Knights of Columbus Council 9868



St. Andrews Annals

UPCOMING EVENTS:

First Degree	Jan 12
Diocesan Conf.	Jan 14
Assembly Meeting	Jan 19
Chapter Meeting	Jan 25
Council Meeting	Jan 26
Free Throw Challenge	Jan 28
Parish Breakfast	Jan 29
Major Degree	Feb 4
Super Bowl BBQ	Feb 4-5

Opportunities in a New Year

Brothers we have been blessed to have done great work in the last year but as with anything, things change. We have had a number of brothers who have had to step down from leadership roles because of illness or commitments to their families.

David Friedman has served as our Treasurer for many years and has indicated to me that he will be stepping down. This creates an opportunity for someone to train with David and learn the ins and outs of the position, as well as be sent to training before they assume the role. If you have an interest in assisting the Council in this role please let me know.

Manny Martinez has been the Youth Director for the council and because of his mother's



illness and other commitments to his family he has stepped down. Given that our parish also has a school this is an important role for our council. This would be an ideal position for a Knight who has children who are attending St. Andrews School but anyone who wishes to provide a positive role model to the youth would work.

We have the rare opportunity of hosting the Fort Worth Diocesan Conference on Jan 14th from 9am to noon in the Parish Hall. This will be training for council officers and future officers from the area. I would ask you to search your heart and ask if I can do more and help in these roles – **GK Gary Acrey**

First Degree at St Andrews

The council will be hosting an Initiation Degree (First Degree) ceremony on January 12th at 7pm in the Parish Hall followed by a fraternal social to welcome our new brothers. Candidates should arrive at 6:30pm and we have opened it up to any other council who may have candidates. If you have not attended an Initiation Degree recently this is a good opportunity to renew your commitment to the order. For more information please contact William Gigl at wjgigl@sbcglobal.net or 817-294-4141

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Hosting Major Degree February 4th

The Council will be hosting a Major Degree on February 4th. Please mark this day on your calendar because we will need lots of help.

Schedule is as follows:

Registration6:30 amMass8:00 amDegree Work10:00 amLunch12:00 am

Candidates may bring their spouse/children to the luncheon.

There will be multiple opportunities to help with the event, assisting the degree team, helping with mass, cooking and helping with luncheon.

In addition to all these activities the Super Bowl BBQ will be smoked on Friday, and all of the meat will be wrapped the day of Degree, Saturday.

This event should be all hands on deck and will be

a highly visible activity. Your presence will show the strength of the council as well as provide support for all of the candidates who take part in the event.

Please contact

Grand Knight Gary Acrey at gacrey@att.net or

(817) 346-3064

to see how you can best help out for the event.

Safe Environment Training

"We share a great responsibility to understand the nature of abuse and the steps we must take to establish and maintain safe, holy, and faith-affirming environments. The requirement for in-depth renewal is designed to safe guard children and young people and to protect all members of the diocesan community in parishes, schools, and ministries." - Bishop Olson-

Since our council works so closely with children both in the parish and the school all Knights <u>must</u> complete the Safe Environment Program. Unlike the past this can all be completed online now

Once you have completed the online training and a

and requires but a small

investment in time.

background check is done, you will receive a certification good for three years. If you have not completed this training or are unsure if you are current, contact the council coordinator John Thibodeau at

johnrthibodeau@gmail.com (817) 924-7449 or parish coordinator Theresa Gaitan at tgaitan@standrewcc.org (817)9275383

SUPER BOWI

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Super Bowl BBQ

The end of the pro football season is fast approaching which means it is meat smoking time once again.

The council will be selling Sliced Brisket, Pork Ribs and Chicken in the Parish Hall Foyer on Super Bowl Sunday February 5th from 7:30am to 11am or while supplies last. Don't miss your chance to impress your friends and party goers with this renowned delicious smoked meat, a must for any serious Super Bowl Party. Meat will be pre-packaged and

ready to eat.

To insure that you have yours, preorder with

Mark Schreiner

(817) 946-9497 or

Mike Cox (817) 229-4988.

"Disorder in society is the result of disorder in the family." **St. Angela Merici**

Fraternal Activity and Interest

Brothers you have been emailed a couple of survey forms in December. It is important that you review these and send them back to the council.

The first is the Survey of Fraternal Activity that provides a summary of your activity over the last year. This will need to be tabulated with all others to provide a council summary to be submitted to Supreme and State at end of the month. The second being an interest Survey that our Worthy Chancellor will use to guide his efforts for the council.

Thank you for your promptness Brothers!

Parish Breakfast January 29th

The Parish Breakfast the month will be unique, it coincides with Catholic Schools Week and we have been asked to provide food at the school cafeteria in addition to the Parish Hall. This will require additional manpower so the council will require more bodies then normal to fulfill the request.

Please keep the day on your calendar and commit to doing one shift.

Hosting Diocesan Chapter Meeting Jan 25th

On January 25th, the night before our regular business meeting, the council will host the Diocesan Chapter Meeting at 5pm.

The Diocesan Chapter is composed of all the

council officers in the area to facilitate activities beyond the council scale.

In hosting this event the council provides space to conduct the meeting as well as providing a meal for the attendees. If you can help with hosting activities on Wednesday January 25th please contact Grand Knight Gary Acrey at <u>gacrey@att.net</u>

Membership and Dues

You will have received your dues notice in the last month for the coming year (Yes it is that time again). These funds allow the council to function over the course of the year. This is not the only money generated by the council but it is the most reliable income of the year and much of it goes to seed other money generating activities throughout the year One little known fact is that the council is responsible for paying dues to both Supreme and State for any member regardless if that member has paid the council or not.

Tom Mahony is in the process of forming a retention committee to work with past due members, if you have an interest in working with Tom in this effort please

contact him at tom@tmahony.com

If you are aware of financial circumstances of a member that would hinder his ability to pay his dues or if you have suffered events that impede your ability to pay please contact Tom Mahony or William Gigl at wjgigl@sbcglobal.net or 817-294-4141 so arrangements may be made. Page 3



The council has \$7,305 in outstanding dues as of December 2016.

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Chaplin S.K. Rev. John Mark Klaus

Grand Knight Gary Acrey

Deputy Grand Knight S.K. William Otto

Warden Ronald Reed

Chancellor S.K. Albert Chase

Recorder S.K. Michael Kennedy

Treasurer S.K. David Friedman

Financial Secretary S.K. William Gigl

Lecturer S.K. Thomas Mahony

Inside Guard S.K. Ronnie Yale

Outside Guard Albert Laguna

Trustee Three Year S.K. Randall Poydock

Trustee Two Year S.K. David Pels

Trustee One Year S.K. John Thibodeau



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St. Andrews Council 9868 supports St. Andrews Catholic Church and St. Andrews Catholic School.

Council Meets the 4th Thursday of Every Month

Officer Meeting at 6pm

Council Meeting at 7:30

Council Meets in Rooms 146/147 in the Parish Hall behind St Andrews Catholic Church

3314 Dryden Road Fort Worth, Texas 76109

Word from your Recorder

I hope that you have enjoyed the first issue of the newsletter. Since I started in the role of Recorder for the council I have had to hit the ground running. My primary role is to keep minutes of our business meetings which have taken me a few months to fully embrace. I have tried to write them in a manner so that a reading of them will bring you up to date with the happenings of the council.

It has taken a while but you will be able to access past meeting minutes on the web site as well as view the proposed minutes for our next meeting as soon as they are available. I would encourage you to view these prior to our meeting and if there are corrections that need to be made contact me prior to the meeting. This will allow those corrections to take place prior to the meeting and cut down time spent on that issue.

These newsletters will also be posted after initial distribution so you can access them and download at your convenience.

In addition, I have

provided a number of documents that may be useful to vou under council council documents, i.e. the the fraternal surveys that were sent to you via e-mail mail are also posted there if there if you are unable to find the forms sent. I have have also posted a master calendar that can be be downloaded with all dates that we have finalized. If you have information that would be of of interest to your brothers or comments in general please feel free to to contact me at mikekennedy@reagan.com

R Mike Kennedy

K of C Free Throw Contest

The council has selected a day for the annual K of C Free Throw Contest. The Council competition will take place on Saturday, January 28th immediately after the 5:30 mass in the St. Andrews School gym. District competition will take place after the council competition at the same location. Winners will go on to compete at Diocesan contest on February 11th, and then on to State. Contest is open to boys and girls, ages 9 to 14, and participants are required to furnish proof of age, such as a birth certificate, and a written parental consent form found at the event. Completion time will depend on the number of participants.

We will need some knights to help out with both the council competition and the district competition from roughly 6:30pm to 9pm that evening in the School Gym. If you have the time to help out please contact, Al Chase at <u>alchase44@hotmail.com</u> or (817) 975-9196

A Look Ahead

March 1st will mark the beginning of Lent this year; this will start the weekly council fish fry. The council fish fry will be a staple of our activity every week till April 7th. Parish Breakfast on February 26th will mark the long pause till April 9th Palm Sunday followed by regular breakfast at the end of the month (meaning we will have no parish breakfast in March).

Following the last fish fry, we head into smoking hams for Easter once again. So keep that in mind heading forward, and perhaps we can have more sold than last year.

These are the activities on the calendar, which those of you active in the council know, does not take into account those things that seem to present themselves on a weekly basis that need to be accomplished for both the Parish and School. If you thought the council has everything well in hand and they do not need me, you are mistaken. There is always more that can be done. Many projects are proposed and they die on the vine because the same manpower can only do so many things.

If you are a member of the council and wonder how you can help, take time to attend a meeting or contact an officer and see how you can help out.

If you are not a Knight and this newsletter has found its way to your hand, someone must be trying to tell you something. Divine guidance comes in many forms and this might be yours.

Contact a Knight today!

We are not some casual and meaningless product of evolution. Each of us is willed, each of us is loved, each of us is necessary. -Pope Benedict XVI-



January 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 New Year's Day	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12 First Degree 6:30pm	13	14 Diocesan Chapter Conference 8am to noon
15	16	17	18	19 Assembly 3022 Meeting 7:30pm	20	21
22	23	24	25 Western Metroplex Chapter Meeting St Andrew 6:30pm	26 Council Officer Meeting 6:30pm Council Meeting 7:30pm	27	28 Council Free Throw Challenge 6:30pm
29 Parish Breakfast- Parish Hall and School	30	31				



February 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4 Major Degree at St. Andrew
5 Super Bowl BBQ 7:30am to 11am	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 Valentines	15	16 Assembly 3022 Meeting 7:30pm	17	18
19	20 President's Day	21	22 Western Metroplex Chapter Meeting No Location Yet	23 Council Officer Meeting 6:30pm Council Meeting 7:30pm	24	25
26 Council Breakfast	27	28 Fat Tuesday				



February 5, 2017





ST. ANDREW KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS COUNCIL 9868

SMOKED MEAT FOR SUPER BOWL SUNDAY!

The St Andrew Knights of Columbus would like to prepare delicious smoked meat for your Super Bowl gathering.

We will be selling Sliced Brisket, Pork Ribs and Chicken in the Parish Hall Foyer on Sunday February 5th from 7:30 am to 11:00 am (**while supplies last**).

It will be pre-packaged and ready to eat. Just heat and serve.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Free Throw Contest 2017

Knights of Columbus Council 9868 invites all boys and girls, ages 9 to 14, to participate in the local level competition for the 2017 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. The local competition will be held in the Saint Andrew School gym immediately following the 5:30pm Mass on Saturday, January 28, 2017.



Winners of the Council competition will immediately compete at the District competition, also to be held that same evening. Completion time will depend on the number of participants. Winners of the District competition will progress through the Diocesan and state competitions. Participants are required to furnish proof of age, such as a birth certificate, and a written parental consent form found at the event. We look forward to seeing you there! Please contact Al Chase at <u>alchase44@hotmail.com</u> or (817)975-9196 for further information.