



Knight Action

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Grand Knight Report

Usually the grand knight would have some input here. Since he has been ill for sometime, I asked the Deputy Grand Knight Jim Murtagh to provide some input. He told me that he would be unable to provide anything. So it falls to me to fill this spot.

Next month will be a busy month for Council 1074. Later in this newsletter you can find a summary of activities scheduled month by month and February is busy. Here is a quick summary of the activities planned this month. Detail follow in the newsletter.

February 5, the week before the Super Bowl, we will have a bowling contest at Cardinal Lanes. The cost is \$20/person. You will get to use the house ball and shoes, and bowl three games. I will coordinate the bowling contests since there should be some prize money.

On February 7 we will have our only council meeting for the month. The normal Leadership Meeting was moved to February 7 because of St. Valentine's Day. Use the time wisely.

February 12 is Super Bowl Sunday. Enough said.

February 17 is the big St. Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance. Get your tickets soon and come and have some fun and a great meal. The food will be provided by Middle of the Island caterers and they do great work.

February 18 There will be a Special Olympics Polar Plunge at Kure Beach.

February 22 is Ash Wednesday. Lent begins. Remember no eating meat on Ash Wednesday.

On February 23 the council plans to attend one of the last UNCW basketball games of the year. Get your tickets soon.

February 25 has been set aside for a blood/food drive at BSSM. Bring some food for the food drive and, if you can, arrange to donate blood.

One the last day of the month, the degree team will practice for the exemplification planned for the next day.

You will discover that a challenge has been placed in this newsletter. You have the opportunity to win \$5.00 if you are the first person to tell me the solution to the challenge. Email me at backestc@charter.net.

Read all the details in the rest of the newsletter.

For the Grand Knight and the Deputy Grand Knight,
Charlie Backes PGK and Editor

Food & Blood Drive on Feb. 25, 2023.

The council will hold a Food & Blood Drive on Feb. 25, 2023. The drive will be conducted by the Blood Connection. A \$20 charitable donation will be made for every blood donor! The Blood Drive will be at BSSM at 412 Ann Street from 9 AM to 1 PM. A direct link to sign up follows: <https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive>

In conjunction with the blood drive the council will also be holding a food drive so bring a bag of food along when you come by to donate blood. If you do not want to donate blood, come by and drop off a bag of food to help the Sister Isaac Center restock their shelves.



January Piggly Wiggly Food Drive

THANK YOU ALL for making the recent (January 14, 2023) council food drive at Piggly Wiggly a GREAT SUCCESS. It was cold. I have attached the results for your review.

<u>10:00 – 12:00</u>	BAGS OF FOOD	40bags	Money Collected \$187.00
<u>12:00 – 2:00</u>	BAGS OF FOOD	58 bags	Money Collected \$266.00
<u>2:00 – 4:00</u>	BAGS OF FOOD	87bags	Money Collected <u>\$155.80</u>
	Boxes of FOOD	1 box	
TOTALS	185 Bags (1 Box)	\$608.00	1,310 Pounds

Rich Boccard Life Chairman



State Raffle

The State Council Raffle for 2023 has begun. Council 1074 has been issued 400 tickets to sell at \$5 for each ticket. Our Council benefits by earning \$2.50 for each of the Raffle Tickets sold. Last year our Council earned \$750 by selling 300 tickets! If we sell all 400 raffle tickets this year, our Council will earn \$1000. Five Raffle tickets costs \$25.

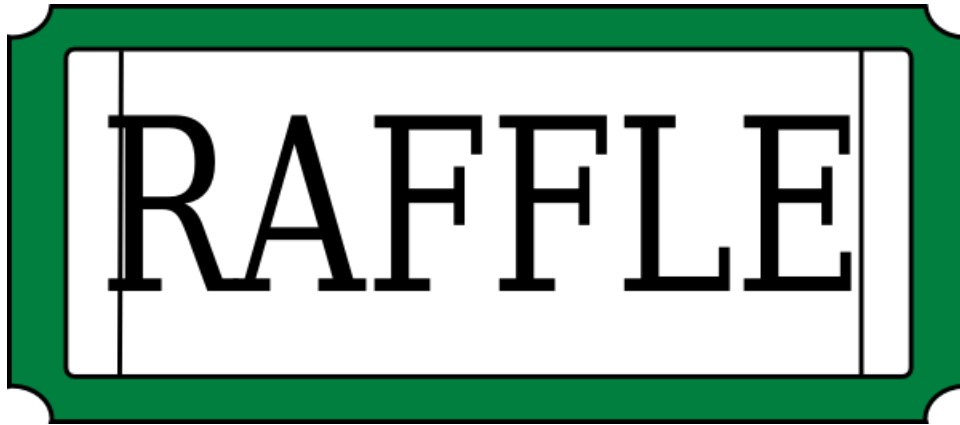
I will have packets of five tickets to distribute at the combined Planning/Leadership meeting on February 7th. Also, if you want tickets please let me know and I will mail them to you with a return addressed (and stamped) envelope so all you have to do is fill out the raffle tickets; enclose the stubs and include a **check for \$25 made out to KofC Council 1074**.

I have to close out this State Council Raffle by the last week in March so please do not delay! Get your tickets and act now!

If you have questions, please call me at 240-277-7045 or email me at tpflaum1272@gmail.com

Thanks for your support!

Tim Pflaum, State Council Raffle Coordinator for KofC Council 1074



Wreaths Across America

For the last several years there has been a program that places wreaths on graves of veterans for the year end holidays. A lot of effort goes into selling and then placing these wreaths. The not glorious part of this is that the wreaths then have to be picked up and disposed of properly. This year John Gasson and Ken Levy worked to remove the wreaths. The picture was taken when they were on a break.



Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP)

Each year Council 1074 supports several seminarians as they work their way to becoming priests. This year we are supporting three candidates. The money referred to in the Christmas Party goes to the support of this program. Each candidate will receive a check for \$500 and the council will be refunded \$100/candidate from supreme. The three candidates we support this year are listed below:



Omeed Huemiller



Leonardo Espinosa



Benjamin Albanese

Their address are listed here to make it convenient for you to send your support to these men.

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Meeting Change for February

Council leadership has changed the meeting date for February to February 7 at 7 PM. There will be pizza at 6:30 PM. There will be **No** meeting scheduled for the second Tuesday of the Month, February 14, so members may appropriately celebrate St. Valentine's Day. The St. Valentine's Day Dance is scheduled for the following Friday. See next item.



St. Valentine's Day Dance

Council 1074 will again sponsor a St. Valentine's Day Dance this year. It is scheduled for Friday, February 17, 2023 at the Upper Room in the Tileston Building at 412 Ann St., Wilmington, NC. Admission will be \$50/person. Middle of the Island will cater the prime rib dinner. There will be a DJ by MC Entertainment. BYOB for beer and wine. Other set-ups will be provided. Tables of eight can be reserved.

For Tickets please contact one of the following knights:

Bob Benazzi at 910-228-5369

Rich Boccard at 910-777-8839

Tim Pflaum at 910-399-3569

Frank Bua at 910-515-2244.

Support your Knights of Columbus Council and have a great night out!

Annual Free Throw Contest

I've confirmed with Connor Gross, St Mary School Athletic Director, that we will have the Councils Free Throw contest at St. Mary's school in Tileston gym Monday from 11-3 and Tuesday from noon to 3. You can sign up on the Council's website.

Jim Murtagh



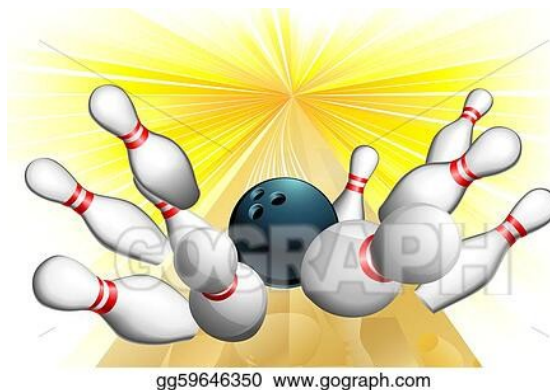
January Corporate Communion

On Sunday, January 29 we will hold our quarterly corporate communion at BSSM. There will be a rosary at 7:30 and the mass is at 8:00 AM. Afterwards, we will go to Junction 421 for brunch. The owner of Junction 421 is a member of our council.



Annual Council Bowling Outing

On February 5, from 1 to 3 PM, Council 1074's annual bowling outing will take place at Cardinal Lanes on Shipyard Blvd. The cost will be \$20/person. This covers the bowling, shoes, and prize money. Come out and test your skill. Contact Charlie Backes at backestc@charter.net to let him know if you are coming.



UNCW Basketball

The council would like to resume going to at least one UNCW basketball game as a council. The game selected is February 23, a Thursday. If you would like to attend the game contact Charlie Backes at backestc@charter.net. Tickets will be in the \$10/ticket range and we will be pretty high up in the bleachers. Bring a seat pad. They will be playing Stoneybrook College. Let's get back to the ballgames.



Council Website

The new council website is now active and is awaiting your use. The website address is as follows: **uknight.org/councilsite/?cno=1074**

Go to the website and make sure all the information they have for YOU is correct and add a recent picture to the website. You can also update your volunteer hours on it. Use the website and make it work for you; it's yours.

Degree Team

The degree team is made up of a Presiding Officer, Chaplain, Three presenters—Charity, Unity and Fraternity, Warden, and Investing Officer. I am looking for some more knights who are interested in degree work to help the team. Contact Charlie Backes, team leader or the grand knight, if you are looking to get involved.

The next scheduled exemplification is set for March 1, 2023. A practice/run-through is scheduled for the night before at 7 PM. Team, let me know if you are available.

Charlie Backes, Team Leader

Knight of the Month

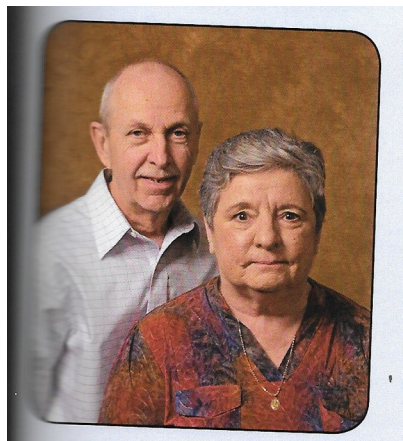


Barney McAteer is the January 2023, Council 1074, Knight of the Month. This selection is based on his ability to provide delicious pizzas before the meetings at both BSSM and ICC. He is also the council representative at ICC that coordinate many activities for the ICC members. He has sponsored food drives that helped the council meet and surpass food drive goals. He has coordinated several time blood drive furniture arrangements at ICC.

Family of the Month

Joe and Laraine Mazur have been selected as the January, Council 1074, Family of the Month. They were selected because Joe is almost always there when anything is happening with the knights at ICC. He has also participated in several outside council activities.

Laraine is with Joe when he goes to the various activities. She is also an active member of the ICC Visitation Program. This is a program that has members of the parish visit members that are no longer able to go to mass or do so infrequently. Many of the people visited are in facilities that have special requirement to visit their members. Laraine has been visiting these people for a several years.



Habitat for Humanity

Council leadership decided this fraternal year that we would support Cape Fear Habitat for Humanity by providing lunches to the volunteers one Saturday a Month. It usually amounts to about 30 lunches per month. We have been getting about 5 Knights who volunteer to bring the lunches to the church. The sad thing is that we are getting the same 5 Knights. I am asking the council to step up and volunteer for one month and provide some assistance to the members who have been doing it.

With as many members as we have it should be easy to provide 5 or 6 sandwiches to help the people who are helping the less fortunate to fulfill their dreams of Home Ownership. The volunteers really appreciate our lunches because we have been bringing a very hefty and delicious sandwich full of protein and nutrition to get them through the shift. You can build your own sandwiches or just go by one of the fast food shops and pick up sandwiches.

I know I can count on you to help with this ministry as it is a council effort and "many hands make light work"

Thanking you in advance. I am yours in Christ.

John Gasson

A Thank You Note From our Treasurer

On behalf of my grandson and our entire family I would like to thank you and all of my brothers at Council 1074 for the Mass Card and all of your thoughts and prayers. As I read your note, I could feel the light of the Holy Spirit filling my heart with love and faith. If anyone would ask me, what benefit do I get out being a Knight and a member of our council? I would answer, the inspiration I receive from knowing men of faith like you. My interaction with all my brothers drives me to be a better husband, a better father, a better grandfather and a better Christian. May the light of our Lord and Savior continue to shine on all of you.

Thank you and God Bless, Pat

Lecturer's Input

We join the Church in mourning the passing of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI.

Eternal Rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

As we pray for the repose of his soul, we take comfort in the knowledge that this beloved pope's life was spent serving the Lord whom he loved and longed to see face to face.

In his own words

Human persons are beings en route, beings characterized by transition. They are not yet themselves; they must ultimately become themselves.... Human beings must die with Christ like a grain of wheat in order to truly rise, to stand erect, to be themselves (Jn 12: 24).

Human persons are not to be understood merely from the perspective of their past histories or from that isolated moment that we refer to as the present. They are oriented toward their future, and only it permits who they really are to appear completely (1 Jn 3:2).

We must always see in other human beings persons with whom we shall one day share God's joy. We must look upon them as persons who are called, together with us, to be members of the Body of Christ, with whom we shall one day sit at the table with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, and with Christ himself, as their brothers and sisters, as the brothers and sisters of Christ, and as children of God.

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

*From **Benedictus**, page 16*



Fraternal Year 2022-2023 Activities

The following is a listing of some activities for the upcoming fraternal year. This is not a complete listing and some activities will require council actions.

February 2023

- February 5 Super Bowl Bowling at Cardinal lanes
- February 7 Planning and Leadership Meeting in council chambers at 7 PM. Pizza at 6:30
- February 12 Super Bowl Sunday
- February 14 St Valentine's Day
- February 17 St. Valentine's Dance in Upper Room at St. Mary.
- February 18 Habitat for Humanity lunches.
- February 22 Ask Wednesday, Lent begins.
- February 23 UNCW Basketball game
- February 25 Food and Blood drive at St. Mary from 9 AM to 1 PM.
- February 28 Practice/walk-thru to prepare for the exemplification on March 1, 2023

March 2023

- March 7 Planning Meeting in council chambers.
- March 11 Habitat for Humanity lunches.
- March 14 Leadership Meeting in Brisson Hall at ICC 6:30 -8:00 PM.**
- March 15 Council 1074 Family Picnic
- Food/Blood Drive at BSSM possible

April 2023

- April 2 Holy Week begins
- April 4 Planning Meeting in council chambers at 7 PM.
- April 9 Easter Sunday.
- April 11 Leadership Meeting in council chambers, 7 – 8 PM.**

April 15 Habitat for Humanity lunches.
 April 15 Regional Council Bocce Tournament
 April 30 Corporate Communion at 8:30 AM mass at ICC; rosary before mass at 8 AM
 Membership Drive at ICC, Possible Pancake breakfast this month.

May 2023

May 2 Planning Meeting in council chambers at 7 PM.
May 9 Leadership Meeting in Brisson Hall at ICC, 6:30 – 8:00 PM.
 May 13 Habitat for Humanity lunches.
 May 14 Mother's Day

 May 20 Council 1074 Family Picnic; rescheduled from last fall.
 Membership Drive at BSSM. Food/Blood drive possible.

June 2023

June 6 Planning Meeting in council chambers at 7 PM.
 June 10 Habitat for Humanity lunches.
June 13 Leadership Meeting in council chambers, 7-8 PM.

Council Shirts and Name Badges

Bob Spiegel has taken over the duties of obtaining council shirts and name badges. His email address is: rispiegel@yahoo.com. Check the website for his phone number if you want to order either a shirt or name badge. The price of a shirt runs about \$30.00 and a replacement name badge about \$15.00. He has some shirts in stock, but is looking for a new supplier.



Meals on Wheels

We participate in Brunswick County on Mondays and New Hanover County on Wednesday and Friday. If you can spare two hours once a month, between 10:00 AM and Noon, please email SK Bob Macaluso or call 914-260-2310 for New Hanover or email Ron Thompson or call 910-399-4763 for Brunswick County. We can always looking for additional volunteers and substitutes. The time commitment is less than two hours per month.



Quote of the Month



This Month's Humor



January's Challenge

Each month there will be a challenge at the end of the newsletter. The first person to solve it will win \$5.00. Send the solution to the editor to claim your prize. The solution to the challenge will be published in the next newsletter. Here is the initial challenge.

Cryptogram

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