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Grand Knight's Message *By Ron Suriano*

The month of May ended with a flurry of activity that included an election of Officers for the coming Fraternal Year and a trip to our Florida State Convention in Orlando attended by our Past Grand Knight Sam Paglione and myself. I wish to thank all of the past year's Officers for their hard work and welcome our new slate of Officers. As you know, our Council has a lot of work ahead for the coming year and we need to get started.

Each of you recently received an envelope in the mail from Brother Jim Zofrea containing 1500 Club tickets. This is an excellent fund raising effort and needs your support. Please purchase and/or sell your tickets and get the money to Brother Zofrea no later than Monday, July 5, 2010, in time for the first drawing on July 8th. I want to remind each of you that we have a Spring Fling Dinner Dance scheduled for the evening of June 6 at the Moose Lodge. Tickets for this dinner/dance are \$22.00/person. There is a choice of Prime Rib or Salmon plus a pay-as-you-go bar. Our Council recently approved the design and purchase of license plates with a Knights of Columbus emblem on the plate suitable for attachment to the front bumper of your automobile. Brother Nick DiGiacomo designed the plate and we purchased plates to be sold to our members. The plates sell for \$12.00 each and we hope that you will be proud to purchase them and advertise your support for the Knights of Columbus.

I am continuing to work with our District Deputy Mike Fisk to assist him in any way to speed up scheduling of additional degree exemplifications. We continue to have too many Brother Knights eligible and waiting for their Second and Third Degrees. Every effort is being made to see that they are able to advance as soon as possible.

At the Council Meeting on May 27th, I had the honor of presenting an award to our selectee for Altar Server of the Year to Kristina Kohuth. Kristina is the daughter of our Insurance Agent Jeff Kohuth and was selected by Brother Steve Dove. She is not only an outstanding Altar Server, but she is an Altar Server Trainer, a member of our Church Stewardship Committee and active in the Diocesan Youth Council.

Please continue to be active in Council activities and support your incoming Officers of the Council.

God Bless,

Ron Suriano, GK

Lady of Fatima Assembly #3090

By Faithful Navigator Thomas Mollica

Brother Sir Knights,
Back in September 2007, when we started getting the Assembly organized, the men came forward and joined. It was my honor to get the Assembly started. I'd like to thank all of my brother Sir Knights for making it possible. From 42 Charter members we have grown to over 56 members. On June 12th we have 14 candidates taking their Fourth Degree Exemplification. Being the Faithful Navigator has taught me many wonderful things. It has taught me that we are all brothers, and sometimes we disagree. But that's ok, we worked through it and we

accomplished a lot. Feeding the homeless veterans started out as a simple project and grew into winning the Patriot Award for the Florida District and De Soto Province. Flag Day is June 14th and we will be having a ceremony to dispose of any United States old flags. It will take place at the Church at 1:00 PM. If a flag is ripped, tattered or discolored, it should be properly disposed of. Please bring your old flags to the next meeting. Let us all keep our troops in our prayers for their safe return home.

GOD BLESS,

S.K. Tommy Mollica Faithful Navigator

Sir Knights, please mark your Calendar for the upcoming events in June.

June 3rd Fourth Degree Meeting and Election 7:00 PM at Church

June 14th Flag Day 1:00 PM at Church



Sir Knights and their wives of Our lady Fatima Assembly enjoy some food and fellowship after the 8AM Mass celebrating Our Lady of Fatima.



Columbiettes

By Ann Guinta

On May 23rd, the Columbiettes and their Knights enjoyed the Annual Wine and Cheese Event. As can be seen from the photos below, there were many varieties of cheeses, canapés and fresh fruits, enjoyed with coffee and several different wines. This was followed by a wide assortment of mouth watering desserts. There was both a Chinese Auction and a Pot of Gold for entertainment.

The next event, a Brunch, will occur on June 13th at Pietros Restaurant (formerly the Fairways Restaurant) in Jensen Beach. Tickets will be \$22 per person and can be bought from any Columbiette Officer.

Our Board of Officers and I would like to wish a most Happy Birthday to any Columbiettes celebrating their birthday during June!

May GOD BLESS YOU ALL.





Pro-life Couple

By Ed and Ann Breitfelder

Dear Brothers In Christ;

RESPECT LIFE JUNE

We always feel sorry for the many unborn babies that have been aborted. Our hearts are sad because to take a life is against God’s commandments. What about our feelings toward the mother or father? Do we, if possible, reach out to them with love and understanding? As Christians, we know that we are not to judge others, judgment is for God alone. Many women make their decisions based on misinformation given to them by abortions centers, pressure from their parents, boyfriends or even so called friends. Whatever their reason it is a decision that they must live with the rest of their lives. Many of them, because of their actions, feel



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH for June~ Joe Risi *Contributed by his wife Phil*

My husband Joe was born in New York City on October 10th 1935, and was raised in the Bronx. He attended Cardinal Hayes High School, and later earned a B.S. degree in Mathematics from Fordham University in 1956. He earned an MBA from FIT in 1988 and retired from Pratt & Whitney Aircraft after 36 years. Since our marriage in November, 1957, Joe has demonstrated

isolated and alone, they feel regret and self-recrimination. Some women on their own seek professional help and in time are able to get beyond their grief and find a measure of peace after their abortion.

The Catholic Church wants to reach out to these women to help them heal their emotional and Spiritual wounds. The Catholic Church does this through “Project Rachel.” By their efforts they have led thousands of women, and also men, from despair to hope and peace. So when we pray for equality of life for all, let us also pray for those who also need our prayers, the victims of abortion. May God hear their pleas and give them His forgiveness, the first step to healing.

May God continue to bless you!
Deacon Ed and Ann

a deep love for the Church and has always participated in every parish we attended. He taught religion, was elected to the St Ignatius Parish Council for nine years, six of them as president, chaired the Cathedral building committee, was a choir member, and a lector.

We moved to St. Lucie West in 1998 and he became a member of the St. Lucie Church Finance Council. At St. Bernadette, he continued his ministry service as Chair of the lectors and the finance council and co-chair of the new church building capital campaign. He joined the Knights of Columbus in Connecticut in 1958 and will take his fourth degree in June. He has been a member of Council No.13042 since its beginning. We were blessed with 6 beautiful children. Our faith sustained us through the loss of our first son and first daughter in 2004 and 2009.



Our Knights of Columbus License Plates

In a recent Council meeting, the idea was raised about having Knights of Columbus vanity license plates produced and made available to members of our Council and Assembly. The plates are made of aluminum and overprinted as shown above. The plates have 2 mounting holes near the top for easy mounting. There are also 2 mounting holes at the bottom of the plate. If it is desired to also use the lower holes on the plate, there is a simple pop-out to make these holes apparent. Some modern vehicles may not appear to have mounting holes on the front bumpers but since these cars are sold in all states and many states require front license plates, there are almost always 2 lightly marked spots on the front bumper that are also pop- outs. The plates are available for \$12 and can be obtained from Brother Knight Nic DiGiacomo, who is in charge of these project. Don't delay since a modest number of plates were produced. This is a new Council fund raising project.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH for May~ Steven Talerico Contributed by his wife Cindy

Steven was born in New York City, New York but grew up in New Jersey and Florida. Steven graduated from Chaminade Catholic High School in Hollywood, Florida and then pursued an accounting degree from University of Florida. Steve moved back to the Northeast following graduation to pursue his dream of working at Merrill Lynch in New York City. Steven went on to pursue a MBA from Rider University in New Jersey. Steven had been involved with management consulting practices at Ernst & Young and KPMG before joining the family

business in 2001. He has been married to his wife Cindy for sixteen years and has a lovely daughter named Ava.

Steve recently joined the Knights in 2009, to become more involved in St. Bernadette's Parish and the community at large. Steve has been a member of St. Bernadette since its days in the movie theatre. Steven eagerly became an active member of the Knights by taking photos at events and recently taking on the responsibility as Web Master of the Council's website. He looks forward to obtaining his 4th degree this June.

Our 1500 Club!

Brother Knight/Friend:

There are three theological virtues: Faith, Hope, and CHARITY. These virtues are gifts from God, given to us in Baptism. CHARITY is the greatest of the three. (1 Cor 13:13).

We are empowered to help others just as Jesus did and not to forget them. In keeping with the goal of helping others, your 1500 Club Committee is announcing the seventh running of the successful 1500 Club fundraiser.

The 1500 Club drawings will run a total of eight weeks. Tickets will be drawn weekly commencing with the first drawing on Thursday, July 8, 2010. After a winning ticket is drawn, it is re-entered before the next drawing thereby providing each ticket holder the opportunity to win more than once. Following is the schedule of the weekly drawings:

| Week Number | Winnings | Total Prize |
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| Week 1 thru Week 5 | \$25* | \$500 |

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| Week 6 | \$50** | \$100 |
| Week 7 | \$100 | \$100 |
| Week 7 | \$150 | \$150 |
| Week 8 | \$250 | \$250 |
| Week 8 | \$400 | \$400 |

*Four weekly winners - Weeks 1 through 5

**Two winners - Week 6

We pray for and depend on the generosity of our fellow Knights. Solicit your friends and neighbors to

Field Agent's Report

"I already have insurance at work."

Many jobs offer some form of group term life insurance. Often, this insurance is an employee benefit provided at no charge, or for a small co-pay. Knowing that this coverage exists may convince someone that he doesn't need to discuss personally owned life insurance with a professional agent. That would be a mistake.

Most forms of group life insurance are limited in amount. That amount may be tied to salary or some other benchmark, but often there is a cap. That cap may be dangerously low for your family's needs should you die. In fact, in the absence of a detailed needs analysis (which I'll be happy to provide, free of charge), any employer-provided coverage may be completely unrelated to needs at death. In addition, the amount of group insurance offered is almost always reduced – and sometimes dramatically – when you retire.

Especially today, there is the very real possibility that you could change employers or lose your job. Or that your benefits could be reduced. In either case you could – one day - find yourself without coverage. If your health has changed in the meantime, you might also find yourself unable to secure individual protection.

buy a ticket and assist us in meeting our first principle - Charity. The need for Charity is constant.

The 1500 club Committee thanks you for your cooperation and support. Additional tickets may be obtained from any of the 4 Committee members: Henry Bleggi (772) 871-0814; Carmine Guinta (772) 878 -8020; Vincent D'Amico (772) 336-7874 and Jim Zofrea (772) 871-6954.

Vivat Jesu

While group life helps, it does not replace the need for individually owned life insurance. I'll be happy to meet with you and provide a free, custom-tailored needs analysis, so that you'll know exactly where you stand.

I'm at 812-3003 or Jeffrey.Kohuth@kofc.org. Call me – let's talk.

**Knights of Columbus
St. Bernadette Council #13042
SPRING FLING DINNER DANCE**

Sunday, June 6, 2010

at

**Loyal Order of Moose Lodge
101 NE Marion Avenue, PSL**

Dance to the Sound of Roger and Suzie

Cocktails: 5:30 PM (Cash Bar)

Dinner: 6:00 PM

Menu Choice:

Prime Rib or Salmon

Donation: \$22.00 per person

For Tickets please call:

Adriano Krecic 340-0424

or

Sam Paglione 343-0093

Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes

Our thanks to our Brother Knights and our Columbiettes who helped to assemble the May

**issue of the St. Bernadette Council #13042
Knightly News.**



Editor's Corner

The Editor wishes to thank our photographers at large, Steven Talerico, and Ray Battaglia, for their supply of good photos!

Our readers are reminded that they can contribute short articles to our Brother Knight's Column. This contributed material is the responsibility of the Brother Knight who submitted it. Your contribution should be typed single space and lower case and should be received by the middle of each month, to be considered for the next issue. Please send your prepared article to me preferably via email: stevenson@htcplus.net. If not available, then mail the prepared article to me:

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From Our Web Master

The website is a reflection of all the great ideas I have received from our members and developing into a powerful tool to show what we are about, attract new members, and communicate amongst ourselves.

I strongly encourage everyone to visit our website at www.kofc13042.org and email me your thoughts and questions to me at talerst@msn.com.

Here are some features to check out.

- Video links on the "About Us-Why Join"

page.

- Slide shows of the Church Dedication and Picnic. Maximize the show by clicking on the arrows in the bottom right hand corner.
- Calendar to view the events that are coming up. We now have the ability to email "invitations" and automatically track responses.

Keep the great feedback coming! Thank you.

**Steven Talerico
4th of July**



Support your Council! Brother Knights "9/11"!

Our council will be celebrating our nation's birthday on July 4, 2010, at Digital Domain Park, formerly Tradition Field.

We will be having a fundraiser for our Council. We will be also collecting donations for Homeless Vets. This is a major event in St. Lucie West. Fireworks will be displayed after the baseball game and our workers get free admission as concession help. Workers will also receive a complementary hot dog and soda and sometimes a baseball cap. Adult family

members are welcome to join us. If we have more than enough workers, we can break up our work effort into shifts and enjoy the festivities even more.

Great Day, Good Cause, Right Price!

Call SK Ronald Caccippio if you would like to volunteer or for any other questions at 772-631-3891.

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