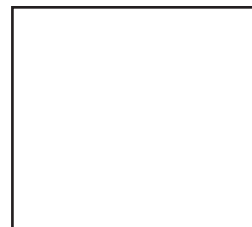


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FAMILY OF THE
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Jerzy and Barbara Cupial

I would just like to say thank you to the Cupial family of St. James, who have brought their sons into the Knights of Columbus and are part of our Council 6557. We have an entire football team of Cupials (Alexander, Krzysztof, Lukasz), and what is more, Alex just made his 3rd degree. Thank you Barbara for encouraging your young men to take the step, so they can work with Jerzy and keep that long tradition of weird hats and parking cars. We expect to see all of them in bright orange hats at the crawfish festival this year. It can be a new family tradition, although I really don't think anyone can wear a bright orange hat like Jerzy can.



White Elephant Dinner

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KNIGHT OF THE
MONTH

Terry O'Donohue

Taking that first step when you are a new member is usually the hardest thing to do when you are a knight. Saying you want to get involved is one thing, but doing it is another. Terry is a great example of a new member that has made an effort to get involved. He has been active in meetings, activities and has even shown an interest in chairing committees. It's really not that hard to do, it's just a matter of taking that first step and Terry is a fine example of why this council is so active and its members so involved. Terry your actions are a great reflection on this council, your community, and the Knights of Columbus. Thank you.

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GRAND KNIGHT REPORT

January was somewhat of a return to normalcy, after some major renovations to the hall, a busy Holiday Season and an awesome Christmas party. During our Major Degree several people actually came up and told me how great our hall was and it made me very proud. We had six guys go through the exemplification, Eugene Bussolati, Randall Colmer, Alex Cupial, Mark Hefferly, Jose Ruvalcaba, and Boyd Schafer. Congratulations gentlemen, you will all be on the June Ballot for Grand Knight. WOOP WOOP!

Renovations have made a big impact on us. Our kitchen looks wonderful. This should help keep the cleanup crews in good spirits, since the room is no longer drab. It looks like a business kitchen now instead of a picture from the dark ages. Not that the dark ages were bad, don't mean to offend those of you who were actually there.

We had our basketball Free Throw competition in January at St. Edwards. If you have not done it, it is a pretty quick way to get some volunteer hours in. We had a council winner: James Martinez who was the only one I think that entered from our council. We need to get more people involved with this contest, it's pretty easy and a lot of fun for the kids. Although, for some of us it just brings back horrible nightmares.

The Clergy Appreciation night was pretty cool. The dinner was Prime Rib. It was very good. I did not get a selfie with Cardinal DiNardo, but I did get one of our worthy FS Pete. I will keep that with me always.

Keep up the good work gentlemen, we have a busy schedule coming up, stay in touch stay involved and let's make a difference.



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A MESSAGE FROM OUR DISTRICT DEPUTY

Subject: State Convention 2015

My Brother Knights, the Knights of Columbus Convention for the State of Texas is just around the corner on May 1-3. This year the convention will be held right in our own backyard at the Hilton Americas Hotel at 1600 Lamar.

For knights that have never attended, please let me extend a cordial welcome. The convention is open to all our Brother Knights. The council will elect delegates and alternatives to attend to help with conducting the business of the State but in most parts the convention is open to all knights and their wives.

Let me briefly give you a glimpse of the many activities for this year. On Friday, May 1, there will be a golf tournament in the morning followed by a clergy seminar and luncheon, awards ceremony and in the afternoon we have mass with Daniel Cardinal DiNardo. In the evening there will be entertainment from 'The Nitebeat Band'.

On Saturday, May 2, the day will start with a report from our State Deputy, Terry Simonton. This a very informative report on the workings of the State and Order. All are welcome to attend this report. Following the State Deputy's Report, the delegates and alternatives begin their work. The ladies will have a luncheon and get to-know-you time and in the evening we will conclude with the Convention Banquet.

On Sunday, May 3, the convention begins its day with mass celebrated by our State Chaplin, Bishop Joseph Strickland from the Diocese of Tyler. The ladies have breakfast together and our delegates will conclude any further convention business with the convention ending around 12:00pm.

I hope you will consider coming this year. Cost of events and schedule of times can be obtained through your Grand Knight or I will be glad to see you get any information you will need.

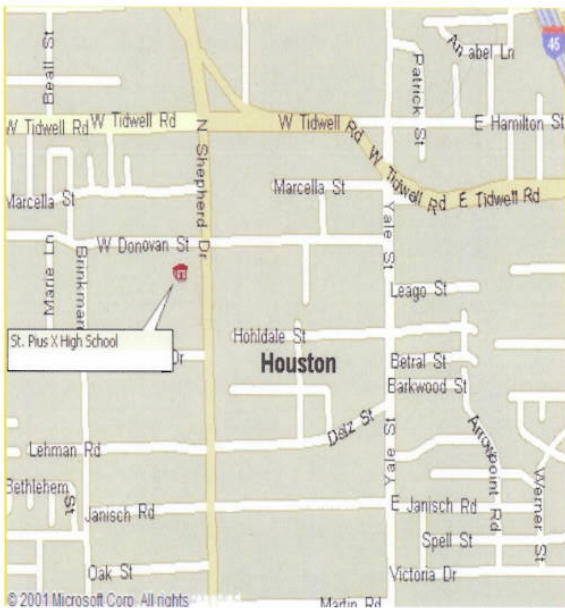
God bless and hope to see you soon,
James Hatcher-District Deputy



AC Units before and after 3rd Degree brother Jose Ruvalcaba invested his time and effort as well as parts to repair the leaks that were coming from the AC units on the roof. Well done brother well done!



Knights of Columbus Regional Free Throw Championship



Saturday February 14, 2015

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Registration: 8:15 am—9:00 am

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POC: Bill Moeller, Chapter President

Phone #: 832-594-4980

Email: bill.moeller@hp.com

All Councils sponsoring district free throw winners must be current on State Per Capita.

All competitors must register using the official Knights of Columbus Free Throw
Championship entry/Score Sheet (#1598).

Proof of age must accompany all entry forms (copy of birth certificate/passport) - no
exceptions.

(Pre-registration is encouraged by emailing scanned documents)

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 6557
2015 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING SENIORS SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION**

Four Knights of Columbus Herman J. Konczewski Memorial Scholarships in the amount of \$1000 each will be awarded.

CRITERIA TO QUALIFY FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD:

1. Applicant must be a practicing Catholic and related to a member of Council 6557 (living or deceased) in good standing, or a registered member of either Sts. Simon and Jude or St. James Parish.
2. Applicant must be sponsored by a member of Council 6557 in good standing, living or deceased, or registered parishioner of either Sts. Simon and Jude or St. James. Sponsor or relative can be the same person.
3. Applicant must have maintained a minimum of 3.0 grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 point scale, or a GPA of 4.0 on a 5.0 point scale, or a GPA of 5.0 on a 6.0 point scale during his/her high school years.
4. Achieved a minimum of at least 1180 (M+R) on SAT or 26 on ACT.
5. Must be enrolled or enrolling to attend an accredited college or university during the 2015/2016 school year as a full time student.

Application must include Items 1 – 4 below or the application will be considered incomplete.

1. Disclosure Statement
2. A two part essay totaling no more than 500 words or less. Part I – “Why I wish to pursue a college degree” and Part II “What I am doing to practice my Catholic Faith”
3. All available OFFICIAL and most recent high school transcripts (including current grades, class ranking, and over-all grade point average).
4. Copy of your SAT (M+R) or ACT test scores

Applications must be postmarked to the Scholarship Chairman Bill Moeller (832-594-4980) no later than March 1, 2015.

Please include a self-addressed post card with stamp if you wish an acknowledgment of receipt of your application.

Scholarship winner’s sponsor will be notified by April 30 and awards will be presented at the May 2015 Council Family Night dinner.

If you are selected as a winner, your social security number may be required.

Mail the completed application with attachments in the following order:

1. Disclosure Statement
2. Two part essay
3. Official Transcripts
4. Copy of SAT (M+R) or ACT Scores

Mail completed application packet to:

Scholarship Committee
Knights of Columbus Council 6557
PO Box 130878
The Woodlands, TX 77393-0878



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Relationship to member (son, niece, grandson, etc) _____

Sponsor Name: _____ Church _____

Address: _____

Relationship (son, grandson, etc) _____

Name of High School you attend: _____

Graduation date: _____ Best SAT or ACT Score: _____

GPA _____ Class Rank: _____

Colleges / Universities being considered: _____

Will pursue Academic Major in: _____

List scholarships awarded and dollar amount _____

Summary of Academic Achievements (academic awards, honor society) _____

School extracurricular activities: _____

Community Activities or service you have participated in: _____

Church Related Activities: _____

Hobbies and special interests: _____

Places of employment (high school years), beginning with most recent to include positions and dates:

NOTE: You may use additional sheets as needed to complete any of the above.

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APPLICATION**

DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

I hereby declare that the information provided on my application for scholarship is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I also agree that I will use the scholarship funds, if awarded, solely for the purpose of paying for books, lab fees, and tuition costs, related to the pursuit of obtaining higher education.

Applicant's Signature

Date

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Date Received: _____

Reviewed by: _____

Date of Review and Approval: _____

TSC Educational Grant Information

The Texas State Council will award one \$1,000 Educational Grant per diocese and two additional \$1,000 Educational Grants to Columbian Squires. Applications for these grants are due March 1, 2015. Winners will be announced at the State Convention.

Applications for these grants are available at the Texas State Web Site www.tkofc.org, in the Star Guide and from your District Deputy. The Educational Grant Application is NEW this year. Older forms are not accepted. Remember: This is an educational grant based on NEED! Need is defined as a demonstration of hardship for the applicant and/or his/her family.

Who Is Eligible for the Educational Grant?

- The applicant must be a Knight of Columbus member (in good standing of a council located in Texas), his wife, son or daughter. Dependents of deceased members or deceased grandfathers, who were in good standing, are also eligible. Additionally, a grandson or granddaughter of a member in good standing in a Council in Texas may apply if their father is not a Knight or is not in good standing.
- Educational Grant money is for education in a University, College, Junior College, Technical School, Business School or Seminary. • The application must be complete and received on time (March 1).
- The sponsoring Council's per capita must be paid in full and not be suspended. The Sponsoring Council's Grand Knight's signature (in Part 6) on the application attests that the Council's Per Capita is paid and the Council is not suspended.
- The complete guidelines for the Educational Grant Application may be found on page 1 of the application which is available at:
 - o Texas State Web Site www.tkofc.org in the Star Guide from the Council's District Deputy or Grand Knight contact Aid to Education Chairman, dczwingman@sbcglobal.net

What is Need?

For the purposes of the TSC Aid to Education Grant, Need is defined as a demonstration of hardship for the applicant or his/her family. Some examples are:

- severe illness in the family
- death of the major earner in the family or parent
- major income loss
- number of individuals in the family attending college or private schools
- large number of family members living at home
- etc.

Overview of the Aid to Education Process

1. Applicant obtains a copy of the Texas State Council Aid to Education Grant Application. This application can be obtained by several methods:

- a. on the TSC website, <http://www.tkofc.org> and go to the forms link on the bottom right of that home page. Look for the Texas State Council Aid to Education Grant application and print. Make sure it is the application effective September 2014.

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b. from the local Knights of Columbus Council Grand Knight or the area District Deputy. Make sure it is the application effective September 2014. For the Grand Knight and/or the District Deputy a copy of the form is in their Star Guide, version 2014-2015, pp. 83-86.

c. contact the Chairman of the Aid to Education Committee and he will e-mail you a copy of the current form:

David C. Zwingman, dczwingman@sbcglobal.net

2. All the instructions for completion of the application form and eligibility requirements are on page 1 of the Texas State Council Aid to Education Grant Application. The applicant must follow these instructions including the due date listed on the form. The due date will be March 1. The address for submittal of the form and all pertinent data and transcripts is shown on the last page of the application. Supporting information, such as outside source letters and transcripts, etc., can be submitted separately to the address for submittal.

3. The Aid to Education Committee meets in mid-March to review all applications. The applications are separated by respective Diocese and Squires. These applications are scored and the Candidate Winners for each Diocese and Squires are selected with two alternates. These Candidate Winners are presented to the delegates of the annual Knights of Columbus State Convention in either late April or early May for their approval.

4. After the State Convention those applicants who not awarded the Texas State Council Aid to Education Grant are notified of not receiving the Grant and encouraged to apply the following year. The applicants who were selected for the Grant will be notified officially from the Texas State Office for verification of the school to be attended. Once that verification information is received, the Texas State Council sends the money directly to the school of choice in the student's name for credit on the student's account. This usually is occurs in late June or July depending on the quickness of all the winning applicants' responses.

CONGRATS NEW 3rd DEGREE MEMBERS

These members have just been made official Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree members at a ceremony here at our hall. All went well and lunch was provided by our kitchen staff, once again it was great. Shake their hand and remember to vote for them for Grand Knight!

Eugene Bussolati
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SCHOLARSHIP

The Herman Konczewski Memorial Educational Scholarship Committee is chaired by Worthy District President Bill Moeller. The scholarship program is responsible for getting scholarship funds to worthy recipients. They establish the rules, the requirements and the amounts that the council gives.

The council will provide four \$1000 scholarships to graduating high school seniors. Two scholarships will be awarded to relatives of our council members (son or daughter, nephew or niece, grandson or granddaughter), as well as one scholarship each to a high school parishioner at Sts Simon and Jude and St. James. E-mail brother Bill Moeller at: Bill.Moeller@hp.com to Help out.



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YOUTH

The Youth Committee works with kids to do the Free-throw contest, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and Squires. Boy Scouts meet on Mondays at the Hall and Cub scouts meet on Tuesdays. If you can help with our youth activities please contact the Youth Committee chairman, John Tatman: jg_tatman@sbcglobal.net

OTS

Crawfish Festival dates have arrived. Gird your loins. We park cars, sell beer, and man barricades in cooperation with the Old Town Spring Association. We need volunteers for events as well as volunteers to help organize and coordinate events with OTSA. See the Grand Knight Bob Castro or contact him by e-mail at: Bob@marloe.com

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SUN	Apr 26	7:00 AM thru 12:00 Midnight
FRI	May 1	5:00 PM thru Midnight
SAT	May 2	7:00 AM thru 12:00 Midnight
SUN	May 3	7:00 AM thru 12:00 Midnight

Plan on spending a day each weekend we need your help.



Pete and Kathy Palasota at Clergy Night 2015

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GOLF

The Knights of Columbus Golf League has completed 11 weeks of its 15 week fall golf league. With 4 weeks remaining, the standings at the top of the leader board are as follows:

- 1st Mickey Manore of 6557**
- 2nd Victor Hernandez of St Edwards Council**
- 3rd Rich LaBoda of 6557**

We have had 30 different golfers compete in our first 11 weeks, so the standings range 30 places, from 103 points (Mickey) to 30th place at 1 point. The only ties are at the bottom of the list. Over the next 4 weeks, the top 5 to 10 positions can change dramatically, based on the number of golfers competing each week. The First Place winner will get to choose a charity to donate our \$1000.00 prize to. Our final week of the fall season is scheduled for January 7, 2015. (extended due to rainouts) We will have our mini tournament with prizes for closest to the pin, straightest drive, putting contest, low gross score, and low net score. All Knights in the greater Houston area are welcome to come and participate, even if it is just for our tournament. The golf league plays at Wedgewood Golf Course on Rt 105 West, in Conroe Texas. The cost is \$15.00 for 9 holes of golf, cart and range balls. The Charity prize is an additional \$5.00. Food, beverages and camaraderie in the café after the golf is the best part of each weeks competition. **ALL SKILL LEVELS ARE WELCOME.** We use our own 90%handi-capping system, that equalizes the skill levels. If you show up consistently, you will be in the first 10 places in the standings at the end.

With 4 weeks left, anyone wishing to join can come and see how the league works and the great times had by our Knights. Our motto is INVITE A KNIGHT, so don't be bashful, come out and enjoy yourself. Contact Rich Laboda at:
richardlaboda@consolidated.net

FAMILY COMMITTEE

We are looking for a knight to be the Chairman of the Family Committee. Responsibilities include gathering info on all the young families and getting info to them about family nights and programs. If you have a family or know a family, let this be your big start. Keep track of events so you can get our families together and grow our council family. Kids love doing stuff where other kids are doing stuff.

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FREE THROW CONTEST



Our council winner was James Martinez, son of Robert and Evelyn. They attend St. Edwards. James won the 10 year old district competition. He shot 13 free throws to tie and then took a 5 shot free throw shoot off to win. He will continue to compete at the diocesan regional level on Feb 14. Congratulations James!
Thank you to everyone that participated, it was a great event.

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HOME ASSOCIATION

Members of the Home Association Committee take care of the hall where the council meets. They suggest ideas, perform handyman tasks, trim the grass and other projects around the hall. If you like working outside or with your hands, this may be a great place to start. Contact John Groneck, he's not just the chairman of the Home Association, he's the President.



Yogi and Rosemary Ybarra at Clergy Night 2015

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RESPECT LIFE

Brother Knights,

The U.S. House of Representatives will soon vote on H.R. 36, the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act. This important measure will ban abortions on unborn children aged 20 weeks post-fertilization or older, based upon substantial medical evidence finding that these unborn children can experience pain. With H.R. 36, Congress will exercise its authority to protect these unborn children from abortion, and the horrible pain that it causes.

However, while a vote has been scheduled, successful passage of H.R. 36 is not assured. H.R. 36 needs your personal support. Please click here to contact your elected congressional representatives today. Ask them to support H.R. 36 with their vote. Be sure to also contact your Senators and ask them to introduce and cosponsor the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act in the U.S. Senate. If you will be in Washington for the upcoming March for Life, be sure to also personally visit your representatives in Congress and urge them to support this bill. Encourage your family and friends to do the same.

In 1973, Norma McCorvey-aka-Jane Roe, Roe vs Wade, originally claimed that her pregnancy was the result of rape and later said that she had not told the truth. She went to Dallas which just marked the 42nd anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's tragic Roe v. Wade decision of Jan.

22, 1973 which legalized abortion in America and leading to death of over 55 million unborn children. It began in Dallas and it should end in Dallas. The Dallas North Texas March for Life was held on Jan. 17, 2015.

As Knights of Columbus, we have to stand together pray our rosaries and join the Helpers of God's Precious Infants in a Peaceful, Prayerful Mass and Rosary. The next rosary will be held on Saturday, Feb. 21, 2015 8.30 a.m. Mass at Christ the Good Shepherd located at 18511 Klein Church Rd, Spring, Tx 77379.

Brother, let us be the voice for the voiceless and give Life to the possible. A good Friend of mine once said, Together much can be accomplished.

Your Brother In Christ
Paul (Yogi) Ybarra Jr.



Happy Valentines Day

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RETENTION COMMITTEE

The second billing has gone out already. If any member is having trouble paying dues this year - contact the Grand Knight or Financial Secretary who can arrange some relief. Have a Happy New Year!

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Brother Jose Ruvalcaba looking for his keys.



Steve and Norma Kane at Clergy Appreciation Night

CLEANUP TEAMS

The Cleanup teams will be re-instated in January and the team Captains will now be in competition for prizes. If you are a Captain or want to be a Captain contact Larry Hawkins - lhawkins1945@yahoo.com
Team names will be accepted in January and all members will be on a team, it is suggested you get on a good one. Prizes include dinner for the whole team.

WELCOMING

The Welcoming Committee is Chaired by John Groneck and needs some support. All new Knights are automatically part of the Welcoming Committee. The committee is tasked with introducing new members to committee chairs and programs. Knights start in the Welcoming Committee and quickly get involved in council operations. Contact John at:
john.e.groneck@exxonmobil.com

ATTENTION: SANDERS PET FEST

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Saturday, March 7 - 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Sunday March 8 - 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

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BOWLING

The Knights of Columbus Bowling League ended its first half on December 16. The first half winners are "The RENEGADES" with 47 wins. It was a night of fun, competition and some really good snacks as we prepared for our Christmas break. The second half will begin on January 6, 2015. Since we have a split season the wins and losses start over, so "GOOD LUCK" to all in the next half. David Polasek
dpolasek7388@sbcglobal.net.



Worthy Past Grand Knight Jim Ledwig and his wife
Mary Ann

MEMBERSHIP

ATTENTION 3RD DEGREE MEMBERS:
Spring Exemplification will be held on Saturday, May 30th at Epiphany of the Lord Catholic Community in Katy. See Rich Eimer or Bill Moeller for registration forms.

CHARITY

The Charity Committee is chaired by Larry Hawkins (lhawkins1945@yahoo.com) who is the contact person for any organization that could use some help. The Charity committee brings suggestions to the officers and we vote on them during our council meetings. We first must determine 'how can we help'.

If you want to know more about what the Charity Committee does - join it!

Still Active at 100



This is Bill Moeller at 100.

It only took him 27 hours, 56 minutes (Seen here with his wife Bridget) Notice they do not show his feet. "54 minutes faster than last year" Bill says. My response was 'Holy Mackerel!' That is true determination, to show an improvement of that magnitude. Congratulations Brother Bill!

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NEWSLETTER

The newsletter committee is pretty simple. You just carry a camera or a cell phone with you and snap a few pictures of our events. Then just send them with a small blurb of what you saw to Bob Castro bob@marloe.com and we will get it in the newsletter. It's a great way to show everybody what is happening and keep us all informed. Articles or changes requested by the 25th of each month.

FUNDRAISING

Our Fundraising Committee is chaired by Eric Salley and he can be reached at vanhect@gmail.com. We are always looking for opportunities. The committee meets periodically to discuss possible events or fundraisers that the council can explore.

VA ASSISTANCE

The goal of the VA Assistance Committee is to have an active corps of Knights serving as volunteers at every Veterans Administration medical facility in the nation. We meet once a quarter and venture down to the Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, Houston, TX to mingle with the veterans and take them to mass if they choose to go.

Next visit is: Sunday February 15th.

Contact Peter Palen at: pjpalen@hotmail.com

DEGREE TEAM

The Degree Team Happy to report my son's surgery went well in spite of a few complications and he now recovering at home. Success due in no small part to prayers from my K. C. brothers. Thank you. Committee is responsible for our ceremonials. There are parts that have to be memorized and delivered to the council during our ceremonies, and it just requires someone that can memorize lines. If you can act or have been on stage before, you must sign up, you'll really enjoy bringing new knights into the council. To volunteer to help or perform a role, contact Mark Votsmier at: Votsmier@sbcglobal.net



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BINGO

The Bingo Committee meets every third Tuesday from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Houston Health & Rehabilitation Center 17600 Cali Dr. off F.M. 1960. They host the Bingo games and offer commeraderie and fun to the elderly in our community. Contact Mickey Manore at: mmanore@comcast.net

Next visit is: Tuesday February 17th.

INSURANCE

Where did 2014 go? It seems like it was summer yesterday and Easter was last week.

I hope you and your family had a great finish to 2014. Now, the first quarter of 2015 is flying by.

Hopefully, you've established a few goals for this year. I've learned a great tip regarding resolutions. First, write them down. It's not too late if you haven't already done this. Commit your goals to paper and post it someplace you will see it often. Writing down a goal is the first step towards achieving it. It may not make sense at first, but I'm sure you have heard stories of the success this simple task can bring. Whether your goal is to exercise more, give more to charity, read more or watch less television, you're more likely to accomplish it if you write it down.

Second, resolve to have an expert look at your finances. I recommend that you have a team of experts help you, and I would love to be the first you sit with. Let's schedule some time to meet together, and I, your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, will provide an "insurance check-up" (at no cost!) that will evaluate any gaps in your family's life insurance

protection. Now might be the perfect time to fill those gaps, not later. Keep in mind that unlike many other products, you don't just need money to obtain life insurance; you also need good health, and no one knows when your health could change.

Did I mention my check-up is free of charge? When was the last time you received something for free that could provide value to you and your family for generations? Call me today.

Jose R. Oviedo
Field Agent, Knights of Columbus
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District Deputy James Hatcher and our
Worthy FS Pete Palasota



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monthly Schedule:

1st Thursday	Officer Meeting
2nd Tuesday	Chapter Meeting
2nd Thursday	Council Meeting
3rd Tuesday	Convalescent Bingo 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Houston Health & Rehabilitation Center
4th Tuesday	4th Degree Meeting
4th Thursday	Family Knight

Activity Schedule

SUN Feb 15	8:00am - 12: pm Knights Visit With Veterans at Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center
TUE Feb 17	Convalescent Bingo is Tuesday 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Northwest Health & Rehabilitation Center 17600 Cali Dr. off F.M. 1960.
FRI Feb 20	10:00 AM Jenni Leiker's Memorial Service at the Fellowship of the Woodlands Church.
SAT Feb 28	FS Training
TUE Mar 17	Convalescent Bingo is Tuesday 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Northwest Health & Rehabilitation Center 17600 Cali Dr. off F.M. 1960.
SAT Mar 7	Pet Fest festival
SUN Mar 8	Pet Fest festival
THU Mar 26	Family Knight – Guest Speaker - Paul R. Nester, Ph.D. Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
TUE Apr 21	Convalescent Bingo is Tuesday 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Northwest Health & Rehabilitation Center 17600 Cali Dr. off F.M. 1960.



Charity Organizations that Help in Ways That We can't

Interfaith Ministries for Greater Houston
 3303 Main St. Houston, TX 77002
 Phone: 713-533-4900 Fax: 713-520-4663

Northeast Assistance Ministries - NAM
 15555 Kuykendahl, Houston, TX 77090
 Financial assistance: 281-583-5600
 Donate furniture or other large items:
 281-885-4545
 Monetary donation: 281-885-4605

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FRI	Apr 24	Texas Crawfish & Music Festival
SAT	Apr 25	Texas Crawfish & Music Festival
SUN	Apr 26	Texas Crawfish & Music Festival
SUN	Apr 26	8:00am - 12: pm Knights Visit With Veterans at Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center
FRI	May 1	State Convention
FRI	May 1	Texas Crawfish & Music Festival
SAT	May 2	State Convention
SAT	May 2	Texas Crawfish & Music Festival
SUN	May 3	State Convention
SUN	May 3	Texas Crawfish & Music Festival
TUE	May 19	Convalescent Bingo is Tuesday 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Northwest Health & Rehabilitation Center 17600 Cali Dr. off F.M. 1960.
SAT	May 30	Spring Exemplification at Epiphany of the Lord Catholic Community in Katy. See Rich Eimer or Bill Moeller for registration forms.
TUE	Jun 16	Convalescent Bingo is Tuesday 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Northwest Health & Rehabilitation Center 17600 Cali Dr. off F.M. 1960.
SUN	Jul 5	8:00am - 12: pm Knights Visit With Veterans at Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center
SUN	Sep 13	8:00am - 12: pm Knights Visit With Veterans at Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center
SUN	Oct 25	Sts Simon and Jude Octoberfest
SUN	Nov 22	8:00am - 12: pm Knights Visit With Veterans at Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center
SUN	Dec 27	8:00am - 12: pm Knights Visit With Veterans at Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center



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PRAYER LIST



Bishop Nold Council 6557

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

For updating, please contact GK Bob Castro bob@marloe.com 713-582-0442 or

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:

George Adams (1/18) surgery recovery

Hannah Henry (1/22 granddaughter of Mary Jo Henry, diabetes, eye surgery

Mary Hinggen (12/29) Dick Nash's 91 y/o mother in law, congestive heart failure

Robin Turney (1/10) proposed by David Polosak, post-surgery infection

Bill Ziobro, cousin of Bill Motiska (12/18) quintuple bypass surgery recovery

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)

Barbara Barnes, proposed by SK Dan Armbruster

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)

SK Rudy Charest (Health)

SK Stan Cillesson (cancer)

SK Robert Cobb (lung cancer)

Diane Curtin (Cancer), proposed by Mike Curtin

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

Henry Dishberger (cancer)

Helen Foltyn, mother of David, health

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

Maria Jose Garcia de Romero, sister-in-law of Terry O'Donohue, Leukemia

Thomas Gleason (leukemia) father of SK Mike Gleason

Linda Gonzalez (lung cancer, recently admitted to hospital) wife SK Rudy Gonzalez, Co 14512

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PRAYER LIST



Becky Jeffries (Diabetes), proposed by SK Jerry Leiker
Jeremy Jimenez (Muscular Dystrophy), proposed by SK John Tatman
Dave Johnston (cancer)
Michelle Koenig (cancer)
Tom Kurland (Health)
Paul Ledwig (Cancer)
SK Jerry 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
SK Matt Maciejewski, stroke recovery
Robert McDermott, father in law of SK Dan Armbruster
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
Elsey Mudackalil (stroke), sister of Father Mathew Thottiyil
Hannah Navarro, grand-niece of Deacon John Charnisky, rhabdomyosarcoma cancer
Karen O' Sullivan (Multiple Sclerosis) cousin of Robert P. O' Sullivan
Kathy Pace (Healing from Cancer)
SK Arnold Rodriguez, knee pain and upcoming knee replacement
Margaret Romeo (Health)
Maria Jose Romero (Leukemia), proposed by Terry O'Donohue
Henrietta Siragusa (Health)
Leo Torzewski (bladder cancer)
Tony Trahan (Blood Cancer)
Edward Trahan (esophagus cancer)
Lillian Trahan (Stage 2 Multiple Myeloma of the blood)
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 a may they rejoice in your Kingdom. AMEN

SK Bob Bensfield

Family / Friends

Doris M. Groneck, grandmother of John Groneck
Pauline Kubecka, mother of DGK David Polasek
Jenni Leiker, wife of SK Jerry Leiker
Norma E. Nester, mother of Paul Nester
Bobby Trahan, brother of Mike Trahan