



The Knight Watch

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Regular meetings, 7-8:30pm: Business - 2nd Tuesday, Social - 4th Tuesday
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Grand Knight's Knotes Ken Klispie



Br. Phil Gallett together with Br. Dave Schneider have done an outstanding job organizing the Tootsie Roll Drive for people Intellectual Disabilities. We had four Knights, Br. Brian Flees, Br. Ken Flees, Br. Chris Mancinelli & Br. Michael Soucek take their 2nd and 3rd Degrees. Br. Soucek and Br. Martinez set a new record for FundCrazr tickets, selling 104 tickets! The September Pancake Breakfast proceeds allowed us to purchase a second box of Coats for Kids, and we raised over \$100 for flood relief for Shreveport, LA the same day. At the request of Fr. Henri, Knight's jumped in on the last weekend of the month to distribute yard signs to oppose proposition 106 (Physician Assisted Suicide). Wow! You guys are amazing!

October shows no signs of slowing down either. Fr. Henri has asked Knights to be part of the Our Lady of Fatima Statue Installation on Thursday October 13th at 6PM, and again to be part of the opening of the Holy Door on October 23rd at the 11:30AM mass which will be presided over by the Archbishop. October has a fifth Sunday, so our council will lead a 5th Sunday Rosary. We also have the honor of leading the Rosary before all masses on October 22nd and 23rd. The Sundancer Committee has asked the Knights for their help as well. We have responded by providing a St. Joseph's basket for the Silent Auction, donating proceeds from our October Pancake breakfast nights will before and during the event. October



Universal: Journalists

That journalists, in carrying out their work, may always be motivated by respect for truth and a strong sense of ethics

Evanglization: World Mission Day

That World Mission Day may renew within all Christian communities the joy of the Gospel and the responsibility

to announce it

Council 9597 Family Picnic

By Rich Phillips

Our Lady of Fatima's Knights of Columbus Council 9597 met for its annual Family Picnic on Friday, September 23rd. The event was held in the parish hall. There were about 75 people who attended, including many children. We were also blessed to have Father Henri, Father Frank, and Deacons Joe, Rich, and Mike. Everyone enjoyed the burgers, dogs and brats, and there were many great side dishes provided by the attendees. The cake and ice cream were a big hit, with the kids serving it to their parents and guests. Thanks to all the Knights who worked so hard to make this enjoyable event happen. We are already looking forward to next year's gathering!

October is Knights of Columbus Recruitment month. Recruit a Knight, Change a life!!

Knight's Knots, cont'd

(Sunday October 16th) and the Knights will assist before and during the event. October is clearly a demonstration of our State Deputy's message of "Building the Domestic Church – While Strengthening Our Parish". On top of all these great works, our Worthy Chancellor Br. Culuris is running a membership drive to grow our Council on October 15 and 16.

And yes, November is going to be just as active. Lastly, I hope to see more Brothers (and their spouses and families) at our Social Meetings on the 4th Tuesday of the month. We start at 6:15PM with a Rosary in the Parish Hall followed by a simple meal and plenty of fellowship. These meetings help build Unity and Fraternity among us.

K of C Council Membership Drive

Dale Culuris

We have obtained permission from Fr. Henri to conduct a Membership Drive at Our Lady of Fatima over the weekend masses of October 15 and 16, 2016. This event is critical to the welfare of our council and members and your participation is very important. How critical? The recent successes in promoting the Culture of Life program with the initial Beer Pairing Dinner was brought about my NEW members interjecting NEW ideas on how to promote Pro Life through the use of Ultra Sound machines. The Council will evolve only by the interjection of new members and new ideas. The Membership Drive is designed to open the window of Council events to non-members with the intent of bringing them into a council that embraces new ideas that support the Knights of Columbus programs of charity to the needy, and promotion of Catholic values that seek to protect the unborn through awareness that life truly begins at conception. We need Knights to be present to man the promotion table outside of the church and to bring their experiences to the interested candidates by sharing their heartfelt experiences of charity. Charity is the

basis for the Mercy that our beloved Pope Francis has designated for the year! Come and support your Knights of Columbus Council membership drive! YOU are important as YOUR voice will open the hearts and minds of good men seeking a way to show Mercy to all in need!

Charity Is a Warm Coat

Dale Culuris



The "Coats for Kids" Supreme Council program provides local Councils with the opportunity to help young boys and girls receive a new warm winter coat. Our Council is now in possession of two cases – one for boys and one for girls. Special thanks to Brother Norbert Boeckman for contributing \$250 to cover the cost of the boy's coats! These cases of coats will be combined with the coats that Council 3977 has bought and this combined event will be for distribution of "Coats for Kids" to needy boys and girls going to school at St. Bernadette's. A distribution date is yet to be determined, but once that date is known an email alert will be sent to Council 9597 Knights seeking to volunteer to help distribute the coats to the kids. Teachers control this distribution process and the distribution task for Knights is to locate a coat for either a boy or girl in the size the child needs and then present the child with the coat. Oh yes, and the Knight gets to see the joy and glee in the child's eyes as they feel the warm coat that will protect them on snowy, windy, chilly days. How much time is involved? Only 1 hr., and that will be one of the best hour of this fall!

Memorial Mass

Dn. Mike Daly

Knights of Columbus memorial mass; Council 9597 will be celebrating a special, annual mass to remember past knights who are deceased.

The mass will be held at Our Lady Of Fatima Parish, at 10 AM, on Saturday, November 12. All members and their families are invited. A special invitation is being sent out to all surviving widows of our fallen brothers. During the mass, each fallen brother will be remembered by name as a rose is placed on an empty seat, to show our hope in their eternal rest and their continued communion with us, the council, and the parish. A reception to follow the mass is being planned.

In Christ, Dn. Mike



By Tom Martinez

Your Fatima K of C council kicked off another series of the popular Pancake Breakfast for the Parish. On September 18th we held the first of our ten breakfasts and all proceeds will support the K of C 'coats for kids' program. This program provides new warm coats for boys and girls in the community. Your next opportunity to join us for a great breakfast and support the Parish will be Oct. 16th. All proceeds from that breakfast will be given to the Sundancer committee. Thanks for joining us!

Youth Group Programs

One of the ways your Fatima K of C council supports the Parish is to help the youth groups at Fatima. This includes looking for opportunities to support the Fatima Scouting groups. Aaron Balke, a Scout for many years, is currently pursuing the esteemed honor of Eagle Scout. Recently Aaron approached the Knights with an opportunity. Aaron and his family are closely tied to OLOF; they are also very connected to the Holy Protection Byzantine Catholic Church. Aaron has identified a need for some much needed repairs at that church. His Eagle Scout project is to plan, organize, fund raise, and execute the work needed to rebuild a retaining wall and provide a new marquis sign identifying the church. Aaron estimates the cost will be around \$900. It's a large task, but we are confident Aaron will be up to the challenge. Our council is happy to be able to support him. If you would like to help this young man with his Eagle Scout project, please contact Aaron Balke or the K of C council at Fatima.

Fourth Degree Notes

My Brother Knights. It is an honor as Past Faithful Navigator of our Assembly to address you. I know that we have a large number of 1st and 2nd Degree Knights that for any number of reasons have been putting off doing the 3rd Degree. I implore you to get with the program and get it done. As soon as you are a 3rd Degree Knight you are eligible to become a 4th Degree Sir Knight and join with your Brothers in the serious business of Patriotism that we are involved with. Also, we need your bodies and minds so we can grow the Assembly. Please give these thoughts serious consideration. Vivat Jesus!!! John Collier, Past Faithful Navigator

Knights to Lead Rosaries

October is Respect Life month, and as we have for the past few years, OLF will have rosaries recited before all Masses during the month. The Knights have been asked to lead the rosaries before all Masses on the weekend of Oct. 22 and 23. One knight can do it, but 2 knights per Mass are better. We passed around a sign-up sheet at our last business meeting, and will make that available again at the October business meeting. Otherwise, any knight can contact PGK Michael Majeres at 303.550.6632 or mmajeres@gmail.com to volunteer. The 11:30 Mass on the 23rd will be a dedication of the pilgrimage door with



Archbishop Aquila. The Knights of Columbus have a special devotion to the rosary; so let's show our parish that, "If you want a rosary said right, have it lead by a Knight!"

New Statue to be Installed at OLF

As part of our parish's celebration of the Fatima Centennial, we will be having a special Mass at 6 pm on October 13th. The Archbishop will be celebrating Mass with our pastor, and the Knights of Columbus will be installing a new statue of Our Lady of Fatima in the alcove where the statue of our Blessed Mother now resides, to the left of the altar. Knights in regalia are especially needed, but all knights should make an effort to participate in this very special event. Grand Knight Ken Klispie, will be looking for volunteers to help with the movement and

placement of the new statue. 1st, 2nd and 3rd degree Knights should wear council vests if they have them, and 4th degree knights should be in social regalia if not assisting with the Honor Guard. Honor Guard participants should notify CCC Keith Mobley as soon as possible about their availability.

I'm the new guy! (Newsletter Editor)



Our Worthy Grand Knight Ken Klispie asked me if I would accept the position of Council 9597 Newsletter Editor, and of course I accepted! All I ask is your patience as I strive to reach the high bar that Br. Marcus set as editor before he became our new Financial Secretary. This is my first pass at it! Let me how I did. (Couldn't have done it without Br. Marcus' help!)