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Council 13341**

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KNIGHTLY NEWS

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GRAND KNIGHT'S NEWS

In Solidarity with Our Bishops and Priests

Welcome to 3 new Brothers, namely, Larry McCarthy, Jack Milholland and Dominic Rego, Brother Dominic is the youngest member of our Council, who turned 18 on the 11th of February. Congrtulations on completing the Admissions Degree (formerly the 1st Degree) on February 16, 2016.

Brothers, we have two Fish Dinners under our belt, heading for the third. We are in need of apprentice cooks. Those interested please arrive by 3:00 on Fridays.

If you have not been to one of Our Lenten Fish Dinners this season, join us this coming Friday. Serving starts at 4:30.

Great food. Great fellowship. Great Time.

Our first ball game is right around the corner, March 2. We need help with some of the night games. Carpooling can be arranged, contact Chris Treston., treston3@msn.com or 941-962-9967.

As Easter draws near let us all renew our efforts to prepare for this most Holy of Holy Days. Make plans to attend Holy Week Services.

Remember in your Prayers those on Our Prayer list, our deceased Brothers, and Brothers who are sick and in distress.

My God Bless each of you for your good works.

Grand Knight, Bob Hellner

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FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

We pray for: Paul Herzing, Donna Reed and daughter Darcie, Omar and Vivian Desrosier, Jerry and Mary Healy, Pete Galvez, Warren Glasow, Daniel Kegg, Peter – friend of Bill Camastro, Richard Bohan, hurting and struggling K of C Members, Carol Alesi, Jeff Jarr, Deacon Rick Zandy, Donna Makovec, Andy Alesi, Deacon Hugh Muller, Dan Multon, Dennis O'Connor, Joe Stachniak, Pat Kuehn, Ginger Swihura, Mary Lee Bastianelli, Carol Lafortune, Jack Warble, Ed Mazurek, Mike Graves, Annie Hayes, Ralph Rossi, Arie Rodriguez, Fr Bob Unger, all elected officials, unborn children, Rumaldo Baez, Jim Malley, Jordan Peak, Noe Rodriguez, Linda Soller, John Manfra, Jim Mazurek. Carol Brazas, Renee Harrison, Linda Soller and Louis Justeng.

HAPPY FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY WISHES

Frank Barbarito, Sig Bartoszek, DGK Sam Bastianelli, W Matt Cangemi, Philip Leone, Al Martini, William Pope, Ralph Rossi, Michael Smith, Joe Stein, and DD Chris Treston .

COUNCIL 13341 ON FACEBOOK

View the Council's new FaceBook Page www.facebook.com/knights13341

Don't forget to click 'LIKE' after reading!!

OLA CHURCH CLEANERS NEEDED

Brothers are needed to help clean the Church after the 8 a.m. Mass on Thursday mornings. Ample supply of brooms and mops are available.

If you can spare an hour or so, please contact GK Bob Hellner bjjhsr@aol.com

BLOOD DRIVE

Brothers,

We need Knights to sign up blood donors outside church the weekend of 2/27 & 2/28 for our next drive. This takes just a few minutes of our time before and after the Masses we attend anyway. Note!!! We're not asking YOU to sign up to donate. We're asking you to sign other people up to donate.

We need Brothers for:

The 4:00 PM Mass on Saturday, 2/27

The 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM and 5:00 PM Masses on Sunday, 12/28.

Please reply to WREMPE@VERIZON.NET with your choice of Mass times.

In His Service,

Brothers Bill Rempe, Dave Rondeau, and Steve Balazic.

PATRIOTIC ROSARY

The Patriotic Rosary, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, continues every Wednesday from 6:15 pm to 7 pm. The Patriotic Rosary is being prayed in response to the Bishops call for prayer for Religious Freedom including the overturn of the mandate and for the Christians being persecuted and even killed in the Middle East. It is a very powerful Rosary. If the brother Knights can attend a couple or three times a month it would make a difference, because there is power in Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Sir Knight Sam Bastianelli

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

LENTEN FISH FRY DINNERS

The Council serves fried or grilled fish with french fries and cole slaw. Dessert is available from Our Ladies Guild.



Capacity crowd in Sacred Heart Hall for last Friday's Fish Fry.

(l-r) Brothers ?, John Fry, Roco Vercace, ? serving dinner with





(l-r) Brothers John Monaghan and ? prepare fish for cooking.



(l-r) Brothers Ron Jezowitt, Paul Petrus, Matt Cangemi, and Bill Jarema cooking fish and fries.

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TOOTSIE ROLL COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Brothers, the next Tootsie Roll fundraiser is on March 18,19, and 20 at Walmart on SR 70, followed by April 1,2, and 3 at Publix on SR 70 and LWR Blvd.

More to come. Please help by signing up for a 2 hour shift.

*Brother Paul Browne, thepalaceteam@aol.com
Tootsie Roll Chairman*

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY NEEDS OUR HELP

Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit organization that builds simple, decent, affordable housing in partnership with people in need. Join your fellow Knights by volunteering your time in helping to build these homes for families in need, thereby bringing and keeping families together with a life of dignity.

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Feburary Membership Message--

Why Recruit?

Brothers All,

Councils are often hesitant in approaching men to join the Order. Unfortunately, in many cases, there is a lack of real understanding of the purpose of our Order, resulting in a corresponding lack of inspiration to recruit. A deeper understanding of the true meaning of the principles of the Order by all members is called for, as well as the reason why these principles should be embraced by every Catholic man. Such knowledge brings inspiration and purpose to all Knights.

In reading about the early history of the Order, one cannot help but be struck by how the singular focus of the Venerable Father J. McGivney was providential in the success of the Order. Father McGivney was very concerned about both the integrity and financial welfare of families when the breadwinner passed away, and the rampant proliferation of fraternal societies that were drawing Catholic men away from their faith. These twin concerns are the foundation of Columbianism and the Principles of the Order. While other Catholic societies existed in the late nineteenth century that promoted mutual aid and the relief of the suffering, the Knights of Columbus possessed a much wider scope that allowed them to pursue the promotion and defense of Catholicism and Catholic society in

an environment rife with anti-Catholicism. As Thomas Harrison Cummings, first editor of the Columbia magazine and the second Director of Ceremonials, put it in the late 1800s:

“It can be safely asserted that not until Catholic men have learned the lessons of fraternity and mutual sympathy, will die away the misrepresentations, abuse, contempt, and caricature to which all Catholics are now subject. There is full need and place for an intelligent organism such as the Knights of Columbus to step up to the front, to work for the advancement of Catholic societal and material interests, and in its own name and in that of justice, reason, and humanity, to cry out to the opposing forces—Halt!”

“. . . one thing above all else the Order lays claim to, and that is the evolution of Catholic Gentlemen in Fraternity. The principles of the Order, if rightly applied and honorably practiced, mean the creation of a new type of Catholic manhood. They mean that young men who are in touch with the world and its affairs are creating a new spirit in the Church by illustrating what a layman can and ought to do, in the active work of life. They stand for what is clean, moral, wholesome, and effective in American manhood when that is crowned by the teachings of Mother Church, and as a grand result, they must achieve in time the social uplift of the entire Catholic people.” [Quoted from "Faith and Fraternalism: The History of the Knights of Columbus" by Christopher J. Kauffman]

Today, Catholics are not faced with the widespread and explicit anti-Catholicism of past centuries, although some of that certainly still exists. Instead, we are infected by more insidious forces that are chipping away at the faith of Catholics everywhere and young Catholics in particular. The term “Culture of Death” has often been applied to these forces, but it is much more than that. It is the acceptance of secular values and culture by once-devoted Catholic men and their families that has slowly but surely eroded their faith and pushed them away from the Church. Even those Catholics who consider themselves devout express skepticism about Church teachings, as they are constantly bombarded by traditional and social media with secular values and positions that are considered “mainstream”, but clearly conflict with the religious and moral principles taught by the Church. It is this form of anti-Catholicism that the Knights of Columbus are called upon to confront in today’s world.

In his book, “A Civilization of Love”, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson asserted

“. . . the responsibility of Christians in our own time remains as it was in [Saint]Paul’s—to radically transform culture, not by imposing values from above, but through a subtler yet more powerful process—living a vocation of love in the day-to-day reality of our lives.”

In that light, the Supreme Knight’s new initiative, “Building the Domestic Church while Strengthening our Parishes”, is exactly the right approach for applying Columbianism and the principles of the Order to the twenty-first century, and to bring about a “Civilization of Love”. As Knights of Columbus, we must combat the often invisible forces tearing apart our families and our faith by going back to our roots and refocusing our efforts on our families and our parishes. As the Supreme Knight stated in a speech to the State Deputies at the Order’s Mid-year meeting in November, 2015:

“We must devote even greater efforts to our fundamental mission of charity, unity and fraternity, and we must do so with even greater attention to the needs and the future of our parishes and our families. What is necessary now is our greater involvement in the renewal of parish and family life.”

Now, more than ever, the Church needs the force and the strength of the example of our lives through devotion to our faith, our families, our parishes, and our charitable works. But the power and effect of the principles of the Order can only be achieved by reaching out to all Catholic men and getting them to join and participate in the activities of the Order. The strength of our Order is in Unity, and the more fibers that are added to the cable, the stronger it becomes. Bound Together by Faith, we can make a difference. That is why the Supreme Knight constantly and consistently asserts the moral obligation of each and every one of us to ask good Catholic men to join the Knights of Columbus.

Have you asked a good, Catholic man to join the Order today?

Fraternally,

*Rick Hughes
State Membership Director*

FIELD AGENT'S REPORT

Our Guarantees Set Us Apart

Knights of Columbus life insurance offers something precious few other financial products can – guarantees. As long as you pay your premiums, the policy proceeds will be there for your beneficiaries should something happen to you. That's peace of mind, and that's what we offer with our every product in our portfolio.

We guarantee the cash value in your whole life policies will be there.

We guarantee the rates on your term insurance.

We guarantee our retirement products will provide a stream of income when you need it.

On top of those product guarantees, I guarantee that I will offer professional, high-quality service that you would expect from our organization.

Our Order is among the highest rated life insurers in North America. AM Best has rated the Knights of Columbus "A++, Superior" for 38 consecutive years. It's a testament to our track record for excellence and security.

I would suggest that a principal reason that we were able to achieve those accolades is because we remain steadfastly committed to the vision of Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney by providing life insurance by brother Knights for brother Knights.

That commitment is an essential core value of the Knights of Columbus, and our core values permeate all levels of our organization. We pledge to serve our brother Knights, and their families, according to our Golden Rule: "In all my professional relationships, I pledge myself to the following rule of conduct: I shall, in light of all conditions surrounding those I serve, render that service which, under the same circumstances, I would apply to myself."

Let's talk soon to discuss how our products can bring that peace of mind to you and your family.

Vivat Jesus,

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***2016 Saints Cosmas and Damian Council #13341
Fraternal Year End Activities***

FEBRUARY

2-28-16, Military Ball, Terra Gulf & Country Club. 5 to 9 PM

MARCH

3- 2-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome

3- 2-16, Spring Training Ball Game,

3- 3-16, Council Business meeting, SH 2, 7 PM

3- 4-16, Fish Dinner

3- 5-16, Spring Training Ball Game

**3- 7-16, First Degree, First Degree, St. Joseph Church, St Cosmos & Damian
1st, Degree team.**

3- 7-16, Spring Training Ball Game

3- 8-16, Spring Training Ball Game

3- 9-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome

3-10-16, Spring Training Ball Game

3-10-16, Assembly Meeting, OLA, SHH 7 PM

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Fraternal Year End Activities (cont.)***

3-11-16, Fish Dinner

3-12-16, Spring Training Ball Game

3-14-16, Spring Training Ball Game

3-16-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome

3-16-16, Spring Training Ball Game

3-17-16, Social Meeting, SHH, Pot Luck 7 PM, All Are Welcome

3-17-16, Spring Training Ball Game

3-18-16, Fish Dinner

3-19-16, Easter Egg Hunt, 9AM to 11:30 AM

3-20-16, Palm Sunday

3-20-16, Spring Training Ball Game

3-23-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome

3-24-25-26, Easter Trilogy, Please make plans to attend.

3-24-16, Spring Training Ball Game

3-25-16, Spring Training Ball Game

3-26-16, Spring Training Ball Game

3-29-16, Spring Training Ball Game

3-27-16, Easter Sunday

3-30-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome

3-30-16, Spring Training Ball Game

3-31-16, Officer & Directors Meeting, 7 PM SH 2.

3-31-16, Spring Training Ball Game

APRIL

- 4- 6-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome**
- 4- 6-16, St. Joseph Church, St Cosmos & Damian 1 st Degree Team**
- 4- 7-16, Council Bus. meeting, SH 2, 7 PM**
- 4-10-16, Corporate Communion, 8 AM Mass.**
- 4-14-16, Assembly Meeting, OLA, SHH 7 PM**
- 4-16-16, Second Degree, St Thomas**
- 4-20-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome**
- 4-21-16, Social Meeting, SHH, Pot Luck 7 PM, All Are Welcome**
- 4-23-16, 3 rd. Degree, St Peter & Paul**
- 4-23-24-16, State Bowling tournament, Lakeland**
- 4-27-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome**
- 4-28-16, Officer & Directors Meeting, 7 PM SH 2**

MAY

- 5- 4-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome**
- 5- 5-16, Council Bus.meeting, SH 2, 7 PM**
- 5-11-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome**
- 5-12-16, Assembly Meeting, Holy Cross, Palmetto**
- 5-14-16, Fourth Degree Exemplification, Naples.**
- 5-18-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome**
- 5-19-16, First Degree, St Patrick.**
- 5-21-16, Social Meeting, SHH, Pot Luck 7 PM, All Are Welcome**
- 5-25-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome**
- 5-26-16, Officer & Directors Meeting, 7 PM SH 2**
- 5-27-28-16, State Convention, Orlando.**
- 5-29-16, Tribute to heroes Parade, 5PM lake wood Ranch.**

2016 Saints Cosmas and Damian Council #13341 Fraternal Year End Activities (cont.)

JUNE

- 6- 1-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome**
- 6- 2-16, Council Bus. meeting, SH 2, 7 PM**
- 6- 8-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome**
- 6- 8-16, First Degree, Incarnation.**
- 6- 9-16, Assembly Meeting, OLA, SHH 7 PM**
- 6-11-16, Corporate Communion Mass, 4 PM Mass**
- 6-15-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome**
- 6-15-16, Second Degree, St. Joseph ?**
- 6-16-16, Social Meeting, SHH, Pot Luck 7 PM, All Are Welcome**
- 6-22-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome**
- 6-23-16, Installation of Council Officer, OLA, Church. 7 PM, Reception to follow,**
- 6-26-14, Annual Awards Brunch, time and venue to be announced.**
- 6-29-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome**
- 6-30-16, Officer & Directors Meeting, 7 PM SH 2**

2015 – 2016 Saints Cosmas and Damian Council #13341
SAN DAMIANO ASSEMBLY #3192
Tentative events for 2015-2016

Sunday, Feb.28th.....5:00pm Salute to the Military Ball, Tara Golf & Country Club

Thurs., March 10th.....7:00pm *Bsn. Meeting* @OLA

Thurs., April 14th7:00pm *Bsn. Meeting* @OLA

Thurs., May 12th7:00pm *Bsn. Meeting* @Holy Cross

Sunday, May 29th 5:00pm Tribute to Heroes Parade at Lakewood Ranch**

Thurs., June 19th7:00pm *Bsn. Meeting* @OLA

Note: Host Council Location will provide refreshments

***MEETINGS* 2ND THURSDAY OF MONTH @ 7:00PM**

**** Color Corps Requested**