



KNIGHTS IN ACTION

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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.

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Catholic Charities Food Van

Another successful "Second Tuesday" of the month when Catholic Charities delivers hundreds of pounds of food that were brought into the Parish Hall by 11:30 AM. Food items received were separated, and sufficient bags filled with a week's supply of food to accommodate all those waiting in their cars in the parish parking lot for their supply of food. The food is normally issued starting at 1:00 PM. We want to thank all the Knights, their wives and church Care Center helpers who help support this very important job of supporting the needy in our community and beyond.



Unloading the Catholic Charities Van.



Separating the food and loading up bags with a week's supply of food.



Brother Travis fighting off the heat and controlling the incoming traffic.



Some of the workers enjoying a lunch brought in by Brother Doug and his wife Peggy. Others will be coming in once they complete what they are doing.

District 5 Exemplification

On the 10th of August, District 5 held its monthly Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity at the Knight's Hall in Crestview. We had one new member from Niceville, a real sharp fellow in a Marine uniform who received his Third Degree. Participating from our Council was Brother Herb who presented the talk on Charity and the protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Also helping from our council was Brother Arnie Fonseca, the District 5 Technical Director who ensures the Exemplification livestream can be seen throughout the State of Florida. Arnie also takes wonderful pictures of the events and shares them with everyone on the team. Also in attendance were our new District 5 Deputy, Brother Travis, and our Grand Knight Brother Dan.



Brother John from Niceville, the presiding Officer, had everyone raise their right hands and proclaim their commitment to the Knights of Columbus.



Brother Herb presenting the talk on Charity.

Most of the members on the team were from Niceville.



Diocese Food Packing Event

What a glorious day for the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee! With your help we packed **52,272 meals** for our sisters and brothers in developing countries! God called - you heard and answered by driving there and helping. The event was held at the DeFuniak Springs City Center and what a wonderful and very successful operation it was. Everyone was shown what to do, and everyone did a wonderful job. The first packing operation began at 10:30 AM and ended by 12:00 PM. The second shift of the day began at 12:30 and ended at 3:00 PM.



The Bishop along with Knights, their wives, and parishioners from Our Lady of Victory Church. Bishop Wack worked there most of the day.

Father Dawson was there helping since 9:00 AM.





Brother Patrick and his mom were there all day.

Arnie in the front left and Ric on the right in the back were there all day.



Knights on Bikes

Brother Mike Winner told Brother Steve Malutich about Knights of Columbus members on bikes. With this information Steve became a member of Knights on Bikes. Knights on Bikes was officially launched in April 2005. Knights on Bikes is comprised solely of members of the Knights of Columbus. It is a world-wide fraternal group of Catholic Christians who enjoy recreational motorcycling. Members of the Knights on Bikes MUST have a Motorcycle License/Endorsement on their Driver's License, and MUST own a motorcycle (of ANY kind,) or anticipate owning a motorcycle within six (6) months, to join the Knights on Bikes. Members MUST also be "IN GOOD STANDING" with their Councils and Assemblies. If interested in obtaining information about Knights on Bikes, please contact Brother Steve at smusafa74@sbcglobal.net and he will provide you links to the web pages about Knights on Bikes.

Thanks, Steve, for providing the information for our newsletter.

Brother Steve on his bike, and notice he is wearing his Knights of Columbus Knights on Bikes vest. Not all the patches are visible in the picture, so here are a couple more pictures of him in his Knights on Bikes vest.





Senior Bingo

On Thursday, 17 Aug, Senior Bingo was held in the Knights Hall. We had a full house of seniors participating and it is amazing how much the seniors enjoyed Senior Bingo. They wish we would have it every month. It gets them out of the house and gives them something special to do, play free bingo, receive free prizes, and enjoy a very nice free lunch. Senior bingo is held every four months, and it is a lot of work especially for Rosemary who runs Senior Bingo. She works her little heart out and always does a great job. We sure appreciate the help of the Knights and their wives who pitch in and help. Without their help there would be no senior bingo. John Libby and Jim Nelson are not in any pictures, but they also helped. John had to go purchase something that was needed and helped to verify bingo winners. Jim helped in the kitchen. When bingo is played and a winner calls bingo, the same game is continued on a few more times and often we have 6 or 7 winners. So, having a few helpers verifying the cards sure helps.



Rosemary and a few of her helpers.

Brothers Bill and Mike in-processing the seniors.



The hall was full of seniors.



Brother Doug helped verify bingo winners.

Brother Travis to the right calling senior bingo and Brother Herb verifying bingo winners.





Nenita prepared noodles and helped with other tasks as well.

One of our seniors Gene Pahl celebrated his 92nd birthday and we all sang Happy Birthday to him. He received the cake from a friend sitting next to him and we all enjoyed helping him eat it.



Brother Doug's wife Peggy helped verify the winners.



Sarah Hart Concert

The Sarah Hart concert held at Our Lady of Victory on Saturday the 19th of August was arranged by Brother Jim and Molli PaziENZA back in January. As you all know, over the years Jim and Molli have done marvelous things together like conducting bible classes in their home and at church. They also ran the Grief Support Group at OLV and the Landings Program for fallen away Catholics. They worked for years in the Catholic Care Center where Jim still works. They were dedicated supporters of the 40-day pro-Life Event traveling weekends to the abortion center in Pensacola hoping to convince young women to not have an abortion. Recently we learned that all our prayers worked as the Pensacola Abortion Center has now closed, Thank God.

Sarah Hart held a wonderful concert singing and telling great stories that had everyone laughing. On the altar is a picture of Jim and Molli. Molli, God Bless her, passed away on 13 April 2023 and how she is missed by so many who knew her. Sara, in tribute to Molli, sang a beautiful song called *So Nice*.

A picture of Molli and Jim on the altar.



We had a very good turnout with about 200 in attendance.



Our Choir Director, Rita Coleman, with her beautiful voice, sang a duet with Sara.



Knight and Family of the Month

Ricardo Arevalo was selected as Knight of the month for August. Ric worked all day at the DeFuniak Springs City Center helping to pack 52,272 meals for our brothers and sisters in developing countries. Ric also helps the second Tuesday of every month with the Catholic

Charities food van. Ric helped to set up the Narthex for the parish meal held on Saturday the 19th of August prior to the Sarah Hart concert. He is also a member of the Don Braun Society and attends most monthly meetings.



Doug and Peggy Shepherd were selected as the Family of the Month for August. Doug is the Council's Newsletter Editor and does a great job preparing each monthly newsletter. Peggy runs the Catholic Care Center and does a super job supporting the needs of our community. Both are OLV lectors, sacristans, and help take communion to those unable to attend Mass in person, and Peggy somehow finds time to sing in the choir.

