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NO COUNCIL MEETING 4-1-10 (Holy Thursday) & No Bingo 4-2-10 Good Friday
The council meeting has been rescheduled to 8:00 PM Thursday 4-8-10

Council Awards Night Set for April 17th

The nominating committee after hours of discussion and consultation has compiled a list of very worthy honorees for this year's awards banquet. The final choices were arrived at with great difficulty. There are so many hard working members, spouses, and families, each contributing to the success of the various programs and activities of Fr Ragan Council, and all should be recognized. Unfortunately that would require a twelve hour program. In the interest of brevity, a reduced final cut was made.

Appetizers begin at 6:00 PM with a buffet dinner, catered by Tom's Country Place, served at 7:00 PM. The entire program should wrap up by 9:00 PM. Please plan to join us as we thank those who have contributed to our council's success and to honor selected members of the community.

We must notify Tom's of the number attending by April 10th, so we ask that you notify Mike Moore if you are planning to attend and how many guests you plan to bring. You can e-mail bald.mike@oh.rr.com or call at 440-933-9957

Easter Egg Hunt April 11th

The annual Fr Ragan Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Holy Saturday, April 3rd 2010 at 1:00 PM at Fr Ragan Hall. If the weather cooperates we will enjoy the fresh air outside. If it looks rainy or cold we'll move inside. Bring your kids and grandkids, ages 10 & under, to join in the fun.

Isabella Guild News...

The City of Avon's loge at All Pro Stadium has been made available for the winner of a raffle sponsored by the Isabella Guild. The game is scheduled for July 3rd and features the Lake Erie Crushers vs. the Evansville Otters. One lucky winner and eleven guests will enjoy viewing the game from the comfort of the loge and will also receive two parking passes. Tickets are available from any of the ladies as well as from Grand Knight Mike Moore at council meetings. The price is \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00 with all proceeds supporting the work of the Guild.

The April 13th meeting will feature a guest speaker Larry Zielinski from Lorain County Right to Life. As an added bonus attendees will enjoy the lovely melodies of harpist Cici McKay prior to the presentation of our guest speaker. **THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO EVERYONE.** Bring your friends, neighbors, and husbands.

For additional information call Betty Weimar 933-3271

Grand Knights Message...

The Fraternal Year is down to its last quarter and there are plenty of things on the horizon.

We are in the middle of the State Charity "Super Cash Bonanza" Raffle Program. Our chairman Fred Metz has done a great job of getting the word, and the tickets, out. It is now up to us to respond to the challenge and sell those tickets. A large portion of the price of the ticket is returned to the council. We want to thank those who have already returned their sold tickets and encourage the other members to return theirs as soon as possible.

Chairman Dan Pulit has gotten approval from Wal-Mart to collect for the annual Measure Up Campaign for the Developmentally Disabled on April 30th and May 1st. We will then collect at the area churches the following weekend May 8th & 9th. Plan to spend an hour or so helping at Wal-Mart and again after Mass at your parish the following weekend. A little of your time can go a long way to helping the developmentally disabled in our community.

The Ohio State Council Annual Convention will be held at the Renaissance Hotel in Cleveland on Memorial Day Weekend, May 28, 29 & 30th. Members, ladies and guests are also invited to participate in the Monsignor Krispinsky golf outing at Springvale Golf Club in North Olmsted at 8:30 AM on May 28th. We expect to have two or three foursomes, would love to have more, and welcome anyone to join us. If you are interested in attending either the convention business meetings (3rd Degree members only) or the other festivities that are open to everyone, full details are available on the members page of the council website

<http://ffragan.com/pdf2/Convention2010.pdf>

If you haven't been to a meeting in a while, stop by and say hello. You can renew some old friendships and begin new ones with the great bunch of newer members that have contributed to our council. Until next month,

Vivat Jesus!

Mike Moore-GK



Proposed By Law Revisions 1st Reading March 18th 2010, 2nd Reading April 8, 2010 Changes in Bold Italics

Article I

Section 1. This Council shall be known as FATHER RAGAN COUNCIL NO. 3269, Knights of Columbus, located in Avon, Ohio.

Section 2. The initiation fee shall be **\$13.00**. However, for Priests and religious it shall be nil. The initiation fee shall accompany the application, but it shall be refunded if the application is rejected.

Section 3. Each member shall pay annual dues. The dues shall be payable quarterly in advance of the first regular meetings in January, April, July, and October. The annual dues shall be **\$38.00**. The annual dues of honorary members will be \$10.00, or as otherwise specified in Supreme Bylaws, Section 118(c), and honorary life members shall pay nothing. Dues statements will be mailed on December 1st. Members, other than honorary members, will receive a \$5.00 deduction from their annual dues if payment in full is received by December 31.

Section 4. Deacons, Religious Brothers, and Seminarians shall have their dues waived for as long as they maintain their religious status.

Section 5. Members, who are also members of the military and stationed overseas (using an APO mailing address), shall have their dues waived for as long as they maintain that status.

Article VII Funds

Section 3. No money in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall be paid or transferred from the Treasury of the Council, unless by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at a regular meeting held subsequent to the meeting at which notice, in writing, of a resolution of intention to pay or transfer such money, describing the purposes thereof and the amount to be paid or transferred, shall have been given and regularly read.

Exceptions to Section 3

The Grand Knight may authorize expenditures of up to two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for social or fraternal events involving members and/or guests;

Payment of such monies as the Council is called upon to regularly pay for its current expenses, Supreme and State per capita assessments and supplies from Supreme, and as provided by the laws of the Order or for purposes approved by the Supreme Council or Board of Directors.

Disbursement of funds collected and earmarked for a specific purpose, e.g. Pennies for Heaven, Measure Up, and State Raffles etc.

The approved spending limits imposed by this provision may not be linked nor repeated two or more times to circumvent the intent of this provision.

Section 5. It will be the responsibility of the Grand Knight, ***Financial Secretary***, and Treasurer to have enough monies as a cash reserve at the end of the fraternal year to cover the State per capita (based on the May 1st Supreme Roster – currently \$6.50 per member) and Supreme per capita (based on the July 1st Supreme Roster – currently \$1.75 per member payable in July). It will also be their responsibility to have a cash reserve to cover Catholic advertising fees (based on the July 1st Supreme Roster – currently \$0.50 per member payable in July) ***as well as anticipated operational expenses through the end of the calendar year. (This amounts to \$3100.00 in 2010)***