#### KNIGHT WARRIOR NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2023



ST. JOAN OF ARC COUNCIL 15905 TOLEDO, OHIO

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MONTHLY AWARDS

Knights of Columbus Council # 15905 monthly recognizes a Knight of the Month, Youth of the Month and Family of the Month. The intention is to honor and say thanks to Members of our Parish for the contributions they make to our Parish and Community.

Knight of the Month of November we honor Willi Meyer for all his work on the Thanksgiving Turkey Drive, Thanksgiving Food Drive, Thanksgiving Day Community Dinner and for all he does for our council and parish.

Family of The Month of November Ken & Pat Yeager for helping out at the Thanksgiving Community Dinner.

Our Youth of the Month of November is Emerson Schriner for her participation and serving recent funeral masses. We honor her for showing a fine example of what a SJA student should be, both scholastically and spiritually.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISH SEMINARIANS AND ALL SEMINARIANS.** Eric Kaufman, Andrew Messer, Michael Laws, Declan Reimer, Deacon Kyle Ink.

### 2022 KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST

This year's Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest was the best ever considering that we had 100 posters submitted. This is the 7<sup>th</sup> year that our council has sponsored this activity. A huge thank you goes out to every child that took the time and effort to submit a poster this year. A special note of appreciation goes out to the Staff at St Joan of Arc School and the Religious Education Department for their support of this annual activity. Another note of thanks is extended to our Knights who evaluated and judged the posters at our December meeting. There were certainly several tough decisions that had to be made.

In grades 6-8, the winner was Hollie Pederson. The runners-up were Matthew Traweek and Avery Blazsik. In grades 3-5, the winner was Solia Rogers. The runners-up were Emery Rosa and Isabelle Engwert. In grades K-2, the winner was Ava Engwert. The runners-up were Katrina Peniston and Vaughn Huntebrinker. Each 1st place winner will receive a \$50 prize and the runners-up will receive a \$10 Chic-fil-A gift card. The overall winning poster was submitted by Hollie Pedersen and her poster has been sent on to the district level completion. The winning poster at that next level is put up on a billboard located on the Anthony Wayne Trail near the zoo. It would be a thrill to see one of our child's poster selected some day. The awards will be presented to all the winners at the 9:30 Mass on Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>. Every child that submitted a poster will receive a certificate of

participation for their effort signed by our Grand Knight. I am hoping for more family involvement in the future. Thank you again to every one who participated in this activity in any way.

Jesus, I trust in You.

Jim Rybarczyk



#### **Knights Paver Project**

Every spring the Knights of Columbus pick a Saturday to clean up the rectory house and surrounding area. Over the years we have pulled out old bushes and plants, established new flower beds and a rose bush courtyard. We have built a pergola over the back deck, layed down a paver walkway from the deck to the church's prayer

garden, and put up a fence around the perimeter of the back and side yards of the house.

Since there was not much left to do at the rectory house, our parish project manager, Joanne Root, asked the Knights to take on a couple of projects at the school. Under the direction of Knight Bill Thome, a few brothers with chain saws and rip saws removed all the overgrown boxwoods that lined the front of the school and prepared the area for new planting.

To enhance the appearance at the entrance of the school, Monsignor Borger expressed his desire to remove the stone pebbles from the three islands out front. He commented that the school children were constantly throwing the stones about and at each other. His thought was to replace the stones with poured stamped concrete or stone pavers. Either option would be pricey and labor intensive.

After some discussion, and viewing of paver samples, Monsignor embraced the stone paver concept, and chose a color scheme to compliment the color of the school brick. His simple request to me was — "is this a project the Knights can take on", and "oh by the way" could it be done before school resumes in two weeks? Not being one to over promise and under deliver, I indicated the Knights could complete the two islands around the flag pole

before school starts. The larger island around the Locust tree could be completed before the snow flies. With a plan in place we began and thanks go out to Jamie Aurand and his construction crew for removing all the stone from the two islands,

On August 15<sup>th</sup>, Select Stone delivered 6 pallets of pavers and 2.5 tons of sand base. With a tremendous effort by Jim Lemert and Jim Peniston, we were able to complete the flagpole islands in two days (24 man hours) and a day before school resumed.

The project resumed on October 8<sup>th</sup>, when 10 energetic Knights joined in to dig the stones and dirt out of the main island (no back hoe available)! The sand base was leveled and "some" pavers were put in place. Quitting time came a bit early as there were to many football games to watch.

With winter weather approaching, we chose a cold brisk November Saturday to finish the main island. Battling 45 mph winds blowing sand in our faces and tipping over wheelbarrows, combined with a little drizzle, our determined Knights set the final paver in place around 4:00p.m.

Many thanks go out to our Knights who took on this large project. I tallied (for you Mike), 16 men who dedicated over 126 hours of time and talent to enhance the approach

to the school. Special thanks to Bernie Drouillard, who spent most of two days on his knees persuading pavers into place. And Bill Thome, master of the wet saw, making perfect stone cuts to fit the edges around the island and my right-hand man, Randy Thome, who kept the supply of pavers flowing and making sure the island stayed level.

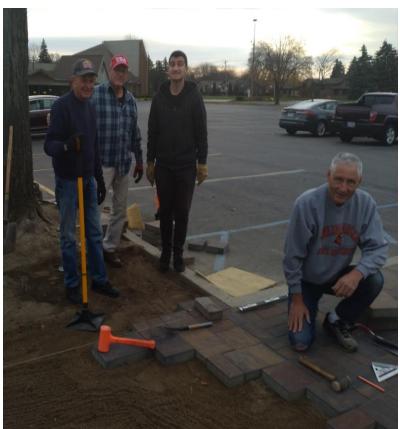
There have been many positive and thankful comments on the new look to the school entrance, and Monsignor Borger expressed his appreciation to the Knights at our recent meeting. The school children have no more stones to throw and have taken to writing messages on the pavers in chalk. Oh by the way, we also had two request from teachers to hire us for paver projects at their homes.

All in all, another great job by the Knights, and it's on to the next project.

Be blessed.

Jerry J. Brown









#### **Thank You**

Thanks to everyone who contributed to our gift cards for our seminarians and to our pastor Monsignor Borger.

**Officers Meeting January** 9 7:00PM Community Room.

**Council Business January** 12 Rosary 7:00, Meeting Begins 7:30.

Chili Cookoff January 14

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL 15905 PRESENT

## CHILI COOK-OFF

2nd

**BRING THE HEAT!** 

6-8:00 PM

Saturday

Hot Prizes for the best chili!

January 14

Parish Atrium

1st (\$50), 2nd (\$35), & 3rd (\$20) place prizes



This is a parish event,
open to all!
To enter your chili,
email Mike Kralovic at
mjk147@gmail.com
or call him at (567) 742-7091
by January 10.

Bowls, crackers and utensils will be provided and hot dogs for kids.

## March For Life St. Joseph Church Maumee Saturday January 14, 2:30

Pancake Breakfast January 15 after all masses. We need help after all masses.

#### **Corporate Communion Sunday January 15**

**9:30 Mass**. Come sit together as a family and join us for the Rosary beginning at 9:00AM. We encourage you to wear your council shirt.

**50<sup>TH</sup> Annual March For Life, Washington D C January 20, 2023** 

#### **Exemplification Degree Sunday January 22**

following the 9:30 mass, in the SJA community room. All new members are encouraged to attend. If you have not completed your second or third degree, now would be the time to join us. We welcome families to the Exemplification. Contact Sean Weirich for additional information. 419-512-6920 or <a href="mailto:djsman12@gmail.com">djsman12@gmail.com</a>

**Daughters of Mary Dinner February 20**. We need 8-10 brother knights to help serve dinner beginning at 6:00. If you are available to help, contact Jerry Brown. Jerrybrownie54@yahoo.com

#### 2023 Lenten Fish Fries March 10, 17, 24 and

**31.** We are looking for several brother knights to serve on this years Lenten Fish Fry committee, contact Jerry Brown if you are interested <a href="mailto:Jerrybrownie54@yahoo.com">Jerrybrownie54@yahoo.com</a>

2023 Chicken Barbecue Dinners. We are looking for several brother knights to serve on a committee to plan 2 barbecues in June and August. If you are interested in serving and helping on this committee, contact Joe Drouillard drouillard@adelphia.net

January Birthday's
Paul W Jones
Michael J Kralovic
Michael K. McCartney
Aquiles P Palma Gil
Gabriel A Jakubisin
Charles E. Gorny
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Joseph H Blochinger
James J Aurand
Mr William E Altermatt

Richard D. Henning Erick Alves Gerald L. Myers John W. O'Donnell William E. Best Edward R. Maher

#### **Happy Birthday**

### **Coming in February Cash Bonanza Tickets**

**Football Fundcrazr** 

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