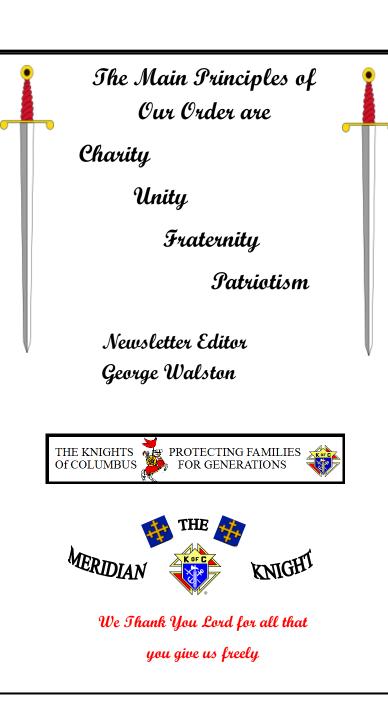




## The Meridian Knight

# December 2018

Council Officers Chaplain - Fr. Augustine Pallimattam Grand Knight - John Harwell Deputy Grand Knight - Sal Moreno Financial Secretary - Richard Norman Chancellor - Robert (Bob) Leo, PGK Treasurer - David Stephens Advacate - Roland Stewart Recorder - Frank Polizzi, PGK Lecturer - John Bennett, PGK Warden - Howard McCarty Inside Guard - Frank Sharp Outside Guard - Dewayne Klutz Trustees Patrick J (PJ) Carter, PGK David Viger, FGK Mouise Richards, FGK



#### Chaplain Fr. Augustine Pallimattam



**Solemnity of Christ the King** - On the last Sunday of each liturgical year, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Christ the King. Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical Quas Primas ("In the first") to respond to growing nationalism and secularism. He recognized that these related societal ills would breed increasing hostility against the Church. His encyclical reminds the faithful that while governments and philosophies come and go, Christ reigns as king forever. "The kingdom, already present and growing in our midst, engages us at every level of our being and reminds us of the principle of discernment which Pope Paul VI applied to true development: it must be directed to 'all men and the whole man'." – Pope Francis Evangelii Gaudium, 181.

**The Kingdom is Holistic** - Secularism divides our public selves from our private selves. When governments limit the rights of religious ministries, secularists claim that religious freedom is not harmed because we still have freedom of worship – we are free in private but not in public. But the kingdom of God calls us to a whole life of worship and service in the public square.

The Kingdom Demands Discipleship - We must work every day, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to draw closer to Jesus. In our own increasingly "post Christian" society, we cannot be complacent in our spir-

itual lives. To acknowledge the kingship of Christ means that we should dedicate ourselves to prayer, to building up our families and our parish communities, and to bringing healing to a broken world.

**The Kingdom is Humble** - Jesus inaugurates a kingdom that grows through humble acts of service. Even as her freedom to carry out her ministries is threatened, the Church must patiently continue to serve the poor, educate the young, welcome the migrant, visit the prisoner, heal the sick, bury the dead, and love others. (http:// www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/religious-liberty/christ-the-king)

Fr. Augustine

#### Dep Grand Knight Sal Moreno



I hope all of you had a good Thanksgiving celebration. Most of the Moreno family members came down for a short but enjoyable quality time.

I could not think of a better time to honestly thank all of you who continuously lend a helping hand in support of our Faith in Action programs. As of this date, and as far as I am aware, we still do not have a Faith Activity program manager. Like the rest of the other Activities, this too, is one of the key elements of a council's successful program. I am hoping someone will come forward and take this important task. Have a Blessed day.

Sal Moreno Deputy Grand Knight Program Chairman





#### It's Party Time







I would like to invite all Fourth Degree Knights and their spouse/ guest to our After Christmas party to be held at Weidmann's Restaurant on January 12th. Please **RSVP** to me no later than **December 14th**. The only expense you will incur will be for any alcoholic beverages you may wish to have.



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PAGE 3 Faith (Vacant) <u>Imagine your</u> picture here in next	We need a volunteer for this position. Please pray about it and <u>talk to John Harwell</u>
month's Newsletter	I trust that everyone had a very enjoyable Thanksgiving holiday. I know I did. I think that having the day before Thanksgiving off from Bingo helps make it a little more enjoyable. Well, the bingo program is holding up pretty well. We seem to be doing a little better than at the start of the summer months. I 'm praying that the trend that we are experiencing now will continue. I am asking the workers on the floor to please, when you pick up a winning sheet from the customer, please see that they have the little tickets that they were given at the front door. There have been some customers coming to the office window trying to buy packs without getting an admission pack. On a sadder note, We will miss one of our most beloved customers, Mrs. Irma Reese, who went to be with her Lord and Savior. Please remember her family in your prayers. I would like to wish all of our bingo workers, kitchen workers, snack bar workers, callers and cashiers and
Bob Leo Bingo Chairman	Alt supervisors, oops almost forgot popcorn cook and security guard, a Very Merry Christmas and Joyous New Year, From Rosalie and me. There will be no bingo session on December 26 <sup>th</sup> , the day after Christmas.
	Irma Reese 11/22/33 to 10/18/18
May her soul a	ou, Irma. It was always a bright spot in our day when we would see you at Bingo each week. and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen tinue to pray the Rosary to end Albortion in our lifetime

### Congratulations to the Following Honorees



October Knight of the Month **Darryl Hover** 



October Family of the Month **Encarnacion Mayo Family** 



Knight of the Quarter July, August, September Frank Washington



Council 802 Knight of the Dear 2017-2018

**Ed Shamp** 



Council 802 Family of the Pear 2017-2018 David, Patrick & Adrian Viger



Assembly 1251 Sir Knight of the Pear 2017-2018





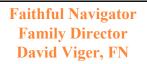








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Brothers,

Between Council activities, Assembly activities and Thanksgiving feasts November was a very busy and very productive month!

First off, congratulations go out to the Encarnacion Mayo family for being selected as our October Family of the Month! Encarnacio and his wife, Lourdes, along with their son, Jean Karol, are very active in our Catholic Community, serving as a model for Catholic Family values. They assist in several church functions, both at St. Joseph's and at St. Patrick's and they do much to help and support our Hispanic Catholic community. They attend church together as a family regularly and, undoubtedly, pray together as a family outside of church as Jean Karol's knowledge of the Catholic faith is outstanding for his age and as compared to his peer group.

Assembly 1251 Honor Guard participated in St. Patrick's Annual Veterans Day Mass on Thursday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to all those who participated in the Honor Guard (all of

whom are veterans): CCC/PFN Bob Leo, PFN Frank Polizzi, PFN Sal Moreno, SK Bob Connor, SK Roland Stewart, SK Howard McCarty.

On Veterans Day, November 11<sup>th</sup>, Council 802 and Assembly 1251 joined together in celebrating Mass to remember and honor deceased members of the Order. During the Mass our Council/Assembly Necrology was read, specifically mentioned members who died since our last Deceased Members Mass:

Sir Knight Paul A. Blier, Sir Knight James R. Roberts, Reverend Maurice V. Haiss, and Sir Knight James A. (Pete) Vining

Widows and widowers attending the Mass were also recognized and included: Mrs. Teresa LaBiche, Mrs. Sherry Graupman, & Sir Knight Dewayne Klutz

Knights participating in the celebration of Mass included: Fr. Augustine Palimattam, GK John Harwell, FN David Viger, PSD Tom Zettler, PGK P. J. Carter, & PFN Sal Moreno

Following the Mass, a Flag Retirement Ceremony was held by Assembly 1251 and Scouts from St. Patrick's Troop 7. Participants in the Flag Retirement Ceremony included:

Honor Guard - CCC/PFN Bob Leo, FN Dave Viger, SK Bob Connor

Flag Team - SK Dewayne Klutz, SK Frank Sharp

Troop 7 - PFN Frank Polizzi, Jean Karol Mayo, & Tate Smith

Flag Retirement - PFN John Bennett, BK Mike Cummings

Following the Flag Retirement Ceremony, all enjoyed a meal and fellowship in the Council Hall. Special thanks to: PGK/ PFN John Bennett, his wife Nelda and BK Frank Sharp for getting the groceries and preparing the main dish (Black Bean Taco Soup and hot dogs); to PFN Sal Moreno and Mrs. Teresa LaBiche for serving and to all who helped in clean-up after the events (too many to mention by name!)

The Honor Guard will participate in the 3pm Mass at St Joseph in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>.

During weekend Masses December 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, we will invite each family in our parishes to consecrate themselves to the Holy Family and to devote themselves to the ideal model of familial love set by Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.

As we enter the Christmas Season, Adrian and I pray each of you and your families have a wonderful Christmas filled with moments you'll always remember.

**Vivat Jesus!** Dave Viger Faithful Navigator & Family Program Director

(Editor Note: See related pictures on page 6 of this Newsletter)

Please continue to pray for vocations. We Need more priests

### Guest Writer John Bennett, PFN



**Veterans Day Flag Retirement -** After the Mass by Fr. Augustine, pastor of St. Patrick Catholic Church the ceremony commenced. It was attended by forty five (45) members and guests. A ceremony at the lighted Flag pole supervised by Sir Knight Frank Polizzi was followed by a solemn march to the burn area. In a light shower 171 flags were retired.

After the ceremony, all returned to the Knights of Columbus facility to a really good meal. The meal prepared by Sir Knight Frank Sharp, Nelda Bennett, and Sir Knight John Bennett, PFN. Several Ladies helped.

The meal was served by Sir Knight Sal Moreno, PFN. Normally, I miss several individuals when I start giving names of helpers, so I apologize in advance. Clean up is distasteful but necessary. Thanks to (in no particular order) Teresa LaBiche, Nelda Bennett, David Stephens,

Debbie Hover, Carolyn Sharp, Sue Blier, Sherri Graupman, Don Hebert, John Harwell, PFN, Frank Polizzi, PFN, and Bob Connor. Thanks also to Mike Cummings for tending the fire in the rain. I got to eat with the rest of the crew.

Now for a few specifics. Thanks to Sir Knight Tom Zettler, PSD, for help in setting up for Mass and cleaning up, Sir Knight Sal Moreno, PFN, for Line Service duty, kitchen work and clean up, Sir Knight Frank Sharp for coming to Meridian to assist in cooking, for helping in meat procurement, and washing them there dishes. Thanks for clean up by Sir Knight and PFN John Harwell current GK, who talked his friend Bridget into cake makin', Sir Knight Dewayne Klutz and Sir Knight Bob Leo (color guard commander) for helping set up the Hall. The Scouts that helped escort our Flag to be retired were Jean Karol Mayo and Tate Smith. This year we were honored that many adults helped in this dignified burning of the colors.

So, in closing, this is a great service that the Knights of Columbus Council 802 and Assembly 1251 provide for our community. I am proud of our men and women that give of their time to assist in this most worthy endeavor. Thanks to Sir Knight David Viger, FN who also helped set up and clean up after our meal. Lead by example. God and country.

John L. Bennett, PFN

Below are a few pictures of the aforementioned events



#### Grand Knight John Harwell



Holiday Greetings to all of you!!

Looking back on November, we had a nice turn out for the All Souls Day Mass on November 2nd. Due to wet grounds it was moved from the cemetery to St. Patrick Church. Special thanks to George Walston for his work on planning the service and providing for the lunch afterwards.

On November 11th, the Deceased Members Mass/Flag Retirement Ceremony was held and again a nice crowd came out for this special evening. Special thanks to David Viger,FN and John Bennett, PFN who spearheaded this evening and a large number of others who helped in one way or another.

Other November items included the visit to The Pines on N Lakeland on November 15th, along with Bingo on November 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to Darrell Hover for being selected as Knight of the Month for October and the Encarnacion and Lourdes Mayo family for being selected as the Family of the Month for October.

Looking forward to December, we will be volunteering at the St. Patrick School Candy Cane 5K on December 1st (8AM), visiting the EMSH nursing home (the Pines on N Lakeland) on December 20<sup>th</sup>

(6PM) and our annual Christmas Eve (11AM) visit to Anderson Hospital (Toys for tots). Additionally, our regular meetings will be December 4th and 18th. Note that the meeting on the 18th will start at 8:00 PM due to the St. Patrick School Christmas program that same evening. Also, note that there will be no meeting on January 1st, with the first meeting after the New Year being January 15th. Bingo will be held on December 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>. Then we get another break on the 26<sup>th</sup> to celebrate Christmas. Please see the calendar for any additional events/activities.

Back on November 6th, BK George Walston notified me that he was resigning as Faith Chairman due to medical and personal reasons. George had done a great job in the short time he was handling this duty. We are in need of a Faith Chairman going forward. As I have mentioned previously, we have a dedicated number of BK's, spouses and widows who will help in any way but we need a person to head up this program. Please pray about this and let me know if you are interested.

With that, I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

John Harwell Grand Knight 1 COR 12 4-7

### December Birthdays

4th Louis Montesi, III & Dr. Ivan Zamora 6th Greg Crain 7th David Stephens 16th Dr. Luis Borrell

17th Ryan Craft 19th John Baranello 25th Greg Stephens 26th Steve Slimp

29th Patrick (PJ) Carter 30th Jack Collins, Jr. & James Forbes

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#### Culture of Life Darrell Hover



MERRY CHRISTMAS Brother Knights!

During the 40 Days for Life that ended on Sunday, November 4th, it was reported that the 15,235th baby was saved, 186 workers have quit, and 99 abortion centers have closed since 2007.

Of those 15,235 babies, 414 were saved during the Fall campaign. Praise God! Thank all of you for joining me in prayer during the business meetings as well as the daily devotionals. Your prayers are saving lives.

A 40 Days for Life campaign is an opportunity for healing. In The Beginning of the End of Abortion, Shawn Carney wrote about how the campaign in Saginaw, Michigan worked through a prison ministry program to involve local prisoners in their campaign. More than 40 men signed up to pray the overnight hours--from their cells.

Though they can't attend the vigil, Karen in Kenosha, Wisconsin invited local prisoners to join her campaign through prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. A man named Jeff decided to pray two hours a day and to fast from 7 am to 7 pm. Another man named John is fasting from both food and from speaking 12 hours a day. "I've prayed daily for those actively involved in these 40 days," he said. "I collect my meals and give them to my inmates."

As you pray for an end to abortion, don't forget to pray for those who join us in prayer from their prison cells.

Wishing all of you a very Merry Christmas. God bless each of you. Have a great day every day. LIFE IS A GIFT.

Darrell, Culture of Life

#### **Youth Director** By the time you read this report, we will have conducted our Soccer Challenge which was held on John Harwell November 29th at St. Patrick School. I will have a full report in January's newsletter. Additionally, we will have supported the St. Patrick School Candy Cane 5K run on December 1st. Coming up in December, we will have a Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest at St. Patrick School. The date for the judging will be set later and I will communicate that at the next meeting. I am planning for our youth to be a part of the EMSH Nursing Home visit on December 20th at the Pines on N Lakeland. Then on December 24th (Christmas Eve), we will meet at the Hall at 11A for some chili and fixings before heading over to Anderson Hospital with Santa to visit the children who are in the hospital. As always, I thank the Knights for their strong support of our youth, whether it is at the school or in the parish, or in the greater community. You are all appreciated. John Harwell Parish Youth Director 000 000

<u>The next three pages are included in this month's Newsletter at the request of our Financial Secretary, Rick</u> <u>Norman, so that everyone will know what information is needed at the end of the calendar year for our Fraternal</u> <u>Survey that is submitted to the Supreme Council. Supreme, in turn, compiles a list of these activities that the IRS</u> <u>uses to determine if the Knights of Columbus continues to qualify as a Tax Exempt organization. Please help by</u> <u>saving these pages so that you can keep up with your activity during the Calendar Year. Please help. It would be</u> <u>better if you made copies of the activities page. If you have any questions, please contact Rick or Sal Moreno.</u>

### **ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL A** CTIVITY

### JANUARY 1, 20\_\_\_\_\_THRU DECEMBER 31, 20\_

### COUNCIL NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ JURISDICTION \_\_\_\_\_

#### Section I. Fraternal Program Activities

		CHARITABLE	Hours	NUMBER
F	AITH ACTIVITIES (where applicable)	DISBURSEMENTS	OF SERVICE	SUPPORTED
a.	RSVP Program			
b.	Church Facilities			
c.	Catholic Schools/Seminaries			
d.	<b>Religious/Vocations Education</b>			
e.	Prayer & Study Programs			
f.	Sacramental Gifts			
g.	Miscellaneous Faith Activities			
	TOTAL FAITH CONTRIBUTION	S O	0	0

#### FAMILY ACTIVITIES (where applicable)

a. Food for Families			
b. Family Formation Programs			
c. Keep Christ in Christmas			
d. Family Week			
e. Family Prayer Night			
f. Miscellaneous Family Programs			
TOTAL FAMILY CONTRIBUTIONS	0	0	0

#### COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES (where applicable)

a. Coats For Kids			
b. Global Wheelchair Mission			
c. Habitat for Humanity			
d. Disaster Preparedness/Relief			
e. Physically Disabled/Intellectual Disabilities			
f. Elderly/Widow(er) Care			
g. Hospitals/Health Organizations			
h. Columbian Squires			
i. Scouting/Youth Groups			
j. Athletics			
k. Youth Welfare/Service			
l. Scholarships/Education			
m. Veteran Military/VAVS			
n. Miscellaneous Community/Youth Activities			
TOTAL COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS	0	0	0

#### LIFE ACTIVITIES (where applicable)

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a. Special Olympics					
b. Marches for Life				Grand Knight	Date
c. Ultrasound Initiative				Grand Kinght	Date
d. Pregnancy Support					
e. Christian Refugee Relief					
f. Memorials to Unborn Children					
g. Miscellaneous Life Activities				Distance I Company	
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#### Section II. Fraternal Commitment Activities

#### MEETINCE

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1. Regular	
2. Social	
3. Special/Committee	
TOTAL MEETINGS	0

#### **PROGRAM EXPENSES**

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a. Printing & Postage	
b. Food & Refreshments	
c. Prizes	
d. Projects	
e. Entertainment	
f. Miscellaneous Expenses	
TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES	0

#### **OTHER FRATERNAL COMMITMENTS:**

Visits to the Sick Visits to the Bereaved Number of Blood Donations Masses Held for Members

Hours of Fraternal Service to		
Sick/Disabled Member and their Families	0	

#### All information provided on this report is to be from Programs & Activities conducted January 1st through December 31st annually.

### **ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY**

#### Section I. Fraternal Program Activities

#### **FAITH ACTIVITIES**

- a. RSVP Program direct contributions to students studying to become priests or postulants.
- b. Church Facilities construction, repairs, remodeling, memorial gifts, etc.
- c. Catholic Schools/Seminaries donations, grants, equipment, etc.
- d. Religious/Vocations Education scholarships, CCD, lay apostolate, programs, speakers, films, program materials, etc.
- e. Prayer & Study Programs direct contributions to prayer groups, faith program materials, domestic church kiosk, rosary program, Marian Icon program, etc.
- f. Sacramental Gifts costs related to gifts presented to congregation.
- g. Miscellaneous Faith Activities all other disbursements not outline above relating to Faith Activities.

#### **FAMILY ACTIVITIES**

- a. Food for Families direct contributions to food banks, pantries, soup kitchens.
- b. Family Formation Programs Family Fully Alive, Family of the Month/Year, Consecration to the Holy Family, Good Friday Family Promotion, etc.
- c. Keep Christ in Christmas all contributions to KCIC, Journey to the Inn, Light Up for Christ, Christmas Poster Contest, billboard signs, etc.
- d. Family Week direct contributions to the coordination, promotion, and conduct of this program.
- e. Family Prayer Night direct contributions to coordination and execution of this program.
- f. Miscellaneous Family Programs all other disbursements not outline above relating to Family Activities.

#### **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

- a. Coats For Kids direct contributions to purchasing and distribution of coats to those in need.
- b. Global Wheelchair Mission direct contributions to purchasing and coordination of wheelchair distribution to the needy.
- c. Habitat for Humanity direct contributions to Habitat for Humanity projects, materials, tools, and construction.
- d. Disaster Preparedness/Relief direct contributions to planning and executing disaster preparedness and response, food, water, equipment, etc.
- e. Physically Disabled/Intellectual Disabilities direct contributions to schools, care services, organizations, etc.
- f. Elderly/Widow(er) Care direct contributions to homes for the aged, retired/senior volunteer programs, construction, repairs, remodeling, gifts, etc.
- g. Hospitals/Health Organizations direct contributions to Red Cross, Hospice, heart/cancer funds, equipment, construction, donations, etc.
- h. Columbian Squires direct contributions to the operations and support of the Columbian Squires program.
- i. Scouting/Youth Groups direct contributions to sponsorship, volunteer efforts, projects, 4-H, Big Brothers, CYO, mentoring, etc.
- j. Athletics direct contributions to council sport events, youth sport sponsorships, equipment, transportation, etc.
- k. Youth Welfare/Service direct contributions to substance/child abuse, foster parents, etc.
- 1. Scholarships/Education direct contributions to career nights, essay contests, scholarships, tuition, fund raising, etc.
- m. Veteran Military/VAVS direct contributions to veterans, VA hospital support/visitation, memorials, parades, etc.
- n. Miscellaneous Community/Youth Activities all other disbursements not outline above relating to Community Activities.

#### LIFE ACTIVITIES

- a. Special Olympics direct contributions to local, state, and national events.
- b. Marches for Life direct contributions to local, state, and nation marches.
- c. Ultrasound Initiative direct contributions to the purchase and placement of Ultrasound machines for crisis pregnancy centers.
- d. Pregnancy Support direct contributions to donations, diapers, supplies, baby showers, birthright, etc.
- e. Christian Refugee Relief direct contributions to aid provided to refugee relief, Solidarity Crosses.
- f. Memorials to Unborn Children direct contributions to purchases, fund raisers, donations, construction, etc.
- g. Miscellaneous Life Activities all other disbursements not outline above relating to Life Activities.

#### Section II. Fraternal Commitment Activities

#### MEETINGS

- 1. Business discussing or conducting business.
- 2. Social dinners, dances, parties, etc.
- 3. Special/Committee lectures, films, educational, etc.

### **PROGRAM EXPENSES**

- a. Printing & Postage costs for newsletters, flyers, communications for activities, etc.
- b. Food & Refreshments food, refreshments, etc. for activities and programs.
- c. Prizes gifts, awards, incentives, raffles, etc. related to activities and programs.
- d. Projects transportation, facility rental, photography, etc. for activities and programs.
- e. Entertainment bands, magicians, comedians, etc. for events.

f. Miscellaneous Expenses - all other expenses not outlines above related to activities & programs.

## ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY Individual Member Worksheet

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO FINANCIAL SECRETARIES / FAITHFUL COMPTROLLERS / BURSARS

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	Bereaved — visits of condolence
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3.	Estimated hours of community volunteer service during 20:
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#### Membership David Stephens

Brother Knights,

I hope you all had a wonderful and safe Thanksgiving Celebration. Also, I trust you had an opportunity to participate in some of the Veterans Day recognition activities.

Coming up this month is the most important, most celebrated, and most Blessed Birthday of the year, December 25<sup>th</sup>! This is recognized as the Birthday of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, the Son of God and the Savior of mankind. Brother Knights, let us lead the charge in honoring and recognizing this most Holy Day.

Congratulations, again, and welcome to our newest Knight, Brother Wade Saucier, who was made official Tuesday, November 20. He had the honor of being pinned by his Father, Brother Albert Saucier, PGK, FDW, PSC, who came up from Louisiana for this special event in his son's life. We have one month left in

2018 to see if we can locate more catholic men to join the KC's – it would be great to end the year with a positive recruitment month. "Membership is truly a team effort!"

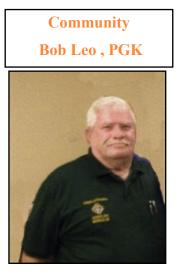
Exemplifications in December:

#### At this time we are not aware of one in December

Thanking you in advance for your continued support!

Have a Merry Christmas and be Safe!!!

Fraternally, David T. Stephens, Membership Director



On November 14<sup>th</sup>, we visited the residents at the Pines Home. We brought them snacks, soft drinks and ice cream. One thing that we have discovered is that they enjoy the ice cream sandwiches better than the pops, so we elected to go with the sandwiches.

The discussions we had were centered around the coming of Christmas, and what gifts Santa was going to bring them! It was a very enlightening discussion. The turnout of knights to visit these residents was not very encouraging, especially after my plea for more support at the monthly meeting. There were three Knights who accompanied me so I would like to thank them now. They were Brother Knights Tom Zettler, PSD, David Stephens, and Eric Ross. These same brother Knights are at the Pines almost every 4th Thursday of the Month. I can't see why a council of more than 80 local members, can't have at least six members at each visit. Remember the 1st principle of our order is CHARITY and what would be more charitable than to visit those who are shut in at the Pines.

I ask that if you have any new or slightly worn baseball type caps that you no longer wear,

maybe you would like to donate them to the residents at the Pines. We hand them out as gifts for the residents. Please bring them to the KC hall between now and December 19th.

Our next visitation will be on December 20<sup>th</sup> at which time we will have a special guest with us. So, come on and enjoy the Holiday with us at the Pines.

I wish a Merry Christmas to my Brother Knights and their Families, from me and my family.

Bob Leo Community Chairman

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Please wish A <u>Happy Birthday</u> to all whose names appear on Page 7	Please continue to say the Rosary for an end to abortion in our time	Abortion Kills the Innocent				1 St. Patrick School Candy Cane Dash Walk/Run 8:30 AM	
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1st Sunday of Advent		Business Meeting 7:30pm	DIESO Bingo 6pm	<u>Adoration</u> <u>12 Noon to 8PM</u>	The Feast of the Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass 5:30 St. Joseph	The Feast of the Immaculate Conception 9:00am Mass at St Patrick	
9 The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass 3:00 pm	10	No Meeting	12 Deco	13 Adoration 12 Noon to 8PM KC	14	15	
St. Joseph 16	17	Tonight	Bingo 6pm 19	Responsibility 20	21	22	
		No 1st Degree Meeting at 8:00 PM	DILEO Bingo 6pm	<u>EMSH</u> <u>Visitation 6:00 pm</u> <u>Adoration</u> <u>12 Noon to 8PM</u>			
23	24	25	<u>26</u>	27	28	29	
	Christmas Eve Visit Children in Hospital 11:00 am	Merry Christmas JESUS <sub>is</sub> the Meason for the Season.	<u>January</u> <u>Newsletter</u> <u>Deadline</u> No Bingo tonight	<u>Adoration</u> <u>12 Noon to 8PM</u>		Families of the Parish Pledge to the Holy Family 5:00 Mass St Patrick	
<b>30</b> Families of the Parish Pledge to the Holy Family Both Masses	31 Bring on the W NEW YEAR!	January 1st 2019 Happy New Yearl					