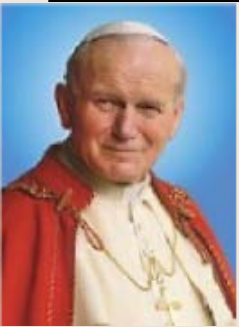


NEWSLETTER

PONTE VEDRA, FLORIDA
ESTABLISHED JUNE 5TH, 2016



"AS THIS FAMILY GOES, SO GOES THE NATION AND SO GOES THE WHOLE WORLD IN WHICH WE LIVE."

GRAND KNIGHT REPORT OCTOBER 05, 2023

Brother Knights,

I want to tell you what an honor it was to MC the Tribute Dinner to our Past Grand Knights on Sept. 22. Honoring these men and their wives for their dedication and leadership over the past 7 years was a privilege and I hope to follow them in the growth and development of Council 16492.

Over the past three months I have been assessing how we could maintain and improve the outstanding performance of our Council and I would like to share those observations with you.

- 1.A Live Exemplification Committee has been established with a goal of conducting Live Exemplifications around the first of the year.
- 2.A new process revising our initial contacts with candidates will include capturing what we expect from them and what they expect from us.
- 3.While maintaining our focus on charity, spirituality and fraternity, I want our current 284 members to become more involved.
- 4.In the past year we contributed more than \$60,000 to Charities including our own Parish. We have three major fund raisers to generate those funds. Pickleball tournament, Golf Outing, and Tootsie roll sales. Only about 40% of our members were involved either as a participant and sponsor in the golf outing. I personally texted every member and asked them to take a slot at the Pickleball Classic in October. We have less than 25 percent participation. We couldn't fill 18 slots at the two-day Tootsie Roll sale for Citizens with Disabilities at the Sawgrass Publix.

I am so appreciative of the brothers who do participate. Thank you. But 40 percent or 20 percent is just not enough for me. If every one of our 284 Knights dedicated themselves to one 3-hour volunteer opportunity, we could do so much more. And I know many of you are busy with work and family. But I ask this; if everyone stepped up to one volunteer slot, no matter if it is pickleball or the golf outing or standing outside Publix, we could do so much more for our parish and our community.

As dedicated Knights, we have pledged we will help in our many acts of charity. We have committed to the fraternity of our brotherhood. Our faith is our bond. Put the three together and we can do better. I realize that I am preaching to the choir when addressing you who are here tonight but spread the word to your fellow Knights. If every Knight just gave one hour a month, what a powerful effort that would be.

Thank you and God Bless.

Vivat Jesus

Pete Falcone

Grand Knight / Knights of Columbus
St John Paul II Council 16492



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CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

There will be no report from Deacon Tony this quarter. On Sept. 25, he underwent quadruple bypass surgery and was recovering at the time of this newsletter. Instead, we will give you a picture of him and his wife, Carmela, at the Tribute Dinner to our Past Grand Knights on Sept. 22. Please continue to keep Tony and Carmela in your prayers.



DEACON TONY AND CARMELA COLICHIO AT THE TRIBUTE DINNER SEPT. 22

PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPORTS

MEN'S RETREAT

Confirmed for Dec. 9 at Our Lady of La Leche Shrine, attached is the QR code to register. This year Father Pagano is going to tailor his content of the half day retreat to align with a series of presentations by our Lecturer, Gus Carlson.

Gus's monthly talks begin at the December meeting, with a focus on one of 11 aspects Father is discussing. He will say mass and brother Phil Barlage has volunteered to be the Sacristan.

This retreat is intended for those who attend to develop the message received at the retreat and carry it throughout the year. The goal is to focus on evangelization and enhancing spirituality. The announcement to the parish will be in several bulletins and pulpit announcements.

https://www.nocateeknights.com/volunteer-opportunities/?sheet_id=75



KNIGHTS PRESENT ROSES AND ROSARIES:

Membership process revised process in which candidates will be interviewed / asked to complete a questionnaire before they attend their first meeting. When the questionnaire is complete, the person signing up for the candidate will read in the candidate to the council.

The questions will focus on determining if the candidate is a practicing Catholic, if he understands the purpose of the Knights of Columbus, and what programs he would like to participate in. We will ask why he joined the knights and what are his expectations. We will also ask what he can bring to the Knights.

In addition, the Program Director, Steve Miller, will meet with all new candidates after their initial meeting to get a feel for what programs they are interested in and add their names to the lists of volunteers for that program.

Several Knights have asked when the next Baptism is because they want to volunteer. Father Pagano has no Baptisms planned until after Lent.

LIVE EXEMPLIFICATION OF THE FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD DEGREES

.Brother Mike Lassonde was elected Director of the Exemplification Team at its first meeting. Michael updated, "We have all the equipment needed, the script has been distributed, and the next team meeting is going to be scheduled. We will begin live exemplifications in 2024 on a quarterly basis (January, April, July, and October)."

And as you learn more from what the Live Exemplification Committee is doing, you'll see we are getting back to helping candidates know more about what it means to be a Knight.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPORTS

SPOUSE/PGK TRIBUTE DINNER

The Tribute Dinner to our Past Grand Knights was an enjoyable tribute to the five men who have brought us to where we are today.

We will surely pass the 300-member mark this fraternal year, and in no small part because of their leadership, dedication and because of the support they received from their spouses.



PAST GRAND KNIGHTS AND THEIR SPOUSES FETED AT THE TRIBUTE DINNER TO OUR PAST GRAND KNIGHTS SEPT. 22 AT THE ST. JOHNS GOLF & CC. PICTURED BEHIND THEM ARE THE PORTRAITS OF EACH DRAWN BY SEAN BIGGS.

CITIZENS WITH DISABILITIES

This year's donations to the four organizations we support through Citizens with Disabilities Tootsie Roll fundraiser, have been delivered, and thank you notes from all four have been received.

Bit of Faith Ranch, Port in the Storm Homeless Youth Center, Camp Boggy Creek and L'Arche each received \$2,000.



PRESENTATIONS OF \$2,000 CHECKS WERE MADE TO CAMP BOGGY CREEK, L'ARCHE, PORT IN THE STORM AND BIT OF FAITH RANCH

VOLUNTEER OPPURTUNITIES

MAY 17, 2024 - GOLF OUTING REPORT

As a reminder, Father Richard Pagano announced in late March that the St. John Paul II Golf Outing held in conjunction with the Gala, was being suspended. So this is the main golf event for our church.

2024 WEBSITE IS OPEN >>>>

WWW.KOFCGOLF.ORG



PULPIT TALKS

Pulpit talks are scheduled for the weekend of October 28-29. Instead of a live talk at each Mass, we are planning to produce a 3-minute video that can include photos/video of Knights in action and narrated by Deputy Grand Knight Rich Delgado with an invitation to join by the GK.

We will still need additional brothers to stand outside the exits after each Mass to talk to candidates and distribute/collect Form 100s and questionnaires. This is the same weekend as the Pickleball Tournament, so we will have to carefully coordinate support for both activities. Those of you who didn't volunteer for the pickleball tournament, well, it is hoped you will step up for this important event.

VOLUNTEER HERE >>>>



[HTTPS://WWW.NOCATEEKNIGHTS.COM/VOLUNTEER-OPPURTUNITIES/?SHEET_ID=76](https://www.nocateeknights.com/volunteer-opportunities/?sheet_id=76)

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2. BROCHURE ADVERTISEMENTS



3. SPONSORSHIP OPPURTUNITY



4. PLAY IN THE OUTING!



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

JULY 2023 - KEN GAULT

Knights of the Year - Ken



CURRENT TRUSTEE AND PAST GRAND KNIGHT KEN GAULT WAS AWARDED THE KNIGHT OF THE YEAR AWARD FOR 2022-23 BY CURRENT GRAND KNIGHT PETE FALCONE.



BROTHER MICHAEL LASSONNDE WAS NAMED KNIGHT OF THE MONTH FOR SEPTEMBER.

SEPTEMBER 2023 - MICHAEL LASSONDE

Our Knight of the Month for September is a familiar face at many events. He is an usher, slaves over the hot cooking oil at the Fish Fries and has taken on an important leadership role that will guide the future of how we welcome our new brothers and how we registered you when you entered tonight.

The September Knight of the Month is Michael Lassonde. Mike has agreed to chair the particularly important committee that will plan, implement, and operate the Live Exemplification experience. He has seen to it that we have dates reserved, Father Pagano's presence requested and led the committee to a smooth transition back to our roots of membership processes that will aid in our effort to get more Knights involved in what we do.

In addition, Mike took a leadership role in developing the programs to allow us to electronically sign you in for meetings. This process will provide us with valuable information about who attends meetings, if you have paid your dues and give us a base for determining who is active in Council 16492.

AUGUST 2023 - JOE DEBLASE

Our Knight of the Month has stepped up to help whenever he is called. While his goal is to assist in any way possible at St John Paul II, he officially has signed up to be an Usher, has volunteered to assist at this year's Gala and has participated as a reader and presenter for the Baptism Program on several occasions. When we learn of a last-minute Baptism, he is the first to step up and fill in. Although he works full-time and has only been a Knight at 16492 for less than 2 years, he is a familiar face around volunteer activities.

Because he is the very definition of a Volunteer Knight and because he upholds the traditions of the Knights of Columbus' goal of Charity, I name this month's Knight of the Month, Joe DeBlase.



BROTHER JOE DEBLASE WAS NAMED KNIGHT OF THE MONTH FOR AUGUST.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

AUGUST 2023 - THE HARDINS FAMILY

THIS MONTH'S KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS FAMILY OF THE
MONTH IS THE HARDINS
FAMILY: JEREMY, STEPHANIE,
MATTHEW, JOSHUA, ANDREW
AND GIANNA.



THE HARDIN FAMILY WAS NAMED THE FAMILY OF THE MONTH FOR AUGUST. JEREMY, STEPHANIE, MATTHEW, JOSHUA, ANDREW AND GIANNA ARE INVOLVED IN A MYRIAD OF ACTIVITIES AT SPJII.

Jeremy and Stephanie are Florida natives and lifelong Catholics who have felt their faith and knowledge of Church teachings grow over the course of their marriage, and they are enjoying seeing their children grow in their faith as well.

Jeremy has recently joined our Council as a brother Knight, and he also has been instrumental in bringing Fraternus to our parish. Stephanie brought Walking with Purpose to the Parish and co-leads the ministry. She has also helped with Faith Formation, Youth Bible Study, and the Joe Paddy festival.

Matthew recently attended Damascus and Fraternus camps, is involved with Fraternus and the Youth Bible Study, was on the Peer Ministry team this past year, and is an altar server. Joshua attended Fraternus camp, is active in Fraternus, and altar serves as well. Andrew occasionally helps as an usher at the noon Mass. Gianna is too young to help in ministry but loves participating in the many parish festivals and celebrations that are offered.

Outside of church, Stephanie and the kids are active in the local homeschool group and attend various field trips and activities offered through them. Stephanie recently became a Pilates instructor and enjoys helping people achieve their health and wellness goals. The boys participate in Taekwondo and take piano lessons. Gianna will begin dance lessons this fall. Matthew and Joshua are also participating in the Youth Toastmasters group this summer.

The Hardins are happy to have found such a wonderful community here at SJPII and are grateful for the welcoming spirit of the parish and the many family-friendly activities that are offered.

The Hardin family's dedication to their faith and their support and involvement in the many ministries are a splendid example of Catholic living. The Knights want to thank the Hardin family for their service and dedication.

ALTAR SERVER(S) OF THE QUARTER Q3 2023 KEEGAN AND CLAUDIA TAYLOR



ALTAR SERVERS OF THE QUARTER CLAUDIA AND KEEGAN TAYLOR, ARE SHOWN - THEIR PARENTS MATT AND HEATHER.

We have the distinct pleasure tonight to present a double certificate for Altar Servers of the Quarter. Our brother and sister Altar Servers are Keegan and Claudia Taylor, son and daughter of Matt and Heather.

Keegan has been an altar server since 2019 and participates in high school youth activities such as going to Damascus and Ave' Maria. He loves to read, swim year-round and is on Bishop Kenny's high school team. He also loves football.

Claudia has been serving since 2021. She is in her first year of confirmation preparation and is in the Blaze Bible study group. She loves to sing, dance, play volleyball and spend time with the family.

The Taylors have attended St. John Paul II since 2016, the same amount of time Council 16492 has been in existence. We thank the entire family for their commitment to our church. And we especially thank Claudia and Keegan for helping us celebrate mass each week. For their dedication and commitment, St. John Paul II Council 16492 would like to present these certificates to Keegan and Claudia Taylor as the Altar Servers of the 3rd quarter of 2023.

COUNCIL 16492 NEWS BITS

PICKLEBALL UPDATE:

FALL TOURNAMENT ON TRACK, MANY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Pickleball Tournament Update

Our Florida Georgia Pickleball Classic is fast approaching! This tournament, which runs October 27th, 28th and 29th, will be the fifth Florida Georgia Pickleball Classic. There are just a few weeks left for players to sign up and we need to close strong so please recommend it to your pickleball-playing friends and family.

We also still need a few additional volunteers, and you can volunteer right up to the start of the tournament at nocateeknights.com. This year's tournament features a new competitive format and an onsite tournament referee. It will also be the last tournament held at Treaty Park before St. Johns County starts a major renovation that will result in 20 permanent pickleball courts and other miscellaneous park improvements.

Once the Florida Georgia Pickleball Classic is complete we will begin planning for our next tournament, Pickleball Veritas in the Ancient City, sometime next Spring pending the completion of the park renovations. With the increasing popularity of pickleball has come a significant increase in the number of tournaments. This is creating a more competitive environment for attracting players. We are always looking for ways to make our tournaments more attractive for players so we can continue to raise a high level of funds for local charities. We're open to any ideas you may have in this regard.

Thank you and Peace Be With You



WE STILL HAVE OPENINGS FOR VOLUNTEERS. THIS IS OUR MAJOR FUNDRAISER FOR THE YEAR AND WE NEED YOUR HELP IF YOU HAVEN'T VOLUNTEERED. GO TO NOCATEEK NIGHTS.COM TO FILL ONE OF THE REMAINING SLOTS.

A FEW SLOTS REMAINING – SHOOTING FOR 100%!



In his report to the council last month, Tournament Director John Essegian said tournament supplies have been shipped to us from an overseas supplier, have arrived in the U.S., and should be delivered shortly.

The tournament enrollment is good but down slightly from last year. This is attributed to an increasing number of local tournaments. The good news is that the number of registrants we drew from out of state has remained stable, thereby maintaining the county's willingness to provide subsidies based on our event benefits the local economy.



FAITH IN ACTION PROGRAMS FY2023-2024
(UPDATED 9/27/23)

FAITH (PAT HUTTON)

Title	Description	Status	Month
Building the Domestic Church Kiosk	Purchase kiosk and pamphlets for Our Lady of Leche Shrine. Cost of \$150.00. Help strengthen the domestic church (our families) by providing exceptional religious education materials to all Catholics.	OPEN	AUG
Mens Retreat Day of Reflection	SJPII Men's Retreat at the Marywood Retreat Center on Dec. 10 Including Men of the Parish. Father Pagano	OPEN	Dec 9
Rosary Program	Present rosary's, made by St John Paul II Rosary Ministry, to St Joseph	ONGOING	FEB
RSVP Program to help Seminarians	Supporting Seminarian George Gilbert gift donation of \$1000 2X PER YEAR	OPEN	AUG & DEC
Confirmation	Purchase Stoles for confirmation candidates	OPEN	MAR

FAMILY (STEVE MILLER)

Title	Description	Status	Month
Food for Families	Continue to build on the monthly collection. 1st full weekend each month	ONGOING	Every Month
Keep Christ in Christmas	Incorporate celebrations and engage in dialogue that honor the birth of Jesus	OPEN	DEC
Good Friday - Family Promotion	Council will encourage participation in Good Friday services through a promotional campaign.	ONGOING	Feb/Mar
Family of the Month	This can be either a Knight or Parish Family	ONGOING	Every Month
Mothers of newly baptised	Present a gift of a white rose or bouquet to the mothers of the newly baptised	OPEN	Every Month



FAITH IN ACTION PROGRAMS FY2023-2024
(UPDATED 09/27/23)

COMMUNITY (JOSEPH PITISCI)

Title	Description	Status	Month
Wheelchair Program	Donate \$2400 to purchase 16 Wheelchairs through the Florida State Wheelchair program	OPEN	FEB
Disaster Preparedness Plan	Continue to update and enhance - Rebuilding	OPEN	AUG
Friday's during Lent	Knights are sponsoring 3 Fish Fry's during lent	OPEN	MAR
Citizens with Disabilities Campaign	Schedule SJPII, OLSS and 3 Publix Stores	OPEN	APR / MAY
Visits to the Sick (KnightFall)	Structured program to coordinate visits to the knights and knight families whom are sick at home, hospital, or in hospice	ONGOING	Every Month
Coats for Kids	Purchase and donate to HUGS lightweight jackets (24 boys & 24 girls assorted sizes)	COMPLETE	OCT
Habitat for Humanity	Donation	OPEN	NOV
Helping Hands	Donations to Port in the Storm, Catholic Charities, (and SVDP Friends of the Poor Walk - Complete).	OPEN	OCT

LIFE (TOM COSTELLO)

Title	Description	Status	Month
March for Life	Marshalls needed, knights and families to participate in the march	OPEN	JAN
Novena for Life	Repeat the novena for life for 9 consecutive days	OPEN	JAN
Special Olympics	Donate and/or support St Johns County Special Olympics Basketball Challenge and Track & Field meet. Swimming event complete July 30. Area Games 3/25	COMPLETE	JUL & MAR
ASAP Program	Our council donated \$2000 to Divine Mercy House, a Christian maternity home for single women facing unexpected pregnancies. Additional \$400 from Supreme will go to this cause	COMPLETE	MAR

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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."

MOTHER OF DIVINE MERCY ASSEMBLY 3771

4TH DEGREE REPORT

The primary purpose of the Fourth Degree is to encourage active Catholic citizenship and foster the spirit of patriotism in members and the community at large. We are Religiously Devoted and Patriotically Proud. The Patriotic Rosary precedes the regular business meetings at 6:30 PM

All 110 Fourth Degree Sir Knights are members of Council 16492 and fill the majority of council leadership roles. Fourth Degree members have chosen to increase their focus on Patriotism through specific projects honoring veterans, first responders, and the US flag.

Interested in becoming a Patriotic Fourth degree Sir Knight? Contact Faithful Navigator Michael Worthey michaelwaynew@yahoo.com 319-270-5152.

God Bless you.
Michael Worthey
Faithful Navigator
Mother of Divine Mercy Assembly 3771



NEW CAMPUS FOR ST. JOHN PAUL II PARISH
ARTIST RENDERING

4TH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION & NEW SIR KNIGHTS

THERE WAS PATRIOTIC FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION ON AUGUST 26 AT ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH IN JACKSONVILLE. THERE WERE MORE THAN 100 CANDIDATES FROM NE FLORIDA THAT WERE EXEMPLIFIED.

ASSEMBLY 3771 HAD NINE (9) NEW SIR KNIGHTS IN ATTENDANCE AND THEN WERE VOTED INTO OUR ASSEMBLY.

PLEASE WELCOME TO ASSEMBLY 3771 OUR NEWEST SIR KNIGHTS

JOHN BERRY
ROBERT PEPPER
GARY ROTELLA
TERENCE HIGDON
ALAN SCHULTZ
JOSEPH PITISCI
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MOTHER OF DIVINE MERCY ASSEMBLY 3771

COLOR CORPS

The Color Corps is an elective division of the Patriotic Degree whose distinctive presence in parades, wreath-laying ceremonies and Catholic functions is a visible reminder of our service to the Church and community.

The distinctive uniform and ceremonial sword symbolize Christian Knighthood and are worn to signify reverence to Church, Eucharist, country and freedom.

Color Corp members have been very busy this past quarter by participating in the following events:

- Independence Day Masses July 1 & 2
- Saint James Feast Day July 25
- Color Corp Training July 29
- 4th Degree Exemplification on Aug 26
- Patriots Day Mass Sept 22
- Grand Knights Tribute Dinner Sept 22

Color Corp is planning to support a weekend mass before the major Patriotic Holidays, Veterans Day Nov 11 in Remembrance and service. This is expected to include formal presentation of Colors (US and Church Flags) and Patriotic Music.

Color Corps Growth: Assembly 3771 has a goal of seven additional Sir Knights with uniform for FY23-24. Sir Knights are urged to purchase a Fourth-Degree uniform which costs \$449. A \$250 incentive rebate is available for 4th Degree Color Corp uniform and/or sword package by submitting their paid receipts to Faithful Comptroller Thomas Reif thr@reif-industries.com and requesting the rebate.





MOTHER OF DIVINE MERCY ASSEMBLY 3771

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MOTHER OF DIVINE MERCY ASSEMBLY 3771

4TH DEGREE PATRIOTIC PROJECTS

WE ARE PATRIOTICALLY PROUD, ACTIVE CATHOLIC AMERICAN CITIZENS. WE ENCOURAGE PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY IN CIVIC AFFAIRS AND HONOR VETERANS AND FIRST RESPONDERS FOR THEIR SERVICE AND SACRIFICE.

BBQ AT CLYDE E. LASSEN STATE VETERANS NURSING HOME IN ST. AUGUSTINE

Following our previous successful BBQ at Lassen Veterans Nursing Home we are in the early stages of planning to do this again. This event was well received and uplifting to all participant and we will apply the learnings from our previous engagement and incorporate them into making our next event even more uplifting and successful.

Most Lassen Veterans nursing home residents are likely to pass in in 1-2 years. Your visit is a corporal work of mercy. Our purpose in visiting is to lift their spirits.

We do that by socializing one-on-one about subjects they bring up, show you care about him. Let him know you will keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

The residents may remember the BBQ. What's far more important is how the residents and staff feel about our first visit. This opens the door for periodic social visit to the residents.



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MOTHER OF DIVINE MERCY ASSEMBLY 3771

4TH DEGREE PATRIOTIC PROJECTS

PATRIOTIC MUSIC AT MASS ON PATRIOTIC HOLIDAYS

(Memorial Day, Independence Day, Veterans Day and 9/11, Day of Remembrance) at weekend Masses before the holiday.

What might this look like? Patriotic music (recorded or sung) could be played for 5-min. before Mass. A Patriotic hymn would be sung when Celebrant enters. The Color Guard would present Colors (selected weekend Masses only). Sing God Bless America as the closing hymn. Additionally we purchased Red, White and Blue bunting for St John Paul II to use for decorations during patriotic themed masses

Daily mass on the actual holiday date could add Patriotic Rosary after Mass while omitting presentation of Colors.

Work in progress. ALL Knights invited to participate.

HONOR VETERANS: FIRST COAST AIR HONOR FLIGHT

Assembly 3771 sponsors a veteran and a guardian to accompany the veteran who makes the trip to the national veterans' memorial sites in Washington, D.C.

It's a full day event starting very early in the morning. The Veterans with their guardian (for the day) fly into BWI and bus to veterans' monuments (WW2, Korean, Vietnam). Then they head to Arlington Cemetery to the Women's armed forces memorial. Then sit front row at the Changing of the Guard at Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Then fly back to Jacksonville late that evening. We are awaiting final word regarding the Assembly's nominee.

Background Info: Honor Flight May 2022 video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XP7TDZqj5m0> This is a long video. You can fast forward through parts and get a good idea of the event. Flight FAQ <https://firstcoasthonorflight.org/faq>

FOOTBALL MANIA CHARITY SWEEPSTAKES FUNDRAISER

Assembly 3771 raised money to fund our Patriotic and Civic Projects and Activities, and contribute to the Light-to-the-Nation's Capital Campaign netting about \$7,500 from August 2023.

This year's football season is only in the 2nd week of game plan and thus far we have had four (4) winning tickets. More to follow on this topic as the season proceeds.

THE PRAYER LIST:

(PLEASE LET US KNOW WHEN SOMEONE YOU KNOW NEEDS TO BE ON THE PRAYER LIST OR TAKEN OFF. BEGINNING SEPT. 17, 2023, WE WILL LEAVE POSTINGS ON THE PRAYER LIST FOR A YEAR UNLESS OTHERWISE INFORMED.)

1. Richard Bard, pending knee surgery. (posted 9-17-23)
2. Gina Black – Brother Bob Pepper's sister-in-law (posted 9-17-23)
3. Paul Boehnke (posted 9-17-23)
4. Addison Petrie, a local 12-year old girl who is recovering from being struck by lightning. (posted 9-17-23)
5. Deacon Tony Colichio who will undergo a quadruple by-pass surgery on Sept. 25. (posted 9-17-23)
6. Grand Knight Pete Falcone who has been diagnosed with Colon Cancer and will undergo surgery and chemo after a series of tests determines the stage. (posted 9-17-23)
7. Fred Ortiz, the brother of Joe Cruz. He is going to have a stent inserted to relieve serious blockage in his artery on September 12th - (posted 9-1-23)
8. Marianne Van Engelen, wife of Sir Knight Mark Van Engelen, recovering from heart ailment.
9. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Amelia Carafano, mother of Patricia Cervellera, wife of Michael Cervellera, who passed on May 18, 2023, due to a prolonged illness.
10. Joann Burnsman, cancer was detected in her neck that's spread to the brain
11. Jim Sidel, Lou Gehrig disease
12. Walter Lackner
13. Darleen Kammer
14. Jim Moore, who is suffering from Congestive Heart Failure. He is being treated with medications but the road to recovery will be long. All prayers will be deeply appreciated because we know God is the ultimate healer.
15. Michael Coronato had bone cancer several years ago and went into remission and was pronounced cancer free. He recently has been feeling weak so went back to the oncologist and they informed him that the cancer has returned. He is married with 3 children, the youngest is 11. Please pray for Michael and his family.
16. Jack Gabriel, Grand Knight from Saint Ephram's Parish in our district. He has had severe health issues.
17. Peter Coronato needs surgery for a very enlarged prostate. He is in pain and has to wait two weeks until surgery can be performed.
18. Carole Hessemer - Congestive heart failure, macular degeneration, Glaucoma, COPD, Arthritis, Diabetes, Hearing loss. Husband recently passed.
19. Brother Mariano Bautista's hometown in Spain, there was a vicious attack on churches killing a sacristan and critically wounding a priest. Prayers are needed for all priests and religious that they be protected everywhere around the world.
20. Marigrace Lalli, she has pancreatic cancer with a tumor which has grown twice its size in two months. Undergoing a biopsy procedure.
21. Leo Brand, Cancer
22. Bill Lyons, Tim Lyons nephew has cancer
23. Bill Lyons, Tim Lyons brother has Parkinson's
24. Please pray for Robert Capone's nephew, Keith stage 5 kidney failure and no will to live.
25. Mary Hart needs our prayers. Sister of Kathleen Wilson.
26. Jim McLoone family, My brother Pat McLoone 67, died suddenly of heart attack in Milwaukee on Sunday.
27. Suzanne Harrington, Brother Steve Harrington's daughter, was in an auto accident and fractured her arm and wrist. She had to have surgery to put in a plate in both the wrist and arm and is just beginning a long road to recovery with intense physical therapy.
28. Troy Kimble is a good friend of brother Rich Delgato going through dialysis for kidney failure and is in need of a transplant.
29. Paul Matulevich and John Sleeman. Paul is suffering from lymphatic cancer and is the father of someone who brother Joe Cruz is coaching through the Career Ministry. John who is suffering from the onset of dementia is the latter's father-in-law.
30. Robert Pepper Sr. (Bob Peppers Dad)
31. Eileen Hutton (Pat Hutton's daughter)
32. Denise Haughey
33. Edith A. – Stage 2 Cancer
34. Victor V. – Acceleration of Parkinson's
35. Larry Swing, leukemia and chemo taking its toll, he goes in for surgery for an aneurysm between the ear and his stomach.
36. Tom DeMuyt CLL
37. Carl Schuck has developed small cell cancer in 2 locations and will get radiation treatment.

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