



## Dear Brother Knights - Winter Challenge



Happy New Year to all. Hopefully, by this reading your home's warmth and light come from not just your spirit and smile, but from the utility companies as well. Just as hopefully, may your residence remain high and dry through the melting ice and continuous rains. God did say He would never destroy the earth again with water, did He not? But, most hopefully, may the passing season have treated you with true joy and the spirit of giving. I believe the latter happened everywhere. It sure was not hard to see around central Ohio. Everywhere one looked, you could find friends and neighbors offering or accepting the sharing of a home, the hookup of a generator, the clearing of debris, or the bailing out of a basement. Help appeared without request. No sacrifice was too great. Many gave up family celebrations to assist others. It was hard to tell whether the benefactors experienced more joy or the recipients offered more thanks.

The harshness of the season also gave one thought to the conditions in a manger on a hillside several thousand years ago. We always envision a bitterly, cold night and a cloudless sky with little to provide warmth. Sounds familiar. Yet Mary withstood all elements to bring our Savior into the world. Offers of help did not come. And the sacrifice was great. His birth was necessary for Him to die. That alone would crush many a giving spirit. Yet, imagine the joy she must have felt. Her child, immaculately conceived and born to cleanse the sins of mankind. What better gift to give the world? And we the recipients of this gift can probably never show enough gratitude, but should constantly try. Let us keep the practice of charity and kindness throughout the year as most did over the past few weeks. Hopefully we can accomplish this without any climatic assault as a prompt. Instead, just remember a stable and the gift of Christ we received those many years ago. That should be the only prompt we need. But, God does all things for a reason ... or so I have heard ... and maybe He thought this reminder necessary. Let's not disappoint Him and forget.

Now for a quick run down on December and the upcoming events for January. Many showed tremendous gifts of giving in the former and opportunities exist a plenty to get involved in the latter. For December, our second pancake breakfast went off well with an appearance from Santa Claus included. Brother Tom Weitzel sold items to the partial benefit of our council at the event as well. Thanks to all who provided assistance, especially our chairs John Sambuco, Mike White, and Dan Stephan who operated things smoothly. At two different times during the season, Rusty Boehm organized our bell-ringing crew for the Salvation Army buckets at Kroger's. Thanks Rusty and to all who donated time and money. Congratulate our degree team on a fine ceremony conducted on December 19<sup>th</sup> down in Lancaster. Welcome to those new knights who made the trip with us and attained the First Degree. Please get involved as soon as you can. Thanks also to our pew crew, who under the direction of Dr. Bud Joos, spruced up the pews before the holiday masses and to the many who helped with the church decorations. Our loyal insurance agent, Lloyd Stauffer directed the parking for the Christmas Eve masses under frigid conditions. Thank you very much. And thanks to all who gave voice to the Knights Choir on Christmas Day. I promise a change to that offering next year.

And finally, here are events with which to get involved in January. Our third in a series of exceptional pancake breakfasts comes on Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>. Our big, Monte Carlo fund-raiser occurs on Saturday, January 15<sup>th</sup>. Come help Mike Sergio and Joe Coffey fill the coffers! Another First Degree ceremony hits the calendar on Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> with Candidates Call at 7:00PM. New members are encouraged to attend as well as anyone who is sponsoring a candidate. It may not be a bad idea for those who received their degree many moons ago to attend and refresh the main principle of our order. On January 23<sup>rd</sup>, the ever popular K of C Free Throw Contest for youths aged 10 – 14 engages in the PAC with registration beginning at 1:00 PM. Dave McAllister needs people to score, rebound, and register entrants. Some of the entrants may be from our newly formed Squires Circle! Attend if you can to root on our youth. A big thanks here to Neil Ferguson and Stephen Malott for their continued diligence and enthusiasm in guiding these young men.

Remember that February brings our sponsorship of the Catholic Men's Conference to Seton on February 12<sup>th</sup>. Please provide us with the necessary hands to register and serve the potential 800 attendees. Note that our Fish Fries begin in February as well. The opportunities to serve and express gratitude are everywhere. Take the challenge and become involved.

*Mike Croyle*  
Grand Knight

# K of C Knightly News

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Council 11187, Pickerington Ohio

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## Chancellor's Corner

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Let's start the new year off on a fun note and look at some of the many traditions around the holiday that I found while cruising the internet. Quite a few of them involve food. Eating pork and sauerkraut is one of the best-known traditions. Eating chicken to start the new year is thought to bring bad luck as chickens scratch backward and eating it may cause your life to "back up" as it were. The Hispanic world celebrates by eating a dozen grapes. This is done to ensure twelve happy months. In Greece, a sweet bread called vassilopita is baked with a coin hidden in it. The head of the household then cuts it as follows: The first piece is for Christ, the second goes to the house, and the third goes to the head of the house. Finally the rest is cut and handed out to rest of the house. The person who gets the coin is supposed to have good luck all year long. In the south, black-eyed peas are served. This tradition goes back to the Civil War when the union troops destroyed all crops except the peas thinking that they were only used to feed livestock. The new year is the most important holiday in Japan. In December, various *Bonenkai* or "forget-the-year parties" are held to bid farewell to the problems and concerns of the past year and prepare for a new beginning. Misunderstandings and grudges are forgiven and houses are scrubbed. At midnight on December 31, Buddhist temples strike their gongs 108 times, in a effort to expel 108 types of human weaknesses. The birthplace of "Auld Lang Syne" is also the home of Hogmanay (hog-mah-NAY), the rousing Scottish New Year's celebration (the origins of the name are obscure). One of the traditions is "first-footing." Shortly after midnight on New Year's Eve, neighbors pay visits to each other and impart New Year's wishes. Traditionally, First foots used to bring along a gift of coal for the fire, or shortbread. It is considered especially lucky if a tall, dark, and handsome man is the first to enter your house after the new year is rung in. It is believed that the Babylonians were the first to make New Year's resolutions, and people all over the world have been breaking them ever since. The early Christians believed the first day of the new year should be spent reflecting on past mistakes and resolving to improve oneself in the new year. Noisemaking and fireworks on New Year's Eve is believed to have originated in ancient times, when noise and fire were thought to dispel evil spirits and bring good luck. The Chinese are credited with inventing fireworks and use them to spectacular effect in their New Year's Celebrations. In Ireland, one custom that was practiced on New Year's Eve was to take a large loaf of Christmas bread or cake outside the house and hammer it against the closed doors and windows, this was done so as to drive out any misfortune and let happiness in. I hope you had as much fun reading this article as much as I did in writing it.

Have a Happy and Healthy New Year!

*Joe Coffey*

Chancellor



## **WANTED!!** KNIGHTS in SERVICE

### **WE NEED YOUR HELP !**

On January 9th, we will hold our first Pancake Breakfast of the new year! For this event we will need a lot of help. Early and late shifts are available and it would greatly help if you email Pat at the address below and let me know what you can work.

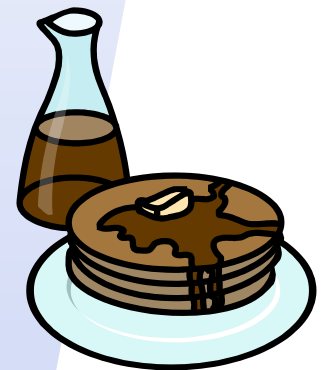
Thank you to all who have served, and please consider serving now. If you have not been able to volunteer in the past don't let that stop you now. Any time that you can give is greatly appreciated, even for an hour or two. There are many demands of our time, especially with younger families, and we all understand.

The best help we can receive is for YOU to bring your family and friends. The food is good and the price is right, and even if you are unable to work, do not let that keep you from enjoying the fellowship of our Parish Community.

**JOIN US January 9, 2005 7:15 to 1:00**

**To Volunteer - Contact: John Sambuco, Mike White, or Dan Stephan,**

**TO HELP - BRING YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS!**



## “I already have insurance at work.”

Many jobs offer some form of group life insurance. Often, this insurance is an employee benefit provided at no charge, or for a small co-pay. Knowing that this coverage exists may convince someone that he doesn't need to discuss personally owned life insurance with an agent. That could be a mistake.

Most forms of group life insurance are limited in amount. That amount may be tied to a salary or some other benchmark, but often there is a cap. That cap may be dangerously low for your family's needs should you die. In fact, without a needs analysis (which I'll be happy to provide, free of charge), it may be completely unrelated to needs at death. In addition, the amount of group insurance offered is almost always reduced – and sometimes dramatically – when you retire.

Especially today, there is the very real possibility that you could lose your job. Or that your benefits could be reduced. In either case, you can find yourself without coverage. If your health has changed in the meantime, you can find yourself out of luck.

While group life helps, it does not replace the need for individually owned life insurance. I'll be happy to meet with you and provide a free, custom-tailored needs analysis, so that you'll know exactly where you stand. Please give me a call.

*Lloyd Stauffer*

614-833-9912

Knights of Columbus presents ...

# MONTE CARLO TIME!!!

That's right it's Monte Carlo time ... Blackjack, Poker and new this year Texas Hold'em (just like you saw on TV during the World Poker Tour!)

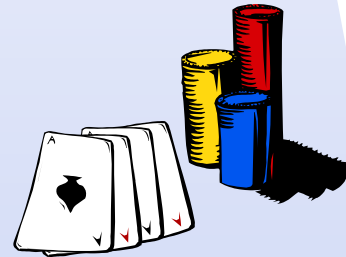
When: January 15, 2005

Where: Seton Parish Activity Center

Time: 6:00 pm to 1:00 am

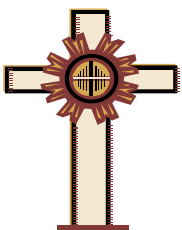
Must be 21 and Over

Food and Beverages available



Joe Coffey and Mike Sergio need your help...

Call Mike Sergio at 322-1071 to sign up. Help is needed in the kitchen, dealing and serving.



## Eucharistic Adoration

Remember that Monday 5-6 am is our Council's Eucharistic Adoration hour. This opportunity is open to any Knight, 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.

*Ray Creamer*

## What's in a Name?

**“By their fruits you shall know them.”** 2000 years ago Christ warned us that what someone does is more important than what they say. An insidious modern trend is again trying to disguise the true agenda of people with something to hide. Various groups redefine the meaning of words to make evil sound good. You can see this almost every day when you hear a news report that goes something like this: “In Iraq today insurgents detonated a car bomb outside a police station...”. These are not “insurgents” - they are terrorists! They kill innocent Iraqis, behead foreign workers, and oppose democratic government. But the vast majority of the mainstream media is opposed to any U.S. action, so they use “insurgents” to give the terrorists legitimacy and imply that they are fighting for freedom, when in fact they are violent, brutal thugs who care for nothing but their own warped ideas of religious intolerance.

Those who oppose a “Culture of Life” are among the most guilty of redefining words: they call pro-abortion “pro Choice”, they call euthanasia “mercy killing”, they kill critically ill patients by “withholding support” or “assisted suicide”. Make no mistake about it, pro-abortionists are anti-choice - you know this by their actions: they oppose giving women the facts about abortion while they vehemently fight any and all attempts to offer alternatives (such as adoption) or to require abortion mills to be licensed, clean, and to report deaths and injuries. “Withholding support” sounds like turning off the machines, but in reality usually means withholding food and water while the patient slowly starves to death.

The best way to fight this redefinition of words is to be aware of the real meaning behind the words and to speak the truth as much as possible. We should always say what we mean and mean what we say. Finally, let your actions speak louder than your words by distributing your fruits:

**Now is your chance to actually do something positive!** There are three things you can do:

- 1. Go to Washington D.C. on January 23 and 24 and participate in the 32nd Annual March for Life.** This wonderful event dramatically shows our Congressional representatives how we feel about abortion. Contact Edd Chinnock for information.
- 2. Attend the Life Mass at Seton parish at 9:00 AM on January 22.** Pray for an end to abortion and the healing of those hurt by this awful practice – mothers, fathers, doctors, nurses and all those involved with the ‘culture of death’.
- 3. Support the president and pro-life senators, representatives and judges!** Write to them to express your opinion and encourage them to approve pro-life judges who will respect the constitution.

By *Edd Chinnock*,

Council Respect Life Coordinator.

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## THANK YOU - Parking Crew

I would like to sincerely thank the following Brother Knights: Lloyd Stauffer and his son, Dick Petersen. Their help with parking at Seton on Christmas Eve was a wonderful sacrifice. The parish thanks you.

*Wayne Patterson*

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## THANK YOU - PEW CREW!

The crew met after 8:30 Mass on Wednesday and polished all the pews and the woodwork on and around the altar. The six man crew was Harry Clyburn, Rusty Boehm, Fred Barwick, John Samborski, Ray Creamer and myself. We finished about 10:15. Not bad, but three more men would make the load much lighter for all!

Thanks again Crew;

*Bud Joos*

## HAVE YOU HEARD? THE CHOIR, THAT IS!

I want to thank the Knights and the their wives for responding to the annual request to sing in the choir. We sang at the 8 a.m. Mass on the Fourth Sunday of Advent and the 9:30 Mass on Christmas Morning. The celebrant Christmas morning was Father Dan Ochs from St. Pius and he mentioned that his church was still dark and cold from the ice storm. He gave the choir a thumbs up and mentioned that it was The Knights of Columbus Choir.

We were approached by Pandora and others if the Knights would sing at Mass once a month throughout the year! Please respond by letting the officers know or let me know at budjoos@juno.com.

I would like to know by the time of our next officers meeting which is the 8th of January, 2005.

*Bud Joos*



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Dear Squire,

December 20, 2004

Congratulations to our newly elected officers:

**Chief Squire - Geoffrey Malott**  
**Deputy Chief Squire - Nicholas Malott**  
**Notary - Adam Proehl**  
**Bursar - Stuart Ferguson**

They will be serving the remainder of the 2004-2005 year, until annual elections are held in June, 2005. Please give them your support and keep them in your prayers.

It was decided at the December meeting that regular business meetings will be held on the first Wednesday of each month, at 7:00pm. If you cannot attend a meeting, please contact one of the officers or counselors in advance so your absence can be marked "excused" on our attendance roster.

Chief Squire Geoffrey Malott will be making appointments at the next meeting for Arm and Pole Captains, Marshal, Sentry, and chairmen for the standing committees; Spiritual, Circle, Service, and Membership. If you wish to volunteer for one of these positions, please contact the Chief Squire prior to next meeting.

### **Upcoming Events** (please try to attend):

Wednesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2005 – Squires Meeting, 7:00pm  
Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2005 – Pancake Breakfast, 9:00am  
Sunday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2005 – Free Throw Contest, 1:00pm  
February 19-20, 2005 – Lenten Retreat, Danville, Ohio

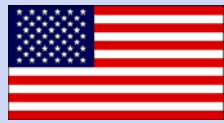
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you!

Esto Dignus (Be Worthy),

*Neil Ferguson and Stephen Malott*

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## Fr. Michael J. McGivney Guild

For information on the founder of the Knights of Columbus, please visit the following website:

<http://kofc.org/about/history/founder/index.cfm>

To join the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild, please visit the following website:

<http://kofc.org/about/history/founder/participate/index.cfm>



## Thank you - Bell Ringers

I would like to thank my Brother Knights for being bell ringers for the Salvation Army Kettle campaign. From all indications this has been a very successful effort. I will announce the amount we collected when the figures are made public.

A special thanks to the following Kettle Volunteers:

John Samborsky, Mike Sergio, Wayne Patterson, Bud Joos, Joe and Rose Drignat, Lloyd Stauffer, Pat Cleary, Fran Vendetta, John Pizzuto, Frank and Betty Sanderell, Mike Croyle, and John Letourneau.

*Rusty Boehm*

## Order your Council 11187 Membership Badge

Council 11187 is proud to announce the availability of membership badges at the reduced price of \$5.00 each (the council will make up the difference). The badges can be attached to a breast pocket -and have a magnetic clip for the times when you don't have a pocket on your shirt.

Please give the exact spelling of your name that you would like to see on the badge. The badges are blue, and have the Knights of Columbus 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree symbol.

### Knights of Columbus Membership Badge Offer

**Yes**, I am tired of Brother Knights calling me by the wrong name, and kicking sand in my face because they don't immediately recognize me as a Knight. Please fill my order for the stylish and oh, so fashionable membership badges ASAP.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please Print)

Quantity: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$5.00 Each, Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out and put in Joe Drignat's Church mailbox with payment.

### 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 and Assembly functions.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: PAT CLEARY

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Please print

#### Council 11187 Shirts Quantity:

Polo Shirt: \_\_\_\_\_ \* \$30.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Oxford Dress Shirt: \_\_\_\_\_ \* \$30.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Circle (Oxford only) : Short sleeve Long Sleeve

Assembly 809 Shirts Quantity: (NAVY BLUE)

Polo Shirt \_\_\_\_\_ \* \$30.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Circle Shirt Size MED LRG XL 2X 3X



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**K of C First Saturday Mass**

First Saturday of the month Mass, starts at 8:30 am, with a Rosary service for vocations. This is a great way to support our Parish!

**Council: [www.kofc11187.org](http://www.kofc11187.org)**

**Assembly: [www.kofcassembly809.org](http://www.kofcassembly809.org)**

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<b>January 2005</b>	
1	HAPPY NEW YEAR!
8	Rosary, K of C Saturday Mass, Officers Meeting - 8:30 am
9	Pancake Breakfast - 9 am - 1 pm
12	Business Meeting - 7:30 pm
15	MONTE CARLO - 6 pm - 1 am
19	First Degree - Candidates Call - 7:00 pm
23	Free Throw Contest - 1 pm
26	Social Meeting - 7:30 pm
<b>February 2005</b>	
5	Rosary, K of C Saturday Mass, Officers Meeting - 8:30 am
6	Pancake Breakfast - 8 am - 1 pm
9	ASH WEDNESDAY / Business Meeting - 7:30 pm
11	Fish Dinner - 5 - 7:30 pm
12	Catholic Men's Conference - Seton 6:00 am - 1:00 pm
18	Fish Dinner - 5 - 7:30 pm
23	Social Meeting - 7:30 pm
25	Fish Dinner - 5 - 7:30 pm
27	2nd/3rd Degree OLPH

**2004/05 Officers Phone List**

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**Warden**  
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 Neil Ferguson 751-1589

**2<sup>nd</sup> Year Trustee**  
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 Bud Joos 837-7211

**District Deputy**  
 Mark Borys (740) 862-6142

**Insurance Agent**  
 Lloyd Stauffer 833-9912



**Prayer Corner**

Priests, our military around the world. Maureen Patterson, Joe and Lorraine Rossi, Bud Joos Daughter-in-Law's Mother, John Sambuco's Mother, Kathy Eisenacher, Dave Core's Family, Jim Hatem's Brother and Mother, Sally Sergio, Wayne's Father, Lucretia Garcia and Ed Loch..