

KNIGHTS IN ACTION April 2024 Our Lady of Victory Council 7968 Joseph R Perrone Assembly 2789

Grand Knight – Dan Lesh
Deputy Grand Knight – Dennis Daigle
Faithful Navigator -- Bill Marchand
Faithful Captain – Steve Malutich
State Deputy – Richard P. Hughes
District Deputy – Travis Robinson Jr
Insurance Agent – Jeff Fischer

Council business meetings are held on the **2nd Wednesday** of the month at 7PM. Council social meetings are held on the **4th Wednesday** of the month at 7PM. Assembly meetings are held on the **1st Thursday** of the month at 7PM. All meetings are held at the Knight's Hall, 701 E. James Lee Blvd.

INSURANCE NEWS

Start your legacy with one, single payment!

Do you want the security of knowing your life insurance is paid up with just one payment?

The Knights of Columbus Single Premium Whole Life Plan, which provides permanent protection that is guaranteed paid-up for life with one premium, can help protect your family's financial future.

Who is best suited for Single Premium Whole Life Insurance?

- Those who want the simplicity of having guaranteed coverage with just one payment.
- Those who want to make sure their family has money to sustain their financial lifestyle after the insured's death. This may include: retirement income, mortgage payments, children's college funds and final expenses.

How does it work? With one premium payment, your permanent life insurance protection is guaranteed paidup for life.

Your policy builds cash value during your lifespan and provides an income tax-free death benefit.

Owners of this plan may be eligible to earn dividends*, which can be used for multiple purposes including, but not limited to, increasing the death benefit or cash value or helping to pay premiums.

* Dividends are reviewed annually and not guaranteed.

God bless & stay safe!



Catholic Charities Food Van

The 9th of April was another 2nd Tuesday when Catholic Charities delivered hundreds of pounds of food to the Parish Hall. In the Parish Hall the food was unpacked and 45 bags were assembled. The Catholic Charities worker registers the people in each vehicle to ensure they are authorized to receive food, and the food is issued starting at 1:00 PM. Clients remain in their vehicles, and the food is placed in their vehicle by volunteers. Supporting this event is a lot of fun and we all get to enjoy a free lunch.

Picture 1 - The arrival and offloading of the Catholic Charities Van.

Picture 2 - Separating the food and bagging 45 bags of food.

Picture 3 - Brother Doug and wife Peggy delivering our lunch.

Picture 4 - Brother Travis controlling the incoming traffic.

Picture 5 - Loading the cars.

Picture 6 – Workers enjoying their lunch.











Leah Victoria's Baptism

On the 20th of April four-month-old Leah Victoria, the daughter of Logan and Ale was baptized at Our Lady of Victory by Deacon Dan. All Knights and their families were invited, and the turnout was very nice. Following the 4:00 PM Mass, Logan and Ale provided a wonderful meal in their backyard. It was a wonderful event, and the food was delicious.

Picture 1 - The Godparents, Luis and Dina Mazon preparing Leah Victoria for her baptism.

Picture 2 - Deacon Dan, Logan and wife Ale, Godparents, and Logan's parents here from Tennessee.

Picture 3 - Everyone in attendance.

Pictures 4 & 5 - Everyone having a great time celebrating Leah Victoria's baptism dinner.









Third Degree Exemplification

Prospective members and their families were invited to a K of C social held at the Knight's Hall on Saturday the 27th of April. The event began with a prayer and a super lunch. After the meal, Brother Jeff Fischer, our Council's Insurance Agent, did a super job talking about the Knights of Columbus and explaining the various investments and insurance policies available for Knights only. After Jeff's presentation an Exemplification Ceremony to the Third degree was held for two new members. We would have had four new members, but one had to work and the other had a health problem. We will induct them in the near future.

Picture 1 - There was plenty of good food, drinks, and dessert for those in attendance.

Picture 2 - Brother Jeff's super presentation about the K of C.

Picture 3 - Conducting the Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity. Brother Mike was the Presiding Officer. Sitting in the chairs were Brother Herb who provided the lesson on Charity, Brother Bill who provided the lesson on Unity, and Brother Marty who provided the lesson on Fraternity. Brother Tony, the Warden, escorting the candidates forward with Brother Dan, the investing Officer presenting our two new members with a Rosary of Mary our Queen and K of C lapel pin.







Picture 4 – Welcome aboard our two new Brother Knights Dalton Gordon and Justin Whitefield.

Picture 5 - Our Exemplification Team along with Knights in attendance.



VA Trip

On the 25th of April, Knights of Columbus from Our Lady of Victory Council 7968, and Family members made the Annual VA Support Trip to Biloxi, MS as they have done for the past 20+ years. They traveled a total of six hours (three hours each way) with four pickup trucks, fully loaded, with an estimated \$9,000 of hygiene products, art supplies, gardening supplies, electronics, and clothing. These supplies not only help enhance inpatient rehabilitation services, but also provide needed items to the many homeless vets who utilize the VA programs for the homeless.

We also were able to spend a couple of hours playing bingo and serving snacks and soft drinks. As always, our Veterans appreciate all we bring to them and the time we can spend with them. It is a privilege and an honor to do so.

Additionally, we were given a tour of the Gardening Projects planted & maintained by VA Clients using donated supplies.

A special thanks to Rosemary and Tony for organizing, collecting, storing, and purchasing all the donations and items. And thanks to all our Knights and Parish Family who donated and made this a great success. Thank you and God Bless.

And thanks to Brother Travis who provided this input for the April newsletter.

Picture 1 - The four Brother Knights driving their pickups loaded with supplies to the VA in Biloxi.

Picture 2 & 3 - Two of the four trucks being offloaded.

Picture 4 & 5 - Two VA employees helping to offload the pickups.

Picture 6 - All the offloaded gifts.

Picture 7 - Our four Brother Knights and their wives. The wives prepared goodies for the VA bingo players, Travis called bingo, and the other Knights verified the winners. The winners



received two books of vouchers used to purchase supplies from the VA Commissary; there was a total of \$200 in vouchers distributed to the winners, "Great and Wonderful Annual Event".







Pregnancy Center Donations

The successful Baby Bottle Drive brought in \$4800 in donations in support of our community Pregnancy Centers. Brothers Dan Lesh, Grand Knight and Mike Winner presented a \$1000 check to the DeFuniak Springs Pregnancy Center representative on 28 April. On 18 April Brother Dan presented \$1000 to two representatives of the Majella House located in Pace Florida, and \$2800 to two representatives of the Crestview Pregnancy Center. Were the representatives of these three homes happy to receive those donations? They sure were.

If any Brother Knights have any ideas of how we can earn money to support those in need, please bring it up at the next business meeting for discussion.







Knight of the Month

Brother Robert Foley was selected as Knight of the Month for Apr 24. Bob works over three hours every Tuesday night selling pull tabs at bingo from 4 to 7 plus PM. He also volunteers at the Care Center spending three hours every Tuesday morning and two plus hours on Wednesdays taking care of people in need and he does a super job. His special service includes a warm smile and taking food and other items to clients' cars; and he is always there the second Tuesday of every month when the Care Center hosts the Catholic Charities Caring Coach. He helps process and issue the food to those in need.





Family of the Month

John and Neneth were selected as the Family of the month for April. For over twenty years John has worked Bingo. For many of those years, he worked every Tuesday night until two more bingo teams were formed, allowing a rotation for him to work every third Tuesday and more often if necessary. John also worked all seven of the Lenton Fish Fry Dinners making hush puppies. After attending Sunday Mass, Neneth takes Holy Communion to those in need. In March, Neneth also helped with Senior Bingo making goodies and working the serving line. John was also there verifying bingo winners. They also volunteer the second Tuesday of every month when the Catholic Charities Caring Coach brings food that is processed and issued to those in need. On 25 Apr, both John and Neneth drove over 300 miles round trip to Biloxi helping other Knights and their wives to deliver over \$9000 worth of merchandise to the VA.