



The Meridian Knight

August 2019



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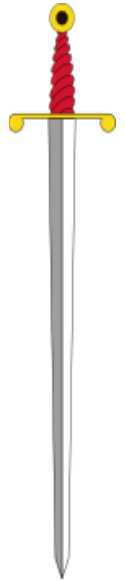
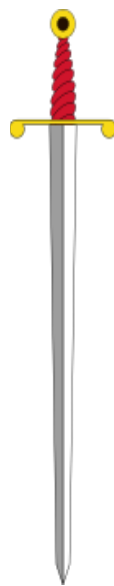
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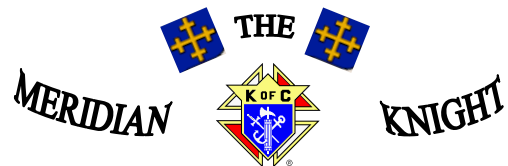
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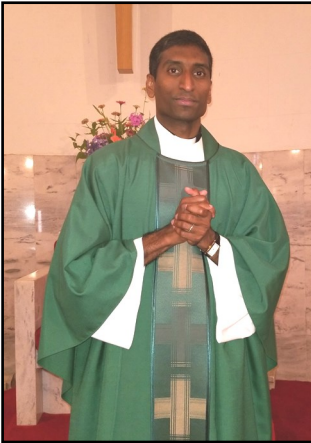


PROTECTING FAMILIES
FOR GENERATIONS



*We Thank You Lord for all that
you give us freely*

**Chaplain
Fr. Augustine**



The Greatest Prayer of All

There is one prayer greater than all others. And we are praying it now. It's the Mass.

- Imagine if we could pray together with Christ to the Father?
- Imagine if Jesus took all our prayers and said them with his own voice?
- Imagine if we had a direct line to God, through Jesus?

All of that happens in the Mass.

- The Mass takes up and offers everything to the Father.
- It's the great moment to bring Him our fears, our hopes, our triumphs and our failures.
- It's also the best moment to bring him all those we want to pray for

The Eucharistic prayer, which begins with the preface and the "Holy, Holy, Holy" is the prayer of Christ to his Father. And all of us are invited to participate in that prayer. Let's prepare our hearts to do that now, with faith in the goodness and love of God.

Fr. Augustine,
Chaplain

**Bingo
Bob Leo, PGK**



First let me welcome these new helpers to our bingo sessions: Brother Knights William Thomas, Mark Hamson, and Bill Nix. Welcome, and thank you for your much needed help. As I've said in past newsletters, some of us older gents are getting a little worn at the edges, we don't move as fast as we use to, and we tire real fast, so as you can see your presence at the bingo session is greatly appreciated. Again, thank you.

Well, our numbers are still at the lower end of the attendance that we are use to seeing, but money wise, we are not being affected by the drop in attendance. The Bar and the kitchen seem to be doing really well, thanks to brother knights John Bennett, Frank Sharp, Ed Shamp, and Chris Foster. Most of all, thanks to the ladies behind the bar who serve the food and drinks and sell the Daubers, and they are Teresa LaBiche, Sue Blier, Debbie Hover, Sherry Graupman, Cindy and Maggie Slimp, and Edna Blanks.

We are still looking for new callers and window cashiers, (front and office windows.) If any of you

new workers would like to try your hand at either one of these positions, please let me, Frank Polizzi, or Roland Stewart know that you are interested.

Bob Leo
Bingo Manager

August Birthdays

1st Garrett (Vinny) Krause & Douglas Smith **2nd** Richard Gough, John Johnson, Jr. & Bill Nix
5th Jeff Schoeneck **6th** Tom Zettler, PSD **8th** Russell Loper **11th** Cary Cox
12th Mike Holcomb, Andy Polizzi & Brett Shamp **13th** James Vaughn **14th** John Maloney, Jr.
17th Ralph Walters **23rd** Carl Schultz **26th** Dr. David Doorenbos **28th** Valeriano (Chino) Suarez
30th Andrew Freyaldenhoven **31st** Bernd Foerster

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**Grand Knight
Faithful Navigator
Family Director**



Brothers,

I'm saddened by the death of four Council 802 family members this past month. Betty Carter, wife of PJ Carter, PGK, Brother Tom Beeman, Jonnie Hill, widow of BK Howard Hill and SK Dewayne Klutz, father of David Klutz, were called into the arms of our Lord and Savior. Please pray for the peaceful repose of their souls and for family members and friends who are grieving their loss.

Looking forward...

We have an Admission Degree at the hall, **Tuesday, August 6th beginning at 6:30pm** for Luke Thomas. If you are able and time allows, please come out and support this young man as he begins his journey to Knighthood!

Our first session on ***Presence – The Mystery of the Eucharist***, facilitated by BK Ken Woodward, will be at the hall on **Tuesday, Aug 13th, beginning at 6:30pm**. Follow up sessions will be on Tuesdays, Aug 20th, 27th and Sep 10th. Please let me know as soon as possible if you will be able to attend.

Looking back...

Our Installation of Officers went very well! Thank you to all who pitched in to make it a

successful evening. Special thanks to PGK/PFN John Bennett, his wife Nelda, and our Worthy Warden Ed Shamp, for preparing the main dish!

Many of us began our 4th of July celebration gathered at St Patrick Cemetery raising the flag followed by morning Mass at St Joseph's. Thank you to all who turned out. Special thanks to PSD Tom Zettler who was the "lone Knight" to retire the flag and observe evening colors.

In closing, please join me in congratulating BK George Walston for being selected as Knight of the Month for June and Pete and Pat Nause for being selected as our Family of the month! Thank you for all you do for our Council and the Catholic Community!

Happy "Knighly Anniversary" to the following Knights!

July Anniversaries

Dr. Ramon Luna – 57 years July 29th, Louis Bailey, Jr. – 45 years July 12th
 Dr. James Purdy – 44 years July 29th, Romeo Gomez – 35 years July 30th
 John Kasper, PGK/PFN – 24 years July 18th, Ignatius (Bill) Semmes – 24 years July 9th,
 Richard Semmes – 24 years July 18th, PJ Carter, PGK – 18 years July 1st
 Larry Lavene – 18 years July 1st, Adam Ethridge – 6 years July 28th,
 Joe Price – 6 years July 28th, and Dave Viger, GK/FN – 6 years July 28th

August Anniversaries

John Stone – 38 years Aug 20th, Greg Bordelon – 30 years – Aug 15th
 Johnnie Walters, Jr. – 29 years Aug 26th, Eric Ross – 27 years Aug 2nd
 Bob Stephenson – 23 years Aug 11th, Daniel Zettler – 23 years Aug 11th
 Marvin Nance – 13 years Aug 4th, Edward Thomas – 12 years Aug 1st
 Kenneth Woodward – 11 years Aug 1st, David Blanks – 8 years Aug 9th
 John Johnson, Jr. – 8 years Aug 9th, Howard McCarty – 8 years Aug 9th
 Minh Duong – 7 years Aug 19th, Charles Frazier – 2 years Aug 15th
 And Michael Holcomb – 2 years Aug 15th

On behalf of Council 802, "Thank You!" for your service to the Order and to the Catholic Community!

Vivat Jesus!

Dave Viger
 Grand Knight
 Faithful Navigator & Family Director

Please continue to pray the Rosary to end Abortion in our lifetime

Congratulations to the Following Honorees



**June Knight of the Month
George Walston**



**June Family of the Month
Pat & Pete Nause Family**



**Knight of the Quarter
Ending in June
Bob Leo, PGK**



**Council 802 Knight of the
Year 2018-2019
Frank Washington**



**Council 802 Family of the Year
2018-2019
Frank & Carolyn Sharp**



**Assembly 1251 Sir Knight
of the Year 2018-2019
Robert (Bob) Connor**



**Assembly 1251 Family
of the Year 2018-2019
John & Nelda Bennett**



**Community
Bob Leo, PGK**

We had our monthly visit to the Pines Rest home on July 25th. We took goodies which they enjoyed a lot. But it was the ice cream sandwiches that we brought that they really liked. Along with the sandwiches, we also brought two different kinds of Twinkies and soft drinks.

The residents that are housed at the Pines receive no visitors, we and other organizations like ours are the only visitors that some of the residents see, and they are delighted to see us. We can tell that by the very warm reception we get when we walk through the doors. As soon as we are in the TV room and the nurses begin to serve the goodies that we bring, our conversation with the residents begin and they last anywhere from fifteen minutes to a half hour and they enjoy every minute of it, probably as much as we do.

Our next visit will be on the 22nd of August. Please come out and join us, we meet at 6:00PM at the doors of the Pines Rest Home.

Bob Leo
Community Chairman



**Membership
David Stephens**

Brother Knights,

I trust all had a Great 4th of July Celebration/vacation, and is ready to move forward with our 2019-2020 program year. Your support is greatly needed!

We have a Formation (1st) Degree Exemplification scheduled for Tuesday, August 6th, at 6:30 pm. We currently have two applicants scheduled for initiation – Deacon Andrew Nguyen and Lucas Thomas. Seek out those who you believe might be qualified and interested and plant a seed. As always, we are *“in search of”* new members – No Applications = No Degrees.

Exemplifications in August:

Admission (1st) Degree – Tuesday, August 6th, 6:30pm-7:30pm; Meridian, MS.

Formation (2nd) & Knighthood (3rd) Degree – Saturday, August 24th, 10:00am; Tupelo, MS



Any 1st and/or 2nd Degree Knights wishing to participate in the above Exemplification(s) please contact Grand Knight Dave Viger.

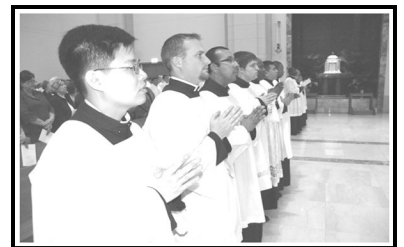
Thank you in advance for your support!

Vivat Jesus!

David T. Stephens
Membership Director
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**Culture of Life
Darrell Hover**



Brother Knights. HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!

BIKING FOR BABIES. Renewing the culture of life in America one pedal stroke and one pregnancy resource center at a time. The 2019 National Ride has ended, but the mission is not yet complete! Our goal is to support our pregnancy resource center partners by raising awareness, raising prayers, and raising funds. THANK YOU Council 802 for your financial support for BIKING FOR BABIES.

National Suicide Prevention Week is an annual week-long campaign in the United States to inform and engage health professionals and the general public about suicide prevention and warning signs of suicide.

Date: Sunday, September 8, 2019 – Saturday, September 14, 2019.

"This is a family friendly event that will start out from St. Richard Catholic Church, proceed 2 miles to the state's last remaining abortion facility, and end back at St. Richard's with a brunch provided by the Knights of Columbus."

WALK WITH US
So They Can Walk Tomorrow
Saturday, October 19, 2019
 Register for FREE at prolifemississippi.org

God bless each of you. Have a great day every day. LIFE IS A GIFT.

Darrell, Culture of Life

**Youth
John Harwell**



Greetings to all. Looking back on July, our Catholic Youth participated in the Meridian Love Out Loud (LOL) ecumenical Community Outreach during the week of July 15-19. Our highlight day was July 17th, when 15 youth and 4 adults worked at St. Patrick School painting in the main hallway, cafeteria and the Pre-K4 classroom. All total some 18 youth and 7 adults were part of the LOL. We also participated one day doing random acts of kindness where we delivered gift baskets to medical clinics, businesses and places such as the Care Lodge. Other days included participating with a local Christian puppet ministry at 8 different nursing homes and assisted living centers.

On the evening of July 25th, some 10 youth presented 3 different skits as a part of the VBS finale at the FLC. On July 27th, a group of 11 youth and adults kayaked down the Okatoma. It is always one of our fun outings each year.

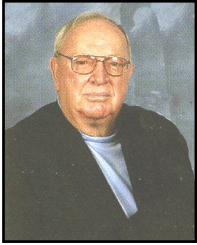
In August we will kick off the year with our Youth Mass on August 17th at St. Patrick.

As always, I thank my Brother Knights for your support of our youth. You are appreciated.

John Harwell
Parish Youth Director

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In Memoriam



Tommy Beeman



Betty Carter



Dewayne Klutz



Jonnie Hill

July has been a tough month for Council 802's family. For the first time since I've been the Newsletter Editor, we have lost four (4) members of our family in the same month. Please keep their families in your prayers.

Tommy Beeman was a member of our council for quite a while now and was a staunch supporter of the Diocesan Priest Education Fund. He use to buy, shell, and sell pecans to raise money for the fund. He also donated a lot of his own money to the fund and every year made certain that it was on our annual budget.

Betty Carter, wife of Sir Knight PJ Carter, was very active in our council before her health started failing. She was a strong supporter of our council and of PJ as he served as our Grand Knight, among other positions.

Sir Knight Dewayne Klutz has been a member for some time now and before his health worsened worked Bingo every Wednesday evening. If you needed something done, Dewayne was the man to call on. He never said no when he was needed for a project.

Jonnie Hill was the widow of Brother Knight Raymond Hill and supported him as do all of the wives of our Knights. She attended St. Joseph Church and was very active in that community.

May Their Souls and the Souls of All the Faithful Departed, Through the Mercy of God Rest in Peace.

Amen

Deputy Grand Knight Bob Connor



In July we have had a lot of sadness in our council with the loss of Brother Knights Tommy Beeman and DeWayne Klutz, Betty Carter, wife of PJ Carter, PGK, and Jonnie Hill, widow of SK Howard Hill. We pray for their families and, Liberty and Sal Moreno, and all others who are suffering from illness. Two of the Corporal Works of Mercy are Visit the Sick and Bury the Dead. I think it is important to attend any funeral but especially those who have a Knight connection, if at all possible. If there is a Knight connection, wear a Knight polo shirt.

Thanks to all the Knights and especially the ladies who help with Bingo, both out in front and behind the scenes in the kitchen and bar. We had 159 players on July 24, which was pretty good. August will be busy with a First Degree on Tuesday, August 6 at 6:30 PM. Come welcome our new Knights.

Ken Woodward will present **Presence—The Mystery of the Eucharist** starting on Tuesday, August 13th, at 6:30 PM at the KC Hall. And then on consecutive Tuesdays through August. Ken is a great presenter and I guarantee that after attending The **Presence** you will get more out of the Mass and Holy Communion. Hope to see you at Bingo and the other events.

Bob Connor
Deputy Grand Knight

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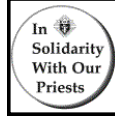
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Please continue to pray for vocations. We need more priests



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| | | | | 1 <u>Adoration 12</u> <u>Noon to 7:00 PM</u> | 2 | 3 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 <i>1st Degree</i> <i>6:30 PM</i> <i>Business</i> <i>Meeting Follows</i> | 7  <i>6:00PM</i> | 8 <u>Adoration 12</u> <u>Noon to 7:00PM</u> <u>Council 802</u> <u>Responsibility</u> | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 Presence -The Mystery of the Eucharist Ken Woodward 6:30 KC Hall | 14  <i>6:00PM</i> | 15 <u>Adoration 12 Noon</u> <u>to 7:00PM</u> | 16 | 17 <i>Youth Mass</i> <i>St. Patrick 5 pm</i> |
| 18 | 19 | 20 Presence -The Mystery of the Eucharist Ken Woodward 6:30 KC Hall | 21  <i>6:00PM</i> | 22 <u>East Mississippi</u> <u>Visit to the Pines</u> <u>6PM</u> <u>Adoration 12 Noon</u> <u>to 7:00PM</u> | 23 | 24 <u>Formation(2nd) &</u> <u>Knighthood (3rd)</u> <u>Degrees</u> <u>10:00 Tupelo</u> |
| 25 | 26 | 27 Presence -The Mystery of the Eucharist Ken Woodward 6:30 KC Hall | 28  <i>6:00PM</i> | 29 <u>Adoration 12 Noon</u> <u>to 7:00PM</u> | 30 | 31 |
| | <i>Please continue to</i> <i>Pray the Rosary</i> <i>for an end to abor-</i> <i>tion in our time</i>  | <i>Abortion Kills</i> <i>the Innocent</i>  | | <i>Please wish A</i> <i>Happy Birthday to</i> <i>all whose names</i> <i>appear on Page 2 of</i> <i>this newsletter</i>  | | |