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# **KNIGHTLY NEWS**

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#### GRAND KNIGHT'S NEWS

In Solidarity with Our Bishops and Priests

IT'S May!! How can that be?

Most of the Snow Birds have flown, the Summer Heat is on it's way. Vacations are being planned or underway.

June will soon be upon us. The last 23 months have flown by.

Your officers are turning their attention to the next Fraternal year's activities.
Reports are being prepared.
Yearend meetings are being scheduled.
We should all be proud of the good works our Council has accomplished.

The Council has had a record year in fund raising. Services hours are sure to set a record. Many of the men that have joined this year are involved with Council activities.

We are nearing our Star Council Goals. Your efforts have made our Council successful.

Election of Council officer will be held at the June  $2^{nd}$  business meeting. Installation of officers will be June  $23^{rd}$  in the Church. Reception to follow in Sacred Heart Hall.

Please plan to attend and help make this event special. Installation and reception are open to all. Starting at 6:30 PM. June 23.

Remember in your Prayers, those on our prayer list, our deceased Brothers, Brothers sick and in distress, and new Council Officers.

May God Bless All of You For Your Good Works.

Grand Knight, Bob Hellner

### 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 Rodriquez, 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 MAY BIRTHDAY WISHES

Vincent Alesi, Michael Bujnowski, Louis Bury, Larry Clemons, Michael Dyer, Devin Flores, Richard Guarnera, Grand Knight Robert Hellner, Kevin Kelley, Robert Kramer, Robert Odell, Don Plourde, Noe Rodriguez, Ernest Soller, and Jack Warble.

# **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

# 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

# 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.

Please contact GK Bob Hellner bjjhsr@aol.com

# ALUMINUM CANS AND CAN PULL RINGS

Don't forget to collect aluminum cans and deposit in white fenced area nearest OLA Memorial Garden. Money collected from sale of cans is used to support Seminarians preparing for Priesthood.

Aluminum can pull rings are also collected to be used for making accessories for the handicapped.

Thank you.

# **COUNCIL ACTIVITIES**

# 1st DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION



Sts. Cosmas and Damian 1st Degree Team exemplified new Brothers Nick Kloepfer, Paul Gulbrandson, and Timothy Lane to our Council.

# LIFETIME MEMBER RECOGNIZED



Brother James Grace (1) was recognized with golden KofC Membership card by DD Chris Treston (m) and GK Bob Hellner.

# **CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION**



In recognition with assistance at Easter Egg Hunt, Brother Carmine Maida receives appreciation certificate from Grand Knight Bob Hellner.



Brother John Nifong receives certificate of Appreciation for Easter Egg Hung assistance from Grand Knight Bob Hellner.

#### Sts. Cosmas and Damian Blood Drive

The following appreciation sent to Council for recent Blood Drive:

Good Afternoon Bill, Dave & Steve

Enthusiastic, dependable blood drive supporters is the key to a blood drive's success and we want to take this opportunity to thank you and the Knights of Columbus for helping with coordinating the drive and saving lives in our community. We are pleased to share with you that the recent blood drive resulted in 21 units of blood. Remember, each donation can save up to three lives, so that means 63 patients could benefit from the lifesaving efforts of blood donors from your organization. We encourage you to share the drive results with the rest of your team and please pass along our gratitude. Every two seconds, someone needs blood. The blood donated at your blood drive will likely be transfused into a patient within 48 to 72 hours. The turnaround is that fast and is that constant. Our next scheduled blood drive is Thursday, July 7. We look forward to working with your council again and thank you for your dedication and commitment to our lifesaving mission.

Janie Peticca O+Account Manager www.oneblood.org

#### PATRIOTS PAGE

# LAKEWOOD RANCH MEMORIAL DAY "TRIBUTE TO HEROES" PARADE

MAY 29 LAKEWOOD RANCH MAIN ST. 5:00 PM. OVER THREE DOZEN FLOATS, BANDS, CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS IN THE PROCESSION. VETERAN'S POPPY READING, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PARADE, WHICH IS THE "TRIBUTE TO HEROES," FOLLOWED BY A WHITE DOVE RELEASE.

THE ASSEMBLY HAS PAID THE ENTRY FEE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS YEAR'S PARADE. ALL SIR KNIGHTS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO PARTICIPATE. COLOR CORPS MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO WEAR REGALIA WHICH IS THE MOST RECOGNIZABLE SYMBOL OF THE KNIGHTS. ALL BROTHER KNIGHTS SHOULD WEAR THEIR ASSEMBLY OR COUNCIL SHIRT.

THIS IS ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW THE K OF C'S DEDICATION TO OUR COUNTRY'S MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE SERVED OUR NATION. A BOOTH WILL BE AVAILABLE TO US TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO PARADE WATCHERS ABOUT THE K OF C ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIP OPPORTUNITY.

WE WILL BE ASKING OTHER ASSEMBLIES' COLOR CORPS TO JOIN US. SEPARATE EMAILS WILL BE SENT CONTAINING MORE INFORMATION, REGARDING WHERE AND WHEN TO ASSEMBLE AND DETAILS ABOUT THE March.

Please see flyer attached to newsletter.

SK Andy Velichko

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#### FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION IN NAPLES



New Sir Knights include (l-r) Bill Rempe, Ray Makovec, Dave Rondeau, Paul Petrus, and Jim Ryan. Sir Knight Bob Hellner (f).

Five members of Saints Cosmas & Damian Council became Fourth Degree Knights on May 14, 2016 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Naples, FL; Brothers Jim Ryan, Bill Rempe, Ray Makovec, Dave Rondeau and Paul Petrus. Our Worthy Regional Director, Bob Marrah was the Honoree. Supporting their Exemplification were FN/ PGK Andy Velichko, PFN//GK Bob Hellner, F.

Comptroller/PFN Vinnie Cipriano, Sir Knights Sam Bastianelli and Matt Cangemi. In total, nine Sir Knights plus wives attended the Banquet following the Exemplification.

Our San Damiano Assembly set up a hospitality suite that was co-hosted with Assembly #1860, Padre Louis de Soto at St Joseph's Assembly. Sir Knights and ladies from both Assemblies were able to kick off their shoes, relax and enjoy refreshments, conversation, and some laughs.



Hospitality suite hosted by Padre Louis de Soto Assembly #1860 and San Damiano Assembly # 3192. Sir Knights and wives enjoyed fellowship and relaxation.

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Sir Knights and wives enjoying Banquet in Naples at Fourth Degree Exemplification.



#### RAISING AWARENESS ABOUT LIFE INSURANCE

We Stand Strong on Ethical Ground

Some people believe that ethics in business is a contradiction in terms. They think that in order to be profitable, a company and its leaders must abandon morality and embrace the dark, greedy side that they see so often in the news and in movies.

At the Knights of Columbus, we know this isn't true. A business can be both ethical and successful. We are.

As a Catholic organization, we understand the value and importance of our core beliefs and the original mission of Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney. In fact, much of the strength and financial security we provide to members and their families can be attributed to our ethical, moral standards.

More than 96 percent of Knights who buy our life insurance keep it, year in and year out. The Order takes this commitment to our members very seriously. This means carefully planning when it comes time to invest. Our professional staff researches all transactions to insure that they fall in line with Catholic values. If a transaction makes them uncomfortable, they don't make it.

"We exclude any company engaged in activity that conflicts with Catholic moral teaching: companies directly involved in abortion, contraception, human cloning, embryonic stem cell research, for-profit health care that pays for any of these, or pornography," said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. "There are many companies in the pharmaceutical and communications industries that would undoubtedly provide excellent returns for us, but which are not in our portfolio because they engage in research and development or programming in ways that violate the sanctity or dignity of human life."

In the end, the Knights of Columbus investment strategy is motivated by morality, not money. Yet, each year we remain profitable, increase our assets and stay dedicated to this vision that will keep the Order financially sound for generations to come.

But don't just take our word for it. In 2016 the Knights of Columbus was named a "World's Most Ethical Company" by the Ethisphere Institute for the third year in a row. We were one of only two life insurance companies to earn the honor. "Faithful Catholics have choices when buying life insurance," said the Supreme Knight. "But they know that at the Knights of Columbus their policy is supplied by an insurer that shares their moral and ethical values and is guided in all of its investment and sales practices by those values."

Contact me today to learn more about our products.

Jerry Hayes, Field Agent 941-921-2161 <u>Jerry.hayes@kofc.org</u>

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

#### MAY

5-27-28-16, State Convention, Orlando. 5-29-16, Tribute to heroes Parade, 5PM Lakewood Ranch.

#### **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 Parish.

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, 7 pm, St. Joseph's Parish.

6-16-16, Social Meeting, SHH, Pot Luck 7 PM, All Are Welcome

6-18-16, Flag Retirement Ceremony, Holy Croww Parish.

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.

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6-29-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome. 6-30-16, Office & Directors Meeting, 7 PM SH 2

#### **JULY**

7-7-16, Blood Drive.

# SAN DAMIANO ASSEMBLY #3192 Tentative events for 2015-2016

Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup> ..... 5:00pm Tribute to Heroes Parade at Lakewood Ranch\*\* Thurs., June 19th ..... 7:00pm Bsn. Meeting @OLA

Note: Host Council Location will provide refrehments

MEETINGS 2<sup>ND</sup> THURSDAY OF MONTH @ 7:00PM

\*\* Color Corps Requested