

# Ragan Report



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## Combination Council Reunion and Picnic

Mark your calendars.

Thursday August 16th at 6:30 PM—8:00 PM



We plan to have a HUGE get together in the picnic pavilion. We're planning a picnic /cook-out for not only our currently active members and their families but also for our infrequently attending members, Isabella Guild members, and widows of deceased members. Some of the members and spouses we would like to see:

Bob DeChant	Al Boutin	Rocco Gannelli	Gary Briggs
Frank Konya	Bernie Bruder	Tom Whitfield	Joe Ray DeChant
Bob Banker	Pat Gerrone	Joe Pwsarchick	Roy James
Rich Urig	Jan Black	Betty Rieck	Mary Lou Korney
Grace Rieck	Ester Krebs	Diane Urig	

*Some of the special guests who plan to attend might need a ride to and from the festivities.* Please consider offering a ride to these men and women who built and sustained the council we now enjoy.

If you would be willing to help and to reserve your hot dog & hamburger contact **PGK Ted Schmitz at 937-6402** and he will fill you in on the details. Perhaps the Ladies of our Isabella Guild would like to bring a dish to share.

The Menu includes:

Hamburgers	Cheeseburgers	Hot Dogs	Sausage
Salad	Sweet Corn	Desserts	

FREE food & drinks and friendly folks. What's not to like? See you there.

## Right to Life Corner

by **Bob Trunk, RTL Chairman**

Brothers,

I make a personal appeal to you to assist with the following two Right to life events our council will be active with. Consider representing your council at one or both of these events.

### *North Ridgeville Corn Festival RTL booth.*

*Lorain County RTL needs volunteers to staff their booth. Festival runs Aug 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>. Various times are available. If you can assist with this please contact me for specific times. Contact Bob Trunk for more info. 440-477-2721*

### *Lorain County Fair RTL booth*

Lorain County RTL needs volunteers to staff their booth. Our council has been asked to provide two volunteers on Thursday Aug 23<sup>rd</sup> 7p – 10p. Other times may be available. **Contact Bob Trunk for more info. 440-477-2721**

*Jesus protect and save the unborn*

## Things You Might Have Missed

The Walt Disney Movie “Cars” pays homage to many famous people and institutions by slightly modifying their real names as they incorporate them into the movie.

The movie tells the story of race car **Lightning McQueen** and his buddy **Mater** the tow truck (Tow-Mater; get it?). It is set in the town of Radiator Springs.

At Disney's California Adventure in Anaheim CA, they have re-created Radiator Springs including the sign at the City Limits.

You may have noticed when entering **Avon** that the signs have the symbols or logos of various civic groups, including the Knights of Columbus.

Radiator Springs honors it's civic groups too, including the “Knights of Combustion”

Now I'm not a conspiracy theorist, but it seems strange that Radiator Springs, located at Disney's California Adventure in Anaheim CA, salutes the “Knights of Combustion” while the **Knights of Columbus' 130th Supreme Convention** will take place August 7th thru 9th 2012 **directly across the street.**



## GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Mark your calendars for the August 5th Kelly Miller Circus at 2 and 5 PM. Tent raising is at 9 AM with the elephants doing the heavy lifting. That should be a show in itself! We will need help at 8 AM to count tickets and money and then volunteers to aid in the parking around 1 and 4 PM. Thanks to Bill Greaney, Tom Michelich, John Wesner and PGK Vic Sedivec for their assistance in preparation for the circus. It was enjoyable last year and this year should be spectacular also. Remember presale tickets are cheaper for you to purchase and provide more funds for our Council.

Last Thursday we had an interesting speaker who is an Avon Lake resident, a member of our Council, and a seminarian from St. Mary's in Cleveland. Terry Grachanin talked about how he had wanted to become a priest after several years as a graphic designer. Since art is in his background, much of the talk focused on the meaning of art in religion and also what he has done as an artist during his years as a seminarian. For two years he worked on an art project at St. Mary's which is on a wall there. His next project is at St. Raphael's Church in Bay Village, which will be completed in early 2013.

Following his ordination on May 18th 2013, his initial assignment will be determined by the Bishop Lennon. Following his ordination his first Mass will be celebrated the next day, May 19th, on Pentecost Sunday at Holy Spirit Church in Avon Lake. Good luck to Terry, his parents Barb and Chuck, and to the rest of his family. Terry will certainly bring several talents to whatever parish he is assigned to.

Don't forget the picnic PGK Ted Schmitz has been promoting which will take place on August 16th. We want to see some of those members that haven't visited for awhile. Food and friends will be here, please join us.

Grand Knight Robert Garrett Jr., Vivat Jesus



GK Rob Garrett Jr.

Terry Grachanin



Shown above is a sample of the artistic talent of seminarian & member, Terry Grachanin.

Inspired by the words of Pope John Paul II ***“You are never closer to God than when you cause something to be”***, Terry found there were many ways to incorporate his passion for art into his preparation for the priesthood and for his future ministry. In the days before the industrial revolution most people were illiterate. Thus art was one of the methods originally used to teach the faith. Artisans had to be, not only physically accurate when portraying the human form etc. but also theologically correct in order to teach the lessons of the Gospels. Terry explained that the liturgy should stimulate all of the senses to be fully appreciated.



**Mark Your Calendar  
Show & Ticket Information  
August 5th 2012—  
Fr. Ragan Picnic Area  
2 Shows 2:00 PM and 5:00 PM  
The show goes on Rain or Shine**



**Advance Tickets are \$10 for Adults, \$7.00 for Kids Under 12 Years Old  
Ticket Prices the day of the show are \$15 for Adults & \$10 for Kids  
Kids Under 2 Years Old are FREE**

Tickets are available at  
Whistlers Ice Cream/Pizza Rak  
36816 Detroit Road Avon, OH 44011  
(440) 934-6358

Ray's Automotive  
38219 Colorado Avenue Avon, OH 44011  
(440) 934-4318

St Joseph Church  
32929 Lake Rd Avon Lake, OH 44012  
(440) 933-3152

Cobos Insurance  
41436 Griswold Road Elyria, OH 44035  
(440) 233-6197

**PROGRAM**

Kelly Miller Circus Performance Directed by Ringmaster John Moss III

**WELCOME TO THE CIRCUS**

A musical welcome from Steve and Ryan and the Kelly Miller Band

**FASCINATING FELINES**

Ryan Holder's Tigers

**WHERE WILL WE SIT**

Steve and Ryan

**STRENGTH AND BEAUTY**

Delara Duo

**THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT**

Silk Road Camels and Zebra

**HERE COMES TROUBLE**

Steve and Ryan

**IT'S IMPOSSIBLE**

Fridman Torales, Master of Roal Bola

**PIRATES OF THE KELLYBEAN**

Featuring the North Starlets Aerial Ballet

**INTERMISSION**

**ANGRY CLOWNS**

Steve and Ryan

**GRACE AND DARING ON THE SINGLE TRAPEZE**

Rebecca Ostroff

**ULTIMATE JUGGLING**

Raul Olivares

**SURFING USA**

Steve and Ryan

**PONDEROUS PACHYDERMS**

Kelly Miller Performing Elephants

**A TOY COMES ALIVE**

**PRIDE OF THE PAMPAS**

Fusco Family Gauchos

**FINALE**

As you visit KELLY MILLER CIRCUS and see it's animals, we hope that you will take a special moment to appreciate the beauty and majesty of these members of our circus family. We here at KELLY MILLER believe strongly in the ethical and humane treatment of all animals, especially OUR OWN.

There are eight people employed here strictly for their care, comfort and oversight. The circus industry receives a lot of negative comments from animal rights groups such as PETA and HSUS, who have raised literally millions of tax free dollars, almost none of which has gone toward any programs that care for the animals for which they solicit these funds to supposedly help!

We are in constant contact with other animal professionals such as Dr. Schmitt of the Springfield, Missouri Zoo, and Dr. Ted Friend, head of the animal husbandry Department at Texas A & M University in Texas. We are also members of the Elephant Management Association (EMA), USDA Exhibitors Assoc., and The Endangered Ark Foundation as well as being regulated by the USDI (United States Dept. of Interior, and the USDA (United States Dept. of Agriculture).

We maintain these and other contacts so that we may keep abreast of the newest and best trends for better care and knowledge of our animals. Working together with everyone who really cares about these wonderful creatures will assure not only their well being, but also that they will be with us for generations to come.

It is a fact: "Animals that have no interaction with people are more likely to become extinct!"



# FIRST FRIDAY FORUM of Lorain County

August 3, 2012

11:30 am -1:00 pm

## Rev. John Stowe, OFM Conv.

Vicar Provincial

Basilica & National Shrine Our Lady of Consolation



### “Refugee, Migrant, Immigrant: Welcoming the Stranger Among Us”

Conditions and political situations in the world are changing at a maddening pace, while discussions continue regarding our response, as people of faith and citizens of the world. The depth of our Catholic Social Teaching has much to lend to both the discussion and the formation of our own attitudes regarding those who are immigrant, migrant and/or refugee. Fr. Stowe will add his personal experiences to help paint for us a picture of our role, in this ever changing reality, as the Catholic community... .. one that continues to “welcome the stranger among us” with pastoral care, charitable assistance, and a stronger voice.

Father John Stowe, a Conventual Franciscan Friar, was elected Vicar Provincial of the Conventual Franciscan Province of Our Lady of Consolation on March 18, 2010. He has been Chancellor, Moderator of the Curia and Vicar General of the Diocese of El Paso since December 2002. Before his appointment to the Chancery, he was pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish which includes the Ysleta Mission, founded in 1680, the oldest church in Texas. A native of Lorain, Ohio, Father John came to El Paso in June 1995 after finishing a Licentiate in Sacred Theology, in Church History, at the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley, California. He has BA's from Saint Louis University in Philosophy and in History. During his time in El Paso he was a leader with EPISO, an interfaith community organizing initiative with the Industrial Areas Foundation, and a board member of Project ARRIBA, an award winning job training program. Father John has testified before the Texas State legislature, El Paso County Commissioners Court and El Paso City Council on comprehensive immigration reform.

**Lorain County Community College**  
**Spitzer Conference Center in Elyria, Ohio**  
 Luncheon Buffet: 11:30 am • Speaker: 12:00 – 1:00 pm  
**\$17.00 per reservation**  
**RESERVATION DEADLINE: 3:00 pm, Friday July 27!**  
 Please mail your \$17 check to:  
 First Friday Forum of Lorain County, 320 Middle Ave, Elyria, OH 44035  
 or call the reservation line at 440-244-0643 or e-mail [fflorain@gmail.com](mailto:fflorain@gmail.com)

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 Avon, Ohio 44011

**TIME:** 1-3 pm

2012 SCHEDULE



**WHEN:**



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**September 16th: Sunday Dinner Dance**

• Buffet Dinner & Dancing. \$15.00 each or \$25.00 per couple

**October 1st** (first Monday) Only \$4.00 per person

**November 5th** (first Monday) Only \$4.00 per person

**December 3rd** (first Monday) Only \$4.00 per person

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