



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church

**JULY 2017**

**Council #7613**

**Editor: SK A. C. Rogers**

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**COUNCIL CORNER**

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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR JULY 2017

| DATE             | EVENT                    | TIME & PLACE  |
|------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 7/01/2017, Sat   | Monthly Rosary           | 4:30 PM Church  |
| 7/04/2017, Tues  | Independence Day         |   |
| 7/05/2017, Wed   | CHOC MTG                 | 7:00 PM – Christopher Hall  |
| 7/06/2017, Thurs | Mass & General Meeting   | 7:00 PM - Christopher Hall  |
| 7/09/2017, Sun   | Squires Meeting          | 9:00 AM – Christopher Hall  |
| 7/13/2017, Thurs | Assembly Meeting         | 7:00 PM - Christopher Hall  |
| 7/19/2017, Wed   | Chapter Meeting          | St Patrick Council 8067, 1114 Willow St.<br>San Antonio TX, 78208 |
| 7/20/2017, Thurs | Council Business Meeting | 7:00 PM – Christopher Hall  |
| 7/27/2017, Thurs | 1 <sup>st</sup> Degree   | 7:00 PM – Christopher Hall  |
| 7/30/2017, Sun   | Knights Family Communion | 10:00 AM Mass   |
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## **ASSEMBLY 3018 INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS FOR 2017 – 2018**

On the June 8<sup>th</sup> Assembly 3018 meeting, a very special meeting witnessed by many of the Sir Knights' families was held to install the following officers for the next fiscal year.

Each of the new officers are shown wearing a special colorful emblem which was placed on them as they were ordained to their new responsibility as an officer of the Assembly. Most of the placements of medals onto the new officers were made by their wife's.



**SK Jesse Govea, SK Ralph Sirois, SK Brian Nelson, SK Tom Harty, SK Ray Paige, SK Leo Whitley, MSGR Kevin Ryan, FN Ron Hrcncir, SK Pete Peterson, SK Larry Zoller, SK Roger Mays, & Master Joe Rodriquez**

### **ASSEMBLY 3018 OFFICERS 2017-2018**

**Faithful Navigator: SK Ron Hrcncir**  
**Faithful Captain: SK Pete Peterson**  
**Faithful Pilot: SK Leo Whitley**  
**Faithful Comptroller: SK Jesse Govea**  
**Faithful Inner Sentinel: SK Tom Harty**  
**Faithful Trustee 3<sup>rd</sup> Year: SK Larry Zoller**  
**Faithful Trustee 1<sup>st</sup> Year: SK Brian Nelson**

**Faithful Friar: MSGR Kevin Ryan**  
**Faithful Admiral: Terry Vlack**  
**Faithful Scribe: SK Ray Paige**  
**Faithful Purser: SK Roger Mays**  
**Faithful Outer Sentinel: Empty**  
**Faithful Trustee 2<sup>nd</sup> Year: SK Ralph Sirois**

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# **SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING GRAND KNIGHT**

In recognition of the especially successful accomplishments of GK Ysau Flores serving as the Grand Knight of Council 7613 for the past 2 years, DGK Jon Klauenberg is shown below honoring him with a plaque, a jacket and a lapel pin during the Council 7613 Installation of Officers meeting on June 22.



**DGK Jon Klauenberg honors GK Ysau with an appreciation plaque**



**GK Ysau Flores receiving a Jacket and a Pin**

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# COUNCIL 7613 INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

On June 22, the following listed and pictured officers were installed for the upcoming Fraternal Year 2017-2018.

## SQUIRE OFFICERS

|                            |                       |
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| <b>Marshall</b>            | <b>Adam Nix</b>       |
| <b>Bursar</b>              | <b>Ryan Lee</b>       |
| <b>Notary</b>              | <b>Alex Bauer</b>     |
| <b>Deputy Chief Squire</b> | <b>Jaren Schultz</b>  |
| <b>Chief Squire</b>        | <b>Ryan Kurburski</b> |
| <b>Sentry</b>              | <b>Matt Bauer</b>     |

## COUNCIL OFFICERS

|                            |                             |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Chaplain</b>            | <b>Msgr. Kevin Ryan</b>     |
| <b>Grand Knight</b>        | <b>SK/GK Jon Klauenberg</b> |
| <b>Deputy Grand Knight</b> | <b>DKG Andy Totah</b>       |
| <b>Chancellor</b>          | <b>SK/PGK John Tabet</b>    |
| <b>Recorder</b>            | <b>Michael Bauer</b>        |
| <b>Treasurer</b>           | <b>SK Richard Lee</b>       |
| <b>Advocate</b>            | <b>SK Pete Peterson</b>     |
| <b>Lecturer</b>            | <b>SK Lyle Bird</b>         |
| <b>Warden</b>              | <b>SK Gary Richmond</b>     |
| <b>Inside Guard</b>        | <b>Ernie Flores</b>         |
| <b>Outside Guard</b>       | <b>Houston Lee Harris</b>   |
| <b>Financial Secretary</b> | <b>Art Ramirez</b>          |
| <b>3-Yr Trustee</b>        | <b>SK/PGK Ed Garcia</b>     |
| <b>2-Yr Trustee</b>        | <b>SK/PGK Tex Liedtka</b>   |
| <b>1-Yr Trustee</b>        | <b>SK/PGK Ysau Flores</b>   |



**Msgr Kevin Ryan, SK Gary Richmond (Warden), PGK/SK/Trustee Tex Liedtka (2-Yr Trustee), Art Ramirez (Financial Secretary), SK Lyle Bird (Lecturer), SK/GK Jon Klauenberg (Grand Knight), SK Pete Peterson (Advocate), Houston Lee Harris (Outside Guard), DKG Andy Totah (Deputy Grand Knight), SK Richard Lee (Treasurer), District Deputy SK/Marshall Greg Thompson**





**Steve Bauer (Chancellor), Matt Bauer (Sentry), Adam Nix (Marshall), Ryan Lee (Bursar),  
Ryan Kuburski (Chief Squire), Alex Bauer (Notary), Richard Lee (Chief Counselor),  
Monsignor Kevin Ryan**

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## **AWARDS & ACKNOWLEDGMENTS DURING COUNCIL MEETING ON JUNE 1, 2017**



**Allan Cleveland- Appreciation for Assisting in many projects**



**Deacon SK Steve Marques  
Knight of the Month of April**



**SK Frank Parri  
Knight of the Month of May**



**SK Sal Scalia, Knight of the Month of April**



**Andy Totah – Family of the Month**



**Houston Lee Harris – Received the Major Degree**

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## **A NEW KNIGHT HAS JOINED OUR COUNCIL**

We are most pleased to have received Joel Montalvo as a new member of our Council. Let us all give Joel a warm welcome to our meetings and involve him in our activities as a friend and “brother Knight”.

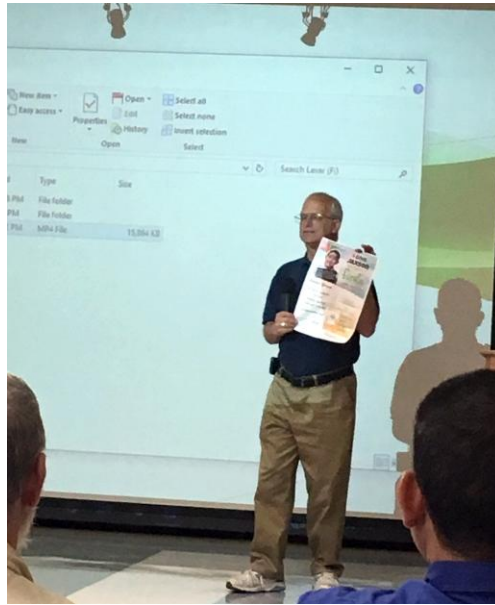


**Joel Montalvo – 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Knight**



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## ONGOING & FORTHCOMING EVENTS



### **SK Dr. John Green Announcing Blood Drive on June 11 at Christopher Hall from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm**

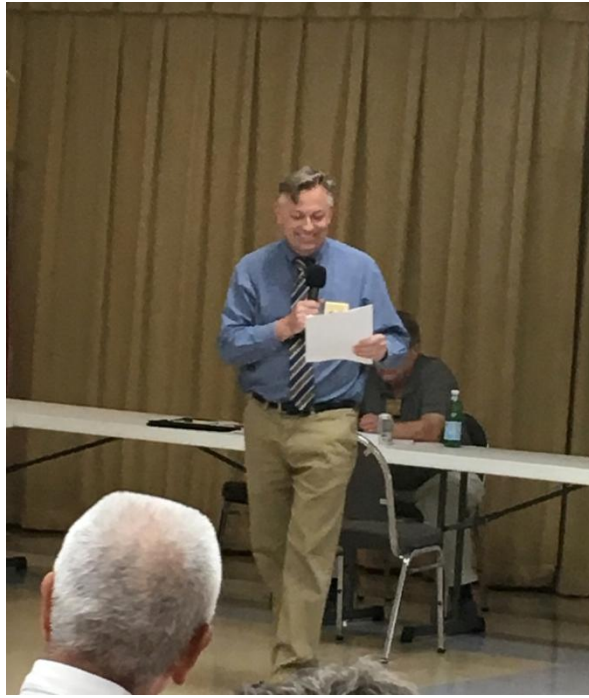
SK Ray Paige, shown below, encouraged us all to donate items to our troops such as calendars, note pads, all types of cards (birthday, thinking of you, get well, sympathy etc.), and religious items (prayer books and cards, rosaries, trinkets, etc.). Many of us get these items in the mail from different agencies who need/want our financial support.

He said the items he collects are donated to our troops and their families thru the BAMC Chapel, the Warrior and Family Support Center at Fort Sam, the VA Fisher House and other agencies. etc. If you would like to donate items to the troops/families, please bring your items to the next K of C meeting or drop them off with Pat in St Mark's Pastoral Office and he will pick them up for distribution.



### **SK Ray Paige – Requests Items for Our Troops**

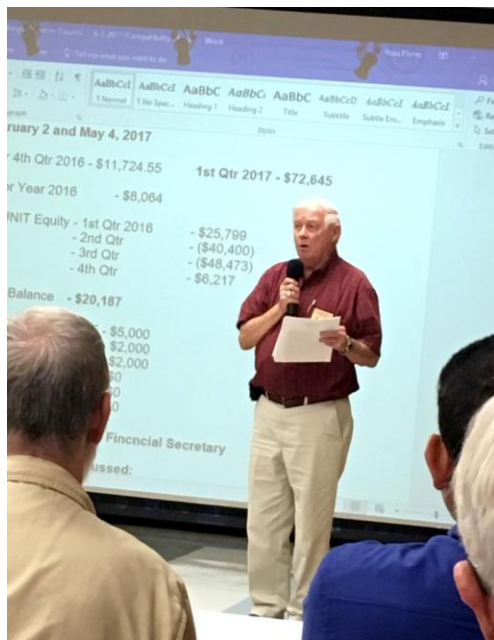




**Dr. Steve Bauer – Squires Report**

SK Stephen Rohrbough, Council Bingo Operator shown below, provided a check for \$3,000 to the Council as a distribution from the Blanco Bingo Unit net profits for the 1st Quarter's 2017 successful Bingo operation. We not only welcome this money, but we now can make added donations to deserving Council Charities.

SK Rohrbough provided an in depth 'State of the Bingo Union' report about Bingo Operations in the five charity Unit operation. This distribution is our first in over a year due to reduced revenues brought about by 8 months of road construction on Blanco Road and the resulting reduced Bingo Player attendance. SK Rohrbough said "We have bounced back from a difficult time and are now ready to receive Bingo distributions from Blanco Bingo Unit more frequently in the future".



**SK Steve Rohrbough – Council Bingo Director**

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## THE WHEELCHAIR PROJECT

SK Sam Szalwinski, shown below at the May Council 7613 meeting, discussed the current progress of the Wheelchair campaign and requested that our Knights volunteer to manage the tables in the gathering area of the June 3 & 4 Masses. For a very interesting wheelchair story, see the video at the end of this section.

At all the June 3 & 4 Masses, SK Sam requested that the congregation stop by our KOC table in the gathering area and make a wheelchair donation to help make immobile people mobile.

SK Sam Szwalinski is in his 10<sup>th</sup> year of heading up the acquisition and distribution of wheelchairs to those in need. Described below are a number of Sam's remembrances and wheelchair activities regarding his "wheelchair ventures" that was included in his talk at the June 3 & 4 Masses.

1. At the very first distribution, which took place in Nuevo Laredo, Chris Lewis, the President and CEO of the American Wheelchair Missions, told us to give the recipient a hug to show full appreciation of what we were doing. Due to the tears shed by the recipient and myself, I was assured that we did not have to speak each other's language to know our thoughts of gratitude.
2. A man on steel pipe crutches weighing about 10 pounds each tossed his crutches on the side of a grassy mound as he received his wheelchair. He said in Spanish that he did not need these heavy crutches anymore. Later that day, we saw him on a street corner in his wheelchair shining shoes.
3. The saddest memory of all is in regards to a lady just west of Mexico City who had lost both legs at her groin in an automobile accident. During the wheelchair distribution, she asked a priest serving with us from California if he could prophecy when her legs would grow back. I did not hear his response but can only imagine the challenge he faced.
4. Every major city in Mexico has a Rehab Center for children up to age 18. About four years ago such a center was built in San Antonio in the vicinity of Wurzbach Parkway and Thousand Oaks. Each time that we have distributed wheelchairs at several of these Children Rehab Centers including the one in San Antonio, either the children or their parents have presented us with thank you notes.
5. In the United States we have distributed many wheelchairs twice in Selma Alabama and three times in San Antonio. The wheelchairs have been donated to Clergy Retirement Centers, the Christus Santa Rosa Hospitals, the Audi Murphy VA Hospital, the CRIT Center and many individuals in need.



**SK PGK Sam Szalwinski at the Council 7613 Meeting on May 4**

- **Special Promotional Video**

The following web site includes some wonderful wheelchair information and a “must see” video: <http://www.stmarkevangelist.com/current-events/news-items/KC-7613-s-wheelchair-ministry-needs-your-help.aspx>. Just “mouse click” on the above web site to bring forth the information.

- **Special Request**

We are about \$12,000 short of the traditional \$35,000 that is regularly raised. Please donate by writing a check for at least \$150 to the American Wheelchair Mission and give the check to PGK Sam Szalwinski.

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## **AN ADDITION TO THE MEMORIAL CROSS**

In honor of deceased SK Manuel Marin, the Marin family with his wife Mrs. Helen Marin donated \$1,000 to KC 7613’s Christopher Hall and had a memorial plate added to the Memorial Cross. Below are pictures of Mrs. Helen Marin with two of the Marin family and Deacon Fox. Mrs. Helen Marin is shown below identifying her husband’s memorial plate.



**Deacon Fox & Mrs. Helen Marin with 2 of her family members**



**Mrs. Helen Marin**



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# GOLF TOURNAMENT

Thanks to Tony Aldrich and SK Pete Peterson for coordinating such a successful golf tournament on Saturday, June 17. Thanks also goes to about 80 golfers whose participation raised nearly \$5,000 for St. Mark's Ministries. Following are photographs of many of our participating golfers.



**Teams Registering in the Golf Tournament**



**Teams Set to Start Golf Tournament**



**Tournament Co-Dir.  
SK Pete Peterson**



**SK Maurice P Tollette Jr**



**Tony A. presenting Sponsor Award to Maurice Tollette**





**1<sup>st</sup> Place Peoria - GK Ysau, Hector M., Stephen R. and Dan A.**



**Tony A. presenting Eric Luis the Sponsor Award**



**Andy Totah, Joseph Totah, and Will Griffin**



**Sponsor Todd Zimmerman and Tournament Coordinator Tony Alrich**



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# BLOOD DRIVE

The Council had a quarterly Blood Drive June 11th in Christopher Hall. A total of 46 people attempted to donate and 35 were found suitable. Thirty of those gave single units and 5 gave double units for a total of 40 units of blood collected. See the happy faces of (most of) those pictured below as they were in the prone position “*being bled*”.



**Andy Totah**



**SK Gary Richmond**



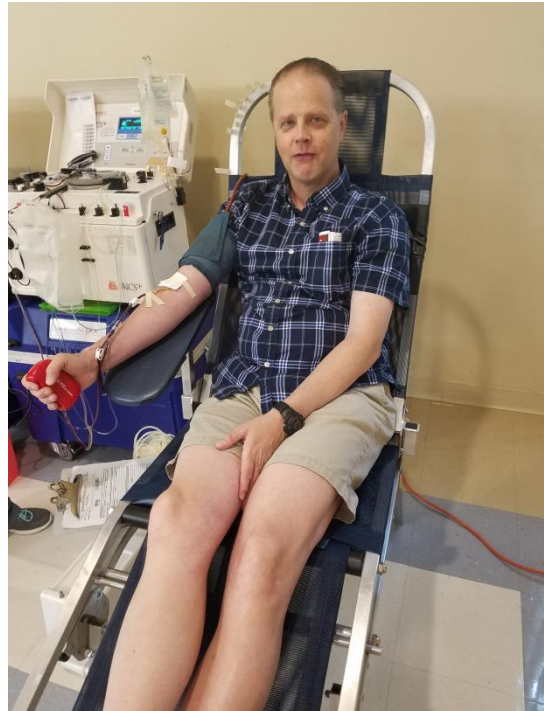
**Carroll Migura**



**Joseph Velten**



**Deacon SK Steven Marques**

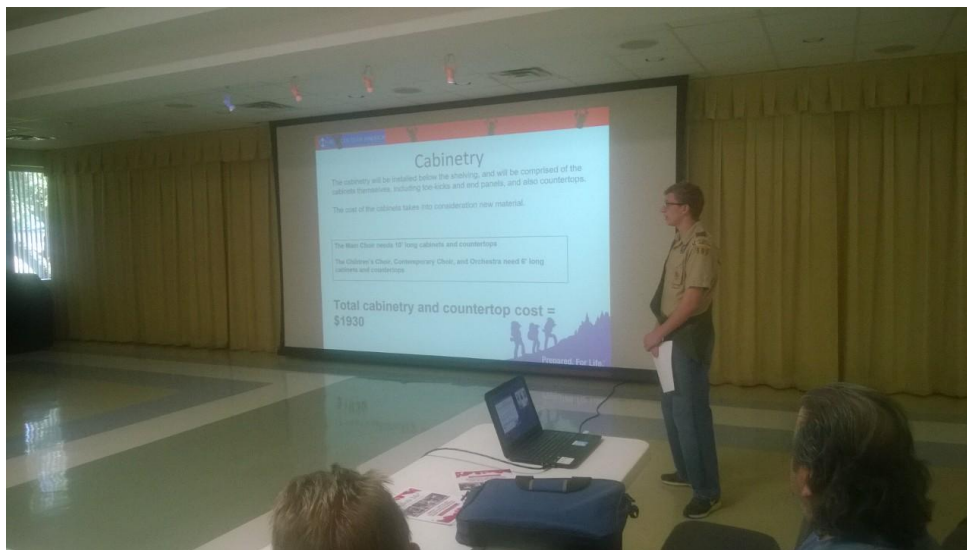


**SK Bruce Magnuson**

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## **NICOLAS ROKEY'S EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT**

For his Eagle Scout project, Nicolas Rokey (shown below) will be constructing and installing shelving and cabinetry within the St. Mark's Music Room behind the Main Worship Hall for the various St. Mark's music groups. Currently the Main Choir, Contemporary Choir, Children's Choir, and Orchestra have to store their music binders and hymnals in plastic bins scattered around the room, so the shelving and cabinetry will provide a designated storage space as well as a work space for those groups.



**Nicolas Rokey presenting his Eagle Scout project at the June 1<sup>st</sup> General Meeting of Council 7613**