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GRAND KNIGHT MIKE RICE

Brother Knights,

It is February already, and along with that comes the cold and flu season. There have been a number of knights that have been hit during this season so let's keep them in our thoughts and prayers for speedy recoveries. Stay healthy and wash your hands often since it is easy to pass the germs from one to another. Also keep Sir Knight Larry D'Angelo in your prayers for a full recovery from his surgery last week.

Our Council has a few events coming up in the next month and hopefully you can help out. Many hands will make the work small for all of us. Saturday March 26th will be our Annual Easter Egg hunt for the kids. We will need volunteers for stuffing bags of candy and putting the eggs together on March 18th at 7 p.m. in family life center. Setup will be on Saturday morning at 8am. Since there will be multiple timeframes for the kids during the morning, we will need volunteers for the events, check-in, etc. Sign-up sheets will be posted at our meeting this month.

Our next council meeting is this Thursday February 25th at 7pm. The council meeting in March has been changed due to the Easter week. The March meeting will be held on Thursday March 31st at 7pm. See you at both of these meetings!

It has come to the officers attention that our dress code has been a little lax as of late and I need all of your help to have our council look professional. Our standard dress code for the council meeting is khakis (beige) slacks and the white council shirt with the K of C emblem. The blue 4th degree shirt is also appropriate. If you do not have these yet, or they are dirty then dress slacks and a nice golf or dress shirt along with your name badge. New members will receive a name badge shortly. Blue jeans, t-shirts and shorts are not acceptable attire. Also make sure you have your membership card and rosary (remember the promise in the 1st degree to always carry it?) when attending the meeting.

Thanks and may the Lord always guide you in your thoughts and deeds.

Vivat Jesus Mike Rice, GK

NEW BROTHERS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FEBRUARY 11 2016



New Brothers L-R Lance Torres, Keith Deoliveira, and Robert Perona

CONGRATULATIONS !!!

LENTEN FEAST FEBRUARY 19TH





















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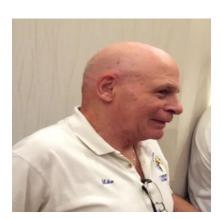


















FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR DICK BANVILLE

Brother Sir Knights,

When Jesus was carrying his cross and it became too much for him a man came to help him, his name was Simon. One of the basic tenets of the Knights of Columbus is that we help one another. Last month many knights volunteered, painted and improved a United States veteran and fellow brother Knight's home here in Port St Lucie.

At our parish ministry fair held a few weeks ago on Saturday and Sunday people were met by S.K.Ron Suriano explaining the wonderful advantages of belonging to the largest_men's Catholic organization in the world. A few days later R on became ill and went home to his Lord Jesus Christ.

The 4th degree Color Corps had the honor of serving as guards at his wake. At his funeral, we had 24 Color Corps members to serve as honor guard at his funeral Mass. Ron was buried at the Veterans cemetery in Lake Worth where a large group of Knights and friends gathered to witness taps, gun salute and a flag presentation by an NCO Air Force Seargent to Marilyn, his widow. A very moving experience for everyone.

We are now planning to have our annual spring picnic.. more to come!! God bless.

God bless,

Faithful Navigator

Richard "Dick" Banville



KAREN FRASCA, PRESIDENT OF THE COLUMBIETTES

DEAR SISTERS,

My sincere thanks for all your help (along with our Brother Knights); the Lenten Soup Supper on 2/19 was a success. It was a great joint effort. We do work well together!

The next few weeks and months will be very busy and much help will be needed.

The garage sale is scheduled for March 12th. I will have more information at our general meeting on February 25th. Help will be needed the day before the sale and during the sale. A sign up sheet will be available at the general meeting.

March 26th is the date for our Easter Egg Hunt. A room in the Family Life Center is being reserved on Friday the 18th of March at 7PM to stuff the candy into plastic bags for the Hunt. Sign up sheets will be available for this event as well.

April 8th is the date of our Wine and Cheese. It should be a lot of fun and we will need help for this event as well.

March is the month that we form our Nominating Committee. Anyone who is thinking of running for an office please be sure that you have made your Major Degree.

Hope to see many of you at our next meeting.

As always God Bless you all and thank you for all your support.

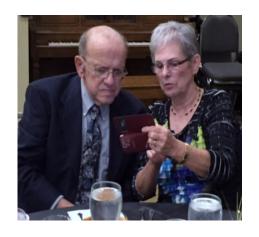
Sincerely,

Karen Frasca

BROTHER AND SIR KNIGHT RON SURIANO

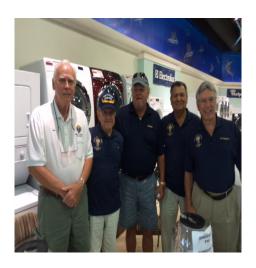


PASSED AWAY FEBRUARY 1ST 2016













OBITUARY OF BROTHER, PGK, AND SIR KNIGHT RON SURIANO

RONALD PETER SURIANO, 79, of Port St. Lucie, FL, passed away February 1, 2016 at Lawnwood Regional Medical Center in Fort Pierce, FL.

Born in Detroit, MI, Ron was a ten year resident of Port St. Lucie, FL, after moving from De Soto, Texas. He graduated from the University of Detroit with a Bachelors of Mechanical Engineering and a Master of Engineering Administration from The George Washington University. Mr. Suriano served for over 22 years in the US Air Force and retired as a Lt Colonel. He served the US Air Force in a variety of positions as a Base Civil Engineer, Combat Engineer with RED HORSE, and as an Environmental and Systems Safety Engineer. He was a Certified Safety Professional, Certified Flight Instructor up to the Instrument level, and a member of the American Society of Safety Engineers.

He was a member and Past Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus Council and 4th degree Assembly in St Lucie West; and past member and Past Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus Council in Duncanville, TX. Ron was also active in supporting the Treasure Coast Hospice fundraising efforts, and an active member of St. Bernadette Catholic Church, where he volunteered on the golf tournament committee and served as a Eucharistic Minister. His passions were flying, bowling, boating, fishing, and golfing. Of note, he bowled a perfect 300 in a sanctioned game.

He is survived by his wife of almost fifty years, Marilyn, of Port St. Lucie, FL; daughter, Deborah Mahnken of Springfield (husband Tom), VA; two sons, Col Mark Suriano, Ph D, of Albuquerque, NM (wife Briar), Kevin Suriano of Carrollton, VA (wife Kim); sister, Patricia Perrault of West Grand Blanc, MI; brother, Edward Suriano of Putnam, CT (wife JoAnn); and four grandchildren, Thomas and Rachel Mahnken and Sophia and Joseph Suriano.

Visitation will be on Friday, February 12, 2016, from 4:00PM – 7:00PM at the Aycock Funeral Home, 1504 SE Floresta Drive, Port St. Lucie, FL.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be on Saturday, February 13, 2016, at 10:00AM, at St. Bernadette Catholic Church, 350 NW California Blvd, Port St. Lucie, FL.

Burial will be on Monday, February 15, 2016, at 9:15AM at the South Florida National Cemetery, 6501 FL-7, Lake Worth, FL 33449.

Memorial contributions may be made to Treasure Coast Hospice, 5090 Dunn Road, Fort Pierce, FL; or St. Bernadette Catholic Church Building Fund, 350 NW California Blvd., Port St. Lucie, FL 34986.

Arrangements are entrusted to Aycock Funeral Home, Port St. Lucie, FL. www.aycockportstlucie.com.



Editor's Corner

Brothers and Sisters,

We launched a charitable event that the Knights of Columbus and the Columbiettes Auxiliary had not done before. We served a Lenten feast that was billed as a poor man's supper. The idea was to serve a simple meal of simple foods to nourish people in need. It would precede the "Stations of the Cross", and would be akin to the soup lines that were offered during the great depression of the last century. We did this as a charitable event in honor of our parish Church which to us is a vehicle for charity.

We are sometimes asked to provide a hand, and to set up functions that are important to the parish. We sometimes conduct functions of our own. Even if these works do not benefit us directly, we are helping our charitable groups to spread the word, reach the sick, and needy, as well as those in need of comfort.

Our Church has over thirty ministries that pray, comfort, visit, and distribute the sacramants to our parish. Most of these groups have just a few people that conduct their ministry from the goodness of their hearts. Without the Church supporting these ministries, providing meeting space, kitchen use, and etc., they could not flourish. When we help and support our parish we support these ministries so that they may continue their good work.

CHARITY IS OUR FIRST PRINCIPLE !!!!

Yours in Christ.

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