

Happy Valentine's Day

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Grand Knights Report

By George Mountford

Brothers,

Our Lenten season will soon begin. We have the perfect opportunity to reflect and renew ourselves in all aspects of our lives. As diverse as we are, we all have one common thread. As a fraternity of Brothers, we always strive to reach for higher goals. May we make our goal this Lenten season to renew ourselves to our Order.



This month we will begin our campaign to help the handicapped of our community. We will be doing our MD drive (Tootsie Roll) to raise money for this very worthwhile project. Brother Clark will be glad to sign you up to volunteer. He can be reached at 376-8434. Please be generous with your time.

We will also be doing a membership blitz. Please be prepared by carrying a Form 100 at all times. You may just get a yes to your invitation!

During Lent we will be hosting a fish fry each Friday (with the exception of March 6th). This will be our first attempt to have these dinners each week. I ask each of you to help support our council. It will take all of us to make this a success.

Let us please remember our fellow Knights who are in need of our support and prayers.

God's Blessings to all

HELP NEEDED!

WORKERS NEEDED

MD (Tootsie Roll Drive)

**Help is needed on all scheduled dates,
call Clark Hill for available times and
locations**

FISH FRY FRIDAYS OF LENT

WORKERS NEEDED

Feb. 27, Mar. 13, 20, 27, Apr. 3

Call GK George Mountford, 847-5945

Chaplain's Message

By Father Joseph A. Pastick



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My friend, Fr. Ed Fialkowski, wrote the following:

"For a child is born to us, a son is given to us; upon his shoulders dominion rests. They named him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, and Prince of Peace." Prince of Peace, we speak a lot about peace at Christmas time. We sing about the child, "Sleep in heavenly peace". We wish each other the peace of the season. This is all good but if we are intending to wish something deeper than a cordial greeting to someone, we need to reflect on what the peace of Christ brings.

Let's go to the Old Testament when Adam and Eve were in the Garden of Eden. The peace mankind possessed, was shattered by mankind freely choosing materialism over the spiritual, and selfishness over sacrificial love. We have learned that this is not a simple story about apples but about the ongoing saga of sin in our lives. Mankind choosing the physical over the spiritual and chaos over peace. The tranquility of Eden is constantly destroyed by mankind choosing to push God aside, by mankind choosing sin. The Prince of Peace comes to lead us to a new mindset of self-giving and sacrificial love. He calls us to embrace the spiritual as a greater reality over the material. Jesus

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calls us away from the chaos of sin to the peace of the Kingdom of God.

When you or I sin, we are in chaos. We can go so far as to find people around us who will tell us, "You did nothing wrong or you only did what everyone else is already doing" or we blame the Church for laws that are outdated. These all sound good at first but the reality is none of these removes our inner turmoil. When we jump into sin, we plunge into chaos. We can even try the rational of "Eve in the Garden," that serpent (devil) told me to do it." Again this sounds good. It seems so appealing that an outside force made us do something and that we are not responsible for our actions but in fact the responsibility lands squarely on us, we were the ones who chose freely to sin. No matter how much turmoil we are in, God always is there to bring us back to himself instantly. God raises us from the chaos and turmoil and sin immediately, as long as we let Him and are sincere in seeking forgiveness.

"For a child is born to us, a son is given us: upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, and Prince of Peace." What peace does Christ bring? The peace that brings us freedom from chaos in our lives. The chaos we inflicted upon ourselves.

Either we live in the peace of Christ or we live in pieces. (Unknown)

Christmas time has come and gone. On February 25, 2009 (Ash Wednesday), we begin the Easter season with the holy springtime of Lent. We are called away from the chaos of sin to the "bright hope of immortality." The PEACE of Christ will be with us always!

May God bless and keep you.

Father Joe
Chaplain

Knights of the Month

By George Mountford



Joseph Menicola

Last month Joe was very busy. He chaired the Christmas dinner dance; the Christmas river lights cruise and captained our breakfast. Not only did he chair the dance, he cooked a wonderful meal! Joe stays active with our council and in his parish - serving as a lecturer and a Eucharistic minister. Joe, we are very grateful for all your hard work and your commitment to our council. Congratulations!

Family of the Month

Joe & Dot Tengowski

Joe and Dot work very hard for our council. This year they volunteered their time for the carnival, the Christmas dance and are always here for our breakfasts. Joe also contributes his time to the bingo kitchen. Joe and Dot support our parish by being Eucharistic ministers. Thank you for all your efforts to make our council a success. Congratulations!

MARCH DEADLINE

All copy for the March Newsletter must be received by February 23rd, any copy received after that date will appear in the next edition unless it is time sensitive.

Send to Tom Cleary at clearytb@yahoo.com

NOTICE

This is the seventh edition of our electronic format. If you have any trouble with it, either opening or reading, please contact Tom Cleary at 727-846-0392 or email me at clearytb@yahoo.com

SICK AND DISTRESSED

Nim Goering, c/o Donna Bahorik,
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dutchman4052@yahoo.com

Send card or email

He is terminal, staying at his daughter's home

Lou Morganti, hospitalized at North Bay

Ed Gongola

All members who know of any sick or distressed members notify Bob Fagan at 727-816-8822

IN MEMORIAM

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Richard Ardizzone
Robert M. Baron
Nimrod Goering
Walter Granotowicz
Peter T. Liberantowski
Dr. Paul Ligerwood
Nicholas Martucci
Joseph Menicola, Jr.
Thomas Nordengreen
Joseph Peterna
Paul Pickett
Justin Rossi
Timothy Sheehan
Norbert Snyder



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3 Year Trustee	David Alves, PGK	727-868-5585	dalves@kofc11680.org
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Membership Director	Anthony Nalli, PGK, FDD	727-207-1992
Youth Director	Matthew Higgins, PGK	727-375-7556
Pro-Life Couple	Nick & Gretchen France	727-860-5167
Memorial Director	Dan Poulter	727-376-7811
Webmaster	Nick France, PGK	727-860-5167
Public Relations Director	Nick France, PGK	727-860-5167
Bingo Kitchen	Lee Witt, PGK, FSM	727-863-1064

4th Degree Assembly Officers



Faithful Navigator	Tony Alves	727-856-7987
Faithful Captain	Clark Hill, PGK, FDD	727-376-8434
Faithful Pilot	Ronald Molles	727-372-0945
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FEBRUARY 2ND

Officer's Meeting, parish hall 7:30pm

FEBRUARY 5TH

3rd Degree Business Meeting
Parish hall 7:30pm

FEBRUARY 8TH

All American Breakfast
8:00am till 12 Noon

FEBRUARY 14TH

District Free Throw
Tarpon Springs Gym
11:00am to 1:00pm

FEBRUARY 17TH

1st Degree – St. Michael
Council 10377 – 7:30pm

FEBRUARY 19TH

1st Degree – Our Lady Queen of
Peace Council 11680 – 7:30pm

FEBRUARY 25TH

Ash Wednesday

FEBRUARY 26TH

4th Degree Meeting 7:30pm

FEBRUARY 27TH

Fish Fry – 5pm to 7pm

MARCH 2nd

Officers Meeting 7:30pm

News Around the Council

FISH FRY DINNERS

The dates for our dinners are: February 27th, March 13th, 20th, 27th and April 3rd. Dinner will be served 5pm to 7pm. The cost will be \$6.50 for adults and \$4.00 for children under 12. Hope to see everyone there!

DEGREES COMING UP

1st degree - Tuesday, February 17th – St. Michael Council #10377, Hudson, Candidates at 7:30pm.

1st degree - Thursday, February 19th –
Our Lady Queen of Peace Council #11680 7:30pm

1st degree - Thursday, March 12th - St. Francis Cabrini Council #13209, Spring Hill

1st degree - Thursday, March 19th - Our Lady Queen of Peace Council 11680 (if needed)

2nd degree - Monday, March 16th –
Fr. Felix Ullrich Council #5869

2nd degree - Monday, March 23rd –
Fr. Felix Ullrich Council #5869 (if needed)

3rd degree - Saturday, March 28th – St. Francis Cabrini Council #13209 -- Candidates at noon

Please keep our Brothers Joe Tengowski and Lou Morganti in your prayers. Brother Joe is at home recovering and Brother Lou is in North Bay Hospital. We wish both of you a speedy recovery!

The 4th degree held their annual Patriotic Dinner Dance on the 24th of last month. The food was superb and the entertainment great. Thanks to everyone for a good time.

The district free throw will take place on February 14th at the Tarpon Springs Gym. Starting time is 11am and lasting until 1 pm.

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL # 11680
Presents for Everyone...

All You Can Eat All American Breakfast
Sunday, February 12, 2009

Stop at the Parish Center after each Mass
and enjoy a hearty breakfast
Served from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

Enjoy the company of your
friends and fellow parishioners

Adults \$3.50 per person
Children (10 & under) \$2.50

We would like to thank the following Brother Knights and Lady for taking the time to stuff the Church Bulletin with the following flyers – Blood Drive, Pancake Breakfast and 4th Degree Dinner Dance

Thomas Nordegren, Joseph LaGuardia, Tony Esposito, Louis Morganti, Dennis Magner, Robert Fagan, John Fahey and Ann Marie McCormick

4th Degree Message

The 3rd annual Patriotic Dinner Dance held on January 24th was a wonderful event. Everyone attending had an excellent time enjoying great food, fun and fellowship. I would like to thank all of our Sir Knights, families and friends for making this function successful. I also extend a special appreciation to Joe and Marie Menicola, George and Opal Mountford, Clark and Doris Hill, Tony and Gail Nalli and Lynn Alves for their efforts and dedication to making this function run smoothly.

During these difficult economic times, it is understandable that we may not be able to participate as much as we would like. However, there are contributions that all of us can make that are free of charge or donation. Join us at our meeting and share your ideas and fellowship. There are many things we can do for our parish and community and hearing your thoughts won't cost you a penny. Hope to see you at our next meeting.

All the Best,

Tony Alves,
Faithful Navigator.

FLORIDA TO HOST MICHIGAN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND BISHOP BARAGA DAY

The annual Michigan Knights of Columbus and Bishop Baraga Day will be held this year on Saturday, March 14, 2009 in Holiday, Florida. Join your brother Michigan Knights and their wives in sunny Florida for an afternoon of information on Bishop Baraga and Knights of Columbus fraternity.

The day will start with Mass at 11:00 A.M. at St. Vincent De Paul Church, 4843 Mile Stretch Dr., Holiday, FL 34690, followed by a luncheon and program.

The following may be called to make reservation for the luncheon. Map and directions are available upon request.

Please RSVP by March 1, 2009 to:

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