

# Columbus Crusader

Newsletter of Our Lady of Light Council 10498 in Estero, FL  
Roman Catholic Brothers in Christ, Chartered in 1990



**KNIGHTS  
OF COLUMBUS**  
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

June 2015

Final Edition

Charity

Fraternity

Unity

Patriotism

Grand Knight: Joe Klempka (267-0093)  
Deputy GK: Jim Golden (454-0897)  
Chancellor: Dave Williams (826-3108)  
Recorder: Matthew Gerenday (768-3712)  
Treasurer: Joe Ercolino (561-801-0110)  
Advocate: Vacant  
Warden: Henry Pasterz (728-7524)  
Fin. Secretary: John Scavelli (250-1422)  
Inside Guard: Don Fiscella (405-7642)

## Officers for 2014-2015 Fraternal Year

Outside Guard: Jeff Mass (432-0878)  
Chaplain: Fr. Hugh McGuigan (267-7088)  
Trustee 1 Yr Gary Kroeger (992-1165)  
Trustee 2 Yr.: Jack Ruegg (495-2209)  
Trustee 3 Yr : Chuck Stellwag  
Lecturer: Vacant  
Field Agent: John Uzdilla (267-3444)  
District Deputy Edward Sedillo (267-6608)

### General Membership Meet-

ings: 1st Thursday of each month 7:30 PM Business, 8:30 PM Social at the Parish Center of Our Lady of Light Catholic Community.

### From the Grand Knight:



Brothers,

We are in the last month of our fraternal year. All in all we had a very successful year.

We concentrated on improving the council by improving our budget format, so we can now see how our finances are doing

on a month by month basis. We now have very good control of our cash flow, which was something that was difficult to do in the past. We did not achieve our membership goal for Star Council, we suspended members who hadn't paid dues for 2, 3, and 4 years. This will allow us to control our dues revenue in the years to come.

This month we will vote to approve next years budget, and elect next years board of officers. The nominated board is excellent, and I know will do a superb job.

I want to thank you all for all the help I was given this past year, and I promise to assist the new board of officers in their job this coming year.

God bless you all,

Joe Klempka, G.K.

### From the Deputy GK



Hello Brother Knights,

I hope that everyone is enjoying the "off" season!

At our regular business meeting on June 4 we will be electing the officers for the fiscal year 2015-2016 (which begins July 1, 2015) We encourage your attendance. Everyone's input is welcome.

Jim Golden  
DGK

## From the Chancellor:



### Brother Knights

As we come to a close on our calendar year I would like to thank Joe Klempka for an outstanding job he did this year. We raised a lot of money for Charity and the Parish. None of this would have been possible without all the countless hours that were logged in every month by Joe and all of the (Knights). As we transition into 2015/2016 we need to continue to grow as a council and recruit. We can never stop recruiting. When we bring new members on we need to spend time with them to make them feel welcome. If there is a Knight who we have not heard from in a while or seen, reach out to them and see how they are doing. A simple phone call or email can go a long way.

God Bless and have a safe Hurricane Season!

David Williams

Chancellor

## Special Message to brothers wishing to help make a difference

Our council officers are attempting to reach out to our inactive members and ask that if you are able please call one of our officers listed on the front page of our newsletters and ask how you can help. We have 220 members in our council and only about 10% are actively supporting our activities. We are in need of brother knights to step into the roles of chairmen for our golf tournament and disability drive along with many other positions to support these and other functions.

We have begun to work with Paws Assistant dogs by donating money raised from our Disability Drive.

We ask each member to spend a two hour slot in front of Publics and give out Tootsie Rolls and collect moneys for our supported charities.

Nearly 40 percent of our armed forces soldiers and a third of our Marines are exhibiting symptoms of PTSD. Statistics show that more than 120 veterans will commit suicide every week with another 1,000 veterans attempting suicide while under the care of the VA every month.

Nearly one in five service members returning from Iraq and Afghanistan (approximately 300,000) have post-traumatic stress disorder symptoms or major depression and 19 percent of post-Iraq and Afghanistan veterans are diagnosed with traumatic brain injuries.

In Paws SOAR program, Veterans are given an opportunity to explore new career paths, reintegrate into the community and restore their lives while committing to helping others through various therapy outlets and the training of service dogs for other veterans in need.



## Up coming Events

6/4 Business Meeting

6/7 Corporate Communion  
10:30 Mass

6/16 First Degree

6/20 Honor Flight return to  
RSW

6/25 Planning Meeting

6/28 Buffet Breakfast

7/2 Business Meeting

7/4 Parade San Carlos Park

7/21 First Degree

7/26 Buffet Breakfast

7/30 Planning Meeting

## News from the 4th Degree

Help Support Our Veterans

The Fourth Degree Knights have the continuous responsibility to support our

returning Veterans, Veteran Clinics, Veterans families and Hospitals.

Homeless Veterans those that are in need Our Only Job is Patriotism .

Those who are and were in the military are not just common soldiers,

They give their all to protect our country and its freedoms

Once a year The Our Lady of the Rosary Assembly 2542 have a Military

Ball in honor of all Veterans and is the only function we have to ask

for monetary help .

This year , the 15th Annual Ball will be a Dinner Dance @ St. Leo's

Parish Center, 28290 Beaumont Rd. Bonita Springs on Saturday June 27th

,2015. Help Support Our Veterans with a call for tickets and /or a table

of 8, YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A KNIGHT ,ALL ARE WELCOME Leon Quesnette H.

947-9780, C 287-7919 Dave Erickson H267-1418 C 940-9940Parish Office

267-7088, ,Pat Becker 948-7534

Doors Open 530pm Starts 6pm  
Music Side by Side Dress is smart Casual

if tux is not availability

TICKETS are \$30 per

Menu ITALIAN FEAST WITH COMPLETE BAR

Salad,Spaghetti,Meat Balls, Italian Sausage , Meat Lasagna, Peppers &

Onions W/ Sausage, Red Sauce  
Meat Sauce Garlic Rolls, Dessert

Please Support our only function to help support of Vets

Leon Quesnette Faithful Navigator Assembly 2542

## Happy Birthday!

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|-----------------|------|
| Hugh Lafferty   | 6/8  |
| Donald Labonte  | 6/16 |
| Willard Brestal | 6/17 |
| Robert Bonza    | 6/19 |
| Frank Pomarico  | 6/19 |
| Leo Berger      | 6/21 |
| Jeffrey Bohl    | 6/22 |
| John McGrellis  | 6/25 |
| Glenn Bright    | 6/27 |
| Joseph Gullotta | 6/27 |
| Kenneth Kirgin  | 6/29 |

## Remember our departed Brother

Raymond C Ross departed our earthly vail of tears to be with his Lord on May 11th, 2015

## Please Remember in your Prayers our Brother Knights and Others in need of our prayers:

Bob Haug  
Tony & Patricia Cilluffo  
Don & Marge Joerger  
Bill Morea  
Tony & Pat Cilluffo  
Ed & Gerry Sedillo  
Anthony Vocaire  
Ed & Shirley Strander  
Phil Moore  
Pat Maley  
Norman Colby  
Jim Golden & Family

## In Case of Death

At the death of a Brother Knight, notify the Grand Knight or the next in charge, who will then contact the family and offer sympathy and help from the Council. The Council member contacting the family should ask whether a wake will be held and if so, whether the family would like the Council to do a rosary service. If a Mass will be offered the family should be asked if they would like a resolution of condolence to be presented. Any ceremonial presentation requested should be done only with permission of the clergy. If the deceased Brother is a 4th Degree member, the Grand Knight will notify the Insurance Field Agent and the Faithful Navigator of the Assembly.

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