

Columbus Crusader

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



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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

Summer is almost over, school has resumed, the youth groups are active, and it's about time for us to begin a very busy season.

The 1st degree exemplification on the 17th will begin at

7:00PM, due to one of the candidates work schedule. All candidates need to be at the Parish Center by 6:30 PM.

A Corporate Communion is on the 22nd at the 10:30 Mass and we would like as large a showing as possible. Wear your red shirts and bring your families. We are also sponsoring a luncheon after this Mass to welcome new Parish members. Each of the organizations in the Parish will be invited to explain how they work and what they have to offer.

We will be hosting the 4th degree business meeting on the 24th.

The installation of officers will be place of our October business meeting. A dinner will be provided after the installation so bring your families.

God Bless You All
Dave Simmons

From the Deputy GK



Brother Knights,

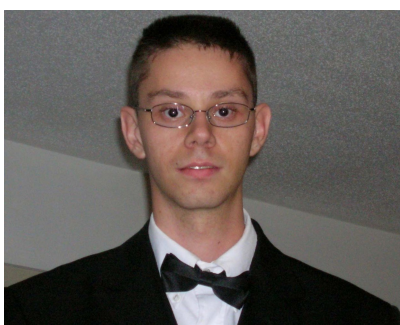
I usually spend this time asking for your help and assistance on our various events, but I would like to take this time to ask you to take the time to attend our monthly business meetings.

We meet on the first Thursday of each month at the parish center at 7:30 PM. The meeting is where the council direction is determined and it is important that we have our membership make these plans.

It also gives us the opportunity to meet our brothers, so please

join us at our meetings. We look forward to seeing you.

Joe Klempka, D.G.K



From the Chancellor:

Brother Knights

Many times we hear how important to recruit new members and especially young members. Overall this is important to our council staying strong and continuing the work that was set out to us by both God and our founder Father Michael. J. McGivney. Nevertheless, encouraging the youth to join the Knights of Columbus is not an easy task. Yet the answer may be right in front of us and we just don't see it.

I believe that in order to encourage young people, we need to make them see why and how the Knights of Columbus can benefit them. Some of the benefits that new younger members can possibly take advantage include scholarships, and also being able to bond with other brothers and know that they are helping to spread God's message about helping others. I will

admit from what I've seen in my own observations the youth of today tend to only think about themselves. They are so caught up in all their technology and smart phones and tablets that they tend to miss what's important in life which is helping others.

I think that the way we are going to encourage new younger members is by showing them that we are not only an organization of older gentlemen but we are an organization that cares for the youth. I think we need to show and get involved with an organization that promote youth activities and also promotes helping people. We need to put a young face to have younger members join us and want to join us.

In conclusion it's very important to recruit both members young and old. Nevertheless if we are going to recruit younger members, we must show them that the Knights of Columbus is for youth and others alike. Yet we must also realize that we must show them that the youth that other youth have joined and are successful so that way when they see us, they will want to join us.

Vivat Jesus

Matthew Gerenday

Happy Birthday!

Gordon Jirak	9/1
Kevin Powers	9/6
Donald Abberger	9/9
John Brown	9/9
Walter Smith	9/13
Paul Farr	9/14
Christopher Gustafson	9/14
John Scavelli	9/14
Donald Hansen	9/19
Edward Strander	9/20
Gregory Pearl	9/23
Patrick Maley	9/24
Matthew Mullen	9/26
Jack Berg	9/28
Earl Smith	9/28
William Banfield	9/29
James Reynolds	9/29

Please Remember in your

Prayers our Brother Knights

and Others in need of our

prayers:

Dustin Delago
Ralph Hutchins
Bob Haug
Tony & Patricia Cilluffo
Gordon Jirak
Don & Marge Joerger
Tony Damasco
Bill Banfield's Mother
Bill Morea
M/M Tony Cilluffo
M/M Jim Ripley
Ed & Gerry Sedillo
Anthony Vocaire
Ed Strander's wife Shirley

Note from current Disability Drive Chairman

The upcoming drive which will be held Jan 31, Feb 1st, 2nd, 7th, 8th, 9th, 22nd, and 23rd 2014. It will be my third year chairing the Disability Drive and I have had fun, but it is someone else's turn. Please examine your hearts and step up to this challenge for the Knights and for the disabled of Lee County. We will need a new chairman for next year and it would be to your advantage and mine if you can also agree to co-chair this year's drive to learn the ropes and hit the ground running next year. Please call me at 239-992-1165 or Grand Knight Dave Simmons at 239-221-7734

PS: I am looking forward to the new Wal-Mart being opened next year in Estero and recruiting them to participate in our annual Disability (Tootsie Roll) Drive.

Rerun from last month. No takers yet.....

I will need to start contacting the store managers in October so if you are currently up North and will be back by the end of Jan and willing to take this on please call me and we can work remotely until you arrive back in paradise.

Gary Kroeger

Co-chairman?

2014 Disability Drive

Up Coming Events

Sept 5 Business Meeting

Sept 17 1st degree exemplification

Sept 22 Corporation Communion

Sept 24 4th Degree Meeting

Sept 26 Planning Meeting

Sept 29 Buffet Breakfast

Oct 3 Installation of officers and Dinner

Oct 20 Parish Picnic Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

Support the Immokalee Pregnancy Center



For Knights who are unable to help financially, Diane and Dave Hanson of the Immokalee Pregnancy Center are looking for workers to help with the expansion of their facility in Immokalee. See the following excerpt from their recent newsletter seeking help. If you are able to help please contact them at the telephone numbers or email addresses provided. I am sure they would welcome friends and family members as well.

Well, God did it again!! We received enough funds to commit to a larger office space which we described in our last email letter to you.

We're currently finalizing the floor plan and looking for folks to help us with the office build out. As we indicated, the space is just that!! A SPACE. We need to build all of the interior walls, partitions, add flooring, drywall, paint, etc, etc. Do you, or someone you know like to build, paint, install carpet, tile. We sure could use some willing and able friends to help us get our new office ready for clients by early - mid November.

We are also looking to our corporate neighbors and area churches to see if we might get materials donated or at a reduced price. Of course individuals/teams from your company to help with this effort are always welcome.

Please contact Dave Hanson at our office: 239.657.2016 or 239.777.1510 direct
Email Dave at: dave@immokaleepregnancy.com

Email Diane at: diane@immokaleepregnancy.com

Thanks for your faithfulness. Together we are better! God bless you.

<http://www.immokaleepregnancy.com/>

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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