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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:



The disability drive raised over \$10,000 thanks to Gary Kroeger and everyone who helped. A job well done.

The 1st degree has been moved up a week this month to the 12th. If you can, please come and give moral support to our degree team and the new candidates. We will be stuffing eggs for the Easter egg hunt at Jacko's barber shop on the 28th. There will not be a planning meeting and all friends and family are invited to come and help. Refreshments will be served. We need a couple of Knights to assist with the hunt on the 30th.

If you can help with the golf tournament (also on the 30th) and have not already signed up, contact Ed Weil at 239-947-2812

May the risen Christ grant you peace and joy at Easter and always.

God Bless You All
Dave Simmons

From the Deputy GK



Brother Knights,

We are now in the final months of our fraternal year. The events of the past month went very well, and now we have to concentrate on our annual golf outing.

As you all know, this is the one of our biggest fun raisers, so we really have to concentrate on it.

We will need 15 volunteers to help at this event, so I will be calling on you this month to get your help. Please help us.

Because of Easter being so early this year, our Easter egg hunt is on the same morning of our golf outing.

We need 3 volunteers to help the ladies and youth group members that will be helping us with this event because of the golf outing. Please let me know if you can help.

I can be reached at my home phone, 267-0093 or my cell phone, 624-1518.

Thank you in advance for your help, and also for your past support.

Joe Klempka, D.G.K.

Announcement

As most of you know (and many have financially supported) our council along with the other councils in our district have purchased and placed an ultra sound machine in the Immokalee Pregnancy Center in Immokalee. It has been determined that approximately 90% of abortion minded women who have an ultra sound image of their baby taken during pregnancy will change their minds and do not have the abortion. We believe that our ultra sound machine and our continued support of the Immokalee Pregnancy Center will save many innocent lives.

The Immokalee Pregnancy Center is holding their annual fund raiser dinner at St John The Evangelist Parish Life Center on Thursday March 21st. Several Knights from our council and district will be attending and all are invited to offer their support to this very worthwhile cause.

This year the "Real October Baby" will be the guest speaker. Gianna Jessen was intended to die before she was born, just another one of the 1.2 million abortions each year in the United States.

Dinner will be served and there is no cost for the dinner, however, guests will be asked for a donation to support the continuing efforts the Pregnancy Center.

If you wish to support this fund raiser go to the following website to register.

Register for Fund Raiser Dinner.

From the Chancellor:



Brother Knights
Thanks to all who helped Gary
make the Disability drive a success. I had the chance to do the
Run For Life with Dave Erickson and made it to St Augustine
for the first time. We met up
with the riders in the Ride For
Life, Henry, Brent, Tom, Suzanne (my wife), and friends.

The run and ride ended at the giant cross and Mass was held. Afterwards we had lunch at the local Catholic church and got to hear stories from moms who chose not to have an abortion and we got to see the kids and pregnant teenage girls who were there for help.

The entire run is worth it when you get to see the end result. Thanks to Dave Erickson and Gary Ray for putting together the run 8 years now. Thanks to Henry, Brent and Tom for making the Ride up.

God Bless David Williams Chancellor

Condolences and Prayers

To the family of Brother David Erickson whose Mother "Kathy" passed away this month.

To the family of brother Richard Blackman who passed away in Raleigh NC on Feb 27th 2013.

Up Coming Events

Mar 7 Business Meeting Mar 12 1st degree exemplification

Mar 24 Buffet Breakfast
Mar 26 4th Degree Meeting
Mar 28 Planning Meeting

Mar 30 Easter Egg Hunt Mar 30 Golf Outing

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
Don Joerger
Ed Mikovich
Bill Banfield's Mother
Bill Morea
M/M Tony Cilluffo
M/M Jim Ripley
Ed & Gerry Sedillo

Thank you to all who worked this year's Disability Drive

Thanks to all Knights and their families and friends who donated their valuable time to help make our 2013 Disability Drive a success again this year. Although we failed to exceed our year over year collections this year because of difficult economic conditions we were still able to collect over \$10,000 for the Disabled children and veterans of Lee County.

This charitable event brings out many brothers and their families that are unable to assist in other more time consuming events during the year and it is great to get to see these brothers at least once a year. Without their support, staffing the more than 120 two hour shifts at the four Publix stores and the 15 plus shifts after each of the five weekend Masses at Our Lady of Light would be impossible.

The beneficiaries of our efforts are eternally grateful to your efforts.

The Special Equestrians

The Special Olympics

The Gabriel House

Paw's for Patriots

Happy Birthday!

Frank Ragonese	3/1
Vincent Petrocelli	3/2
Kenneth Corr	3/5
Joseph Boss	3/10
John Bradford	3/10
Edward Riley	3/13
John Horan	3/16
Michael Berg	3/18
Patrick Fortuna	3/18
William Kienle	3/19
Richard Nuckols	3/19
Steve Shaw	3/24
Dustin Delago	3/25
Vince Perfetto	3/30
Anthony Vocaire	3/30





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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Please visit our website at http://www.kofccouncil10498.org/ for addition information and upcoming events