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WHAT A FANTASTIC YEAR YOU ARE HAVING

Charles Detweiler who is now temporarily living in Mexico.

This was followed by a great Christmas Party enjoyed by everyone. Claire Freeman did a fantastic job coordinating the Angel Tree and alleviating this job from our church secretary. Br. Gary Cox chaired the Pro-Life Flag Project and with the help of many members (and some ladies) planted the 3,000 flags on a rainy day in January. Their removal was made easier with the assistance of Br. Ryan Buchanan and his LifeTeen group.

Br. Tom Garlock headed up our project to collect disposable razors and cans of shaving cream to be donated to the Salvation Army. He placed large cardboard containers at the entrances of the church and through the generosity of our parishioners we donated three large boxes of this material.

The Donut Ministry continued under the direction of a Knight. Br. Lyle Klement, a reinstated member from the Muenster Council took on the job and he and his family are doing a great job. Br Peter Ang and his wife, Peggy, continue to work in the distribution of bread to people in need.

We had a successful brisket sale during Super Bowl weekend but unfortunately underestimated the waste factor of uncooked brisket. However we raised approximately \$350 and donated \$200 to the Texoma Pregnancy Care Center.

Our efforts to start a Squires Circle have not been successful to date. We had a small turnout for our orientation session for potential members and their parents. We believe this small showing is partly due to the very successful LifeTeen and EDGE programs already in existence in our parish. We will continue to pursue this objective. We did donate \$500 to the LifeTeen program for their upcoming Summer Retreat. We will also put on a pancake breakfast in the near future with them to help them achieve their goal of \$2,800 to pay for the trip.

We had a highly successful Lenten canned food drive bringing in almost 2,200 cans of food. DGK Mike Riley headed up this effort with all the food distributed to three food pantries in the area.

We also continued to have success hall rentals which brought in the funds to pay our operating expenses.

We lost a key member of our council when Br. Richard Antonelli moved to Connecticut to be closer to his family. He left a big hole and it will be difficult to replace him.

We also lost Br. Ed DeFrage, SK Werner Frietsch M.D., and SK Fred Ramirez. Not only will we miss them, but their loss will be felt by the entire St. Patrick Community. God rest their souls.

Viva Cristo Rey

Ed Diaz

During the last eight months this council has gone from being one of the many mediocre councils to being in the top five in membership growth in the state of Texas. This growth has been coupled with an unprecedented number of successful projects and activities.

In the last issue I asked the new members to step up to the challenge and many did just that. This included both at the KC level as well as in the parish environment. These new activities combined with our ongoing efforts headed up by our veteran members have contributed greatly to a more healthy and productive environment in our parish and council.

Our fraternal year started off with a major donation of \$5,000 to the Pregnancy Care Center and the coordination of the acquisition of an Ultrasound system. With a donation of more than \$23,000 from Supreme Headquarters, the new state of the art system will serve the entire Texoma area for years to come.

We had two highly successful major fundraisers in Sherman and Denison headed up by Br.

Monthly Meetings

- First Wednesday—
General Meeting, 7:00 PM
- Second Wednesday—
Fourth Degree Meeting,
7:30 PM, Denison
- Third Wednesday—
Ladies Auxiliary
- Fourth Wednesday—
Officers Meeting, 7:00 PM

Council 830 Meets at
2027 S. Austin, Denison,
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The Knight in One Day activity was well attended by Council 830 and included Brs. Gene Handleman, Robert Mercado, Jon Wojciechowski, Chip Adami, Gary Cox, Gary Walton, Father Raymond McDaniel (St. Peter's Pastor in Lindsey), Dan Kelley, Dave Bruckman, Tom Garlock, DGK Mike Riley, Art Sullivan and Angelo Weda. With the exception of Brs. Adami and Wojciechowski who had to leave early, the new members were able to achieve their First through Third Degrees in one day. Congratulations Brother Knights.



DGK Mike Riley and new Brs. Joshua James and John Flood at their First Degree at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Plano. They joined as a result of our Fall Calvary Cemetery cleanup where they were part of the volunteer effort. That's the kind of new Knights we need.

450 % of Goal Achieved

Council 830 has achieved a record 450% of our assigned goal for new members. And our efforts continue. We have one approved candidate awaiting his First Degree and another potential candidate being screened. It's not too late to recruit a candidate and bring him in to this great organization. We can do more for our community and council with more quality members like you. Get involved and recruit your friend, relative or neighbor.

Dues

It is important to our council that all members pay their dues on time. Unfortunately we still have approximately 15 of our members that have not paid their dues. This is a hardship on the council as we have already paid for these members to Supreme and if they fail to pay, the loss is incurred by the remaining members.

If you cannot pay due to a temporary hardship, we will not drop you. Let us know you are having temporary financial difficulties and we will work something out including complete forgiveness of the debt. Inability to pay is not a reason to drop your membership.

If you do not wish to continue your membership, please write us a short note to that effect. Even if you have moved you can transfer your membership to your new location, but only if your are current on your dues.

Nominations Committee Names Candidates

The Nominations Committee consisting of GK Ed Diaz, Trustees SK. Bonnie Ciaccio, SK T.C. Griffith and Br. Joe Bindel have named the following candidates for the Council 830 officer positions for the fraternal year 2013-2014 beginning July 1. The candidate list will be announced at the council general meeting on April 3. Nominations from the floor will be accepted for any of the positions at the council general meeting on May 1. Any Third Degree member in good standing with annual dues paid up to date may run for any of the positions. The candidates have agreed to being nominated and include:

Grand Knight

Gary Cox

Deputy Grand Knight

Mike Riley

Chancellor

Andy Davis

Warden

Dan Kelley

Recorder

John Hanel

Treasurer

John Manning

Financial Secretary *

Carl Frietsch

Trustee 3 Year

Tom Garlock

Trustee 2 Year **

Joe Bindel

Trustee 1 Year

Bonnie Ciaccio

Advocate

Dave Phillips

Inside Guard

Angelo Weda

Outside Guard

To Be Appointed

• *Appointed By Supreme /** This position not up for election

St. Patrick Hoolie and Fish Fry's Successful

This years St. Patrick wild Irish party (Hoolie) was a major success thanks to many people including many of our Knights. From DGK Mike Riley and his wife Marilyn, to the many Knights who played key roles in this years effort. The party was held in a facility donated by a brother Knight and many of the major prizes were donated by brother Knights as well. Council 830 donated \$2,500 to the party to underwrite some of the upfront expense. These were part of the funds raised at the Sherman Art Fest and Denison Main Street Festival. All proceeds from the Hoolie will be used to help pay for the restoration of St. Patrick church which is estimated to cost \$1.1 million.

Knights were also plentiful cooking and serving at the annual Lenten Fish Fry's. These projects are examples of the many activities supported by individual Knights.

Future Events

On **May 18th** we will hold a Garage Sale and 5K Run in conjunction with the Denison Elks Lodge at their facility. Their proximity to St. Patrick with the large parking lot will allow us to have some kind of BBQ at the same time. Br. Gary Cox is looking for volunteers to help him with this event. The Elks effort will be headed up by Br. Gene Handleman, a Knight and Exulted Ruler of the Elks .The 5K Run will be part of the Armed Forces festivities and should draw a large group of contestants.

We will also be having another Calvary Cemetery cleanup on **April 18** . We need your help as the caretakers of this important parish service are brother Knights. Hopefully, other members of the parish will participate. You don't need any special skills to help so plan on coming out that day with the entire family. In case of bad weather, the project will be re-scheduled for the Fall.

New Year's Dance

The major social event of the year used to be the KC New Year's Dance held at the National Guard Armory. Planning has started to bring back the tradition with a New Year's Dance at the Palazzo Event Center in Denison.

If you want to get involved in this major event, contact DGK Mike Riley. We need Knights with imagination and a commitment to make this a reality. We have done it before and we can do it again.

Benefit of Printed Newsletter Questioned

It costs approximately \$125 to print and many man-hours to produce and mail this newsletter. The money could be saved by publishing it only on our website. Next time you see me, let me know if you want it continued at all and if so, in what form.

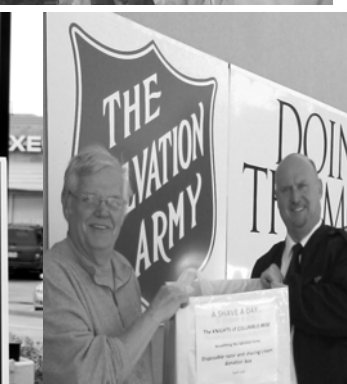
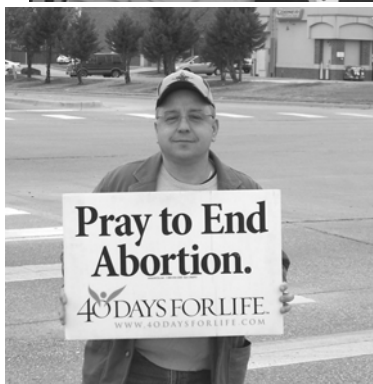
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Council 830 Knights in Action



Important Dates

Apr. 3 General Meeting

Apr. 24 Officers Meeting

Apr. 18 Calvary Cemetery Cleanup

Apr. 26-28 State Convention, Corpus Christi

May 1 General Meeting

May 18 Garage Sale and 5K Run, Denison Elks Lodge

May 22 Officers Meeting

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This is our website. Use your membership number to access it for the latest information.

Top left, Br. Antonelli was presented a KC jacket as a going away gift. Top right, KC members getting ready to load donated food cans after Mass. Bottom left and middle, Brs. Cox and Ang participate in McKinney Pro-Life and bottom right has DGK Mike Riley delivering shaving material.