



Knight News

Mother Seton Council 6724



June 2016

Nativity Catholic Church

Grand Knight's Message

Reflecting the moral teachings of the Catholic Church and upholding the core principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism in its good works, the Order makes ethics an essential commitment to its business client relationships.

This commitment to ethical leadership has been recognized in the business community when the Knights of Columbus was named a 2015 World's Most Ethical Company® by Ethisphere Institute, a global leader in defining and advancing the standards of ethical business practices. The Order received the same award in 2014, when it was one of only two companies to receive the honor in the life insurance category.

"For more than 130 years, the Knights of Columbus has been protecting the financial future of Catholic families and providing charity to those on the margins of society," said Knights of Columbus CEO Carl Anderson. "That founding principle of helping those in need is at work in every aspect of our business, guiding our corporate governance, our professional agency force, our investments, and our day-to-day business operations. It is this continued commitment to our foundational, Catholic principles that is the key to our ethical, sustainable and successful business model."

The Knights of Columbus' principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism serve as the basis of the Order's core values which are Integrity, Professionalism, Excellence, and Respect. Internally, the Order abides by a Code of Ethics and Conduct

that demonstrates how the core values guide employees and contractors in difficult situations.

"At the Knights of Columbus, our values influence more than just our investments too. They also inform every aspect of our business, from the way we conduct our business, to the way we sell our products and treat our employees," Supreme Knight Anderson said in his remarks at the Sustainable Investments Conference in Chicago in 2011. "Our marketing code of ethics is based on the Ten Commandments and our 'Golden Rule' requires our sales agents to pledge to those they serve the same standards they would apply to themselves. In addition, we work hard to make sure that the same approach is applied to our employees by offering excellent benefits – including health care and a defined benefit pension – and by maintaining an excellent relationship with both our management and union employees."

Herbert Swoope
Grand Knight PFN
Council 6724

3rd Annual Father's Day Golf Classic



The biggest fundraiser for our Council is upon us. The tournament will be held at Bloomingdale Golfers Club in Valrico on Saturday, June 18.

Registration will be from 7:30 to 8:50am with a shotgun start at 9:00am. The format will be a four person scramble.

The cost per golfer is \$85.00. This is a bargain for all that's included while playing on a top golf course in the Tampa Bay area. But wait, if a foursome is paid for before June 6, the cost for the foursome is \$300.00. That's a savings of \$10.00 per golfer. Registration and payment can be made on our website under News and Announcements so round up those teams.

We need your help to make this fund raiser a success. Besides needing volunteers on the day of the tournament, we need you to get sponsors for the holes as well as donations for the raffle and prize awards. Ask the businesses and restaurants that you frequent. You will be surprised how many of them are willing to contribute something to a worthy cause. All forms for soliciting sponsors are on the website under News and Announcements and can be downloaded and printed.

Mother Seton Council Recognized

The 112th Knights of Columbus Florida State Council Convention was recently held in Orlando, Florida. Delegates to the convention were Grand Knight Herb Swoope and Deputy Grand Knight Chris McManus.

The first award was for Church Activities in which our Council placed 2nd among Division 3 (large councils of 151+ members) and was accepted by GK Herb Swoope.



The second award, which was accepted by DGK Chris McManus, was the Vocations Fund Donation Top Dollar Award. Our Council raised the most money among all Councils for vocations.

Thanks to the efforts of all the Brothers of Council 6724 for making these awards possible.

2016-2017 Officer Slate



The slate of officers for next year will be voted on at our next Council Business meeting. If you have an interest, please submit your name or the name of someone you feel should be on the slate. The proposed Slate of Officers are:

GK	Chris McManus
DGK	Tim Kasprzyk
Chancellor	Danny Diaz
Treasurer	Dean Jacobsen
Financial Secretary	Bob Ippoliti – Appointed
Recording Secretary	Bob Dunn
Warden	Neil Waid
Outside Guard	Rick Silver
Inside Guard	George Giragosian
Advocate	Howard Baum
1 st Year Trustee	Mike Goscinski
2 nd Year Trustee	Tony Boes
3 rd Year Trustee	Herb Swoope
Lecturer	Vincent Mallen

A night with Abby Johnson...called by God to fight for life

Nativity welcomed Abby Johnson on Saturday, May 14th at the Monsignor Lara Youth Center. Abby was a former Planned Parenthood Clinic Director turned Pro-life!

Abby gave a heartfelt talk about how she ended up working for Planned Parenthood and how a life changing experience caused her to become Pro-life.



At the end of her talk, Abby graciously answered questions from the audience. Abby was open and forthright with her responses. Abby explained how we must provide alternatives to women seeking healthcare so that they will return to the Pro-life clinics when they are desperate and in need of guidance.

Thanks to all the Knights who came out to support and help out with this event. The Life Ministry Team appreciated it and sent us the following note:

Dear Knights, Thank you so much for all of your help with the Abby Johnson Event last Saturday, May 14. Your help with security, set up and take down was so appreciated and helped to make the event a success. God bless you all!!

Knight Recognition

Every month we should be recognizing our brother Knights for their service to Nativity Church, our Council and the community. This recognition is done through awards for Knight of the Month and



Family of the Month. The brothers nominated for these awards should not be chosen by a few. We are sure that you have recognized the

contributions of your fellow brothers. Please help us by going to the website and making your nominations on a regular basis.

Tootsie Roll Drive

The Annual Tootsie Roll Drive has begun! This is a fun filled activity where we pass out free tootsie rolls and hope for donations in return. All proceeds go to the Lopez School for Exceptional Children. We raised over \$2000 last year. Can we top it this year???

The next dates for this fund raiser are July 7, 9, and 10 from 11AM to 5PM at the Publix at Route 60 and Kings Avenue.



We need a chairman and volunteers for every shift. Contact Tom Babiarz (813)

685-1230 to sign up.

Spring BBQ VAVS

On Saturday, May 7, Nativity Assembly 1850 sponsored the annual Spring BBQ for our brave veterans at the Haley Cove Nursing Home, which is part of the James A. Haley Veterans Hospital.

Members from Assembly 3418 at Saint Stephen's came and helped cook and purchased the food items. Their assistance was invaluable.



Twenty five (25) wheelchairs came down for the burgers and dogs along with staff and thirty six (36) Knights and family

members, who signed the roster sheet. The food cost was \$359.84. As an added attraction, The Judy Kaminski Dancers from Brandon put on a wonderful and patriotic show for all.

Our vets enjoyed themselves as did our Knights. We run this event every year and it just seems to get better. To bring something of the outside world to these men, who have given so much for our country is the very least we, as Knights of Columbus, can do. Bill Queenan, Haley Rep. PFN

Amazon.com Fundraiser

Our Council now has the opportunity to receive commissions on all purchases made on Amazon.com when purchases are made using the Amazon link on our Council website.

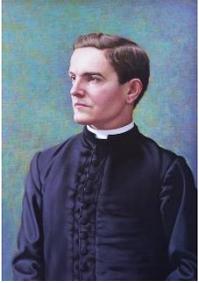


By clicking on our Council link you will find that your Amazon account is the same, the products are all the same, the prices are all the same, and the discounts and benefits are all the same. Nothing is different except that some of the money from those purchases will go to our Council. It's really just that simple.

Insurance Corner

Founded by a priest to protect Catholic families

The Knights of Columbus insurance story begins in the winter of 1882 in the basement of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Conn.



It was there that our Venerable founder, Father Michael J. McGivney, gathered the men of his parish together to create a solution to a recurring problem.

Many Catholics, most of whom were immigrants, were working and living in unfavorable conditions. And many, tragically, were dying young, leaving behind widows and orphans with insufficient financial resources.

It was a cold reality that had confronted Father McGivney all too often, not only in the lives of his parishioners, but in his own. As a seminarian, he was forced to leave school and return home to aid his family when his father died unexpectedly.

Though this story of financial ruin for Catholic families was common, Father McGivney was convinced that there was a way to change the ending. He knew that if the Catholic men in his parish came together in mutual aid, widows and orphans could receive the support they needed.

He also knew that if Catholic men banded together, united by charity and unity, they could strengthen their faith, their families, and their communities.

So, he established the Knights of Columbus, and with it, a "pass-the-hat" insurance system to protect the Catholic families in his parish. Over time, that system has evolved, and today we stay true to our founding mission through our multi-billion dollar, top-rated insurance program. Members in the United States and Canada have exclusive access to our insurance program and

products, including life insurance, retirement annuities, long-term care insurance, and disability income insurance.

Our charitable giving and fraternal service have continued to grow too. More than 1.9 million men in over a dozen countries across the globe are proud to call themselves Knights. Last year alone, these men and their families donated more than \$170 million to charity and performed more than 70 million hours of service.

Please contact our field agent Joe DiSalvo to discuss any of your insurance needs.

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Prayer for the Sick

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Emily Seay

Tim Liff (nephew of Don Clark)

John Habvsca

Lori Boatwright's Mother

Darlene Westbrook

Frances Davis

Bill Queenan

Jeromy Carpenter

Teresa and Sam Sanchez

Frank Ossillo

Little Carson (friend of Patrick Roach)

Brother Knights who have no one to pray for them

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviates our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grants us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.

Officers

Grand Knight: Herb Swoope

Deputy Grand Knight: Chris McManus

Chancellor: Danny Diaz

Treasurer: Dean Jacobson

Financial Secretary: Sam Miller

Recording Secretary: Open

Chaplin: Open

Warden: Neil Waid

Inside Guard: George Giragosian

Outside Guard: Richard Silver

Advocate: Howard Baum

1year Trustee: John Houseman

2year Trustee: Michael Goscinski

3year Trustee: Tony Boes

Lecturer: Don Clark

Upcoming Events

June 6 – Council Business Meeting 7:30pm

June 15 – Assembly Meeting

June 18 – Annual Father's Day Golf Classic

June 25 – Miller Road Clean-up (Tentative)

June 28 – Officer's Meeting 7:00pm

July 7, 9, 10 – Tootsie Roll Drive, Publix at Route 60
and Kings Avenue

July 23 – Installation of Officers