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GIVE THANKS
TO THE LORD
FOR HE IS GOOD



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General Meetings held the 1st
Thursday of every month

On the cover: Special Olympics
bowlers knock down pins and win
hearts.

Grand Knight's Message

"In all things give thanks."
1 Thessalonians 5:18

Worthy Brothers,

As I am sure you have noticed this issue of the *Knighly News* is incredibly late. Unfortunately I landed up in the hospital for two periods totaling 16 days and am still in the process of recovering.

How do I feel? Thankful.

I have been awed, humbled, and overwhelmed by the outpouring of support and prayers you have provided me. According to the MDs I was on the verge of death twice and I like to think it was your prayers that allowed me to recover without long term consequences. In that case what is there to say but "thanks."

All my fellow brothers should be thankful for the way the officers have stepped up into the breach and assured a smooth continuation of our activities. It is said that a GK is only as good as his officers – thanks for making me look good. .

"I am the Light of the world. He who follows me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the Light of life." John 8:12

When we are followers of Jesus darkness should not characterize our lives. Oh, it will come to try to darken the doorway of our hearts but we can choose our response.

When you sense the shadow of darkness at the door of your heart by discouragement or dissatisfaction (two of the biggest things that try to rob us of the Light of Jesus within us) stop and send thanksgiving to the door.

Jesus says that when we follow Him we will not walk in darkness.

Where are the shadows lurking that want to darken the door of your heart and mind and draw you away from the Light? Send Jesus to the door and rise up with thanksgiving in your heart. It's a discipline. It's a sacrifice. It's a weapon. Use it today!



Vivat Jesus!

David W. Tschanz
Grand Knight, Council 15821

Spiritual Reflection Let Us Give Thanks

As Thanksgiving approaches it is an appropriate time for us to take a few moments and thank God for those around us and with what we have been blessed through His goodness and grace.



This Thanksgiving let those of us who have much and those who have little gather at the welcoming table of the Lord. At this blessed feast, may rich and poor alike remember that we are called to serve on another and to walk together in God's gracious world. With thankful hearts we praise our God who like a loving parent denies us no good thing.

O God, we thank you for this earth, our home; for the wide sky and the blessed sun, for the salt sea and the running water, for the everlasting hills And the never-resting winds, For trees and the common grass underfoot. We thank you for our senses by which we hear the songs of birds, and see the splendor of the summer fields, and taste of the autumn fruits, and rejoice in the feel of the snow, and smell the breath of the spring. Grant us a heart wide open to all this beauty; and save our souls from being so blind that we pass unseeing when even the common thornbush is aflame with your glory, O God our creator, Who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

Prayer Requests

Please add these persons to your daily prayer list

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|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| +Albin, Melissa | Allocca Family | Arpino, Frank | Balaze, Mrs. Ron |
| Barette, Rozetta | Bassler, Ray | The Bauers | Belsley, Roger |
| Broyard, Michele | Bull, Judie | Bump, Marvin | Burfeind Jr., George |
| Campbell, Andrea | Carboneau, John | Caron, Paul SK | Cavanaugh, Julie |
| Cicchitto, Jane | Coakley, Mike | Cruz, Anita | Dackal, Ed |
| +Del Vecchio, Carlo | Dietsel, Myrtle | Farell, Larry | Flores, Tony |
| Foley, Walter | Folsom, Darsie | Fontaine, Andre | Gasteen, Bill |
| Goldstein, Karen | Grant, George | Gregorchik, Roberta | Gula, Carol |
| Hayes, Annie | Hetlinger Family | Iovine, Br. Tony | Jankowski, Dominic |
| Kella, Bill Br. Knight | Kella, Mary | Laurtent, Jim | LaRoche, Philip |
| Lissner, Eileen | Lubrano, Mike | McDermitt, Rose | McMullen, Kathi |
| McWha, Bill & Millie | Meehan, Lee | Menna, Antoinette | Miller, Suzanne |
| Moore, Dick | Murphy, Paul | Nelson, Jim | Nichols, Eddie |
| Nieskes, Sandy | O'Callaghan, Dennis | Pagano, Sam | Pegg, Tom |
| Petersen, Mathew | Petersen, Vincent | Preville, Claire | Rossi, Joe |
| Russo, Diane | Ryan, Pat | Riehle, Albert | Schmidt, Jodi |
| +Skerencak, Josephine | Silva, Br Ron | Savranskian, Pat | Spagnola, Joe & Marie |
| Tschanz, David | Veno, Larry | Walling, Karen | Wayman, Theresa |
| West, Isabelle | Wielgos, Sara | Strzelecki. Patrica | + Ewing, Ted |

Pre-Meeting Rosary



Brothers are invited to attend a corporate rosary beginning at 6:30 PM. Prayer is a "we" thing. "**O**ur Father, who art in heaven...give **us** this day our daily bread," etc. Jesus prayed that we may be one, and one of the ways we can "practice" this and actually DO this is to pray together. This is an opportunity for you to avail yourselves of that experience.

Knight of the Month & Family of the Month Honorees

The Knight and Family of the Month are honors awarded for efforts above and beyond the average call of duty. We like to recognize our Brothers, their wives, and families for what they do for all of us in making our council and parish community healthy and strong. These awards are given once a month usually at our Business Meetings. Please don't hesitate to say thanks to these worthy recipients for all their efforts.

If you see a Knight going the extra mile or someone whose efforts are worthy of note you are encouraged to nominate them. No one person knows everything that is going on.

Knight of the Month – October 2015

Ron Balaze



Being named Knight of the Month does not require anything more than ordinary effort, in ordinary ways in both religious and fraternal activities that serve as an example of the sort of a person a Knight of Columbus should be. Every time you turn around you find Sir Knight Ron Balaze acting in exactly that manner. Without Sir Knight Ron I think it safe to say that our manifold activities and programs would be the lesser. Sir Knight Ron is the perfect example of a knight. That is why it is a great privilege to have him receive the recognition of “Knight of the Month.”

Family of the Month – October 2015

Leo & GiGi Morrell



Brother Leo and his wife Gigi are stalwart supporters of the council and the parish. Whether it is organizing impromptu pancake making demonstrations, clean up duty or simply standing by to pitch in as needed, the Morrells are ready. In addition to her valuable support of the Council, Gigi also oversees the lectors and is tasked with scheduling and assuring quality of the lectors. Couples like this through their effort and sense of willingness to help are the ideal Family of the Month.

Volunteer Opportunities

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: - 1 Peter 4:10

<p align="center">Coffee & Doughnuts November 15, 2015 All Masses - Clean up and set up Contact Tom McDermitt</p>	<p align="center">Pancake Breakfast November 8, 2015 All Masses – Various Duties Contact Larry Kocen or Jim Meyer</p>
<p align="center">Keep Christ In Christmas Campaign Volunteers are needed for the sale of Keep Christ in Christmas items during Advent. Contact Bruce Crisman</p>	


In Memoriam


Brother Edward “Ted” Ewing
June 3, 1932 - October 16, 2015

Brother Ted was born June 3, 1932 in Detroit, Michigan. He graduated in 1950 from the University of Detroit Jesuit High School, graduated 1954 from the University of Notre Dame and in 1960 from Wayne State University with an MBA. Ted Married Geraldine Devine in 1957. He was a U.S. Army veteran.



Ted built and operated Radio Station WENG, Englewood, Florida and built and operated the Cable TV system in Englewood, Florida. He was a member of the Florida House of Representatives for 6 years, Chairman and member of the Sarasota Memorial Hospital Board, served as Chairman of the Sarasota County Charter Committee, Chairman and board member of Goodwill Industries and Senior Friendship Center, Board member of Venice Hospital for 12 years and member of the Knights of Columbus and Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Ted is survived by his daughter Carey Louise Ewing, sons Edward J. Ewing, Jr. and Patrick Ewing. He is predeceased by his parents Edward J. and Louise C. Ewing, wife Geraldine (Devine) Ewing, daughter Sharon Ewing Walker and son Keith Ewing. A visitation was held Thursday, October 22, 2015 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM at Toale Brothers Funeral Homes Ewing Chapel. A Mass of Christian Burial was said Friday, October 23, 2015 1:00 PM at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Osprey, Florida..



**Corporate
 Communion**
November 29, 2015
9 AM Mass
Breakfast following.
Contact Bob Kelley for details

State Deputy Visit

On November 9th a First Degree Exemplification will be held at St Patrick’s Council 13307; 7900 Bee Ridge Road; Sarasota, FL 34241.

The Council and Districts will be hosting State Deputy Don Goolesby.

We would like to have as many candidates as possible, and a good turnout by the members and officers to show the State Deputy the commitment of our area to the Knights.

Candidates need to arrive by 6:15pm, the degree will start promptly at 7pm. Coat and tie is the dress code.

PLEASE LET DAVID TSCHANZ (DWT1121@GMAIL.COM) KNOW IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND – He needs to send in the number of candidates and members who will be attending no later than THURSDAY 5th.

Lecturer’s Letter



At our next meeting on Thursday November 5th, Fred Madigan will be presenter for our very popular speaker’s program. For those of you who have unlucky enough to miss they always include short, interesting talk by one of our members about their personal or professional experience.

For example. at our inaugural meeting in July we heard the experiences of a WWII veteran and his observations of the Dachau concentration camp in 1945. It was a vivid description of inhumane wartime activity and the decadence the Nazi leadership had started from, and finished in. In September Lee Konzelman, discussed the workings of the pharmaceutical industry. Stephen Marrone spoke on philanthropic efforts he worked on for those on the margins of society and Gary Chmielewski..

Fred Madigan with his unique flair and delivery style, promises us a an insightful look into the Xerox Corporation and his decades long career in the industry giant..

Most importantly, we are asking any member to volunteer to speak about his success and experience in his life and business. Call Chuck Palmeri (941-504-8428) if you would like to speak at one of our meetings. But – in any event – come to our meetings on the first Thursday of every month to hear what your Brother Knights have to share with you. We have some outstanding talent in our membership and all of the stories are unforgettable.

- Chuck Palmeri, Lecturer

Happy Birthday!

Ronald Balaze
(November 6)

Edward Stofko
(November 6)

George Smith
(November 6)



Darwin Reeck
(November 8)

Frank O’Donnell
(November 14)

David Tschanz
(November 21)

District Deputy's Report



CONGRATULATIONS to the 11 Brother Knights in District #52 who completed their road to Knighthood at the Third Degree Exemplification on October 17th. Thanks to the Conferring Officer Bob Marrah and his Lenny Anzalone Knighthood Team and Our Lady of Victory Council #3358 for delivering an outstanding Exemplification.

CONGRATULATIONS to all the District Councils that conducted an “Annual Baby Bottle Campaign” during Respect Life Month in October to help support the operation and maintenance of the ultrasound machine at the Sarasota Medical Pregnancy Center. Three years ago, area KofC Councils helped purchase the ultrasound machine. Executive Director Jennifer Carey greatly appreciates all the financial support that the local KofC Councils provide the pregnancy center.

CONGRATULATIONS to all District #52 Councils. In the first four months of the fraternal year, District #52 has achieved 63% of its membership goal and 38% of its insurance. Keep up the great work Councils!

The Veterans Day Mass will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 11th at the Sarasota National Cemetery on Clark Road – five miles east of I-75. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Frank Dewane to honor the men and women who have served our country and are serving us today. Let’s have a great turnout of Brother Knights from District #52!

Just a reminder that a First Degree Exemplification will be held on November 9th at St. Patrick Council #13307 in Sarasota. It will begin at 7:00 p.m. State Deputy Donnie Goolesby will be attending the Exemplification. Let’s have a great turnout of Council Officers and Members.

My wife, Cindi, and I wish you and your family a Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving.

Vivat Jesus,
Charlie Culkin
 District Deputy #52

First Year Knight? Earn the Shining Armor Award

Awarded for service to the Order with distinction during the first year of membership, the “Shining Armor Award” is given to those men who exemplify what a true Knight of Columbus is.

To qualify for the “Shining Armor Award” new Knights must do the following during their first year of membership:



- Be involved in at least three council service programs
- Attend at least three council business meetings
- Receive their Second and Third degrees
- Meet with their council’s insurance representative
- Recruit at least one new member

To help members keep track of their progress toward attaining the award, special qualification cards are available from the Grand Knight. As an achievement is accomplished, the Grand Knight will sign off on it. Currently recipients receive Certificates of Recognition along with special "Shining Armor" Lapel Pins in recognition of their achievement.

**Please Note: There will be NO pre-meeting dinner on
 November 5th**



Council 15821 Calendar of Events November 2015



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 <i>Coffee & Donuts</i> <i>All Masses</i>	2	3	4 <i>Officers Meeting</i> 6:30 PM	5 <i>Monthly Meeting</i> 7 PM	6	7
8 <i>Pancake Breakfast</i> <i>All Masses</i>	9 1 st Degree State Deputy Visit Council 13307	10	11	12	13	14
15 <i>Coffee & Donuts</i> <i>All Masses</i>	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 <i>Officers Meeting</i> 6:30 PM	<u>December</u> <i>Monthly Meeting</i> 7 PM				



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