

# Knights of Columbus



St. Michael Council #11445  
5750 North High Street  
Worthington, Ohio 43085



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## K of C News, Volume 19, Number 12, June 2013

### Dates to Remember:

[All K of C meetings are held at St. Michael Church, Room 108 (St. Michael Room) at 7:30 PM unless otherwise noted.]

- 6/10 Business Meeting
- 6/14 Flag Day
- 6/15 Honor Flight Columbus (see page 3)
- 6/16 Father's Day
- Corporate Communion (10:30 Mass) followed by Coffee and Donuts (see page 8)
- 6/21 Social Meeting – Columbus Clippers Baseball Game (see page 1)
- 6/25 DEADLINE FOR JULY NEWSLETTER
- 6/28-30 Special Olympics State Summer Games (see page 4)
- 7/4 Independence Day
- 7/8 Business Meeting



### SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2013-2014

At our business meeting on June 10 we will be voting for Council Officers for the 2013-14 fiscal year. Following is the slate proposed by the Nominating Committee:

Grand Knight	Pat Rosmarin	Recorder	Tom Schmitt
Deputy Grand Knight	Chris Damo	Warden	Mike LaMorte
Chancellor	Aaron Hamilton	Inside Guard	Kirk Allton
Advocate	Mike Fowler	Outside Guard	Craig Eckert
Treasurer	Dustin Caldwell	Trustee (3 Years)	Brett Gissel

All other offices are appointed or not up for election. Additional nominations will be taken from the floor at the June 10 meeting prior to the vote. Officers will serve from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014.

Brett Gissel, Grand Knight, 614-805-1443, [lesexpos@gmail.com](mailto:lesexpos@gmail.com)

### JUNE SOCIAL – COLUMBUS CLIPPERS BASEBALL GAME, FRIDAY, JUNE 21 AT 7:15 PM

The June social will be the Columbus Clippers baseball game on Friday, June 21 at 7:15 PM. General admission tickets (left-center field) have already been purchased for those who have ordered and paid for them. Others can join us by purchasing tickets on your own. See you at the game.

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### **NOTE TO U.S. MAIL RECIPIENTS OF THIS NEWSLETTER**

Our KofC Newsletter is currently being sent by U.S. Mail to about 15 members and 5 guests (KofC widows and honorary recipients). Over 185 members and guests receive the newsletter via email, which results in a considerable savings in postage and printing costs for our council.

If you are a U.S. mail recipient and have an email address, please share it with me at [petrarca@cse.ohio-state.edu](mailto:petrarca@cse.ohio-state.edu) so that we can realize an additional savings in postage and printing costs.

## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Brother Knights. This is my last Grand Knight's letter for our council newsletter. During my two years as Grand Knight we have had many successes and a few failures. The successes outweigh the failures. I do not want to dwell on the few small failures we had, but I will continue to work to make sure that we do not repeat these.

In 2011-12 we attained the Star Council award and we are likely to earn that again for 2012-13. As always, our council has excellent programming that keeps us busy throughout the year while serving our parish and community. We have met or exceeded our membership growth quotas of 7.5% both years. In 2011-12 we met our Insurance Member growth quota of 2.5% and we are likely to do that for 2012-13 - if you have not considered buying life insurance or an annuity through the Knights of Columbus, this would be a great time to contact our insurance agent. We would not have had these successes without the work of our members. Thank you to everyone for their contributions.

During Memorial Day weekend I represented our council at our State Convention. I served on the Resolutions Committee Friday afternoon and was able to answer questions regarding the resolution we sent to honor St. Maximilian Kolbe. Our resolution passed through committee and the convention. Many people, including Past State Deputies, commented positively to me in private. The next step is for the resolution to be reviewed by the Supreme Council before going to the Supreme Convention. I have been told that it is not likely to make it to the Supreme Convention. Although I will be personally disappointed by this, I think we did a good thing by bringing this up and making more people aware of St. Maximilian Kolbe. Thank you for passing this resolution and allowing me to bring this to the State Convention.

The State Convention is also where the State Council gives out awards, including the Diocese and State "Awards Of The Year". The first award we received is one that I feel any council doing what they should be doing will earn, and that is the **Dynamic Administrative Award**. Thank you to our Financial Secretary, Tony Matlak, for getting our paperwork and assessments done on time. We received the **Silver Cross Award** for our programming and not having a net loss in membership as of May 1. We would have won the Gold Cross Award if we had met our membership quota as of May, but we did not get 2 candidates through their First Degree in time. Thank you to all involved in membership recruiting. We were recognized for our contribution in the **Pennies For Heaven** program and, despite our lower numbers from 2011-12, were one of the top 10 councils in the state for this program. Thank you to all who contributed or helped with a collection. I hope we can improve upon this for 2013-14. The final award for the council is for our newsletter. **Our 2012-13 newsletter is the top newsletter in the state for Division 4**. Thank you to our Newsletter Editor, Tony Petrarca, and all those who submit information to the newsletter to make this a useful means of communicating council activities.

We did have one "Award Of The Year" winner from our parish. In fact, our award winner won the Diocesan and State awards for their category. When I announced our council winners at the April meeting and in our May newsletter, I did not include our Religious Of The Year award winner as I thought there was a good chance our council winner would win at least the Diocesan award and I wanted her to be surprised when we told her. I apologize to anyone that feels I did our council a disservice by withholding this award winner until after the State Convention. The **2012-13 Religious Of The Year for the Diocese of Columbus and for the State of Ohio is Sr. Mary Michael**. Please congratulate Sr. Mary Michael on this award when you see her. Sr. Mary Michael was able to attend the State Convention as a guest of the State Council to receive this award (see picture). Thank you to all who worked with our Church Director, Greg Eckert, in putting together this great nomination.

The big piece of business to be decided at this year's State Convention was the election of the new State Warden, a position that is often held years before election to State Deputy. Our new State Warden is Mark Siracusa from the Diocese of Toledo. Kevin Miller (Diocese of Columbus) was also elected to become the State Treasurer after serving two years as State Advocate.

I also got to have many conversations with the state officers of the Columbian Squires. If any member has a son or knows a boy between the ages of 10-18 that is interested in an organization similar to the Knights of Columbus, please let me know as I would like to reactivate our Columbian Squires Circle at St. Michael. This is a great opportunity for young men to get involved in a faith based organization.

At our June business meeting we will hold our council elections. The proposed slate of officers is in this newsletter. I cannot comment on any of the candidates, but I am certain that the future of our council will be in good hands.

Thank you for letting me serve as Grand Knight for the past 2 years.  
*Brett Gissel, Grand Knight, 614-805-1443, [lesexpos@gmail.com](mailto:lesexpos@gmail.com)*

## **MOTHER MARY (Presented by our Lecturer at our May Meeting)**

Yesterday (May 12) was both the Solemnity of the Ascension and Mother's Day. Though one is a Church feast and the other a National Holiday, there is much appropriateness to these falling on the same day. We focus often, and rightly so, to the annunciation when St. Mary said "yes" to God. I would venture to guess that while Mary was completely open to God's plan she probably did not realize exactly what it would mean to her life. She said "yes" to God, and through that single word our Savior was brought into this world according to scripture.

However, consider Mary's life beyond that initial "yes". She was the vessel that carried into this world her Savior. She had to know on some level, to the extent her human nature could understand, that the child she gave birth to was her Savior and not only her Savior but the Savior to the world - past, present and future. Like most mothers, Mary's love for her child was full and unconditional and I am sure there were many treasured moments that all mothers share. She must have looked on her Son with love and fulfillment when he took his first steps, when he gave her a hug or he came to her and she needed to wipe a tear from his face after falling down as a child. Pride would have filled her as he grew and hit many common milestones. From his bar mitzvah, to watching him learn a trade from his father in his workshop, and that moment every mother encounters when she realizes her Son has turned into a man.

She however saw uncommon milestones as well, for example His knowledge of scripture and his willingness to share that knowledge with others. When it was time for Jesus to begin His ministry it was Mary who saw to it that he went public. "Do as He says" she told the waiter at the Wedding Feast of Cana. Whether she fully understood what this meant to her son's life I don't know but she knew that this is what God wanted and again, she said "yes". How difficult it must have been for her to live through those next years, and yet she never stopped saying "yes" to God. We know what her Son endured and we can only imagine what that felt like to her and yet she never asked God to stop. While it does not specifically say that in scripture it would be inconsistent with any of her actions we know of. No doubt she was proud of Him, and no doubt she suffered greatly as her Son was ridiculed at the least, and put to death at the worst.

However I cannot imagine her joy after the Resurrection when God's plan, the plan to which she continually said "yes", culminated in the fulfillment of scripture and the realization of salvation. For us humans, Mary is our model. Her life on earth and her life in heaven point us always to her Son, Jesus, for our salvation. In this, she continues to say "yes" to God for the sake of the world, His creations.

Our mothers are precious to us, and precious to God. It is through them we are born, raised and nurtured. When our mothers do so in accordance with God we have a great foundation from which we form our lives and hopefully move constantly towards God. When we misstep, our mother's usually know, and fret for us and continually love us. Please know that while women are central in God's plan for the good of mankind, they are not expected to do it alone. As men, we must support our mothers and treat their sons and daughters as individual human beings, with dignity and respect. We are to live this example and always strive to be mindful of our role.

Please join me in wishing our Mothers a Happy Mother's Day and praying for their continued strength through whatever difficulties they face.

*Pat Rosmarin, Lecturer*

## **HONOR FLIGHT COLUMBUS – SATURDAY, JUNE 15**

Please encourage St. Michael WWII and Korean War Veterans to visit their respective Memorials in Washington, D.C. through the Honor Flight Program. Remaining Honor Flight Columbus trips for the 2013 season are: **June 15; September 7 & 28; and October 19.** Morning ground crew volunteers are expected to arrive at Port Columbus by 4:30 AM. A Volunteer Application Form for those interested in helping out with Honor Flight Columbus is available on the Honor Flight website. To volunteer please complete the Form found at the website: [http://www.honorflightcolumbus.org/About\\_Us.html](http://www.honorflightcolumbus.org/About_Us.html).

Our KofC Honor Flight committee seeks everyone's help in talking to our fellow parish WWII and Korean War veterans about possibly making the Honor Flight trip. Veteran application forms can also be found on the website listed above. Thanks to all who help make this program such a memorable one for our veterans.  
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## **OHIO KofC 2013 SUPER CASH BONANZA CHARITY CAMPAIGN UPDATE**

WELL DONE! We made our final turn in bonus by exceeding the goal of 594 tickets sold. A final report on the results of this campaign will be given in a subsequent newsletter.

*Peter White, Chairman, KofC11445 2013 Super Cash Bonanza Charity Campaign, 614-937-3370, [peter@janpet.com](mailto:peter@janpet.com)*

## **SPECIAL OLYMPICS STATE SUMMER GAMES, JUNE 28-30**

Some 2,700 athletes and coaches are preparing for competition for the Special Olympics Ohio's biggest event of the year – the **State Summer Games** – to be held June 28-30 in Columbus. The Games bring together Special Olympics athletes from across the state for competition in 11 sports: Aquatics, Athletics (track and field), Bocce, Bowling, Cycling, Gymnastics, Power Lifting, Roller Skating, Soccer, Tennis and Volleyball. Volunteer registration forms for this event and other events are available at the Special Olympics website (<http://sooh.org/index.php>).

Most competition venues are on the campus of **The Ohio State University**. The State Summer Games officially kick off June 28 at 7:00 p.m. with the inspiring Opening Ceremonies at the Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium. The ceremony will feature a Parade of Athletes with representative athletes and coaches from throughout Ohio, along with the dramatic entrance of the Torch Run into the stadium and the lighting of the "Flame of Hope." Law Enforcement Torch Run officers will hand off the torch to the athletes, who in turn ignite the Flame of Hope. The lighting of the flame officially signifies the opening of the Games.

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## **MEASURE UP CAMPAIGN FOR DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED**

Thank you to all who collected for and supported our Measure Up Campaign on Saturday, April 27. A report on the results will appear in a subsequent newsletter.

*Tom Schmitt, 2013 Measure Up Chairman, 614-396-8022 (h), 614-882-3100 (w), [attorneyschmitt@gmail.com](mailto:attorneyschmitt@gmail.com)*

## **FISH FRY REPORT ON DISPOSITION OF FUNDS**

At the May 2013 Meeting, the Fish fry Committee proposed the following distribution of the \$16,000 profits for the 2013 Dinners: \$500.00 for the Ladies Appreciation Dinner; \$505.70 for Priest Vestments for the Convent Chapel; \$500.00 to St. Michael School; \$1750.00 for the Altar Server Party; \$6,260.00 for Fish Fry Equipment set aside; and \$6,484.30 for furnishings for the new St. Michael Church addition. The Council approved all expenditures except for the money proposed to be used for furnishings for the church addition, leaving the sum of \$6,484.30 yet to be distributed and/or ear-marked for a specific purpose.

*Scott Mergenthaler, Fish Fry Chairman, 582-3878, [smergenthaler@cpmlaw.com](mailto:smergenthaler@cpmlaw.com)*

## **FLAG DECORATING AT RESURRECTION CEMETERY – THANK YOU NOTE**

Thank you to all Knights, St. Michael parishioners and their families who joined about 150 people to place over 1500 flags at Veterans' gravesites at Resurrection Cemetery on May 25.

*Chris Damo, Coordinator*



## **ST. MICHAEL COUNCIL #11445 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2012-2013**

<b>Chaplain:</b> Rev. Anthony Dinovo	<b>Warden:</b> Mike LaMorte	<b>Newsletter Editor:</b> Anthony Petrarca
<b>Grand Knight:</b> Brett Gissel	<b>Inside Guard:</b> Kirk Alton	<b>Program Director:</b> Patrick Rosmarin
<b>Deputy Grand Knight:</b> Patrick Rosmarin	<b>Outside Guard:</b> Lonny Young	<b>Church Activities:</b> Greg Eckert
<b>Chancellor:</b> Chris Damo	<b>Trustee (1 Year):</b> Scott Mergenthaler	<b>Community Activities:</b> James Shough
<b>Recorder:</b> Tom Schmitt	<b>Trustee (2 Years):</b> Cyrus Cottrell	<b>Council Activities:</b> Lonny Young
<b>Financial Secretary:</b> Anthony Matlak	<b>Trustee (3 Years):</b> John Greve	<b>Family Activities:</b> Chris Mauro
<b>Treasurer:</b> Matt Brown	<b>Membership:</b> John Greve	<b>Youth Activities:</b> Tim McNamara
<b>Lecturer:</b> Patrick Rosmarin	<b>Pro Life:</b> Matt Brown	<b>District Deputy:</b> Chris Damo
<b>Advocate:</b> Michael Fowler	<b>Historian:</b> Anthony Petrarca	<b>Insurance Rep:</b> Kevin Anderson

# Knights of Columbus 2012-2013 Religious of the Year

*for*

**St. Michael Council #11445  
Diocese of Columbus  
State of Ohio**



**Brett Gissel, Grand Knight; Sr. Mary Michael, O.P.; Bob Walsh, State Church Director**



# Membership Activities

Membership Chairman: John Greve

WELCOME to new brother knights **Chris Fricke** and **Isaac Wade** who were exemplified in the 1<sup>st</sup> degree at St. Patrick's on May 20.

## CONTACT YOUR FRIENDS ABOUT MEMBERSHIP IN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

There are many men in St. Michael Parish who have heard of the Knights of Columbus and are ready to join if only they are asked. Discuss the possibility of membership with your friends and acquaintances. You'd be surprised how quickly some of them will respond affirmatively. Membership application forms (Form 100) are available at all our meetings and other council activities. Please be one of our ambassadors. There will be many First Degree Ceremonies during the upcoming months to get them initiated into our council.

## UPCOMING FIRST DEGREE CEREMONIES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>Time*</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone</u>
6/3/13 (Mon..)	#1083, St. Brigid of Kildare, Dublin	7:00 PM	Michael Slicien	614-792-0583
6/17/13 (Mon.)	#11207, St. Patrick, Columbus	7:00 PM	Tom Ryan	614-284-1748
6/27/13 (Thur.)	#11208, St. Brendan, Hilliard	7:00 PM	Bob Eggerichs	614-771-9624
7/23/13 (Tue.)	#10765, St. Joan of Arc, Powell	7:30 PM	Tom Bulcher	614-436-6979

\*Candidates must arrive 30 minutes prior to the degree starting time

## NEXT 2ND AND 3RD DEGREE CEREMONIES – BRYCE ECK CENTER, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

**Sunday, October 27** is the next opportunity to take the **2nd and 3rd degrees** in the Knights of Columbus so you can achieve full knighthood in the order. As most of you know, the 4 principles of the Knights of Columbus are **Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism**. The four degree ceremonies are each based on one of these principles. The 1st degree, based on *charity*, is the one you have taken. The 2nd and 3rd degrees being offered on the above date at the **Bryce Eck Parish Center of St. Andrew Church, 3880 Reed Road, Upper Arlington** are based on *unity* and *fraternity*. One does not achieve full knighthood in the Knights of Columbus until you have taken the 3rd degree. The 4th degree is optional.

## NEXT 4<sup>TH</sup> DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION CEREMONIES

The next 4<sup>th</sup> degree exemplification ceremony will be held in early **November**, in southeastern Ohio (Steubenville Diocese), date and location TBA. Any 3<sup>rd</sup> degree knight is now eligible. Contact Brett Gissel (805-1443) for application forms and other information.

Current 4th degree members from St. Michael Council #11445 are Dave Barrett, John Blute, Matt Brown, Dustin Caldwell, Cy Cottrell, Fr. Stash Dailey, Chris Damo, Fr. Anthony Dinovo, Tim Dondero, Fr. Nick Droll, Michael Eaton, Craig Eckert, Greg Eckert, Jim Ferega, Bob Foster, Jeremy Herman, Klaus Fricke, Gene Gabalski, John Gahm, Brett Gissel, Tom Gjostein, John Greve, Mike Gross, Mike Guertin, Paul Kendrac, Donn Kinietz, Dennis Kovach, Len Kutney, Brad Marietti, Tony Matlak, Scott Mergenthaler, Larry Mily, Brian Moran, Bill Munhall, Bill Neumeier, Fr. Richard Pendolphi, Tony Petrarca, Pat Rosmarin, Shane Switzer, Richard Wade and Paul Witkopf.

## DISTRICT DEPUTY FOR ST. MICHAEL COUNCIL #11445 (DISTRICT 42)

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## PRAYERS FOR BROTHER KNIGHTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Patrick Moran**, father of brother knight Brian Moran, and his family; and for the repose of the soul of brother knight **Mario Petrarca**, brother of brother knight Tony Petrarca, and his family. Please pray for **Hollis Cottrell**, wife of brother knight Cy Cottrell, and **Liz Greve**, wife of brother knight John Greve, both of whom are undergoing treatment for breast cancer; for former brother knight **Milton Schott**, and for brother knights **Jack Heller, Bob Flores, Bill Ruth, John Blute, Dan Meyers, Jim Ferega, and Gene Gabalski**, all of whom are currently experiencing some health problems; for **Lale Ruth**, wife of brother knight **Bill Ruth**, who is recuperating from cancer chemotherapy; and for knight widow **Joan Patton** and brother knights **Bob Foster, Dick Long, and Donn & Ann Kinietz**, all of whom are dealing with long term health problems; and for all Veterans, living and deceased.





**Photos from First Mass of Brother Knight, Fr. Nick Droll**

*Ad Multos Annos*

**CORPORATE COMMUNION (June 16)**

Our monthly Corporate Communion at 10:30 Mass on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month is followed by coffee and donuts after Mass. **Join your brother knights and families in the RESERVED SEATS up front at the 10:30 Mass for CORPORATE COMMUNION, and FELLOWSHIP after Mass in the undercroft.**

*Greg Eckert, Church Committee*



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