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## Knights of the Month!



Chris Treston, Matt Cangemi, Gordon Shellhaas, Jerry Graceffo, Mike Mahan, David Lawson, and GK John Joly

## Families of the Month!



Jerry & Joann Graceffo, Mike & Jennifer Chapman, John Joly, Mike Mahan & Nancy Turk (Sig & Connie Bartoszek not present for pic)

## *Ed Smith Stadium*



Since 2008, Council #13341 has operated food concession stands for the Baltimore Orioles preseason home games. The stands are located at Ed Smith Stadium in Sarasota, Fl. Nine games were scheduled from March, 2022 through April, 2022. Operations included were retail sales of food items, food preparation including grills and deep friers, inventory management and personnel staffing for all positions. Compensation is made at pre-season end and is 10% of the net revenue plus tips.

This year, we operated two concession stands. One on the main level (192) along the left field line. The second concession stand was in the left-side outfield area (Section 127-128), also known as the Patio Concession stand. We have operated the 192 stand for many years, but this was the first year we staffed the Patio stand. The entire 192 stand was staffed by Knights volunteers. The Patio stand was staffed by ½ Knight volunteers and ½ stadium staff. Both stands had a good mixture of seasoned volunteers as well as first timers.

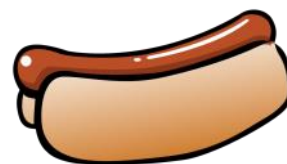
The 2022 Preseason was cut short because of the MLB Lockout. This first 2 weeks of the preseason were cancelled and 3 games added to the end of the normal preseason. This did have an effect on the attendance.

This activity is the by far the largest single fund raiser and activity for council #13341. Even with an abbreviated season (9 of 17 games played), \$26,000 (est.) was generated. 56 Knights and 24 family/friends contributed a total of 2984 hours for this impressive activity.

One of the comments received from a fellow Knight was:

*"I had a good time working with the K.O.C. folks...I will do it again next year!"*

Next year (2023), we will continue to have the 192 stand but we may be switched to the upper concession stand (above 192) for the 2023.









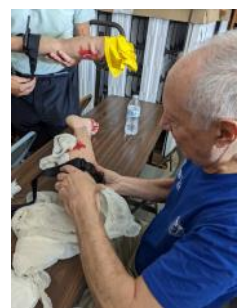
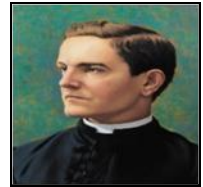
## Corporate Mass

**Council #13341 Corporate Mass for May 2022. Approximately 64 Knights and Wives were present for the Mass. Approximately 35 Knights & Wives attended the brunch following the Mass.**





Five Knights from Council 13341 attended the Manatee County Habitat for Humanity Emergency Response and Job Site First Aid Training Program. In total, there were approximately 35 in attendance. The seminar presented an overview in identifying and responding to strokes, heart attacks, shock, injuries and heat exhaustion. Additionally, hands on training was provided for CPR, Stop the Bleed protocol and the use of AED's. Certificates will be issued for participation in the Stop the Bleed instruction. It was an informative session and well worth the investment of time.





**On Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, 17 Sir Knights & Brother Knights marched in the Tribute to Heroes Parade on Main Street in LWR honoring all Veterans. The event was sponsored by LWR Community Activities, a yearly ad sponsor of our Patriotic Ball.**

**This was one of the Assembly's patriotic events complete with a decorated float, hand-held flags, and tootsie rolls which were handed out along the parade route to families and children. Many thanks to those who helped decorate the trailer in the LWRMC parking lot on a very warm afternoon.**

**The float was made possible through Habitat for Humanity Manatee County who loaned us an 18-foot trailer, and, through SK Mark O'Brien who generously loaned his company van, picked up the trailer from Habitat, drove it to and in the parade, and returned it following the parade.**



**Several wives were present at the parade in support of the Knights marching in the parade. We had a great time and felt honored to pay tribute to all Veterans whether active, retired, or fallen who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom.**

**God Bless Our Veterans!**











Walking with  
*Moms* in Need

# SHE'S PREGNANT!



## LET HER KNOW SHE'S NOT ALONE

If you heard someone you know is pregnant and considering abortion, what would you do? Maybe she's a family member or friend; perhaps you don't really know her but just met her in a store or at an event.

- Start by letting her know she's not alone. Before she makes a regrettable decision that can't be undone, tell her about the life-affirming help she can receive through a local pregnancy help center. Share the website through the QR code below for the nearest location. There she can receive accurate information about her options, have her pregnancy confirmed, see her child via ultrasound, learn from parenting classes and more.
- Resources for financial and emotional help are available. The center can help her find housing if she needs it, perhaps at a local maternity home and a home for moms and babies after the birth so she can pursue her career.
- Parishioners can join others in determining how the parish can help on a deeper level by working alongside the pregnancy help center, aiding clients by providing needed assistance, personalized to each mother.
- The center can help her stay connected to the parish or rediscover her Catholic heritage. Maybe she doesn't belong to a particular faith community but is open to experiencing one that cares about her.



### CONTACT

Contact your parish office or the Diocesan Respect Life Office for more information on how you can help women experiencing stressful pregnancies by Walking with Moms in Need.

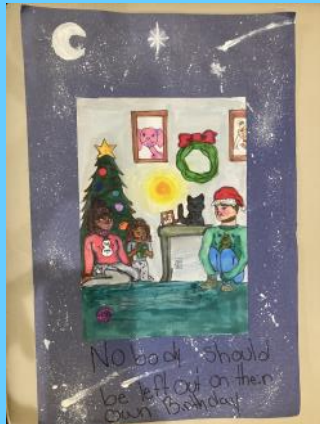
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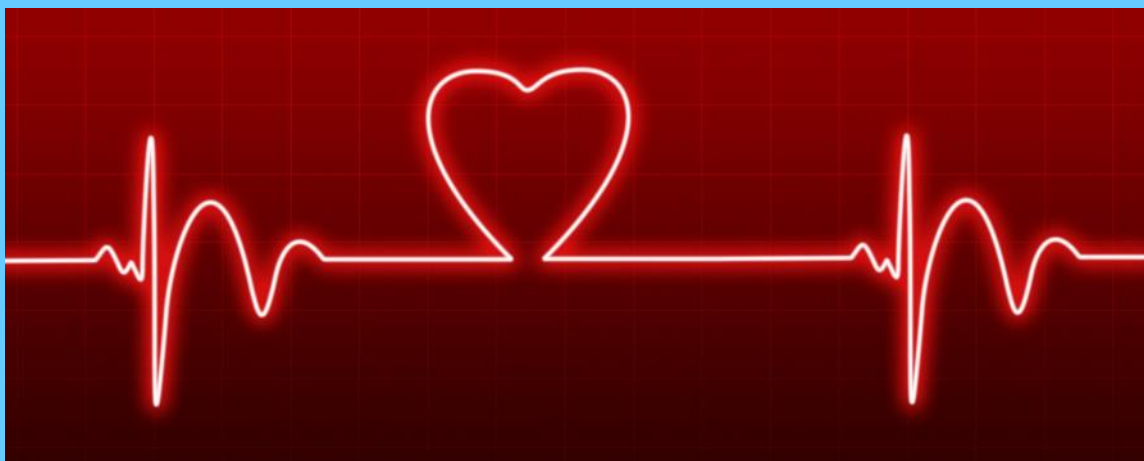
## For The Good of The Order







## Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Winner Reese Gurski



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**Scott Nadeau**

**Family**  
**Matt Cangemi**

**Faith**  
**Mark O'Brien**

**Life**  
**John Finnegan**

### **Grand Knight's Korner**

March, we had 60 donors and collected 54 units of blood. A RECORD! Each unit has the potential to help 3 individuals in need. That's 162 people from our blood drive alone. Our OneBlood account manager said that we are the largest, yearly blood drive campaign in our region. That's certainly something to be proud of.

