

"Over 115 years of Service to the Massillon Area"

Massillon Council 554



Knights of Columbus

July - August, 2018

Grand Knight's Report

By Robert Pittinger, Grand Knight
I want you to know how honored I am to serve as your Grand Knight. With your help and working together we can accomplish many new projects.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the outgoing officers for their hard work and dedication to our council. All officers involved did an outstanding job. I know our future officers will do as well. We really need to encourage new members to join our council and I know we can accomplish that goal. If you know someone who would make a good candidate, maybe a friend or family member or someone who you see in church, just ask them to join us.

Installation of Officers will be July 17th at 7:00pm.

We will also have a Highway Clean up on July 21st. Volunteers are needed please contact Matt Meyer.

An early reminder to mark August 5th on your calendar. This will be our Council Family picnic from noon to 3. All council members of 554 and Navarre Council 5582, Columbian Ladies Guild, Social Members, and their families and our member's widows are welcome.

Please pray for healing for Msgr. Kolp who was in a serious auto accident. Also, please pray the rosary daily for each and everyone of us, our families, our nation and the world.

"Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." 1 Thessalonians 5:18

PLEASE NOTE: Our Clubroom and facility will be CLOSED on Wednesday, July 4, in celebration of Independence Day. Happy 4th of July!7 And we will be CLOSED on Saturday, July.

What's Happening in... July, 2018

3 7:00 PM 4th Degree Meeting
4 Independence Day
7 1:00 PM Youngstown Diocese –
OSC Tour Meeting
10 6:00 PM Program Director's Meeting
6:30 PM Officers and Trustee Meeting
11 7:00 PM 1st Degree DVD
17 7:00 PM Installation of Officers
(District-wide)
18 1:00 PM Bloodmobile
7:00 PM Squires Meeting

24 7:00 PM Reg. Council Meeting, 1st Budget reading & MKF Report (Special Night)

.....August, 2018

1 7:00 PM Squires Meeting

5 12-3 PM Council Family Picnic

7 7:00 PM 4th Degree Meeting / Picnic (Ladies Night)

8 7:00 PM 1st Degree DVD

9 7:00 PM Stark County Chapter

14 7:00 PM Reg. Council Meeting,

Budget Vote

5 Feast of the Assumption

7:00 PM Squires Meeting

28 6:00 PM Program Director's Meeting

6:30 PM Officers and Trustees Meeting

Council Business Meetings 2nd Tues every Month: 7:00 PM

Club Room Hours

Mon-Tues-Wed: 4-11 PM Thu-Fri-Sat: 4-12 AM

KITCHEN HOURS
Wed, Thurs, Sat, 5 to 8 p.m.,
...Fridays - 4 to 8 p.m.
Check out our new menu!

Chaplain's Report

By Msgr James Kolp

My dear friends, I imagine that you have heard about my plight. It happened on Saturday evening, June 16th. It was raining and I was driving east on Route 62 toward Louisville. All at once I saw what looked like a brick wall right in front of my car. A driver of a large truck was driving west on Route 62. The driver's truck hydroplaned across the median strip and stopped right in my lane. I had no time to use my brakes or anything. I believe that it was a miracle that I survived. I was taken by ambulance to Mercy Hospital Emergency and finally dismissed. I am convalescing at the Emmaus House.

I thank God for preserving my life. Please pray for me and be assured of my prayers for you. God is so good. Blessed be the Name of the Lord.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

By Joe Vilhosky, St Barbara Round Table Chairman

St. Barbara parish and the Knights of Columbus Council 554 have a monthly Divine Mercy Chaplet the 4th Tuesday of every month at 3 P.M. Our Council invites all K of C Members their families and Catholics to attend. The only thing you need to bring besides yourself is your Rosary.

The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us — all of us. And, he wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy. On one occasion, Jesus told St. Faustina this: "It pleases me to grant everything souls ask of me by saying the chaplet.

Please join us at St. Barbara's.



Massillon Council 554

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Fraternal Report

By Ken Girt, PGK

On Our Sick List: Gerald Meyer, Bill Ringley, Ron Blogna, Bill Hamit, Ron Kurpieski, Jim Kracker, Jim Bushway, Richard Rootes, Gene Hammer, Joe Vogt, Paul Lambert, Msgr James Kolp and Chuck Meyer.

In Nursing Homes:

If you want your name added to our sick list, or if you know of a brother knight who should be added, please send me an email at girtken@sssnet.com or call me at 330-837-6670.

In Memoriam; Thomas Brennan

Thomas D. Brennan, 88, of Massillon, passed away on April 30 following a brief illness. Tom was a Veteran of the Army serving during the Korean Conflict. He was self-employed owning his own company, Advanced Coffee Concepts.

He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus Council #554, 3rd Degree. He was formerly a longtime member of St. Barbara Catholic Church where he served on various committees and was a lector and cantor. Tom served as a Massillon City Councilman for 10 years and was a member of the Planning Commission. He was instrumental in planning and developing the first 18 holes of The Legends Golf Course.

Tom was preceded in death by wife, Mary Louise and infant son, Brian. He is survived by daughters, Sheila, and Julia, and sons Thomas, John and Don.

May he Rest in Peace!

In Memoriam: John Buskill

John F. Bushkill, 72 of Canal Fulton, died on Wednesday, May 2. He was born in East St. Louis, Illinois and retired from Babcock and Wilcox after 45 years of service. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and K of C Council #554, 3rd Degree and 4th Degree Bishop Massillon Assembly,

John is survived by his wife, Donna and daughter, Cyndie. He was preceded in death by son, Scott.

May he Rest in Peace!

Squires Report

By Mike Szillat, Chief Counselor Congratulations to our new officers for the 2018-2019 Fraternal Year!

Chief Squire - Nathan Courter Deputy Chief Squire - TJ Rankl Notary - Ben Frank

Bursar - Jaxon Gohlike

And congratulations to our Immediate Past Chief Squire, Jonathan Szillat, who was elected State Marshall for the Ohio State Squires!

And sincere thanks to our past leaders for an awesome year! Massillon took home half the awards at the State Convention! Let's do even more next time!

Adopt -a-Highway

By Matt Meyer, Community Chairman
Council 554 will hold our bi-annual
highway cleanup of Route 21 between Lake
Ave and Forty Corners Road on July 21 at
9am. We will meet at St. Mary's parking
lot and carpool from there. It typically
only takes about 2 hours. Safety vests,
garbage bags and grabbers will be
provided. Contact Matt Meyer 330-2849365 if you are able to help.

In Memoriam; Thomas R Steiner

Thomas R. Steiner, 91 of Dalton, passed away on Saturday, June 23, 2018. Tom was born on June 18, 1927 in Massillon the son of the late Harold and Corella (Hammer) Steiner. He was a lifelong resident of the area and a 1945 graduate of Washington High School.

Tom was a United States Navy veteran. He was a member of St. Barbara Catholic Church, K of C, and past president of the Plumbers Union #94.

Tom is survived by his wife, Carol (Stein) Steiner of whom he shared 66 years of marriage; his children Douglas, Lynn and Susan. Along with his parents he was preceded in death by his sister, Dona Riordan.



Council 554's Annual

Family Picnic

Sunday, August 5, 2018
Food served from 12:00 to 3:00
Children's Games at 3:00 PM
For all Members of Council 554, Columbian Ladies
Guild, Social Members and their families; and
our Member's Widows.

Volunteers needed; please contact any Council Officer.

The Massillon Knights Foundation

Foundation Trustees 2018 – 2019 Three Year: James Brelish (Treasurer), Paul Lambert (President), Dave Cowley. Two-Year: Bill Shane (Vice President), Jeff Heitger (Secretary), Jim Sieber, One-Year: John Williams, Bob Catazaro, Ron Kurpieski.

Foundation Report

By Paul Lambert, President

Summer has finally arrived but pretty wet. Please check in with your neighbors and make sure they are okay with this heat or if they need anything.

We have some projects planned for August. The walking path I hope to get started and if you would like to help, please call me at home at 330-833-3329. If I am not there, just leave a message and I will get back to you. I had a little accident and broke my ankle and it should be healed by August. Thanks for any help you can give.

There are a few minor things that have to be fixed to keep the building in tip top shape.

We would like to thank the Columbian Ladies for the donation to help fix the roof.

Also, please take a look at the Blessed Virgin Mary statute as they have had her cleaned and painted. Hopefully we can all help with the rest of the gazebo, painting it, landscape and whatever else needs to be done. The Squires are willing to help with the landscape when ready

Happy Fourth of July!

FISH FRY'S Every Friday in our Clubroom 4:00 to 8:00 PM

Complex Manager's Report

By Mary Ann Cowley

July is here already, welcome SUMMER! Happy FOURTH Of JULY! The club will be closed Wednesday, July 4th & Saturday July 7th!

July is pretty slow here at the club! Don't forget to stop in for a sandwich or fish (on Fridays) or a salad during these hot summer months. Enjoy the patio! Kitchen hours - Wednesday 4 to 9, Thurs.- Saturdays - 4 to 8 pm

Bingo - every Monday at 7:00 p.m. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. We still need volunteers for Bingo. If you are interested please call the office ... 330-837-9101.

Bloodmobile is Wednesday, July 18th Our next Nite at the Races is October 20th with WestStark as our Co-sponsor. Tickets will be available in September.

From the Editor.....

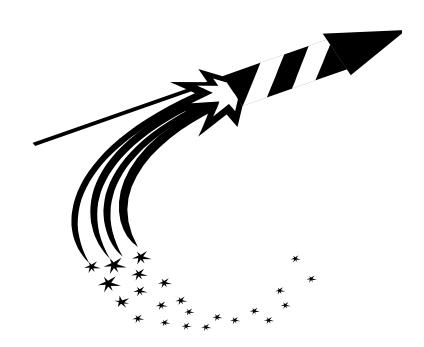
By Ken Girt, PSD, PGK, Bulletin Editor

If you would like to receive this monthly email notice with the newsletter link, please email me at... **girtken@sssnet.com.**

I will add your email to my email list, which we use with a blind carbon copy so no one can use the email addresses for their personal use,

This is great for all our members who go south for the winter. (Or east, west and north as well) to stay in touch.

Let me know if you have any questions.



MASSILLON K of C BINGO

Every Monday Night 7PM Doors open at 4:30 PMALL PAPER GAMES

Bishop Massillon Assembly Fourth Degree

Faithful Friar
Faithful Purser
Faithful Captain
Faithful Admiral
Faithful Comptroller
Faithful Pilot
Faithful Scribe

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Faithful Navigator's Report

By Matt Meyer, Faithful Navigator
Our assembly welcomed in 5 new
members at our spring exemplification in
Boardman on May 5th. Our new Sir
Knights are Walt Peters, Ed Hill, Mike
Mullins, Hunter Vogley, and Jim Thieret.
Congrats to them and we look forward to
seeing you at our meetings.

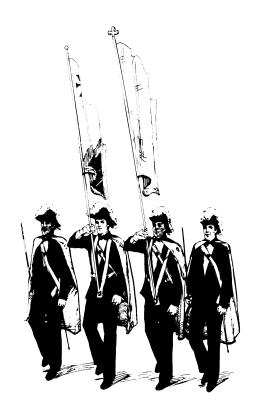
Now is the time to recruit new 4th degree members for the upcoming exemplification in the fall. We had 6 Sir Knights in full regalia march for the parade along with our squire's circle. It was a nice day for a parade. Hopefully in the future we can get more to march with us. It was an honor for me to lay a wreath for all deceased K of C veterans at Veterans Park.

We held our elections for the new year at the last meeting. I would like to congratulate all the officers for being elected to their positions. We are still in need of a scribe to take down the minutes during each meeting. If you are able to do this, please let me know.

Installation of officers will be held at St. Joe's Massillon on Sunday July 29th. New officers and their ladies are invited to come to the 11am Mass prior to the installation. The installation will then proceed immediately after Mass. After the installation we will head to AA Executive Catering on Lincoln Way for Lunch. It will be a pay for your own meal arrangement. Adults are \$16.99, Seniors \$15.99, and Children 4-10 are \$9.99.

Our next Ladies Night will be the 4th degree picnic on August 7th. We will be having typical picnic food. Hamburgers and hot dogs, etc. The 4th degree officers will be in charge of the picnic.

The 2018 provincial meeting will be held in Sterling Heights, Michigan this year on October 12th-14th. It is a very nice weekend. If you have never been to one, I recommend attending at least once. There are training seminars for all officer positions and programs for the ladies as well. For more information, visit http://hennepinprovincial.org/Provincial_Meeting.htm.





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