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Brother Knights,

What a month. I have been to more meetings than I did when I started my company. We have plenty of stokes in the fire, and everyone should feel busy and worn out. It is a trait of a Knight. Why, just last year, the Knights of Columbus set records for 2013, and one of the most impressive is the total volunteer and fraternal hours that exceeded 70.5 million hours. Council 6557 did most of that. Not really but we put over 2,500 hours towards that number.

I bid thee – keep track of your hours. If you have a committee or a service program, keep a note of what is going on, we should be proud of our work.

Everything we do is to benefit something or someone. Why even our golfers, are goofing off all day for a cause. Can you believe that they have been whacking at that ball for 4 years? They have the patience of Job. While they tool around in little electric carts and sip drinks with umbrellas in them, they have managed to raise \$7,000 in 4 years. That's a fine example of a Knight and a great way to represent council 6557. Hey, if you golf, see Rich LaBoda President, K of C Golf League (richardlaboda@consolidated.net). Brad Spurlock finished the league in first place this year. His charity choice for the \$1000.00 prize was Abandoned Animal Rescue, in Tomball, TX

We have several other events coming up that we will need your help with... OTS the Rod Run. The Rod Run is an antique car show in Old Town Spring (OTS). If you can remember driving the open road in your first car, it could be worth coming out just to see if your old car is there. Maybe your key will still work. If you can't remember back in the day, what your first car was, I am sure one car at the show will jog your memory.



Brother Pete Palasota. Without his help I have no idea where we would be. He has brought our membership dues back in line, managed our audits, and paperwork and he is the sage of all our operational wisdom. If anything is going on Pete knows about it. If there is a form that can't be found on a website somewhere, Pete has already ordered it for us. I can't say how much I appreciate his efforts. Pete's work and dedication is a great reflection upon the Knights of Columbus and our Council.



Jim and Mary are both very active in their Parish at St. James, and are involved with Birth Right. Eucharistic ministries, respect Life and are active participants in our Knights of Columbus events. Mary was on the Parish Council at St James, and Jim is a staple at the Church Fish Fry.

We support Sts. Simon and Jude also St. James the Apostle as well as our local communities.



Events Schedule

All events are subject to change..



We do our best to make sure all listings are accurate, however, we ALWAYS suggest that you call ahead before making plans to attend an event.



Tuesdays Convalescent Bingo 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Houston Health & Rehabilitation Center 17600 Cali Dr. off F.M. 1960 across the street from the NW Medical Center.

SUN Oct 12 OTS - 11:00 AM thru 5:00PM 2014 Autumn Art and Wine Festival (Steve's lot only)

Activity Schedule

SAT Aug 23 SSJ Altar Servers' Dinner at 2:30PM

MON Sep 29 Thru
SAT Oct 11 Fatima Day - 8:30 AM Mass at Catholic Charismatic Center 1949 Cullen *** Pro Life

THU Aug 28 Annual Council Awards Night

SUN Oct 12 Immaculate Conception Marian Prayer Service Program starting in September District 66 is scheduled for the icon

SUN Aug 31 Corporate Communion St. Simon and Jude

SUN Sep 14 St. Simon and Jude Tailgate Party for Texan's away game in Domec Hall.

SAT Oct 18 OTS - Petfest (Times To Be Announced) 5 barricades, both parking lots

SAT Sep 20 9:00 AM Mass at St. Albert of Trapani 11027 S. Gessner followed by Rosary at Woman's center 8200 Wednesbury Lane ***Pro Life

SUN Oct 19 OTS - Petfest (Times To Be Announced) 5 barricades, both parking lots

THU Sep 21 Volunteer appreciation dinner

FRI Oct 24 7:30pm Game time FRIDAY KNIGHT LIGHTS

SAT Sep 27 OTS - Longhorn Rod Run (8 to 5) 5 barricades, both parking lots \$5.00 Per Car

SUN Nov 5 Corporate Communion St. James

SUN Sep 28 OTS - Longhorn Rod Run (8 to 5) 5 barricades, both parking lots \$5.00 Per Car

SAT Nov 15 8:15 Mass at Rose of Lima followed by Rosary at Aaron's Ambulatory Clinic 2505 N. Shepherd Running of the Silver Rose ***Pro life

FRI Sep 12 7:30pm game time FRIDAY KNIGHT LIGHTS

SUN Dec 14 Christmas Party

FRI Sep 19 7:30pm game time FRIDAY KNIGHT LIGHTS

SAT Dec 27 Feast of Holy Innocents Vigil 5:00 PM Mass at Queen of Peace on Telephone Road followed by Candle Light Rosary at Planned Parenthood 4600 Gulf Freeway

SAT Oct 11 OTS - 10:00 AM thru 6:00PM 2014 Autumn Art and Wine Festival (Steve's lot only)

SAT Jan 24 6557 Yearly Major Degree at Council

Brother Chuck Keesee's Confirmation at the 9:30 a.m. Mass at Sts. Simon & Jude



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From the desk of: John Groneck

We started on the renovations to the conference / bride's room today. The suspended ceiling grid is up; installed new base moulding; and centered the ceiling lights. The ceiling tiles will be installed tomorrow. The floor carpeting will be replaced in mid-Sept. Bro Daniel Adames has donated his services to paint the walls. Again, my plans are to have the entire room readied for return to the Council and/or rental for bride's room by October 1.

Expect photos from PGK Jim Ledwig.

Also, for your updates to the newsletter print, I replaced Ken Scales as President and Henry Brownfield is VP.

Future: We are working on plans for updates to the Grand Knight's Office and the kitchen next; lastly, gathering ideas on functionality of the covered deck behind the Hall. Will keep you posted.

Many thanks for the volunteer Knights who continually turn-out to keep the grounds well maintained from picking up downed tree limbs, trimming vegetation to cutting the grass with the new zero-turn mowers.



Get Your Football Frenzy Sweepstakes Tickets



The Football Frenzy Pro 4 Team Sweepstakes for Texas State Council Knights of Columbus will begin on October 26, 2014. Each card is playable for each of the last 10 weeks of the season. On the card, 4 different teams are listed each week. If your 4 teams score the most points, you are a winner of \$400. Then again, if your teams score the least, you can also win up to \$60. Contact Bill Moeller for a ticket, or better yet, consider buying a ticket and take an additional 9 to sell to your friends. Game cards are \$10 each. Our council will receive \$1 back for each ticket sold. Tickets will be sold at the September council meeting and numerous events

to include Family Night. As an added bonus, each coupon comes with a coupon good for discounts at local stores, restaurants and movie theaters.

Here are details on the payouts that one can expect to see this year.

High Scores	
Place	Prizes
1 st	\$400.00
2 nd	\$200.00
3 rd	\$110.00
4 th	\$80.00
5 th	\$70.00
6 th	\$60.00
7 th	\$50.00
8 th	\$30.00
Low Scores	
Place	Prizes
1 st	\$60.00
2 nd	\$40.00

Weekly Total Prizes \$1100.00

Each week, for 10 weeks, \$1100.00 in cash prizes will be given away.

There are 10 prizes given away each week for the Highest and Lowest scores.

All prizes are paid out each week!

Each Game Entry has Four (4) different football teams each week. If your Four (4) teams score the most or least number of points in any week, you are a winner!

Example variation of a single week eek

Teams	Score
NEW YORK JETS	12
TENNESSEE TITANS	15
WASHINGTON REDSKINS	12
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS	23
Total Score	62

These are **example** scores. They are **not** the actual scores.

If 62, is the HIGHEST 4-TEAM SCORE for one week, the holder with these 4 Teams would be the Winner with the HIGH 4-TEAM TOTAL. The next Highest Prize Winner is the holder with the 4-Teams that score the second most number of points during that same week. Additional Highest prizes are computed in the same manner.

Lowest scoring results also win prizes. If your 4 Teams score the least number of points you win the LDW 4-TEAM TOTAL. The next Lowest Prize Winner is the holder with the 4-Teams that score the next least number of points during the same week. Additional Lowest prizes are computed in the same manner. In case of ties, prizes are combined and split.

From the desk of: Dan Armbruster.

The attached letter was received from Saint Simon & Jude after their Alter Server Appreciation Dinner

August 28, 2014

Knights of Columbus
Bishop Nold Council 6557
Spring, Texas

RE: Sts. Simon & Jude Altar Server Appreciation Dinner

Dear Knights,

On behalf of the Sts. Simon & Jude family, we want to express our appreciation for your contribution to the dinner and celebration on August 23rd that was held in honor of our altar servers.

When we approached the council to see if the Knights would be willing to help with this project, he got approval from the Knights and the help was more than we had hoped for. You sent money, cooks and supplies for a delicious spaghetti and meatballs dinner. To top it off, you brought brownies for dessert.

The donations of time and goods are much appreciated. Thank you for showing once more what a wonderful organization the Knights of Columbus is.

Sincerely,



Steve Genest



Robert Wind



WE HAVE A LEAGUE!!

From the desk of: David Polasek



Over the last few months the officers of our #6557 Bowling League have met with the officers of the K of C League #2917. Their League has been bowling at Diamond Lanes for many years. They began their League in 1948 and have the distinction of being the oldest League in Texas. I was tasked with merging the two sets of rules into one. The officers of both Leagues came together at #2917 hall to work out the details of the Leagues merging and defining the one set of rules. Their officers were very open to the changes and literally removed any obstacles so that we could merge into one League. This has actually been discussed for about four years between some of the officers and myself at our K of C State Tournament. As of this past Wednesday night on August 6, 2014 we had our League meeting and we officially voted to merge as one League, we elected new officers and we adopted the rules as recommended by the officers with no changes. So, to make a long story short "WE HAVE A LEAGUE". We will begin Bowling 30 week schedule at Diamond Lanes on September 2, 2014 with 20 teams and with a renewed excitement.

THE CAMERA CORNER

If you have access to a computer you can download your photos or link by clicking over pictures/link on this page with your computer's mouse. You must download the PDF file to your computer and open it first to use this feature. This link will only work for the current months news letter.

Great pictures taken by one of our master photographer's Fred Balmes member of the Sts. Simon and Jude camera club, Herb Sommer President. Our Camera Club is a gathering of photographer's who meet for instructional sessions and friendly critiques. Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month from 7 to 9:00 p.m. in Domec Hall room 5. Meetings are open to all ages and experience levels and completely free of dues.

Our web site: <https://sites.google.com/site/saintssimonjude/home>



We Believe In The Power Of Prayer



New Additions are in Bold for all categories.

All ongoing Prayer requests are on the bottom.

Illnesses are usually left on this list for a period of 30 - 45 days.

For updating, please contact

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PGK Bill Moeller billmoeller78@yahoo.com 832-594-4980

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to You in this time of illness and need. Oh dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate the worry and sorrow with your gentle love and grant us the peace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place those on our prayer list under your care and humbly ask that You restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever You do, You do for the love of us.

We pray for our Brothers and family members that are ill or in distress:

Ken Bacon (8/22) pacemaker heart surgery recovery

Sandra Kay, mother of Jay Chapman (July 30) health

Holly Shafer Boyd (8/14) Heart Attack

Will Moeller (7/10) injury recovery

Casey Wistell, (8/14) West Nile Virus

SK Joe Zepczyk (7/9) Health

Our Country and Religious Liberty

Ongoing Prayer Requests

Pope Francis

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Our Cardinals and our Church

Our Bishops, priests, deacons, religious, and seminarians

Pat (cancer) and Mike Aaron proposed by Danny Spurlock

Cathy Barcello, proposed by Terry O'Donohue (kidney cancer)

Teresa Bratcher, daughter of SK Robby Westbrook (cancer)

Brian Berger, proposed by GK Jim Ledwig (Crohns Disease)

Kathy Binkle (Cancer) and Bob Binkle (Brain tumor)

Dick Brayer (ankle surgery recovery)

Jack Chapman (cancer) proposed by Larry Hawkins

SK Rudy Charest (Health)

SK Stan Cillesson (cancer)

Diane Curtin (Cancer), proposed by Mike Curtin

Rachel Davis, wife of Mitchell, Co 14512, (healthy pregnancy)

Henry Dishberger (cancer)

Jo Dolengowski (Cancer)

Helen Foltyn, mother of David, health

Brent Fry (Brain cancer), nephew of Bill and Bridget Moeller

Thomas Gleason (leukemia) father of SK Mike Gleason

Linda Gonzalez. (lung cancer), wife of SK Rudy Gonzalez, Council 14512

Dennis Hruby (ALS)

Becky Jeffries (Diabetes), proposed by SK Jerry Leiker

Jeremy Jimenez (Muscular Dystrophy), proposed by SK John Tatman

Dave Johnston (cancer)

Michelle Koenig (cancer)

Pauline Kubecka (Stroke), proposed by SK David Polasek

Tom Kurland (Health)

Paul Ledwig (Cancer)

SK Jerry and Jenni Leiker (Health)

Helen Van Keulen (Stage 4 Breast Cancer) wife of Field Agent Daryl

Beryl Lucia (ALS) proposed by SK Dennis Pomonis

Susan Marong (Cancer) proposed by Steve Kane

Rose Merrill (Alzheimers), sister of SK Rudy Charest

Ben Miele (liver and nasal cancer), proposed by Pat Testa

Paul Moarman (heart problems), proposed by Henry Brownfield

Eisey Mudackalil (stroke), sister of Father Mathew Thottiyil

Hannah Navarro, grand-niece of Deacon John Charnisky, rhabdomyosarcoma cancer

Kathy Pace (Healing from Cancer)

Margaret Romeo (Health)

Maria Jose Romero (Leukemia), proposed by Terry O'Donohue

Henrietta Siragusa (Health)

Paula Slattery, sister of Ina Brayer, ALS

Leo Torzewski (bladder cancer)

Tony Trahan (Blood Cancer)

Dean Welter (bladder cancer) proposed by Chad Uselman, brother in law

Our Men and Women serving in the Military

We also remember our Brother Knights and Family Members that have died:

Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed; through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace in company with Christ and may they rejoice in your Kingdom. AMEN

Brother Knights:

Family / Friends

Emzy Garrett, father of Reverend Pat Garrett

A birthday card for you

For those Brother Knights, who are having a birthday this month, we pray for your happiness, of course, but also for a greater sense of council fulfillment, an ease of communication with those you love, and a sense of satisfaction in all that you have accomplished. Above all, may you rest secure in the knowledge of God's constant love and care for you, personally.

Charles Gambacurta	John Denholm
Joe De La Torre	Chris Gallowitz
Roger Schuering	Stephen Kane
Rich LaBoda	Robert Reisenauer
Stephen O'Brien	Gary Tryon
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Mark Chaszar	Kurtis Shaw
Luis Suarez	Michael Juenke
Duncan Tiemeyer	Richard Morgan
Arnoldo Rodriguez	Billy Jackson
Robert Smith	Lyle Kirk Raines
	Robert Lowry



Roy Martinez
Robert Taggart

From the Desk of Brother Charlie (Goose) Siragusa

Brothers—

Have you ever wondered why there never a Janitor in the Janitor closet, and why the Baby Changing Stations in the Men's Room always out of babies.

Just wondering -
Goose



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