The Knight Knotables





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From our Grand Knight Pete Arino...

Brothers,

Welcome to a new year. I trust that all the brothers enjoyed the holidays with your families as we welcomed the baby Jesus on his birthday. We are off to a good start with our council already. At our monthly meeting recently we donated, over \$15,000 to various charities and individuals.



This year I am asking the brothers to increase their participation in our endeavors to help our council to achieve, once again, Star Council status. I know you are equal to the task.

Over the last few months, I have been out in public wearing my council shirt and on at least three occasions, I have been approached by people who wished to thank the Knights for the good work that we do or who have had personal or family assistance from a knight I have also met in fellowship brother knights from other parts of the country. Here were real life examples of the effects of our work. Here was concrete proof of the difference we make in people's lives. As Christ said, "Whatever you do for the least of these, you do for me."

Have a blessed New Year and keep in your prayers our brothers who are ill or who have recently passed on.

Fraternally.

Pete Arino Grand Knight

Getting to know our Brother Knights better...

To get to know our Brother Knights better, we are providing personal profiles about some of our brother Knights in our newsletters. This month we feature our Deputy Grand Knight Mike Skinner.

Mike Skinner is from southern Ohio where he was a star scout and was a member of Army JROTC in high school. Mike moved to Florida in 1994, and he joined the knights about 9 years ago. He went through all four degrees in his first six months, and has been active in both Councils ever since. The first year he joined the Knights, Mike went on a mission trip with the Knights to a mission school in Guatemala where he spent several weeks assisting them with various projects.

He started as the Inside Guard in our Council five years ago, and has moved up through the ranks of officers to where he is now serving as the Deputy Grand Knight. He served as the youth director of our Council for seven years faithfully coordinating the many youth activities, including the free-throw and soccer competitions as well as the youth poster contests. He has also moved up the ranks in 4th Degree Council 1764 starting as Inside Sentinel to now where he currently the Faithful Navigator.

Mike is employed by the Martin School District, and he loves to go fishing when he has the time.

Charitable Donations Using the Revenue from 50/50 Drawings at our Breakfasts and Dinners

For over five years, our Council has targeted charities for the funds raised at the 50/50 drawings at our breakfasts and dinners. This approach has resulted in great enthusiasm among the patrons who take part in the drawings, as well as providing assistance to so many people in need. A recurring theme has been for our Council's Florida emergency disaster relief fund. This fund has enabled our Council to donate thousands of dollars to food banks and other charities to assist the victims of Hurricane Ian, the victims of Hurricane Florence, victims of Hurricane Michael, two local families in Hobe Heights whose homes were flooded during storms several years ago, and most recently two families whose homes were seriously damaged by the tornados associated with hurricane Milton. In fact, after the announcement at one of the breakfasts that we would use the funds for local victims of hurricane Milton, and an individual gave the Council a check for \$3000 towards that fund.

Our Council has also used 50/50 funds for the Banner Lake Early Learning Center, the victims of the attacks on Israel, a local family whose father died suddenly at age 36, leaving a wife and five children in serious financial need, the Fr. Moran Vocational High School in Eastern Guatemala, victims of the earthquake in Turkey and Syria, the Guatemala Tomorrow Fund, victims of Hurricane Dorian in the Bahamas, Birth line/Lifeline Pregnancy Care Center, the Global Wheelchair Mission, Knights of Columbus Charities, Care Net Pregnancy Centers, and Catholic Charities Hawaii after the Maui fires.

The proceeds from the recent breakfast with Santa 50/50 was used to purchase gift blankets for the nursing home residents of the Martin Coast Center for Rehab and Healthcare. The proceeds from the January dinner 50/50 will be donated to the Martin County Council on Aging Meals on Wheels charity in the loving memory of the late Brother Ron Condon who had volunteered for the Meals on Wheels for several years.

This is one example of how our Council continues to meet our mission of charitable giving to assist those in needs.

Notes

- ➤ Congratulations to the January Knight of the Month Bill Martinez, and Family of the Month the Jesse Wolf family.
- ➤ In this new year there are many committees that need your help. Please consider volunteering for one of the following committees by contacting our Grand Knight:
 - Fr Manning Golf Outing
 - New member Exemplification and mentoring
 - A new committee to provide rapid assistance to the needy after a disaster
 - A committee to decide where to best allocate the approximately \$5,000 budgeted for the victims of the recent hurricane
 - A Council historian
- ➤ Jonathan Knaus has taken on a new career as a financial advisor, and will no longer be the benefits advisor for our Council. We appreciate the excellent service we have received from Jonathan over the past several years. Fortunately, Jonathan intends to continue to entertain our dinner guests with Brother Bob Hildreth.
- At the January meeting, our Council approved over \$15,000 in donations to various charities. It is so rewarding that we can help those in need thanks to the hard work of the Brother Knights in our Council.

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Helpful Links

Our Council Facebook page; Search@KoC10718 on Facebook or click the link below to visit our Council's page.

www.facebook.com/groups/254805921362054

Knights of Columbus Supreme Council webpage; www.KofC.org

Florida Knights of Columbus webpage; www.FloridaKofC.org

Saint Christopher parish webpage; www.stchrishs.com

Diocese of Palm Beach www.diocesepb.org

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops www.usccb.org

Upcoming Activities List...

Brothers, listed below are the current Council activities. Please mark the dates and times in your calendars. If it has been a while since you have been able to participate, please consider joining in. Many of these activities have been scheduled well in advance to make planning and attending easier.

	Upcoming Activities List - Updated		> 1/9/2025	
Day	Date	Activity / Place	Comment/s	
•	January	•	-	
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Sat/Sun	18/19	Ticket Sales / Church	After all Masses	
Saturday	25	Dinner / Parish Hall	Stffd Shells/Mtblls	
Tuesday	28	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM	
	February			
Tuesday	4	Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall	7:30 PM	
Sat/Sun	8/9	Membership Drive / Church	After all Masses	
Wed	12	Membership Drive Meet & Greet / Parish Hall	7:00 PM	
Sat/Sun	15/16	Ticket Sales / Church	After all Masses	
Saturday	22	Dinner / Parish Hall	Chicken Picata	
Tuesday	25	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM	
	March			
Tuesday	4	Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall	7:30 PM	
Sat/Sun	22/23	Ticket Sales / Church	After all Masses	
Tuesday	25	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM	
Saturday	29	Dinner / Parish Hall & Host SVdP Group, time tbd	menu tbd	
	April			
Tuesday	1	Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall	7:30 PM	
Sunday	27	Breakfast / Parish Hall & Host SVdP Group after 9:00 AM	After all Masses	
Tuesday	29	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM	
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Tuesday	May 6	Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall	7:30 PM	
Sat/Sun	10/11	Mothers Day Mementos	After all Masses	
Sunday	18	Breakfast / Parish Hall	After all Masses	
Tuesday	27	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM	

Pictures



Warden Ted Jonczak honors the Rose Marie Heyer, the widow of the late PGK and Faithful Navigator Jack Heyer for her donation to the golf Outing brochure.

Past Faithful Master John O'Toole and Faithful Navigator Mike Skinner welcome Sir Knight Mike Martinez into the 4th Degree in Orlando.





GK Pete & Patty Arino and Mike Mudd caroling in PGK Scot Rose's truck in the Hobe Sound Christmas parade on December 8.

Mike Duggan, Mike and Mona Lisa Martinez, GK Pete and Patty Arino, Jodi Bubla, and Mike Mudd sang Christmas carols for the residents of the Martin Coast Nursing home on December 18.

