope Francis approved a miracle through Father McGivney's intercession, the next step in the process will be a beatification Mass, to be held October 31,2020, in the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford, Conn. At that time, the founder of the Knights of Columbus will be declared "Blessed" and his feast day will be set. Father McGivney will be the first U.S.-born priest to be beatified who spent his entire priestly ministry in a parish. This is a great boost to the priesthood and to the Catholic Church in America.

Membership Report—Chancellor Michael Schum

A warm hello to all of you! More than ever in these challenging time, it is important to remember to continue to put God and our faith in the center in our lives. Psalm 37 reminds us: "Commit your way to the Lord; trust in Him and he will act." For me, the Knights of Columbus remain a tremendous outlet to express our commitment to our faith.

Recruitment is the lifeline for our order to sustain our values of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. We will resume our aggressive new recruit efforts in January at our parishes once (hopefully) the constraints of the pandemic are behind us. In the meantime, if you know of anyone interested in joining the Knights of Columbus, we have "virtual" (on-line) degrees available to candidates to take. Do not hesitate to reach out to me at mschum@moen.com if you'd like any further information. And please remember to keep KofC new recruitment in your prayers.

Cleveland Chapter and 4th Degree Report—Paul Mathieson, FN, PGK

The ANNUAL COLUMBUS DAY DINNER Knights of Columbus Greater Cleveland Chapter SUNDAY OCTOBER 11, 2020 Doors open at 4:00pm/ Dinner at 5:00pm Cost is \$25.00 per person Garfield Hts. Council #4130 Hall 10808 Granger Road Garfield Heights, 44125. Please RSVP by Sunday, October 4, 2020 SK Teran Taggart Chapter Vice President at adm5893@yahoo.com or (440) 665-4078.

There will be two Virtual Exemplifications in October: Saturday, October 17th at 10:00 a.m. and Thursday, October 29th at 7:00 p.m. The registration web site is <https://fs22.formsite.com/stambrose/form70/index.html> Please mail completed Fourth Degree Application Form 4's to Jim Sanzi PO Box 908North Olmsted, Ohio 44070

Life Teen News!

Kathryn B Gareau

Knights of Columbus North Olmsted Council

Youth of the Year

The North Olmsted Council Youth of the Year award was presented in June to Kathryn Barbara Gareau of the St. Clarence Life Teen. Katie is now a senior at Olmsted Falls High School. She is a leader in Life Teen ministry; serving on the retreat team for two years and has been instrumental in building a wonderful retreat program for her peers working with the St. Clarence youth director brother Knight Johannes Benninghoff and other members of the adult Core group. Katie steps outside her comfort zone and is committed to ministry and leadership at Life Teen. Congratulations to Katie, this year's Youth of the Year.



Ramp Nearing Completion

North Olmsted Council has sponsored the construction of a wheelchair ramp for the Life Teen group at St. Clarence Church. Brother Knight Clark Gray has led the construction project and the ramp is almost complete (this picture was taken in June.) The ramp will allow for improved accessibility for students with limited mobility and others needing assistance.



Good of the Order

Please keep these members, families and friends in your prayers:

Corinne Schilens who passed away (wife of Richard Schilens) and Robert Kubinski who passed away. Also remember those who are sick and in distress: Ed Chavez, Rudy Chavez, Ray and Gayle Metsch, Kevin Sheehan's father, Bill Luke, Bob Schmieler, John Cooney, Jim Buckley, Ralph Kearns and his daughter and granddaughter, Henry and Joan Kleinhenz, Tom and Jan Lisy, Fr Joe's family, Judy Cornelius and her mother, Brett Hazen's wife Joannie and Brett's Father, Wayne Petre, Ron Glassco and his wife Donna, Tom Hart's wife Kay, Bill Morgan, Dennis Talenski, Ed Paulus, Jim Bartlebaugh, Mark Maichrie, Mark Campola, Joe Biel, Dennis Carlton, Ken Benya Judy Cornelius brother, John Samos, Gene and Betty Hanzely, Sister Corita, John Cooney and his sister Peggy, Carl and Jennie Zelinski, Wilbur Hayes, Pete Serio's daughter, the unemployed, the homeless, those impacted by the Coronavirus and all Council members and families who need prayers.



Here is our tentative schedule for the remainder of the year:

Oct	7	7:30pm	Council 4731 Business Meeting	St. Clarence Terrace Room
Oct.	24		<u>Deadline to mail; the Football Crazz tickets and donation</u>	Your Local Mailbox
Nov	4	7:30pm	Council 4731 Business Meeting	St. Clarence Terrace Room
Nov	18	7:00pm	Council Memorial Mass	St. Clarence Church
Dec	2	7:30pm	Council 4731 Business Meeting	St. Clarence Terrace Room

Your New Council Officers for the 2020-2021 Fraternal Year:

Chaplain:	Rev. Joseph D. McNulty	Recorder:	Peter Serio
Grand Knight:	Scott Metsch	Warden:	Jeff Keeper
Deputy Grand Knight:	Carl Zelinski	Inside Guard:	John Samos
Treasurer	Thomas Vojtek	Outside Guard	Dave Dylun
Financial Secretary	Kevin Cornelius, PGK	Trustee - 3 Year	Thomas Heim
Chancellor	Michael Schum	Trustee - 1 Year	Paul Mathieson, PGK
Lecturer:	Ray Babinec	Trustee -2 Year	Kevin Sheehan, PFK
Asst. Lecturer	Larry Miller/Dave Dylun	Advocate	Bill Goellner, PGK