



Deputy Grand Knight's Report

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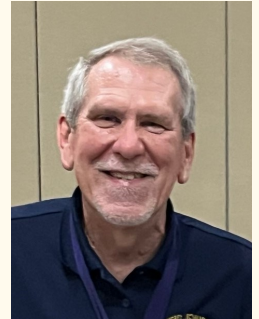
I'm writing this column because GK Peter Blaise is on a well-deserved family vacation. That's what Knights do – we always have each other's backs!

Our calendar of events for our new Council year is rapidly filling up. There is a lot of energy in the Council and we always seem to get enough volunteers for any event or activity as we continue to perform great work for the church and our community.

Please continue to volunteer to support our Family, Faith, Community and Life activities. Do something new that utilizes your skills and passion – I helped with July's pasta dinner for the first time which made me appreciate the skills of my brother Knights.

This is my 5th year as a Knight - thanks to Jim Yurack. At first, I volunteered for a few activities and then, over the last few years, I've gotten more involved. This has definitely enriched my life in so many ways!

I'm asking you to help keep our membership growing. Dan Rooney mentioned at our last meeting that it's easier to convince a man to join the Knights if we tell him that we need his help and that his skills match the Knights' needs. Take the time to extend an invitation to grow our Council.



Bernie Busovne

Upcoming Events

July 28	Knights at the Ballpark Pensacola Blue Wahoos vs. Biloxi Shuckers
Aug. 1	Council Meeting 7 p.m., Parish Hall
Aug. 2	Bingo at HNJ (Bravo Team)
Aug. 13	Adoration/Holy Hour 7-8 p.m., Church
Aug. 29	Executive Board Meeting, 7 p.m., Parish Hall
Aug, 30	Bingo at HNJ (Alpha Team)
Sept. 1	Pancake Breakfast 7 a.m.—noon, Parish Hall

Grand Knight	Peter Blaise	Warden	Jim Thennes
Deputy Grand Knight	Bernie Busovne	Inside Guard	Greg Muntzner
Chancellor	Dave Carter	Outside Guard	Ryan Wehmeyer
Recorder	Ralph McDonald	Lecturer	Ken Rodriguez
Treasurer	John Wohleber	1-Year Trustee	Jim Yurack
Financial Secretary	Lenny Smales	2-Year Trustee	Stuart Lewis
Advocate	Dan Rooney	3-Year Trustee	Steve Wolfrom

CHAPLAIN'S COLUMN

Deacon Tom Dwyer

At our most recent Council meeting, Lenny Smales distributed handbooks that are a combination calendar, notebook to record "to-dos", and guidebook loaded with suggestions for Knights to guide their individual prayer lives. If you were not present at that meeting, but would like a copy,



contact Lenny (lennysmales@yahoo.com).

For the month of August, the notebook suggests Spiritual Practices and Devotions focused on the Blessed Virgin Mary, and specifically her Immaculate Heart. During August the Church celebrates the first of two Marian feasts declared Holy Days of Obligation: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on August 15th. (The second Marian feast, the Immaculate Conception on December 8th falls on a Sunday, and is superseded by the Second Sunday of Advent.)

With respectful remembrance that the Church celebrates the Transfiguration of Jesus on August 6th, there are other notable Marian celebrations in August that reflect the veneration Our Lady receives world-wide. With grateful acknowledgement to "America Needs Fatima"

(<https://www.americanneedsfatima.org>), I possess one of its calendars that announces the specific Marian title honored each day throughout the year. The mission of "America Needs Fatima" is to spread the message of Fatima in the United States and to win the heart and soul of America for Mary by spreading Our Lady's Fatima message and promoting devotion to her Immaculate Heart.

For example August 5th records the dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary of the Snows in Rome, established to honor the precipitation of snow in Rome on this date in 352 A.D. This confirmed the site for a church built in her honor, answering the prayer of a wealthy, childless Roman couple with a great devotion to Mary, asking what they should do with their property.

Our order of the Knights Of Columbus is dedicated to Mary as Queen of the Knights. I would encourage us all to explore the many titles that our Queen is honored by throughout the world. She is truly the Mother of the Church!



2024 Bingo Schedule – COR Team

Show at **HNJ** at 5pm. Setup shows at 3pm

Team A Steve Wolfrom

850-333-7229

Team B Stuart Lewis

865-661-3602

March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Aug	Sept	Oct.	Nov	Dec
8	12	10	7	5	2	30	27	25	22	27

Bingo is one of the best fundraisers that our Council has to support many of our charitable programs and scholarships. Bingo is held at Holy Name of Jesus Parish Hall every Friday starting with Early Bird Bingo at 6 p.m., followed by Regular Bingo from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Council 13527 runs the Bingo once every four weeks. We always need volunteers as callers, floor workers or kitchen workers. If you can spare a few hours on a Friday evening **once every eight weeks**, contact Steve or Stuart.

May Knight of the Month

Bernie Busovne

Our Knight of the Month serves in many capacities in our Council: In addition to Pancake breakfasts, he actively supported our three major fund-raisers: Oktoberfest, St Patrick's Day, and the annual Luau. For this year's Luau, he served as our Council's point of contact with the Holy Name of Jesus Council. He also scheduled workers, coordinated the delivery of the tent, and delivery of the food for the Luau. Additionally, he served as lead for obtaining sponsorships for these fund-raisers, doubling the amount that was raised last year. As Deputy Grand Knight, he also filled in for the Grand Knight during the Grand Knight's recent surgery ensuring continuity of Council activities. For these and other activities, we are pleased to announce Brother Bernie Busovne as our Knight of the Month for May 2024.



May Family of the Month

John & Shirley Wohleber



Our Family of the Month is very active in their community. The Knight helped set up and tear down the tents during our Oktoberfest, St Patrick's Day, and annual Luau fund-raising activities. He also served as an usher for Christ Our Redeemer parish and as Treasurer for our Council. Additionally, he served on the board for the Bed For Me Foundation, delivering 100 beds a year to needy families in Okaloosa and Walton counties. He also serves on the Architectural Committee for his Homeowners Association where he ensured major housing renovations and landscape architectural plans met local covenants. Each month, this Knight and his wife take \$125 worth of snacks on behalf of our

Council to the Twin Cities Pavilion, which provides affordable supportive living for low- and modest-income elderly, disabled, or recuperating persons. For these and other activities, we are pleased to announce Brother John and Shirley Wohleber and their family as our Family of the Month for May.

June Knight of the Month

Steve Wolfrom

Our Knight of the Month served his Council in Indiana as Deputy Grand Knight, and for the past two years, he served as Grand Knight of Council 13527. He initiated our first Oktoberfest and St. Patrick's Day fundraisers and then continued as coordinator for these activities. He serves as a kitchen lead for our Pasta dinners and participates in pancake breakfasts, fire truck pulls, Habitat for Humanity builds, and other projects with Knights and the church. At Christ Our Redeemer, he is a Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion and Sacristan. He is also the current Building Chair for the Arts and Design Society of Okaloosa County. He served as president of the Mid-Bay Rotary Club, actively leading and participating in their Octoberfests, golf tournaments, pork butt sales, corn hole tournaments, and road clean-up activities. Other community involvement for this Knight included serving on the Northwest Florida State College Foundation board of directors, serving as president of Walton County Chamber of Commerce, serving on the Walton County Economic Development Commission board of directors, and coordinating the Emerald Coast Plain Air Painters group, which involves organizing a location to paint each week. For these and other activities, we are pleased to announce Brother Steve Wolfrom as our Knight of the Month for June 2024.

June Family of the Month

Steve & Patti Wolfrom

Our Family of the Month has been very supportive of several organizations for years. Brother Steve served as our Grand Knight for the past two years, and his other activities are detailed above. His wife, Patti, served in various community service activities for high school band, non-profits, chambers of commerce, and schools. At other parishes, she has served as Catechist, Vacation Bible Study Coordinator, and as Directory Writer / Coordinator. More recently, she served in many capacities at Christ Our Redeemer. She served as Capital Campaign Volunteer, Greeter, Lector, and sings in the choir at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. She served as a volunteer at Niceville Catholic Outreach, served on the Pastoral Council, supported the Twin Cities Pavilion Meal Ministry, and served on the parish Building Community Ministry planning events to raise funds for Faith Formation Building. She served as Vice President and Publicity Chair for the Council of Catholic Women and also served as President of West Central Deanery. Most recently, she began serving a two-year term as President of Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. Additionally, Steve and Patti established an endowment to fund a \$1,000 annual scholarship at Northwest Florida State College. For these and other activities, we are pleased to announce Brother Steve and Patti Wolfrom and their family as our Family of the Month for June 2024.



Council Supports *A Bed 4 Me*

Council Treasurer John Wohleber presents a council check to Diane Freeman, Executive Director of A Bed 4 Me, a local charity serving both Okaloosa and Walton counties that provides beds for children between the ages of 2 and 18 years of age that do not have a bed to sleep in. . The charity has served 2,964 children since 2017 and expects to pass 3000 by the end of this month. A Bed 4 Me is funded entirely thru donations and grants. Council 13527 provides a donation of \$300 each quarter, allowing for the purchase of one bed kit per quarter, consisting of a new twin mattress, a metal riser, custom sheets, comforter and pillow matching the child's specific interests or favorite color.



Luau Profits Children in Crisis



Grand Knights Franklin Bevel, Council 7667 and Steve Wolfrom, 13527, presented a check for \$3113.80 to Kevin Maloney (center) CEO of Children in Crisis, Inc. The two councils combined efforts to conduct a Luau in Niceville with all proceeds going to the local charity that provides homes for children and has been able to keep 300 siblings together. Also shown are District Deputy, Travis Robinson, Joshua Bugby (CIC), DGK Bernie Busovne and project chairman, Paul Maryeski.