

Knighly News

ST. Elizabeth Ann Seton Council 11187



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Dear Brother Knights

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Past Grand Knight Dick Petersen for his commitment and leadership to our council this past year. Under his direction, our Council has again been recognized for the tremendous work that we've accomplished this past fraternal year. I also want to thank all of you for the opportunity to serve as your Grand Knight this coming year.

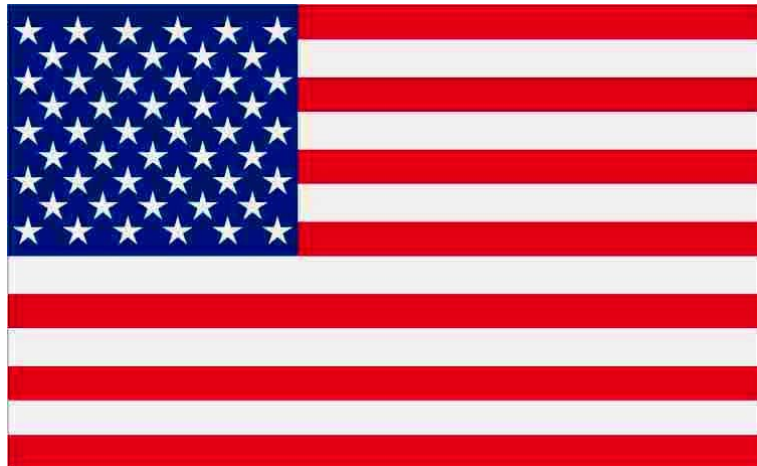
This coming year, we'll have many opportunities for each one of us to actively participate in all kinds of projects. The Council depends on the involvement of each of you if we expect to continue our tradition of excellence. We need you to step up and volunteer your time and talents. If you have an interest in chairing, co-chairing or working on an event - or if you have an idea for a new event - let any of the officers know.

I'm looking forward to working with the officers, Directors and all of you, in this our tenth year as a Council. Let's build on our momentum and make it a fantastic year. Thanks again for your vote of confidence.

Fraternally yours,

Neil Ferguson

Grand Knight



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Happy Birthday America !!!

Upcoming Events

July 2003

- 4 **America's 227th Birthday**
- 5 Rosary Service/First Saturday Mass 8:30 am
Officers Meeting 10 am
- 14 Business Meeting 8 pm CR10
- 19 Installation of 4th Degree Officers, St. Ladislav, 3:30 pm
- 28 Social Meeting 8 pm HH

August 2003

- 2 Rosary Service/First Saturday Mass 8:30 a.m.
Officers Meeting 10 a.m (Installation of Officers)
- 11 Business Meeting 8 pm CR10
- 23 Knights Golf Scramble & Party
- 25 Pizza Party for New Members and family 8 pm HH
- 31 Seton Open Dinner HH 6-9 pm

Chancellors' Corner

Brother Knights,

I write to you in this issue as your newly elected Chancellor. I thank you for your vote of confidence during the recent election. However, I am not at all sure that I can live up to the standards set by my predecessor, Mike Croyle. I have enjoyed Mike's articles; they were witty, insightful and thought provoking. A very tough act to follow, but I will attempt to give you something to ponder each month in my writings (even if it is only to wonder how you could have elected such a lame Chancellor).

July is, of course, the month in which we celebrate our Nation's independence; traditionally a time of patriotic celebration and a heightened sense of national unity. I thought it would be natural to discuss patriotism in this issue; after all, patriotism is one of the basic precepts of the Knights of Columbus. Should be an easy topic for my first attempt, right?

Wrong! As I sat down to organize my thoughts on this topic, I discovered that I really didn't have a clear understanding of my own thoughts and feelings regarding patriotism. What is it? How is it demonstrated? How does it affect our lives? Does patriotism mean something different in this post-9/11 era than it did previously? Should it? After contemplating these and related questions, I seriously considered ending this article here, simply saying it is for each of us individually to answer these questions and govern our behavior accordingly, say God Bless, and call it a day. However, because I am either a glutton for pain, or not very bright, I will go ahead and give you my thoughts on the matter.

Webster's Dictionary defines patriotism as follows: "Love and loyal or zealous support of one's own country." Sounds good to me. "My country right or wrong." Simple, right? However, because I'm basically a nerd and a bookworm, I know that other great thinkers have had different takes on the subject. For instance, Thomas Jefferson once said: "To compel a man to subsidize with his taxes the propagation of ideas which he disbelieves and abhors is sinful and tyrannical." Clarence Darrow once said "True patriotism hates injustice in its own land more than anywhere else." Edward R. Murrow is quoted as saying "We must not confuse dissent with disloyalty. When the loyal opposition dies, I think the soul of America dies with it." Mark Twain (one of my personal favorites, as you will come to know) said "The government is merely a servant; merely a temporary servant. It cannot be its prerogative to determine what is right and what is wrong and decide who is a patriot and who isn't. Its function is to obey orders, not originate them." Hmm. Seems there is a bit more to this patriotism thing than I thought. On one hand, it seems right and proper to adopt a "love it or leave it" attitude, especially in these turbulent times of war and terrorism. On the other hand, it appears that it is equally right to observe the actions of our government and our leaders with a critical eye. Which philosophy is correct? I believe it is a bit of both.

If you watch television for any amount of time on the weekends, your bound to come across a movie called "The American President." Not necessarily a classic, but it gets a heck of a lot of airplay. In this film, the character of the U.S. President makes a speech in which he says "America isn't easy." I think this line pretty clearly states the problem of modern patriotism. Just as it is not easy at all times to be a Christian and a good Catholic, it is increasingly difficult to be a patriotic American. We should zealously protect our civil liberties as guaranteed by the Constitution from government curtailment, but we also need to take steps to insure we are safe to travel about our country and conduct our daily lives. We should help eradicate injustice and tyranny where it exists, but we should not go to war for personal gain. We can peacefully oppose our government committing our armed forces, but once committed, we should offer our servicemen and women our unwavering support and prayers for their safe return. We can absolutely believe that the burning of our flag is wrong, but we should defend to the death the rights of free speech and assembly which our forefathers have died to protect. Indeed, being America, the greatest society that ever existed, is not easy or simple. It is incredibly complex. It seems that we have a duty to both support and be critical of our government and leaders, and that patriots are found in the camps of both the supporters and the critics.

How, then do we define patriotism and determine whom the true patriots are today? I go back to what I said earlier in my ramblings; each of us must decide for ourselves. As Mark Twain said, "Each man must for himself alone decide what is right and what is wrong, which course is patriotic and which isn't. You cannot shirk this and be a man. To decide against your conviction is to be an unqualified and inexcusable traitor, both to yourself and to your country; let me label you as they may." (I *bold* you he was a favorite!) We must look within ourselves and seek God's guidance to determine what is patriotic and what isn't. Feel free, however, to disagree with me. After all it's your right as a patriotic American.

Greg Lowe
Chancellor

Business Meeting Minutes

Knights of Columbus, Council 11187

9 June 2003

Meeting opened at 8:03 pm, opening ode was waived.

Role taken and minutes of previous meeting were approved as published in the newsletter.

Admissions: No new candidates. A first degree was held on 20 May 2003 and we welcome Paul Caravano and Thomas Laughery. Would like to welcome Larry Markaverich to the council, he is transferring in from Oklahoma. Also his son will be transferring in.

Communications:

Thank You received from the following:

Jeff Breuer, Kaitlin O'Dean for the Rosary's they received on their 1st Communion.

Gary Eckstein for the donation towards the state convention.

Sr. Diane Kozlowski for the donation to the Kujenga Viongi African American Catholic Youth Leadership retreat.

Report from District Deputy on the 20 May, 2003 1st degree, overall rating good, attendance poor. Only two non-participating Knights attended the degree.

Chaplin: No Report

Treasurer: There will be new forms available on-line for all program chairs. These forms will be required for accounting purposes and reimbursements on expenses.

Financial Secretary: Issued warrants for various outstanding bills. Ordering a Papal flag, pole and stand for our meeting room. 7 Knights will be suspended due to nonpayment of dues. Reminder that at all events two people must count and verify funds.

Auditors/Trustees: No Report

Chancellor: Kroger cares is still going strong, Mike is looking for someone to take over the program anyone interested please see Mike.

Program Director: No Report - Excused

Church Director: Pat Cleary was asked by Ray to pass around the Eucharistic Adoration sign up form, we are good through June, but the rest of the year is open.

Seton 25th Anniversary: So far we have RSVP's for 585 people, we estimate that 650 will attend. Volunteers are needed on 21 June, 9:00 am for help in moving the picnic tables from the shelter area in order for the site to be cleaned for the pig roast.

Seton's 4th Degree Sir Knights are requested to be in the honor guard for Bishop Griffin. If you do not have regalia show up in your tux/social baldric. Your presence is still needed!! We will escort the Bishop in for 11:15 Mass, then to the dedication of the shrine.

Community Director: We had 40-45 people show up for the last blood drive, August will be the next drive and volunteers are needed. A thank you for Bob McAllister for the garment rack for all the degree team equipment.

Council 11187 10th Anniversary: A report will be available for the next Officers meeting.

Unfinished Business: Motion was made by Bog Glavan to adopt the language provided by Supreme for our By-Laws in the area of candidate screening. Motion was briefly discussed and passed with a unanimous vote. Thanks to Greg Lowe for the work getting the By-Laws up-to-date.

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New Business: The weekend of Memorial Day (24 - 26 May), the 104th Ohio State Convention was held in Dayton Ohio. Council 11187 represented it self very well in the State. We were 5th overall in the State, received the "Best Membership Activity" in Division 4, "Administrative Excellence", "Program Excellence" and "Called to Serve". By completing all of the requirements for the fraternal year we were also again honored with "Our Lady of Fatima" award. We were only 1 of 5 Councils to receive this award. The Columbus Diocese took 7 of the top ten places in the state this year.

We have to send out a special thanks to the man behind the scenes, Bob Ketchum is responsible for all our paper work being submitted, with his gentle prodding we turned in all the require paperwork in a timely manner, with out his diligence none of this would have been possible.

MOTION: Wayne Patterson made a motion to expend up to \$500 for storage racks for the Parish Activity Center (PAC). These racks will allow us to store equipment that we now carry over from Herrmann Hall. 2nd by Pat Cleary III.

4th Degree Report:

15 June - Parade at St Joes, see web site for details.

19 June - Election night for 4th Degree Officers

29 June - Seton's 25th Anniversary celebration/Pig Roast, Gather at 10:30 for an 11:30 Mass.

Election of 2003/04 Officers:

Past Grand Knight Bud Joos took the floor and opened the balloting of nominations to the published Slate of Candidates. A nomination for Bog Glavan to be added to the Slate was made by Tony DelMatto, this nomination was declined by PGK Bud Joos, as Bog Glavan withdrew from the slate earlier in the evening. Nominations were closed and the following brother Knights were elected:

Grand Knight	Neil Ferguson*
Deputy Grand Knight	Mike Croyle*
Chancellor	Greg Lowe*
Advocate	Lloyd Stauffer*
Recorder	Larry Lotz*
Treasurer	John Siebert*
Warden	Joe Coffey*
Inside Guard	Gene Ebert
Outside Guard	Wayne Patterson
3 year Trustee	Dick Petersen*

* elected unanimous and by acclamation.

Prayer requests:

Ed Koegler, Larry Balanti, John Samborsksy and family, Harry Siebert (John's brother), John Grady, Fr. Weithman, Fr. Klima
Fr. Bill, Deacon Martin Davies (Leave of Absences)

Good of the Order: Pat Cleary talked about the award he received at the State Convention for "Volunteer of the Year" in both the Columbus Diocese and State. He said that without the support of the council and Bob Ketchum (Program Director) the award would not have been possible. He also thanked, Bud Joos, Fran Vendetta and Dick Petersen for the help and guidance he received. He also extended a special thanks to his wife Christine and all the wives of Council 11187 for the support they give us.

Meeting closed at 9:20pm.

Jesus Garcia

for Larry Lotz

Election News

The Elections of Officers for the 2003/04 were held at the June meeting and the following Brother Knights were elected for the upcoming fraternal year. Congratulations !!

Officers for the year 2003-2004

Grand Knight - Neil Ferguson
Deputy Grand Knight - Mike Croyle
Chancellor - Greg Lowe
Advocate - Lloyd Stauffer
Recorder - Larry Lotz
Treasurer - John Siebert
Warden - Joe Coffey
Inside Guard - Gene Ebert

Bud Joos

Election Chairman

**Installation of Officers will take place after the
First Saturday Mass, August 2, 2003**

4th Degree Election News

The Elections of Officers for the 2003/04 were held at the June meeting and the following Sir Knights were elected for the upcoming fraternal year. Congratulations !!

Faithful Friar - Father John Bakle SM
Faithful Navigator - Frank Polczynski
Faithful Captain - Jesus Garcia
Faithful Pilot - Al Cassady
Faithful Admiral - Greg Kostelac
Faithful Comptroller - Larry James
Faithful Purser - Mark Borys
Faithful Scriber - Tony Heger

Faithful Inner Sentinel - Ralph Blamer
Faithful Outer Sentinel - Pat Fahy
3 Year Trustee - Joe Rossi
2 Year Trustee - Frank Iannaggi
1 Year Trustee - Charlie Giametta
Faithful Commander - Pat Cleary
Faithful Commander (alt) - Joe Fenneken

Jesus Garcia

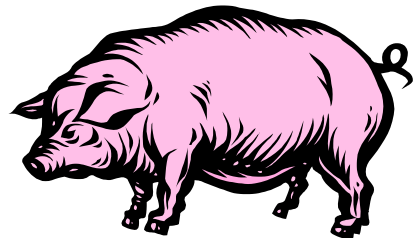
**Installation of Officers will take place July 19, 2003 after the 4 pm
Mass at St. Ladislav, followed by dinner at TAT. Honor Guard is
required, gather at 3:30 pm**

The Columbus Father Huber Assembly 809

Presents

The Annual PIG ROAST Social

When: August 16, 2003
Where: Our Lady of Miraculous Medal
5225 Refugee Rd.
Columbus, OH 43232
Time: Noon til ????



Grand Prize and door prizes

A-K Main Dishes
L-Z Deserts

Cost: \$25 Couple
\$15 Single
\$ 5 Raffle Only

See: Jesus Garcia, Dave Core, Joe Coffey or Al Cassady

(This is the ticket) Name: _____

Knights of Columbus Council 11187 or Fourth Degree Assembly 809 Shirts

Are you envious of the nice embroidered Council 11187 or Fr. Huber Assembly 809 shirts worn by many of the members. No need to fret, Fill out this form and return it to Pat Cleary's mailbox with a check for the shirts and you too will look fashionable at all of the council functions.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: PAT CLEARY

Name: _____ Please print

Council 11187 Shirts Quantity:

Polo Shirt _____ X \$30.00 = _____

Oxford Dress Shirt: _____ X \$30.00 = _____

Short sleeve Long Sleeve (Oxford only)

Assembly 809 Shirts Quantity:

Polo Shirt _____ * \$30.00 = _____

Circle Shirt Size MED LRG XL 2X 3X

10th Anniversary Celebration

Mark your Calendars ... Announcing 10th Anniversary Celebration of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Council 11187.

When: Saturday October 11th

Who: Any Knight and their lady

This is a formal affair (Men Formal or Dark suit, Ladies formal , 4th degree Social Baldric). Watch this space for more details as plans are finalized. Please fill out the Survey form and return to my mailbox

Joe Coffey

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Council 11187, 10th Anniversary Celebration

Yes, I am interested in attending.

Name: _____

Number Attending: _____

Monsignor Stephen B. Hawkins K of C Scramble

Where: Turnberry Golf Course

When: August 23, 2003

Time: 8:30 am Tee Times (Arrival NLT 8:00 am)

Party to Follow at Dick Petersen's house.

League Members Cost of: Golf and Cart plus Meal

Non-League Members: Golf and Cart, Meal, Plus \$10



Meals:

NY Strip Steak 12 oz.	\$17.00
Boneless Chicken Breast	\$13.00

Includes:

Tossed Salad and Dressing
Corn on the Cob
Baked Potato (Sour Cream/Butter)
Rolls and Butter

Spouses or Significant others are welcome at the Dinner, for the cost of the meal

RSVP Bud Joos League Secretary NLT Aug. 7, 2003

Money due to John Pizzuto Aug. 7, 2003



Eucharistic Adoration



Remember that the Monday 5-6 am is our Council's Eucharistic Adoration hour.

This opportunity is open to any Knights not just those who attend meetings and sign up. We invite all Knights to help in this "Adoration Hour".

Any interested parties can contact me and I can add them to the list. My phone number is 863-6419.

Thanks,

Ray Creamer



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Deputy Grand Knight Mike Croyle 577-1731	Outer Guard Wayne Patterson 833-0980
Chancellor Greg Lowe 833-4721	Lecturer Pat Cleary 837-4456
Advocate Lloyd Stauffer 833-2347	3rd Year Trustee Richard Petersen 868-8615
Recorder Larry Lotz 834-5130	2nd Year Trustee Bud Joos 837-7211
Financial Secretary Joe Drignat 866-1134	1st Year Trustee Joe Rossi 837-0084
Treasurer John Siebert 833-5902	District Deputy Mark Borys 862-6142
Warden Joe Coffey 740-927-6289	Insurance Agent Mark Mandel 870-9166

Insurance Questions????

Mark Mandel is available for all your K of C insurance needs, contact him a 870-9166 or by email at mmandel943@aol.com

K of C First Saturday Mass

First Saturday of the month Mass, start a 8:30 am, with a Rosary service for vocations.

This is a great way to support our Parish!

We're on the WEB at <http://www.setonparish.com/KnightsFolder/11187>

Prayer Corner

Christi Rogers, John Samborski's son Jeff (surgery), Rick Humphrey's daughter and new grandson, John Siebert's sister-in-law, Betty Sanderell, Tim Bowie's brother has terminal cancer, Larry and Peggy Lotz, Clarence Smithberger, Neil Ferguson's Mother Ann Ferguson, Msgr Colby Grimes and Charlie Higdon's Brother Bill Higdon.

Special Prayers for

Father Weithman and Monsignor Maroon

