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### Monthly Meetings

- First Wednesday—General Meeting, 7:00 PM
- Second Wednesday—Fourth Degree Meeting, 7:30 PM, Sherman
- Fourth Wednesday—Officers Meeting, 7:00 PM

Council 830 Meets at  
2027 S. Austin, Denison,  
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## Nineteen Percent

in the last 7 years. We donate \$500 each year to this walk. We had two major fundraisers in Sherman and Denison. We raised almost \$2,000 in Sherman's Art Fest thanks to our Project Chairman Charles Detweiler and several hard-working Knights and Ladies Auxiliary members. In Denison our income was lower caused by inclement weather with temperatures in the low to mid fifties all day. We brought in about \$1,200 without selling very many cold drinks. We did have 50 lbs. of Sausage left which will be used at the Calvary Cemetery cleanup project. Again, Charles Detweiler came through when David Brycta was unable to chair the project due to his injuries.

This trimester also saw us donate \$5,000 to the Pregnancy Care Center of Texoma after presenting them a check for \$23,000 from the KC Supreme Council for the purchase of a new Sonogram System. We also donated \$500 to our Edge pro-

gram at St. Patrick and sponsored a seminarian and donated a check for \$500 in support of that program.

We conducted our first voter registration drive and registered 13 voters. Hopefully they are Pro-Life voters. On Oct. 27 we will have cleanup day at Calvary Cemetery and have invited the entire parish to participate. Mass will be at 11:30 am with sausage sandwiches provided by the council after Mass. This event will be rescheduled for the Spring in case of rain.

We also agreed to take on the St. Patrick Angel Tree where less fortunate families can identify their children's Christmas wishes. Thanks go to the Ladies Auxiliary who will be chairing this efforts with support from the Knights.

These successes were achieved by 19% of our members. Just think how much more successful we could be with your participation.

If success can be measured by activity, we must be a very successful council. In the first four months of our fraternal year we have recruited 8 new members, have 6 more awaiting their First Degree ceremony and have several transfers and reinstatements in process. Much of this success has been the work of our DGK Mike Riley. DGK Mike is continuously recruiting and his tenacity is evidenced by the number of new Knights in our council. A Fellowship breakfast netted 5 new members.

We had numerous other activities including our ongoing support to the Caregivers Walk where we set up our tent, tables and chairs for use by TCOG personnel to register walkers. This walk has raised over \$250,000

*Ed Diaz*



In Sherman, Br. John Hanel, GK Ed Diaz, Br. Troy Diaz and Richard Yaeger getting ready for the crowd.



Ladies Aux. members Brenda Brycta, Denise Tucker, Janie Gonzales and Gerry Templeton helping us out as usual



## Christmas Party



For years our council has had a Christmas Party and I propose we have one this year. But I leave the final decision up to the general membership.

I have already asked Denise Tucker and Janie Gonzales from the Ladies Auxiliary to head up the decorating team. I propose on charging members and one guest a fee of \$20 per couple and singles \$10. Widows of KC members would be free and any invited guests would pay full price estimated at \$40 per couple. I am asking the council to pay the difference between the fee and the actual price. The council would also provide the adult beverages for the evening. The sit-down dinner would be catered.

I am asking for a volunteer to head up this project. Hopefully someone with an imagination for party and menu planning. At the meeting on Nov. 7 I will call for a vote and a volunteer chairman for the party.

## Council Hall

Thanks to the tireless effort of a trio of members who with Bonnie Ciaccio clean and prepare the hall every week so we have a hall to rent and enjoy. The hall is used for our meetings and socials as well as making it available to parish groups at no charge.

We also rent it out to a poker club every Friday night and the rental proceeds go a long way in meeting our expenses. The hall is also rented out to private individuals for family reunions, anniversaries, etc. It is available to members at half price.

Help us keep it clean and respond positively when we ask for help in moving tables and chairs at our meetings. We leave it in a "poker configuration" most of the time but have to move the tables around for rentals and meetings. We just spent \$1,500 to have it professionally cleaned and want to keep it that way.

At left, Br. Gary Cox is demonstrating his Salsa step to Br. Dave Brycta who is in awe

### In Recovery

Still recovering from a major traffic accident are the Bryctas. Brenda is now at home but continues with her rehabilitation sessions several times a week. At the time of this publication being prepared Dave was still at Beacon Hill Rehabilitation Care Center. Both still face many months of treatment. Please call them and ask if they need any assistance or transportation to make their treatments.

Also recovering from an accident and facing rehabilitation for some time is one of our new members, Angelo Weda. Recovering from a bout of pneumonia is Michael Brown and recovering from knee surgery is Gerry Templeton and Mary Ebert. Please pray for their speedy recovery along with all of our members and their families sick or in distress.

### Angel Tree

This year the St. Patrick Angel Tree will be the responsibility of the Ladies Auxiliary and Council 830. This tree is put up to allow the less fortunate members of our parish to identify the Christmas wishes of their children. Unlike past years the tree will be restricted to one gift per child and adults will not be included.

Heading up this project is Claire Freeman of the Ladies Auxiliary who has many years experience performing this function for her former employer. She and the Auxiliary will review each request and place angels on the tree with the child's wish on it. After parishioners purchase the gifts we will need to wrap and distribute them. This is a project that couples can work together.

### Our Seminarian

Please remember our seminarian in your prayers. His name is Pierce Rozyczko and his address is PO Box 140309, Irving, Texas.

**At right, Br. Joe Bindel taking a minute to promote peace, marriage, life and religious freedom**



Trying to stay warm in Denison are Br. Ron Tucker, Carl Frietsch and Ron Freeman. The high was 58 that day and Br. Peter Ang brought us hot coffee all day.



New Member Br. Daniel Kelly appears to be trying to get away from the guy with the knife (Deacon Howard Palms)



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**Vote Pro-Life**

**CALL 903-436-0874 BY DEC. 2 TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS FOR COUNCIL 830 CHRISTMAS PARTY ON WEDNESDAY, DEC. 5 AT 6:00 PM AT OUR HALL, 2027 SOUTH AUSTIN, DENISON.**

## **DON'T WAIT TO BE ASKED**

It's important that everyone participate in our activities, especially new members. The only way you will get to know your fellow brother knights is to get involved. Even if you have no experience in this type of activity, your fellow knights will help you gain the experience

There are many director positions in the council that need filling ranging from youth, community, public relations any many more. There are manuals that will tell you how to get the job done.

I know many new members may be timid about volunteering but that is the only way to get the benefits from this organization. I'm talking about the benefits of fraternity and brotherhood. Don't wait to be asked but rather jump in and help

us help the church and community.

Try to attend our once a month meeting on the first Wednesday of the month. They are informative and you will learn from your fellow knights. If you can't make the meetings, try to assist at one of the various projects we have every month. Already on the schedule we have a project to collect shaving cream and razors for the Salvation Army. We will have a rummage sale in the Spring that requires several volunteers. The Parish has the St. Patrick gala coming up that we need assistance on.

To truly enjoy your membership to the fullest you need to participate. Some of our best members don't attend many meetings but they are there when needed. I hope you new members will give us a chance.

## **Important Dates**

**Oct. 27 Cemetery Cleanup**

**Nov. 4 St. Patrick Turkey Dinner**

**Nov. 7 General Meeting**

**Nov. 28 Officers Meeting**

**Dec. 5 Christmas Party, KC Members and Ladies Auxiliary**

**Dec. 19 Officers Meeting (check signing, etc.)**

**Jan 2 General Meeting**

**Jan 23 Officers Meeting**

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