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# Knights of Columbus

**Christ Our Redeemer Council 13527** 

Celebrating a Decade of Service 2004 - 2014



# **April 2017 Newsletter**

#### Council Officers

Chaplain Fr. Bob Johnson **Grand Knight Gregory Muntzner Deputy Grand Knight Tom Kessinger** Chancellor **Glen Prescott Financial Secretary Leonard Smales** Warden **Bob Gutierri** Recorder **Mark Olguin Treasurer** John Wohleber Advocate **Stuart Lewis** 1-Year Trustee Rodger Culkin 2-Year Trustee **Andrew Balding** 3-Year Trustee **Tom Means Inside Guard** Art Jean **Outside Guard** Ralph McDonald

Unless otherwise posted, the Council's General Assembly convenes on the first Thursday of each month and the Executive Committee meets on the fourth Thursday of each month. Both meetings are conducted in the Christ Our Redeemer Parish Hall at 7:00 PM.

Ken Rodriguez

Fourth Degree members of Council 13527 and Council 7667 comprise Assembly 3236. The Fourth Degree Assembly convenes on the third Thursday of each month, alternating meeting locations between Christ our Redeemer Parish (even months) and Holy Name of Jesus Parish (odd months).

#### Christ Our Redeemer Catholic Church

1028 White Point Road Niceville, Florida 32578



Our History

In June 2004, the Knights of Columbus conferred the Charter establishing Council 13527 at Christ Our Redeemer Parish. On July 1, 2004, our first Grand Knight, Len Casey, convened the Council's inaugural meeting and fraternal year. The Council earned the Star Award that year and Double Star Awards each of the next five years. In 2007-2008, under the leadership of Past Grand Knight, Jack Starr, 13527 earned the Best Florida Council (Division II) distinction. In 2009, Sir Knight Dave Halupowski was honored as the State of Florida Knight of the Year.

# From the Grand Knight's Desk



My Brothers All,

First of all I'd like to remind everyone that we are well into the season of Lent. AS good Catholics we should be abstaining from things, or more importantly extending ourselves to help others in some way. Our Council provides many opportunities to help others in need. Two of the special Lenten activities are 40 Days for Life and 40 Cans for Lent. I encourage you to be extra active during this period of preparation prior to Easter.

The Council was busy in March as we are in the main part of the Fraternal Year. There was the Diocesan Men's Retreat, Brother Joe Severino's funeral, the Parish Mission, Lenten Soup Night, Habitat for Humanity, and the CCW Fashion Show. There were also other activities we did not lead, but supported.

April will see more service to the church and community with college scholarships, Palm Sunday, Easter Sunday, and the traveling icon Mass in addition to the normal Pasta Dinner and Bingos.

God Bless,

Greg Muntzner

# Knight of the Month

#### **Bob Gualitieri.**

Bob Gualitieri is the Knight of the Month. Bob is a member of the second and third degree teams advancing brother Knights in the Order. He is also an usher and visits the sick. He is also the Council's Warden, preparing and cleaning the Chamber for our meetings.

Congratulations Bob!

# Family of the Month

#### Dave & Anita Halupowski.

Dave & Anita Halupowski are our Family of the Month. We all know how busy Dave is supporting the Council and Culture of Life activities including Pensacola vigils, 40 days for Life and many more. He is also a valued member of a Bingo team as well as a Pasta Dinner team member.

In all of these activities, Dave is supported by his kind and supportive wife – Anita.

Thanks for all your help and support!

# General Assembly Meeting Minutes – March 2nd, 2017

**Meeting Opened:** The Grand Knight, Gregory Muntzner, opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. All officers we in attendance or excused.

**Roll Call:** All officers were in attendance or excused.

Visiting Officers: None.

- 1) Application for Membership: Welcome new Knight Benjamin Hastings transfer from Seattle and Ronald Goodpaster transfer from Indiana.
- 2) Conferring of Degree: Congratulations to Robert Harp newly initiated into the Order on the 21st of Feb.
- 3) Grand Knight Report: Summarized via the March KoC Newsletter as well as new/old business. Knight of the month John Rafferty. Family of the month Glen Prescott.
- **4)** Chaplain Report: Instead of giving something up for Lent consider remembering to do something you haven't been doing.
- **5) Treasurer Report:** \$4,833.46 deposited, 8 checks written or withdrawn for \$1,962.78, and 5 checks outstanding for a total balance including both accounts of \$19,743.96.
- **6) Financial Secretary Report:** Checks written for the Pavilion Niceville Catholic Outreach, Hats, Rosaries, and 1<sup>st</sup> degree kits for \$1,962.78. Deposits for bingo \$3229.98 from bingo, pasta dinner \$566. Scholarship account stands at \$4,629.00 with \$0 last month.
- 7) Chancellors Report: Prayers requested for Jarrod Wolk our seminarian in Boynton Beach, Florida.
- 8) Trustees Report: Our semi-annual audit is complete.
- 9) Service Director Reports:
  - a) Church Director: We were reminded to take advantage of Adoration as well as Lenten Stations of the Cross and Soup dinners on Friday. Help needed for 17 March KoC Soup dinner. Corporate Communion suggested at 5 pm for the 5:30pm vigil Mass April 29<sup>th</sup>.
  - b) Council Activity Director: None.
  - **c)** Community Director: Next Habitat for Humanity will be 25 March, Saturday, 7am-1pm, volunteers requested primarily for dry wall.
  - **d)** Youth Activity Director: Scholarships applications have gone out to Niceville, Collegiate, and Rocky Bayou High schools due back 14 April. Get the word out to deserving Seniors!
  - **e)** Culture of Life: 40 days for Life is during Lent starting March 1<sup>st</sup>. Two volunteers needed for Pensacola vigil outside of American Family Planning facility from 6am to 6pm.
  - f) Membership Director: None.
  - g) Family Director: None.
  - h) Bingo and Pasta Committee: None.
- 10) Old/unfinished Business:
  - a) Books ordered and will be distributed at Easter Masses.
- 11) New Business:
  - a) Voting was held for Knight and Family of the Year by ballot.
  - **b)** Lenny Smales was voted Knight of the Year.
  - c) Tom and Maria Means were voted Family of the Year.
  - d) Jewels were awarded for past Grand Knights.
  - e) Neighbors of Joe Severino donated \$250 to our council in his memory.
  - f) Motion made and approved to donate \$1655 to Helping Life and State Vocations \$1010. Slightly less than last year since less was received.
  - **g)** March is membership drive month, Joe Purka offered incentive of a coffee mug or travel mug to those that successfully recruit new members.
  - h) Lenny discussed how our council plans on supporting the Tootsie Roll drive coming up 22-26 March. We will take donations outside of Winn Dixie Wed-Friday and Saturday at Ace Hardware both in Bluewater Bay. Volunteers needed and sign-up was passed. Motion was made and approved to remove RHD in from our council donation and instead apply for a grant from Walmart that would go to RHD if anything is received.
  - i) Adoration is held every Tuesday during Lent, all Knights are reminded to sign-up to volunteer.
  - j) Discussed interest in KoC trip to see the Pensacola Blue Wahoo's, considering dates in April.
  - k) Discussed how we can recruit younger members into the Order and consider coming up with new events and processes to revitalizing the Order. Motion made and approved to create a committee to explore opportunities to recruit younger Knights. Volunteers requested to make committee.



- **12) 4**<sup>th</sup> **Degree Report:** Members of the 4<sup>th</sup> degree supported events in February at the VA clinic, Alter Server of the Year at all Masses; 25 Feb Father Daughter dance; and at the Black History Month Mass 26 Feb. June 17 will be the next 4th degree in Enterprise Alabama.
- 13) Insurance Agent Report: None.
- 14) Worthy District Deputy Update:
  - a) Council goal is 14 new members and 5 new insurance members through June 30<sup>th</sup>. Supreme records show 4 new members and 0 new insurance member.
  - b) Degree Schedule:
    - i) 1st Degree TBD (before 19 March).
    - ii) 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree is 12 March at St. Mary's 1:00/2:00 also on 19 March at Crestview 3pm.
    - iii) 3rd Degree scheduled for 1 April in Gulf Breeze 10:00/11:00.
    - iv) 4th Degree 17 June in Enterprise AL also Jan 2018 St. Sylvester.
  - c) Order-wide Church Drive 11/12 March.
  - d) GOOD Webinar March 11, 2PM EST, "Recruitment in the spirit of Father McGivney".
  - e) Day of Prayer for the Unborn Child on March 25th (Prolife Mass or Prayer Service).
  - f) 40 Cans for Lent Drive (1,000lbs / 100 mh service counts as 4 Family Activities).
  - g) Council Outreach Drive (charity service to Honor Father McGivney) March 27-April 2.
  - h) Holy Family Icon will be here at the COR Vigil Mass April 29th.
- **15) Correspondence:** Donation was made from Joe Severino's surviving wife in memory of Joe. Received a thank you from the Taylor Haugen Foundation use our sponsorship to donate chest plates Niceville football players. Also received a thank you from Focus for supporting Angela Marco's mission trip to Haiti.
- **16) Brothers or Persons in Distress:** Soul of Joe Severino, Michael Abel, Guy Jordan, Steven Sadowski, Frank and Ann Liberatori, Sobel Family, Steve Wolfrom, and Larry Falk.
- **17) For the Good of the Order**: Ken Rodriguez shared story about Lent and the ease and importance of prayer at every opportunity.
- 18) Meeting closed with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted Mark M. Olguín Council Recorder

#### Council Calendar of Events

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION, TIME
1 Apr	3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree Ceremony	Gulf Breeze
1 Apr	Pasta Dinner	HNJ, 1800
5 Apr	Youth Pancake Dinner	COR, 1700
6 Apr	General Assembly Meeting	COR, 1800 Fellowship Hour, 1900 Meeting
14 Apr	Scholarship Applications Due	
20 Apr	4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly Meeting	COR, Time TBD
27 Apr	Executive Committee Meeting	COR, 1800
29 Apr	Traveling Icon @ Vigil Mass	COR, 1730
4 May	General Assembly Meeting	COR, 1800 Fellowship Hour, 1900 Meeting
6 May	Pasta Dinner	HNJ, 1800
18 May	4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly Meeting	HNJ, Time TBD
25 May	Executive Committee Meeting	COR, 1800
25-29 May	State Conventions	Orlando
Bingo, Every Friday @ HNJ; (except as noted)		

# **Rest in Peace**

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Brother Joe Severino.

It is important that we remember him for his valuable contributions to our fraternity, country, community, and his family.

Let us pray for the repose of his soul and for all of the faithful departed.

May God Bless them all and let perpetual light shine upon them.

(Please keep their families in your prayers.)



#### Insurance Corner

# Protect your assets. Get quality care. Prepare for the future.

What is it? Long-term care insurance helps you pay for your extended medical needs in a nursing home facility or in the comfort of your own home.

Who needs it? Long-term care insurance should be an important part of every family's planning.



- 70% of people over age 65 will need some type of long-term care services during their lifetime.
- 3 years is the average duration of long-term care needed per individual.
- \$91,250 is the average annual cost of private nursing home care.
- \$80,300 is the average annual cost of at-home nursing care.

How does it work? Knights of Columbus Long-Term Care insurance policies establish a pool of money (also known as a maximum lifetime benefit), which is determined by a number of options that you choose from. That pool of money is then available for you to use to cover qualified long-term care expenses. When the pool of money is exhausted, your long-term care policy ends.

The Knights of Columbus also offers a spousal discount program, through which spouses who apply for long-term care insurance coverage together are eligible for up to a 30% discount.



What options do I have?

# Daily Benefit

Comprehensive Coverage: Comprehensive long-term care insurance allows you to use the policy to help cover expenses at home or in a skilled nursing facility.

Facility-Only Coverage: Facility-only longterm care insurance helps cover expenses in a skilled nursing or assisted living facility.

#### Benefic Period

**3-Year:** Establish a maximum lifetime benefit designed to help cover three years of long-term care expenses.

**5-Year:** Establish a maximum lifetime benefit designed to help cover five years of long-term care expenses.

10-Year: Establish a maximum lifetime benefit designed to help cover ten years of long-term care expenses.

Working with your Knights of Columbus Field Agent, you establish the daily benefit amount that the policy provides, based on your budget and your projected need. Your daily benefit amount, combined with your benefit period, will determine your maximum lifetime benefit, all of which will affect your premium.

#### **Elimination Period**

Long-term care insurance policies come with an elimination period, which serves as your deductible or out-of-pocket amount. You can select a 30, 90, or 180-day one-time, lifetime elimination period, after which time your benefits will begin to be paid.

Timothy J. Pugh, FIC, FICF Knights of Columbus Field Agent (850) 678-0962

#### Saint of the Month – April 2017

St. George, (c. 280-303 A.D.)

Feast Day: April 23rd.

Patron Saint of: Soldiers, Boy Scouts, Agricultural Workers, England, Portugal, Germany, Aragon, Catalonia, Genoa, and Venice.

It is uncertain when Saint George was born and historians continue to debate to this day. However, his death date is believed to be April 23, 303 A.D.

The first piece of evidence of George's existence appeared within the works of the Bollandists Daniel Papebroch, Jean Bolland, and Godfrey Henschen's *Bibliotheca Hagiographica Graeca*. George was one of several names listed in the historical text, and Pope Gelasius claimed George was one of the saints "whose names are justly reverenced among men, but whose actions are known only to God."



George was born to a Gerontios and Polychronia, a Roman officer and a Greek native of Lydda. Both were Christians from noble families of the Anici and George, *Georgios* in the original Greek, was raised to follow their faith.

When George was old enough, he was welcomed into Diocletian's army. By his late 20's, George became a Tribunus and served as an imperial guard for the Emperor at Nicomedia. On February 24, 303 A.D., Diocletian, who hated Christians, announced that every Christian the army passed would be arrested and every other soldier should offer a sacrifice to the Roman gods. George refused to abide by the order and told Diocletian, (who was angry but greatly valued his friendship with George's father). When George announced his beliefs before his peers, Diocletian was unable to keep the news to himself. In an effort to save George, Diocletian attempted to convert him to believe in the Roman gods. He offered George land, money, and slaves in exchange for offering a sacrifice to the Roman gods, and made several other offers that George refused.

Finally, after exhausting all other options, Diocletian ordered George's execution. In preparation for his death, George gave his money to the poor. George was sent to several torture sessions. He was lacerated on a wheel of swords and required resuscitation three times, but still George did not turn from God. On April 23, 303 A.D., George was decapitated before Nicomedia's outer wall. His body was sent to Lydda for burial. Other Christians went on to honor George as a martyr.

Saint George is the object of a vast amount of imagination. There is every reason to believe that he was a real martyr who suffered at Lydda in Palestine, probably before the time of Constantine. The Church adheres to his memory, but not to the legends surrounding his life. That he was willing to pay the supreme price to follow Christ is what the Church believes. One of those legends is the story of George's slaying of the dragon, rescuing the king's daughter and converting Libya. This appears to be a 12th-century Italian fable. (You may already have read or heard this "legend" and it is included in some of the links below.)

George was a favorite patron saint of crusaders, as well as of Eastern soldiers in earlier times. He is a patron saint of several countries and cities: England, Portugal, Germany, Aragon, Catalonia, Genoa, and Venice.

#### Some Interesting Facts

- Saint George stands out among other saints and legends because he is known and revered by both Muslims and Christians.
- It is said Saint George killed the dragon near the sea in Beirut, thus Saint George bay was named in his honor.
- Saint George's feast day is celebrated on April 23, but if it falls before Easter, it is celebrated Easter Monday.
- The Russian Orthodox Church celebrates three St. George feast days each year: April 23 as is expected, November 3, to commemorate the consecration of a cathedral dedicated to him in Lydda, and on November 26, for when a church in Kiev was dedicated to him.
- In Bulgaria, his feast day is celebrated May 6 with the slaughter and roasting of a lamb.
- In Egypt, the Coptic Orthodox Church of Alexandria calls St. George the "Prince of Martyrs" and celebrates on May 1. There is a second celebration November 17, in honor of the first church dedicated to him.
- In older works, Saint George is depicted wearing armor and holding a lance or fighting a dragon, which represents Christ's enemies.

#### Prayer for St. George

St. George, Heroic Catholic soldier and defender of your Faith, you dared to criticize a tyrannical Emperor and were subjected to horrible torture. You could have occupied a high military position but you preferred to die for your Lord. Obtain for us the great grace of heroic Christian courage that should mark soldiers of Christ. Amen!

http://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint\_id=280 https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-george/

Additional information can be found at:

https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-george/

http://www.ewtn.com/saintsHoly/saints/G/stgeorge.asp

http://www.catholic-saints.info/roman-catholic-saints-a-g/saint-george.htm

http://www.catholic-saints.info/patron-saints/saint-george.htm

http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/06453a.htm

http://thescoutingpages.org.uk/patron.html

# April Birthday Celebrations!

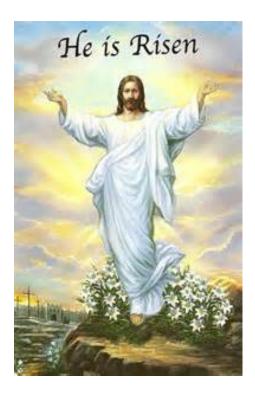
Please extend best wishes for a very Happy Birthday and a year filled with many blessings to:

Jacob Vallimont	2 Apr
Guy Jordan	3 Apr
Hong Nguyen	5 Apr
Dr. Cosima Ricciardi	9 Apr
Mike England	13 Apr
Michael Lewis	14 Apr
Pete Blaise	15 Apr
Dr. Steven Clark	18 Apr
Joe Allard	22 Apr
Steven Blair Jr.	22 Apr
Joseph Deloach	26 Apr
Matthew Williams	29 Apr

We apologize if we did not recognize your birthday. Please update your information with a council officer so that we may give you the recognition that you deserve.

Send all inputs for the Newsletter to Steve Schaefer NLT 10 days after the General Assembly meeting.

Please send to fly-safe@cox.net.



# **Have a Most Blessed Easter Season!**