



The Knight Watch

Our Lady of Fatima Council 9597 - Chartered June 24, 1987

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Regular meetings, 7-8:30pm: Business - 2nd Tuesday, Social - 4th Tuesday

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Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for September

That opportunities for education and employment may increase for all young people.

That catechists may give witness by living in a way consistent with the faith they proclaim.

Happy Birthday Brothers!

God has blessed the following brothers with another year of service to our Lord in August: David Miller 9/4, Richard Gold 9/11, Ted Oldenburg 9/16, Bob Burns 9/21, Dick Abel 9/23, John Collier 9/26.



Years of Service Anniversaries



These brothers have completed years of service to the Order this month: Lew Berger (31), Thomas Elliott (31), Johnny Rico Jr (29), Evan Jansen (19), Art Irlando (17), Mike Narey (17), Tony Traverson (17), James Hagood (16), Pete Zuniga (3), Angel Caro (3), Chris Klispie (1), Rich Phillips (1)

Newsletter Contributions

If you would like to submit something for printing in next month's newsletter, please send a draft to Marcus.Ritosa@gmail.com no later than September 29th.



Grand Knight's Knotes

Welcome to September. Our fraternal year is going very nicely, continuing with another year of pancake breakfasts. I invite each of you to take a moment to reflect on why you joined the Knights, and find a program that speaks to that. Remember, we are the "Charity That Evangelizes"!



The new program directors are all hard at work, making our programs amazing. This increased involvement and visibility in our parish and community continues to pay off in increasing membership. Our council continues to grow and offer the opportunity of membership, in the words of our new State Deputy, "to the man next to us in the pews." Please use the upcoming council picnic (9/18) to invite someone to meet our Council and learn more about our Order. I'm looking forward to getting to socialize with you and your families. The more, the merrier! Same goes for the pancake breakfast on the 20th.

Thank you, everyone who helped with our annual "Peaches For Seminarians" program, we can all be proud of the results of our efforts. We will be supporting 15(!) young people studying for a religious vocation, an increase from 14 last year. Amazing effort by everyone, especially Dave Schneider who provided a great deal of leadership. The "Tootsie Roll" Program for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities is underway. Don't forget to sign up for a shift on [SignUpGenius](http://SignUpGenius.com). The link is on KofC9597.org.

As always, I want to ask for nominations for Knight of the Month, and Family of the Month. Please let DGK Ken know who you think deserves this honor. We've given KotM awards every month, but I haven't seen ANY nominations for Family of the Month! This is an excellent way for you to recognize the amazing things your brother knights are accomplishing. Look to KofC9597.org for the latest news and announcements of council activities. I'm putting more items there, instead of emails.

Have a good month, and make it a great month for Council 9597! Vivat Jesus!

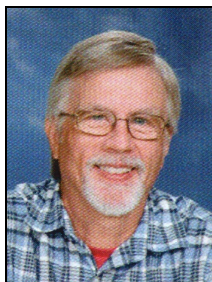
Knights Stand Up for the Disabled

by Program Director Dave Schneider

On Saturday, Aug 29, we started our annual Tootsie Roll program (better known as the Campaign for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities) by standing in front of the King Soopers store at 34th & Youngfield and giving away Tootsie Rolls and at the same time soliciting donations for the Intellectually Disabled. We will skip the Labor Day weekend and pick up the solicitations on Saturday, Sept 12 and continue each Saturday thereafter through Oct 3. The following is our schedule:

- Sept 12 – S Golden Rd & Colfax/Quail
- Sept 19 - 34th/Youngfield & S Golden Rd
- Sept 26 - Colfax/Quail & 34th/Youngfield
- October 3 - S Golden Rd & Colfax/Quail

As of September 1st, all of the slots are filled for Sept 12 and 19. We do need workers, however, for Sept 26 and October 3. Each physically able brother within the council is asked to work ONE two-hour shift. Last month an email message was sent to all members with email addresses with directions for going to the SignUpGenius website to sign up to work a store. If you don't have email and want to work, please give Stan Collins a call at 720.841.7715.



September Pancake Breakfast

by Program Director Dave Schneider

It is that time of year again when we will be starting back up our monthly pancake breakfasts. Starting in September and running through June 2016, we will put on ten monthly pancake breakfasts. The Pancake Breakfast committee is looking for volunteers to help them work out the details for each breakfast. Would this be something that interests you?

For September, we will be putting on a pancake breakfast in the parish hall on Sunday, Sept 20. If you will be in town that weekend, please mark your calendar. We will get started at around 6:30am (early shift) and finish up around 12:30pm. We will serve breakfast after the 7am, 8:30am and 10am Masses. If you can help, all that I ask is for you to show up at the parish hall, ready to work. The more people we have working, the easier it is for everyone!!!



Council Picnic This Month

by Rich Phillips

Our Lady of Fatima's Knights of Columbus Picnic will be held Friday, Sept 18 starting



at 6pm outside the parish hall. We are hoping that all the Knights of OLF and their families will join us for an evening of fellowship and good food. An RSVP invitation will be sent to all registered Brothers. Please respond right away, even if you cannot make it, so that we can plan accordingly. Attending Knights will be asked to bring a favorite side dish and BYOB for adult beverages. The Council will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, sausages, soft drinks, etc.

For additional information, please contact the picnic coordinators Rich Phillips at rphillipsmp@hotmail.com or 575.644.5643 or Lou Schornack lou@ciberlok.com or 303.956.4826.

Upcoming Major Degree Exemplifications



The next Major Degrees will be offered on Saturday, September 19 at St. Christ the King Catholic Church in Evergreen. Registration starts at 10am, exemplification and knighting at 12:15pm. No Mass, social, or banquet to follow.

Another 4th degree will be offered on Saturday, October 3 at Denver Knights of Columbus 539 Hall in Denver. Registration starts at 11:30am, exemplification and knighting at 1:30pm. Mass, social, and banquet will follow the degree starting at 4:30pm. For more information, look at the calendars on KofC9597.org or call Michael Majeres at 303.550.6632.



Peaches for Seminarians



by Program Director Dave Schneider

In August, we completed a very successful Peaches For Seminarians program. Aug 8 was "Peach Pickup" day and the Fatima parking lot was "hopping" with Knight workers and all the people who came to pick up their peaches. A few of our members made home-made beer and gave it away for a monetary donation. We received \$320 in donations and added that to what we received in donations during peach pre-sales for a grand total of \$1,018 in donations. What generous people we have at Our Lady of Fatima!

The final numbers are not in but it looks like we might be able to increase the number of seminarians/novitiates we sponsor this year. Last year we gave \$500 to 13 seminarians/novitiates and this year there is a good possibility that we will to 14 or possibly 15!!! We will make a decision at our Sept business meeting on the number of people to support this year. If you would like to have input, please ensure that you make it to the meeting on Sept 8.

If you helped out in any way (sold peaches outside church before and after the weekend masses, worked Peach Pickup, etc.), please accept a big "Thank You" from the council. Without your help, we would not be able to provide assistance to men and women studying for the religious life.

We will also follow up by making personal contact with each of the selected seminarians/novitiates and offering our personal support wherever possible. Does this sound like something that you might be interested in doing as a member of our council?



World Meeting of Families Prayer

*God and Father of us all,
in Jesus, your Son and our Savior,
you have made us
your sons and daughters
in the family of the Church.*

*May your grace and love
help our families
in every part of the world
be united to one another
in fidelity to the Gospel.*

*May the example of the Holy Family,
with the aid of your Holy Spirit,
guide all families, especially those most troubled,
to be homes of communion and prayer
and to always seek your truth and live in your love.*

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

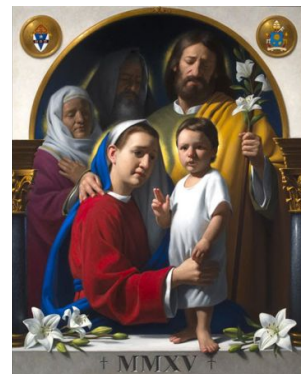
*Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
pray for us!*

A Prayer for the Family

O dear Jesus, I humbly implore You to grant Your special graces to our family. May our home be the shrine of peace, purity, love, labor and faith. I beg You, dear Jesus, to protect and bless all of us, absent and present, living and dead.

O Mary, loving Mother of Jesus, and our Mother, pray to Jesus for our family, for all the families of the world, to guard the cradle of the newborn, the schools of the young and their vocations.

Blessed Saint Joseph, holy guardian of Jesus and Mary, assist us by your prayers in all the necessities of life. Ask of Jesus that special grace which He granted to you, to watch over our home at the pillow of the sick and the dying, so that with Mary and with you, heaven may find our family unbroken in the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Amen.





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