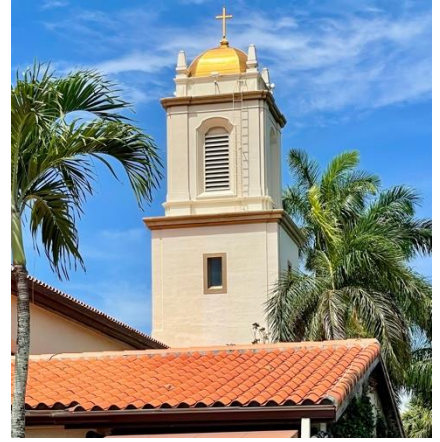


# The Knight Knotables



Council 10718 • Saint Christopher Parish • Hobe Sound, FL

**Charity Unity Fraternity Patriotism**

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*From our Grand Knight Pete Arino...*

Brothers,

We have just completed our annual Father Manning Golf Outing. It was a complete success and the net proceeds (which were significant) will allow our council to support numerous charitable causes during this fiscal year. The Golf Committee members and our volunteers are to be congratulated on a job exceedingly well done.

While our council continues to support those in need, at our last council meeting Brother Dan Castoro suggested that in the future our Knights should be more visible in the community following natural disasters. He noted that after this last storm system the council did not help Brother Knights or Martin County residents who sustained damage to their homes. There were other Church groups present to assist in clean up, food distribution etc. I think that there is some merit to this suggestion, and I will present this for discussion at our next officer's meeting and eventually to the general membership.

Finally, since there will be no general meeting until January, a reminder of the Memorial Mass on Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> and the Christmas Parade on Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> and Breakfast with Santa on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>. Lets have a great turnout for these events.

I hope that you and your families have a happy Thanksgiving and a blessed Christmas. May you all be safe and in good health during the Holiday Season as we embrace the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Fraternally.

**Pete Arino**  
**Grand Knight**



## *Our Field Agent's report...*

Brothers,

This time of year, we give thanks for the many blessings in our lives. I'm thankful to call each of you my brother Knight, and I give thanks to God for all he has helped us do in our community this year. Like many of you, I became a Knight out of love for my family. I wanted to join other Catholic men in becoming a better man, husband and father. I wanted to be a better protector of my family.

Knights of Columbus is your capable partner in this pursuit. In addition to helping form members in faith, we also offer a variety of insurance products to help you protect your family financially. One way to protect your family is to start thinking about your family's future and how an extended care event could make a large impact. Do you know somebody that has experienced an extended care event – if so, how did that impact their family's situation? I want to take this opportunity to help you prepare for the possibility that you or your spouse may one day need extended care. November is Long-Term Care Awareness Month. With that in mind, I would like to share a valuable resource available to you and your family and would encourage you to check this out.

WhatCareCosts gives you access to view the costs of Skilled Nursing Homes, Home Health Aides and Assisted Living Facilities in your area and across the country. This service is available free of charge to all our members regardless of whether or not you hold an insurance policy with Knights of Columbus. Visit [www.whatcarecosts.com/KnightsofColumbus](http://www.whatcarecosts.com/KnightsofColumbus) and enter sponsor code "KofC" to get started. We want to help families focus on their time with their loved ones – not the financial cost of caring for them. Now is the time to prepare for your family's future needs. As your Knights of Columbus agent, I can help you review your financial goals and ensure you have an extended care plan in place. Come talk to me to set up an appointment

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## *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 Financial Advisor, Jonathan Knaus. Jonathan faithfully attends all of our meetings with important information about fraternal benefits, and he has spent considerable time with the surviving wives to help them when our Brother Knights when one of our members passes. We enjoy hearing Jonathan sing along with PGK Bob Hildreth at our dinners. He also sings in the adult choir at St, Joseph Church in Stuart. Here is Jonathan's story.

I am a husband, father, grandfather, insurance sales professional, and active member of Knights of Columbus. As a Field Agent with the Knights of Columbus, I am passionate about providing members and their families access to insurance and financial products from a financially strong and ethically sound company. It is my mission to ensure every member has the financial protection they deserve.

I have over thirty-nine years of experience in finance, sales and general management, twenty of which were spent living full-time in Russia. For the past six years, I have worked for Knights of Columbus as a Field Agent and three years with Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors as a Financial Advisor. Previously, I was a Regional Vice President with Western Union, responsible for twenty-two countries including Russia, eleven republics of the former Soviet Union and the Adriatic region, including Turkey & Israel.

Prior to joining Western Union, I spent seven years working for American Express in Moscow, the last two years as General Director responsible for merchant acquisition. Prior to American Express, I served as Finance Director for Eastman Kodak, Finance Director for Unisys and as Financial Controller/Finance Director for the Aeromar Joint Venture. Prior to Russia, I worked for Marriott Corporation and McGladrey, Hendrickson & Pullen.

I hold a Bachelor of Science in commerce, accounting and business administration, from Washington & Lee University in Lexington, Virginia. As a finance professional, I have qualified as a Certified Public Accountant, Certified Internal Auditor, Certified Management Accountant, and am certified in financial management. As an insurance professional, I have also attained the Chartered Life Underwriter, Fraternal Insurance Counselor Fellow, Life Underwriter Training Council Fellow, and certified in Long Term Care Designations. I am a qualifying member of the Million Dollar Round Table.

I am currently serving as treasurer on the board of Mary's Home in Stuart, Florida. I am active in two Toastmasters clubs. In Russia, I served on the Board of Directors of the American Chamber of Commerce in Russia for seven years as Chairperson of the Finance Committee. In addition, I served as Chairperson of the Overseas Security Advisory Council for four years.

I have two beautiful children and two incredible grandchildren. My son graduated from George Washington University in Washington, DC, and my daughter attended Berklee College of Music in Boston. They both recently relocated to the USA from Moscow, Russia. My father served in the US Navy for 29 years as an F4 Fighter pilot with over 250 combat missions in Vietnam and over 2,000 aircraft carrier landings. My mother was a full-time Mom while Dad was on cruise and a bookkeeper later in her life. We moved every two years to the next military assignment location across the USA so I always had to meet new people and make friends wherever we lived.

I live in Stuart, Florida with my wife, Hiroko Hagino, and our Yorkshire Terrier, Oscar.

## Notes

- Congratulations to the October Knight of the Month Jim Dieckhoneer, and Family of the Month Tony and Pat Caserta.
- Congratulations to the November Knight of the Month Ted Jonczak and Family of the Month Eric and Linda Wolf
- Welcome to Paul Bienvenue, James Kelly, Scott Shiner, Alex Devroliac and Eric Wolf who have transferred to our Council and new member Dominic Crowe.
- Thanks to the many Brother Knights who made the annual Father Maning Golf Outing such a success.
- We will participate in the annual Hobe Sound Christmas parade to be held on Dec. 7th starting at 1 pm. Come to the Parish Hall at 11:30 and then march with your brother Knights in the parade. There will be hot dogs and snacks for the families in the Parish Hall after the parade so if you do not want to march, help on the kitchen is always appreciated.
- There will be no business meeting in December as we will be holding our Memorial Mass in conjunction with the St. Vincent De Paul Society and the Catholic Council of Women, December 3rd in the church with the reading of the deceased members starting at 6:30 followed by Mass at 7pm. Please try to attend, and wear your KofC shirt.

*Charity, Unity & Fraternity*

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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](https://www.facebook.com/groups/254805921362054)

Knights of Columbus Supreme Council webpage;

[www.KofC.org](http://www.KofC.org)

Florida Knights of Columbus webpage;

[www.FloridaKofC.org](http://www.FloridaKofC.org)

Saint Christopher parish webpage;

[www.stchrishs.com](http://www.stchrishs.com)

Diocese of Palm Beach

[www.diocesepb.org](http://www.diocesepb.org)

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

[www.usccb.org](http://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.

<b>Knights of Columbus, St. Christopher Council #10718</b>			
<b>Upcoming Activities List - Updated &gt;</b>			<b>11/11/2024</b>
<b>Day</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity / Place</b>	<b>Comment/s</b>
	<b>November</b>		
Tuesday	5	Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall	7:30 PM
Saturday	9	Fr. Manning Golf Outing	7:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Sunday	17	Breakfast / Parish Hall	After Masses
Tuesday	26	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM
	<b>December</b>		
Tuesday	3	Memorial Mass (no meeting)	6:30 PM
Saturday	7	Hobe Sound Christmas Parade	1:00 PM
Sunday	8	Breakfast with Santa/ Parish Hall	After Masses
Tuesday	31	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM
	<b>January</b>		
Tuesday	7	Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall	7:30 PM
Sat/Sun	18/19	Ticket Sales / Church	After all Masses
Saturday	25	Dinner / Parish Hall	Noon - 9:00 PM
Tuesday	28	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM
	<b>February</b>		
Tuesday	4	Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall	7:30 PM
Sat/Sun	15/16	Ticket Sales / Church	After all Masses
Saturday	22	Dinner / Parish Hall	Noon - 9:00 PM
Tuesday	25	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM
	<b>March</b>		
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	Noon - 9:00 PM