

Alamogordo  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
ST. MARY'S COUNCIL 3355  
and ASSEMBLY 0689  
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**Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism**

February **2021**

**CELEBRATING 70 YEARS IN ALAMOGORDO**



**Knights of Columbus Insurance Agent**

As of September 1, 2015 our new **Insurance Field Agent for the Southeast region** is James Matise. He can be reached at 1902 Dewey Ln. Alamogordo, NM 88310. The cell phone number is 575-430-5257 and the e-mail address is [james.matise@kofc.org](mailto:james.matise@kofc.org) for more information.

**ST. Mary's Council 3355**

**Officers for the year 2020-2021**

Grand Knight	Bud Duryea
Deputy Grand Knight	Patrick McQuail
Chaplain	Fr Emanuel Stephen
Program Director	Patrick McQuail
Chancellor	Anthony Herrera
Financial Secretary	Thomas Ferenczhalmy
3 Year Trustee	Kevin Joyce
2 Year Trustee	Paul Mancuso
1 Year Trustee	Ruben Gomez
Warden	Luis Salinas
Advocate	Kevin Joyce
Recorder	Alfredo Pacheco
Treasurer	Levi Wirta
Inside Guard	Matthew Mancuso
Outside Guard	Victor Gonzales
Lector	Alfredo Pacheco

**Assembly 0689**

**Fourth Degree Officers 2020-2021**

Faithful Navigator	Mike Ransom
Faithful Friar	Pete Schumacher
Faithful Captain	Gary Stevens
Faithful Pilot	Jerry Armstrong
Faithful Comptroller	Damian Hall
Faithful Purser	Ken Davis
Outer Sentinel	Luis Salinas
Inner Sentinel	David Gonzales
Faithful Scribe	Kevin Joyce
Faithful Admiral	Bud Duryea
3 Year Trustee	Gus Barraza, Jr.
2 Year Trustee	Pete Esquibel
1 Year Trustee	Levi Wirta

**Pot Luck Gathering**

The Grand Knight has chosen to **CANCEL** the family night dinner this month due to the Corona Virus and all the restaurants being closed. Hopefully we will be able to get together next month.

**Meeting Night**

The monthly business meeting will be held on February 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the KC Hall and we are also having a conference call to keep everyone safe. For more information call Bud Duryea @ 575-202-7020.

### **St. Frances Cabrini Catholic School News**

The school currently has 93 students, please keep all of them in your daily prayers. We are ready to celebrate "Catholic Schools Week" from Jan 31 to Feb 6. The only events for February are:

**Feb 1** Celebrate your Community with donation to Healthcare workers,

**Feb 2** Celebrate your Students with Art Expo with pictures & videos on website.

**Feb 3** Celebrate the Nation with flag raising & sing national anthem.

**Feb 4** Celebrate Vocations with thank you letters to local priest.

**Feb 5** Celebrate Staff & Volunteers with a breakfast for all staff.

Our prayer go out to Frank Gurrero who is in the hospital with pneumonia.

The Thrift Store is currently OPEN for business. The hours are Mon-Fri 10 AM-5 PM, Sat 10 AM-3 PM. We are always looking for volunteers at the school and thrift shop. If you can help call 575-437-7821 or visit our website at [www.stfccatholic.org](http://www.stfccatholic.org) for more information.

### **Special Olympics:**

Shawna Thomas is the new local coordinator. All events and meetings have been cancelled due to the Corona Virus. Shawna is recruiting athletes and volunteers for the coming season. If you know someone interested in playing or coaching please contact Brother Freddie Pacheco @ 575-491-3416. Thank you, Knights of Columbus for your support and prayers.

### **Helping Out**

During this trying times it is important to take care of yourself, your family, friends and the elderly people you know. Call people and check on them and ask if they need any supplies or food. We must all work together if we are to survive this. If you are unable to assist and need help call Bud Duryea @ 575-202-7020 on any brother knight.

### **This Month's Birthday Wishes**

The Knights of Columbus want to extend a birthday wish to the Knights listed below:

#### **February**

Brito, Robin  
Esquibel, Pete  
Gonzales, Victor  
Leon, Reyes  
Locke, Russell  
McDuffie, Johnnie  
Miller, Leonard  
Pacheco, Alfredo Rey  
Quade, Kenneth  
Stokley, Richard

### **Up Coming Events**

Feb 3 / Ladies Meeting **CANCELLED**

Feb 10 / Council Meeting @ KC Hall & Phone

Feb 17 / Assembly Social Meeting **CANCELLED**

Feb 24 / Family Night **CANCELLED**

### **The Good of the Order**

We offer our prayers all the Brother Knights and families who are in poor health or having surgery. Please keep Fr Tom Hoffman, Cyndi Bills, Linda & Jimmy Villabisencio, Juanita Cooley, Mary Lou Gomez, Cathy Duryea, Grace Filips, Pete Esquibel, Bud Alexander, David Seenauth, Ben Placencio and Mike Ransom in your prayers.

### **Knight of the Month**

The Knight for January is Fr. Emmanuel Stephen.

The Lady for January is Carmen Morales.

The Family for January is James and Jena Matisse.

Please congratulate them when you see them.



### **Raffle Winner**

Patrick McQuail was the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner of the Stihl Chainsaw from our raffle. Tickets were drawn at the December 9<sup>th</sup> business meeting. Congratulations We wish to thank everyone who purchased a raffle ticket to support this fundraiser.

### **Newsletter**

The newsletter is published by Ken Davis. If you have an article for the newsletter please call 437-4470 or e-mail [ken-dawg51@hotmail.com](mailto:ken-dawg51@hotmail.com)

### **KC Hall Rentals (these dates are reserved)**

Jul 3 / Birthday  
Oct 2 / Wedding



### **Raffle Winner**

Mike Ransom was the 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner of the Stihl Weed eater from our raffle. Tickets were drawn at the December 9<sup>th</sup> business meeting. Congratulations

### **KC Roof Repairs**

The roof on the KC Hall was so bad we had to hire a roofing company to complete the repairs. A partial repair of the roof cost \$7,000. We do not have any fundraisers set up to pay for this, so we are asking the members to make donations to help pay the bill. If you are able to donate contact Ken Davis (575-430-6416) or Kevin Joyce (575-491-1070).

### **Ladies Auxiliary Officers 2019-2020**

Vacant (President)    Grace Filips (Vice-President)  
Vacant (Treasurer)    Terry Davis (Secretary)

There will be no meeting for February. We are looking at closing the auxiliary, due to lack of members. If you should have any questions, you can reach me at (575) 437-4470. If no answer, please leave a message and I will call you back.

Sincerely,

Terry Davis  
Secretary

## **Words from the Grand Knight**

Brother Knights and Families,

2021 is getting off to a fast start. Even with coping with the COVID restrictions I hope and pray that everyone is in good health. It has been quite some time since we have done any fundraisers. We are in the process of trying to plan a takeout event sometime in the month of February. We are at the point that we need to do some kind of fundraiser to help pay the bills.

Our next meeting will be on February the 10th and if all goes well it will be at the KC Hall at 7:00 PM, if allowed. Again we will try to provide a call in number for those who cannot make it or prefer not to meet in person at this time.

We will not be having a family night again this month as no inside dinning is allowed as of yet. It is good news that our kids will be going back to some sort of school in the very near future.

Please remember if your budget will allow to donate whatever you can afford to the Knight Building Corporation to help with the utilities insurance and such since we haven't been able to rent the hall out for quite some time.

As the Covid shots are starting to be offered, I hope that you have gotten your shot or are planning on getting the shot in the near future. Make sure you register with the State to get your name on the list. Stay safe and we will see you soon.

Marion (Bud) Duryea

Grand Knight



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## **WORDS FROM THE FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR**

Worthy Sir Knights,

Our Social Meeting scheduled for Feb 17 is canceled because of the virus.

Our next business meeting will be on Mar 17<sup>th</sup>. The meeting will be held at the St Jude Hall Parrish Hall at 7:00 PM. Masks and Social Distancing of 6 ft. will be required due to the virus.

I ask that all Sir Knights pray for the rights of the unborn. We are also asking for special prayers for Fr. Tom Hoffman from St Jude who is in the hospital with pneumonia.

It is time to draft a new set of officers for our Assembly. Please consider continuing in your current position, move to a higher position or start a new calling as an Assembly officer. This is just one short business meeting after the March business meeting. Positions are open to all. On the final meeting of this fraternal year (May 2021) we will have election of officers.

Michael Ransom

Faithful Navigator (559-213-6502)