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DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT:

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RECORDER:

SK Matt Casey

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TREASURER:

Derrick A. Rice

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ADVOCATE:

SK Lawrence A. Bierschenk

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WARDEN:

Jean R. Ratsizaharimanana

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INSIDE GUARD:

SK Adam Mann

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OUTSIDE GUARD:

Robert E Picha

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TRUSTEE 1st YEAR:

SK David A. Yaniko

R 817-441-7960

C 817-688-0301

TRUSTEE 2nd YEAR:

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TRUSTEE 3rd YEAR:

SK Joseph Wright

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LECTURER:

SK Robert Tracey

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Grand Knight's Report:

Brothers,

Happy Easter! Alleluia, Alleluia. Rejoice, for the Lord is risen. Though our secular society places Christmas as the greatest day of the year, we Christians recognize that the resurrection of Christ from the dead on Easter is truly the greatest celebration and indeed it is the most important liturgical event in our faith. By rising from the dead Christ broke the bonds of death that had bound man since the time of Adam and gave new hope and the promise of the

resurrection of the body for all. As we celebrate this Easter season for the seven Sundays of Easter, let us take the time to reflect on the meaning of Easter and how the promise of eternal life with our heavenly Father can change our lives and the lives of those we impact.

Thanks to our brother Knights who supported the March burrito breakfast. Though this is something we do routinely, let's not forget that many members in our parish especially enjoy the food and refreshments we provide. Special thanks go to all those who help prepare our fantastically unique burritos.

The Easter Egg hunt was another great success! Many children came out to enjoy the games, hunt and gather all the eggs they could find, as well as to enjoy the snacks. Thank you, Brother Ricky Maitlen for organizing this special event and for providing snacks and Brother Ed Kosikowski for the fancy ride you provided the Easter bunny. Thanks, also, to all our brothers who showed up early to hide the eggs and otherwise prepare for and support this event. Finally, thanks to the Easter Bunny for the joy that was provided for the little ones.

In case you didn't see the email, I'm proud to report that our council was in the online version of the Columbia Magazine in March. Thanks to Matt Casey for his efforts to promote our council's accomplishments. Great Job Matt!!

God bless you and your families,

Dave Straka

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Holy Spirit Council 7264 in Weatherford, with the St. Stephen Catholic Church Youth Group and Grace House Ministries, cosponsored the annual Hike for Life, an event that drew hundreds of people to walk and witness for life while raising funds for pregnancy resource centers. The hike was prefaced by moving testimonies emphasizing the movement's foundation in love and the need for continuous, compassionate action. Afterward, Council 7264 provided a meal and a place for hikers to warm up on the chilly day. Council 7264 also raised \$28,000 at its 17th annual golf tournament. And donated three wheelchairs to Weatherford Health Care Center, where the Knights visited with residents and brought Christmas presents.

Father Virgilius Draessel Assembly 3439 in Spring Branch observed Veterans Day by joining Alamo Chapter Daughters of pi co



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Suggested Nominations for Elected Officers for 2018-2019

GRAND KNIGHT: Ray Carr WARDEN:
DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT Matt Casey

RECORDER: Tim Aziere/Scott Wooton INSIDE GUARD: Merle Lenfest

OUTSIDE GUARD: Robert E Picha

TRUSTEE 1st YEAR (3 yr.): David J. Straka

TREASURER: Derrick A. Rice
TRUSTEE 2nd YEAR Joseph Wright (Filling unexpired term Dave Yanako)

ADVOCATE: Lawrence A. Bierschenk

Business Meeting: 13 March 2018

- ❖ Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM by Grand Knight Dave Straka
- ❖ Roll Call: (P)resent, (E)xcused, (A)bsent
 - □ Chaplain (Fr. Mike O'Sullivan) (E) □ Advocate (Lawrence Bierschenk) (P)
 - □ Grand Knight (Dave Straka) (P) □ Warden (Jean Ratsizaharimanana) (P)
 - Deputy Grand Knight (Ray Carr) (P) Inside Guard (Adam Mann) (E)
 - □ Chancellor (Leonard Wright) (E) □ Outside Guard (Robert Picha) (P)
 - Recorder (Matt Casey) (P) Trustee 3rd Year (Joe Wright) (P)
 - □ Financial Secretary (John Achtyl) (P) □ Trustee 2nd Year (Stan Stanislav) (P)
 - □ Treasurer (Derrick Rice) (E) □ Trustee 1st Year (David Yaniko) (P)
 - Lecturer (Robert Tracey) (P)
- **❖** Chaplain Report:
 - ➤ N/A
- Minutes of Previous Meeting were:
 - Approval of February 13 Business Meeting deferred due to major computer failure experienced by the Recorder Secretary.
- Membership Report:
 - None.
- Grand Knight Report:
 - Let trustees know if you're interested in serving as officer.
 - ➤ June 9 Major Degree has been approved by the Grand Master.
 - 1st Degree member strongly encouraged to attend.
 - February 20 Patriotic Rosary
 - had approximately 20 people in attendance
 - thanks to all who attended despite the weather
 - February 23 Soup/Sandwiches
 - thanks to those who helped
 - got many compliments
 - Upcoming Egg Hunt on Saturday March 31
 - Arrive at 12 PM, starts at 1 PM, Ricky is point man.
 - Only outstanding concern is a nice "ride" for Easter Bunny
- Treasurer's Report was:
 - Read by Financial Secretary John Achtyl and approved.
- Communications:
 - Friends of Vietnam War Museum: We received 6 tickets to their annual fundraiser Saturday 3/31 at "The Springs" located at 454 Thompson Rd. Speak up if interested in attending.



Jean R. Ratsizaharimanana

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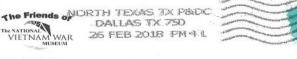
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- Letter from Dana Blankenship from Grace House (regarding her stepping down as Executive Director).
- ❖ Financial Secretary's Report:
 - > Council is still good with supreme.
 - Easter donations will be going out to seminarians (card passed around for signatures).
- ❖ Auditors' and Trustees' Report:
 - > Reiterated they need nominations for officers.
- ❖ Chancellor's Report:
 - None.
- Program Chair Report:
 - None.
- Old Business
 - None.
- Unfinished Business:
 - None.
- ❖ New Business:
 - Motion by Vic Verstraete, seconded by Bob Tracey, to donate \$500 to Manna. Discussed and passed.
- ❖ 4th Degree Report:
 - ➤ October 6 4th Degree Exemplification in DFW area.
- ❖ District Deputy Report:
 - None.
- Member's under ill or duress.
 - > See prayer intention sheet.
- ❖ Good of the order by the Lecturer:
 - Story of 1st Knight of Columbus killed in WWII on Dec 7, 1941 Ensign William I. Halloran.

Meeting closed at 8:40 PM by GK Dave Straka

Note from Recorder Secretary Matt Casey: I wish to express my gratitude to Deputy Grand Knight Ray Carr for taking the minutes and supplying pictures from the 13 March Business Meeting. Thank you, DGK Ray. You are a good brother.—Matt



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Dear KNIGHTS

Thank you for being a sponsor at the Admiral level for the annual fundraiser benefiting The National Vietnam War Museum. \$ 350.00 is considered tax deductible according to current IRS regulations because you received 6 tickets valued at \$75 each. Tickets are enclosed.

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Your name will be on a table at the event. Cash bar, and silent auction open at 5:45. Dinner will begin about 6:45.

And Messinger President, Friends of the Museum 940 – 452 – 1470



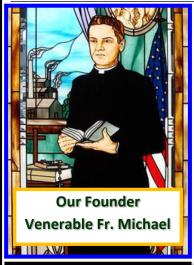


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Upcoming Events:

Apr 8th @ 6:00 am Burrito Breakfast May 12/13th@ Masses Mother's Day Flowers May 13th @ 6:00 am Burrito Breakfast



Upcoming Meetings:

Apr 10th @ 7:15 pm Business Meeting Apr 24th @ 7:00 pm Planning Meeting May 8th @ 7:15 pm Business Meeting

Please send inputs and/or suggestions for the newsletter to:

Matt.Casey.7264@gmail.com

Interesting Stuff:

Manual of a Christian Knight

(taken from www.modernknight.org)

The mortal world a field is of battle Which is the cause that strife doth never fail Against man, by warring of the flesh With the devil, that always fighteth fresh The spirit to oppress by false envy; The which conflict is continually During his life, and like to lose the field. But he be armed with weapon and shield Such as behoveth to a christian knight, Where God each one, by his Christ chooseth right Sole captain, and his standard to bear. Who knoweth it not, then this will teach him here In his brevyer, poynarde, or manual The love shewing of high Emanuell. In giving us such harness of war Erasmus is the only furbisher Scouring the harness, cankered and adust Which negligence had so sore fret with rust Then champion receive as thine by right The manual of the true christian knight.



The importance of the Christian soldier echoes through history. Winston Churchill saw the Christian soldier as the sure hope of the world in 1941. George Washington called his men to this way of life in 1776. Jesus Christ himself was impressed by the faith of a Roman Centurion in the first century? What did it mean to be a Christian soldier then and what does it mean now?

I first discovered the *Enchridion Militis Christiani* a few years ago reading Lt. Col. Dave Grossman's book, *On Combat*, which offered a ten point summary of the work calling it the *Guide for the Righteous Protector*. The presentation in *On Combat* is brief, and in the spirit of <u>The Ten Ancient Principles</u>, makes the secular case for the benefits of Biblical truth. This approach lets the information into places that it would not otherwise be accepted, however, the work is not secular at all. Desiderius Erasmus was a Catholic priest and theologian who clearly had Christ in mind when he penned it in 1501. Although it is over 500 years old, I hope you will appreciate the relevance today of these 22 rules in Erasmus' *Manual of a Christian Knight*.

Rule #1 - Increase Your Faith

Rule #2 - Act on Your Faith

– Desiderius Erasmus

Rule #3 - Analyze Your Fears

Rule #4 - Make Christ the Only Goal of Your Life

Rule #5 - Turn Away from Material Things

Rule #6 - Train Your Mind to Distinguish the True Nature of Good and Evil

Rule #7 - Never Let any Setback Stop You in Your Quest

Rule #8 - Face Temptation with God, not with Worry

Rule #9 - Always Be Prepared for Attack

Rule #10 – Always Be Prepared for Temptation Rule #11 – Guard Against Two Dangers; Surrender and Pride

Rule #12 - Turn your Weakness into Strength

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Rule #13 — Treat Each Battle as if it Were Your Last

Rule #14 – Virtue does not Permit Vice

Rule #15 - Weigh Your Alternatives Clearly

Rule #16 – Never, Never, Never Give Up

Rule #17 – Always Have a Plan of Action

Rule #18 - Always Consider the Consequences of Your Actions

Rule #19 - Apply the "Would-My-Loved-Ones-Approve" Test

Rule #20 – Virtue has its Own Reward

Rule #21 - Life is Hard and Quick, Make it Count

Rule #22 - Repent of Your Wrongs

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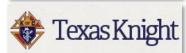
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kofc7264.org

Prayer for Vocations

Father, you call each one of us by name and ask us to follow you.

Bless your church by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve your people as Sisters, Priests, Brothers, Deacons, and Lay Ministers.

Inspire us as we grow to know you, and open our hearts to hear your call.

We ask this in Jesus name.

Amen.



May Birthdays

6 - Merle E Lenfest

6 - Juan Villazana

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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Easter Alleluja	² April	3	4	5	6	7
8 Burrito Breakfast	9	Business Meeting & Rosary	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Western Metroplex Chapter Meeting	19	20	21
22	23	24 Planning Meeting	25	26	27	28
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
Apr Birthdays	6 - SK Gregory K L	ibby 11 - Bri	an W Kechnie, Jr	14 - Michael A Huffi	nan 30 - Herb	pert Lee Villarreal

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29	30	May	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Business Meeting & Rosary	9	10 Ascension of the Lord	11	12
Mother's Day Burrito Breakfast	14	15	16	17	18	19 Agrand Forces D
20 Pentecost	21	22 Planning Meeting	23	24	25	26
27	Memorial Day	y I	30 Western Metroplex Chapter Meeting	31	1	2

11 - SK Karl K La Fleur

11 - Brian O Snell

16 - Carlos H Mendoza

19 - SK Rev. John M Karanja

29 - Ronald J Koenen