



# KNIGHTRIDER

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NEWS FOR BRUNSWICK COUNCIL #4847 ● PO BOX 634 , BRUNSWICK, OH 44212 USA

## Knights Show First Principle

*Jim Maslach, Grand Knight*

As the leaves change and the temperature drops, the Brunswick Knights of Columbus kick it into high gear. Yes, it is that time of year again where service programs become the life of our council. It is no surprise to me as I have seen this council do so many great things over the years. Charity—the first principle of our Order. A principle that so many of us do without thinking about it. Brother Knights working the summer and fall festivals, bingo, PSR, lecturing, Eucharistic ministers and so on. So many of us spread out amongst so many ministries, it is a good sign that the Knights are alive and vibrant in Brunswick.

Yet, with so much going on, there is still more to do. We are expanding our repertoire as we sponsor more family-orientated activities such as the Bunny Brunch last spring and our first, Halloween Not Trick—Just Treat Party. Seeing the children laughing and having a good time



certainly can put a smile on my face and warm feeling in my heart. Thank you to Vince Berardinelli and his team for putting on a great event.

Each of the program directors have been challenged to come up with some new and exciting service programs. Each of you have been given an opportunity to participate. I pray that you have taken or

will take that opportunity to help shape our council.

Congratulations to our newest members: Dennis Cigany, Darryl Sper, Bob Elshaw, John Rhodie, and Steve Whisler. All of these men join an organization dedicated to strengthen our faith, educating the youth, support family activities, and great fellowship. Take a moment to welcome them to our council. We look forward to helping you help us and our mission laid out by Father McGivney in 1882.

Yes, the leaves are changing and the temperature drops, but the members of Brunswick Council #4847 are just getting heated up. Come and see what we are all about—Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. Brothers, we have the responsibility and potential to help change this world—In Service to One. In Service to All.

Vivat Jesus!

### Congratulations to the 4847!

Brunswick Council #4847 has received the distinction of the Columbian Award for 2009-2010. The Columbian Award recognizes overall excellence in service programs designed to enhance the parish and local communities that the council serves. The award was presented to the membership by District Deputy PGK John Brown at a special meeting on October 19, 2010 at St. Ambrose Catholic Church.

Grand Knight Jim Maslach states that “many service programs that the Knights provide to the parishes and local communities are a testimony to the love that our members have. Being there for each other, the parishes, and the local communities is a beautiful and very rewarding experience.”



# **Knight of Columbus Membership Billing Cycle RESOLUTION**

*Sonny Scarpino, Financial Secretary*

Dear Brothers,

It's that time of year again. We posted this information in a prior Knight Riders communications and I felt it might be a good time to re-post this again. Below is an outline of the Knights of Columbus Membership Billing Cycle. I think it important that all members understand the process and it is communicated to all members to avoid unexpected member notifications and help us to control unnecessary cost. Please review the following information regarding the membership billing cycle and let me know if you have any questions.

## **Below is our councils schedule for membership notifications and due dates:**

**December- First Notification** will be sent out to members. All members have 30 days from the billing date to pay their membership dues. If a member fails to pay within 30 day a Second Notification will be sent. If a member is having difficulties and can't make payment he must notify the F/S - Sonny Scarpino @ 330-220-0660 during the First Notification timeframe. I will work with you to keep your membership current.

**January- Second Notification** will be sent to any member who has not paid the First Notification within the 30 day window. The Second Notification must be paid within 30 day. During this time you may also receive a courtesy call from our council to follow up with you. If your membership is still not paid within 30 days of the Second Notification you name will be forwarded to our Retention committee for further action.

**Knight Alert-** if you membership is still not paid within 30 days of your Second Notification you will receive a Knight Alert notification. During this time the retention committee will make personal contact with the delinquent member to remind him of his obligation and provide written statement of their finding to the Grand Knight. If the member is experiencing financial difficulty, the grand knight will direct the committee members to visit the member and make arrangements to accommodate him with either a payment plan or other financial arrangement acceptable to the council.

**Intent to Suspend-** If at the end of 30 days from the date the Knight Alert was sent your membership will be recommended for suspension. The member will receive a letter from State Council and a phone call from the District Deputy to discuss the arrearage situation. If no payment or arrangement is not received within 30 days your membership will be suspended.

It is not our intent to suspend members we will work with you if you are experiencing financial difficulties or are experiencing an event that is keeping you from paying your membership current. It's all of our responsibilities to help keep our costs down and pay our obligations on time so that we can continue to provide for those who are depending on our services.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me directly at 330-220-0660 or e-mail me at [scarco@roadrunner.com](mailto:scarco@roadrunner.com).

## ***Proposed Resolution to Brunswick Council #4847***

WHEREAS, Brunswick Council #4847 being a Charitable and Fraternal Organization that conducts many charitable activities throughout the year.

WHEREAS, many members of Brunswick Council #4847 support various council fundraising activities and functions by charitable donations of their time, talents and treasures.

WHEREAS, the Brunswick Council #4847 supports and takes an active role in the education and promotion of Pro-Life issues.

WHEREAS, the Brunswick Council #4847 was approached by the Quad-City and the Right-to-Life of Northeast Ohio to assist in funding a mobile ultrasound.

WHEREAS, a mobile ultrasound unit would be rotated throughout Medina and Summit County on a regular basis.

WHEREAS, the organizations utilizing the ultrasound machine would cover the costs for the ultrasound technician.

WHEREAS, the total cost for the ultrasound machine is \$22,000.

WHEREAS, that the ultrasound machine is being sold through the Knights of Columbus at a discounted rate of 50% making the total purchase price \$11,000.

WHEREAS, the Supreme Council is donating 50% of their cost or \$5,500 leaving the remaining \$5,500 to be raised through the various local chapters and councils.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Brunswick Council #4847 make a donation to the assist in the purchase of the ultrasound machine from the council's Charity Account. The amount is not to exceed \$550.00.

Respectfully Submitted: The 2nd Day of November, 2010

## **2010-2011 Goals and Objectives**

Increase Membership by 18-New Members  
Currently at 200-Members  
Members Since July: +8 (67% of Supreme Goal)

501c3 Documentation  
Application to be completed and filed with IRS at the end of November 2010

Second Degree Team  
Request was sent and approved by State Deputy Paul Upman granting the formation of the Northern Medina County Second Degree Team.

Increase Membership Participation  
Effort made through Program Directors  
Limited Success

By-Laws Update  
In Progress—looking at Associate and Honorary changes imposed by Supreme and State

## STAR4LIFE

St. Ambrose Relay for Life Team is sponsoring a chicken paprikash dinner to raise funds for the American Cancer Society at St. Ambrose on Saturday, November 20, 2010, 5:00-7:00 p.m. The \$10 meal includes chicken paprikash and dumplings, salad, roll and butter, dessert, coffee or punch. A kids' meal of mac-n-cheese, hot dog and dessert will be available for \$2 each (children 3 and under are free). Pop and water will be sold for 50 cents each. Dine-in or take-out. Chances to win holiday themed raffle baskets. Questions – call 330-225-5625 or 330-273-3017.



## Five Reasons to Join the Order, From the Supreme Knight

1. **You Can Change Lives**—The supreme knight highlighted the Order's partnership with the Global Wheelchair Mission, which provides low-cost, high quality wheelchairs to the poor people around the world. He spoke of his experience in Haiti, where he joined others in lifting people into wheelchairs who were injured in the January earthquake.
2. **You Can Save Lives**—For example, the Knights of Columbus is dedicated to providing ultrasound machines to pro-life pregnancy centers across the United States. Thus far, about 60-machines have been delivered to centers in 25-states, with more to come.
3. **You Can Help Build Up the Church**—The Knights of Columbus is the strong right arm of the Church and the helping hand of every pastor. The Order is an ardent supporter of vocations to the priesthood and religious life, and many of the newest vocations today come directly from Knights of Columbus families and college council members.
4. **You Can Discern Your Own Vocation**—Whether God is calling you to the priesthood or the lay life, membership in the Knights of Columbus is a sure way to realize just what God has in mind for you, the supreme knight said. In the fraternal company of like-minded young Catholic men; in the process of planning and carrying out charitable and religious programs with your council and in prayerful reflection at spiritual events, you are more likely to hear God's call, and to have the courage and conviction to respond with generosity.
5. **You Can Develop Leadership Skills**—As a college Knight, young men are called to be not only tomorrow's leaders, but the leaders of today. By joining a Catholic organization of 1.8-million men and their families, a young man has built-in structure and tradition through which to express his individual talents and skills and build them as he moves along the leadership in positions in his council. The motto of the college council program is "Leaders for Life."

## Times Are Tough

*Pete Troha, Insurance Agent*

I hear it all the time here in Northeast Ohio these days- times are indeed tough.

But if things are tough for you now, imagine how much worse it could be for your loved ones if you were gone. Think of your family, your home, your hopes and dreams for your kid's future. Then take yourself out of the picture. Could your family keep the house? Pay the bills? Would your children still get the education you want for them? If the answer is no, then we need to talk. Did you know that 50% of American households don't have *any* privately owned life insurance? That means that the only coverage half the households in USA have are group coverage through an employer- *or nothing at all!* If this applies to you, we need to talk.

I ask you all, especially associate members, to let me sit down with you and show you what Knights of Columbus Insurance has to offer. And show you how affordable it can be. Let's get real, guys. No one wants to buy life insurance. But I'd bet that not a single one of you would want to leave your family in financial trouble if you passed away suddenly. Let's talk. Then you can take pride in the fact that you will provide for your family now, and after you're gone!



## Halloween No Trick—Just Treat Party

*Vince Berardinelli, Family Program Director*

On October 31st, K of C Council #4847 put on and hosted the 1st ever St. Ambrose Halloween party. The party was held in the church hall and all members of the parish were invited to attend. Our members provided food, entertainment, crafts and games for the event.

We invited our FIAT teens to assist with running games/crafts and decorations and asked our parish community to donate candy that was passed out to the children who attended. The remainder of the candy was donated to the St. Ambrose Catholic Works of Mercy program and will be distributed to needy families in our area. Music and entertainment were provided by DJ Kris Koch who is also a member of council #4847.

The event was well attended and many commented on the number of grandparents who were able to attend and enjoy the afternoon celebrating Halloween with their grandchildren.



# Calendar of Events

## NOVEMBER 2010

11/2/2010	7:30 PM	Council Business Meeting	St. Ambrose Lehner Center
11/6/2010	7:00 AM	2nd Grade Community Day	St. Ambrose Hilkert Hall
	5:00 PM	Ladies Appreciation Dinner	St. Ambrose Hilkert Hall
11/13/2010	4:30 PM	KofC Mass	St. Ambrose Church
	6:00 PM	Annual Council Banquet	Carrie Cerino's (N. Royalton)
11/16/2010	6:30 PM	Chili Cook-Off	St. Ambrose Hilkert Hall
	8:00 PM	Installation of Officers	St. Ambrose Church
11/18/2010	7:00 PM	4th Degree Officers Meeting	St. Ambrose Lehner Center
	7:30 PM	4th Degree Business Meeting	St. Ambrose Lehner Center
11/20/2010	6:00 PM	Council Memorial Mass	St. Ambrose Chapel
11/23/2010	7:00 PM	Council Officers Meeting	St. Ambrose Lehner Center

## DECEMBER 2010

12/7/2010	7:30 PM	Council Business Meeting	St. Ambrose Lehner Center
12/11/2010	5:00 PM	Council Children's Christmas Party	St. Ambrose Hilkert Hall
12/12/2010	7:00 AM	St. Nicholas and Friends Breakfast	St. Ambrose Hilkert Hall
12/16/2010	7:00 PM	4th Degree Officers Meeting	St. Ambrose Lehner Center
	7:30 PM	4th Degree Business Meeting	St. Ambrose Lehner Center
12/21/2010	7:30 PM	First Degree Ceremony	St. Ambrose Lehner Center
12/28/2010	7:00 PM	Council Officers Meeting	St. Ambrose Lehner Center

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