



COUNCIL # 6557

NEWSLETTER

July 2019

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GRAND KNIGHT REPORT

Brothers and Friends,



How time flies, my two-year term as Grand Knight has come to an end. It's been an honor to serve the council. It is now time to pass the leadership of the council to a new team. SK Frederick Sunderman has been installed as the new Grand Knight as of July 1st.

I will continue to support the council as a Trustee and to help keep our council strong and exceptional.

Thanks for letting me serve you.

Vivat Jesus!

Harold Schambach

Past Grand Knight

Thank you for taking on the responsibility of being our council's Grand Knight. Over the last two-years through your example of faith, charity and sound judgment, you have provided a model to follow. Your leadership can set a tone that is open and engaging, which will ensure growth in our future charitable outreach and membership.



Grand Knight

Frederick Sunderman

Deputy Grand Knight

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Kevin Youll

Warden

Danny Spurlock

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Financial Secretary

Bill Moeller

Inside Guard

Eric Salley

Outside Guard

Galicano Tenido

Outside Guard

Dwayne Richardson

Lecturer

Jerry Leiker

Advocate

Luis Nieto

Trustee (1 YR)

Arnold Rodriguez

Trustee (2 YR)

Phil Rimoldi

Trustee (3 YR)

Harold Schambach



PRAYER LIST

Bishop Nold Council 6557

June 2019

All ongoing Prayer requests are on the bottom.

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

For prayer request or removing names, please contact

GK Harold Schambach grandknight6557@aol.com (832) 526-0141

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:

Rosemary Sepulveda wife of SK Jaime Sepulveda, knee surgery (June 2019)

Rev. Ryan Stawaisz, assigned to Prince of Peace parish, cancer (June 2019)

Arlean Thawney, relative of Brother Eric Salley, childhood phenomena (June 2019)

SK Ricky Rogers recovering from gallbladder surgery (June 2019)

Nicky St. Cyr - wife of deceased Brother Bob St. Cyr, health (June 2019)

SK Paul "Yogi" Ybarra, recovering from a heart attack (June 2019)

Suzy Fritsch sister of Brother Jay Kemper, recovering from pneumonia (June 2019)

SK Walter and Gerry White, health (May 2019)

Brother George Adams, health issues (May 2019)

Shirley Elliott, wife of SK Jack Elliott health issues (May 2019)

Joseph Ledwig son of SK Jim Ledwig health issues (April 2019)

SK Don Hollis undergoing chemotherapy (April 2019)

SK Chuck Keesee recovering from heart surgery (April 2019)

Bernadette Motiska wife of Brother Bill Motiska recently diagnosed with a serious illness (April 2019)

SK Rich Laboda, undergoing chemotherapy for treatment of cancer (April 2019)

SK Mark Piron, health (April 2019)

Brother Mike Romeo recovering from abdominal surgery (April 2019)

Brother Joe Kubeckka health (April 2019)

Carol Adams wife of Brother George Adams, health issues (March 2018)

Dan Nash, brother of Brother Richard Nash is undergoing medical tests (April 2019)

Maryellen Silva daughter of Brother Richard Nash is in Memorial Hermann the Woodlands for some blood issues (April 2019)

John Drobne uncle of Brother David Dancsak, cancer (February 2019)

SK Mike Curtin health (February 2019)

Father Vincent Nguyen past parochial vicar at SSJ recovering from surgery (January 2019)

Brother Doug Saunders mother who fell and broke her back and neck (December 2018)
Shirley Large, deceased wife of Brother Brady Large, health problems (December 2018)
Cassidy O'Rourke and Amelia Richardson, granddaughters of SK Jack Elliott, have been diagnosed with RSV. (December 2018)
SK Jerry Leiker, health issues (December 2018)
Stacy Laycock, friend of SK Jamie Sepulveda, cancer (December 2018)
GK Sherman Hannasch brother of SK Robert Hannasch, has been diagnosed with liver cancer (November 2018)
Alfio J. Brindisi friend of Brother Timothy Wilson, recovering from a triple bypass and a recent fall at a local Philadelphia department store. (November 2018)
SK Casmer Bashinski, experiencing severe back pain (November 2018)
Santos Ramos, relative of John Pachecano surgery (November 2018)
GK Nick Bazan of Council 10872 undergoing chemo treatments (November 2018)
Nicky St Cyr wife of past Brother Bob St Cyr recovering from a fall (November 2018)
Brother David Behen who suffered a stroke and will require surgery (November 2018)
Rose DeForke sister-in-law of SK Jim Ledwig, cancer (October 2018)
Kimberly Conon, sister of Broher Eric Salley, back problems (October 2018)
Sharon Hodel, daughter of Brother Frank Hodel, cancer (October 2018)
Phil Pekata friend of Brother Fred Heberle who was hospitalized with a serious motorcycle injury (September 2018)
Betty McHenry wife of PGK Dan McHenry scheduled for major back surgery (September 2018)
Brother Ed Lucy, illness (September 2018)
Jenny Hoelscher wife of Brother Stewart Hoelscher, illness (September 2018)
Susan Nash wife of Brother Dick Nash who fell and broke her leg (September 2018)
Deanna Bashinski wife of SK Casmer Bashinski, recovering from a fall (August 2018)
Brother Frank Hodel health (July 2018)
Leta Johnson, grandmother of Brother Grady Johnson eye problem (July 2018)
Santos Ramos relative of SK John Pachecano, will be undergoing dialysis (July 2018)
Debbie Biesenbach, sister of Brother Mark Hefferly, illness (July 2018)
Brian Balmes, son of Brother Fred Balmes, recovering from cancer surgery (June 2018)
Brother Tom and Karen Kurland, Health (May 2018)
SK Dennis Pomonis health problems (March 2018)
Laura Davis wife of Brother Ron Davis Jr. – Cancer (October 2017)

Ongoing Prayer Requests

Our Catholic Church for repentance, renewal and rebuilding during this trying time

Our parish priest and deacons

Our Bishops, priests, deacons, religious, and seminarians for strength and wisdom

Pope Francis

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Our Men and Women serving in the Military

Deceased member of the military who gave their lives to protect our country

Our Country and Religious Liberty

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 and may they rejoice in your Kingdom. AMEN

Brother Knights:

Brother Ronald Naccari, relative of SK Mike Romeo (June 2019)

Brother Thomas Vaselakos (May 2019)

Brother Adolph Sebesta (April 2019)
Brother Terence Bitowf (March 2019)
Clarence Mendel (January 2019)
SK Jim Lowney (December 2018)
SK Ray Wert (May 2017)
Family / Friends
Frank Hodel Sr., father of Brother Frank Hodel, WW II veteran (June 2019)
Amanda Williams, wife of Brother Steven Fielder's nephew (June 2019)
Mary Hamm a friend of SK Ricky Rogers (June 2019)
Francine Marie Merlock wife of past Brother Patrick Merlock (May 2019)
Joe Nieto brother of Brother Luis Nieto (May 2019)
Victor Sabala, Luis Nieto son's father-in-law (February 2019)
Joyce Becker sister of Brother Alex Chaney (February 2019)
Jacinta Njoku sister of Brother Emmanuel Njoku (February 2019)
Lovenia Lazare mother of Brother Leonard Lazare
Joe Donahue, parishioner of Sts. Simon & Jude (February 2019)
Frances Dancsak, mother of Brother David Dancsak (January 2019)
Kenneth A. Goss, friend of Brother Tim Wilson (January 2019)
Greg Hershner, nephew of Brother Mike Effler (January 2019)
Charles (Jake) Lockbaum, uncle of Brother Tim Wilson (December 2018)
Ian O'Donohue, brother of Brother Terry O'Donohue (December 2018)
Mary Hodel wife of Brother Frank who passed away in December 1997
Nicholas Peter Recchi II of Berwyn, PA. is the father of Brother Tim Wilson's brother-in-law
(October 2018)
Jerry Hodges a friend of SK Rich LaBoda (September 2018)
Aurora Perez mother-in-law of SK Mark Votsmier (September 2018)
Hewitt Clarke father-in-law of Richard Clausen, son of Brother George Clausen (September
2018)
Juan Aguilera brother of Susan Aguilera (SSJ Registrar) (August 2018)
Shawna Kent wife of SK David Polasek's coworker (August 2018)
SK George Varosky, brother of Brother Ed Varosky (August 2018)
Rita Votsmier, mother of SK Mark Votsmier (July 2018)
Eileen Cosgrove, mother in law of Brother Dennis Kozak (July 2018)
Peggy Johnson Seigle, mother of SK J.D. Seigle (June 2018)
Steven Brooks, grandson of PGK Dan McHenry (June 2018)



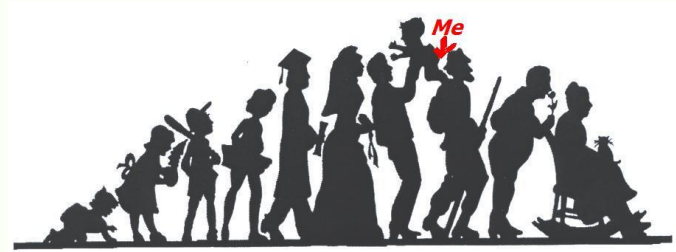


July BIRTHDAYS




Daniel Adames
 James H Arnold
 Michael C Chaney
 Jay M Chapman
 Alexander T Cheyney
 Eric A Cheyney
 Joseph M Chopek
 Raymond J Colvin
 Gonzalo Coronado
 Krzysztof Cupial
 Thomas J Frantes
 Larry H Hawkins
 Christopher J Hoffart
 Joseph W Hofferek
 Robert C Kirkpatrick
 Michael B Klekar

Leonard C Lazare
 Larry E Lemoine
 Robert E Martinez
 Billy R Mayo
 Joseph A Mignogna
 William J Moeller
 Frank Mullins
 Lupe S Nunez
 Terrence J O'Donohue
 Rudolph R Palkowetz
 Gary S Reel
 Jose A Rodriguez
 Boyd W Schafer
 Patrick F Thibeaux
 Chase A Uselman
 Paul Ybarra, PFN
 Kevin A Youll

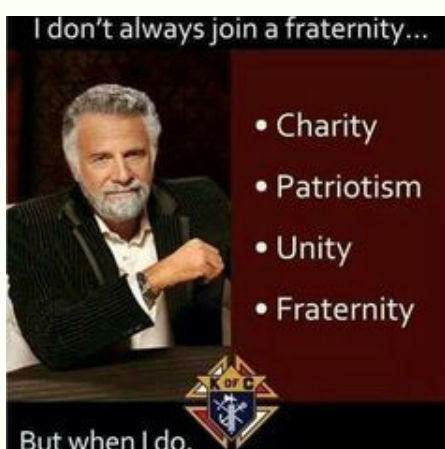


Issues with Growing Older

**When I get old, I'm going to
 move in with my kids,
 hog the computer,
 pay no bills,
 eat all the food,
 trash the house,
 and when asked to clean,
 pitch a fit like it's killing me!**




**"I'D LIKE A ROUND TABLE!"
 Some of us have taken being a
 Knight to the next level**



"I did it for the children," Krajewski told Italian newspaper Corriere della Sera, according to the country's news agency, [ANSA](#).

Power and hot water had been out since May 6 because of unpaid bills totaling €300,000, but more than 400 people, including about 100 children were living in the space, [ANSA reported](#).

The news agency says that the building has also become a cultural hub, with shops and other communal spaces for its occupants and activists.

Krajewski said he'd assume responsibility for the action.

"It was a desperate gesture," he told media outlets, [according to Vatican News](#). "The absurd thing is that we are in the heart of Rome. Nearly five hundred people left to themselves. They are families who have no place to go, people who struggle to survive."

A cardinal and top aide to Pope Francis in charge of charity to the poor climbed down a manhole to restore power to an occupied building that hadn't had electricity for a week.

Cardinal Konrad Krajewski told local media he personally turned meters back on over the weekend at the building in Rome, which has been illegally occupied by homeless people, including families with children, since 2013.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

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State Deputy, last living Past State Deputy, Territorial Deputy, delegates to the Supreme Council, Supreme Council Officers, Board of Directors and Past Supreme Knight.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS/
SUPREME COUNCIL OFFICERS

STATE COUNCIL
Grand Knights, Immediate Past Grand Knights,
State Officers and last living Past State Deputy

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Treasurer

Advocate

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Trustees

Chaplain

Financial Secretary

Lecturer

Elected

Appointed



Pictures from Family Night

June 27, 2019.

A great meal was served.

Also, we had the Installation of officers for the next fraternal year.



SK Frederick Sunderman Grand Knight July 1st 2019





2019 Calendar of Events

- Casino trip to Coshatta on Saturday, July 13
- Saturday October 5th - 4th Degree Host Assembly exemplification:

Bishop John L. Morkovsky Assembly #2243 in Sugar Land
Address: St. Theresa Catholic Church

705 St. Theresa Blvd., Sugar Land, TX 77498

Date: Saturday, October 5, 2019

The exemplification flyer and the Candidates and Sir Knights registration forms will be published as soon as they are ready.

If interested in joining the 4th degree, please contact Mark Votsmier, votsmier@sbcglobal.net or Bill Moeller, billmoeller78@gmail.com

- Sunday October 6th - Family Picnic (Tentative)
- Wednesday November 6th - Memorial Mass for Deceased Brothers, SSJ @
- 7 PM Sunday December 8th - Council Christmas Party

Father Pat at St Paul's Pilgrimage Tenth-anniversary Ordination SMS Class of 2009



From the desk of Jay Kemper

Volunteers from Sts. Simon & Jude and St. Anthony of Padua (including current Brother Knights from KofC Council 6557) recently completed construction of a house for the Jones Family in Conroe. Volunteers built the house from the ground up and did all work except the plumbing, electrical work, HVAC, roofing shingles, sheet rock, flooring, and cabinets. The house was turned over to the family and they are expected to move in soon after obtaining their mortgage financing. Construction of a new home typically lasts from November to May with the volunteers working every other Saturday during that time frame. For more information, please contact Jay Kemper or Jack Elliott.



Front of the Completed 3-Bedroom Home



The Jones Family at the House Dedication



The Jones Family with some of the Volunteers at the House Dedication

From the desk of Bill Moeller



Welcome our newest Brother Knight Max Gonzales. Max joined our council on June 17 at the First Degree at St. Edwards and achieved full knighthood at the major degree held at St. Michael the Archangel on June 22. Max is married to Liza. He attends Sts Simon and Jude. He has been active in youth faith formation, recently the Mens Club and looking to be active with our Council. Pictured is Max (in center) after the 3rd degree with Worthy Diocesan Deputy John Hinojosa (left) and FS Bill Moeller, Former Diocesan Deputy (right). WELCOME MAX AND LIZA!!!



Congratulations to Albert Rambaud and Galley Tenido as they progressed to 4th Degree Sir Knights at the Spring 2019 Exemplification in Port Arthur.

Keep safe out there folks, hot weather approaches! Remember to stay hydrated and wear sunscreen and proper clothing

WHAT TO WATCH FOR

Heatstroke

- Throbbing Headache
- No Sweating
- Red, Hot, Dry Skin
- Change in Mental State

Heat Exhaustion

- Faint or Dizzy
- Excessive Sweating
- Cool, Pale, Clammy Skin
- Muscle Cramps

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#HeatHacks

Hydration for You and Pets

Hiking with Friends

Dressing Smart for the Heat

PREVENT AGAINST HEAT-RELATED ILLNESS ON THE TRAIL BY:

Eating Healthy Salty Snacks

Planning Ahead

Wearing Sunscreen

From the desk of Herb Sommer

Attention all Knights/Reporters.....

How to Recognize a News Story Information for our Newsletter, sources must describe local, timely, newsworthy events that will appeal to a broad audience. The following is a sample list of council activities that may be of interest. Do not feel limited by the items in this list, as there are bound to be other activities unique to our council and community. I am looking forward to your event being posted on the next newsletter.

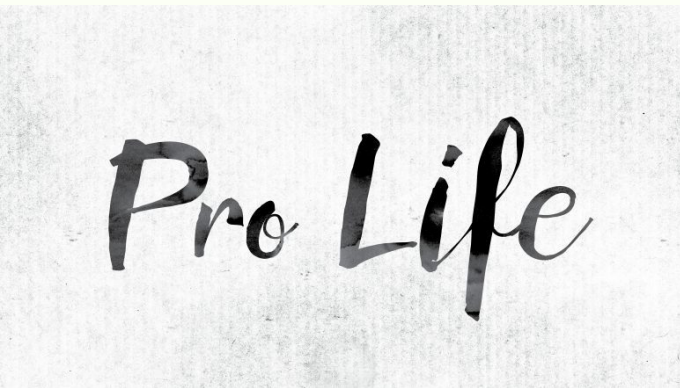
- Charitable activities such as Coats for Kids distributions, Food for Families collections, support for Special Olympics or Habitat for Humanity, wheelchair deliveries or any other program that helps people in need
- Awards presented to members or to the council, and awards the council presents to others
- Number of new members recruited during a membership drive
- New officers
- Basketball Free-Throw Championship, "Keep Christ in Christmas" art contest, Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest, and Soccer Challenge
- Senior citizens programs
- Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP)
- Fund raising projects for people with intellectual and/or physical disabilities
- Sponsored cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) courses, blood drives or other health-related courses
- Unusual or extensive church renovations
- Student loan programs, scholarship winners
- Other community service or fund raising projects
- Hands-on assistance to families that have suffered personal disaster, loss or illness
- Support for members of the military and their families
- Council awards presented to "Family of the Year" and "Knight of the Year"
- Local results of Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity
- Financial contributions to community agencies
- Major anniversaries or related activities
- Almost anything that is superlative: biggest, smallest, latest, newest, oldest



SSJ Love Lighters luncheon sponsored by our council and the SSJ Woman's Club. Pictured in the photo are Glenda Thames (left) and Clara Bielanic (President - center) and Harold Schambach Grand Knight.

My Brother Knights,

What a wonderful and unique gift God lovingly creates when He brings a child into this world. His care and concern are obvious in their little toes. His Love and creativity are evident in their curious eyes. And His perfect will and complete understanding show through in their distinct identities.



God is present with each child even before birth and He knows their every milestone. He knows when their heart starts beating at 21 days after conception. He sees when their eyes develop color at 36 days. And He can count their tiny little fingers less than 6 weeks after conception. God knows every child, born and unborn, and He Loves them with a Love so vast it is beyond understanding. You watched me as I was being formed in utter seclusion, as I was woven together in the dark of the womb. You saw me before I was born. I raise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

My Brothers please invite your Family, friends and anyone that can help fight the worst form of child abuse which is called abortion. Our next opportunity to help the Helpers of God's Precious Infants will be on Saturday July 20, 2019 for an 8:15 Mass at St Anne Catholic Church which is located at

2140 Westheimer Rd. Houston, Tx 77098 followed by a Rosary at Houston Women's Center located 4820 San Jacinto, Houston, Tx 77004. Parking along Caroline St.

Brothers it's time we take a stand and be the voice of the voiceless and give Life to possible. Because as we stand together much can be accomplished!!!!

Your Brother n Christ

Paul(Yogi)Ybarra Jr.

John Flanagan Memorial Home Association (JFMHA) News



- Mike Cox is the JFMHA Rental Chairman
- Ted DeMatteo is heading up the kitchen renovation efforts and anticipates being done by July
- Council-directed funds from the Watkins Benefit have assisted in improvements to the parking lot lights; asphalt parking lot expansion; men's' & ladies' restroom; hall floor tile replacement; HVAC unit replacement; and A/V projector-sound system.

Check out our web advertising, click on the link> https://youtu.be/a7mEd8_IluE



Fourth Degree Turn Out at Sts. Simon and Jude Sunday 9:30 AM Mass with the Red Rose honoring Pro-Life. Thank you Sir Knights and especially Iron man Phil for carrying the Rose at all 6 masses for the 3rd consecutive year! Honored to be your co-pilot!

