



The Knight Watch

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Regular meetings, 7-8:30pm: Business - 2nd Tuesday

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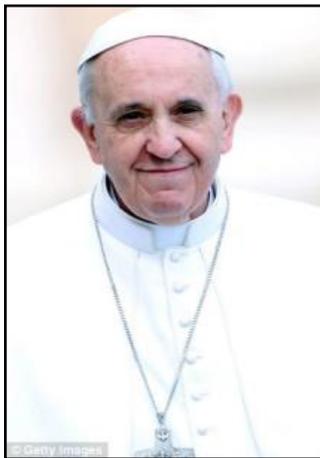
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Holy Father's Intention For April:

Universal: For Those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters

That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

Member Birthdays

Lou Schornack 4/14

Harry Cigliano 4/20

Benjamin LaCrue 4/20

Michael Lynch 4/22

Alfred Upshaw 4/22

Tom Martinez 4/30

Member Wedding Anniversaries

Richard and Linda Phillips 4/3/71

Member Years of Service

John Bertheaud Jr 33

Jacob Skokan 30

Rudy Martinez 9

Dwain Spreier 9

Inside Look from our Financial Secretary

by Marcus Ritosa

This month's installment of "Inside Look" features Requesting Supplies. This is just one part of a recurring article series that seeks to expose everyone in the council to the work of a Financial Secretary. Please feel free to contact me at marcus.ritosa@gmail.com if you have any clarifying questions.

The Financial Secretary has the responsibility to order any and all official materials from the Supreme Council. This typically consists of printed materials like Form 100s, New Member Kits, and Event kits. However, it also could include educational booklets, liturgical items, and coats for Coats for Kids.

While ordering such supplies used to be done by mail or by phone, it is now done completely through an online system. Another recent improvement is that all charges can be added to the Council's "account" to be billed alongside the normal monthly billing cycle from the Supreme Council. These innovations have simplified accounting and paperwork, making ordering supplies one of the easiest parts of the job.

MARCH & APRIL PANCAKE BREAKFASTS

by John Pickard

The April Knights of Columbus Pancake breakfast will be served with Pierogies, Kielbasa and Sauerkraut in honor of St. Faustina, St John Paul the Great and St Maximilian Kolbe. It will be on April 15th after the Sunday 7:00 and 9:00 am Masses. We were able to raise \$408.00 for the order's Christian Refugee Relief Fund at the Pancake Breakfast on March 25th. As a reminder the Knights of Columbus Pancake breakfasts are donation only and helps us to financially support various activities and programs throughout the year. The net proceeds from April's breakfast will be donated to Our Lady of Fatima's Habitat for Humanity effort. Come join us for some pancakes and help build a home.

2018 KofC COUNCIL #9597 ESSAY CONTEST FINAL RESULTS

by Norbert Boeckman, Youth Director

The Knights of Columbus are proud to announce the winners of their 2018 Essay Contest:

1st Place Winner – Anika Obrecht

2nd Place Winner – Megan Sullivan

3rd Place Winner – Avery Kroeger

The essay theme was “Going to the Peripheries” and 15 students from OLF 8th grade Literature Class, taught by Ms. Laura Riviello, participated in the contest. The 1st Place Winner received a \$50 prize, the 2nd Place Winner received a \$35 prize and the 3rd Place Winner received a \$25 prize. The remaining 12 students each received a \$10 prize. All participants also received a special certificate from the Knights.

Anika Obrecht’s essay will be included as an insert in an upcoming OLF Church bulletin. Please be looking for it and then take a few minutes to read it to see why the Knights were extremely proud to award her the 1st Place prize. The Knights would like to thank all the students for the time and effort they put in to write their essays and for the assistance they received from Ms. Laura Riviello, and the remainder of the staff at OLF School.

15TH PLACE CLEAN-UP

by Norbert Boeckman

On Saturday March 24 several of my Brother Knights and me met at Miller Street and 15th Place to clean the ditches. When I did the inspection of the street about a week earlier, it looked a lot worse than what we found that Saturday morning. I think Mother Nature helped us out with some high west winds that must have blown a lot of the trash across Kipling Ave. That helped make short work on this project and, we were done in less than 1 hour. Thanks you all my Brothers for coming out and helping. We collected just 2 bags of trash.

Saying “Goodbye” is never easy...

by Membership Director Dale Culuris

We have lost three Brother Knights on Christmas Eve, 2017. Our Brothers lost were Pete Zuniga, Mike Delridge, and Joe Ortega. On March 13, 2018 we lost Brother Pat McGee. All these fine men lived a life of honor and were cherished by their families, friends and colleagues. Their deaths were untimely and shockingly too soon. Knowing these men over the many years of their support of the Knights of Columbus, Council 9597, it is difficult to express in words their loss, so I will address what they did in their lives to make a good home, be a good husband, father and a cheerful “friend” to all that came into contact with them. They lived their faith by the families they molded with love for their spouses, and life-long caring for children and grandchildren.

As Knights they supported our Council in different ways and to different degrees. All of them were highly respected Catholic Gentlemen. All of them were generous with their gifts of time and treasure. In recent years Mike, Joe and Pat were attending to their families and less active with the Council. Still they maintained their membership and supported our Council in their own way.

Brother Pete Zuniga and I were “pancake cooks” at the Council Pancake Breakfast. I enjoyed his company and his attention to keeping the grills spotless. He always carried a small plastic scrapper that he used to clean out the grill troughs and edges. He would politely chide me by holding up his ever-present scrapper and, with a grin; remark that “this is what you need to do the job right”!

Pete volunteered to take over as Grand Knight at the end of my three-year tenure as Grand Knight.

Thus each of us will have memories of our departed Brothers. We should rejoice that we walked with them and have our own memories of them as they served our Council, Parish and friends. We should remember that they were Brothers and that we need to honor them by searching our new Brothers to fill their very impressive shoes! So, find the next generation of Brothers like Pete, Mike, Joe and Pat and bring them into our Council with the thought that someday you will be recalled as the Knight that showed me the great works done by Council 9597, Our Lady of Fatima!

Grand Knight's Knots

by Ken Klispie, Grand Knight

Brother Knights, He is Risen! Easter is the season of new beginnings, a time of joy and celebration. Each new beginning usually means leaving something behind to grasp what is ahead. We are completing another Fraternal year which is a time for new leadership. Our Council needs new members and new leaders to thrive. Please consider lending your knowledge, enthusiasm and vision to Council 9597. Help the Knights of Columbus at Our Lady of Fatima to see what is needed, what has been missed and light the way forward.

COLORADO KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE CONVENTION

Brother Knights, please consider coming to the business session on Saturday Morning, there is no cost attend.

- Check-in: Thursday, April 26, 2018
- Check-out: Sunday, April 29, 2018
- Special rate available until: Friday, April 7th, 2018

Hyatt Regency Denver Tech Center

General Room Rate: \$125.00 USD per night plus tax (if you'd like to stay overnight)

2017 Colorado State Convention Website: [2018 State Convention Website](#)

Grand Knight's Report April 2018

by Ken Klispie

Upcoming Events

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Pancake Breakfast, Sunday April 15th

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State Convention, April 26th – April 29th

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Mother's/Father's Day Pancake Breakfast, Sunday May 20th

Communications

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TY note from Seminarian Trevor Lontine

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Solicitation from Samaritan House

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American Family Insurance – New Exclusions

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American Family Insurance – Colorado Law Modification for Spouse to Civil Union

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- TY note from Saints Peter and Paul Catholic School
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- Solicitation for Pennies from Heaven
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- Newsletter from Redemptoris Mater
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- Newsletter from Vince DiTirro
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- Newsletter Laboure Society
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- Newsletter Servants of Christ Jesus

Upcoming Exemplifications

Major Degrees

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- Stand-alone 2nd Degree, May 3, Thursday at St. John the Baptist in Johnstown, CO
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- Stand-alone 2nd Degree, May 16, Wednesday at St. Francis Cabrini in Littleton, CO
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- Stand-alone 3rd Degree, May 17, Thursday at St. John the Baptist in Johnstown, CO
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- Stand-alone 3rd Degree, May 30, Wednesday at St. Francis Cabrini in Littleton, CO
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- Stand-alone 2nd Degree, June 14, Thursday at Pax Christi in Highlands Ranch, CO

Upcoming Exemplifications -4th Degree

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- Saturday, April 14th
, Our Lady of Loreto Catholic Church, Foxfield CO
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- Sunday, May 20th, St. Patrick Catholic Church, Colorado Spring, CO
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- Wednesday, May 23rd Light of the World, Littleton, CO

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

I am pleased to name Sir Knight George Johnson the April Knight of the Month for a variety of efforts to move our council forward. Sir Johnson has been an anchor for the Lenten Soup Suppers and Pancake Breakfast work force. Sir George has faithfully attended business and social meetings, has marched with the 4th degree in Fatima activities and is always present at Council events. For these reasons, and the many ways he lives out our order's principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism I am convinced that Sir Knight George Johnson of Council 9597 and Assembly 2551 is a worthy recipient of this honor.

Submitted by
Ken Klispie, Grand Knight
Our Lady of Fatima Council 9597

Lenten Devotions Soup Suppers - 2/16 - 3/23/18

by Sir Knight Michael Majeres

He is risen! Now that we are in the Easter season, it's good to review the conclusion of another year of hosting the simple soup suppers after Friday evening Mass and Stations. Each Friday featured a selection of tasty (and meatless) soups. Members of our council collected and made soups, served the soups, made sure that tables were cleaned and stocked with butter and crackers, then cleaned the parish hall.

Lots of knights helped out over the course of the Lenten season, but I want to express my special thanks to the Grand Knight, who made many of the soups, and the small group of Knights, including Carlin Daves, John Pickard, George Johnson, and Karl Thomas (and probably a few more I've forgotten!) who served every week. After making a \$250 donation to the Religious Education department at Fatima, we cleared approximately \$900 in donations. This is short of what we had in our budget. Next year we need to try to get more brothers to assist, especially with the donation of soups. Watch this space for details on how we will be working that next year.

K of C COUNCIL 9597 CORPORATE COMMUNION MASS

by Karl Thomas, Newsletter Editor

Sunday April 8th at the 9:00 am Mass, Devine Mercy Sunday, the Knights of Columbus Council 9597 at Our Lady of Fatima Church celebrated their annual Corporate Communion Mass. The vested Knights numbered in excess of twenty council members! Thank you to all who attended, vested up or not, to show our Unity in a very visible manner!









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Cheddar
Soup

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