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# Grand Knight's Letter by GK Steve Berns



# **Brother Knights of Council 14504**

Cash Bonanza raffle have been provided by mail. All are encouraged to purchase these \$5 tickets. The proceeds benefit the many charitable causes supported by the State Council and our share will be used to support our own charitable causes.

The next Spaghetti Dinner will be on April 9<sup>th</sup>, after the 5 PM Mass.

A Easter Egg Hunt has been scheduled for 10AM on Saturday, April 16, Our plan is to empty the eggs prepared 2 years ago at the April meeting. Volunteers will be needed on April 16.

There will be no Donut Sunday in April due to Easter Sunday.

The Parish has asked the Council to assist with the recep-

tions following the First Communions after the 5:00 PM Mass on April 30<sup>th</sup>, the Sunday Masses on May 1<sup>st</sup>, and the Sunday Masses on May 8<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers will be needed

The State Convention has been scheduled for May 13 to 15. The delegates approved by vote of the council are myself, the Grand Knight, and Past Grand Knight Cal Frank. The K of C night at the Dragons will be on June  $12^{th}$ . Please see the flyer.

Elections for the 2022/2023 Fraternal year will take place at our May Council Meeting. The Grand Knight's proposed slate of officers is shown on page 2 of the newsletter. Please advise an Officer if interested in a position on the open slate.

#### Vivat Jesus and have a Blessed Easter! Steve Berns **Grand Knight Council 14504 Faithful Navigator Assembly 3056**

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POSITION	GK SLATE	OPEN SLATE
Grand Knight	Steve Berns	
Deputy Grand Knight	Sean Gammon	
Chancellor	Mike Nowak	
Recorder	Joe Schmidt	
Warden	Mike Manzo	
Advocate	Michael Freil	
Treasurer	Cal Frank	
Trustee for 3 Years	Michael Tortorici	
Trustee for 2 Years	Danny Sprouse	
Trustee for 1 Year	Shawn McManamy	
Outside Guard	Jeffrey Travers	
Outside Guard 2	Dan Pfeiffer	
Inside Guard	Patrick Allan	
Lecturer	Appointed by GK	
Chaplain	Fr Brian Phelps	
Financial Secretary	Bob Luppino	Appointed by Supreme



### Looking Ahead—Upcoming Events

## April 9th—Spaghetti Dinner

After the 5PM Mass. Proceeds support our Seminarians. See Mike Manzo to help serving, ticket sales, clean-up.

## April 16th Easter Egg Hunt

After the 11 Mass. Come join us for our Council's first children's Easter E years. Help needed after the 8:30 AM Mass to distribute eggs and after the child traffic control. Details to follow

## June 12th Knight's Night at Dayton Dragons

Tickets \$14. \$7 goes to Dayton Chapter. See attached flyer in email



## **ELIZABETH'S** New Life Center

Elizabeth New Life Center is hosting a Banquet at the Hope Hotel and Convention Center on Thursday, April 7th with nationally known speaker Dr. Allen Hunt . The theme of this year's banquet is "*Arise and Rescue*". The banquet has the goal of raising \$205,000.

If you are interested in attending this fundraising event for lifesaving programs and services for babies and mothers, please contact Cheryl Brockman at 937-885-4326 or email at <u>tabcabpurple@gmail.com</u>

There are two individual who have sponsored tables for those who would like to attend:

• Respect Life is hosting a table for Elizabeth's New Life Center spring partnership banquet. If you are interested in attending this fundraising event for lifesaving programs and services for babies and mothers, please contact Cheryl Brockman at 937-885-4326 or email at <u>tabcabpurple@gmail.com</u>

• In addition, SK Danny Sprouse has registered/paid as a table sponsor at the ENLC Banquet on Thursday 7 April. He has 8 more seats to fill at the table and is opening it up to anyone that would like to attend. He will also add their names to the attendee list so there would be no need to register separately.



## ST FRANCIS of ASSISI 34<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MULCH SALE

The St. Francis - Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Mulch Sale on the Weekend of April 23, 2022.. The mulch will be the same type and quality that we delivered last year.. It is dark brown, shredded hardwood mulch packaged in *2 cubic foot bags*. **NOTE: Bag size was changed in 2017 for easier handling and will be same size this year.** Price increase due to increase from supplier along with additional transportation cost.

The sale is a major fundraising event to support charity, Youth and our Veterans programs.. The cost of the mulch will be \$5.00 per bag. We do offer delivery services. A delivery charge of \$10.00 will be added for each order delivered. Delivery services will be limited to 10 miles from St. Francis Church. Since we order only a nominal amount over that which is pre-ordered it is important that we receive your order by April 17, 2022. Payment is due with your completed order form. Orders may be placed in one of three ways:

- Clip off and mail the form below to: Jeff Bennett, 1157 South Alpha Bellbrook Road, Bellbrook, OH 45305.
- Sign up or drop off your completed order form after any of the Masses the weekends March 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>, March 19 & 20<sup>st</sup>, March 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>st</sup>, April 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>, unmanned table 0n April 9<sup>rd</sup> and April 10<sup>th</sup> at the designated table in the Gathering Space.
- E-mail your order to Jeff Bennett at bennettje454@gmail.com. Please include in your order the same information that is requested on the order from below.

Your order will be available <u>for pickup on Saturday, April 23, 2021</u> from <u>9:00 AM until 1:00</u> <u>PM</u> in the St. Francis parking lot. If you are unable to pick up your mulch during this time frame please contact us to make other arrangements. Deliveries will be on Saturday, April 23, 2021.

Please keep the above portion of the order form for your records and information.

#### ORDER FORM

Last Name	First Name	Phone Number
Street Address	City	Zip Code
Number of bags	Delivery Requested	? (Circle Choice) Yes No
F	Payment requested at the time of	placing order.
	Make Checks out to "Knights of	f Columbus"
	Checks deposited upon d	elivery

Ohio State Council Knights of Columbus

## NOMINEE OF THE YEAR

Send this form with supporting documents by April 1<sup>st</sup> to the appropriate Director as listed in the State Directory.

Check the Appropriate Nominee Category

<ul> <li>BLUE COAT - Community Dir</li> <li>CHAPLAIN - Church Dir</li> <li>FAMILY – Family Dir</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>KNIGHT - Council Dir</li> <li>LADY - Council Dir</li> <li>VOLUNTEER - Community Dir</li> <li>YOUTH - Youth Dir</li> </ul>
Council Name:	Nom. Parish:
Nominee:	Address:
Address:	Pastor's Name:
City/Zip	Telephone:
Telephone:	
Occupation:	Spouse:
Church Activities: Interaction with K of C:	
Community Activities:	
<u>Reasons for Nomination:</u>	
Submitted By:	Telephone:
Grand Knight:	Telephone:

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## **Council 14504 Meeting Minutes**

## March 8, 2022

#### Call to Order:

The meeting was held in person. The Grand Knight, Steve Berns, called the Council to order at 7:30 pm and led the Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Mike Nowak previously e-mailed the Council meeting minutes from February 8, 2022, to all members via Council newsletter. After motions by Don Hirst and Danny Sprouse, the Council approved the minutes as published.

#### Chaplain's Message:

Nothing reported.

#### **Grand Knight's Report:**

Welcome – The Grand Knight introduced newest member, Greg Hahn.

Slate of Officers for 2022-2023 – The slate of officer for next year is as follows. Please consider an open position or a spot on the open slate. Elections will be in May.

Grand Knight	Open	
Deputy Grand Knight	t	Open
Chancellor		Mike Nowak
Recorder		Joe Schmidt
Advocate		Michael Freil
Treasurer		Cal Frank
Financial Secretary		Open
Trustee for 3 years		Steve Berns
Trustee for 2 years		Danny Sprouse
Trustee for 1 year		Shawn McManamy
Outer Guard		Jeff Travers
Inner Guard		Don Hirst
Lecturer		To be named by GK
Chaplain		Fr. Brian Phelps

Please see Page 2 of the newsletter for the current 2022-23 Grand Knight's slate of Officers as the listing at left was updated after the March Council meeting. We are still accepting nominations for those who wish to run on the open slate.

Fraternal Benefits Night – On March 10<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Virtual Fraternal Benefit Night entitled "Purpose Driven Retirement Strategies". You can register for the 7:30 PM event by visiting: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_isS2QDTFSJKFhR3nHACpAg

Stations of the Cross – The Council will be hosting Stations of the Cross on March 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.

Membership Drive – The Council will have a table in the church Gathering Space for a Membership Drive on the weekend of March 12-13<sup>th</sup>. The Council can earn the coveted "Star Council" award by recruiting two new members.

Dayton Dragons KofC Night – Scheduled June 12<sup>th</sup>. 65 Sir Knights will be in attendance to display not only the national colors, but also the flags of all states.

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Super Cash Bonanza Tickets – Super Cash Bonanza is the Ohio State Council's annual charity campaign. The income generated provides a significant amount of funding for our many charitable donations that are given to our church, school systems and community projects. The campaign is funded through our ticket sales. Tickets will be mailed to Council members by the Financial Secretary.

Donut Sunday – Scheduled between Parish masses on Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Financial Report:**

Treasurer, Cal Frank, reported the current deposits, expenses, and checking account balance.

The Financial Secretary, Bob Luppino, encouraged all members to pay their annual membership dues as soon as possible. The Council will need a new Financial Secretary since he will be moving by the end of the year.

#### **Membership Report:**

State Membership Director, Michael Freil, reported on the status of Ohio's KofC recruitment. He also reported the Council's needs just two new members this fiscal year to achieve its goal and encouraged all members to actively recruit.

#### **Program Reports:**

Deputy Grand Knight, Don Hirst, discussed plans for the Council to lead the Stations of the Cross during Lent. He also discussed plans for the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt.

#### **Report of the Fourth Degree**

Nothing reported.

#### **Field Agent Report**

Field Agent, Jim Warner, reported that his goal is to reach as many members as possible. This Thursday (March  $10^{th}$  at 7:30 PM) is a statewide virtual Fraternal Benefits seminar presentation. Registration for the webinar is required.

#### **District Deputy Report**

District Deputy, Ken Haacke, was not able to attend. Danny Sprouse discussed the Super Cash Bonanza, emphasized the upcoming "40 Days of Life" events, and discussed the Elizabeth New Life Center Partnership banquets scheduled April 7-8<sup>th</sup>. He has a table at the Partnership banquet on the night of April 7<sup>th</sup> and invited other Knights to attend/join his table.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

First Holy Communion Support – Cal Frank discussed donating donuts for the Parish receptions following the First Communions after the 5:00 PM mass on April 30<sup>th</sup>, the Sunday masses on May 1<sup>st</sup>, and the Sunday Masses on May 8<sup>th</sup>. He recommended a Council vote on this issue next month.

Men's Club Fish Fry – Scheduled March 25<sup>th;</sup> volunteers are needed. Dine-in will start at 6:00 PM. Mike Manzo requested volunteers to assist with serving food/beverages and cleanup.

Mulch Sale – Cal Frank discussed the upcoming mulch sale; deliveries are scheduled April 23<sup>rd</sup>. He requested assistance taking orders after weekend masses in March. He also made a motion that one half of

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of the proceeds go to an account dedicated to supporting Seminarians. The motion was seconded by Michael Tortorici, and subsequently approved by the Council.

#### New Business:

Donations – Cal Frank made a motion for the Council to donate \$1500 broken out as follows: 1) \$500 towards the purchase of a new ultrasound equipment for the Elizabeth New Life Center, 2) \$500 towards the recent tornado victims in Kentucky, and 3) \$500 to the KofC Ukraine Solidarity Fund. The motion was seconded by Danny Sprouse and subsequently approved by Council.

Spaghetti Dinner – Scheduled April 9<sup>th</sup>. Mike Manzo requested volunteers to assist with food preparation and serving. Proceeds will support seminarians.

Easter Egg Hunt – The Council will hold an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. Don Hirst made a motion to provide small bags of candy which would be provided to the children in reward for finding the Easter eggs. Michael Tortorici seconded the motion, and the motion was subsequently approved by the Council.

State Convention – The State Convention has been scheduled May 13-15<sup>th</sup>. Mike Tortorici made a motion that Steve Berns and Cal Frank be the delegates to represent the Council at the convention. Don Hirst would be an alternate delegate. The motion was seconded by Bob Luppino and subsequently approved by the Council.

#### Good of the Order

Knight of the Month - Seminarian Ben Mersch

Family of the Month – Jeff and Joan Cutlip

#### **Closing Prayer:**

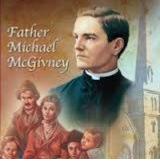
All were asked to pray for Tom Kwest, Paul Quolke, Roger Krass (at VA hospital), Father Tom Gaeke (heart surgery), John Maqsud, and those affected by COVID and the war in Ukraine.

#### Adjournment:

Grand Knight, Steve Berns closed the meeting with the Prayer for Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney at 8:40 PM.

#### Submitted by Recorder, Joe Schmidt

## PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF FATHER MICHAEL J. McGIVNEY



God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the

design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father Hail Mary Glory be to the Father

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