

Knights News

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North Ridgeville, Ohio

Council 7970

March 2020

<u> Bring Your Diaper Wipes!</u>

Letter from the Grand Knight

Brothers.

We are now in the Lenten season. Let our journey be a prayerful one.

We are now in a new phase as Knights. We will be using the new degree. I will print the new degree and share it with you. We will need to try to get a team together. We will also need to order the sashes.

Don't forget we are doing the Diaper and wipe drive. I would like to remind you any baby items will be accepted.

We are also looking for of the year nominations. Please reach out to DGK Rich Hokanson with your nominations.

Please think prayerfully and consider running for office for next fraternal year. The slate of officers will start in March so we are prepared to do full nomination in May and vote in June.

Any 3rd degree interested in joining the 4th degree please see me. The 4th degree exemplification is on April 17th & 18th.

Vivat Jesus', Dale Grimes GK, FDD, PFN

DIAPER WIPES DRIVE

During the months of Feb – Mar – Apr our Council has agreed to have a fundraiser drive in the form of donated Diaper Wipes. All collected will be sent on to BirthRight for their assistance in helping young mothers.

Membership

Membership 161 Members 9-1-19

New Member – **Scott Nelson (New Hampshire)** New Member – **Mat Smith (Lakewood**

Calendar of Events

	March- Diaper Wipes drive			
5	Council Meeting – St. Julie			
8	K of C Sunday all masses			
	April – Diaper Wipes drive			
2	Council Meeting – St. Peter			
5	K of C Sunday			
TBD	Measure-Up Campaign			
17-18	4 th Degree Exemplification			
	May			
6	Hooked on Fishing			
7	Council Meeting – St. Julie			
10	K of C Sunday			
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Winners - Winners

50/50 Qtrly \$500 - Connie Kramer

Catholic Men's Conference Saturday, March 21, 2020

Bonanza Tickets

Brother Knights, this month begins the kickoff of our Bonanza ticket sales. I hope that we will have a good member turnout at the Council meeting so that I can distribute these tickets at the Council meeting to save postage.

Details of the program will be announced at the Council meeting. Almost 50% of the ticket value is kept for our Council!

Thank you for your assistance! Rich Hokanson Ticket Chairperson 859-321-2265 (cell)

Hooked on Fishing

Mark your calendars now! May 6th starts our new season of Hooked on Fishing Not on Drugs. The day will begin at 8:00 am by the St. Peter School Gym where we will load up the fishing rods and First Aid Kit. At 8:30 am we will head over to South Central Park by the lake – pavilion. Weather permitting the Kindergarten kids, escorted by the 8th graders, all from St. Peter School will join us for a morning of fishing.

Many of the young kindergarteners have never held a fishing rod and it is quite a wonderful experience to see their faces when they catch their first fish. What a trip! Please plan on joining us for the couple hours; have a great time and help a young child have one to.

Summary of Men Inspiring Men Day of Inspiration 2020

The Men Inspiring Men (MIM) Retreat was held February 1, 2020 at St. Julie Billiart Parish sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 7970. The Men's Fellowship Breakfast of St. Peter and St. Julie Billiart supported the retreat as well as the staff of St. Julie Billiart Parish providing fiscal accountability. In attendance for the day were 48 participants from 13 different parishes.

The two pastors, Fr. George Vrabel from St. Julie Billiart and Fr. Bob Franco from St. Peter warmly welcomed the attendees. Three speakers, Fr. Ted Haag OFM, Father Robert Sanson, and Rev. Mr. Kenneth DeLuca filled the day with thought and inspiration. Within the lunch period the attendees were able to receive the Sacrament of

Reconciliation from five priests. The retreat could not have been possible without the planning and implementation of the following MIM team members: Ray McConaghy, Ed Kollin, Tom Trotto, David Davis, Bill Daw, Ed Hug, Bob Topoly, Al Speigle and Larry Rozman.

Basketball Free Throw

Congratulations to the following students from St Peter's School who are the 2020 winners of the K of C North Ridgeville Council's Local Free Throw competition:

Winners

Age 9	Ryan Gampfer
Age 10	Declan Worthington Mary Strippy
Age 11	Brian Strippy Molly Sullivan
Age 12	Oliver Smith Ava Carney
Age 13	Jacob VanGlider Catherine Kubiak

The District Free Throw competition was held on Sunday February 23rd at Saint Joseph School in Amherst. Brian Strippy and Ava Carney won their age group and will be moving on to the Regional Free Throw on March 1st.

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Contact Tiffany Grimes for more information at 440-506-8032

...Of the Year Nominations

Brothers please begin thinking of someone you would believe worthy of receiving one or more of our annual ...of the Year Awards. Last year Lady Andrea Daw was recipient of the Lady of the Year and Larry Kowalski was made Knight of the Year while Jerry and JoAnn Tomasheski won Family of the Year. Some of the other awards include Volunteer of the Year, Blue Coat of the Year, and Youth of the Year and Religious of the Year. Put your heads together and begin thinking of whom you would nominate.

SOS (Pennies for Heaven)

Brother Bill Price reported this year he has accumulated \$170. A drawing to help increase funds was held at the meeting. A Ham was won by Bill Daw and a Turkey by Ed Kollin. Later they both exchanged prizes with each other. Brother Larry Kowalski won a six pack of Great Lakes beer.

Council 7970 Officers for 2019-20

Grand Knight – Dale Grimes
Deputy Grand Knight – Rich Hokanson
Chaplain – Rev. Dr. Richard Gonser (Ret.)
Chancellor – Pat Foster
Warden – Tom Trotto
Recorder – Dennis Boose
Treasurer – Ken Williams

Financial Secretary – Herb Sill
Outside Guard – Dale Kramer
Inside Guard – Pete Fera
Advocate – Larry Kowalski
3 year Trustee – Ed Knoblauch
2 year Trustee – Chris Snyder
1 year Trustee – Bill Daw
Lecturer – Ray McConaghy

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Catholic Men's Conference Saturday, March 21, 2020

You are no doubt aware that State and Supreme Knights of Columbus headquarters are now strongly urging brother Knights to attend an annual spiritual retreat lasting six hours or more to grow and/or increase their relationship with Jesus Christ, our teacher and best friend.

As your Council prepares for the 2020 Lenten season, I encourage you to acquaint all the members of your Council with the Annual Cleveland Diocese Catholic Men's Conference **where** men, at many different stages of their Faith Journey, gather together as one, seeking a closer relationship with Jesus Christ.

The next "Answer the Call" Men's Conference will be Saturday, March 21, 2020 conveniently located at Holiday Inn Rockside at Rt. 77 North and Rockside Rd. in Independence, just off Rt. 480. Dynamic and engaging speakers include:

- GREG WASINSKI: An internationally recognized Catholic speaker and author, Greg is also a daily contributor to The Catholic Channel on Sirius XM Radio. His "Faith and Real Life Moments" stirs a desire for a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ, our teacher and best friend.
- GARY ZIMAK: A familiar presence on Catholic radio, TV and at conferences around the United States and Canada, Gary is a dynamite Catholic evangelist and bestselling author who are leading many men and woman on their faith journey to Christ.
- BISHOP NELSON PEREZ: Speaking at 3 PM and celebrating Mass at 4 PM.

Let us help support this great opportunity here in our Diocese to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ during the Lenten Season. For more information, click **HERE** to visit their website.