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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 5	Greater Cincinnati Chapter Meeting - Ripley Council
May 6	1 st and 2 nd Degree at St. John the Evangelist West Chester
May 9	Mother's Day
May 16	3 rd Degree at St. Bernadette Church, Amelia
May 11	May Business Meeting
May 25	May Social Meeting
May 28	Ohio State K of C Convention May 28-30
Jun 3	1 st and 2 nd Degree at St. Michael Council in Sharonville
Jun 8	Council Family Picnic at The Riverview Shelter at Fernbank Park

Council website: www.stjosephkofc.org
Most Holy Rosary Assembly: home.fuse.net/assembly
Cincinnati Chapter website: www.cincykofc.org
Ohio State Council website: www.kofcoho.org
Supreme Council website: www.kofc.org

Message from Our Grand Knight

- Please keep in your prayers all members of our council and their families who are sick or in distress, especially Dennis Hock, Brother Vincent Bagan, Linda Gardner, Kevin Gardner, Earl Simpkins, Jim Bischoff's mother Lucille, Sheila Berauer, Rev. Mr. George Schmid, Sharon Heines and family, Norb Bauer's wife, Mary Beth Freidhoff, Rob Stohlman and his wife, and Bill Borell.
- Especially keep in your prayers Jill Pfaffinger and her husband Mike.
- Also pray for the departed souls and families of Paul Beck's mother-in-law, Florence Bonhaus, and Scott Beetz's mother, Marilyn Beetz.
- Don't forget to continue to sell those Ohio State Charity Raffle Tickets. We have 975 turned in of the 1,200 needed to meet our goal. The income from these sales funds all of our charitable activities during the year.

Tony

Member News

Membership Numbers

- Congratulations to the following new members taking their 1st and 2nd degrees at Mother Seton Council: Fred Louis, Pete Beckmeyer, and Pete [Jerome] Beckmeyer!
- Congratulations to the following members taking their 2nd degree at Harrison Council: Gary Beckmeyer, Micky Getz, and Greg Schmidt!
- Congratulations to the following members who took their 4th degree exemplification to join the Most Holy Rosary Assembly: Josh Hardig, Bob Schmidt, and Dave Gerth!

Membership Finance

- A few members will be suspended and all other membership issues are settled.

Election of Officers

- We will soon be electing new officers for the 2010-2011 Fraternal Year. The current slate of offices is:

○ Grand Knight	Tony Pagano
○ Deputy Grand Knight	Mick Brady
○ Chancellor	Steve Kruse
○ Recorder	Carl Braun
○ Treasurer	Bob Merten
○ Warden	Jerry Dehner
○ Outside Guard	Gil Carr
○ Inside Guard	Al Davis
○ Advocate	Mike Pfaffinger
○ Three Year Trustee	Rich Joesting

- At the May 11th business meeting we will have the First Reading as well as nominations from the council floor.
- On June 22nd we will have the Final Reading and hold the election.
- Please consider running for an office if asked. The future of our council depends on getting new blood in the council offices

Pro-Life Program

2010 Pro-Life 5K Run/Walk & Family Fun Walk

- Men, women and children of all ages are invited to enjoy the Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati 28th annual Pro-Life 5K Run/Walk for Life and Family Fun Walk.
- Saturday, May 8th, 2010, 8:30 a.m. at Winton Woods - Harper Meadows' Owl Overlook.
- After the events, free picnic refreshments, awards, door prizes, and entertainment will be available for all.
- Register online at 5kRun4Life.org
- Individual registration is \$25 including t-shirt. Race day registration is an additional \$5.
- Family registration is \$45 per family of three or more including one t-shirt, with additional shirts available for sale. Race day registration is an additional \$5.
- Teams of five or more can receive a special group rate of \$15 per participant.
- 5K Run for Life benefits the work of Cincinnati Right to Life.

Pregnancy Center West

Moonlight & Roses Dinner Dance

- Saturday, August 14th, 2010 at the Woodlands.
- Featuring Live Dance Music by the Pete Wagner Band, with Silent Auction, and complimentary wine & beer.
- Tickets are \$35/person for the event.
- How You Can Help:
 - 1) Donate a gift for our silent auction
 - 2) Request gifts from others for our silent auction
 - 3) Sponsor a table (\$400 for 8 seats)
 - 4) Sell tickets for the Moonlight & Roses Event
 - 5) Distribute Grand Raffle Tickets (\$50 recommended donation)
- First prize is \$5,000 and Second prize is \$1,000.
- Early Bird drawing for \$599 on June 11th. (You do not need to be present at the dinner dance to win!)

Our Programs

2010 Ohio Charity Campaign

- The First Phase of the 2010 Ohio Charities Campaign is over and we turned in 975 tickets for the first turn in.
- We had set a goal of selling 1,200 tickets over the entire campaign this year (70 more than our best ever,) so we are well on our way to reaching our goal!
- Thanks to everyone who has sold tickets so far, especially at Kroger, St. Joseph, and the Fish Fry.
- The top five sellers to date are:
 - Sonny Heath 127 tickets
 - Charlie Wilke 126 tickets
 - Tony Pagano 108 tickets
 - Tom Bredestege 42 tickets
 - Al Davis 38 tickets
- We need to sell 225 more tickets to reach our goal and earn ~\$5,300 for our Charity Fund for 2010-2011.
- 60% of our membership has sold tickets thus far, but there are still ten members who sold tickets last year but have not turned in any this year.
- Final Turn In is May 15th, so bring all sold tickets to the May 11th Business Meeting.
- We are proud of our efforts which already will make the 2010 Ohio Charities Campaign a great SUCCESS!

Fish Fry Finally

- Our second annual Fish Fry has concluded with eight fry's in all this year. This is a huge undertaking and a special thank you goes to Jim Bischoff who chaired, managed, bossed, and directed this show. Well done Jim and super job!
- Over 30 brother Knights worked the fish fry, helping to make it run like a well oiled machine.
- The Ladies Auxiliary was also supportive taking dinner orders and helping in the kitchen. Their bake goods and deserts sales profited them a little over \$1000!
- We finished the fry on a good note this year. Good Friday sales were \$1,300. The final numbers are yet to be crunched for the 2010 total. Stay tuned!
- Thanks to all who helped make this year's Fish Fry such a huge achievement. It's a testament to how blessed our council here at St. Joe's really is.
- Our council is only as strong as the members who support it. Job well done guys.

Dan Warnock

April Social Meeting – 2010 Awards Night

- Our council held its 15th Annual Awards Night, to honor the outstanding people of our council and community.
- Chaplain Fr. Harry Gerdes opened the evening with prayer and remarks, followed by GK Tony Pagano's opening remarks.
- Tony then recapped the Knight of the Month awards for the past fraternal year:
 - May Fr. Marty Bachman
 - June Charlie Wilke
 - July Dan Warnock
 - August Mike Pfaffinger
 - September Scott Beetz
 - October Keith Tenhundfeld
 - November Sonny Heath
 - December Dave Gerth
 - January Steve Merida
 - February Jack Clock
 - March Tom Bredestege
 - April Charlie Wilke

- The highlight of the evening came next, with the presentation of the various special awards. These were presented by the program directors to the following:

- **Blue Coat of the Year** Lt. Robert Wohlfrom
- **Family of the Year** Gil and Mary Carr
- **Youth of the Year** Brad Rapping
- **Volunteer of the Year** Dave Gerth
- **Lady of the Year** Elaine Kruse
- **Knight of the Year** Mike Pfaffinger

- Charlie then presented Years of Service Certificates to members who have reached 5 year increments in their membership.
- Congratulations to all the award winners and thank you to everyone who attended this program.
- Special thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary for preparing the excellent food served after the program.

Future Programs

Measure Up Campaign

- As most of you know, every year we collect money for the Measure Up Campaign. We will be collecting money at the Whitewater Kroger April 30th and May 1st and 2nd.
- We still have openings in our schedule so call Mick Brady at 706-1899 to help out.
- The money we collect from this campaign goes to mentally handicapped children.
- Collecting money is simple. All you do is stand in the entryway at Kroger's, hold a plastic jug, wear the "Measure Up" apron, smile at the folks coming and going. People are more than willing to donate their money for this good cause.

May Social Meeting

- The May 25 Social Meeting will be a Family Cornhole Tournament. We will have men's, women's, and kids brackets. Bring the whole family down for this event.
- This will also be open to guests and refreshments will be served. We had a great time with this event last year and Dan Warnock and Ken Gardner look forward to defending their title.

Council Picnic

- Our Annual Family Picnic will again be held at the Riverview Shelter at Fernbank Park this year. The date for this event is June 8th.
- As in the past, the council will supply the meat and liquid refreshments, we are asking all families attending to bring a side dish to share.
- The Ladies Auxiliary is coordinating this part of the evening and it is not too early to give Elaine Kruse a call at 941-7613 to let her know what you are bringing.

Guest Column

St. Joseph 2010 Festival

- Keep the date of July 16, 17, and 18, 2010 for this summer festival. Our council does a great job running the Big 6 booth. The festival is always in need of new booth captains, so if you or someone you know is interested in being a booth captain, please contact Festival Committee member Dave Gerth (941-0388.)

Knights of Columbus Apparel

- See the order form at the end of the newsletter for your council apparel needs.
- 10% of all sales go to our council's scholarship fund!
- Show your pride in what you stand for by buying and wearing K of C logo clothes often!
- They say it takes a brave man to wear 4th Degree color corps regalia in this day and age. It is also a courageous Knight who wears his K of C shirt and hat in public outside of council functions!
- Not only does it tell people the type of character you possess, you'll also have numerous recruitment opportunities as men ask you about our council!

Ladies Auxiliary

- Thank you to all of the Ladies who brought food for the awards night.
- May 8th and 9th is the Baby Shower after Masses at St. Joseph to Benefit Old St Mary's Church Pregnancy Center. Please bring and donate baby items.
- We are looking for items to fill baskets for our booth at St. Joseph's Festival. Please check your email for more information
- The May meeting is Tuesday May 11th at the Miami Township hall in Cleves.
- The Rosary begins at 7:15 PM and the meeting starts at 7:30 PM. These are new times!
- All ladies are welcome so please come and join us. KNIGHTS, PLEASE PASS THIS INFO TO YOUR WIFE.

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