



KNIGHTS IN ACTION

October 2022

***Our Lady of Victory Council 7968
Joseph R Perrone Assembly 2789***

Grand Knight – Dan Lesh

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Faithful Navigator -- Bill Marchand

Faithful Captain – Travis Robinson Jr

State Deputy – Robert S. Urrutia

District Deputy – Matt French

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Council Meetings are held the **2nd and 4th Wednesday** of the month at 7 PM at the Knight's Hall.
Assembly Meetings are held the **First Thursday** of the month at 7 PM at the Knight's Hall.

GRAND KNIGHTS CORNER

INSURANCE NEWS

Field Agent's Corner: Top 10 Facts to Know About Long-Term Care Planning

November is National Long-Term Care Awareness Month, an event recognized by Congress and several States. To mark the occasion, here are 10 interesting facts shared by the American Association for Long-Term Care Insurance.

1 - Americans are living longer, in large part due to advances in medical care and public health. Life expectancy in the US for those reaching 65 was 20 years on average in 2019.

2 - By 2030, one in five residents in the US will be 65 or older.

3 – The number of people in need of long term support services (LTSS) in the United States is already at 14 million and expected to grow to 27 million by 2050.

4 – Average out-of-pocket costs are \$140,000 for those individuals who utilize paid long term support services (LTSS). Roughly 17 percent will spend over \$100,000 on LTSS. Almost 9 percent will spend over \$250,000 on LTSS.

5 – By 2040, the total prevalence of Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias in the US is expected to approximately double from 7.2 million to nearly 13 million, with 8.5 million women and 4.5 million men expected to develop dementia.

6 – For those requiring high levels of LTSS, individuals and families pay 55 percent of long-term care costs out of pocket.

7 – Currently, the majority of older single-person households are female. Women comprised 74 percent of solo households aged 80 and over.

8 – Some 7.5 million Americans have some form of long[1]term care insurance. Two-thirds of all new individual long[1]term care insurance claims pay for care needed by women.

9 – The long-term care insurance industry paid out \$11 billion in benefits to some 310,000 individuals with insurance protection in 2019. The number will increase each year as the current number of policyholders grow older and, as a result, are more likely to begin their claim.

10 – 69.5 percent of new claims start after the policyholder reaches age 80. If you live a long life, you are very likely to need long term care. You'll be very glad you have a policy to pay benefits.

<https://www.aaltci.org/about/long-term-care-awareness-month-2020.php>

Vivat Jesus and May God bless you all,

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FOOD TRUCK!

Another second Tuesday of the Month, 11 Oct, where a week's supply of food was passed out to those in need. We had a little less help than the previous month, but after an hour or so we had the Catholic Charities truck unloaded, and 72 bags of weekly food packed. It was a very difficult job, but wonderful to see the result of one's work. A total of 65 of the 72 packed bags were issued. The remaining bags are returned to Catholic Charities. For the past three months there have been increases in the number of bags issued.

The first picture shows everyone packing the weekly bags of food.

The second picture shows 72 filled weekly bags waiting to be processed outside to those waiting for the food in their vehicles.

The third picture is the issuing point where bags are issued to the vehicles.

The fourth picture shows the issuing of the bags of food into the vehicles.

The fifth picture shows the return of items and boxes to the Catholic Charities vehicle.

The sixth picture shows the ladies disassembling the tables.

The last picture shows the food prepared/purchased by Peggy and enjoyed by all after the completion of the job.

Thank You Herb for taking the pictures.









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Supreme Recognition!

Wow, we received two certificates from Supreme. The first one was in recognition of supporting the Knights of Columbus program *Food for Families*. Brother Jim Pazienza and his wife Molly work at the Care Center and Jim keeps track of donations made to the Care Center. For every \$500 worth of food that is donated by the Knights of Columbus to the Care Center, Supreme provides the Care Center an extra \$100 with a maximum of \$500 extra dollars the Care Center can receive from Supreme per year. Brother Jim does a super job controlling this and getting the end results to Supreme by the end of the Fraternal Year. Thanks for the Great Job Jim. The extra money received from Supreme every year really helps the Care Center.

The second one was for recognition of supporting four seminarians with \$500 this past Fraternal Year. For each seminarian supported, the knights received \$100 back from Supreme. Brother Travis Roberson, in addition to other job responsibilities, is the Knights of Columbus Church Director and ensures sufficient funds are available to support at a minimum four seminarians. Travis takes on a lot of responsibilities and always does a SUPER job.

Brother Dan, Grand Knight, made the presentations.



Degree Ceremony!

Our District # 5 had the honor of conducting an Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity on Thursday 13 Oct 2022 in our Council Hall and was shown to Knights of Columbus throughout the State of Florida. It was a very nice event with good representation from the district.

In the first picture, on the far left, is Brother Arnaldo Fonesca (blue knight shirt) who is a Video Media Producer and helped with copying the degree ceremony script to PowerPoint which was then displayed on a teleprompter. In the second picture shows our District 5 Deputy congratulating and addressing the three new members all from the Niceville area. In the third picture we have our Grand Knight, Dan Lesh, also congratulating and addressing the new members. In picture four we have everyone in line to congratulate the new members and in the last picture we have all the District team participants along with the three new members in the front.







Diocese Youth Retreat (Camp Timpoochee)

Thanks to Brother Herb we have an historical report of when we believe our Council began supporting Camp Timpoochee. The following article was taken out of a newsletter dated May 2013, back then Tony Alcobia was our Grand Knight.

KNIGHTS IN ACTION - Knights assist Diocesan Youth Group Function

The youth and adult volunteers at the Camp Timpoochee, Niceville, Florida number about 225 hungry mouths to feed.

Brother Reggie Brown (our youth coordinator at OLV) requested help on April 6 (Sat) and April 7 (Sun). Cooks were needed for breakfast and lunch on Saturday (April 6) and then to cook breakfast on Sunday (April 7) for about two hundred diocesan youth. Foods (supplies) cost were reimbursed; we just needed to help with its preparation. The camp has a full kitchen, with all equipment for this event. Location is at Camp Timpoochee (off Hwy 20), next to Walton County line. Our Grand Knight, Tony Alcobia, with help from his wife, Florina, shopped at Sam's and transported a full truckload of food and supplies.

Thank you, Tony and Florina!

Bill, Travis, Russ, and Jeanine on the serving line.

AJ, Timmy, Russ and Travis at the grill and Reggie at the grub.

Russ, Timmy, Travis, Jeanine, Robert and Karen... the workers.

We would like thank Bill Gouthro, AJ Robinson, Jeanine Robinson, Travis Robinson, Russ Giambrone, Timmy Hernandez, and Karen Johnson for helping. (Hope we didn't leave anyone out) We especially thank Tony Alcobia, our Grand Knight for heading up this challenge.

Tony thinks that after he ran that operation, the next year it was done by Russ Giambrone and then Travis Robinson every year after that. Russ Giambrone now lives in south Florida. During this nine-year period, there were two years the event was cancelled due to a storm, so the event was moved from March/April to November. Two more years were cancelled due to COVID 19.

Now back to 15/16 Oct 2022...

Once again Council 7968 was asked to support the Timpoochee Diocesan Youth Group function held on 15/16 Oct 2022. On Thursday 13 Oct, Brother Travis and his wife Jeanine along with Brother Tony Jette and his wife Rosemary purchased \$1000 worth of food for the two-day Timpoochee operation that was paid for by our Catholic Diocese. The food purchased was enough to feed 120 hungry young people lunch and dinner on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday. The cost per person was a little over \$10 for the three meals, which was very reasonable. As in previous years, the diocese purchased t-shirts which were passed out to the youth and helpers. The group function is a lot of work but was enjoyed by all who participated.

Picture 1 - The Saturday helpers

Picture 2 - The Sunday helpers and notice how many worked both days.

Picture 3 - The serving of breakfast on Saturday

Picture 4 - The serving of breakfast on Sunday

Picture 5 - The 120 Youth enjoying their breakfast

Picture 6 - The Saturday crew enjoying breakfast

Pictures 7 & 8 - Father Roy conducting the 7PM Mass at Timpoochee









BINGO WORKERS NEEDED!

As you all know, Tuesday night bingo is our main means of financial support. We have three bingo teams that work three hours every third week from 6:15 to 9:15 PM. At one time we had four teams, but due to work shift changes, deaths and family moves we lost a team. To help improve the situation, it would be wonderful if we could get a fourth team again. So, I am asking for volunteers to help get a fourth team up and running so everyone will only have to work once every four weeks, which would be super. This is what we would need: Two men to verify winners, two callers (one from 6:30 to 8 PM and one from 8 to 9:15 PM), one bingo card seller and one cook that would work in the kitchen from 3:30 to 7 PM, with training in the kitchen as needed.

We also have Quarter Bingo that runs from 4:30 to 6:15 PM. Currently we have two bingo callers that work every other week and two fellows, one 85 and the other 88 that work Quarter Bingo every Tuesday night collecting money for each bingo game, recording the results of each game and verifying and paying the winners. We also have three Knights who work once every three weeks from 3:15 to 9:15 PM selling bingo tickets during Quarter and Regular Bingo sessions. It would be wonderful if we could get help in this area so that we could have one knight selling tickets from 3:15 to 6:15 PM and a second Knight selling tickets and paying winners from 6:15 to 9:15 PM. We definitely need help in this area!

During bingo every week we need three women to work in the kitchen taking food orders, delivering the meals to the bingo players and a French fry/onion ring preparer. We usually have the same three women working in the kitchen every week and it would be wonderful if we could get more women so weekly women teams could be established. So it would be appreciated fellows if you would pass this on to your wives.

Training will be provided.

If interested in helping, and I hope a lot of you are, please contact Herb at 850-423-1262 or by email HerbandUrsula@cox.net, thanks!

HALLOWEEN!

Despite the rain, the Halloween Special held by the church on Sunday 30 Oct was a complete success. The festivities got underway right after the 11 AM Mass. There were many activities going on: pumpkin painting in the church Conference Room and Trunk or Treat out in a parking lot area. The kids (and kids at heart), many of them in Halloween costumes had a ball. Also, the food (tacos and hot dogs with all the fixings) had to be prepared by the Knight of Columbus at the Knights Hall and transported to the Parish Hall. Everything was delicious and enjoyed by all.

Picture 1 - The Knights and their wives are ready to serve the food.

Picture 2 - On the left side Brother John issuing out candy with Jeanine and Peggy and her husband Brother Doug issuing candy on the right side.

Picture 3 - From left to right here is Jeanine and Peggy and hubby Brother Doug.

Pictures 4, 5, and 6 - Parishioners passing out different things to the kids.

Picture 7 - Parishioners and their kids enjoying a good lunch. Father Roy is also in this picture

Picture 8 - The passing out of Snow Cones. Note that Brother Mike winner is also standing there

Picture 9 - Brother Dennis also helped out.

Note - Brother Dan Lesh also helped pass out candy but arrived after the camera man Herb left that area.









In Memoriam, JanEtte Engle

I am sure you all knew that Brother Norbert's wife, JanEtte, passed away on 9 Sep 22. On 14 Oct a beautiful Funeral Mass was held at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Fort Walton Beach. At the Mass were four priests, a retired Auxiliary Bishop, Martin Holley, a former priest at St Mary's, a Deacon, and a church full of people. The Mass was officiated by Father Doug Halsema who delivered a beautiful sermon. Following the Mass, the interment was held at the Beal Memorial Cemetery in Fort Walton Beach followed by a very nice reception at St Mary's.

JanEtte was also enrolled by the Knights of Columbus as a Perpetual Member to the Society of St, Columbans. Each year 2,000 Masses are offered for Associate Members including 100 special Masses at Easter, All Souls and Christmas. Each week special prayers are offered in all Columban houses and mission centers. Each Day the sacrifices and prayers of Columban missionaries are made throughout the world.



Family of the Month



Brother Bob and Carol Webster have been selected as Family of the Month for Oct 2022. Bob is a member of the bingo team and works bingo every third Tuesday helping to raise money for the Councils main means of support. Bob and Carol have helped out at the Monthly second Tuesday of each month where a week's supply of food is packed by the helpers and provided to about 60 families. They both also helped during the Senior Bingo event where free bingo prizes and free lunch are provided to senior attendees. Bob also helped on Sunday 16 Oct at Timpooshee, helping to feed 120 youth from the

Diocese. Carol works at the OLV Care Center twice a week helping to record, pack, and distribute food to those in need. Carol was also a member of the team that collected donated funds and school supplies and worked hard sorting the supplies by age group and passing them out at the Care Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays and on Wednesdays from 7:30 to 8:30 in the Parish Hall during the Bread and Pastry Ministry operation. Carol makes rosaries that she passes out to those who come to the Care Center and would like to have one and to parishioners of OLV. Carol is also a member of the choir and is a



member of the Catholic Ladies Society. The Grand Knight presented Dale the Knight of the Month Certificate at Wednesday's business meeting. They are a fine example of a Knight family doing God's work in serving others.

Knight of the Month



Dale Piedlow has been selected as Knight of the Month for Oct 2022. Dale is a member of the Tuesday night Bingo Team and works bingo almost every Tuesday night. Dale works wherever he is needed. You may see him selling bingo tickets, calling bingo, or working in the kitchen as a cook. He is an amazing fellow and doesn't mind helping out where help is needed. He also attends every third- and fourth-degree meeting and supports every Knights of Columbus meal fund raising event. He is also a member of Our Lady Victory Fund Ministry and counts the weekly donations. Dale is a fine example of a Knight doing God's work in serving others in need.