

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



#### Happy New (Fraternal) Year!

Brother Knights we have completed another outstanding Fraternal Year and CONGRATULATIONS on earning Star Council for the 4<sup>th</sup> year in a row! As the new Grand Knight and Faithful Navigator, we would like to thank our Past Grand Knight Dan Lesh and Past Faithful Navigator Bill Marchand for their steady and productive leadership these past couple years. In the past two years, our Council and 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly members have worked countless hours on serving others and fundraising to bring in over \$50,000 in donations that have gone to numerous deserving organizations. Most, if not all, of those activities have been captured in the monthly KNIGHTS IN ACTION newsletter, and I would like to thank Brothers Doug Shepherd and Herb Fosman for their ceaseless efforts in putting this together every month. Additionally, our Council membership has now reached 200 members and our 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly membership is over 90 members. As your 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Leaders, we have big shoes to fill and a high bar to clear, but we – with your help, experience, and prayers - are up to the challenge. We have some exciting plans and new ideas that we will be sharing with you in the coming weeks and months. And finally, we look forward to seeing every one of our Knights In Action and in the newsletter this year!

Martin Mears

**Grand Knight** 

Stephen Malutich Faithful Navigator

Deputy Grand Knight – Logan Steele

Faithful Captain – Michael Winner

District Deputy – Travis Robinson Jr State Deputy – Richard P. Hughes 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

Brothers,

Summer is a time of transition for many people. You may know someone who recently graduated high school or college and is now heading into the workforce. Or you may know a couple who is getting married this summer.

These are all joyous occasions that we can celebrate.

At the same time, certain stress can come with any life transition. For a graduate, entering the workforce can take some adjustment. And marrying is certainly one of the biggest life adjustments people can experience. Before long, they may be welcoming children or looking to finance a house.

Any transition in your life is a good time to think about your financial situation and your loved ones who depend on you.

Though life insurance may be the last thing on a young adult's mind, it may be the perfect life stage to start preparing financially for the future.

On that note, for my brother Knights on the younger side, I have two pieces of good news. And I encourage all my brothers here to consider how this may apply to yourself or your adult children, grandchildren, and other family members.

First, the younger you are, the more affordable permanent life insurance can be, and the simpler the underwriting process is. At a younger age, you're less likely to have health or medical issues that could make coverage more expensive.

The second piece of good news is that you have options. Maybe you're not yet sure you want permanent life insurance. In this case, you might choose a term insurance policy, which is an affordable option for temporary needs. If you should decide later that you'd prefer permanent coverage, you may have the option to convert your term insurance.

In today's day and age when so many of us may feel pressure to spend above our means, I have been heartened to talk to young people who are quite financially literate and eager to set up a responsible financial strategy for their future. Many of them grew up seeing economic problems in the world, and they want to make sure they build a strong financial foundation for themselves.

This summer, no matter where you are in your journey through life -- whether you're undergoing a life transition, or you simply feel that now is the time to think about your financial future -- I encourage you to make an appointment with me. I will be happy to discuss your options with you. Vivat Jesus!

God bless & Stay safe



## Exemplification

An Exemplification to the Third Degree was held at the Knight's Hall on 24 Jun 24 with two new Brother Knights becoming Third Degree members. They are Brothers Ger'mainye Hudson and Jacob Foreman. Congratulations to you both and welcome aboard. We are looking forward to seeing you both participating in future Business Meetings and social events.



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Exemplification

To make Supreme's Star Council Award for Fraternal Year 2003-2004 (I July 23 - 30 June 24) we needed to bring in a total of 11 new members. On 24 Jun we brought in two new members, Brothers Ger'mainey Hudson and Jacob Foreman. The Council still needed another member to make Supreme's Star Council Award by 30 Jun 24, and with the Help of Brother Steve Malutich who was the sponsor of Tony Happel who became our last new member needed to make Supreme's Star Council Award. Congratulations Brother Tony, and we welcome you and your family into the Knights of Columbus. And to the hard work of members of the Council Congratulations for meeting all the requirements of the Star Council Award, a great and wonderful achievement.

Pictures 1&2 - The Exemplification Team.

Picture 3 - Our new member Tony with his family members sitting in the first row behind him.







### Installation of New Members

On 12 Jun the Knights held their Installation of new members. It was a very nice event run by our District Deputy Brother Travis Robinson. Following the event, they along with some of the wives and participants went to the Hide Away Restaurant for conversation and a good meal.

Picture 1 - The installation of new members.

Picture 2 - The Grand Knight Brother Dan Lesh thanking the knights for all their help in the last two years.

Picture 3 - Effective 1 Jul our new Grand Knight Brother Marty Mears welcoming the new officers and asking for their support in the following year.

Picture 4 - A picture of the new officers to include the District Warden Brother Bob Gualtieri standing to the left of Travis.

Picture 5 - Travis presenting Dan the Florida State Third Place Family Directorate Award. Next to Dan is Brother Logan, the Past Family Director. Congratulations Logan!







### Knight of the Month

For the past two years our Past Grand Knight Dan Lesh has done a marvelous job leading our council as the Grand Knight. Receiving Supreme's Star Council Award is not an easy thing to do but resulting from his leadership the council received Double Star Council Award in Fraternal Year 2022-2023 and Star Council Award in 2023-2024, WOW!

In addition to his leadership, he has taken charge and worked projects to help raise money like the Baby Bottle Drives the last two years that has brought in thousands of dollars and worked to raise money in support of providing school supplies to students returning to school. He also does a lot of volunteer work. He volunteers at the OLV Care Center twice a week and fills the OLV position of Sacristan and is a Mass server. Thanks for a GREAT JOB Dan!



## Family of the Month

At the 9:00 AM Mass on 7 July, Brother Mike Winner, the Knights of Columbus (KofC) Family Director, announced the parish family selected as the KofC Family of the Month for June 2024. Brother Grand Knight Marty Mears presented the family with the Family of the Month Certificate (picture below).

Parishioners from Our Lady of Victory Church, Cuahtemoc and Veronica Mayorquin were selected as Family of the Month for June 2024. They actively attend the Holy Mass - often daily, on weekends, Holy Days of Obligations, Solemnities and Feast Days, and participate in Adoration and the parish community's Holy Roseries. They often accept the Parish Traveling Chalice in continuously praying for our Priests and increasing Vocations. They have eight children; the oldest son and daughter (SSgt Cuahtemoc Mayorquin and SrA Evelyn Mayorquin) are in the Air Force. Their two sons, Alan (12<sup>th</sup> Grade) and Daniel (11<sup>th</sup> Grade), serve as Altar Servers, in the Hospitality Ministry, and are active in the Youth Ministry with Alan being a Youth Leader. Their son, Jacob (8<sup>th</sup> Grade), and two daughters, America (7<sup>th</sup> Grade) and Veronica (6<sup>th</sup> Grade), all currently serve as Altar Servers and are active in Religious Education. Their youngest daughter, Marie (4<sup>th</sup> Grade), is active in Religious Education. It must be noted that Daniel, was recently selected as the KofC Altar Server of the Year.

#### Congratulations Mayorquin Family!



## 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fundraiser and Fireworks in the Park

On 4 Jul, the Knights of Columbus (KofC) held a Fourth of July Fest in the KofC parking area which was a great success. The Knights sold a hamburger or hot dog with, chips or popcorn, and a soft drink or water for the great price of only \$5.00 from 3:00 to 8:00 PM. A reasonable price that you probably couldn't find anywhere in the USA, but that is what the KofC is all about, trying to do the best we can to serve our church and community.

Picture 1 - The food purchase area.

Picture 2 - The food purchase & cooking crew.



