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**COUNCIL 13300, OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL**

*Serving the St. Vincent de Paul Parish Community  
Wildwood, FL & The Villages, FL*

MARCH 11, 2022

**UPCOMING EVENTS FOR MARCH/APRIL  
(Mark your calendar)**

March	Time	Council Events	Contact	Phone
7	6:00pm	Council Meeting, Family Life Center, SVdP	Bill Wirtz	937-470-7795
16	12pm-2pm	Rose Plantation Ticket Sales at <b>Everglades Recreation Center</b>	Jim LoBue	410-271-1939
12/13	Sat/Sun	Red Shirt Weekend - All Masses	Greg Mroczkowski	804-337-8153
17	Thur	Rose Plantation Raffle Drawing	Jim LoBue	410-271-1939
19	11am-12:30pm	Council Social Gathering Havana CC Restaurant	Mike Grindel	678-778-4646
21	5:30pm	Officers/Directors Meeting, Family Life Center, SVdP	Bill Wirtz	937-470-7795
April	Time	Council Events	Contact	Phone
4	6:00pm	Council Meeting, Family Life Center, SVdP	Bill Wirtz	937-470-7795
5	11am-8pm	KOC Fundraiser Prima Italian Steakhouse Charity: Center Hill Children's Mission	Jim LoBue	410-271-1939
8	Noon-9pm	TB Rays Baseball Game Home Opener	Bill Comber	305-863-0769
9/10	Sat/Sun	Red Shirt Weekend - All Masses	Greg Mroczkowski	804-337-8153
18	5:30pm	Officers/Directors Meeting, Family Life Center, SVdP	Bill Wirtz	937-470-7795
23/24	Sat/Sun	Diaper and Baby Goods Collection for Hands of Mercy Everywhere - SVdP Church	Mike Grindel	678-778-4646
30	7am-noon	Guys-N-Gals Golf Tournament, Baseline Country Club	Bill Lowderman	404-863-0769
30	5pm-9pm	Golf Tournament Banquet	Bill Lowderman	404-863-0769

**“FEBRUARY HIGHLIGHTS”**

**Knight of the Month** – Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Council 13300 Knight of the Month for January was **George Lozano and James Bradley**. Both gentlemen are stalwart supporters of our Council. These brothers volunteered to run the “Coats for Kids” and “Shoes that Fit” charities after the previous leader had unexpectedly moved out of the area. Without any experience with this charity, George and James immediately jumped in with both feet, and identified the overwhelming need for shoes and coats in several local schools.



With most schools closed for much of the previous school year due to the pandemic, many local children had outgrown both their coats and shoes. To meet this need, they purchased approximately 175 light-weight winter coats and 190 pairs of shoes and equitably distributed them to the schools. The response from the schools has been overwhelmingly positive.

Without their efforts, too many children would be fending for themselves to find clothing and shoes. In addition to the local school administrations, our Council certainly appreciates their dedication. For their outstanding service and commitment to others, it is a distinct pleasure to honor George Lozano and James Bradley with our Knight of the Month Award for January 2022. Pictured left is George Lozano and upper right is James Bradley.



**Family of the Month** – Our Lady of Mt Carmel Council 13300 Family of the Month of January was **Bob and Dot Intrieri**. Bob is the pros’ pro, not only in golf, but also as a fellow Knight. Recognized as the highest level of PGA professionals, as well as a Catholic gentleman, Bob was the chairman with the conception of the Yours & One Other program. Through awareness, fundraising, volunteerism, and mentoring, the over 1,500 members of the North Florida PGA will be part of the solution in “fixing things” for youth and veterans in their local communities. He was Chairman for 3 years of the St. Timothy golf fundraiser. In the past, he and Dot have helped with our Night Golf fundraiser and Bob has served on the 2019-2022 Guys and Gals Golf Tournament committees. He is presently the Treasurer of Council 13300’s upcoming April 2022 Guys & Gals golf event, a role important to the overall success of our charitable efforts. Bob is outgoing, polite, caring, loving and he says, “the proudest moment of my life has nothing to do with golf! It was meeting and marrying my wife Dottie in 1979!” Dot has always been a strong supporter of Bob in his career, as well as, the Catholic faith they share. They have a beautiful loving marriage and area a hardworking couple. For their efforts in support of our council and the local community, it is a great pleasure to award the Family of the Month to Bob and Dot Intrieri.



## MARCH/APRIL EVENTS”

**Council Meeting** – Our Council meeting was held **March 7** at the SVdP Family Life Center. Minutes of the Meeting will be published soon. Our next council meeting will be on **April 4** at the SVdP Family Life Center and the nominations for 2022/2023 Officers will be covered.



**Knight of the Month** – Our Lady of Mt Carmel Council 13300 Knight of the Month for February was Sir Knight **Michael Amsden**. We recognize Mike Amsden for his leadership and initiative, and his efforts in handling the recent t-shirt purchases for the Council. Mike fostered the idea on your own, and presented it to the Council. He then made multiple visits to Custom Apparel to work on design, colors, and pricing, and further handled the entire ordering and fulfillment process for the Council. That involved time, effort, and was a lot of work, which Mike accomplished cheerfully and well, and your Brothers truly appreciate what you did on our behalf. For his outstanding efforts, service and commitment to others, it is a distinct pleasure to honor Mike Amsden with our Knight of the Month Award for February 2022.



**Family of the Month** – Our Lady of Mt Carmel Council 13300 Family of the Month of February was **Jake and Bev Methner**. Both Jake and Bev are incredible supporters of our Council, parish and the local community. Jake is a combat veteran, who is active in the local American Legion, working on a regular basis by cooking meals at



the Post. In addition, for the past 10 years, Jake has been a member and a cornerstone of the Committee running the Council's Guys and Gals Charity Golf Tournament. This fundraiser supports the good works of the Combat Veterans to Careers Organization, as well as, helping to fund the American Wheelchair Mission, which provides free wheelchairs to needy veterans. Along with his involvement with veterans, Jake is an usher at St Vincent de Paul Church. Bev is also an active and integral member of the Guys and Gals Charity Golf Tournament Committee. She is a driving force behind the golf tournament's evening awards dinner, making it an overwhelmingly enjoyable event. In addition, Bev serves as a Eucharistic Minister at St Vincent de Paul Church. For their efforts in support of our Council, parish and community, it is a great pleasure to recognize Jake and Bev Methner as our Family of the Month for February 2022.

**Red Shirt Weekend** – Our March Red Shirt Weekend (RSW) will be held **March 12/13** with our next (RSW) scheduled for **April 9/10**. Don't forget to wear you Council Red Shirt!

**Rose Plantation Raffle** – Raffle ticket will be available on **March 14** at the Everglades Recreation Center from 12 noon to 2 pm. As a reminder, this fundraiser supports the Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP) and The Marian Servants. The winner receives a 5-course meal of your choosing for four people; 2 bottles of house wine; the meal served in a private dining room with a private waiter dedicated to serving your party; and all meal cost, taxes, and gratuities included – at a value of \$685. Cost for a ticket is just \$20.00. If you cannot make the above date, please contact Jim LoBue (410-271-1939) to make arrangements for your ticket. **ALL TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED AND TURNED IN BY MARCH 16!** The winning drawing will take place on March 17 with the winner being notified by phone. We want to thank all those that have already purchased tickets!

**Council Social Gathering** – There will be a Social Gathering of Knights and their spouses/significant others on Saturday, **March 19** at Havana Country Club from 11:00 to 12:30. A special luncheon menu will be available for your selection. Beverages, food, taxes and gratuity are the responsibility of each Knight and his guest. Please contact Mike Grindel, 678-778-4646, to **MAKE RESERVATIONS BY March 12!**

**Prima Italian Steakhouse Fundraiser** – There will be a fundraiser at Prima Italian Steakhouse in Brownwood on **April 5** supporting the Center Hill Children’s Mission, whose motto is “IT’S ALL ABOUT THE CHILDREN”. They provide a safe, fun, loving and God soaked environment for children. More details to follow.

**Tampa Bay Rays Baseball Home Opener** – Brother Bill Comber put together a council outing to the Tampa Bay Rays’ Home Opener on Friday, **8 April 2022**, at 3:10 PM. Pick-up and return will be at St. Vincent de Paul parking lot. Approximate leaving time is 12:00 with return by 9:00pm. At this time, **there are still 4 tickets available**. The cost is \$72 per ticket and arrangements can be made through Bill Comber at 305-609-1766. As a reminder, this trip is open to anyone as they do not need to be a Knight nor a Catholic.

**Diaper and Baby Goods Collection** – The Council will once again collect baby diapers, wipes, clothes and other supplies for the moms and babies at Hands of Mercy Everywhere (HOME) a Christian home for unwed mothers and babies in Belleview, FL. Please leave your donations with the Knights under the portico of the Family Life Center on Saturday, **April 23rd** before/after all Masses and Sunday, **April 24th** before/after all Masses. If you can volunteer some time to help with the collection at one of the Masses, please contact Mike Grindel by email at [mikegrindel@gmail.com](mailto:mikegrindel@gmail.com).

**Guys-N-Gals Golf Tournament** - we will hold a golf tournament on **April 30th** at the Baseline Golf Course supporting the **Combat Veterans to Careers (CVC)** organization which helps returning veterans and their families to transition to civilian life. Over the past 8 years, CVC has assisted almost 1000 veteran families in this area with education, meaningful employment, housing and wellness assistance. In addition, this event supports the American Global Wheelchair ministry which provides free wheelchairs to local veterans. If you would like to participate in the golf tournament, please call Brother Bill Lowderman at 404-863-0769 or email him at [haneylowderman@comcast.net](mailto:haneylowderman@comcast.net).

## **REMINDERS**

**Membership** – When talking with any new prospects, please let them know that it's never been easier to become a Knight. Online/on-demand virtual Exemplifications are available at [www.kofc.org/joinus](http://www.kofc.org/joinus). Candidates can contact Mike Lepore at 515-306-0380 or Jon Hoscheit at 615-881-3265 for further information.

**PLEASE NOTE:** All Brothers are being challenged by our Grand Knight Bill Wirtz to bring in one new member by the end of our Fiscal Year – June, 2022. If you know of anyone possibly interested in the Knights, provide them with our Council 13300 Trifold and invite them to join other Brothers for an impromptu get together to learn more and have the opportunity to ask question they may have.

**Leave No Brother Behind** – Remember, in the spirit of the “**Leave No Brother Behind**” program, let us each strive to reach out and contact a Brother Knight we may not have seen in a while. Inquire about their well-being; i.e. do they need anything, will they be at the next meeting or event, do they want to ride together, or maybe just share some current events in your lives. Be the brother, the mentor, and the Catholic gentlemen we all pledged to be!

**Council Red T-Shirts Still Available** – If you are still interested in a Council T-Shirt, you can order them from Custom Apparel (352-750-1600). All you need to do is pick out a red shirt and they will have our Council Logo added.



**Council Website** – Don't forget to checkout our Website at [www.kofc13300.com](http://www.kofc13300.com) for more Council information including links to our Welcome Aboard Handbook; Council Member's Handbook; Faith In Action; Council Calendar of Events; Good of the Order; and Officers/Directors Contact List.

Attachments to Email:

1. March Communication Report
2. February article published in the Invocation
3. February article published in the Daily Sun

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