

# St. James Council 12402

Division III - State Council of the Year (2015 – 2016)

*Serving the Chancery and St. James Cathedral*

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## Grand Knight's Report



Brother Knights,

*It is my sincere hope that each of you are having an enjoyable Lenten Season and that your prayers, fasting, and alms giving is going well.*

*March has been one extraordinary month. We had five major events (built a handicap ramp, St. Patrick's Day Dinner, Laps for Life, pancake breakfast/homemade baked goods, and the 1<sup>st</sup> fish fry at St. James School) and I am pleased to report that 44 different Brother Knights participated in one or more events. I want to thank each of every one of you for helping with these activities as you have personally made a positive difference in someone's life. For the month of March our volunteer hours exceeded 885 labor hours, which has to be a record month.*

*Through 31 March, nine different members or family members raised \$4330 for the Laps for Life Ultrasound Initiative. Overall, donations now exceed \$56K which approaches four ultrasound machines. Many spouses also contributed to the homemade baked goods sales at Bishop Moore HS which also was donated to Laps for Life.*

*The St. Patrick's Day Dinner had over 140 attendees and the corned beef was exceptional. Thanks to all who helped in the kitchen, served the meals, arranged for the entertainment, donated door prizes and auction items, and sold tickets to the dinner. A big thanks to Fr. Miguel, Fr. Serge, and Fr. Martin for being part of this special evening.*

*Finally, the 1<sup>st</sup> fish fry at St. James School was a huge success. Brother Knights cooked up 170 lbs of white cod and lots of french fries. Attendance was over 500 for this 1<sup>st</sup> event and sales exceeded \$3K. All proceeds are going to Bishop Grady Villas as the school's Lenten project. Joe Helwig did a tremendous job pulling this together and we had 12 different Brother Knights help in the kitchen or with the planning.*

*In addition to the many activities we also contributed to several local charities as follows:*

*Laps for Life – \$857, Food for the Poor - \$250, Catholic Charities - \$250, and Habitat for Humanity - \$150.*

*Of special note, we welcomed three new Brother Knights into the Order (Gerrit Lemmen, Jay Lemmen, & Ryon Maree) and 1 transfer-in (Robert Caraballo). This brings our active membership to 175. Let's keep the focus on bringing new candidates into the Order as many of you can attest that we are getting involved in*

## Congratulations

*Our Newest Members*



*Welcome Brothers Gerrit Lemmen, Jay Lemmen, and Ryon Maree to the Knights of Columbus. Brothers George del Campo, Les Castro, and Ed Butler sponsored these fine gentlemen. They are accompanied by (L-R) Rick Brennan, Patrick Hayes, Mark Zeitler, Ed Butler, Les Castro, Tim Norton, and Ed Gold. Picture taken by District Deputy George del Campo. Welcome Aboard!*

## Knight of the Month - Mar

*Javier Martinez*



*Brother Javier has hit the ground running since joining the council in Dec 2016. Brother Javier regularly helps with the monthly pancake breakfast, participated in the Tootsie Roll Drive, attended the Shroud of Turin presentation, and does an excellent job as a lead with the That Man Is You bible study. It is great to have you on the team Brother Javier. Keep up the good work.*

many aspects of life which is very rewarding and fulfilling. Things will slow down a little bit in April as we get closer to Holy Week. We will engage in Habitat for Humanity, Feed the Homeless, and have a 1<sup>st</sup> degree at St. James. Upcoming events are listed below.

It is my hope that you have a wonderful Lenten Season and that you and your families continue to grow in your love for Jesus Christ.

Fraternally Yours,  
George Olson  
Grand Knight

## Special Subjects

### **Officer Elections** – Thurs, May 11<sup>th</sup>

As part of our May Business Meeting we will be voting on the new officers for the upcoming fraternal year. The slate is included in this newsletter, but nominations from the floor are always welcome. Officers must have attained their 3<sup>rd</sup> degree by 30 Jun 2017 in order to be considered.

### **Baby Bottle Campaign** – Sun May 14<sup>th</sup>

On Mother's Day we are asking Brother Knights to help hand out baby bottles at the church doors after each mass. Parishioners are asked to fill the baby bottles with loose change and return them by Father's Day, Jun 18<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds go to the JMJ Pregnancy Center. Last year we raised ~\$5200. Please sign-up.

## Prayers

- For the Perfito and Sacco family on the loss of Sir Knight Peter Sacco, a veteran of WWII, Korea, and Vietnam. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Peter Sacco, an American hero.
- For the continued recovery of Catherine Kravchuk, wife of Brother Al Kravchuk.
- For the full recovery of Tony Pinard, brother of Brother Gary Gagnon, who is recovering from a stroke and brain aneurism.
- For Wyatt Dannenfelser, grandson of GK Bob Dannenfelser, who is undergoing leukemia treatment.
- Ongoing prayers for Alexis, dear friend of Brother Michael Schwartz, as she deals with bulimia.
- Continued prayers for the mother and brother (David) of Brother Michael Schwartz who has been diagnosed with anti-social personality disorder and agoraphobia.
- For Brother Mark and Lisa Mahoney.
- For the health of Rachel, mom of Brother Boniface Noyongoyo and for his PhD dissertation committee.

## Birthdays - Members

1 Apr – Taylor Rigsby	20 Apr – Greg Ehrbar
1 Apr – Matthew Smith	20 Apr – Henry Skowronski
1 Apr – John Havens	22 Apr – Steven McIntyre
12 Apr – Jerry Richardville	23 Apr – Ron Thompson
14 Apr – Dan Witucki	24 Apr – Thomas Jensen
16 Apr – Paul Mylod	27 Apr – Patrick Schmidt
19 Apr – Steven Valencia	29 Apr – David Bessette

Happy Birthday Brother Knights!

## Congratulations

### Family of the Month - Feb Ed Butler



Brother Ed & Dorothy Butler participated in the March for Life in St. Augustine and the play at the Dr. Phillips Center. Brother Ed attended the Shroud of Turin presentation, handed out tootsie rolls at the Colonialtown Publix, and headed up ticket sales for the St. Patrick's Day Dinner. Dorothy has been a major contributor to the homemade baked goods sale. They also supported the Laps for Life fundraiser. A well deserved award.

### Family of the Month - Mar Dr. Gil Lavoie



Dr. Gil & Bonnie Lavoie participated in the March for Life in St. Augustine, fed the homeless at the Christian Service Center, and attended the play at the Dr. Phillips Center. They also made a generous donation to Laps for Life and participated in the event. Dr. Gil made a presentation on the Shroud of Turin at the February social and donated the proceeds from book and DVD sales to the council. Bonnie also supports the monthly homemade baked goods sale. Wouldn't it be wonderful to have them here full-time?

## Recent Events

### Free Throw Contest Sun Ridge MS



Brother Tim Regan headed up another free throw contest at Sun Ridge MS. He was accompanied by Les & Camille Castro and Patrick Hayes. 25 students participated and over 100 were fed.

## Birthdays – Spouses

4 Apr – Elizabeth Simpson  
11 Apr – Carmen Wilson  
15 Apr – Becky Gold  
21 Apr – Naylae\_Miranda-Usua Dorta  
**Happy Birthday Young Ladies!**

## Anniversaries

2 Apr – Rick & Pauline Brennan (41 years)  
8 Apr – Everett Sr. & Laura Kornbrek (13 years)  
25 Apr – Albert & Carolyn Yonfa (8 years)  
27 Apr – Deacon David & Christeen Gray (43 years)  
30 Apr – Dr. Brian & Sharon Kelly (29 years)  
**A Happy Anniversary to all of these Fine Couples.**

## Upcoming Events

- **Sat, Apr 1<sup>st</sup> – Habitat for Humanity (644 Willie Mays Parkway) – 8 am – 2 pm**
- **Sat, Apr 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree (Resurrection, 1211 S. Vineland Rd., Winter Springs) – 12:15 pm**
- **Mon, Apr 3<sup>rd</sup> – Feeding the Homeless (816 W. Central Blvd) – 11:30am – 12:45 pm**
- **Thurs, Apr 6<sup>th</sup> – Business meeting (East Wing) – 7:00pm**
- **Thurs, Apr 6<sup>th</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree (St. Francis of Assisi, 834 SOBT, Apopka) – 6:00 pm**
- **Sat, Apr 8<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> Degree (St. James) – 8:30 am**
- **Sun, Apr 9<sup>th</sup> – Palm Sunday**
- **Wed, Apr 12<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> Degree (Monsignor Bishop, 5727 Cornelia Ave.) – 7:30 pm**
- **Fri, Apr 14<sup>th</sup> – Good Friday**
- **Sun, Apr 16<sup>th</sup> – Easter Sunday**
- **Sun, Apr 23<sup>rd</sup> – Pancake Breakfast & Homemade Baked Goods (Social Hall) – recipient → Covenant House**
- **Thurs, Apr 27<sup>th</sup> – Social – 7:00pm (Subject → TBD)**
- **Sun, Apr 29<sup>th</sup> – Florida Puerto Rican Parade (Orange Ave. & Concord St.) – 11:00 am**
- **Sun, Apr 30<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Rosary (Chapel)**
- **Wed, May 10<sup>th</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree (Monsignor Bishop, 5727 Cornelia Ave.) – 7:30 pm**
- **Thurs, May 11<sup>th</sup> – Business meeting/Election of Officers (East Wing) – 7:00 pm**
- **Sat, May 13<sup>th</sup> – Annual Planning Meeting (Social Hall) – 9:00 am – 11 am (Tentative)**
- **Sun, May 14<sup>th</sup> – Mother's Day & Hand-out Baby Bottles for JMJ Pregnancy Center**
- **Fri, May 26<sup>th</sup> – Ordination Dinner (more to follow)**
- **Sat, May 27<sup>th</sup> – Ordination Breakfast (more to follow)**
- **Sun, May 28<sup>th</sup> – Pancake Breakfast & Homemade Baked Goods (Social Hall) – recipient → TBD**
- **Sat, Jun 3<sup>rd</sup> – Citizens with Disabilities Campaign, Publix 2873 S. Orange Ave., Orlando (8:30 am – 6:00 pm)**
- **Sun, Jun 4<sup>th</sup> – Citizens with Disabilities Campaign, Publix 2873 S. Orange Ave., Orlando (Noon – 6:00 pm)**
- **Thurs, Jun 8<sup>th</sup> – Business meeting (East Wing) – 7:00pm**
- **Sat, Jun 10<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> Degree (St. James) – 8:30am**
- **Sat, Jun 10<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree (Holy Family, 5125 S. Apopka Vineland Rd.) – 12:15 pm**
- **Thurs, Jun 22<sup>nd</sup> – Officer Induction Ceremony (Social Hall) – 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm (Tentative)**

## Recent Events

### Building a Handicap Ramp

Center for Independent Living



Eleven Brother Knights participated in building a handicap ramp for disabled Marine veteran Michael Terry and his wife. AM shift included Ralph Briscoe, Boniface Noyongoyo, John Rice, Michael, Pascuzzi, Michael Schwartz, Joshua Evans, Bill Simpson, and GK George Olson. PM shift included Ralph Briscoe, GK George Olson, Michael Pascuzzi, Bill Simpson, Dr. Randy Judd, Patrick Hayes, Boniface Noyongoyo, Michael Schwartz, and Philip Perfito. Thanks to Brother Michael Schwartz for arranging this.

### St. Patrick's Day Dinner



Frs. Martin Nguyen and Serge Pardo receiving the K of C chasuble and stole set. Wear it proudly. GK George Olson posing with Brother Tim Norton and Roberto Benjamin.

### Laps for Life

Bishop Moore HS



Brothers Michael Pascuzzi, Patrick Schmidt, & Sage Brownchweig accompanied by Liliana & Nicolo Pascuzzi, and JMJ Directors Sara Siders & Kelley Santalla.

### Lenten Fish Fry

St. James School



Brothers Les Castro & Steven Gertel at the fish fryer. Fr. Miguel enjoying the fish fry with his parents.



# Officer Slate (2016 – 2017)

**Grand Knight – Patrick Schmidt**  
**Dep Grand Knight – Steven Gertel**  
**Chancellor – John Rice**  
**Warden – Ralph Briscoe**  
**Treasurer – Patrick Hayes**  
**Recorder – Michael Pascuzzi**  
**Advocate – Kraig Johnson**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Year Trustee – PGK George Olson**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Year Trustee – Rick Brennan**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Year Trustee – Bill Simpson**  
**Inside Guard – Michael Schwartz**  
**Outside Guard – Raul Rodriguez**

## Not part of the May Elections

**Chaplain – Fr. Martin Nguyen**  
**Lecturer – Gary Gagnon**  
**Financial Secretary – Yebrail Brennan**

# Sponsors

**\$5 per person / month**

Sign-up to be a sponsor for the next 6 months; 50/50 drawing will be held during the **Jun Business Meeting**. The 50/50 split as of today is \$35.

Jan 2017 – Dan Wallace, Dr. Randy Judd  
Feb 2017 – Dan Wallace, Dr. Randy Judd  
Mar 2017 – Dan Wallace, Dr. Randy Judd, Les Castro  
**Apr 2017 – Dan Wallace, Dr. Randy Judd, Les Castro**  
May 2017 – Dr. Randy Judd, Les Castro  
Jun 2017 – Dr. Randy Judd, Les Castro  
Jul 2017 – Les Castro  
Aug 2017 – Les Castro

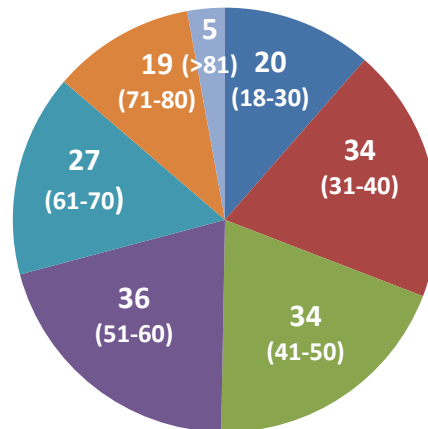
If interested, please notify Brother Yebrail Brennan or GK George Olson.



## Council Demographics

*We are blessed with a tremendous age demographics balance. Our current average age is 50.6 vs. a state average of 63. Let's keep asking every young practicing Catholic male to become part of this tremendous organization.*

Council Age Demographics - Mar 2017  
(175 Active Members)

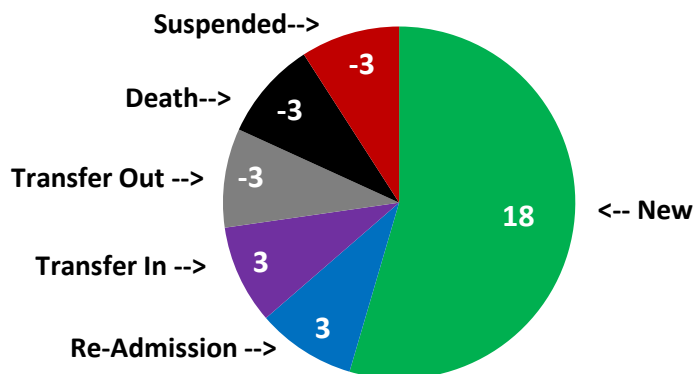


Average Age - 50.6

## Membership Update

*Thus far we have had 14 different sponsors and 4 Shining Armor Awards this fraternal year which is tremendous. Four more new members and we can achieve Double STAR Council. Way to go TEAM!*

Membership Changes (Active)  
30 Jun 2016 - 160; 31 Mar 2017- 175



# Building A Handicap Ramp

March 11, 2017



*Recipients of your generosity. Disabled Marine Veteran (sporting a hat from fellow Marine Bill Simpson) and his wife,*



*Starting point*



*Brother John Rice & Joshua Evans*



*Team at work headed up by wood cutter, Brother Ralph Briscoe*



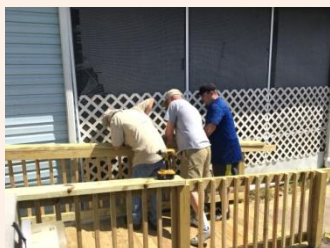
*Brother John Rice & GK George Olson chatting with Michael Terry*



*Brother Michael Pascuzzi in action*



*Brother Bill Simpson & Joshua Evans*



*Brothers Bill Simpson, Patrick Hayes, & Philip Perfito*



*Brother Boniface Noyongoyo*



*Brother (Dr.) Randy Judd*

# St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Mar 18, 2017



**Brother Jay Lemmen, GK George Olson, & Gerrit Lemmen**



**The audience**



**Brother Patrick Hayes & Diego Sepulveda**



**Brother Ed Butler**



**Pine Creek Bluegrass Band**



**Fr. Miguel, Kelly Locke, and her mema**



**Kitchen crew being introduced**



# Laps for Life

Mar 25, 2017



**Brother Steve Palvisak with Nicholas & Michael**



**Brother Paul Mylod & Larann Wilson**



**Brother Mark & Liz Zeitler**



**Amber Jade Johnson, Bonnie Lavoie, Kim del Campo & Gisela Briscoe**



**PGK Bob Wilson with Nancy Webb & Juanita DeSantiago**



**Brother Kraig Johnson looking sharp**



# 1<sup>st</sup> Fish Fry

Mar 31, 2017



*Brother Roberto checking out the fries*



*Fresh white cod – 170# worth*



*Brother Mark Zeitler frying the fish*



*FBA Brian Lazusky at the fryer*



*GK George Olson at the fryer*



*Brother Gerrit Lemmen & Raul Rodriguez*



*Enjoying our 1<sup>st</sup> fish fry*



*Fr. Martin hand wrestling one of the students*

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