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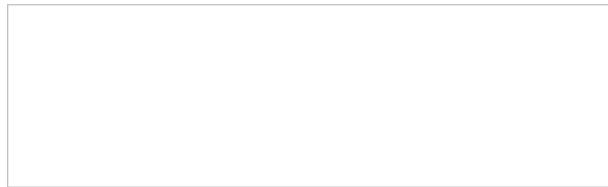


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Grand Knight's Message *By Ron Suriano*

This past month of October, our Council continued to be busy with preparations for the Church's Annual Golf Tournament held on September 29th at Gator Trace. Thanks to many of our Brother Knights and Columbiettes who made this another successful tournament. On October 14th, we conducted a First Degree Installation and received three new Brother Knights into our Council. They are Brothers Deacon Steve Dove, Michael Nataro and Alfred Scerri. Please greet them at our next Council Meeting and I welcome them to our Council and the Knights of Columbus family.

We had a special Spaghetti Dinner on Columbus Day, October 11th at the Family Life Center, chaired by Brother Ronald Caccippio. This event was quite unique in that innovations were required to both prepare the food and serve the dinners without a useful kitchen. In spite of some rough beginnings, the dinners, raffle and auctions went well and we are awaiting the final tally on the profits made. I want to thank our Brother Knights who attended the 8:00 AM Mass and continental breakfast on October 13th in preparation for attending a Rosary celebration for the unborn at the Pregnancy Care Center in Fort Pierce that same morning. On October 22nd, the Columbiettes held a Pizza Night at the Family Life Center and it was once again a huge success.

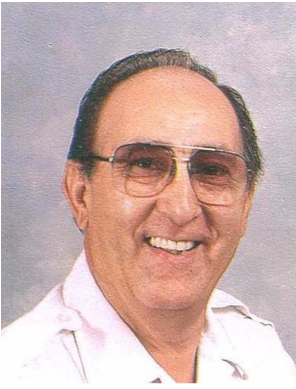
I want to remind everyone that Brother Nick DiGiacomo still has K of C license plates for sale and you can buy them at any of our meetings or by contacting Nick directly. I hope that you will be proud to purchase a plate and advertise your support for the Knights of Columbus. Brother Knights from other area Councils have purchased these plates and I hope that you will do the same.

This past month of October has been a sad one for our Council with the passing of Claire Freschke, wife of SK Robert Freschke and Maryann Russo, wife of SK Frank Russo. Please keep Bob and Frank in your prayers!

I encourage all of you to continue to be active in Council activities and support the Officers of your Council.

God Bless,

Ron Suriano, GK



**Our Lady of Fatima
Assembly #3090**

*By Faithful Navigator
Carmine Guinta*

Brother Sir Knights,

I want to thank all the Sir Knights who attended the Sunday Mass at Notre Dame Mission with Bishop Gerald M. Barbarito. This was for 14 men and women who were making their Confirmation. It was very nice. There were 20 Color Corps Sir Knights there from four different assemblies.

We will need many helping hands with the food drive for the homeless vets on October 30th and October 31st. This will be at the two masses of Saturday and the four Sunday Masses.

All Sir Knights please attend the drive for the homeless vets at Bob Evans' Restaurant Fun

Night on Monday, November 1st and Monday, November 8th. If you and your friends are going out for breakfast, lunch or dinner, please have it at Bob Evans. Their hours are from 6 AM to 9 PM. Thank you in advance for your support.

I thank all the Sir Knights who attended the wake and the mass for Claire, the wife of our brother Knight Robert Ferschke, who has gone to be with her Father. I would also like to thank our Sir Knights who attended the wake and mass on October 25th and 26th respectively, for Maryann, the wife of our brother Knight Frank Russo.

May the GOOD LORD keep us safe and healthy.

Sir Knight, Carmine Guinta
Faithful Navigator



Knight of the Month Tony Autorino *By Dolores Autorino*

Anthony (Tony) Autorino was born in Brooklyn, N.Y. He has 3 children from a previous marriage and 6 grandchildren. Tony is now married to Dolores. Tony has been a 4th degree Knight since November 2003 and a member of St Bernadette Parish since its inception. With the help of 2 other men they built the altar platform in the church as well as the Cross in front of the church. Tony is also responsible for many of the repairs and maintenance around the church. Tony has worked in the propane gas industry for over 50 years and presently is working on obtaining the grills, fryers and ovens for the up and coming church feast. Tony did find, and donated, a commercial grill to the Knights of Columbus Council #13042.

During WWII he served in the Navy and was the only radioman out of 19 to survive the sinking of his ship, the USS Cooper; he was 19 years old at the time. While floating in the ocean he promised the Lord that he would always be a good person and help all who needed his assistance. To this day he can still be called on to help.



Columbiettes
By President Ann Kloze

October was a very busy month for the Auxiliary. Thank you to all the Ladies who made desserts for the Knights Spaghetti Dinner and for the Columbiettes Pizza

and More party. As usual, you Ladies did a beautiful job.

Our first Corporate Communion was also beautiful. We had a nice attendance for it being our first one. There is still plenty of room in the Church for more Ladies when we have our Second One. **Our Rosary participation was appreciated on October 13th.**



Photos by Jane Giannattasio.



The turnout was good and a number of our Sister Columbiettes participated in this important event in front of the Pregnancy Care Center in Fort Pierce.

As your President I attended a Thank You luncheon from the Hospice for our donation to them. It was very enjoyable. Our Baby Shower was lovely; what a great outpouring of gifts from our ladies. Our Pizza Party is behind us now and a report will be given in the next issue of the Knightly News.

We have started collecting items for our Garage Sale which will be held on March 12th. Items collected should be priced marked and brought to the President's house the week before the date. We have a great committee formed and expect the Garage Sale to be a huge success. Anyone who would like a copy of the membership roster please send an Email to Marilyn Suriano at ronmarilyn@comcast.net, requesting a copy. Please be sure to put in the Subject: Columbiette Roster.

As you can see by reading this article we are a very busy Chapter. This means a hand from everyone is needed and you are important. So, remember this story. This is a story about four people: Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody. There was an important job to be done and Everybody was asked to do it. Everybody was sure Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry with that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

God Bless, Ann



Pro-life Couple

By Ed and Ann Breitfelder

RESPECT LIFE ~
NOVEMBER

This prayer touched my heart; so please pray it with

me, my brothers and sisters in Christ.

Father, all life is in your care, you have entrusted us to one another that we may show our brothers and sisters the same love you have for us. We pray, then, for the least among us, the CHILDREN IN THE WOMB. Protect them from the Violence of Abortion. We pray that those who have agreed to an abortion will change their minds. Protect the unborn from death and give hope to their parents that they may turn away from the

desperate act of abortion. We pray for a conversion of all those, who in any way, are part of this act of violence. Show us how to respond to this bloodshed in our mist, and lead us to the day when these places of death will be transformed into a HEAVEN of LIFE. Dear God guard us with your joy and your peace, for in you, life is Victorious. We ask these things in the name of JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD. Amen

We always pray to change things, but prayer doesn't change things, prayer changes people so that people can change things. So remember change happens when you act.

God Bless you,

Deacon Ed & Ann



FAMILY OF THE MONTH Dante & Mary Lou Piacesi

Dante (Dan) Piacesi is a first generation American, born in 1936 to Italian parents in Ellwood City, PA. Upon graduating from college, Dan moved to Washington, D.C., where he met his lovely wife, Mary Lou. They moved to Florida in 1998 and have been in Port St. Lucie for the past 4 years. They have 3 children and 5 grandchildren.

Dan's government career spanned a period of 30 years - 10 with the Navel Ordnance Laboratory in Sliver Springs, MD, where, as a physicist, he worked on naval weapons systems, and then 20 years at the Smithsonian Institute where as head of the Scientific Applications Division, he provided data analysis to the researchers. Dan ranks his post-government career in the assisted-living industry for the past 18 years as his most enjoyable and rewarding work time.

Dan is a 4th degree Knight and is also a member of the Eucharistic Ministry, Prison Ministry and the Social Committee. Mary Lou is a member of the Columbiettes, Eucharistic Ministry, Daughters of the American Revolution, the Chiropodist and the Red Hats. Dan loves to read, travel, sing (barbershop style), and most of all, enjoys retirement with Mary Lou.

We look forward to seeing Dan's smiling face and enjoy his and Mary Lou's company at all of our functions.

Brother Knights Column

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul, St. Bernadette Conference is in need of volunteers as case workers. We help the needy in our community by giving food, paying Florida Power & Light, rent and water & sewer bills. This is rewarding work. As Knights of Columbus members we all know the meaning of and work toward charity by volunteering some of our time as volunteers for our Society, again this is very rewarding work.

You will not work alone. You will have a partner to train you and work with you on all cases. Husband & wife teams are also very much acceptable. Our next meeting is on Monday September 27th, at our Family Life Center. All are welcome to come and hear more about us and learn about the nice work we do. You may also learn more by calling me at 772-878-3942. Thank you, Jack Polizzi

Welcome new Brother Knights!

On October 14th, our Council conducted an installation for new candidates to the Knights of Columbus. Four candidates took their First Degree at this Installation Ceremony.

All Knights of our Council offer a sincere Welcome to our new Brothers:



Our new Brother Knights are (L→R) Randy Iannacone, Deacon Steve Dove, Michael Notaro & Alfred Sherri.

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.

A Blessed Thanksgiving Day to All!



"Freedom from want,"
by Norman Rockwell.



Field Agent's Report

By Jeff Kohuth

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Call me – let's talk.

Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes

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

The Editor can be contacted by telephone 345-1552 or email: stevenson@htcplus.net.



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 events so please keep

visiting us at www.kofc13042.org.

We are also able to automatically send you invitations 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

Knights' Columbus Day Spaghetti Dinner

Our Council's October 11th spaghetti dinner, to honor our patron, served more than 300 Knights, their families and parishioners during the 2 sittings.

While the final net financial results of the event have not been determined yet, the dinner was considered to be a success, especially since our Family Life Center's kitchen was not ready for use!

More than 50 persons from our Parish contributed their time and treasure to make this event a success in addition to personnel from the Digital Domain Park and our local St. Vincent de Paul unit.

The Council and especially the chairman of the event, SK Ron Caccippio, thank everyone who supported the event in some way.



A view of some of the diners during the event.



Attendees were treated to lovely music by Lori Colozzo from the Music Ministry.



Some (but not all) of the large number of our Youth Group who helped serve and clear food at the tables of both the 4PM and 6 PM sittings.

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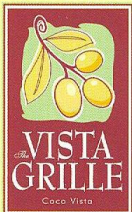
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One of our Brother Knights made the Honor Flight to Washington DC

Our Brother, Sir Knight Ed Doyle, was a veteran of World War II and was selected to participate in an Honor Flight to Washington D.C. and to tour the National Monuments there commemorating all of our veterans from this War. The commentary that follows was provided by Ed Doyle.

“The Honor flight by Ed Doyle

I have never been in such a special ‘thank you’ as I received on the 18th of September. I was asked by my physician to participate in an air trip to Washington to see the War Memorial. He did not tell me that I would be accompanied by 55 other service men **from WWII**. I was asked to arrive at the Municipal Building in Stuart at 4:30 in the morning of the 18th. As I arrived, I was surprised to see a large group of people signing up. I was introduced to my guardian, a very nice woman, named Donna, who turned out to be president of the Women's Aux. of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Stuart. Each GI in the group had a guardian who paid their own way to the tune of \$400. As we left the building to board the luxury buses, we were treated to a send off by police and firemen, who clapped and bid us a safe trip and added a ‘thank you’ for our service. As we left the area in the buses, we were led by a sheriff's car with blazing lights and a squad of motorcycles. We went to the VA Hospital in West Palm Beach for breakfast. Again, clapping and ‘thank yous’. After breakfast the buses took us to the Palm Beach airport to board our plane. As we debarked and entered the airport people were lined up along the route with a band and more clapping and ‘thank yous’. We were given round trip tickets to Washington via Baltimore. As our plane taxied down the runway, a pair of fire trucks shot columns of water over the plane.

When we landed in Washington, a pair of fire trucks again shot streams of water over the plane. As we entered the terminal, passengers and airport personnel were lined up clapping and saying thank you. We were then loaded into luxury buses and given box lunches as we toured Washington on our way to the War Memorial. Upon arriving at the Memorial we debarked and toured the site. We then boarded the buses and were taken to the Iwo Jima Monument. There we had a group picture taken and then embarked for the airport and the flight home. We were again given box lunches. We arrive back at the Stuart location around 8 PM and I arrived home about 10:30 PM. What a wonderful day. Please note that nowhere did they cheer. Instead, they politely clapped and said Thank You.”

For the reader’s information, **“the Honor Flight Network is a non-profit organization created solely to honor America’s veterans for all their sacrifices. We transport our heroes to Washington, D.C. to visit and reflect at their memorials. Top priority is given to the senior veterans- World War II survivors, along with those other veterans who may be terminally ill.**

Of all of the wars in recent memory, it was World War II that truly threatened our very existence as a nation- and as a culturally diverse, free society. Now, with over one thousand World War II veterans dying each day, our time to express our thanks to these brave men and women is running out” (taken from the Honorflight.org website).

Knights' Christmas Dinner & Dance

Christmas is fast approaching. Our council will be holding its annual Christmas Dinner Dance on Sunday, December 5, 2010. In conjunction with our dance we are again supporting United for Families in its quest to provide all foster children in Saint Lucie County with a brighter Christmas. Children of both sexes and all ages from infant to 17 will need your help. Further information will be available as you purchase tickets for the event. Your (preferably) wrapped gift for a child in need has spread smiles throughout the County for the last five years and we're certain that those smiles will continue to grow as has our council's generosity.

The dinner will include chicken parmigiano with ziti, a salad, dessert and coffee. Tickets are \$20 per person. The event will take place at the Moose Lodge.

The evening's music will be provided by Giani Monti.

As per our previous years' events the focus of the evening is to provide a gift for a foster child. If you bring a gift that uses batteries, don't forget to include a few extra batteries if possible, since without batteries the child cannot properly enjoy his or her gift.

Tickets can be bought from either Brother Knight Adriano Krecic or Worthy Grand Knight Ron Suriano. Brother Adriano can be contacted at 772-340-0424. GK Ron number is 772-878-2623. Tickets should be bought prior to November 30th!

Please plan to help make this final event of the year a big success by participating in this Dinner & Dance event!

God Bless.

Adriano Krecic and Tony & Maria Schwab.

