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Knights of Columbus



Grand Knight Report

Brother Knights,

I want to thank you for your continued help and support as we go through this unprecedented and tumultuous time battling the covid19 virus pandemic. First and foremost, we must commit to “leave no neighbor behind”. We are a fraternal organization that takes pride in helping our Brothers in time of need providing any assistance required. However, this also applies to our neighbors which is one of the principle elements of our charter as a Knight of Columbus. If you do know someone in distress, especially in these very difficult times please let us know.



Prayers work! If you know of any Brother, family member or friend in need of our prayers let us know and we will add them to the Council Prayer List.

So far our “Good Deeds” this fraternal year include donation of \$2500 to St. Francis House’s “Port in the Storm” and Catholic Charities both of which are struggling to provide food and lodging for the homeless and those in need. Our Council has provided ***SJP II Formed*** an online service that will provide the very best Catholic content from more than 60 organizations to help parishes, families and individuals explore their faith anywhere. Supporting thousands of movies, children’s programs, ebooks, audio, parish programs and studies direct to your browser, mobile or connected device. We have purchased a Kiosk and various pamphlets focused on “Building the Domestic Church” for Our Lady of Leche Shrine and Prince of Peace Church on the grounds of Nombre De Dios in St Augustine, Florida.

The list of events and programs has been distributed to all members via email and included in this newsletter. As we go forward this fraternal year there may be modifications to that list depending on the environment we are in. We will ask for your help and support to make each event and program successful. All we ask is if you are available and able please volunteer to work with your fellow Brothers to make the event or program successful.

Seeking new members is a council effort. If you know any fellow Catholic men of our parish, please invite them to join the Knights and our council.

I look forward to the day we can finally enjoy our camaraderie face to face, and again have gatherings with our wives. Pray that the covid19 virus pandemic ends soon.

I am humbled to be your Grand Knight, thankful for our Pastor and Brother Knight Father Pagano, for our church community at Saint John Paul II, and for all your counsel, support, and prayers.

Clyde Slick - Grand Knight

***Knights of Columbus - Saint John Paul II
Council 16492***

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“As the family goes, so goes the nation and so goes the whole world in which we live.”



July 2020 Honors

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Phil Barlage is a recent join to our Council and in a truly short period he has freely given of his time to support all of STJP II requests for help. This included the traffic/parking for the outdoor masses, preparation of the grounds for Masses under the additional tent used for several weeks and most recently the power washing of the outside of STJP II. He has also volunteered to help with the Council's programs for Fraternal year 2020-2021. As Knight of the Month for July, Phil has brought great credit upon himself, STJP II and this Council.



that truly lives their faith day-in and day-out. Alex is the oldest of six children in the family. He is a student at Ave Maria College in South Florida in his junior year. Alex is going through discernment potentially towards a life as a diocesan seminarian. During college breaks Alex supports the Pastor at St John Paul II Catholic Church (STJP II) helping wherever he can make a difference. He routinely supports Masses as the Master of Ceremonies (MC). He is a Knight in Saint John Paul II Council 16492 and when available will accept any task in support of the Council. Alex's sister, Grace, accomplishes many tasks at STJP II. She is an accomplished musician and singer and steps up every time to stand-in as the cantor and is a superb violinist. She is an Extraordinary Minister and helps in the parish office weekly albeit a high school senior. Grace was the selection for the Council's submission for the Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest winner at the Council, District and Regional level. Alex's younger brother, Elliot is an alter server and one of his younger sisters works and trains the youth as ushers at the children's mass. Alex's mother, Amy supports STJP II as an Extraordinary Minister, volunteers to work in the Parish Office, supports the Parish Health Ministry with CPR/ First Aid/CPR and conducts blood pressure checks. She is also a member of the Hospitality Ministry. His father, Mark makes the sacramental wine for all masses. The family routinely goes the mass, all holy days and can be seen helping at many events put on by the church. This is a family is the epitome of a Catholic family who is admired by all for their great work and sacrifices.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH



The MOLZER FAMILY is a Catholic family of eight that is very best example of a Catholic family

August 2020 Honors

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

GUS CARLSON has been the epitome of what a Knight is all about. He has freely given and without reservation of his time to support SJP II and our Pastor. Gus has been instrumental in the enhancement of the church grounds, cleaning out and organizing the storage areas, painting the interior, steam cleaning the outside of the church to name a few of the areas he has volunteered to support. As a member of our Council he virtually helps in every program and event. As Knight of the Month for August, Gus has brought great credit upon himself, SJP II and this Council.



FAMILY OF THE MONTH

The **REVELLESE FAMILY** is a great example of a Catholic family that truly lives their faith day-in and day-out. Joe is a member of both the Saint John Paul II Council and the Mother of Divine Mercy Assembly. He gives selflessly of his time as the Recorder of the Council and volunteers when able to support Council events and programs. Angela is a member of St. Vincent DePaul giving of her time to help those in our community in need that are facing possible eviction from their home, preventing electrically shutoff and one time help in paying bills all of which is geared to help them get back on their feet. Joe and Angela routinely attend Sunday Masses and all Holy Days of Obligation. They are a credit to our church community, the Catholic faith, and Knights of Columbus.



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Message From Father Rich Pagano

During this pandemic most people have been staying home keeping safe however work still needs to be done. St John Paul II still must function to serve our community. Our Pastor Father Rich Pagano who is also our Council Chaplain worked extra hard to provide a place to say mass while we were not allowed to enter the church. Father and a group of volunteers (parishioners and Knight's) prepared the ground behind our building and had a huge tent erected and built a platform where an altar and a sound system were placed. Mass was live streamed via YouTube. Brother Knights served as Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, and Altar Servers. Father also asked for assistance in maintaining the parish grounds and pressure washing the church exterior and walkways. We are always here to help.

July 14, 2020

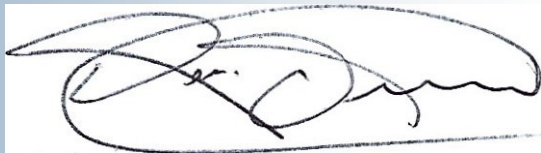
Grand Knight Clyde Slick,

On behalf of the parishioners at St. John Paul II Catholic Church, I would like to thank the volunteers from the Knights of Columbus who gave of their time to help maintain the facility and grounds. The volunteers assisted with pressure washing the exterior of the church facility and the sidewalk areas around the church.

I am extremely grateful for the dedication of our volunteers and their willingness to help take care of our property. Their assistance provided a service to the church and helped reduce the overall cost to maintain the property. Keeping the grounds and the building clean and looking orderly helps to provide a sense of peace, safety and security to our community which is very important in this challenging time of uncertainty.

Thus, it is with deepest gratitude that I thank the volunteers from the Knights of Columbus and look forward to their continued service to and support of St. John Paul II Catholic Church.

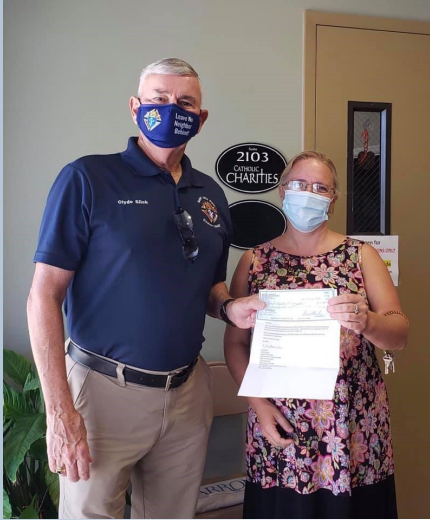
Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Father Richard Pagano', written over a white rectangular background.

Father Richard Pagano

Pastor, St. John Paul II Catholic Church

Council 16942 News Bits



Council 16492 continues to help our community by donating \$2500.00 to “Catholic Charities” located in Saint Augustine. Catholic Charities supports and runs many programs worldwide and local helping the sick and the poor in any way regardless of race, creed or nationality and also running a food pantry locally. Because of COVID-19 their donations have slowed down. Our donation will help as their requirements have gone up. On 14 July 2020 Grand Knight Clyde Slick visited the Catholic Charities office and presented our check to Tara Provini, Pantry Manager and Office Coordinator.



Council 16492 also donated \$2500 to St. Francis House’s “Port in the Storm” to help provide food and lodging for the homeless and those in need.



The founder of the Knights of Columbus, Father Michael J. McGivney was a central figure in the growth of Catholicism in America, and he remains a model today. His example of charity, evangelization and

empowerment of the laity continues to bear fruit and guide Knights of Columbus around the world. Just as those in need sought Father McGivney’s help in life, understanding that he was a “Good Samaritan” figure, more than 2 million members of the Knights of Columbus and their families, and many others around the world, continue to seek out Father McGivney as a heavenly helper in times of need today. His heroic virtue was recognized in 2008 by the Vatican, which named him a Venerable Servant of God, and on May 26, 2020, Pope Francis approved a decree for a miracle attributed to his intercession, opening the way for Father McGivney to be beatified. The beatification ceremony will take place in the coming months. A second approved miracle is needed for him to be canonized as a saint of the Catholic Church. Those who knew him best in life saw in him both a “genial” countenance and a man with an “iron will” to achieve the good. In sum, his founding of the Knights of Columbus “attests to the love in which he held his brother man.”



Tuesday 14 July 2020, Council 16492 held its first in-person business meeting in several months since the pandemic started. We had been holding our meetings on-line using "GO TO MEETING". It worked fairly well but is not a substitute for being there altogether with our brothers. We held the meeting behind the church under the huge 40' x 80' tent and we observed social distancing and wore masks. We had approximately 40 brothers attend in person and additional brothers on-line watching with GO TO MEETING. In addition to our regular meeting we had our current Worthy District Deputy Bill Kelly and our immediate Past Worthy DD Kevin Jackson attend to conduct the Installation Ceremony for the newly elected group of Council Officers for 2020 - 2021. Because of the outside setting and the heat index high we did not dress the formal way for a ceremony but opted for council shirts and shorts. Several additional actions discussed and voted on at the meeting were approval of the 2020 - 21 Budget, a \$3000 donation for six wheelchairs to be purchased through the Knights of Columbus Florida Wheelchair Program. We are also looking into participating in the purchase of a new Ultrasound Machine for St Gerard Campus - Maternity Home.



Finally, we have a brother whose birthday was celebrated at tonight's meeting. PGK Brother John Scalamandre turned 89 years young. Happy Birthday John. John was presented a Proclamation in honor of Columbus Day given by Saint Johns County Board of County Commissioners.

THE EIGHT BEATITUDES OF JESUS

- *"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*
- *Blessed are they who mourn, for they shall be comforted.*
- *Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.*
- *Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.*
- *Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.*
- *Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God.*
- *Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.*
- *Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."*

Gospel of Matthew 5:3-10

Knights of Columbus Insurance Field Agent Report

Free Virtual Retirement Seminar Offered by Knights of Columbus Featuring Retirement Expert Tom Hegna

When: Wednesday, September 23rd at 7:30PM

TOM HEGNA PRESENTS: **DON'T WORRY, RETIRE HAPPY!**

We Will Cover:

1. Have a PLAN for Retirement
2. Maximize Social Security Benefits
3. Consider a Hybrid Retirement
4. Protect your Savings from Inflation
5. Secure More Retirement Income
6. Have a Plan for Long Term Care
7. Use your Home Equity Wisely



Sponsored by:
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Description

Don't Worry, Retire Happy! Seven Steps to Retirement Security is your guide to straight-forward retirement planning in uncertain times. In this presentation Tom will focus on 3 Main Topics – Longevity, Long Term Care, and the KEY to Happiness in Retirement. Don't miss this powerful presentation and Retirement Alpha– based on Math and Science, NOT Opinions!

Who is Tom Hegna?

Tom Hegna is a Retirement Expert, Economist, and Best-Selling Author.

How to Participate/Attend?

Here is the link to the registration page:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_yz2bvrV-SFa_dd2n_VRk1A

Please join us for this valuable virtual presentation. It's never too late (or too early) to gain information relating to how to Retire Happy. If you have questions, please contact Joseph Spi-

A business card for Joseph Spinelli, III, CLU, Assistant General Agent. The card features a portrait of Joseph Spinelli, III, and the Knights of Columbus Insurance logo. The text on the card includes: "Knights of Columbus INSURANCE YOUR SHIELD FOR LIFE", "Joseph Spinelli, III, CLU", "Assistant General Agent", "850-765-7039", "3035 Eliza Road", "Tallahassee, FL 32308", "joseph.spinelli@kofc.org", "Member MDRP", "Life Insurance • Long-Term Care Insurance", "Retirement Annuities • Disability Income Insurance", and "Protecting Catholic families since 1882."/>

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The PATRIOTIC Degree
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Join us in a journey towards new horizons.



In a time when too few Christians are prepared to speak up for what they believe, the 4th Degree Assembly acts on what is right and honorable!

Standing together to ensure true religious freedom!

Defending laws that recognize the sanctity of life at all stages!

Supporting and defending the truth in the public arena!

Building a culture of life and a civilization of love!

Honoring veterans for their service and sacrifice!

Teaching personal responsibility in civic affairs!

Taking a publicly visible leadership roles on important national and moral issues!

You are invited to take the next step by filling out an application for the exemplification of the 4th Degree.

Saturday, August 22, 2020

Hosted by

Assumption Catholic Church

2403 Atlantic Blvd,

Jacksonville FL. 32207

Request your application now!
Don't miss out, call ASAP
Dan Swing
904-671-9225

Faithful Navigator Dan Swing
4th Degree Assembly 3771
St John Paul II Catholic Church
Ponte Vedra FL. 32081

Please Note:
This event has already taken place. The invitation is for your information only.



Congratulations & Welcome Worthy Sir Knights

Twelve of our Brothers From St. John Paul II Council
16492 Completed Exemplification as
4th Degree Knights of Mother of Divine Mercy Assembly
3771 at Assumption
Catholic Church in Jacksonville, FL



Pictured Left to Right:

- Dr. Ernest Bio
- Michael Cervellera
- Ed Drugo
- William J. Smith
- Dr. Patrick Hutton
- Joe Cruz
- Stuart Lefkove

Thank you to Sir Knight Dan Swing for the photo



Michael A. Cervellera



David A. Kelley



Dr. Ernest Bio



Stuart Lefkove



Joe Cruz



Benjamin P. Luke



Dr. Ed Drugo

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Joseph V. Pulizzi



Patrick M.J. Hutton, MD



Tommy J. Riggs



Timothy J. Jones



William J. Smith

*New Transfers
Welcome Sir Knights
to Council 16492*



Benjamin Bobbit



Guillermo Rodriguez

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Ramon Day



Fraternal Year 2020 -2021 Program Events

There may be some modifications as we go forward depending on the covid19 virus and availability to the church and other venues (In Italics/underlined are the events requiring SJP II approval and support).

FAITH (Clyde Slick)

1. Building the Domestic Church – purchase the kiosk and pamphlets for Our Lady of Leche Shrine and Prince of Peace Church in St Augustine. Cost of \$150.00 (COMPLETED)
2. ***Retreat Day of Reflection*** – when permitted will schedule the next quarterly Men’s Morning of Reflection. This includes both Council members and men of the Parish. Each meeting will have a quest speaker to talk about Christian values, etc. (Pending opening of church most likely in the new year)
3. Rosary Program – build on the rosary before each Council meeting and have a rosary presented by the Council for all Parish members before one of the Masses. Best time would be during Easter. (Resume when back in the church before each meeting)
4. RSVP Program to help Seminarians – Find a recipient and present a gift donation. Cost \$1000.00 (budgeted). ***First Communion*** – present macramé rosaries to each Communicate. Cost of \$150.00 (budgeted).

FAMILY (Donald Falletti - Clyde Slick until he is back after shoulder surgery)

1. Food for Families – continue and try to build.
2. ***Family Fully Alive*** – we have purchased the “Family Fully Alive Building the Domestic Church Pamphlet and will schedule a date/time to distribute at all Masses to the parishoners at SJP II. (one weekend TBD during Saint John Paul II Feast Month in October)
3. ***Keep Christ in Christmas***. Purchased the starter kit. Cost of \$300.00 (budgeted). (Still being discussed based on current environment)
4. ***Consecration of the Holy Family*** – We will pray the rosary before each Mass and hand out prayer cards for the recital at the end of Mass. (December 19th/20th)
5. Family of the Month. (Ongoing)

COMMUNITY (Bob Foss) – complete 4 of the below.

1. Global Wheelchair Mission – purchase Wheelchairs through the Florida State Wheelchair. Cost of \$3000.00 (Budgeted). (purchase pending)
2. ***Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest*** – (materials in hand and will work with SJP II Staff to execute program September/October)
3. Disaster Preparedness Plan – continue to update and enhance. (Ongoing)
4. ***Fish Fry(s)*** for Parish Community. (two fish fry’s during Lent to be scheduled)
5. Annual Citizens with Disabilities Campaign (Spring 2020)
6. Coats for Kids – purchase and donate to Children’s Home. Cost of \$650.00 (budgeted) (purchase pending)
7. Habitat for Humanity – donation to be determined and voted on by the membership. Cost of \$1000.00 (not budgeted) (still TBD)

Life (Clyde Slick) – complete 4 of the below

1. March for Life – volunteer to be Marshals and help organize the SJP II contingent. (will take the lead for SJP I/ January 16, 2021)
2. Novena for Life – Each day for 9-days all members will be sent the prayers for that day of the novena. We will try to increase participation. Scheduled for the week before the March for Life. (9 days starting January 7, 2021)
3. Pray rosary at abortion Center. (TBD)
4. Ultrasound Program – donation to be determined and voted on by the membership up to \$2500.00 (cost not budgeted). (pending more information from the District)
5. Special Olympics – continue to support St Johns County Special Olympics Basketball Challenge and Track & Field meet. (TBD)

A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC



The ancient fresco of Madonna del Soccorso (Our Lady of Help) in St. Peter's Basilica was restored with the support of the Knights of Columbus to mark the Year of Faith (2012-2013). Photo courtesy of Fabbrica di San Pietro/M. Falcioni.

O Mary,
you always brighten our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain
while remaining steadfast in faith.

O loving Mother,
you know what we need,
and we are confident you will provide for us
as at Cana in Galilee.

Intercede for us with your Son Jesus,
the Divine Physician,
for those who have fallen ill,
for those who are vulnerable,
and for those who have died.

Intercede also for those charged with
protecting the health and safety of others
and for those who are tending to the sick
and seeking a cure.

Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who took upon himself our
sufferings and carried our sorrows,
so as to lead us, through the Cross,
to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

*Under thy protection we seek refuge,
O Holy Mother of God.
In our needs, despise not our petitions,
but deliver us always from all dangers,
O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.*

Adapted from the prayer of Pope Francis

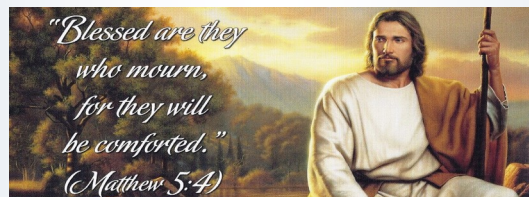
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Prayers for Sick/Distressed Friends and Loved Ones



- **Father Pagano**
- **All medical personnel and first responders** on the front lines
- **Dominick Palleschi's niece, Denice Hampton** who is battling lung cancer.
- **Richard Sickler** had his third knee surgery this past Monday. We need to pray that this time they got it right in this 3-year journey.
- **Fred Raby's wife Dorothy's brother-in-law, Gary Neubauer** is suffering from Aphasia. Although not life threatening is like dementia.
- **Jeremiah Blocker's nephew, Caleb** needs your prayers to beat a serious condition.
- **John Harwick** needs our prayers as he will be going through chemotherapy.
- **Bill Moss** – pray for continued healing and good health from his recent ablation procedure.
- **Donald Falletti** – prayers are needed for continued healing of his back issues and that he gets scheduled soon for his shoulder surgery.
- **Paul Engl** – continue prayers for resolution to his prostate issues.
- **Lorraine Keller, wife of Brother Robert Keller** needs our prayers as she copes with radiation therapy for her cancer.
- **Brother Bob Mollica ask for prayers for his 1st cousin's grandson Evan** who is 10 years old has leukemia.
- **David and Sophia Jackson** multiple surgeries to determine cause of illness
- **Doug Riss** water on brain going to Mayo for evaluation
- **Matthew Kacorwski** a friend of Bill Kelly has been in hospital going through tests for multiple medical issues.
- **Janice Swing** needs continued prayers for health for advanced stage of Alzheimer's.
- **Barbara Bogal, Bill Smith's cousin** due to back surgery and most of the time bed ridden. She uses a walker when on her feet and has little feeling in her legs. Doctors say feeling will come back in time. I assured her we will add her to our Knights of Columbus prayer list.
- **Brother Tom DeMuyt** needs our prayers. He found out last week that he has cancer of the voice box, but the prognosis is favorable, and treatment is to start the week of August 24th.
- Prayers for those suffering from the devastation of the explosion in Beirut who have died, those injured and their families.
- For the repose of **Father Bernie's** soul.
- **Ben Martinez and his wife Ruby**
- **The Marines and Corpsman** who perished in a helicopter accident.

- **Pope Francis**
- **Pope Emeritus Benedict**
- **Bishop Estevez**
- **Deacon Tony**
- **Deacon Scott**
- **Bernard Stadola***
- **Ted Rusnack***



Lord, look upon me with eyes of mercy, may your healing hand rest upon me, may your lifegiving powers flow into every cell of my body and into the depths of my soul, cleansing, purifying, restoring me to wholeness and strength for service in your Kingdom. Amen.

* **May Their Souls Rest In Peace**

Knights' Gear

STEP 1- Go to Knights Gear <https://www.knightsgear.com>

STEP 2 - Click on Apparel

STEP 3 - Click on Personalized Gear

STEP 4 - Click Personalized Casual

STEP 5 - Click on Sport Tek Racer (good shirt less expensive)

1. Select Color – True Navy Blue
2. Select Size
3. Click “Emblem of the Order”
4. ADD Council name - Saint John Paul II Council 16492
5. COST is \$26.00
6. If you want your name added, click YES and add name (additional cost of \$6.00)
7. COST now is \$32.00 without shipping added
8. Click - ADD TO CART
9. Go to cart and Estimate Shipping (use drop downs to add U.S., Florida and add Zip Code)
10. Check-out/Pay and submit Order



Important Links and Articles of Interest

Click on the topic of Interest
to be Connected with the
Appropriate Website

- ◇ [**John Paul II Council 16492 Facebook Page**](#)
- ◇ [**Columbia Magazine**](#)
- ◇ [**Diocese of St. Augustine**](#)
- ◇ [**K of C Supreme Web Site**](#)
- ◇ [**FL State Web Site**](#)
- ◇ [**Knights of Columbus Insurance page**](#)
- ◇ [**Knights Of Columbus News**](#)
- ◇ [**Knights Gear**](#)
- ◇ [**Knightline**](#)
- ◇ [**St John Paul II Catholic Church**](#)
- ◇ [**Shining Armor Award for new 1st degree members**](#)
- ◇ [**The Truth About Men & Church**](#)



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*The Florida State Council has updated its webpage. [Click Here](#) to update your account information and to check your information. Once you go to the link, click on Member Login and then either select **Account Sign In** if you know your Username and Password. If not, fill in the information in the gray box at the right of the page and fill in the information to **reset your credentials**.*