

# Ragan Report



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## Grand Knight Report...

There is so much exciting news to report this month. As Fr. O'Connor heads to Akron St. Vincent within 2 weeks, his vacancy will be filled by Fr. Ron Wearsch, the son of Gerrie and Br. Ralph Wearsch. His brother Russ was a PGK of our Council. Fr. Ron was a co-pastor in Willowick and in his homecoming he has his own parish. Fr. Terry Grachanin celebrated his first Mass at his home Church at Holy Spirit on Sunday May 19th after being ordained by Bishop Lennon at St. John's Cathedral on Saturday May 18th. His first assignment is at St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Parma. The Mass was beautiful and featured a superb performance on the trumpet by seminarian Scott Goodfellow who will be ordained in May of 2014. Our Financial

Secretary, Tim Hohman, attended the Ordination of his nephew Deacon Nick Droll on Saturday May 25. With most family members present, Fr. Nick Droll celebrated his first Mass later that day in Columbus. On behalf of Fr. Ragan Council, I would like to extend congratulations to those priests and families. The life of a priest is a solitary one and filled with a lot of hard work, however, we need these men since they are a spiritual and moral guidepost of the Catholic religion.

Still on the subject of priests, I would like to thank our Chaplain Fr. Gerard for guiding us through another fraternal year. Fr. Gerard provides interesting subjects for the Chaplain's Reports

during the meetings and has conducted stimulating retreats through the years. After having attended the Ohio Knights State Convention this past weekend, I think that Fr. Gerard would be an excellent choice for State Chaplain of the Knights in 2 years when Robert Collins of the Cleveland area becomes the State Deputy. Fr. Gerard's talks are pointed and inspirational. Hopefully more young priests will provide us with similar qualities.

The Measure Up Campaign headed by PGK Dan Pulit was a success again this year with the amount collected near the 2012 amount of \$4,800+. We have to decide which groups we would like to donate the money to.

The Super Cash Bonanza Campaign ended with about 1,138 tickets sold- 150 tickets more than last year. Thanks to Chairman John Pabin for all his efforts and to all Brother Knights for supporting this Campaign. All the money that we receive from the State will go for charity and once again we will decide how to disburse that money.

The final call to run for an office within our Council will be Thursday June 6th. If your name is not on the ballot and you want to run for an office, let PGK Ted Schmitz know before the meeting. Installation of the new officers for 2013-2014 will be Thursday June 20th at 7:30 PM, with District Deputy Jim Maslach presiding.

On Thursday May 23 at a special Foundation meeting, Monday Night Bingo narrowly edged out Friday Bingo.

It was a tough decision with less competition winning out over tradition. On Thursday May 30th at 7:30 PM we will have a meeting to discuss new ideas for bingo as both nights were struggling in attendance. However, now events can be scheduled for Fridays and Flag Day this year is Friday June 14th.

DGK John Wesner and I, along with our wives, were at the Ohio Knights 114th Convention at Kalahari this past Memorial weekend. We will detail any pertinent ideas that came from the Convention at our June 6th Business Meeting.

If I have forgotten anything, I will bring it up at our next meeting as this is my last GK message. I want to thank all the PGK's, Officers and Brother Knights, as well as the Isabella Guild for all their efforts during the past year. Some members of both groups will not be able to contribute at the same pace as they get older. Thus it is important to replenish our membership with younger members who will continue the work of Fr. Ragan Council and infuse our group with fresh ideas. Thank you all for your continued efforts on behalf of charity to others and to our Churches and good luck to the new Officers!

Vivat Jesus, Grand Knight, Robert Y. Garrett Jr.

# Measure Up Campaign

A special thanks to chairman Dan Pulit and all the Brother Knights who contributed many hours collecting for the annual Measure Up Campaign at Avon's Wal-Mart as well as at the four local parishes. This year's collection total was over \$4,700.

Ohio State Council  
Knights of Columbus  
**2013 Measure Up  
Campaign**



## Council Scholarship Winners

The 2013 Knights of Columbus Scholarship results are complete. Thank you to Brother Mike Cobos for coordinating this annual effort. We would like to acknowledge and recognize the following scholarship recipients:

- **Herman Wearsch** and **Patrick Bergen** are two fine young men who will be attending St. Ignatius High School in the fall.
- **Kevin Collins** will be attending St. Edward High School.
- **Jacquelyn Misencik** will be furthering her education at the University of Alabama.
- **Rachel Darkow** will be attending Penn State University in the fall.
- **Alana Berger** will be attending Hiram University.
- **Spencer Weidig** will be attending Miami University.

We would like to congratulate these students and wish them the best on this new chapter in their lives.

## Bowlers Win Title

In March, the Knights of Columbus had its state bowling tournament near Dayton. Five local bowlers came home as winners in the team event. Team Captain was Steve Kimmel of Father Ragan Council. The team, made up of bowlers from the Thursday night league at Spevock's Nautical Lanes in Avon Lake, consisted of Kimmel, Mark Konya, Fran Tibbitts, Dennis Zakutny and John Schriff. who are all members of Father Ragan Council and Lorain Bowling Association.

## B-I-N-G-O...

Thursday's decision on Bingo was a narrow one, with Monday Night Bingo having the majority of votes. On **Thursday May 30 at 7:30PM** at the Hall, we would like to hear some ideas that would be helpful to increase attendance. We appreciate your input.

Thank you,  
GK Rob Garrett

Ohio State Council, Knights of Columbus  
OFFICIAL PRIZE LIST  
"2013 Super Cash Bonanza"

Prize #1	\$414.00 A MONTH FOR 10 YEARS (\$49,680)	
Winner:	Ellen Peyton	178464
Prize #2	\$313.00 A MONTH FOR 5 YEARS (\$18,780)	
Winner:	Gerald Timazur Vanwert, Ohio	473538
Prize #3	\$212.00 A MONTH FOR 5 YEARS (\$12,720)	
Winner:	Becky Cook Brunswick, Ohio	164106
Prize #4	\$4,000.00	
Winner:	Tina McNeal Columbus, Ohio	343925
Prize #5	\$3,000.00	
Winner:	Edward K. Kollin N. Ridgeville, Ohio	143398
Prize #6-9	\$1,500.00	
Winner:	Ralph Misinec Jefferson, Ohio	281744
Winner:	Carla Williams Cheverly, Md.	011892
Winner:	Steven Kolesar Cleveland, Ohio	162848
Winner:	Tom Klett Cincinnati, Ohio	042567
Prize #10-13	\$1,250.00	
Winner:	John Litwinowicz Parma, Ohio	121242
Winner:	Jacqueline McCown Westlake, Ohio	192155
Winner:	Carol Banal Dillona, Ohio	226674
Winner:	Toby Slown Perrysberg, Ohio	433191
Prize #14-17	\$1,000.00	
Winner:	Russell Cron Dayton, Ohio	058643
Winner:	Fina Gruber Geneva, Ohio	291463
Winner:	Leah Colopy Danville, Ohio	326236
Winner:	Shirlei LaFleur Cleveland, Ohio	204570
Prize #18-21	\$750.00	
Winner:	Susan Huner Toledo, Ohio	263245
Winner:	Frank Krizansky Cleveland, Ohio	201913
Winner:	Norman Schnipke Ft. Jennings, Ohio	474454
Winner:	Jean Osinski	213984
Prize #22-25	\$500.00	
Winner:	Ted Borchers Ft. Laramie, Ohio	028131
Winner:	Clem Kress Lewisville, Ohio	000100
Winner:	Darlene Matteson Fairborn, Oh	011069
Winner:	Howard Smith Monroeville, Ohio	391440

Drawing of Award Winners, Friday, May 24, 2013 at 7:00 P.M.  
Kalahari Resorts 7000 Kalahari Dr, Sandusky, Ohio 44870

David A. Helmstetter  
State Deputy

Robert F Collins Jr.  
State Treasurer

## Isabella Ladies Guild News



Isabella  
Guild

of Father Ragan Council No. 3299 Knights of Columbus

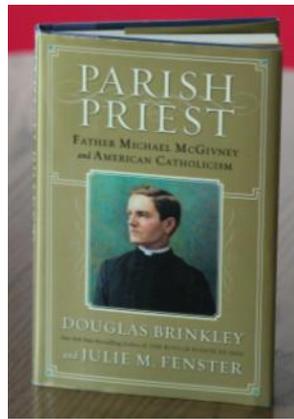
The Isabella Ladies Guild will have installation of officers in June for the 2013/14 year. Officers for next year will be Debbie Berger (President), Chris Schneider (Vice President), Pat Christ (Treasurer), and Terri Pabin (Secretary).

### Parish Events

June 8th (St. Joseph, Avon Lake) Fr. Tim O'Connor's farewell open house after 4:30PM Mass

# Council Book Chain

Brother Tim Hohman recently suggested that the Council begin a 'book chain' with books that hold significant importance to the Council and the Knights of Columbus. The effort has been started with *Parish Priest: Father Michael McGivney and American Catholicism* written by Douglas Brinkley and Julie M. Fenster.



Look for the book at the next Council meeting, take it home to read, sign your name in the back and return it to the next meeting.

# Council Elections

Elections to select men to lead our Council for the 2013-14 Fraternal Year will take place June 6th. As always, during the election, nominations from the floor for ANY POSITION are encouraged. Potential candidates must be present to indicate their acceptance of the responsibilities of the position.

# 4th Degree Fish Fry

**McManus Fish Fry** Casual Eat, Drink and Be Merry. Fish main course and refreshments will be provided. Bring a dish to share!

Saturday, June 22nd, 2013 - 5:00 PM  
The Bruder Homestead

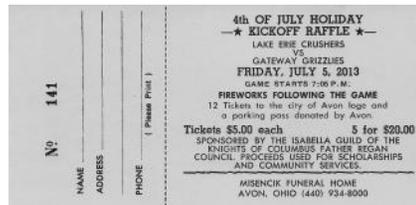
# Lake Erie Crushers Loge Raffle

The Isabella Guild of Father Ragan Council has again this year obtained the use of the City of Avon's Loge for the Friday July 5<sup>th</sup> Lake Erie Crusher's game against the Gateway Grizzlies. (Game time 7:05PM)

They are raffling a package that includes 12 tickets to the game as well as a parking pass and the use of the loge. In addition to comfortable prime seating & television access, the game will include an awesome fireworks display following the game. It's so nice, you may actually hope for a rain delay so you can enjoy the inside of the Loge while everyone else is getting wet. The winner will be responsible for their own refreshments.

Raffle tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00. Proceeds benefit the community services and scholarships awarded by the Isabella Guild.

Tickets will be available from any Isabella Member and at Father Ragan Council meetings and events. Call Fran Sikora for more information or tickets 937-5507.



# Some important dates which led to the construction of the Council Hall...

- April 6, 1954 A Permanent Building Committee is appointed.
- July 1, 1959 The first payment is made to purchase five acres of property on Moore Rd for the K of C Hall.
- May 4, 1961 Council votes to borrow an amount up to \$60,000 to construct a building.
- June 8, 1961 Roman Klingshirn appointed as Business Manager of the Columbian Club for construction of the K of C Hall.
- July, 1961 Construction of the K of C Hall begins.
- March, 1962 St. Patrick's Day dance held at nearly completed K of C Hall.
- May 27, 1962 Dedication Mass for K of C Hall held at Holy Trinity Church, Avon; breakfast at the new Hall; open house in the afternoon; banquet in the evening.



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