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Please, please do NOT FORGET to inform us before you leave! Thanks.

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Please join us! Your name will be printed in all newsletters for the next 12 months. We need your help to keep the monthly issues coming to you. Thank you for your generous support in the past and the present. The "\*" is for a donation greater than \$15.00.

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# Grand Knight's Message By Ron Suriano



My Brother Knights,

My Brother Knights, the busy month of January is over with and our Council was again very active. This year's Ministry Fair, the St. Bernadette Buckaroo Roundup was a success and I want to pass along the thanks of Brenda Foglia, Chairperson for the Roundup, for our many contributions to the set up and tear down chores for the weekend. Another job well done! I particularly want to also extend my thanks to Brother's Ken Stewart, Ken Klose, Mike Spagno, Ray Sierra, DGK Joe

Risi and SK Carmine Guinta for their assistance with this important recruiting activity.

The week after the Roundup, several Brother Knights and Color Corps members attended a Saturday morning Mass at 8:00 am on January 22<sup>nd</sup> for refreshments and a march to the Courthouse Annex led by Deacon Steve Dove where a rosary was conducted for the unborn. The following weekend, a group of Brother Knights and Sir Knights traveled to the Cathedral of St. Ignatius of Loyola in Palm Springs Gardens to attend A Morning of Spiritual Growth for Men of All Ages. This was an excellent event consisting of a Mass celebrated by Bishop Barbarito and lectures by Matthew Kelly. On Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup> we participated in our Corporate Communion at the 9:00 a.m. Mass and I thank all of our Brother Knights, Sir Knights and Columbiettes who attended. We conducted a First Degree installation on January 13<sup>th</sup> and we now have two new Brother Knights. They are Brothers Eustace Norris and Greg Stras. Welcome to our Council and I hope that you become very active members!

As I mentioned in last month's message, our annual effort in support of Treasure Coast Hospice has changed from the past years. We have been asked to work one of three concession stands dedicated to Hospice that evening. Instead of the usual Softball game, the Hospice Night will be conducted during a Mets Spring Training game on the evening of Mar 15<sup>th</sup>. All of the details for this event are being worked out between Treasure Coast Hospice, the Mets management staff and my wife and I who are again Co-chairpersons for this event. Our Council's tasking is still to provide 20+ workers. Training will take place on Feb 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm or Feb 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm.

As I again look at the challenges in the months ahead, I know that we are up to the tasks! In addition to the events I've mentioned above, we are looking forward to increasing our membership, conducting more First Degrees, and holding a Fishing Derby for the youth of our Parish. Please do everything you can to make membership in our Knights of Columbus Council more meaningful. Support your Officers, our fund-raising efforts and help all you can! We are now preparing for the task of nominating a new slate of Officers for the next fraternal year. I urge each of you to seriously consider how you can provide the leadership necessary in order to improve our Council. Please remember that there **will not** be a Newsletter for the month of March.

God Bless,

Ron Suriano, GK



### Our Lady of Fatima Assembly #3090

By Faithful Navigator Carmine Guinta

Brother Sir Knights,

At our February 3rd meeting we will be

having a few speakers from the Vets and Mustard Seed. They will talk about giving food to the poor and the Vets. Please try to make this meeting. It will be very educational.

Sir Knight Paul Bisaccia and his committee are looking for a place where we could have a dinner and dance and this will be for our BLACK TIE DINNER. I am going to set a date for the renewal of our vows. This will be a FORMAL AFFAIR. On Wednesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Color Corp will have their practice at the Family Life Center, at 7 PM.

Our next meeting is Thursday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7 PM. It will take place at the Family Life Center.

Please take a minute to say a prayer for Monsignor Saporito and Father Ulto and for all of the Knights and their families.

May the GOOD LORD and HIS MOTHER MARY, help keep us safe and healthy.

Sir Knight , Carmine Guinta Faithful Navigator





### Columbiettes

### By President Ann Klose

The Ministry Fair is behind us now and I'd like to thank all the Ladies who worked at our table to welcome and inform possible new

members. You did a great job!



Columbiettes table at the Ministry Fair.

Our Wine and Cheese and More party preparations are well underway. With the help of each Columbiette it should be a big success. The date for the party is February 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm at the "DAV" Hall on 1150 California Blvd in Port Saint Lucie. A special Thank You to all the Columbiettes who have donated their time, food and raffle basket items. If each of us helps in some way, it makes it easier on everyone and our event will be a success. If you have signed up or plan to sign up to donate food, desserts or anything for the raffle baskets, please contact the following Board Members:

Food~ Ann Guinta Desserts~ Lena Carosa Donations for the Raffle Baskets~ Marilyn Suriano or Rosemarie Krecic Tickets~ Ann Klose or Vilma Stevenson



19 Ladies took their First and Major Degrees in Boynton Beach on January 15<sup>th</sup>.

Upcoming dates to remember are:

### February 27<sup>th</sup>

Wine and Cheese Party. Tickets \$10.00. Call Ann Klose at 772-344-5158

March 12<sup>th</sup> Garage Sale

Nominations for our Slate of Officers will be here soon. Please consider giving some of your time and talent to be an officer. Yes, you can do it. Be Somebody and not let Nobody do what you can do.

God Bless, Ann



**Pro-life Couple** 

By Ed and Ann Breitfelder

#### RESPECT LIFE ~ FEBRUARY

Brother Knights, the new year, like always, comes quickly among

us. It seems only like yesterday that January 2010 was here. Time has passed so fast and I have to ask myself a question? Have I made a difference? Have I served my God the way He desires me too? In my own simple way I sure hope and pray that I did. Sometimes when I look at all the evil in the world, it almost seems hopeless. What can I as an individual do? It may sound difficult but in reality it is simple. We serve our Lord and Savior to the best of our ability, and we give back to Him all the



blessing He has given us. We serve Him by serving others.

Even though there is evil in this world it was not Gods creation but mans. Therefore it is our responsibility to try and change all evil into good. We must be pro-active whenever we have an opportunity. We must always fight against anything that doesn't "RESPECT LIFE." Even though we feel that sometimes we are not making any progress, we must never give up trying. The greatest weapon we have in this battle is Prayer. We must turn to the Lord for His Help and guidance; after all He is the only one who can change it. We need to put all our trust in Him. Through Him and with Him we will succeed. With Him all things are possible. Have faith and trust in the Lord and we will succeed.

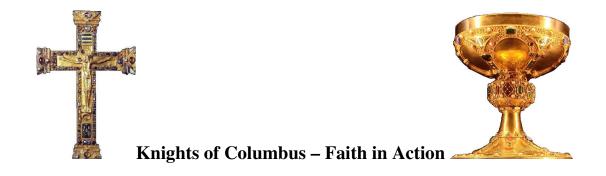
God Bless, Deacon Ed & Ann

#### Knight of the Month for February~ James W. Pesch, Jr.

On February 13<sup>th</sup> 1940, in Chicago, I was born to Pearl and James Pesch, Sr., the middle child in a family of 5. I attended public school on the north side, graduating from Lane Tech College Preparatory & Vocational High School. In 1958 I attended DePaul University in Chicago. I then moved to Miami and attended the Un. of Miami. I joined the Air-Force and was first stationed in Denver, then on to Great Falls Montana, in the 1<sup>st</sup> Minute Man Missile Wing Support Group. I cross-trained to become a Catholic Chaplin's Assistant, from being an Electronic Tech. While in Great Falls, I became a Knight of Columbus, Council #1492. I was trained for all services at the base chapel and mainly assisted in parish activities on base. I then changed my vocation direction and entered for training in the Oblates of Mary Immaculate as a Lay Brother in 1962.

My training consisted of many things that would be needed in the Missions. My First Assignment was in the Major Seminary, in Pass Christian, MS then on to the Minor Seminary, at Carthage MO. In 1966, I changed my vocational direction to lay life and while attending DeVry Electronic School and worked at an engineering consulting firm in the field of resistance welding and Industrial Presses, I met Marilyn Bohringer a real nice Irish girl with a Dutch last name, who became my wife in 1968.

Having to deal with the harsh winters in Chicago, we moved to Florida after two blessed events, our daughters Therese Marie and Pamela Ann. In 1972, found working for Sears and AT &T of which after 30 years I retired as an Electronic Tech. I was working up and down the east coast in different offices all ways on call. During this time I transferred to a Knights' Council (3416) in Ft. Pierce. I became a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Sir Knight in the mid 1980's, joining the color guard and was involved as much as possible. Due to job and illness I only went as far as Warden. Since coming to St. Lucie County, we have been part of four different parishes, active in each of them. With our back ground in parish work, we hoped to help out as much as we can in our St. Bernadette Parish. Marilyn is secretary of CCW and we have been Baptism Preparation teachers since early beginnings of the Parish. I have served as an EM, Saristan, Lector and alter server when called upon. Since my retirement I have enjoyed being able to give and be active for the many blessings we have received over the years.



On January 30<sup>th</sup>, St Bernadette's Church Knights of Columbus Council had a corporate communion Mass at 9:00 AM. It was followed by a social gathering of all the Knights and their families in the Family Life Center.

### **Our Knights of Columbus License Plates -Do you have yours yet?**



In a Council meeting several months ago, 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 most 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 still be obtained from Brother Knight Nic DiGiacomo, who is in charge of this project. Don't delay since a modest number of plates were produced.

#### Council 13042 welcomes new Knights

Our Council has two new Knights: Brothers Eustace Norris and Greg Stras, who were installed as First Degree Knights on January 13<sup>th</sup>.



Grand Knight Ron Suriano personally welcomes our new Brothers  $(1 \rightarrow r:$  Eustace Norris and Greg Stras) following the First Degree ceremony held in the Family Life Center. Let's all welcome them at our next Council meeting!



### Field Agent's Report By Jeff Kohuth

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- Anyone who needs life insurance for only a certain period.

I will be happy to meet with you at your convenience to discuss how Knights of Columbus ART life insurance, or any other of our top-rated portfolio of products, can help you meet your needs and goals.

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

## **Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes**

Our thanks to our Brother Knights and our Columbiettes who helped to assemble the January issue of the St. Bernadette Council #13042 Knightly News.





### Editor's Corner

The Editor wishes to thank our photographers at large for their supply of good photos! A number of them were used in this issue.

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 submits it. Your contribution should be typed single space and lower case and should be received **by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month**, to be considered for the next issue. The Editor can be contacted by telephone 345-1552 or email: <u>stevenson@htcplus.net</u>.

No March Newsletter; Editor On Vacation!



### From Our Web Master Steven Talerico

I am pleased to report that our website is catching on and we now have more than 500 visits! The site is being updated with current information about Council

visiting events please keep us SO at www.kofc13042.org. We are also able to automatically send invitations you and reminders via email to upcoming council events. If you are interested in receiving these notices please send an email to kofc13042@gmail.com with your name, email address, cell phone number and degree.

Thank you, Steve

## YOU TOOK MY PARKING SPACE AT CHURCH

One day, a man went to visit a church, He got there early, parked his car and got out. Another car pulled up, the driver got out and said, "I always park there! You took my place!"

The visitor went inside for Sunday School, found an empty seat and sat down. A young lady from the church approached him and stated, "That's my seat! You took my place!" The visitor was somewhat distressed by this rude welcome, but said nothing.

After Sunday School, the visitor went into the sanctuary and sat down. Another member walked up to him and said, "That's where I always sit! You took my place!" The visitor was even more troubled by this treatment, but still He said nothing.

Later as the congregation was praying for Christ to dwell among them, the visitor stood up, and his appearance began to change. Horrible scars became visible on his hands and on his sandaled feet. Someone from the congregation noticed him and called out, "What happened to you?" The visitor replied, as his hat became a crown of thorns, and a tear fell from his eye, "I took your place."

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