

# The Navigator



## February 2023

Christopher Columbus

Father John E. O'Brien Council #3361

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Venerable  
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### Grand Knight

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Officers MTG  
1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday - 6pm  
MBRSHIP MTG  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday - 7pm



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Assembly MTG  
3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday - 7pm

### 2022-2023 Council Officers

Grand Knight:	Ralph Byars (PGK, PFN, PDD)	Recorder:	Doug Warren (PGK, PFN)
Deputy Grand Knight:	Andy Valrosa	Warden:	Jim Spoltman
Chaplain:	Fr. Chris Hoiland	Inside Guard:	Mauri Tonini (PGK)
Financial Secretary:	Dave Morgan	Outside Guard:	Bill Butler
Treasurer:	Tom Karney	1 Year Trustee (2020):	Paul Brewer (PGK)
Chancellor:	Ben Young	2 Year Trustee (2021):	Rusty Waters (PGK, PFN)
Lecturer:	Rich Mueller (PGK)	3 Year Trustee (2022):	Jeremy Wilkins (PGK)
Advocate:	Pete Rivera (PGK, PFN)		

### FEBRUARY

Date	Day	Time	Event
1	Wednesday	5pm	Knights Club BINGO!
2	Thursday	n/a	Groundhog Day
5	Sunday	5pm	NASCAR Season Begins! Busch Light Classic at the Coliseum
7	Tuesday	6pm	Council Officers Meeting (MTG)
		7pm	Knights Club MTG
8	Wednesday	5pm	Knights Club BINGO!
10	Friday	6:30pm	Valentine's Day Social
12	Sunday	3pm	Super Bowl LVII Party
13	Monday	6:30pm	Fatima Prayer Knight
14	Tuesday	n/a	Valentine's Day
		7pm	3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree Membership MTG
15	Wednesday	5pm	Knights Club BINGO!
20	Monday	n/a	Presidents' Day
21	Tuesday	7pm	4 <sup>th</sup> Degree MTG
22	Wednesday	5pm	Knights Club BINGO!
27	Monday	6pm	Game Knight!



# Knightly News



## Fatima Prayer Knight

Will be held at the Knights Club of Oak Harbor on Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm. Please come and join us to pray. The Divine Mercy Chaplet starts at 6:30pm followed by the Rosary at 7:00pm. A dessert social follows. For more info, contact Walt Daspit, at [alt.daspit@enterprisecs.net](mailto:alt.daspit@enterprisecs.net).

## Game Knight

The next Game Knight will be held on Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>. Knights Club doors open at 5:00pm. Those playing cribbage, Run Times are between 6pm and 8pm. Please bring a dish and/or snack to share. This event is for all Knights, family, and friends.

## Valentine's Day Social

For those special other halves, the council is sponsoring a Valentine's Day Social on February 10th at the KC Hall. Socializing begins at 6:30pm. Please bring an *Hors d' oeuvre* to share. See the flyer on page 6.

## KofC Article Display Case

A display case is being set up in the Knights' Club to display Knights of Columbus paraphernalia for sale. For more information contact the FS, Dave Morgan.

## Previous Membership Meeting

Our Grand Knight, Ralph Byars, setup a memoriam tribute in honor of our recently fallen brothers, Larry Phillips and Al Alcoy during last month's Membership Meeting. Very thoughtful.

Our resident chef, Francis Bagarella, cooked an outstanding spaghetti dinner for last month's Membership Meeting/Social. Cooked and setup the culinary delight. If you didn't come to the meeting... you missed out. See you next time!

## 4th Degree Social

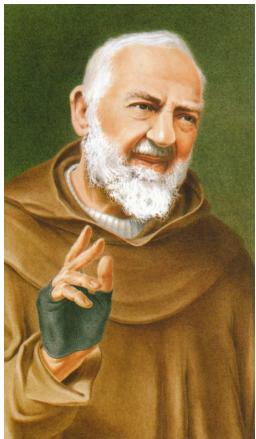
Next 4th Degree will meet at the BBQ Joint, 601 NE Midway Blvd., Oak Harbor, WA (360) 679-3500 on Thursday, 21 Feb, at 6:pm. Please come join us and enjoy good fellowship and Outstanding BBQ!

## Past Grand Knights Digitized

Because the Knights' Club Lounge is be renovated, all the PGK pictures have been digitized and are now being displayed on a monitor in the club.

## St. Augustine Pancake Breakfast

This Sunday, February 5th, St. Augustine will hold its monthly Pancake Breakfast after the 8am Mass. Cost: Donations. Menu: Pancakes & Sausage



## St. Padre Pio Healing Prayer

Heavenly Father, I thank You for loving me. I thank You for sending Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to the world to save and to set me free. I trust in Your power and grace that sustain and restore me.

Loving Father, touch me now with Your healing hands, for I believe that Your will is for me to be well in mind, body, soul and spirit. Cover me with the Most Precious Blood of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, from the top of my head to the soles of my feet.

Cast anything that should not be in me. Root out any unhealthy and abnormal cells. Open any blocked arteries or veins and rebuild and replenish any damaged areas. Remove all inflammation and cleanse any infection by the power of Jesus' Precious Blood.

Let the fire of Your healing love pass through my entire body to heal and make new any diseased areas so that my body will function the way You created it to function.

Touch also my mind and my emotion, even the deepest recesses of my heart. Saturate my entire being with Your presence, love, joy, and peace and draw me ever closer to You every moment of my life.

And Father, fill me with Your Holy Spirit and empower me to do Your works so that my life will bring glory and honor to Your Holy Name. I ask this in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.



# Good of the Order



## FAMILY OF THE MONTH DECEMBER 2022

### Paul & Flo Brewer

They were selected for their enthusiastic volunteerism to the community, church, and the Knights of Columbus. Many Knights refer to Paul as the "hunter-gatherer" of the council. His keen prowess to accumulate articles is very valuable for council events. This talent was significantly appreciated at the Council's Christmas Dinner/Party. Paul assembled a myriad of door prizes for the event. He also spearheaded a food collection drive for the North Whidbey Help House here in Oak Harbor to receive tickets for the Christmas Dinner/Party door prices. Additionally, Paul and Flo were especially instrumental in providing a Children's Christmas Party. Paul and Flo provide numerous hours to support council activities with either assistance or culinary delights. Their dedication reflects great credit upon themselves, the church, the local community, and Knights of Columbus. Congratulations Paul and Flo!

## KNIGHT OF THE MONTH DECEMBER 2022

### James (Rusty) Waters

Rusty was selected to be the Master of Ceremonies (MC) at the Council's Christmas Dinner/Party. He and his wife, Mary, proved to be a photogenic novelty as the ladies of the Knights wanted their picture with Santa and his Special Elf. Both were dressed for the occasion. As MC for the event, he received numerous compliments for his witty commentary for the crowded house. He is a proactive member of the Knights Club of Oak Harbor Board and is the Council's Newsletter Editor for *The Navigator* who continues to provide enjoyable monthly coverage of Knights' happenings. Rusty is a credit upon himself, to the church, to the community and to the Knights of Columbus. Congratulations!

# Maybe Funny?

Why aren't koalas actual bears?  
They don't meet the koalaifications.

What do you call  
bears with no ears?  
B

My friend is starting a new business recycling discarded chewing gum.  
He just needs some help getting it off the ground.

My wife asked me, "When we go to Egypt, can we go on a camel?"  
The husband replied, "Don't be silly. It would take forever to get there."

How do you make holy water?  
Boil the hell out of it!

I bought some shoes from a drug dealer the other day.  
I don't know what the dealer laced them with, but  
I cannot stop tripping.

Two Jewish guys are walking when one notices a sign on a Catholic church that says  
"Convert to Christianity, and we'll give you \$100."

The one says to the other, "Should we do it?"

The other says "NO!! Are you crazy?"

The first guy replies "Hey, a hundred bucks is a hundred bucks... I'm gonna do it."

So he walks in to the church... a little while later, he walks back out.

The friend asks, "Well, did you get the money?"

He replies, "Oh, that's all you people think about, isn't it!?"



Pray for the innocent, the unborn who cannot  
help themselves

Pray for family or friends in distress or sick

Pray for our military members and their  
families

Pray for our Country and its Leaders



Pray for our homebound and for those that  
cannot take care of themselves

Pray for those effected by Natural Disasters

Pray for all people around the world being  
discriminated against due to their origins and  
beliefs

Pray for those that we hold in our hearts



# Council News

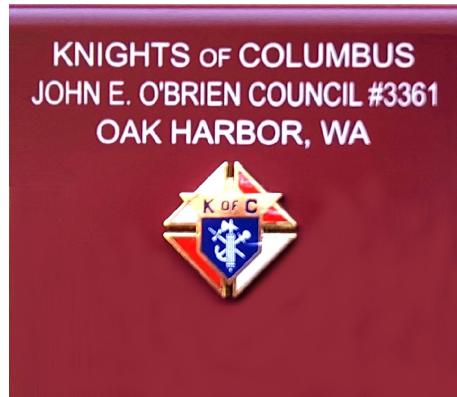


## Council Name Badges and Fraternal Vests

Badges (Burgundy w/ White Lettering w/ council info) and Vests (Navy Blue w/ embroidered names and emblems) can be ordered by contacting the Financial Secretary.

Badges and Vests are free to new Knights coming into the Fr. John E. O'Brien Council 3361. The vests are not grandfathered.

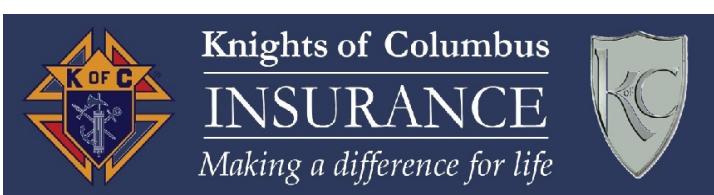
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# Valentine's Day Social



*Heavy  
Hors d' oeuvres*



*Dancing*

**Knights Club Hall**

Friday, February 10th



*Donations*

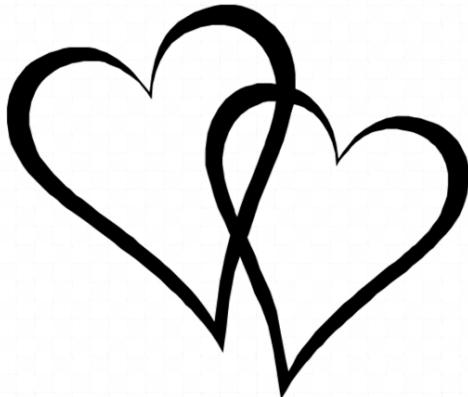
**Only Members & Spouses**

**Limited Seating**

**Flowers for the Ladies**



*Champagne*





# Knights Club of Oak Harbor



## Trailer Be Gone!

That eyesore that's been in the vicinity of the KC has been removed. Thank you to KC Board Director and Grand Knight, Ralph Byars, for stepping up to rid this eyesore that has been setting there for years. With the help of *All Whidbey Towing*, this trailer was transported to the Island County Solid Waste Dump immensely improving the entrance to the Knights Club and surrounding areas. Thank you!



## KC Lounge Renovation

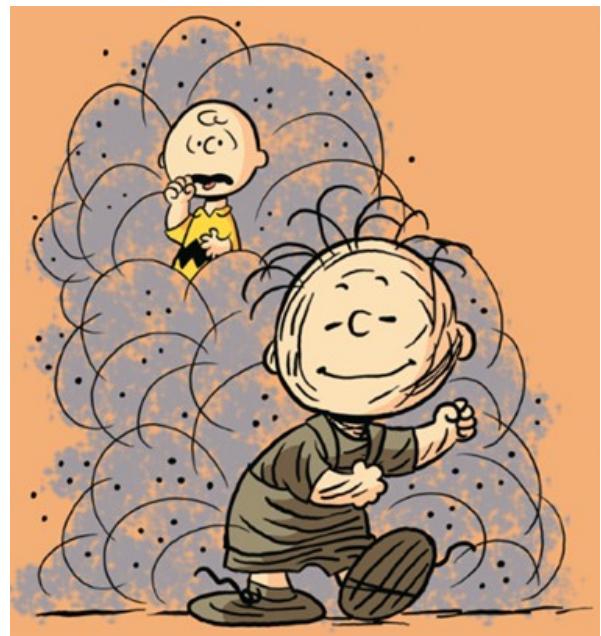
Doug Warren is leading the project. The lounge is being renovated from top-to-bottom. The renovation will enhance the lounge aesthetics with refashioned ceilings and walls, recessed LED lighting, new luxury vinyl plank flooring and reorganized bar area, etc. These renovations will make it more inviting for Knights socializing and future club events. Renovations also make way for a pool table, two dart boards, and a large monitor for Monday Night Football, Divisional Playoffs, and Super Bowl Sundays, etc.

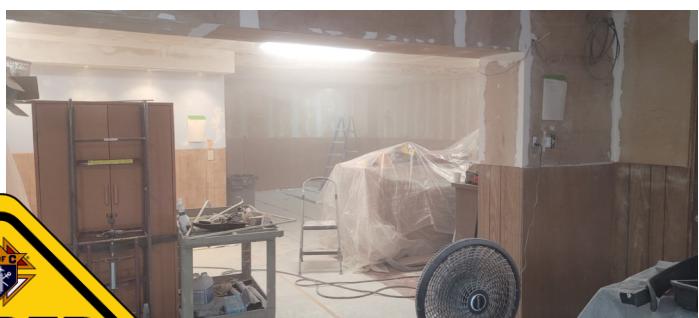


Some characters have come to light during this renovation:

Our W GK, Ralph Byars, as "Wreck-it-Ralph" as there is no task too small or too large to smashup and patch-up!

And, our FN, Francis Bagarella, as "Pigpen". The dust cloud he creates when blowing and vacuuming dust from the worksite is somewhat like the smog over L.A.





# Pro-Life Pregnancy Support Drive

**January 22 - February 28**

This support drive benefits area clinics which offers pregnant women, in crisis, the help they desperately need to courageously choose life for their babies.

St. Augustine will be collecting donations of items listed below and can be placed in the donation boxes in the vestibule.



## Items Needed

Wipes (sensitive/fragrance - free)  
Diapers (sizes preemie - 6, no size, 1 please)  
Formula (unexpired & unopened), Baby food & Infant snacks  
Winter jackets size 6 mo. - 4T  
Winter clothes size 24 mo. for boys & sizes 9 - 12 mo. for girls  
Baby bottles (0 - 6 mo. Prefer Dr. Brown's, Philips Advent, MAM, Nuk)  
Baby blankets (neutral & boy colors)  
Pacifiers (0 - 6 mo.)  
Maternity & Nursing clothes  
Postage stamps  
Zip - lock bags (quart & gallon)