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2015-2016 OFFICERS
Chaplain – Fr. Wally
Grand Knight – Steve Hupp
Deputy G.K. – Nick Schneider
Chancellor – John House
Financial Secretary - Joe Ratliff
Treasurer – Dave Culp
Warden – Dick Kopp
Recorder – Joe Davis
Advocate – Ted Fink
1st Year Trustee – Ray Gregorius
2nd Year Trustee – Joe Meyers
3rd Year Trustee – Tom Atkins
Inside Guard – Gabe Zerkowski
Outside Guard – William Dormer

Officer’s Update

From our Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

The “KNIGHTLY NEWS” is back and it couldn't be at a more opportune time! We are about to determine the slate of new Officers for the upcoming fraternal year. YOU ARE WELCOME TO BECOME ONE OF THESE INDIVIDUALS. Simply have one of your Brother Knights present your name as a nominee when the position you are interested in becomes open for discussion at our next General Meeting on Tuesday, May 24th.

We are about to complete the most active year ever for our Council where we have just received the highest award possible that of “STAR COUNCIL”. We have had the greatest number of new members join our Council with 21 and the greatest number of Brother Knights obtain their 4th degree and become Sir Knights with 11!!! We are poised for another great dynamic year. JOIN US!!!

Your GK Steve

Elections for the 2016-2017 fiscal year will be held at the General Meeting on June 28th. Nominations will be taken at the May General Meeting. All positions except the 2nd Year Trustee are open and some Brothers have already expressed an interest in stepping up. If YOU are interested in a position, please put your name on the list at the May meeting. LET'S MAKE THIS AN INTERESTING ELECTION!!!

The elected positions are:

Grand Knight: The Grand Knight is responsible for the welfare of the Council. He presides over Council meetings and makes sure the Council is meeting its goals for the fraternal year.

Deputy Grand Knight: Assists the Grand Knight. He is second in command.

Chancellor: assists the Grand Knight and the Deputy Grand Knight in the execution of their duties and oversees the Council in both their absences. He is charged with strengthening the members’ interests in Council activities.

Recorder: is responsible for maintaining a true record of all actions of the Council and its correspondence. This is a great starting point for other officer positions.

Treasurer: is responsible for the safekeeping and maintaining records of all Council funds and accounts. He is also responsible for the payment of all expenses and deposit of revenue.

Advocate: is the legal representative of the Council and serves as the Council’s attorney at trials and investigations of any interest to the Council.

Warden: is the ‘watchdog’ for the Council property and degree paraphernalia, except the property of the Grand Knight, Financial Secretary, Treasurer and Recorder.

Guards:
Outside – admits visitors and members to the inner door.
Inside - checks to verify membership cards are current.

Trustees: oversee the work of the Financial Secretary and Treasurer, and with the Deputy Grand Knight serves on the Council’s retention committee.
Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism

8th Grade Graduation at St. Mary of the Falls School

We are proud to announce that through the great effort of our Program Director Brother Knight John and Parish Program Chairman Brother Knight Tom Atkins we will once again be presenting a small wooden crucifix mounted on a stand as a gift to each graduating boy and girl at the St. Mary of the Falls 8th grade graduation on Wednesday June 1st at 7 pm. The crucifix is intended to be a reminder of their faith for these young men and woman as they go enter into a new phase of their life.

Fund Raisers

"Super Cash Bonanza" Raffle

The “Super Cash Bonanza” ticket campaign raffle just concluded and our Council exceeded all of its goals for this very important fundraising event! We sold a total of 430 tickets. This met the State Council requirement of selling an average of four tickets per member in order to receive a maximum return in rebates. 312 tickets were sent in for the 1st turn-in and 118 tickets were sent in for the 2nd turn-in. The high ticket seller for both turn-ins was Brother Knight Steve Hupp with 104 and 24 tickets sold, respectively.

"Aluminum Can Recycling" Program

SMOF K of C T-Shirts

Our Upcoming General Meeting on Tuesday, May 24th

In addition to the slate of Officers that will be determined for the elections at the General Meeting in June we are proud to announce that we will have a special guest speaker at our meeting. His name is Chris Garr and he is a fellow Catholic who is one of the primary administrator’s for the non-profit organization “Youth Challenge” here in the area. We are very much considering an involvement with this organization in the upcoming new fraternal year. Lastly, in addition to this special guest speaker we will have the new Chaplain for our Council joining us. Fr. Max from St. Mary’s in Berea is anxious to come on board in joining our Council as a 2nd degree Brother Knight in doing our Lord’s work here on earth as laborers in his vineyard.

In addition to all of these items we have a few additional surprises to present. Please make plans to attend this very important and exciting meeting!
CONGRATULATIONS to our Council’s NEW Sir Knights!!!

First Row (left to right): Dave Thomasson, Al Ferrie, Steve Hupp, Gabe Zerkowski, Matt McClintock, Mike Mucic, Tom Raszka, Bob Krivos

Second Row (left to right): John Mastandrea, Ted Vanyo, Frank Pedicini, Dennis Donahue, Joe Davis

The 4th Degree Spring Exemplification took place at the DoubleTree Hotel in Independence on Saturday, April 23rd for the state of Ohio. Our Council had the most Brother Knights in the diocese of Cleveland to step up and attend this great once in a lifetime experience! This was a very memorable day for these Brother Knights and they are applauded their great accomplishment. Please plan on attending next year’s 4th Degree Exemplification if you have not yet made your 4th degree.

ONGOING EVENTS:

DONUT SUNDAY
This event is in support of our Church and is held the 1st Sunday of each month in the School cafeteria. Setup is at 7:30 am. with bussing after each Mass and clean-up after the noon mass.

Please consider helping our brothers provide this monthly service to our Parish. Contact Joe Ratcliff by email at: jratcliff35@gmail.com for further information.

OLMSTED FALLS FOOD BANK
Brother Knights serve at the Olmsted Falls Food Bank in support of the Christians In Action, the 1st, 2nd and the occasional 5th Tuesdays of each month. The work is for 3 - 4 Brother Knights to assist the clients of the food pantry in carrying their food to their vehicles, from 6:30 to 8 pm. If interested in participating in this service contact John House at: casasu12@gmail.com, and we will work you into the schedule.

CHURCH EVENTS

Each Saturday:
Men’s Fellowship 7 am.
Confessions 3:30 pm

Each Sunday & Tuesday:
Bible Study 9 am. & 7pm.

First, Third & 4th Thursday:
Eucharistic Holy Hour 7 pm

Outdoor Stations of the Cross:
2nd Saturday of the Month 8:45 am from April through September

Opportunity may knock once, But temptation bangs on the door for ever
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