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## August is Family Month for the Knights of Columbus..

**“Families are the first place in which we are formed as persons and, at the same time, the ‘bricks’ for the building up of society.” .....Pope Francis**



### Grand Knight's Message

For the first month of the council year we were pretty busy. We started the month off with the Tootsie Roll drive which brought in a little more than a \$1000. Thanks to our chairman, Ron Gento and all the brothers who volunteered their time. Then several of us visited Promise in Brevard for a tour of their facilities. It is an awesome place that does so much good for the intellectually handicapped. We have supported them financially through our Tootsie Roll drives over the past 4 years. The Youth Group Lockin was cancelled as Maria was taken sick. It will be rescheduled. And lastly we had our Installation of Officers with a small reception afterwards. I want to thank all the officers for attending the installation.

A word of advice, no one will be admitted to the council meeting on August 7 unless they have a current membership card, or make arrangements with the Financial Secretary prior to the meeting. This is a very busy time of the year for Tom who has

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to accept the dues, record them, send out overdo notices, etc. The quicker the dues get paid the easier it is for Tom. Also, to the 4<sup>th</sup> degree members; to be a 4<sup>th</sup> degree member in good standing you must be in good standing in the 3<sup>rd</sup> degree. You must pay dues to both. You can not enter an assembly meeting unless you have both your council dues and and your assembly dues paid.

Lastly, we held a Membership Drive last weekend and now have 6 candidates for the 1<sup>st</sup> degree, which will be held on August 7 at 6:30PM followed by our business meeting at 7:30 PM. If you can make it to the degree exemplification please welcome our new members. There will be NO officers meeting or Liturgy of the Word that night.

### Upcoming Events in August

Aug. 4 – District Organizational training all officers should attend. Members are invited also. I would like a head count no later than Aug. 2.

Aug. 7 – 6:30 PM First Degree exemplification  
7:30 PM -Council Business Meeting Aug. 10  
– Andretti Thrill Park 6PM til close Aug. 11-

Landscape the church grounds 9 AM – 11 AM  
Aug. 15 – 9 AM- Memorial Mass for Fr. McGivney, all Knights and family members that can should plan on attending. The Honor Guard will be present and Fr. Emmanuel will wear the K of C vestments we bought him. Reception to follow

Aug.15- 6:30PM – District Deputy Meeting Aug.  
17 - Bowling at Shore Lanes 7 PM til 9 PM Aug. 21 – Social Meeting

### District Deputy's Message

Worthy Brother Knights;

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As we enter into a new Fraternal year, I would like to thank all of the retiring officers of each council for their tireless efforts and dedication. Each of your contributions added to the success of your council and the order. My most heartfelt thank you and congratulations on work very well done.

I would also like to congratulate all of the newly elected Officers. Your brothers have indicated that they trust in your leadership. I have complete faith that you will add to your council's good name.

For many, myself included, there has been only one program package. That was Surge With Service. It hit the councils back in 1970. It's time for a change and that change has been made. *Faith in Action* is a vibrant and exciting new program package I feel is going to take the Order to a new level. As your District Deputy, I am here as another resource to help you navigate your way through this new program. When I was a Grand Knight, my goal was to bring Family back to the Council. Faith in Action takes this idea a step further. It draws the Knights and their Families together and into our Faith.

I look forward to meeting and working with each of the 5 councils in our District. May God bless each of you and your Families as we live and grow in our faith.

Vivat Jesus,  
Doug Blair  
District Deputy #30



## Insurance Agent's Report

### ***Long-Term Care Plans Offer Peace of Mind***

Since its addition to the Order's product portfolio in 2000, long-term care (LTC) insurance has provided the Knights of Columbus with an excellent opportunity to further serve members and their families. And, for our long-term care policy holders in the United States, there's an added bonus.

It's called "Provider Pathway," a program offering access to a network of long-term care providers at discounted rates. The network includes discounts on products, such as hearing aids, diabetic supplies, personal emergency response systems, and durable medical equipment, as well as skilled nursing facilities, assisted living, and adult day care.

Eligibility for participation in this program is open to Knights of Columbus long-term care insurance policyholders, their spouses, dependent children, parents and parents-in-law. All providers are fully credentialed and meet state licensing requirements.

If you haven't yet spoken with me about long-term care insurance, you owe it to yourself to do so. There are a few decisions to make in choosing a "plan" — a comprehensive plan that covers care whether you're at home or in facility, or one that covers facility only; daily benefit amounts and a benefit durations (how much and how long it will last); and the length of the elimination period (waiting period) before benefits kick-in.

brother Knight you can trust — to help guide Having a professionally trained agent — and a you through

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the process is yet another valuable benefit that comes with your membership. Take advantage of it; contact me today.

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John V Sansonia 08-05

Emilio A Burke 08-07

James H Jennings 08-08

Hammersley 08-09

Jacob S Wolcott 08-11

Andrew M Schwind 08-12

David A Sterman 08-29

## Anniversary of Knighthood

Osborne B McCarter 08-10-2017 1 yr

Noel J Underwood 08-01-1994 24yrs

James T Ford 08-23-1994 24 yrs

Randolph E Allen 08-24-1995 23 yrs

Charles E Carter 08-15-2003 15 yrs

Dan F Dominguez 08-19-2014 4 yrs

Patterson 08-02-2016 2 yrs

John V Sansonia 08-02-2016 2 yrs

## The Family Fully Alive



*Scripture speaks frequently about the importance of a family's hospitality because*

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*of its life-giving love that nourishes weary souls and heals broken hearts.*

### Meditation

*From Pope Francis' Amoris Laetitia*

Led by the Spirit, the family circle is not only open to life by generating within itself, but also by going forth and spreading life by caring for others and seeking their happiness. This openness finds particular expression in hospitality, which the word of God eloquently encourages: "Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unaware" (Heb 13:2). When a family is welcoming and reaches out to others, especially the poor and the neglected, it is "a symbol, witness and participant in the Church's motherhood." Social love, as a reflection of the Trinity, is what truly unifies the spiritual meaning of the family and its mission to others, for it makes present the kerygma [teachings] in all its communal imperatives. The family lives its spirituality precisely by being at one and the same time a domestic church and a vital cell for transforming the world.

1. What are some specific ways in which our family practices hospitality within our home? In what ways is hospitality challenging for our family, and in what ways does it help our family grow in grace and happiness?
2. Have we ever thought of hospitality in terms of welcoming the other as Christ? How might this calling of Christian hospitality change our practices of hospitality?
3. What are some ways as a family to grow in hospitality? How might we open our home more to the poor, lonely, brokenhearted and neglected? Is there someone who has a rough family life that could use some time around our family for the support and encouragement that love offers?

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## Scripture Reading - Psalm 84:9-13

LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer;  
listen, God of Jacob.  
O God, [watch](#) over our shield;  
look upon the face of your anointed.  
Better one day in your courts  
than a thousand elsewhere.  
Better the threshold of the house of my God  
than a home in the tents of the wicked.  
For a sun and shield is the LORD God,  
bestowing all grace and glory.  
The LORD withholds no good thing  
from those who walk without reproach.  
O LORD of hosts,  
blessed the man who trusts in you!

## Family Project

Invite acquaintances from your parish or neighborhood over for a meal, and spend some time socializing afterward. Invite them to [join](#) you for family prayer, too.



Art collecting donation, Ron G. chairperson



Jim C and Mac V.



Council's Promise Tour

## Council Web Site:

[www.Knights13243](http://www.Knights13243)

New Council email address: for Knights  
business only [Knights13243@gmail.com](mailto:Knights13243@gmail.com)

Facebook page: Knights of Columbus  
Council 13243

State web site: [floridakofc.org](http://floridakofc.org)

Supreme web site: [kofc.org](http://kofc.org)

Knights gear: [kofc.org/knightsgear](http://kofc.org/knightsgear)

Our Lady of Grace web site:  
[ourladyofgracechurch.com](http://ourladyofgracechurch.com)