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Knights of Columbus Mario "Chick" Alberghini Council 13277

The Silver Rose

Brothers,

The Silver Rose will be delivered to our council on the afternoon of Monday March 17th. The Silver Rose Prayer Program is an annual Prayer service in honor of Our Lady Of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas and the Unborn, which demonstrates the unity and confraternity of Knights of Columbus from Canada, the United States, and Mexico and our devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God, and to Pro-Life causes.

Ordinarily, seven Silver Roses begin a journey though North America in Alaska, Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario, Nova Scotia, Virginia, and Hawaii late in February with an eighth Silver Rose beginning its journey in Puerto Rico in late March. Three of the Silver Roses arrive in Mexico City in time for the celebrations of the feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe (December 12) in Mexico City, Three of the Silver Roses remain in Texas and one remains in New York City for the feast day, and one Silver Rose ends its journey in Washington, DC in late December.

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Brian Hagensick

EVENTS

- Mar 14: Fish Fry
- Mar 15: St. Patrick's Day Dinner
- Mar 21: Fish Fry
- Mar 27: Assembly Meeting
- Mar 28: Fish Fry
- Apr 4: Fish Fry
- Apr 5: First Saturday Devotions
- Apr 3-6: ACTS Retreat
- Apr 11: Fish Fry
- Apr 18: Good Friday
- Apr 20: Easter
- Apr 24: Assembly Meeting
- May 1: Council Meeting
- May 2: First Friday Adoration
- May 3: First Saturday Devotions
- May 4: Pancake Breakfast
- May 5: Golf Tournament
- May 12: SiTS Meeting
- May 17: Armed Forces Day Dinner
- May 22: Assembly Meeting

(see website for our most up to date calendar)

A WORD FROM OUR AGENT

Brothers, Tax Day, April 15, will be here before you know it.

Do you know if your tax rate or bracket has changed? If so, are you aware of the implications? Your income throughout life can fluctuate, causing you to potentially end up in a higher tax bracket than anticipated. And following an election year, each new administration can change tax brackets and tax rates.

As a result, you may not have as much disposable income or as much money to leave to family as you planned. This can be true earlier in life, or in retirement when your income sources may change. You can protect yourself against these potential losses and build dependable cash value through permanent life insurance with the Knights of Columbus. Permanent life insurance allows you to build cash value that you can access tax-free while you're alive.

You can also create an income tax-free inheritance for your loved ones after you pass. Of course, we always recommend that you work with a qualified tax advisor or CPA. But permanent life insurance can be a useful tool for tax planning in a range of situations.

In partnering with you to secure your financial future and legacy, we're fulfilling the mission of Blessed Michael McGivney, who founded our Order 143 years ago this month. I'd love to share how permanent life insurance may be able to help you prepare for the unexpected. If you have any questions, please come chat with me and we can schedule a time to meet. Thank you! Tax benefits assume all premiums are timely paid and are based on the claims-paying ability of the issuer.

Any policy loans will impact the tax benefits by reducing the policy's death benefit and cash values. Proceeds from life insurance policies may be subject to certain taxes based on individual circumstances. Tax laws vary by jurisdiction and may change over time.

Knights of Columbus and its agents do not provide tax or legal advice and are not financial planners. Please consult with your financial, legal and tax advisors about your own particular circumstances. For costs and complete details of coverage, please contact your agent or the Knights of Columbus.

GRAND KNIGHT'S CORNER

Brothers, being as we have begun Lent, I thought I would share with you the Churches "official rules" for the Lenten season.

In the Catholic Church, Lent is a 40-day period of fasting, prayer, and alms-giving leading up to Easter. The word "Lent" comes from the Middle English word "Lenten," which means spring.

Fasting and abstinence

- Catholics aged 18 to 59 are required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, unless they have a medical reason
- Catholics aged 14 and up are required to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays during Lent
- Catholics can eat one full meal and two smaller meals that don't add up to a full meal while fasting

Other Lenten practices

- Catholics can give up a favorite food or drink
- Catholics can donate the cost of meals they give up to Catholic Relief Services
- Catholics can join other Catholics for a spiritual challenge
- Catholics can say special Lenten prayers
- Catholics can deepen their relationship with the Lord

When does Lent end? Lent ends on Holy Thursday, the Thursday before Easter Sunday.

I would like to thank all those who continue to step up and help with all our charitable endeavors, your faithful attendance is greatly appreciated. I would also like to encourage those who have been hesitant to sign-up to help please reconsider, there is always room for a few more helping hands.

Sign-up geniuses are available for all our upcoming events, and I encourage you to use them as it helps with planning. Please use the following link to access our volunteer page <https://www.kofc13277.org/volunteer>.

Recruitment - One last thing - It's an elevator ride (or walking out of Mass). You have 30 seconds. Maybe. You can't tell the entire story of the Order in 30 seconds. So don't try. Instead, tell the prospect why your membership is important, valuable and meaningful for you and your family. That simple message will be very powerful if you tell it sincerely and passionately.

Here are some talking points:

- We have more than 16,000 councils headquartered in Catholic parishes around the world.
- Knights put their faith into action every day to make life better in their parishes and communities.
- We offer men the opportunity to grow in their faith while helping others and supporting the Church, and to become better Catholics, husbands and fathers.
- The Knights of Columbus annually contributes nearly \$200 million to worthy charitable causes around the world, and our members donate nearly 100 million hours of their time.
- Our Leave No Neighbor Behind program provides direct outreach to those most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Our founder – Blessed Michael McGivney – has been beatified by the Church. People around the world seek his intercession through prayer.
- All practicing Catholic men 18 years or older are invited to join.

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Brian Hagensick, GK

BIG EVENTS!

Golf Tournament

The Mario "Chick" Alberghini Council 13277 Charity Golf Tournament Web-site is now live.

Our Charity this year will once again be the local Special Olympic Athletes. The funds raised will support athletes who qualify for state and national events.

The golf tournament be held at The Club at Hidden Creek on Monday May 5th, 2025. 11:30am registration and 1:00pm shotgun start.

Volunteers will be needed; Signup Genius coming soon.

We need your help to reach out to sponsors and have your friends form a team. The Team Registration and Sponsorship Forms can also be found on this site.

www.kofc13277.org/golf-tournament



Smokin' in the Square!

Grillin' in the Breeze is coming up.

We have an extra gun that we may raffle off.

The committee will be meeting periodically as we near the event in the Fall. Please contact Neal Carter if you would like to be involved.

Mardi Gras Parade! We had a great turnout. Jim Brown smoked 20 Pork Butts and 80 Brisket Hot Dogs for VIP (Friday night dinner and Saturday Lunch), the Parade Marshals and other Volunteers.

Keith Whelan, Richard Striggow and Harold Groat made 60 Egg, Sausage and Cheese Burritos to get things started Saturday morning.

Marnie, Loli and Carla Wagner with some help from the guys did a great job decorating the Fire Engine and organizing the Beads to be thrown.

Thank you to everyone that showed up to help cook, wrap and serve the food. PMG Staff were very happy and appreciative of us taking care of them.

Neal



WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Happenings

ACTS Retreat will be held April 3-6. POC—Jeff Weaver jlweaver22@att.net or 210-219-4400.

The Fish Fry dinners require lots of hands. Please consider volunteering.

The Silver Rose ceremony will be 17 Mar at 3 pm.

Pensacola Bay Center (Scott Rannals): - We've recently manned PENSACON and a hockey game. There is another hockey game on 23 Mar--show time is 2 pm.

The 4th Degree Exemplification went well. We welcomed eight new 4th Degree Knights.

Our State Conference is 23-25 May (Memorial Day weekend) in Jacksonville. Primaries are Brian H. and Jon Brandon while our alternate is Joe Castro.

We need volunteers to plant 23 trees along the back driveway entrance; POC is Neal Carter.

The next Kolbe Prison Ministry Retreat is June 5-7. POC is Dino Caputo.

Our Knight's Council is running a chocolate bar sale through Easter as a fundraiser for our sponsored seminarians. Boxes are \$60 and contain a variety of 30 bars each which can be sold individually. To participate in the sale, or to purchase chocolates, contact Chancellor Dino Caputo at 305-684-5678 or any of the Knights for assistance. Individual bars will be available for sale at the front office.

Reminders

As always, the minutes from each council meeting can be found on our website on the "Members" page under the "Minutes" option. Please review prior to the next council meeting and send any requests for edits to Tony Giangulio.

Prayers for our Seminarians

Rider Serpa

Brent Gorton

Jake Woods



KNIGHTS IN ACTION

Community

Annual Free Throw Contest

We had a beautiful day for the Basketball Free Throw Competition. Mike Nargi, Henry Langford, Jack Woods, Charles Bowman and Jon Brandon set up for the tournament and Eileen and some of the youth cooked up Brats and Hot Dogs for the contestants and workers. We had seven young people show up to compete, 5 boys and two girls. One of the 10 year old boys made 7 out of 15 shots, the top score of the day. We finished at 1pm and packed up. Looking forward to even more competitors next time, hopefully this fall.

FACES & PLACES



KNIGHTS IN ACTION

Smokin’

We cook!

We feed!

We have fun!

FACES & PLACES



MILESTONES!

Member Birthdays		
Name	Birthday	Age
Michael T Raymond Jr	03-01-1987	38
David B Watts	03-01-1959	66
Derek C Pratt	03-03-1974	51
Charles H Bowman	03-05-1981	44
Chester H Watts Jr	03-06-1945	80
Louis T Kurtz	03-12-1955	70
Ian P Marr	03-12-1971	54
Rodney S Neville	03-15-1962	63
W. Marc Barrett	03-17-1964	61
The T Bui	03-19-1963	62
Anthony S McWhorter	03-20-1963	62
John A Kinder	03-21-1933	92
Raymond S Allen	03-22-1962	63
Leobardo Leija III	03-24-1982	43
Robert W Shuping	03-24-1981	44
Mr Matthew C Jacobs	03-25-1994	31
Hubert J Lauterbach	03-25-1947	78
James J Kearney III	03-26-1958	67
Warren W Pfister	03-27-1958	67
Felix A Paulino	03-28-1984	41
Jeffrey D Arnett	03-29-1961	64
James P Gary	03-29-1968	57
Robert J Gambera	03-31-1960	65
Robert C Hensel	03-31-1956	69

MILESTONES!

Years of Service		
Name	First Degree Date/ Re-entry Date	Year s of Serv ice
Joseph P Kearney	03-01-1985	40
Phillip J Holland	03-28-1985	40
James Edward Hall	03-01-1988	37
Richard E La Grua	03-16-1995	30
Lou M Barbato MD	03-17-2003	22
David R Kroeger	03-15-2004	21
Craig A Maeluk	03-15-2004	21
Earl J Zimmerle	03-15-2004	21
Ronald F Wright	03-19-2004	21
Anthony S McWhorter	03-16-2006	19
Paul L Garoppo	03-09-2007	18
Carson Michael Gaspard	03-13-2008	17
Bernard C Cernosek	03-15-2011	14
James P Kizer Jr	03-15-2011	14
Rosario G Estrada	03-16-2014	11
Jeremy M Estrada	03-18-2014	11
Charles L D'Angelo Jr	03-10-2016	9
Derek J Privette	03-10-2022	3
Mr Danny M Davis	03-27-2023	2
Mr Dennis Green Jr	03-01-2024	1
Mr Scott T Burris	03-26-2024	1

2024/25 Council Officers

Brian Hagensick – Grand Knight
Fr. John Kelly— Chaplain
Mark McCafferty – Deputy Grand Knight
Dean Caputo – Chancellor
Tony Giangiulio – Recorder
Jon Brandon— Financial Secretary
Clay Olschner – Treasurer
Marc Barrett - Lecturer
Rich Striggow— Advocate
Henry Langford – Warden
Jim Proskovec – Inside Guard
Harold Groat – Outside Guard
Jeff Weaver — 1-Year Trustee
Scott Rannals — 2-Year Trustee
Dave Kroeger — 3-Year Trustee

“THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS”

This council of the Knights of Columbus serves the community of St. Sylvester and the surrounding area in support of our diocese.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A KNIGHT?

We are Catholic men who lead, serve, protect and defend. We share a desire to be better husbands, fathers, sons, neighbors and role models and to put charity and community first.

2024/25 Assembly Officers

Faithful Navigator - Joe Castro
Faithful Captain - Henry Langford
Faithful Admiral - Phil Price
Faithful Pilot - Brian Hagensick
Faithful Comptroller - Richard Huzil
Faithful Purser - Felix Paulino
Faithful Scribe - Jon Brandon
Faithful Inner Sentinel - Dean Caputo
Faithful Outer Sentinel - Richard Striggow
Three Year Trustee - Ron Unterreiner
Two-year Trustee - Neal Carter
One-year Trustee - Warren Pfister

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Interested in joining the Knights of Columbus?

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