

# Ragan Report



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## Grand Knights Corner...

As the summer winds down, the days get shorter, the kids return to school, and Fr Ragan council gets started on another season of great activities. Be sure to check out the flyers elsewhere in this newsletter for details about our Council Clambake and the Isabella Guild Annual Tea Party.

I cannot emphasize enough that both of these events are open to the public. Guests are always welcome. Based on past history, both of these activities are a great value, a fun time, and often sell out. Plan to attend and get your tickets early. The clambake provides funding for various Council activities while the Tea Party supports the programs and charities of the Isabella Guild.

Another event worth noting is the Tim Bruder Golf Outing (See other side). Proceeds go to Cleveland Clinic's Digestive Disease Institute. This is a big time party and an opportunity to get an extra round of golf in before the weather gets nasty. Get a group together or sign up as an individual and make some new friends the day of the event.

Our first Quarterly Communion of the Fraternal Year is set for 9:00 AM Sunday September 20th at Holy Trinity Church in Avon. You have to go to Mass anyway, so plan to join us at Holy Trinity.

Our Lecturer PGK Ted Schmitz has a special treat lined up for our social meeting on September 17th. The folks from Whistler's Ice Cream will be on hand attempting to sweeten the dispositions of the grouchy members of our group while providing the rest of us with an excuse to forget about our diets and chow down on some really great ice cream. Bring the family so that everyone can enjoy the festivities. I guarantee the actual meeting will be of short duration.

A few good men and women are needed to help out at the annual Smiles for Sophie Fall Festival on Saturday October 3rd from 10 AM until 4 PM at Holy Spirit. Fr Ragan is again operating the French Fry concession in support of this worthy cause. Contact Scott Gedeon for more info (823-7788/gedeon4@oh.rr.com)

In other news, our Advocate Fred Metz and his by-law review committee have been working hard to get a revised set of council by-laws ready for presentation. The final draft is now being reviewed by the committee and we expect to publish their work at the social meeting in September with the final discussion and vote at October's business meeting.

Our Chancellor Mark Potteiger has taken a new job in Indianapolis Indiana. I didn't think that a five hour drive each way to attend our meetings was too much to ask, but he thought otherwise. Mark was very active at council functions and his time & talents will be missed. Thanks Mark. Brother Bill Greaney has accepted the nomination to become our new Chancellor and a special election will be held at the business meeting on September 3rd.

The Council made an initial payment \$3500.00 to the Fr Ragan Charitable Foundation which reduced the balanced owed to \$3757.74. As those of you who attended the organizational meeting earlier this year are aware, I intend to have the council debt free by the end of December 2009. In order for this to happen we need your support at our council clambake (October 4th) and the annual Turkey Raffle (November 19th).

In other news, the Fr Ragan Charitable Foundation has been soliciting bids to repave our parking lot. There is unanimous agreement that the work needs to be done but the devil is in the details, namely, how to pay for the project. The lowest bid for the repaving is roughly \$75,000. This covers only the actual removal of the old asphalt and repaving. If drainage is added under the blacktop the price escalates to about \$125,000.00. Currently funding the project is a major concern. The need for a **MAJOR** fund raising effort is apparent. If you have any ideas or are willing to help formulate a plan of action, contact Foundation President Vic Sedivec. (748-9400/zechman@windstream.net)

One of the top priorities of any organization is to recruit new members. There is the obvious need to replace members that have moved out of town; members who were active until job or family responsibilities cut into the time they could spend with us; or members who unfortunately have passed away. Perhaps more importantly we need new members to join our ranks with new and exciting ideas. While us old folk are often convinced we know everything and our way is absolutely the best way, ideas and suggestions offered by some of our newest members have proven to be the most beneficial. I am sure you all know a guy or two who is really a sharp, energetic, and involved in the community. Why not ask him to join the Knights of Columbus? Maybe you could invite him and his family to our clambake and/or turkey raffle to check us out. Perhaps your favorite lady could attend the Isabella Tea Party and ask the candidate's lady to join her. I have witnessed how much fun the women have at the Tea Party and can recommend it highly.

Please remember in your prayers the repose of the souls of our recently departed brothers: PGK Bernard Benisek & Brother Edward O'Malley

In these tough economic times, our ability to donate money to various charities is sometimes restricted. The good news is that giving of your TIME is easier than ever. Please consider donating your time in lieu of cash. Helping out at one or more of our council activities would be an excellent choice. I am living proof that no skills or special training is required. We need help in several areas. If each one of us pitches in just a little, we can get a lot of work done.

If you picked up a printed copy of this Ragan Report at the hall and would like to receive it via e-mail, send your e-mail address to me at [bald.mike@ob.rr.com](mailto:bald.mike@ob.rr.com). All Ragan Reports, new & old are available on the members page of our website: [www.frragan.com](http://www.frragan.com)



# Isabella Guild

of Father Ragan Council No. 3269 Knights of Columbus

The Ladies meet on the 2nd Tuesday of Each Month at 7:00 PM (Except July & August)

Membership is open to wives, daughters, sisters, & mothers of Brother Knights and all Catholic women

- September 8th 7:00 PM Regular Meeting
- October 13th 6:00 PM Membership Dinner

## Member Guest Harvest Tea Party

October 26th

Floral Design Demonstration  
Featuring Petitti Garden Center Designers



Doors Open @ 6:00 PM  
Food 7:00 PM  
Tickets \$15.00  
Call Pat Christ 933-8986



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BOB-O-LINK GOLF COURSE

4141 Center Rd., Avon, OH 44011

Proceeds to Benefit Crohn's and Colitis Patients at the Cleveland Clinic's Digestive Disease Institute

### FOUR MAN SCRAMBLE

9:00 a.m.: Check-in Begins

10:00 a.m.: Shot-Gun Start

LUNCH - DINNER - PRIZES - FUN

COST IS \$75.00 PER PERSON

### INCLUDES:

\$5 Skins Game Entry, Greens Fees, Cart, Lunch, Dinner and Beverages

\*\*\*\*\*HOLE SPONSORSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE FOR \$75.00\*\*\*\*\*

IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CONTACT:

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All above addresses are in Avon, OH 44011

----- Complete bottom portion and return with payment -----

ALL MONEY IS DUE BY SEPTEMBER 12, 2009

Please make checks payable to: **"TIM BRUDER MEMORIAL FUND"**

Golfers: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

# Mark Your Calendars

## We have lots of

# fun events scheduled

## Quarterly Communion

September 20th 9:00 AM Mass  
Holy Trinity Church Avon, Ohio



All Brother Knights, their families and friends are invited to join us at our 1st Quarterly Communion of the Fraternal Year.



## FATHER RAGAN COUNCIL 3269

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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# Clambake/Steak Fry

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2009

1783 Moore Road Off Route 611 in Avon Next to B.J.'s

Serving From 3:00 PM TO 6:00 PM

Cost—Adults \$21 Seniors \$19.00

For Either a Bake or Steak Dinner

\$6.00 For Extra Dozen Clams



### CLAM BAKE

- . 1 Dozen Clams
- . 1/2 Chicken
- . Corn of the Cob
- . Salad
- . Clam Chowder
- . Bouillon
- . French Bread
- . Fresh Vegetables
- . Sweet Potato
- . Dessert



### STEAK FRY

- . Steak
- . Corn on the Cob
- . Salad
- . Clam Chowder
- . Bouillon
- . French Bread
- . Fresh Vegetables
- . Baked Potato
- . Dessert

### CHILDREN'S MENU AVAILABLE \$3.00



- . Hamburger, Cheeseburger or Hot Dog
- . Chips
- . Candy



Coffee—Hot Tea—Soda Pop are included in the price of the meal

Beer will be available for Purchase

RESERVATIONS APPRECIATED / WALK-INS ACCEPTED

Call Rob Garrett 933-7898 or John Hricovec 934-7855