



**May 2023**

Knights of Columbus Assembly 3192



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**Larry Simmons**

**May 2023**

## **Faithful Navigators Message**

Worthy Sir Knights,

As we look forward to the month of May and June the Assembly has several Worthy Veteran events planned.

On Memorial Day weekend, Sunday May 28th at 7pm, the Assembly will be participating in the "Tribute to Heroes Parade". The Parade is held at Lakewood Ranch Main Street. We Sir Knights March in the Parade and give out tootsie rolls to the children. It is a great way to pay tribute to our Veteran Heroes, connect with the community, and represent the Knights of Columbus Assembly #3192 San Damiano of Bradenton, Fl.

The Assembly will also be passing out Poppies at all Masses at Our Lady of The Angels and Holy Cross. Sir Knight Gerry Hayes will be leading the distribution efforts at Holy Cross. Thank You, Sir Knight Gerry, for taking on this most worthy task. The Poppies help us remember all victims of war, our commitment to peace, and to challenge the glamorization of conflict.

In the month of June, the Assembly will be holding a Flag Retirement Ceremony at Holy Cross. The event will be held on Sunday, June 11th after the 11:30am Mass at Holy Cross. If you have a flag or know of someone who has a Flag to be retired and are not able to attend the event, please bring the Flag to our next business meeting or drop it off at the church office.

Vivat Jesus,

Faithful Navigator,

Mark O'Brien



## PROGRAM POSITIONS

Bereavement Chairman  
David M Lawson

Color Corp Commander  
Larry Simmons

Honor Guard Chief Officer  
Robert Helner

Flag Retirnt Chairman  
unassigned

Membership/Exemplifications  
John T Colton III

Memorial Day Poppies  
Alfred A Connizzo

Newsletter  
Alfred A Connizzo

Patriotic Ball  
Jim H Thompson

Spiritual Advisor  
Deacon George T Harenchar

Tidewill We Honor Veterans  
John O Joly

Tribute to Hero's Parade  
John O Joly

VAVS  
John O Joly

Veterans Day Mass  
unassigned

Veterans Flag Placement  
unassigned

Wreaths Across America  
David Lawson



OUR ASSEMBLY & COUNCIL WILL MARCH IN THE  
ANNUAL TRIBUTE TO HEROES  
BLOCK PARTY AND PARADE  
Sunday, May 28th @ 6:00PM - 8:00PM



Each year thousands of attendees' line Lakewood Main Street to honor our local veterans, active duty and fallen heroes. Join us for this year's parade to show your support! All are welcome to attend this FREE event!

The pre-block party fun starts at 6:00pm and the parade will kick off at 7:00pm. Arrive early for a good spot on the street! There will be food & drinks, activities for the kids, and more. Attendees are welcome to bring chairs and their four-legged friends (on a leash), but please note that no coolers or outside food and drink are allowed. Honor a beloved friend or family member who was lost in the line of duty by purchasing a memorial sign to be placed alongside Lakewood Ranch Blvd for three weeks leading up to our Tribute to Heroes Parade. Please have your order in by 4/14 to ensure placement. Orders can be placed <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lakewood-ranch-tribute-to-heroes-parade> click on "tickets" and then select the \$25 "Memorial Sign on Lakewood Ranch Blvd" ticket option. Proceeds from this event benefit The Del Webb Lakewood Ranch Association of Veterans and Military Supporters and VFW Post 12055.





## Veterans Programs

### Ongoing:

- Douglas Jacobson Veterans Nursing Home - Port Charlotte
- The Sheridan at Lakewood Ranch – Director of Resident Programs has asked us again to host a Veteran celebration just prior or just after Veterans Day in November.
- Windsor Reflections – Met with Marketing Director. We're invited to attend free home-cooked breakfasts with Veteran residents the 2nd Wednesday of each month at Windsor Reflections: 8230 Natures Way, Lakewood Ranch FL 34202. SK Assembly Veterans and spouses are welcome to attend.
- April & Forward:
  - In final discussions. Defining our role with Canines4Heroes. 10 Sir Knights have expressed an interest in being a Mentoring Program Volunteer. We have an opportunity to team with Canines4Heroes and help them make a significant impact on the lives of our fellow Veterans who are suffering from PTSD.
  - Tribute to Heroes Parade – Sunday, May 28th from 6-8pm, 6pm Block Party, 7pm Parade – LWR Main Street. Still in need of a pickup truck or SUV to pull the float (trailer).
  - Town Square Sarasota (Palmer Ranch) – Tidewell Hospice Honors Veterans Program
  - April 19th, we honored and pinned 27 Veterans for their service. Their caregivers were also present. This is a relatively new Day Center that takes VA funding. Serves a very large number of Veterans. FAR to follow



**Color Corps  
Commander**  
SK Larry Simmons

**Chief Officer of the  
Honor Guard**  
SK Robert Hellner

**Color Guard**  
SK Mark O'Brien  
SK Vinnie Cipriano  
SK Chris Treston  
SK Dan Quirk  
SK Eugene Dolecki  
SK Ernie Soller  
SK Jim Thompson  
SK Richard Barnett  
SK Carmine Maida  
SK Keith Mobley

## Official Fourth Degree Uniform



**Uniform Package Includes**  
Blazer/Coat  
Trousers  
Tie  
Beret with Badge  
\$449.00  
Place Orders Online or by Phone 833-562-4327

## Color Corp Uniform



The Color Corp Uniform adds the Baldrick and 4th Degree Ceremonial Sword to the Basic Uniform. Our assembly is willing to assist anyone who wants to join the Color Corp with the cost of the 4th Degree Ceremonial sword. Please contact the Color Corp Commander for details

CALENDAR 2022-2023					
Installation					
<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>CHAIRMAN</u>
May					
11	Thursday	7:00PM	OLA	Business Meeting	FN Mark
28	Sunday		Tribute to Hero's Parade		SN John Joly
June					
22	Thursday		OLA	Installation of Officers	



## **.Patriotic Rosary**

Since September 9<sup>th</sup>, the Patriotic Rosary has been conducted in the Daily Chapel on Thursdays from 6pm to 6:45pm and will be held every Thursday including the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday prior to all Assembly Meetings.

For Sir Knights and Parishioners who haven't prayed the Patriotic Rosary, it is very uplifting and covers prayers for every branch of the government.

The Rosary includes Patriotic Songs such as America, The Battle Hymn of the Republic, The Star-Spangled Banner and God Bless America. Prayers are recited for every person in the USA.

Please join us every Thursday at 6pm in the Chapel to prayer the Patriotic Rosary.

Any questions should be emailed to Sam Bastianelli at [sbastianelli@knights.org](mailto:sbastianelli@knights.org) or call him at 714.469.7794.

What great way to start our Assembly Meeting, the Patriotic Branch of the Knights of Columbus!



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**VETERANS  
ASSEMBLY 3192  
COUNCIL 13341**



First Name	Last Name	Branch	Rank	Campaign (War)	Years
Chris	Avren	US Army		Vietnam	1960-1963
Richard	Barnett	US Army	CWO (CW3)		1965-1971 & 1975-1994
Sigmund	Bartoszek	US Marine Corps	MGySgt		1952-1982
Claude	Benedict	US Navy	LCDR		1961-1969
Dennis	Beville	US Army	1st LT	Korea - Vietnam Era	1967-1970
William S.	Borgiasz	US Air Force			1971-1991
Jack	Byrnes	US Navy	Radarman 3/C	WWII - Atlantic Fleet	1945-1947
Matthew	Cangemi	US Navy Seabees		Vietnam	1965-1967
Donald	Castracani	US Army			1965-1971
Mike	Chapman	US Navy			1960-1964
Vinnie	Cipriano	US Navy		Vietnam	1966-1968
Rob	Colston	US Navy		Beirut, Lebanon	1981-1987
Lenny	DeRasmo	US Army Airborne		Vietnam	1967-1968
Lenny	DeRasmo	US Army		Vietnam 1967-1968	1966-1969
Bill	Dirring	US Air Force		During Vietnam Era	1969-1989
Eugene A.	Dolecki	US Army		During Vietnam Era	1958-1960
Richard	Famulare	US Army	Spec 5th Class	Vietnam	1966-1968
John	Farah	US Navy			1973-1979
Ed	Fisher	US Marine Corps	Corporal		1957-1963
David W.	Fontaine	US Air Force		Start of Vietnam War	1961-1965
Warren D.	Glasow	US Army	Corporal	Korea	1948-1952
Francis (Fritz) RIP	Gregoire	US Army		Korea	1952-1954
Paul	Gulbrandsen	US Marine Corps	LtCol		1990-2017
Tom	Gwiazdowski	US Army			1980-2002
Tom	Harenchar	US Army		Vietnam	1969-1977
Donald	Johnson	USMC		Desert Storm	1980-1991
Lyle	Johnson	US Army			1961-1967
John	Joly	US Navy Infantry		Vietnam	1968-1970
Michael	Kelly	US Army Res			1960-1966
Kenneth	Koehler	US Army	1st LT	Vietnam	1968-1970

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Bill	Kopcsak	US Army JAGC	Captain	Vietnam Era	1969-1973
Ron	Kosey	US Marine Corps	LCPL	Vietnam Era	1969-1971
Doug	Kremski	US Army	Specialist 5	Pre Vietnam	1960-1963
James	Lammens	US Navy Res		Vietnam Era	1972-1977
Pedro	Lebron	US Air Force		Vietnam	1964-1968
Paul	Lento	US Navy Res			5 Years
Tom	Ludwig	US Army		Korea	1963-1966
Richard	Macklin	Army NG			1959-2001
George C	Martin	US Marine Corps	MSgt	Vietnam	1960-1980
Mascari	Mascari	US Air Force		Start of Vietnam	1961-1965
Dale	McCall	US Air Force			1961-1985
Martin A	Mueller	US Air Force	Medic - A2C		1960-1964
Charles	O'Neill	US Air Force	Major		1986-1989
Gordie	Ormerod	US Navy	LCDR		20 Years
Eddie	Pawson	US Army	Sargent - Infantry	Vietnam	1969-1971
Carl	Perhac	US Army	Army Spec 4		1967-1969
George	Perseghin	US Air Force	Staff Sargent	Korea	
Steve	Platt	US Marine Corps			
Don	Plourde	US Army			1962-1964
David E.	Reichert	US Army	LtCol	Vietnam	1967-1968
Bill	Rempe	US Army		Vietnam	1971-1977
Thomas J.	Repp	US Army		Vietnam	1968-1970
Dennis F.	Richardson	US Navy			4 Years
Fabian	Robitaille	US Army			1962-1993
Thomas E.	Rokosz	US Army NG			1969-1983
Dave	Rondeau	US Army		During Vietnam Era	1967-1971
Fr. Shawn	Roser	US Air Force Res	Airman 1stC OC		2002-2006
Larry	Simmons	US Air Force		During Vietnam Era	1967-1971
Vincent J.	Spanicciati	US Marine Corps	Corporal	Vietnam	1967-1968
Anton	Swihura	US Air Force	LtCol	Vietnam	1966-1986
Chris	Treston	US Navy		Vietnam	1959-1962
Greg	Unger	US Navy		Vietnam	1966-1970
Jack	Wagner	US Army			1970-1976
John	Weldon	US Army		Vietnam	1966-1969



# **SIR KNIGHT OF THE MONTH**

## **April 2023**

### **SK Mike Chapman**

**March SK Tim Doecker**  
**February SK Gordon Shellhaas**  
**January SK Tom Rokosz**  
**December SK Alfred Connizzo**  
**November SK John Collins**  
**October SK Ron Kosey**  
**September SK Larry Simmons**  
**August SK David Lawson**

#### **Member Bio** **Alfred Connizzo**

Al was born in the Bronx New York and grew up in the boro of Queens, he attended Nativity BVM Elementary School in Ozone Park, and the Bishop Loughlin in Bedford Stuyvesant, Brooklyn. He obtained his AA degree from Kingsborough CC in Brooklyn, NY. He met his lovely wife in 1971 and they were married in 1973, they are celebrating 50 years of Marriage June 3rd. At that time Al was a court officer with the City of New York. Al left the court system and went to work for a division of Equifax working as a Private Investigator for them, he continues to hold an active PI license in Florida.

Al and Sue welcomed the first of their two daughters Maria in February 1977 and the next year they relocated to Southington, CT so Al could expand Equifax's investigative unit in that State. After a year in Southington it was back to Equifax in NY and the purchase of their home in Holbrook, NY. They welcomed their second daughter Michele in August 1980. Al became a Knight then and Sue a Columbiette, shortly after joining the Knights, Al became a 4th Degree member and the Grand Knight of his council and also a District Warden.

Al took over responsibilities for Equifax's credit division in Queens NY at that time also. After over 10 years with Equifax, Al and Sue together opened their own credit reporting company Credit Decisions with offices in Holbrook, NY. Credit Decisions grew and after almost 20 years they merged their Company into INFO1 a national company. Both Sue and Al continued as officers of the new company. After 2 years INFO1 was purchased by LandAmerica, a public company. Al became the COO of a division and Sue was the chief compliance officer. Sue and Al moved to Bradenton in 2005 and retired shortly after that. Al, looking to keep busy, got involved in St. Joseph's Parish and also took a job with the TSA as a screening officer, he did that for 5 years. Met Vin and Jean Cipriano shortly after he became Grand Knight again in St. Joseph's Council and then a DD, also the marketing Director for the Florida State K of C. He continued to be active in the State Council along with Vin advancing to Director of K of C Charities, Inc. He also began working with Vin at Dignity Memorial. Al continues to be an active Knight and the proud grandpa of 4 little boys two in New York and two in Bradenton, Al continues to enjoy working with Dignity and helping families.



## Assembly 3192 Name Badges

	Last Name	First	Invoice #	Cost
	Alfonso	Irving		\$10.00
	Augustyniak	Matt		\$10.00
	Berendes	Kirk		\$10.00
	Brueggeman	Chris		N/C
	Depaolis	Sal		\$10.00
	Fuentes	Mario		\$10.00
	Hertzler	Dennis		\$10.00
	Knowles	Randy		\$10.00
	O'Connell	Hugh		\$10.00
	Penkowski	Lee		\$10.00
	Robertson	Bruce		\$10.00
	Robertson	Michael		\$10.00
	Robitaille	Fabian		\$10.00
	Szachta	Frank		\$10.00

## San Damiano Assembly 3192 Shirt Inventory UPDATED 04/28/23

	Name		Color	Shirt type	Size	Brand	Cost	Recvd
	Bruegge man	Chris	Navy	Polo	M	Core	\$27.00	x
	Spare		Navy	Polo	M	Core	\$29.00	
	Spare		Red	Polo	S	Core	\$10.00	
	Spare		Navy	Polo	XL	Pro Cele	\$30.00	
	Spare		Navy	Polo	XL	Pro Cele	\$30.00	
	Spare		Navy	Polo	XL	Pro Cele	\$30.00	
	Spare		R Blue	Polo	XL	Pro Cele	\$10.00	
	Spare		Navy	Polo	L	Pro Cele	\$30.00	
	Spare		Navy	Polo	L	Pro Cele	\$30.00	
	Spare		Navy	Polo	L	Pro Cele	\$30.00	
	Spare		Navy	Polo	2XL	Pro Cele	\$29.00	

San Damiano Assembly 3192 Shirt Inventory UPDATED 03/03/23							
	Name		Color	Shirt type	Size	Brand	Cost
	Brueggeman	Chris	Navy	Polo	M	Core	\$27.00
	Kress	Chris	Navy	Polo	XL	Core	\$27.00
			SPARE SHIRTS				
	Spare		Navy	Polo	M	Core	\$29.00
	Spare		Navy	Polo	M	Core	\$29.00
	Spare		Navy	Polo	L	Core	\$29.00
	Spare		Red	Polo	S	Core	\$29.00
	Spare		R Blue	Polo	XL	Pro Cele	\$29.00
	Spare		Navy	Polo	XL	Pro Cele	\$29.00
	Spare		Navy	Polo	XL	Pro Cele	\$29.00
	Spare		Navy	Polo	2XL	Pro Cele	\$29.00

Also in stock

(2) social baldric's

\$ 16.00

(6) Navy blue soft assembly baseball caps

\$ 16.00

First Name	Last Name	Size	Color	Style	Logo front	Logo Back	Pocket	Tee's Cost
John	Lawler	XL	Royal Blue	29M	Y	N	N	\$16.00
Warren	Collmer	L	White	S/S	Y	Y	N	\$16.00
Warren	Collmer	L	Red	S/S	Y	Y	N	\$16.00
			Printing front and back					
Spare		M	royal blue		Y	Y	N	\$7.00
Spare		M	red		Y	Y	N	\$16.00
Spare		L	white		Y	Y	N	\$10.00
Spare		2XL	Red	29M	Y	Y	N	\$7.00
Spare		XL	Red	29M	Y	Y	N	\$7.00
			Printing Front Only New Style					
Gene	Dolecki	L	light blue					\$17.00
Bob	Hedstrom		light blue					\$17.00
Wayne	Irvine		light blue					\$17.00
Chris	Kress	2XL	light blue					\$18.00
John	Lawler	2XL	white					\$18.00
Spare		2XL	white					\$18.00



## *SOCIAL EVENT*

### *9 and Dine weekly golf*

*Come out and make new friends.*

**Event:** *9 and Dine golf*

**Location:** *River Club Golf Club*

**When:** *Each Friday starting June 2nd*

**Time:** *4:00pm need to be at the course by 3:30 Format:*  
*Best Ball Scramble*

*Shotgun starts.*

**Social after:** *buffet dinner & cash bar 6:30*

**Cost:** *golf only \$40.00<sup>+tax</sup> each team (2)*

*buffet \$30.00<sup>+tax & tip</sup> each team (2)*

*prize money \$5.00 each team for 4<sup>th</sup> week prizes collected at dinner*

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*Dan Quirk [dquirkcc@gmail.com](mailto:dquirkcc@gmail.com)*

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