



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church

DECEMBER 2017

Council #7613

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COUNCIL CORNER

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR DECEMBER 2017

DATE	EVENT	TIME & PLACE
12/02/2017, Sat	Monthly Rosary	4:30 PM - Church
12/02/2017, Sat	Priest's Christmas	
12/03/2017, Sat	Squires	9:00 AM – Christopher Hall
12/06/2017, Wed	CHOC Meeting	7:00 PM – Christopher Hall
12/07/2017, Thurs	Mass & Council Meeting	7:00 PM – Christopher Hall
12/10/2017, Sun	Blood Drive	8 AM to 2 PM – Christopher Hall
12/10/2017, Sun	Council Christmas Party	6:30 PM to 9:30 PM– Christopher Hall
12/15 & 16/2017, Fri & Sat	24 Hr Adoration	Fri 4:00 pm to Sat 4:00 pm – Adoration Chapel
12/20/2017, Wed	Chapter Meeting	Good Shepherd, Council 6358 509 Schertz Pwky, Schertz, TX 78154
12/21/2017, Thurs	Council Business Meeting	7:00 PM – Christopher Hall
12/25/2017, Mon	Christmas	
12/28/2017, Thurs	1 st Degree	7:00 PM – Christopher Hall

GET TO KNOW YOUR BROTHER KNIGHTS BETTER

SK Robert (Bob) Parrotte proudly served our country for 23 years in the US Army as a Special Agent with both Military Intelligence (MI) and the Criminal Investigation Division Command (CID). He was assigned to Washington DC several times where he held various key positions; Ft Hood, Texas and Seoul, Republic of South Korea.

After suffering a serious stroke in 1990, Bob and his wife, Nancy, moved to San Antonio and became members of St Mark the Evangelist parish. As a 4th Degree Knight of Columbus, Bob has continued to serve this community by volunteering with the annual Tootsie Roll drive and the Easter Egg Hunt. He is an enthusiastic supporter of many parish and KofC events. Over the years he has volunteered at the original pumpkin patch and provided support to the Guild's annual scholarship event.

Bob and Nancy have two sons, both retired from military careers, and four grandchildren. They just celebrated their 48th wedding anniversary.

If you see Bob around campus and have a few minutes ask him about some of the cases he was involved with. Old soldiers enjoy telling stories of their glory days.



**SK Bob Parrotte with wife Nancy at the Knights Family Communion
on December 2016**

WHEELCHAIR DONATIONS

PGK Sam Szalwinski wishes to personally thank all of the many Brothers who helped and who continue to help in this very worthy cause where *IMOBILE PEOPLE ARE BEING MADE MOBILE*. May God bless all who are making this happen. Following is a list of where 170 wheelchair donations were made and pictures of their happy receipt.

DONATIONS	NUMBER DONATED	DONATION DATE
Audi Murphy VA Hospital	10	Nov. 3, 2017
Christus Santa Rosa Hospital in Alamo Heights	10	Nov. 10, 2017
St Francis Retirement Center at 630 W. Woodlawn Ave.	10	Nov. 10, 2017
Christus Santa Rosa Childrens Hospital, 333 N. Santa Rosa St.	50	Nov. 13, 2017
Christus Santa Rosa Hospital in New Braunfels	30	Nov. 15, 2017
Christus Santa Rosa Hospital – Medical Center, 2827 Babcock Rd.	30	Nov. 15, 2017
Christus Santa Rosa Hospital – Westover Hills 11212 State Highway 151	30	Nov. 15, 2017
CRIT	26	Planned for Nov. & Dec. 2017
To Councils & Individuals on the Wait List	52	
Padua Place	5	
Council in Odessa	4	
DD at Bandera for Further Distribution	3	
Austin for Further Distribution	6	
Grand Knight in Lorado	1	
Stored at PGK Sam's House for Further Distribution	13	
TOTAL WHEELCHAIRS	280	

On Friday of November 3, ten (10) wheelchairs were donated to the Audi Murphy VA Hospital. The following views are of the hospital and of our participating Knights in full regalia during the ceremony.



The Audy Murphy VA Hospital & PGK/SK Sam Szalwinski's with Wheelchairs



1st Row: David Ramon Jr., Endalecio Olivarez and Ruben C. Valdez
2nd Row: PGK Sam Szalwinski, PGK Ron Hrcir, SK Larry Zoller, PGK Nieves Gonzalez, Raymon C. DeHoyos
3rd Row: SK Bill Faucher



**PGK/SK Ron Hrcir, SK Larry Zoller, & PGK/SK Nieves Gonzalez with
Honorary David Ramon Jr. of Council 2040**

On Friday of November 10, ten (10) wheelchairs were delivered to the Christus Santa Rosa Hospital pictured below with the welcoming recipients and ten (10) more delivered to the St Francis Retirement Center.





Hospital Staff with PGK Sam Szalwinski at the Christus Santa Rosa Hospital in Alamo Heights



**A Happy worker, Mr. Paxton Jackson, Service Manager
(He was not clearly shown in the picture above this one)**



**SK Bill Faucher, Chief Nurse LaNell Scott, PGK Sam Szalwinski
& Ramon DeHoyos**

On Monday, November 13, 50 wheelchairs were donated to the Christus Santa Rosa Children Hospital at 333 N. Santa Rosa Street. As seen below, a most grateful ceremony occurred on that most wonderful day.



**MSGR/SK Kevin Ryan opened the session
where he blessed the event**



**Sister Michele O'Brien ordained the
Wheelchair donation as a most needed
and appreciated happening**



PGK Sam Szalwinski officially donating 50 Wheelchairs to the Christus Santa Rosa Children Hospital



Attendees at the Wheelchair donation ceremony at the Christus Santa Rosa Children Hospital in Downtown San Antonio



A 10 Year Old Child from Laredo attending to express his thanks for the wheelchair he had previously obtained at this hospital



Brother Knights PGK Nieves Gonzales, SK Ralph Sirois, Jr., SK Edmond Moeller, SK Leo Whitley, & PGK Ron Hrcir Serving the Donation of 50 Wheelchairs to the Christus Santa Rosa Children Hospital



Beverly & Sam Szalwinski, KOC Chapter President SK Christobal Rodriquez, 5 Council 7613 Brother Knights, Sister Michele O'Brien, MSGR Kevin Ryan, SK Bill Faucher & the Assistant Diocesan Deputy Joseph Arriette

On Wednesday, November 14, a total of 90 wheelchairs were delivered to the three different Christus Santa Rosa Hospitals shown below. As shown, three of our Brother Knights



**Christus Santa Rosa Hospital
In New Braunfels
Donated 30 Wheelchairs**



**Christus Santa Rosa Hospital
Medical Center on Babcock Rd.
Donated 30 Wheelchairs**



**Christus Santa Rosa Hospital in Westover Hills
Donated 30 Wheelchairs**



Workers in action in the process of delivering 30 wheelchairs to the Christus Santa Rosa Westover Hills hospital





Mister Billy Graves is shown as he was just discharged from the Christus Santa Rosa Hospital in Westover Hills where we were in the process of delivering 30 wheelchairs. He is seated in a Wheelchair that he said he received at a KOC ordination at Ft Stockton a couple of years ago. He said some very kind words about our 4th Degree Knights that had donated many wheelchairs at Ft Stockton several years ago.

ST MARK'S CRIMINAL JUSTICE MINISTRY

Our Council 7613 produced and delivered meals to the Briscoe Unit of the Kolbe Prison in Dilley, Texas.



PGK/SK Tex Liedtka & SK Richard Lee at Prison Entrance Delivering Meals



PGK/SK Ysau Flores & Kolbe Prison Inmate at Prison Entrance
(The inmate will be out in 5 months. He is an
Iraq and Afghanistan Army Veteran)



SK Gene Stewart & Kolbe Prison Inmate at Prison Entrance

SQUIRES PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Squires along with some of our Brother Knights prepared not only the regular pancakes, sausages, and bacon, but also the highly popular pumpkin pancakes.



Alex Bauer, Mathew Bauer, Dr. Steve Bauer, Ryan Lee, SK Richard Lee, Jaren Schultz, Zach Huggins, Ryan Kurbursky, & Chris Huggins

VETERANS TRIBUTE - FLAG CEREMONY AT MASS



SK Mike Pattillo, Linn Danielski, Jim, SK Gene Stewart, AJ Sanchez, & SK Nick Young



SK Mike Pattillo with Other Vets



Jim with Other Vets



SK Gene Stewart with Other Vets



L1nn Danielski with Other Vets

CHRISTOPHER HALL CLEANUP

(A message from your Council Director, SK AC Rogers & Photographer, Rubin Ayala)

Hard workers are shown below in their works of setting up Christopher Hall for the next upcoming event. As you can see, they are experiencing more than having to work – they are happily communicating with each other as they spend their time together getting things accomplished. Come and join this type of experience the next time words go out requesting **your** need for help in Christopher Hall.



