

NEWSLETTER OF SWITZERLAND COUNCIL #12664

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FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT...



October is the month which the Catholic Church dedicates to the Holy Rosary, a devotion which Our Lady loves most and have asked us to pray frequently, and if possible, daily, in her apparitions to various saints: St. Dominic de Guzman, Blessed Alan de la Roche, St. Bernadette Soubirous in Lourdes, to Blessed Jacinta, Blessed Francisco and Sor Lucia in Fatima, St. Louis de Montfort ...It is a Marian devotion which several Popes throughout these centuries have endorsed and encouraged the Catholic faithful to pray as a manifestation of our filial trust and love for our Mother Mary, the Mother of God, convinced of the powerful intercession which Our Lady, as the Mother of God, has in front of the Blessed Trinity.

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Brother Knights,

What a way to end the month. What a storm. We were lucky to be bypassed completely. We need to do fundraiser or food drive for Lee Country. And if any of you have family or friends affected by the storm be sure to let us know and we will offer some support.

OCTOBER 2022

We have some exciting programs coming up. SK PKG Robert Bridenbaugh has a Drive by Food Program. Attend meetings and check the website & newsletter for more information.

We want to welcome brother Tom Metro as our new Treasurer and vote in SK Pat Pollizzi as our new recorder.

A few new members have joined via e-member and several new transfers. Make these men feel welcome and encourage new members.

Vivat Jesus

Respectfully, *Rill*

Bill Burns PFN

Grand Knight, Switzerland Council 12664

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Knights in Action, Faith in Action

Faith

Family



Our goal is to strengthen men and their families in the Catholic faith. Formation in our faith goes beyond mere facts or religious practice to an authentic connection with a loving God and his son Jesus Christ.

- Rosary First Friday every month followed by Adoration
- Patriotic Rosary—First Monday every month
- Vocations Program Support our seminarians financially and spiritually
- Building the Domestic Church Kiosk. Booklets in the lobby

Father McGivney sought to strengthen the bonds of families in his parish and the Knights of Columbus. These programs, created for families by families, help us to live this call.

- Donated \$614.00 of valued groceries in September to Christ Cupboard Food Bank, St Francis House Shelter & Armstrong Farming Migrants
- For the past 12 months valued is \$8,617.00
- Family of the Month Robert & Darla Cook Family

Community





Knights are called to serve others. Our first principle is Charity – at home with our families and in our communities. When Knights of Columbus members come together they accomplish great things.

- 60 lunch bags for the needy at St Francis House 9/17, 10/15, 11/19 & 12/17
- Adopt A Highway Cleanup 10/8 & 11/19
- Veteran's Day Parade 11/11

The Knights of Columbus vigorously defends the dignity of each human being at every stage of life.

- Rosary First Sunday of the month
- Program for Life Chain is planned on site

ANNUAL DUES

To be in good standing with our Council your annual dues were due the end of June.

To date we still have 162 Brothers who still owe dues. Dues are \$36.00. By credit card \$38.00

Please send your check to: Financial Secretary Jerry Chlopek 4587 E. Seneca Drive St. Johns Fl 32259 or pay by credit card on line and click on the link

Knights of Columbus Council 12664 (kofc12664.com)



We are praying for your healing to get well soon. Bill Burns, Matt Fiorentino, Steve Wright & Father Tetlow.

M E M O R I A L

In Loving Memory of our Brother Knight Walter Reed who passed away. Grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. And may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, Amen.

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KNIGHTS IN ACTION



SEPTEMBER 2022





Knight of the Month

Allan Ramos

Family of the Month

Robert & Darla Cook Family



Allan Ramos

Knight of the Month





Robert & Darla Cook Family

Family of the Month



ST. FRANCIS HOUSE

By Sr. Knight Colm Murphy

About St Francis House:

St. Francis Housing Crisis Center has been located at 70 Washington St. in St. Augustine for more than 30 years. Today, St. Francis House provides a variety of programs, one of which we support at our Council/Assembly.

The St. Francis House Advocacy & Referral Center provides walk-in comprehensive housing-focused services and programs for the homeless and those at-risk of being home-

less who are not part of the St Francis House residential program.

This convenient one-stop center is ready to assist with food, clothing, showers, laundry services, hygiene items, access to computers, OTC medications and assistance with Social Security, food stamps and disability applications as well as referrals to other agencies who provide specialized services.

As part of their Advocacy & Referral services, St. Francis provides a lunch meal for anyone who is hungry and food boxes each Wednesday from 12 noon to 2 pm for qualified St. Johns County residents.

What we do to support them?

- ♦ Every 3rd Saturday of the month, we provide 60 bagged lunches to support their Advocacy & Referral Services program. Each bagged lunch contains a sandwich, granola bar, chips, fruit and a bottle of water. We spend approximately \$130 per month to provide this much needed service, which takes approximately 6 volunteers 35 minutes to prepare each month.
- ♦ We partner closely with the Volunteer Coordinator for St Francis House and recently began supporting their "Wish List Wednesday" program, where they post a list of needed items on their Facebook page. We in turn post this to our Council/Assembly Facebook page requesting those Knights that are interested and available to deliver supplies, such as granola bars, chips and toiletries to the Parish Family Center the 3rd Saturday of each month. Any donated supplies are delivered along with the 60 bagged lunches for that month.
- ♦ Back in August, our Council supplied and paid for a storage cabinet (see attached) to store clothes and toiletries inside the office area. Prior to having the cabinet, the case managers had to run into the back of the property to get supplies for both the shelter residents and the residents that come in from the street for clothing or to use the comfort shower station. Having this cabinet helps the center provide better service to their clients. Big thank you to Brother Vinny Zammataro and Joe Farina for taking the time to deliver and assemble the cabinet.



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KNIGHTS IN ACTION

Clyde E Lassen Florida State Veteran's Nursing Home

By Sr. Knight Paul Soriano, Community Leader

Over 80 greeting cards were presented to the residents of the Clyde E. Lassen State Veterans' Nursing Home in St. Augustine on August 25. The 120-bed facility for both men and women veterans offers skilled nursing care and can accommodate 60 residents with dementia/Alzheimer's disease. The facility is named in honor of Commander Clyde Everett Lassen, a native of Fort Meyers, Florida and Medal of Honor recipient for bravery in Vietnam.



The cards were hand made by the residents of the Peer 2 Peer Community at the Union Correctional Institution, Raiford, Florida. As we presented the veterans the cards, we explained a little about the Peer 2 Peer Community and how the men want to be involved in community service.

The veterans were truly appreciative of the special thank you cards.



L/r Joe Bishop, Mellisa (activities coordinator), Paul Soriano & Mike Coleman



Paul Soriano Visiting a Veteran



On the left Brother Knights cooking breakfast and dinners for the Camp I Special volunteers this past July.

On the right is Paul Soriano & Dan McIntyre in conjunction with the SJDR CCW, assisted with the Jacksonville Area Feed My Starving Children Mobile Packing Event. It was held at Ponte Vedra Presbyterian Church on August 12 &13.





GK Bill Burns presenting Letter of Appreciation to DGK Jim Denkler from Supreme Knight for spending many hours getting the treasurer's work completed for the audit.

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VETERANS DAY NOVEMBER 11, 2022

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Veterans Day, observed annually on November 11, is a tribute to military veterans who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Not to be confused with Memorial Day, which honors those who died while in service, Veterans Day honors all military veterans, including those still with us. Veterans Day is observed annually on November 11. It's a holiday honoring men and women who have served in the U.S. armed forces, on the anniversary of the end of World War I.

HISTORY OF VETERANS DAY Veterans Day, originally celebrated as Armistice Day, was first issued on November 11, 1919, by President Woodrow Wilson a year after the end of World War I. The purpose of Armistice Day was to honor the fallen soldiers of the Great War for their sacrifice and bravery. Seven years later, in 1926, Congress adopted a resolution requesting that President Calvin Coolidge issue annual proclamations on November 11, making Armistice Day a legal holiday.

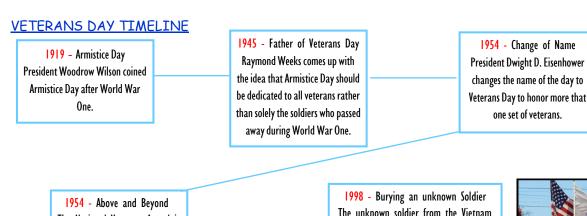
In 1945, World War II veteran Raymond Weeks had the idea to expand Armistice Day to celebrate all veterans rather than just the ones who died in World War I. He led a delegation to General Dwight Eisenhower, who was all for the idea. Weeks then organized the first Veterans Day celebrationin 1945. in Alabama and every year since, until he died in 1985. In 1982, he was honored by President Reagan with the Presidential Citizenship Medal. Weeks was also named the 'Father of Veterans Day' by Elizabeth Dole.

In 1954, Ed Rees, the U.S. Representative from Emporia, Kansas, presented a bill to establish the holiday to Congress. Eisenhower, who was then the president and also from Kansas, signed the bill into law on May 26, 1954, eight and a half years after Raymond Weeks held the first Veterans Day. After having been through both World War II and the Korean War, the 83rd U.S. Congress — at the urge of the veterans' service organizations — amended the Act of 1938 by striking out the word 'Armistice' and inserting the word 'Veterans.' With the approval of this legislation on June 1, 1954, November 11 became a day to honor American veterans of all wars.

The National Veterans Award was also created in 1954, first received by Congressman Rees for his support in making Veterans Day a federal holiday. Though the holiday is currently and was originally celebrated on November 11, the day was moved to the fourth Monday of October in 1971 due to the Uniform Monday Holiday Act. Finally, on September 20, 1975, President Gerald R. Ford signed a law that returned the annual observance of Veterans Day to its original date of November 11, beginning in 1978.

The holiday is observed by the federal government on a Friday, if the holiday falls on Saturday, or on a Monday, if the holiday falls on a Sunday. Federal government closings are established by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management. State and local government closings are determined locally and non-government businesses can close or remain open as they see fit, regardless of federal, state, or local government operation determinations.

The United States Senate Resolution 143, which was passed on August 4, 2001, designated the week of November 11 through November 17, 2001, as National Veterans Awareness Week. The resolution called for educational efforts directed at elementary and secondary school students concerning the contributions and sacrifices of veterans.



The National Veterans Award is created to honor outstanding veterans who made the greatest contributions to veteran organizations throughout the country.

The unknown soldier from the Vietnam War, who was buried in Arlington National Cemetery, is identified as Michael Blassie, a 24-year-old pilot shot down in 1972 on the border with Cambodia.



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October

- 2-Rosary First Sunday of the month
- 3- Patriotic Rosary 7pm
- 7-Rosary 9am followed by Adoration First Friday of the month
- 8-Highway Cleanup 8am
- 11-4th Degree Meeting 7pm
- 15-Making Lunch Bags For St. Francis House 8am
- 25-3rd Degree Meeting 7pm

November

- 4- Pro life Rosary 9:30am followed Adoration first Friday of the month.
- 6 Rosary First Sunday of the month
- 7- Patriotic Rosary 7pm
- 8- 4th Degree Meeting 7pm
- 11- Veterans Day Parade
- 13- Highway Clean up 8am
- 20- Making Lunch Bags for St. Francis House 8am
- 22-3rd Degree Meeting 7pm
- 24 Thanksgiving

December

- 2- Pro Life Rosary 9:30am followed Adoration First Friday of the month
- 4-Rosary First Sunday of the month
- 5-Patriotic Rosary 7pm
- 13-4th Degree Meeting 7pm
- 17- Making Lunch Bags for St .Francis House 8am
- 24-Christmas Eve
- 25-Christmas
- 27-3rd Degree Meeting 7pm
- 31- New Year's Eve

Special points of interest:

- 60 lunch bags for the needy at St .Francis House 10/15, 11/19 & 12/17
- Adopt A Highway Cleanup 10/8 & 11/19
- Veterans Day Parade 11/11







GOD BLESS AMERICA!

"...one Nation, under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all."