

K of C Knightly News

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Happy New Year

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Help Wanted...

With the New Year comes a number of important events for the Council. First, Monte Carlo, followed by the St. Patrick's Day Party and five weeks of fish fries (4 Fridays in March, except the 17th), and April 3rd. These are important events because they provide significant funding that support the Knight's work the rest of the year. All require substantial amounts of volunteer help in order to be successful.

The fish fries, in particular, require a very large volunteer effort. Imagine expecting 400 people for dinner and hoping that someone will show up to help. The effort begins on the Sunday before each fry when we begin the process of thawing fish for the coming week and continues from there.

The fish fries are a great opportunity for existing Knights to renew old acquaintances and for newer Knights to get involved and meet new friends. This year we are searching for several key volunteers to take responsibility for coordinating key elements of the activity, for example setup, teardown, cleanup and so forth. If you're able and so inclined we would really like to hear from you. For the rest of the 250+ brother Knights of Council 11187 we really need you so don't wait to be asked. When the call goes out please volunteer. More to follow in next month's Newsletter.

Watch for us!!

John Letourneau, Thom Laughery, and Bob Eisenacher

Seton Parish Council Choir.

The choir has received many compliments for singing at the 9:30 Christmas Mass. The following Knights and wives made up the voices: John and Marg Pizzuto, Joe and Rose Drignat, Jim and Bernie Hatem, Mike Croyle, Bog Glavan, Mike Sergio, Rusty and Mary Boehm, Bud Joos, Bob Cunningham. Pat O'Linn, and Terry Reine.

Maryanne Janosik was our cantor and a new member of Seton Parish.

Thank you fellow knights and wives for your participation! Ms. Pandora suggested that we meet once a month just to stay in tune.

We will meet again before the Easter Celebration!

Bud Joos

Pew Crew Attacks Again!

Thanks to the pew polishers that answered the call to work the pews. Due to the less than great turn out it took two sessions but the mission was accomplished.

Bud Joos

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!

Catholic Men's Ministry Conference is coming to Seton ...

Our council again accepted the challenge to host the 9th Annual Men's Catholic Ministry Conference at Seton this coming March. The date is Saturday, March 11, 2006. Put it on your calendar **now!** As those in attendance last year found out, this is a *tremendous* event for Catholic men to rejuvenate their spirit and strengthen their soul. The day begins with Adoration at 6:00 for those arriving early. Registration and breakfast runs from 7:00 until 8:00. The conference begins at 8:00 with many great speakers! Reconciliation begins at 11:00. The closing liturgy follows at noon and everything ends by 1:15. This year our Squires are working to provide a sack lunch for all as they depart. What a great way to begin a weekend! This year Doug Lessells serves as our Master of Ceremonies, Fr. Steven Seever provides the main testimonial, and Alex Jones and Danny Abramowicz offer insight as well. Yes, that is the same Danny Abramowicz who is the all-time leading receiver for the New Orleans Saints.

Many vendors offer their books and wares for sale throughout the conference. We can expect anywhere between 400 - 800 men from around central Ohio to attend! Our knights need to assist with everything in order for this event to run smoothly. We need to serve as parking directors, registration takers, food purchasers and deliverers, greeters, and more. Please be ready to assist when called. Plan to attend. Even better, promote this event to all Seton men ... whether a knight or not. Soul strengthening is great for us all. Next year, another council receives the honor of hosting the conference. Do not miss the chance to attend with it right in your backyard. The opportunity for this renewal is too good to pass up.

See you there!

Mike Croyle

The Science and Ethics of Stem Cell Research

In early December I attended a talk at St. Patrick's church about stem cell research. Richard M. Doerflinger is the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) Secretariat for Pro-Life Activities representative in Washington, DC. He spoke for about 3 hours on the ethical and scientific issues surrounding stem cell research. He is very knowledgeable about these issues and well informed about the state of stem cell research. The facts in this article come from his talk and handouts.

First, what is a "stem cell"? In simple terms, a stem cell is a "generic" cell from which other cells develop – bone, muscle, brain, liver, etc. When an egg cell is fertilized it becomes a single cell embryo. Over the next few days it rapidly divides many times until its cells begin to specialize. After about 5 days you can recognize the placenta, amniotic fluid, and fetus. The embryo will continue to grow, with the cells showing unique characteristics, until birth. Up to about 6 weeks gestation, embryonic stem cells are present and are thought to be able to convert to any of the 210 different human cell types. These are embryonic stem cells (ESC). To harvest these cells, the embryo must be destroyed. After this point, the stem cells become more specialized adult stem cells (ASC). These can be harvested from many sources, including the umbilical cord, placenta, and organs without destroying the donor.

In order to develop embryonic stem cell lines, scientists harvest eggs from female donors, genetically manipulate them to fertilize them, creating a clone of the donor, and grow them in a medium. At some point, the resulting embryo can be implanted in a surrogate to produce a cloned baby (which is currently illegal in the US) or destroyed for stem cell research. Nearly 400,000 embryos (most of these were created by combining eggs and sperm, not cloning) have been frozen and stored since the late 1970s. Only 2.8% (about 11,000) have been designated for research. The rest are designated for future attempts at pregnancy. Of the 11,000, less than 275 are suitable for stem cell research due to the problems of thawing, etc.

The next question is: How useful is this research? As it turns out, not very. Scientists promise great things from ESCs, but so far haven't been able to solve any of the problems associated with them. They have not been able to control the specialization of the cells and when they have implanted ESCs in animals they get a very high rate of uncontrolled growth – otherwise known as cancer. They haven't been able to get ANY successful animal tests and their results have been so dangerous they can't even think about human trials yet. And this is after about 20 years of research and tests. On the other hand, scientists have only known about ASCs for about 5-6 years, yet have shown significant progress. Animal tests have been quite successful and several human trials have already taken place with dramatic results – damaged heart tissue repaired itself after injection with ASCs, a patient with Parkinsons showed significant improvement, etc.

So why do they continue to insist that ESCs are the way to go? Mainly because they hate to admit they are wrong. But even more important may be that funding grants have been given and it is difficult to change them. Unfortunately, research funding is a "zero sum game" – that is, money spent on ESC is money that will not go to ASC research, even if it is more promising.

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For Catholics, the ethics of stem cell research are simple: is it acceptable to destroy human embryos – which we believe to be human babies – for research? If so, at what point does it cease to be acceptable? Where do you draw the line? The Catholic Church is quite clear: **it is always wrong to destroy one human to benefit another.**

As always, I have an action item for you. The Ohio House is presently considering HB 355, which would ban cloning or human embryos and prohibit the use of state funds for research that destroys human embryos. **Call, write, or email your legislators and urge them to support HB 355 and all legislation that prohibits ESC research.** Urge your friends and family to do the same.

Edd Chinnock,

Council Respect Life Coordinator

**Why me, Lord?
Why Not?**

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First Saturday Mass

Dear Knights and Ladies,

We write this note with rather bittersweet feelings. After four years, Mona and I have decided to allow someone else to do the first Saturday Mass breakfast. We have truly enjoyed the preparation, festivities, and love that have played such a big part of this monthly event. We always look forward to seeing everyone and being together and will continue to attend the celebration.

We wanted to provide ample time for the council to consider a replacement for this effort. Be assured, we will ensure a smooth transition with those who assume this responsibility. We will also share the important things like:

- Angie Welling is always the first one through the line
- Dick Petersen gets an everything bagel
- Betty Sanderell likes the cinnamon crunch bagel
- Rose Drignat likes a plain bagel
- Mary Lloyd drinks tea
- Papa eats anything!

Therefore, with the induction of the new Grand Knight this summer, we relinquish our first Saturday Mass responsibilities. Please consider performing this worthwhile work in support of the 11187 Council. Please inform the Grand Knight of your intention to help in this endeavor.

Respectfully,

John and Mona Morrison

Happy St. Patrick's Day!! Happy St. Patrick's Day!!



Please join us for the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton St. Patrick's Day Party and celebrate a night of Irish tradition and song.

Sponsored by Council 11187 Knights of Columbus

When: March 18, 2006

Where: The PAC Center

Doors Open at 6 pm for Dinner
Entertainment to start at 7:00 pm

Dinner Menu (\$8.00 Adult/\$4.00 Children under 10)

Corned Beef or Fish
Colcannon Potatoes or Chips
Bangers (Sausage for the kids)
Applesauce
Desserts
Cold and Hot Drinks

Guinness and Harp will be available for \$2.00/glass

Entertainment to include:
The Richen-Timms Irish Dance School
Helena Flores – Irish songstress who recently placed 4th in the World Irish song competition.
Bagpipes, Harps and more

P.S. Dick Petersen is asking for help with set up, cooking and clean up

Knights of Columbus Council 11187 presents ...

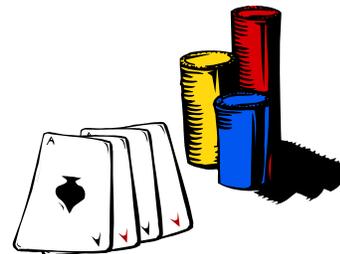
Monte Carlo Nite!!!

That's right it's Monte Carlo time ... Blackjack, Poker and Texas Hold'em (just like you see on TV)

When: Saturday, January 21, 2006
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.



2006 Navigator's Ball

This year Columbus Fr. Huber Assembly 809 and Pope John Paul II Assembly 2900 will be hosting the Annual Columbus Area Navigator's Ball. This is a great price as it includes dinner and a 15 piece dance band, (band will play from 8:00 pm till 11:00 pm).



When: March 4, 2006
Where: Confluence Park Restaurant 679 West Spring Street, Columbus Ohio
Cost: \$40.00 per Couple \$20.00 Single
Schedule: 6:30 pm - Social
7:00 pm - Dinner
8:00 - 11:00 pm - Music and Dancing



This is an open event, all Knights, regardless of Degree, Family, Friends and Neighbors are welcome. Guest cost remains the same. Dress is formal (Tux and Social for SK's, and dark business suit for all others).

Cut off date will be Friday, February 24, 2006

Please send your RSVP and payment as soon as possible to me.

Make Checks payable to Columbus Father Huber Assembly 809.

Feel free to contact them for further information:

SK Jesus V. Garcia III, FN

WANTED!! KNIGHTS in SERVICE WE NEED YOUR HELP !



On January 8th, our third Pancake Breakfast will be held. For this event we will need a lot of help. Early and late shifts are available and it would be greatly appreciated if you could help! To sign up call Mike White (577-9011), John Sambuco (927-4150), or Dan Stephan (863-5422) and let them 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 great 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 8 - 7:15 to 1:00
To Volunteer - Contact Mike White, John Sambuco, or Dan Stephan
TO HELP - BRING YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS!

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 badge, ASAP!

NAME: _____ (Please Print)

Quantity: _____ @ \$5.00 Total: \$ _____

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

Business Meeting Minutes

December 14th 2005

The Meeting Officially Opened at 7:37 P.M.

Officers in Attendance or Excused: Grand Knight - P, Deputy Grand Knight -P, Chaplin - E, Chancellor - P, Advocate - E, Financial Secretary - E, Recorder - P, Treasurer - P, Warden - E, Inside Guard - P, Outside Guard -P, Lecturer -P, 3 Year Trustee - E, 2 Year Trustee - E, 1 Year Trustee - E.

Reading of the Minutes: Corrections were noted for the minutes then a motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept them as published with the submitted corrections. The motion was seconded, and approved by the council.

Chaplain's Report: No Report

Admissions: No Report and no applications at this time. We had one transfer, Joe Nelepa from council 1120 Benton Harbor MI. Recently moved down here and seeking work. Joe is also a 4th Degree member and will be joining the Assembly as well.

Grand Knights Report: The Grand Knight thanked all who showed up and worked at the Pancake breakfast. This one was much busier than the last one. The Grand Knight invited everyone to offer any ideas that will help make these events better.

For all programs and events in the future the Grand Knight requests that the event or program chair attend the meeting following the event or submit a report to the Grand Knight so we know how we did at each one. These reports will be archived to help with the events in the future.

At the Officers meeting the council was notified of a brother Knight in financial need. We have purchased a Kroger Gift card for them in the amount of \$500, which is the maximum discretionary amount allowed. The council is also accepting additional personal donations to assist this brother. Please contact the Grand Knight if you wish to provide additional assistance. We will continue to monitor the situation and provide any additional help they may need, especially during the holiday.

The Catholic Men's conference is March 11th and we have finalized the fish fry dates for Lent. Bob Eisenacher, John Letourneau and Thom are our fish fry chairmen. We will have fish fries on the 3rd, 10th, 24th, and 31st of March, and April 7th. Please be sure to sign up to help when you can.

The Grand Knight received notification that we are still #1 in the state so congratulations to all. The last report still does not show all of the new members we recently brought in. Once this report is updated we will have achieved our new member goal for the year. We will now work on getting our insurance quota. If anyone has questions about becoming an insurance member see the Grand Knight or any of the other officers.

There is a blood drive on the 28th, and we have made arrangements for parking assistance on Christmas Eve. The Knights Men's Choir will perform at the 9:00 Christmas Day Mass.

Communications:

The Grand Knight received a letter from Rosemont addressed to Joie Petersen and Parishioners, thanking us for the coats, gloves and hats this year. Thanks for helping us to turn young lives

around when life hurts. We also have some nice letters and cards on the bulletin board.

The Grand Knight also received a thank you for our donation to help purchase a special needs van for Chris.

Steve Malott asked us to help out with the effort taking food to the food pantry. There will be 30 SPY kids and 30 workers working to deliver food. Heidi McAllister asked if we could donate left over pancakes to help feed the volunteers. The Pancake crew went ahead and prepared additional pancakes that we donated 6-8 trays of pancakes to the food pantry to help feed the workers. In addition we provided them with money to purchase juice and milk to go along with the pancakes.

The Grand Knight received a thank you from the Bowers for providing the family pumpkin carving contest this year. This is an event we will be growing and expanding next year.

Treasurers Report: No Report

Bills: Bills were read and passed to the Trustees then paid

Treasurers Report:

Check book - \$XXXXX.XX
Saving - XXXXX.XX+

The Grand Knight updated everyone that we had bought a short term CD with some of our saving. We left roughly XXXXX liquid in savings.

Our Santa was wonderful once again this year. This year we actually made a profit from our Santa photo and made \$82.91. As in the past the brother Knight serving as Santa has refused payment but the Grand Knight will be using \$50.00 of the income to purchase a restaurant gift certificate for Santa and his wife and send it as a card.

The Treasurer reported that we are now coming into our primary income producing season.

Financial Secretaries Report: We did receive the brand new first degree team scripts.

Trustees Report: No Report

Chancellors Report: No Report

Service Committees:

Special Presentation: A plaque from Supreme Council was presented to Bud and Teri Joos 50th wedding anniversary.

Membership: No Report

Program Director: No report but the Grand Knight requested that everyone think about who you would like to nominate for Knight of the Year, Volunteer of the Year, and Woman of the Year.

Community Director: No Report

Church Director: No Report

Family: The St. Patty's day party will be coming up in March

Youth/Squires: We had 9 squires show up for the pancake breakfast and 7 of them helped tear down. We had a date for Wed. at 5:00 but the food pantry employees did not show up. Currently they have nothing else planned.

Business Meeting Minutes (Continued on page 7)

Respect Life Committee: The Right to Life March is coming up. We are leaving Sunday Morning the 22nd of January. The group will return late Mon night or early Tue. Ed Chinnock asked the Knights to provide \$500.00 to help pay for SPY students that would like to go. The trip is wonderful. The Cost is \$150.00 per person. We go to DC we march to oppose the Roe vs. Wade decision which was made in 1973 on Jan 22nd. Because the 22nd is on a Sunday they are doing the March on the 23rd. The trip includes attending Mass at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, which is very impressive. The night is spent at a 5 star hotel. The next morning is a congressional breakfast. Sen. Voinovich has an open house in the morning. The guest speaker is Mona Charin.

Every year the Ohio Right to Life is collecting signatures to put our names out supporting the Right to Life. They are asking for a \$10.00 donation but if you can't afford that donate what you can or sign anyway as signatures and support are important.

On Jan. 22nd there will be a Mass at Seton Parish to support Pro-Life. Anyone not going to D.C. is encouraged to attend the Mass.

The State has just made Right to Life license plates. The funds raised by these plates go to support adoption agencies throughout the state. When you need a new plate consider supporting life and helping support adoption by purchasing one of these plates.

Kroger Cares: Currently we have taken in XXXX.XX YTD.

Christmas Choir: Last Choir practice for the Knights 9:00 Christmas Mass choir will be this Tue at 8:30. We had 17 at the last practice.

Old Business:

New Business:

Monte Carlo: Mike Sergio reminded everyone the first Monte Carlo will be on Jan. 21st. Bob Eisenacher will be running the kitchen and will need volunteers. Joe Coffey will be taking care of the legal end. Mike will organize the dealers. The hours will be from 6:00 to 1:00. We will also be doing a 2nd Monte Carlo in May.

Pancake Breakfast: Had better results in December than in November. In November we served about 318 meals. In December we served about 394 meals. The Chocolate chip pancakes are a big hit. We had lower expenses than in November. We will probably spend a little more in Jan. We had plenty of support we didn't even need to call people for this last breakfast. The new sausages were very popular as well. We will look for a middle size one or stick with the larger size.

Report of the Fourth Degree: Next week is the meeting. That meeting will have the Christmas party and the gift exchange. March 4th is the Navigators Ball.

Clergy Appreciation Dinner: The Clergy Appreciation Dinner is Feb 12th. We have reserved 2 tables of 8 people each for a total of 16. Twelve of the spots are taken but 4 are available. If you would like some of these spots contact the Grand Knight as soon as possible.

Field Agents Report: No Report

District Deputy Report: The District Free Throw competition will be in Logan on the 2nd and 3rd and Jan 15th in Lancaster

State Representative: The State Representative encourage everyone to subscribe to and read the Buckeye bulletin

Prayers: Tom Crook, Clara Crook, Teresa Stiles, Phyllis Gray, Dick Bossa, Maureen Patterson, Rose Drignat, Aurelia Ebert, Homeless Victims of the Hurricanes, Victims of the Tsunami, Brother Hector Raymond's children, all of Our Troops overseas, our Priests and all in the ministry

Terry Reine

Perpetual Adoration

Since Perpetual Adoration started at Seton, the Knights of Council 11187 have been responsible for the Monday 5-6 am hour and have filled it very capably with the help of about twenty five or thirty of the same Knights.

We want to extend this opportunity to the entire Council and not just the same few men. We have over 270 Knights registered and if each Knight would take just one hour one week of the year, he would not be called on for about five years. How simple that would be?

I will start contacting individual Knights to set up dates starting in January. Please be receptive to this plan and spend one hour of the year with The Blessed Sacrament in Adoration.

If you would like a particular date in 2006 please feel free to volunteer by calling me at 863-6419. Being Knights you obviously know the advantages of spending sometime in prayer before The Blessed Sacrament.

Thanks,

Ray Creamer.

Current Schedule for Adoration

January 2006

2 - Charles Johnson
9 - Neil Ferguson
16 - Jesus Garcia
23 - Dick Stiles
31 - Michael Williams

February 2006

6 - Donald Acquista
13 - Glen Williams
20 - Tracy Bass
27 - Dan Bauer

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OF COLUMBUS

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January 2006	
1	HAPPY NEW YEAR
4	Columbian Squires Meeting - 7 pm
7	Rosary, K of C Saturday Mass, Officers Meeting - 8:30 am
8	Pancake Breakfast Number 3
11	Business Meeting - 7:30 pm
15	2 nd and 3 rd Degree - Lancaster - Noon
18	Assembly 2900 meeting 7:00 pm
21	Monte Carlo 6:00 pm - 1:00 am
22	Free Throw Contest/Right to Life Bus Trip
25	First Degree Candidates Call 7:00 pm
February 2006	
1	Columbian Squires Meeting - 7 pm
4	Rosary, K of C Saturday Mass, Officers Meeting - 8:30 am
5	Pancake Breakfast Number 4
8	Business Meeting - 7:30 pm
15	Assembly 2900 meeting 7:00 pm
22	Social meeting - 7:30 pm
26	2 nd and 3 rd Degree LOPH

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Fr Michael J. McGivney Guild

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

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



Prayer Corner

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