



“Over 115 years of Service to the Massillon Area”

Massillon Council 554



Knights of Columbus

May - June, 2018

Grand Knight's Report

By Gary Lamielle, Grand Knight

The month of May is our Lady's month. As Catholics and Knights, we have a special devotion to the blessed mother she is our mother in heaven she loves each and every one of us. By the power of God, she was given to each and every one of us all we need do is ask for her assistance and she will intercede for us to her son our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for all our needs.

During this month let all of us make a special effort to pray the rosary. Our Lady never refuses us when we pray her rosary

This will be my last printed newsletter. My term in office will end at the end of June. I cannot express how rewarding this has been for me. The opportunity to be the Grand Knight has been one of the greatest joys of my life. I cannot express how wonderful it has been working with this committee. This group of men works so hard to make this council successful doing whatever it takes to get the job done. There will be new officers taking over in July. Please attend a meeting and support them. Also, why not consider becoming an officer and bring some fresh and new ideas to help us advance our council and our order. As always please ask your friends and family members to join our council. The rewards are life long.

I would like to leave you with a quote from an unknown author. When you feel like you're drowning in life, don't worry your lifeguard walks on water. As always please pray the rosary. Kyrie Eleison on our families our country and the world. Pax to each and every one.

2018 Youth Awards

This year's Excellence in Religion winners are the following eighth-graders: Molly Soehnlén and Spencer Murray (St. Barb's), Brandon Lipinski and Daniel Caldwell (St. Joe's), and Austin Haig and Ian Paul (St. Mary's)

Emily Szillat was chosen as Council 554 Youth of the Year.

Awards were presented on April 24 at our council meeting. Congratulations to all our winners.

What's Happening in...

.....May, 2018

- 1 7:00 PM 4th Degree Meeting
- 2 7:00 PM Squires Meeting
- 5 10 AM 4th Degree Exemplification
- 8 7:00 PM Reg. Council Meeting
1st Nom of Officers
- 9 1:00 PM Bloodmobile
- 10 7:00 PM Stark County Chapter
- 13 **Mother's Day**
- 15 7:00 PM Officer & Trustee Meeting
6:30 PM Mother Daughter Banquet
- 16 7:00 PM Squires Meeting
- 19 6:00 PM Nite at the Races
- 22 7:00 PM Council Social Meeting
- 18-20 OSC State Convention –
Cincinnati
- 28 **Memorial Day**
- 29 7:00 PM **Admission/1st Degree**

.....June, 2018

- 5 7:00 PM 4th Degree Meeting, PFN
Night
- 6 7:00 PM Squires Meeting
- 12 7:00 PM Reg. Council Meeting;
Election of Officers
- 14 **Flag Day**
- 17 **Father's Day**
- 19 7:00 PM Officer & Trustee Meeting
- 20 7:00 PM Squires Meeting
- 26 7:00 PM Reg. Council Meeting;
Fraternal Night"
- 28 7:00 PM Stark County Chapter

Council Meetings

2nd & 4th Tues: 7:00 PM

Club Room Hours

Mon-Tues-Wed: 4-11 PM

Thu-Fri-Sat: 4-12 AM

KITCHEN HOURS

Wed, Thurs, Sat, 5 to 8 p.m.,

...Fridays - 4 to 8 p.m.

Check out our new menu!

Chaplain's Report

By Msgr James Kolp

While being part of the audience at a recent filming of an EWTN program, I happened to meet a mother and her little daughter. I asked the mother the name of her daughter. She answered, "Mary." When many of us were young almost every family had a girl named Mary. Today almost no family has a daughter named Mary.

I have always had a great devotion to Our Lady. Among other things I have visited Our Lady's shrines at Lourdes in France and Guadalupe in Mexico. In 1954 I visited Fatima in Portugal. While there I had the privilege of meeting the parents of two of the children to whom Our Lady appeared. Their names were Francisco and Jacinta. I also was in their little house. A man served Mass for me who was present at the "Miracle of the Sun" on October 13, 1917. Some 70,000 people were present at the "Miracle of the Sun."

As we enter the month of May in the year 2018 I urge you to pray the Rosary each day. I also suggest that you have a May Altar which consists of having a statue of Our Lady with fresh flowers in front of it.

When you come to Our May meetings, please bring your Rosary. We will pray a decade at each meeting. May we return to a true love for the Mother of God.

1000 Club Calendars

We had another great year and I want to thank everyone who bought and sold calendars this year. There were a handful of calendars that were lost or never returned and I am reselling the rights to those numbers. Two of these unsold calendars are already winners. If you would like to buy or sell these to someone let me know. 330-294-9365. This is a fundraiser that was started around 30 years ago. I appreciate everyone's support and hope you enjoy watching your number win! Here are our top sellers for 2018: Fr. Mike Seifert sold 140, the Meyer family sold 131, Carole Sumption sold 113, Dale Estep sold 92, Thelma Hassman sold 63, and Jan Davis sold 48. Thanks to all my sellers!

Massillon Council 554

2017- 2018 Officers & Trustees

Chaplain	Msgr. James Kolp	871-8346
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St Joseph	Dea. Randy Smith, PGK	323-5904
St Barbara	Joe Vilhosky	806-4036

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Fraternal Report

By Ken Girt, PGK

On Our Sick List: Gerald Meyer, Bill Ringley, Ron Blogna, Bill Hamit, Ron Kurpieski, Jim Kracker, Jim Bushway, Richard Rootes, Gene Hammer, Joe Vogt and Chuck Meyer.

In Nursing Homes:

If you want your name added to our sick list, or if you know of a brother knight who should be added, please send me an email at girtken@sssnet.com or call me at 330-837-6670.

In Memoriam: Charles Bush

Charles J. Bush, age 87 of Massillon, passed away Sunday, March 18. He was born in Rosebud, West Virginia and retired from Republic Steel Corporation / LTV after 40 years of service.

Chuck was a member of St. Barbara Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus 3rd degree #554.

Chuck is survived by his wife, Frances son, Timothy and daughter, Karen.

May he Rest in Peace!

In Memoriam: Jerome Hathaway

Jerome M. Hathaway, 87, passed away on March 2, 2018. He was born in Cleveland and graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (M.I.T.) with a degree in Metallurgy. He served his country during the Korean War with the U.S. Army.

Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife Mildred R. Hathaway in 2011 and his son, Joel. Survivors include four sons, Jerome, Jeff, Jonathan and Jason.

May he Rest in Peace!

In Memoriam: Richard Benson

Richard L. Benson, age 73 of Bolivar, passed away suddenly on March 4. He was a 1963 graduate of Tuslaw High School. Richard worked for 45 years at Republic Steel until his retirement in 2009. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus #554, The Sons and Daughters of Herman and a former member of St. Barbara's Catholic Church.

Richard is survived by his wife Linda; his children Becky, Robin, Ed, and Matt.

May he Rest in Peace.

In Memoriam: Ken Berens

Kenneth R. Berens, 85 of Massillon passed away April 15. Ken was a life resident of Massillon and a veteran of the Air Force. He retired as office manager in the sales department of Union Drawn/LTV. His memberships include, K of C #554 and FOE #441. Kenny loved golfing in the K of C League, rollerblading, bike riding and working in the yard.

He is survived by his wife, R. Annie and two sons, Joe and Dave.

May he Rest in Peace.

In Memoriam: Robert Heitger, Sr.

Robert P. Heitger, Sr., age 98, died April 14, 2018 following a brief illness. He attended St. Mary's Grade School and graduated from Massillon Washington High School. Bob was one of 38 men from Massillon drafted in the 37th Division, Company C, 145th Infantry of the U.S. Army. During WWII he served in the South Pacific and received two bronze

stars, a silver star, and the purple heart. Following his military service, he attended the Cleveland School of Embalming graduating in 1947. He was the third generation to own his family's business, Heitger Funeral Home in Massillon, and was a licensed funeral director and embalmer in Ohio for 70 years.

Bob was a life member of St. Mary Church where he was an usher for 50 years and worked in the nave crew. Bob was a member and an active volunteer with many organizations including the K of C Council #554, 3rd and 4th Degree, VFW Post #3124, Amvets Post OH 0006, American Legion Post #221, Eagles #190 and DAV Massillon Life Member.

Bob is survived by sons; Robert J, and Jeffrey, and daughter Victoria. He was preceded in death by his wife of 64 years, Doris.

May he Rest in Peace!

In Memoriam: Gino Perciballi.

Gino Perciballi, 84. of Massillon, passed away on April 14, 2018. He was born in Ripi, Italy and came to the United States as a teenager. He embarked on his career in the construction. He was a member of St. Mary Catholic Church and a member of Council 554 of the Knights of Columbus.

Gino was preceded in death by his wife of 68 years, Louisa Perciballi, who died last year, and daughter Nancy Albaugh. He is survived by his son, Frank of Massillon.

May he Rest in Peace.

“End of Fraternal Year” Party

Tuesday, June 27, 2018

Dinner served 6:30 to 7:30

Monte Carlo Games 7 to 8.

Raffle for Prizes at 8:00

Cost: Council Member &

Wife \$5.00 each

All other Guests: \$10.00 ea.

Sign-up in the Clubroom

The Massillon Knights Foundation

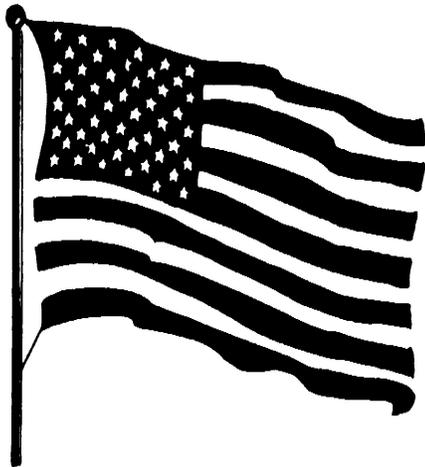
Foundation Trustees 2017 – 2018 Paul Lambert (President), James Brelish (Treasurer), Bill Shane (Vice President), Jeff Heitger (Secretary), Ron Kurpieski, Dave Cowley, Jim Sieber, Bob Catazaro, John Williams

Foundation Report

By Paul Lambert, President

Please refer to our Complex Manager's report for all the upcoming events at the clubroom.

Remember our Veterans this Memorial Day. Fly your Flag!



FISH FRY'S
Every Friday
in our Clubroom
4:00 to 8:00 PM

Complex Manager's Report

By Mary Ann Cowley

Spring hopefully will spring soon! We all need some sunny days and warm weather!

We have started the "Queen of Hearts" at the club. The first drawing was Tuesday, April 24th. We will have the drawing every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$1.00 each. You must be a member to purchase a ticket. Hopefully this builds up our Tuesday nights and our memberships.

Cinco De Mayo /Kentucky Derby Party - Saturday, May 5th. Doors open at 4:00 p.m. Mexican Menu plus our regular menu, derby contest, derby boards, Mint Julips, free play on our juke box ...etc. Come out and join us for a fun evening!

Bloodmobile will be here Wednesday, May 9th.

Our facility will be hosting an event on Monday, May 14th for the Massillon Booster Club. A steak dinner with guest speaker, Urban Meyer from our own Ohio State Buckeyes. If you're interested in purchasing a ticket, contact the Massillon Booster Club.

Our Lenten season was great! Thanks to all of you who supported us on Friday nights. Don't forget our **Fish Fry's** continue every Friday, not just during lent. Our kitchen is open 4 to 8 p.m. on Fridays!

Bingo continues every Monday, with doors opening at 4:00 p.m. Our crowds are maintaining their numbers. C'mon out and play bingo to support us. Thanks to all the new volunteers for Bingo who have given up a Monday or two to help us out. We appreciate all of the new and of course all of you who give up every Monday out of your busy schedules. We couldn't keep bingo going without all of you, so thank you!

Summer is approaching (we hope)! So, don't forget about us up here at the club. Summer tends to be slow, because of so many outdoor activities, but we still have bills to pay so we need your support. Come out and enjoy our patio!

From the Editor.....

By Ken Girt, PSD, PGK, Bulletin Editor

If you would like to receive this monthly email notice with the newsletter link, please email me at... girtken@sssnet.com.

I will add your email to my email list, which we use with a blind carbon copy so no one can use the email addresses for their own personal use,

This is great for all our members who go south for the winter. (Or east, west and north as well) to stay in touch.

Let me know if you have any questions.



KENTUCKY DERBY
CINCO DE MAYO PARTY
Saturday, May 5
in the clubroom
with Mexican Menu plus our regular menu, derby contest, derby boards, Mint Julips and free play on our juke box.

MASSILLON K of C BINGO

Every Monday Night 7PM
Doors open at 4:30 PM
ALL PAPER GAMES

Bishop Massillon Assembly Fourth Degree

Faithful Friar	Fr. Raymond Paul 833-2607	Faithful Navigator	Matthew Meyer, 284-9365
Faithful Purser	Edward Shuman 854-3691	Faithful Inner Sentinel	Charles Meyer 833-0593
Faithful Captain	Leonard Hughes 834-7638	Faithful Outer Sentinel	Jim Coughlin, PFN
Faithful Admiral	Paul Haig, PFN 837-1185	Faithful 1-year Trustee	Frank Csipke, PFN 833-6176
Faithful Comptroller	Dan Flanagan 966-4937	Faithful 2-year Trustee	Fred Russell, PFN 832-5420
Faithful Pilot	Roger Piper 936-0974	Faithful 3-year Trustee	James Sieber, PFN 478-2363
Faithful Scribe	Phil Glatz 880-6872	Commander	James Sieber, PFN 478-2363

Faithful Navigator's Report

By Matt Meyer, Faithful Navigator

The Memorial Day parade is coming up and we are looking for Sir Knights to dress in full regalia to march in this parade. It is a wonderful parade and at the end of the parade there is a wreath laying ceremony to honor all deceased veterans of past wars and of veterans' groups. The parade route changed last year and it isn't very long and it's mostly downhill. We encourage everyone to participate in the parade including 3rd degree members and squires as well.

The parade will form on Eighth Street NE, then head down Lincoln Way East to Erie Street South, where it will turn on Tremont Avenue SW. When the parade reaches First Street SE, participants who stay for the Memorial Day Ceremony can park on First Street, which will be closed between Tremont and Lincoln Way until after the service at Duncan Plaza.

Our May 1st meeting is our annual Flag Retirement ceremony. I am raffling off a few new flags for those who bring in old flags to retire. Our Spring

Exemplification is just about here. We could have as many as 8 new members make their 4th degree which would be wonderful. I will give a full report on the Exemplification in the next newsletter.

The 4th degree is a patriotic degree and we are always looking for new members, so please think about joining or help to recruit.

At our June meeting, we will have our **Past Faithful Navigator Steak Dinner**. If you are attending, please let one of the officers know so we can put down your reservation.

Elections of officers will also be in June with nominations starting in May. If you know of anyone that would make a good officer let me know as well.

I also want to thank those who helped out with the concession stands at the spring gun show. I think we had record sales on the first day of the gun show. Thanks to all those who donated the homemade pies as well. They were quite the hit. I heard people talk more about the food than they did guns.

Happy Mother's Day



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