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Grand Knight
Bob Schneider



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26th K of C Wrestling Tournament Held at Avon Lake High School



The 26th annual Knights of Columbus/Avon Lake Wrestling Invitational was held on December 8-9 at the Avon Lake High School Field house. The grinding competition was a triple elimination and gave each wrestler three chances before being knocked out of the brackets. Sixteen local high schools partici-

parted. Saturday evening began with the K of C Color Guard from the Lt. McManus Assembly leading the procession of champions onto the mats. They carried the flag to the center of the mats and after the national anthem was played they proudly marched out of the gym.

Electricity could be felt from the crowd as everybody was ready for the final round. The Amherst Comets were champions for the first time in the 15 years they have competed in the tournament. They were in 3rd place, 13 1/2 points behind Bellevue going into the championship round. They had to win all of the final matches including the heavyweight match. Going into the final match the team scoreboard was updated and everyone realized that if Amherst won the final match they would also win the tournament. A loss would have left them 1/2 point behind the leader. Jon Warford, the Amherst heavyweight handily defeated a much larger opponent causing the fans from Amherst who were all on their feet to roar and cheer for several minutes. It was the most exciting finish in the past 20 years. It was truly an entertaining evening for wrestling fans.

Father Ragan Council donated \$1,000. to Avon Lake High School. The school uses the money to pay for the plaques which are handed out to the winners of each weight class. The tournament would not take place if not for all of the volunteers from our council who manned the scoring tables. Many thanks to the following individuals for the many hours which they worked in an effort to make the event run smoothly. First on the list; all of the Sir Knights from the Color Guard, (Gus Guthrie, Jim Bruder, Vic Sedivec, Red Diluciano, Frank Szendry, Joe Lowe, Cy Bliss, Harding Christ, John Misencik, and Roger Anderson). The Brother Knights who scored matches and ran clocks were as follows: Dale Kirsch, Vic Sedivec, Paul Green, Rusty Berner, Mike Cobos, John Hricovec and Rick Stuart. Many thanks to these individuals who generously donated their time and are not yet Brother Knights, Jake Janicek, Jim Coyne, Mike Coyne, Rick Heier, John Coyne, John Cobos, Nick Cobos, Brad Guthrie, Bryce Stuart, Mark Rohn, Todd Kauffman, Chris Weimer and Natalie Cobos who was a towel tapper. Thanks also to the 20 or so high school students who helped by giving the table workers a break. The tournament is one of the earliest in the season and is a local favorite. The local papers covered it well and I have included some the information. Thanks again to everyone.— PGK Roberto F. Cobos

FINAL RESULTS Avon Lake Wrestling Tournament

Amherst	217	Brush	136	North Ridgeville	67.5	Padua	28
Bellevue	213	Normandy	102	Vermilion	62	Avon Lake "B"	22
Kenston	178	Lakewood	91	Willoughby South	59	Shaw	21.5
Avon Lake "A"	174.5	Valley Forge	76	Elyria	58.5	ND/Cathedral Latin	14
Holy Name	157.5	Avon	69	Oberlin	42		

Upcoming Degrees

Both 1st & 2nd Degrees will be held Sunday January 28, 2007

Candidate call for the First Degree will be at 1:30 PM

The First Degree will begin at 2:00 PM.

300 Guests at 22nd Annual Senior's Dinner Go Home Happy.

Chairman PGK Vince knights and their of the community a all the fixing's at Dinner held Decem-



Gargaro, his family, brother wives served 300 members delicious turkey dinner with the 22nd Annual Senior's ber 3rd.

As the crowd gathered our Financial Secretary Bob Booth greeted them and made sure they got their door prize tickets. Guests were served their choice of red or white wine (or both) while waiting for the One O'clock initial servings. The food was catered by Tom's Country Place with FDD Jim Jacob's supervising the many workers to assure that the meals were served both hot and tasty to our guests. Cake and coffee followed as Chairman Vince called the winning ticket numbers for door prizes. This was truly a remarkable day of sharing and friendship that was appreciated by everyone in attendance. It was clear to anyone in attendance, that the extraordinary efforts of the workers paid off, as the event went off without a hitch with the 300 meals being served in just over 25 minutes. Chairman Vince expressed his gratitude for the efforts of all those who made this a resounding success. Mark you calendars for next year's dinner, Dec. 2nd 2007. Check out the photos of this event on the next page.





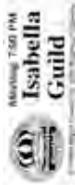
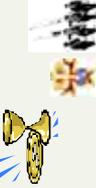
I'm so happy, I get to work with Mike again

Senior Dinner 2006



January 07

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December 31	January 1	2	3	4	5	6
	New Years Day 		St Mary's Bingo 	8:00 PM Fr Ragan Business Meeting	Fr Ragan Bingo 	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Champions hip Game UNIO STARS Football 		St Mary's Bingo 	7:30 PM Fr Ragan Charitable Trust Meeting	Fr Ragan Bingo 	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Martin Luther King Jr. 	Lt McManus Assy. 4 th Degree Meeting Amherst 8:00 PM	St Mary's Bingo 	8:00 PM Fr Ragan Social Meeting	Fr Ragan Bingo 	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
			St Mary's Bingo 	7:30 PM Fr Ragan Officers Meeting	Fr Ragan Bingo 	
28	29	30	31	February 1	2	3
1 st Degree Fr Ragan 1:30 PM Candidates 2 nd Degree 3:00 PM			St Mary's Bingo 		Fr Ragan Bingo 	

February 07						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
January 28	29	30	31	February 1	2	3
			St Mary's Bingo 	8:00 PM Fr Ragan Business Meeting	Fr Ragan Bingo Groundhog Day 	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Super Bowl 			St Mary's Bingo 	7:30 PM Fr Ragan Charitable Trust Meeting	Fr Ragan Bingo 	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
			St Mary's Bingo Valentines Day 	8:00 PM Fr Ragan Social Meeting	Fr Ragan Bingo 	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	President's Day	Lt. McManus Assy 4 th Degree Meeting Lorain 8:00 PM 	St Mary's Bingo ASH WEDNESDAY 	7:30 PM Fr Ragan Officers Meeting	Fr Ragan Bingo 	
25	26	27	28	March 1	2	3
10:00 AM St Joseph Quarterly Communion 			St Mary's Bingo 		Fr Ragan Bingo 	

Remembering PGK Jim Black

As previously reported, Father Ragan Council has lost one of its best. PGK James C. Black, 73, of Avon Lake, died Monday, Oct. 23, 2006, at his home. He was born May 11, 1933, in Cleveland and moved to Avon Lake 45 years ago from Lakewood. He was a veteran of the Korean War and graduated from Ohio University in 1958. Jim was employed as a purchasing agent for Ohio Nut and Bolt Fasteners Industries for 30 years. In addition to being an active and influential Past Grand Knight of our Council, he was a member of American Legion Post 211 and St. Joseph Catholic Church, both in Avon Lake, and a charter member of the Irish Heritage Club. He was a member of Phi Kappa at Ohio University, a high school wrestling fan and an avid bowler and golfer. He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Jeanette; daughters Lynn Cobos (Wife of PGK Roberto Cobos) of Avon Lake and Laurie Strung of Westerville; son, James Black of Avon Lake; sister, Mary Ellen Kall of North Olmsted; a niece, Phyllis Maynor, whom he raised; and seven grandchildren, one great-grandchild and nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

He lived on Berkshire Rd (AKA PGK's Road), which is also where many of his friends live; including PGK's Bill Korney, RP LaScola, Jerry Briggs, & Frank Konya, and BK's George and Paul Kepic. JB joined the Knights in January 1973. Much of his adult life was centered around his brother knights and the council activities. He participated in many of the council functions including the Nite in Rome, Corn and Steak Roast, Clambake, Turkey Raffle, Bowling and Golf Leagues. He was chairman of the New Year's Eve Parties and Co-Chairman of the Las Vegas Night. He was instrumental in the origination of the "Knights of Columbus/Avon Lake Wrestling Tournament" with PGK Jerry Briggs in 1980. This year marked the 26 consecutive year of that event.

Please continue to remember Jim and his family in your prayers.

Rest in Peace, Jim.



Lt. Mc Manus Assembly Notes

There are no scheduled turnouts in January 2007.

Next meeting January 16th—Amherst Council

Isabella News for January Ragan Report



Over 100 people traveled "Down Candy Cane Lane" on Saturday evening, December 16th. Rita Michelich and Pam Christopher planned the event. With the help of their dedicated committee the candy cane theme was evident everywhere you looked! We mingled over appetizers, ate a delicious dinner, and then we all settled back to watch The Isabella Players entertain. Mary Bliss read a poem called "When I am an Old Lady and

Live With My Kids." Then our Isabella "Old Ladies" showed us the way they would pay back their kids for the mischievous behavior the parents had endured. (We hope those children were not watching!!)

Dancing to the music of John Kowalski and door prizes completed our celebration of Christmas.

Our next meeting will be February 13. This will be our anniversary meeting. Pizza will be served with ice cream and cake for dessert. Bundle up and join us to start 2007.

More photos next page >>>



Birthdays

Anniversaries

Hazel Kaspar	Jan-4
Helen Lowe	Jan-11
Joyce Plas	Jan-7
Charlotte Whitfield	Jan-16
Kathleen Sommers	Jan-10

Vic & LaVerne Sedivec	Jan-31
Leon & Barb Krulik	Jan-18



Isabella Christmas 2006




**Sister "Sins-a-lot"
ponders the solemnity
of the evening**



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