

Council 4726 Assembly 1500 Winter Haven, Florida

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Meeting Nights

Council 1st & 3rd Tues 7:30pmAssembly2nd Mon 7:30pmBldg Assoc1st Thurs 7:30pmColumbiettes2nd Thurs 6:00pm

August

5th Helping hands (Church of the Nazarene) 4:30 pm 15th Feast of the Assumption

September

12th District Meeting at council 9:00 – 12:00 pm



Knights of Columbus

From the Grand Knight Rod Mullen



Brothers Here we are in August already. Where do the days go? We were just celebrating the 4th of July and the opening of Bingo. We are still suffering through the

the effects of Covid-19. Many changes have taken place. John Richards has been named Knight of the Month, because of his devotion to the Knights and his firm resolve to continue our commitment to the Church, our Families and the Charities we support. Read about John on the inside.

Both the 3rd degree and the 4th degree are finalizing their commitments for the coming year. As best as we can because of the uncertainly that the Covid -19 has put us in. Our calendar year has been greatly reduced because of this also. We are able to gather commitment for only 6 months. After that it's anyone's guess.

We are currently preparing for the Officers installation on the 1st of August. Gathering the required information during this time is truly challenging. A positive step forward has been the occurrence of Bingo. It has been a step in the right direction. If it had not been for Brian Hartpence and John Richards, this would not have happened. They have designed the hall to give us a CDC recommended environment for both the customers and the floor workers. Also very much worthy of mention is Tracy Hartpence and Lynne Richards for the implementation of the new accounting procedure for Bingo. All we need now is assistance with the daily running of Bingo, on Wednesday and Sunday. A couple hours now and then will help.

Our Building Committee has also been busy, with Mike Tanner heading up an ambitious crew. The following has taken place.

All of the big trees on our property have been trimmed.

Worked on the main air conditioner.

Installed Handicapped accessible door openers.

Installed new exit signs and emergency lighting.

Our ice machine was taken out for maintenance and repairs.

We set up a schedule to maintain our drain field mound in the back to mitigate erosion.

We are doing our part and we look for members to step forward and help do theirs.



Pope Francis urges everyone to obtain "Pardon of Assisi"

Pope Francis is encouraging Catholics to receive the plenary indulgence granted to St. Francis, which is known as the "Pardon of Assisi".

By Devin Watkins

Speaking at the Angelus on Sunday, Pope Francis invited everyone to receive the "Pardon of Assisi", which can be obtained from the evening of 1 August until midnight on 2 August.

St. Francis obtained this spiritual gift from God through the intercession of the Virgin Mary.

"It is a plenary indulgence that may be received by partaking of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist and visiting a parish or Franciscan church, reciting the Creed, the Lord's prayer and praying for the Pope and his intentions," the Pope pointed out.

He recalled that the indulgence can even be obtained for a deceased person.

"How important it is to always put God's forgiveness, which 'generates heaven' in us and around us, back at the center!" he said.

Origin of the Pardon of Assisi

The "Pardon of Assisi" dates back to 1216, when Jesus Christ, the Virgin Mary, and angels appeared before St. Francis.

The apparition took place in the tiny Portiuncula, the chapel Francis had built in the Italian town of Assisi. When Jesus asked him want he desired for the salvation of souls, St. Francis asked for God to grant a plenary indulgence for all those who enter the chapel.

The indulgence was later extended to anyone who visits a parish or Franciscan church on 1 August or 2 August.

Father, you can heal us in a heartbeat. We pray for Your miraculous healing today. From depression, life-long disease, sudden failures, addictions and massive handicaps. We pray for miraculous healing because we know you are as capable of fixing our physicalities as you are to hold the oceans in place as the earth spins around. Through Your Son's death on the cross, we can be healed spiritually. By believing in Jesus we are connected straight to You in prayer and presence. Bless our hearts to believe in You beyond our heart's capacity. Strengthen our faith where it is weak and strengthen our resolve to linger in Your presence a little longer each day.

Paul Wells, Kayla Berdis, Bob & Jane Thibodeau, Jesi Bruchey, Bob Nelson, Joe Hydoski, Kevin Truex, Kathy Thompson, John McNabb, Lynne Richards, Rod Mullen, Larry Cardarelli, Jim Sirera, Doug Murray, Tony Garcia

> Our continued prayers for all military personnel, Christians who are persecuted, children around the world, spiritual leaders, public officials and for those who are in need of prayer.

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Prayers for Healing

From the Faithful Navigator John Richards



Knights

We have started the new year. The assembly is in good order, bingo is up and running and doing well. We have as of July, 121 members. As an assembly at our July meeting we discussed trying to achieve The Star Assembly. The criteria is not that involved and is very doable. Here is the criteria:

Earn The Fourth Degree Civic Award by conducting at least 4 varied patriotic programs during the fraternal year. Twice a year we do flags at Glenn Abbey, we are going to sponsor a Flag Retirement ceremony with our Boy Scouts, and we are looking at doing something for the Wounded Warrior Project.

Enter the "To Be A Patriot" competition.

- Submit the Report of Officers #186 (Completed)
- Submit The Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity #1728 Due January 31
- Submit Annual Assembly Audit Report Due August 1
- Publish a bulletin for assembly members.

Meet the assembly new member goal of 7%. That's 9 new 3rd Degree Knights brought into the Assembly.

As you can see this criteria should be easy to obtain. Plus it gives the Assembly a purpose besides just meeting once a month. I also encourage all members to become part of the Color Corp. It's a great way to be involved with the Assembly.

One more note. Bingo needs workers. We are struggling to have enough workers to cover our Wednesday and Sunday Bingo's. Remember Sir Knights our first principle of the order is CHARITY. Without Bingo we have no income to support our Church, School, and Community. Please consider making Bingo your number 1 Charity by signing up to work at least once a month. There is no Charity if we don't have bingo.

God Bless





Helping Hands From Trish and Rick Ochoa Save the date Wednesday August 5, 2020, 4:30p The Nazarene Church (Heritage)

3rd Street SW and Avenue F SW. Continue on 3rd street until you must make a left-hand turn. Nazarene is on the corner.If coming from First Street, turn right on Avenue F SW and follow to end.

For those of you who brought food to serve the needy/homeless on Rick's birthday in January, we would like to invite you to again consider doing this for my birthday, Wednesday, August 5, but with some restrictions. As you are aware, we have certain CDC guidelines that must be followed. Also, the Nazarene has implemented some changes as well. We will be limited to the number of people who will be able to serve and we need to consider who would feel safe in being in attendance. Hot food will not be served. All can donate whether they choose to come or not.

The needy/homeless would be able to sit and eat (following social distancing) or take the food with them. With that in mind, sandwiches would be easy to serve. If we have sandwiches in a plastic bag, we could easily accommodate everyone. Also convenient would be individual portions of fresh fruit, bags of chips, containers of Jell-O, cookies (in a bag), and drinks (cans).

Please let us know whether you would consider serving and/or donating the food. Once we know who will be coming, then we can decide what everyone will bring after we have a count. Masks and gloves will be required.

It was a great night of fellowship in January and we would like to make this time more special even in this uncertain time. If you have any questions, please let us know.

Rick 863-326-0111 Trish 863-326-0760 863-984-1862



Past Grand Knights

Harlan L. Newton"	1958-59
Michael Trabulsy	1959-60
Omer R. McDuff"	1960-61
Paul D. Vells	1961-62
Raymond R.	1962-63
Joseph V. Higgins"	1963-64
Steve N. Voytowich"	1964-65
Yance G. Layton"	1965-66
Charles E. Langbein,	1966-67
Norman J. Lenahan"	1967-68
Eddie Smythe"	1968-69
James J. Waters"	1969-70
Ralph Diaz"	1970-71
Villiam McLin*	1971-72
Matthew McEnaney"	1972-73
Joseph Whitehurst,	1973-75
Charles E. Langbein,	1975-77
James Nallan"	1977-78
Gerald Roach	1978-80
Ralph Hanick	1980-81
Joseph Dobbs, Sr.*	1981-82
Edwin Maddex	1982-83
Albert Openshaw,	1983-84
Frank Lerza*	1984-85
Dante Batilla	1985-86
Ralph Diaz"	1986-87
Neal V. Oliver*	1987-88
Gien Vynne	1988-89
Conrad Plante*	1989-90
Raymond McKenzie	1990-91
John Gabrick	1991-92
Tom Norton	1992-94
Mark Smurr*	1994-95
Mitchell Blackwelder	1995-96
Peter Noor	1996-97
Len Winget"	1997-99
Cranston Montealm	1999-01
Doug Clinger	2002-03
Aaron Corkum	2003-04
Ron Feschak	2004-05
Thomas D. Nantz	2005-07
James H. Read	2007-09
Everett Evans	2009-10
Charles Proctor	2010-11
Russ Moulton*	2011-12
Mike Lopez	2012-13
Bob Gillispie	2013-14
Mike Carter	2014-15
Tom Berdis, Jr.	2015-16
Brian Hartpence	2016-18
John Richards	2018-20
*Deceased	

'Name the Newsletter' Contest

We are looking for a new name for the newsletter for the 2020-2021 Year. Please email suggestions to <u>tberdis@gmail.com</u> or text/call 863-224-2906

Here are a few guidelines for submissions:

- The name should be relatively short two to three words.
- It should express a relationship to the Knights of Columbus (it doesn't need to have "Knight" in the name).
- □It should be unique
- □ If you have a design in mind for the name (e.g., a certain font), submit that as well, but it is not required.
- Be creative!
- Deadline for entries is August 20th

Winning Entry will receive a copy of the book: Knights to Christ, Daily Devotions for Knights Seeking Christ

Knights to Christ is a contemporary scripturebased meditation book designed by Knights of Knights of Columbus. for Columbus. It is important to realize it is not a prayer book, but the "Word of God" - a scripture-based daily meditation book connecting the "Word of God" to the principles of the Knights of Columbus. It is a tool to enhance spirituality in individual members as well as councils and assemblies as a whole. When read each day, the reader will establish a closer relationship with Christ. It is a proven for members resource in recruitment bv encouraging spirituality and it enhances the image of the Knights of Columbus Order to priests, bishops and Catholics in general.



Qualities of Knight of the Month

~continues to exemplify the traits of a solid Catholic man ~Stands above the rest in promotion of the principles of our Church and our Order

"best be called the "model" man for all in the parish to follow, In every aspect of service to the Church, community and council, as well as to each other

John Richards

Our Knight of the Month for August is John Richards.

Do you know what a Past Grand Knight is? It is John Richards who stood for Church, school, community. John stood by his honor and the authority of the law and didn't bend as an honorable Grand Knight.

John became a Knight in 2011. Since then his journey has been a steady one. He has held council positions of Warden, Deputy Grand Knight, and a position he held for two years, Grand Knight. Also, he has held the 4th Degree position of Captain and is now the Faithful Navigator and gives his heart to this organization.

He is a member of the Color Corp. and a Bingo volunteer. John works for the building association, takes care of maintenance, and cleans the hall after bingo, and other meetings for the Columbiette and our faithful scouts. He is always eager to learn and help puts flags up and take them down.

John began his journey back to the Catholic faith in 2008. Since then, at St. Joseph's he has been involved in RCIA (4 years), Usher, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, attended several CHRP and was Lay Director for Team 17.

Our Knight of the month should never be forgotten for his dedication to our Catholic Charity dedication. He made sure food was brought to every meeting to donate.

John's wife, Lynne is a Columbiette, making this a family affair.

Through it all, he has maintained his integrity, compassion and devotion to the work of the Knights. We are honored to make John the Knight of the Month for August. He embodies Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism and is certainly an example of what the Knights of Columbus represent. His second year as Grand Knight was the true knight, he stuck it out another year because he knew how much he wanted to give time to help the Bingo. Charity as well as wisdom is what he learned the first year.

Congratulations, John, on being the Knight of the Month for August.

Celebrated every year on August 15, the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary commemorates the death of Mary and her bodily assumption into Heaven, before her body could begin



to decay—a foretaste of our own bodily resurrection at the end of time. Because it signifies the Blessed Virgin's passing into eternal life, it is the most important of all Marian feasts and a Holy Day of Obligation. As evidenced by the writings of many early Church fathers, Christians have believed for more than a millennium that the Blessed Virgin was assumed into heaven. In 1950, Pope Pius XII issued Munificentissimus Deus, which officially defined the Dogma of the Assumption. This means that the Church officially recognizes this belief as a true and necessary part

of our Catholic beliefs about Mary. Like all beliefs about Mary, they illuminate our most treasured beliefs about her Son. The Assumption illustrates to us the truth about Christ's promise of <u>et</u>ernal life and the resurrection of the faithful.

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Franciscan Missions Stamp Program The Franciscan Friars have asked us to help with their stamp program by sending them cancelled stamps. They use these stamps in their mission work to help the hungry and needy people. When you get a letter with a stamp on it, please cut it off, put in an envelope and bring to the Council. There is a box just inside the Council's lounge door where it can be deposited. This is especially important toward the end of the year when people get stamps on Christmas cards. I have asked my community to save them for us. maybe you could do the same. When we get a box full Jim Riley will send to the Franciscan Friars in Wisconsin.



Medical Equipment

Dear Brother Knights, If you have a walker, cane, crutches, wheel chair or other items you no longer need, and you would like to donate them to the Council, please contact Mike Wadsworth at 863-224-6490 Email <u>mikey.1952@gmail.com</u> Mike will pick the items up and make them available to brother Knights that can use them.

Pictures in the newsletter are contributed by Carlos Ayunta as well as many members of the Knights! We appreciate everyone's contributions! We also welcome submissions for events. Send to Tom Berdis tberdis@gmail.com or 863-224-2906



PERMANENT LIFE INSURANCE A Part of K of C's Suite of Insurance Products

What is it?

Permanent life insurance is our signature product. It provides money to your family when you die and builds cash value while you live. It's guaranteed. It's secure. It's dynamic.

Who needs it?

Permanent life insurance is a great way to provide security for your family. It may be an ideal solution for people who are interested in:

Providing money for final expenses so your family doesn't have to.

Replacing income so that your family's financial life doesn't have to change in case you pass away suddenly. Providing college funds for your children in case of an untimely death.

Protecting your spouse from the burden of a mortgage in the event of the unexpected.

Giving a donation to a charity or special interest.

Supplementing an estate or mitigating estate taxes.

How does it work?

Permanent life insurance – like all life insurance – is designed primarily to provide money (also known as a death benefit) to your designated beneficiary when you pass away – guaranteed.

All Knights of Columbus permanent life insurance policies have premiums that are guaranteed not to increase, so you won't have to worry about any surprises.

Our permanent life insurance policies also accrue cash value over time. Should the policy be eligible for any dividends (which are not guaranteed), you can also elect to put those proceeds back into your policy by purchasing additional paid-up insurance. Additional paid-up insurance increases your policy's death benefit and cash value. Your policy's cash value can be used as cash, either through a partial loan or a full surrender of the policy*, or as collateral.

What options do I have?

The Knights Advantage Series of permanent life insurance products are flexible to fit your needs.

Product Options

Limited Pay Whole Life—Our flagship policy for maximum flexibility. You choose how many years to pay premiums, with a five-year minimum payment period. Selected when you apply, the payment period is fixed and guaranteed...precise and perfect for just about any life insurance planning need, even up to and through your retirement years.

Single Premium Whole Life—Secure protection and start your legacy with one, single payment.

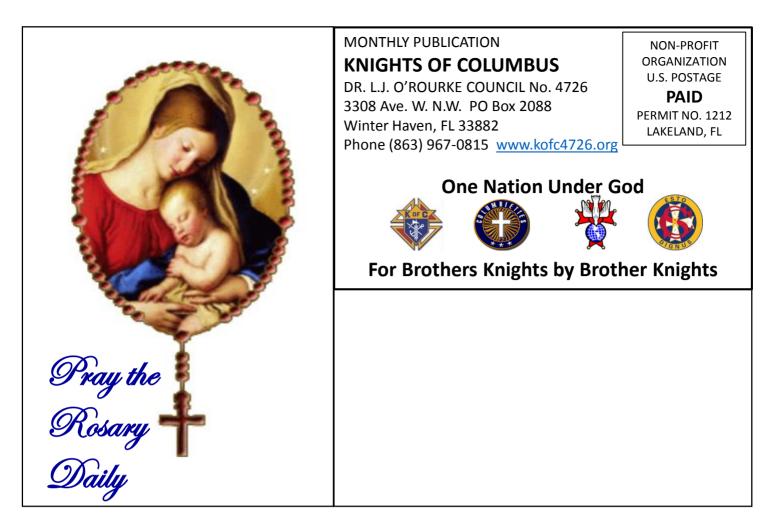
Survivorship Universal Life—A policy that insures two lives, has flexible premium payments and pays at the death of the second insured. Often used by couples for estate planning, estate conservation or estate equalization. Graded Death Benefit Whole Life—No underwriting (limited underwriting in Canada) required for this final expense product.

Beneficiary Options

You decide who you want your death benefit to go to: a spouse, children, family, a trust, or even charity. You can have more than one beneficiary and can divide up the proceeds proportionally.

Sir Knight Funeral Wishes					
Name:	Wife's Name:	Rosary Here?Yes,No.			
Funeral Mass Here? Yes No					
Do you wish to be buried in your Tuxe	do?Yes, No.				
With Your Sword? Yes, No.	Do you prefer Perpetual Masses?	Yes, No			
(or) The Memor	ial Fund to go toward a Chalice?	YesNo or a Ciborium?Yes,No			
		red recipient to receive it? Yes,No			
If Yes, name of desired recipient					
Do you want an Honor Guard at your l	Rosary? Yes, No				
At your funeral Mass?Yes	No. At the Grave Site? Yes,	_,No			
If you are a Veteran, would you like a	flag on your coffin? Yes,No				
Note: Do you desire additional inform	nation now? Yes, No.	9			
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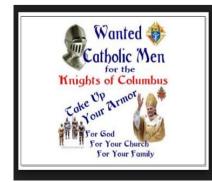




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224-2906

965-7192

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293-2962

221-5499

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