



COUNCIL # 6557

NEWSLETTER

September 2019

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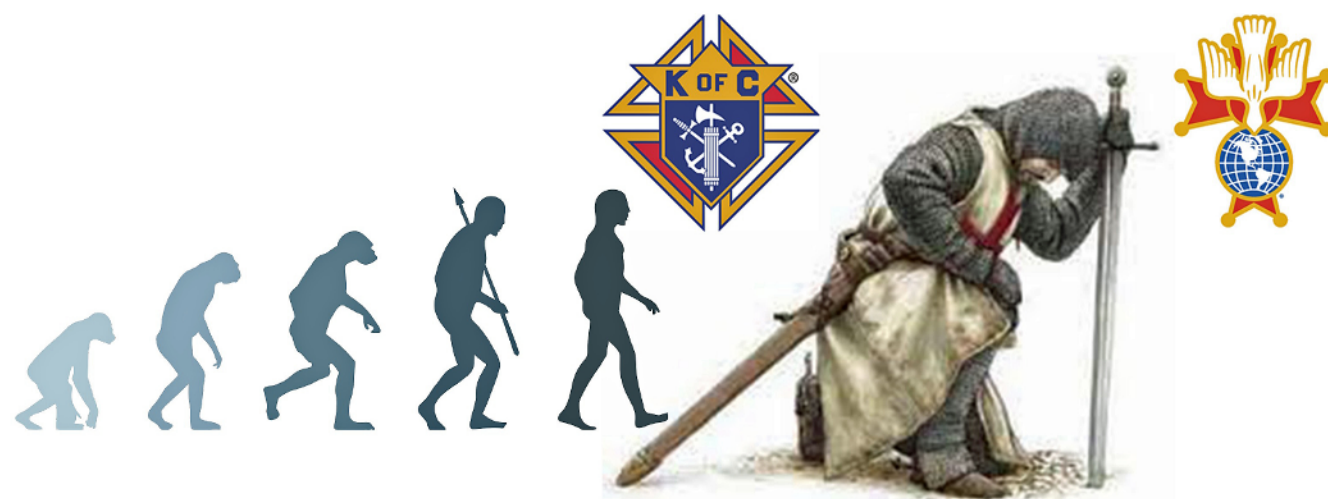
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I would like to remind everyone of the importance of maintaining the emblem, and I want to share a couple of key teachings. I want to share this with all of you as we head into a busy season as Knights. There are many ways we can be involved with activities and parish events. All members are encouraged to be involved and lead activities you are drawn towards. It can be easy to get so focused on an event that we may lose sight of other key requirements.

First is financials, some activities are fundraisers. To make money, we must invest some. That is why we plan accordingly at business meeting, so we know the cost up front. We enter activities and we do not always know what the return will be. I want to remind you of why we do the activity, yes making money is a focus, but it's also giving our time and sharing our enthusiasm at these events that may draw new members. These are the added benefits of conducting activities. Proper planning includes the follow up report to provide proper accounting, but the added benefit of parishioner interaction and the holidays are often overlooked. For the financial side the order has prepared this by establishing a FS to maintain the financials of the council. This member is not a voted officer, rather appointed by the council and vetted and approved by Supreme. Financial reports are prepared every 6 months by the FS and reviewed by the trustees. These reports are submitted to the State Council and Supreme. Upon their review, a letter is sent back showing council status and a report of council growth.

Second is maintaining the high standards of the order and maintaining the integrity of the emblem. As GK I am responsible for keeping the council in good standing, that means meeting membership growth with activities and new members. New Members must be vetted through application review and interviews. Maintaining the emblem requires not allowing the order to be open to misinterpretation when conducting activities. The K of C is a charitable fraternity of Catholic gentlemen. This means we give of our time to do those works. We wear the shirts or name tags representing the order. We carry ourselves with our Catholic faith open for others to witness (when we pray, stand at vigils, serve at Mass, ...etc.). We must also be aware not to put the order in a position that allows the order to be damaged. That means activities are conducted solely as KofC or in partnership with another parish committees. Activities can include entertainment that we choose to support. We can-not have other entities or businesses conducting business or promoting their agendas at our activities. We don't know their business relationships or clients, some of these unknown factors may conflict with the teachings of the church. If business is performed at our event and news was made that a deal that conflicts with K of C standards was made at a K of C event, that would be a conflict of interest and as GK I would be facing some very difficult times. Therefore, we have an Advocate in the officer ranks, that is why there is usually 20 minutes allotted to the State Advocate at Quarterly meetings to remind councils to be vigilant to keeping the requirement of maintaining the order and emblem. It's an easy way for a council to lose its charter.

I wanted to share this with you as we gear up for the busiest part of the year. We kick off the busy season. I know it is by faith and prayer for our council and parishes that we do what we do.



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From the desk of Jay Kemper



Last month's report highlighted the 33 potential opportunities to increase revenues for Council 6557. The report below provides a status of those opportunities currently being investigated for execution. If you are interested in assisting with any specific fundraisers or wish to join the Fundraising Committee, please contact Jay Kemper @ kemperjh@sbcglobal.net.

STATUS OF SPECIFIC OPPORTUNITIES

Casino Knight – This event continues to be the favorite for our largest new fundraiser and is tentatively scheduled for 1Q 2020. To make money on the event, we will need to solicit sponsors for each casino table (\$50 to \$500 per sponsor @ Bronze, Silver, Gold, or Platinum levels). In addition, there will be a silent auction and drawings for prizes. Kevin Youll has collected several silent auction and/or prize items. This will require the help of all Council members to solicit goods from local businesses.

Wine Tasting – Several local wineries/vineyards have been contacted to determine their interest in participating in a wine tasting event at the KofC Hall in November. The public will be invited to purchase tickets to sample the wines that the wineries have available. The Knights will keep the entry fee for the wine tasting tickets and the vineyards will keep the proceeds from the sale of their wines. One winery has expressed a positive interest and 3 other wineries are considering at this time. We are hoping to get a minimum of 4 wineries to agree to participate before committing to a specific date. KofC costs will include: Temporary Beer & Wine Sales Permit, Hall cleanup, wine glasses, food, tickets, security?, etc. (approx.. \$1,000).

Sale of BBQ Dinners – Ted DeMatteo continues to investigate the feasibility of selling smoked pulled pork, coleslaw, and potato salad dinners (to-go) at locations around the area. The September KofC meeting meal will be used to sample the food.

Movie Knight – Grand Knight Frederick Sunderman has obtained copyright licenses to show movies at the Council Hall and is ready to commence with showing a feature film. Need a volunteer to organize the event.

Knight Night at Local Restaurants (% returned to Knights) – An application was filed with Willies Restaurant and we are awaiting a response.

“UNPLANNED” Movie Night at Sts Simon and Jude



Did you miss the movie UNPLANNED when it was at the movie theaters? The SSJ Pro-Life team will be providing 2 movie nights in September, Tuesday September 3 and Thursday September 12 in the Events Center. Be seated by 6:45 PM and movie begins at 7 PM. The showing is free. Complementary Tickets may be reserved with Regina Lesslar-Hunting at

rclesslar@gmail.com as well as after masses on Aug 24-25, and Sept 1-2.

UNPLANNED isn't a political event. It is the true story of conversion of Abby Johnson, a Planned Parenthood Director in Bryan College Station to a Pro-Life leader, defender of the unborn, and helper for abortion workers who want to leave the abortion industry.

Because of a scene depicting the truth of what an abortion looks like (scene is a computer generated video), the film received an R rating from the Motion Picture Association of America. The irony is that a 15-year-old girl can't go to this movie without parental consent, but she could have an abortion and her parents will never know it. Archbishop Naumann, chair of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities said "If you see one movie this year, see the movie UNPLANNED. The movie depicts the true story of the prayers and compassion of pro-life sidewalk counselors being the human instruments that God used in bring a former Planned Parenthood clinic director, former employee of the year Abby Johnson, out of the abortion clinic into the offices of 40 Days for Life."

Our council will be participating in 40 Days for Life with our parishioners. More details on dates and volunteering will follow. 40 Days for Life will be September 25-Nov 5.

From the desk of Don Fisher

KC golf league info 2019



Our fall golf league starts this September 3rd. We are playing at Panarama golf course in Conroe (exit league line road). We are playing on Tuesdays this fall, starting at 1:30pm. The cost is \$15 dollars for 9 holes, cart and range balls included and an additional \$5 for Charity.

This is the Ninth year for the Knights of Columbus golf league and we usually give \$1,000 to charity each fall and spring. We use a handicap to even out the competition (Rich Eimer is our handicap guru) and to give everyone a chance to be competitive. Come out for fellowship and exercise, and bring a friend, it is a good recruiting tool for new members.



Bishop Nold Council 6557

September 2019

New Additions are in **Bold** for all categories.

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

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PGK 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:

Brother Bill Skinner, hospitalized with breathing problems and other medical issues (August 2019)

SK Rich Laboda, recovering from cancer surgery (August 2019)

Jeremy Jimenez, nephew of John Tatman, has terminal disease (August 2019)

Terry Chaney, daughter in law of Brother Alex Chaney, health (August 2019)

SK John Pachecano (July 2019)

Nellie Mercabo, cancer returned; started chemo (July 2019)

Robert Kirkpatrick, having surgery (July 2019)

Steven Salley, cancer (July 2019)

Brother George Adams (July 2019)

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

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

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

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

SK Walter and Gerry White, health (May 2019)

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

SK Don Hollis health (April 2019)

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

SK Mark Piron, health (April 2019)

Brother Mike Romeo health (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 health (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, back pain (November 2018)

Santos Ramos, relative of John Pachecano surgery (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 Brother 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)

Brother Frank Hodel health (July 2018)

SK Dennis Pomonis health problems (March 2018)

Laura Davis wife of Brother Ron Davis Jr. – Cancer (October 2017)

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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:

SK John Robles, August 2019)

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

GK Nick Bazan of Council 10872 (May 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)

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Family / Friends

Beryl Lucia, sister of SK Dennis Pomonis

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)





SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Brother Knights that are One Year Older and One Year Wiser:



Issues with Growing Older

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| Fred J Balmes | Robert M Reisenauer |
| Raymond L Cashman | Phil G Rimoldi |
| William M Cox | Arnoldo G Rodriguez |
| Andrew J Cuthbert | Roger P Schuering |
| Joe A De La Torre | Val C Suico |
| John P Denholm | Gabriel Tatman |
| Jeffery M Fisher | Gary E Tryon |
| Chris D Gallowitz | Eric M Twardowski |
| Charles Gambacurta | Lynn J Verret |
| Alfred F Gessel | Edward W Wolinski |
| Gabriel A Gutierrez | Thomas Y Woo |
| Donald P Hollis | Terry M Wright |
| Billy W Jackson | |
| John M Janak | |
| Michael S Juenke | |
| Stephen S Kane | |
| Paul E Kirkpatrick | |
| Richard La Boda | |
| Robert L Lowry | |
| Servando Loya | |
| Christoph P Meister | |
| Richard W Morgan | |
| Lyle Kirk Raines | |
| Rene N Ramon | |



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Are You Ready for Some Football Concessions?



We have been awarded 2 High School Football Game Concessions. The dates are

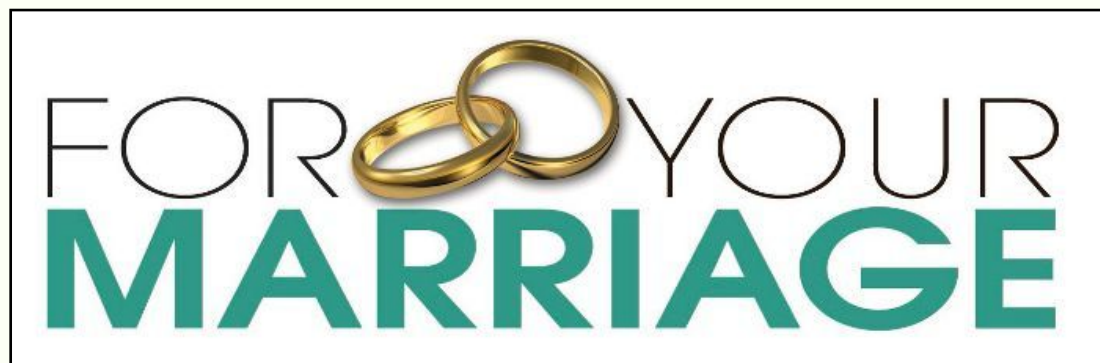
September 27 Klein Collins vs College Park
November 8 Klein Forest vs The Woodlands

We are starting announcements early so that you can get these two games on your schedules. We need about 40 volunteers to cover both sides for both nights. This is a fund raiser that you can do with your spouse, teenage family member or friends. Bring a friend who is a practicing Catholic. Maybe he will be interested in joining the Knights after a fun, busy night of working together, as we raise funds for our charities.

Please consider volunteering. Send responses to Bill Moeller, billmoeller78@gmail.com as soon as you can.

NOTE: AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS, CHECK IN AT THE FAR NORTH ENTRANCE OF WOODFOREST STADIUM. THE GATE GUARDS WILL HAVE YOUR NAME ON THE LIST. YOU WILL NEED TO SHOW ID. THEY WILL TELL YOU TO GO TO HOME OR VISITOR SIDE. PLEASE BE THERE BETWEEN 5:30 PM AND 6:00 PM. WOODFOREST STADIUM IS LOCATED A LITTLE NORTH BEHIND THE I-45 / RESEARCH FOREST HOME DEPOT ON DAVID MEMORIAL DRIVE. IF ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT BILL MOELLER, (832)594-4980.

Catholic Marriage Conference September 28



“Together in Holiness” is a marriage conference series created and implemented by the John Paul II Foundation. We are fortunate that Sts. Simon and Jude is one of only a few parishes nationwide that was chosen to host in 2019. It is a fantastic compliment to the Faith in Action that we stand for as members of the Knights of Columbus. This conference is designed to inspire spouses and empower parents.

This year’s program includes a number of great Catholic speakers, including as the keynote Bishop Strickland of the Diocese of Tyler. Bishop Strickland also serves as our Texas State KC Chaplain. Other speakers include:

Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers – One of the most sought-after speakers in the church today. His expertise includes Marriage and Family Life, Discerning the will of God, the Sacraments, Male Spirituality and others.

Rev. Richard Kramer, Ph.D. – Director of Vocations and Clergy Formation for the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St Peter and a priest at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Walsingham here in Houston.

Trey and Stephanie Cashion – Well known speakers and authors on topics such as Married and Family Life, Sexuality, Parenting, Finances and Leadership.

The Conference will be held here at Sts. Simon and Jude on Saturday, September 28 from 8:00-3:30. The cost is \$59 per couple and childcare is available. More information and the REGISTRATION can be found at the following link:

<https://forlifeandfamily.org/events/th19-htx-tw/>

I hope you will consider attending and joining with others from around the Archdiocese of Galveston Houston who will travel to our parish for this enriching conference.



We still have room for our council’s rescheduled the gaming trip to Coshatta Casino on Saturday September 14, 2019. We will leave from our council hall at 8:00 AM and return around 9:00 PM.

The cost is \$10/person which will be refunded if we signup 40 persons. Drinks and shacks will be provided by the council. You can signup at the Business Meetings, Family Night or email me at grandknight6557@aol.com. We can collect your \$10 on the bus if needed.

From the desk of Paul (Yogi) Ybarra jr.

My Brother Knights,

Abortion is not an evil to be taken lightly and must be fought from the strength of an almighty God. Prayer should be the first line of defense against abortion. All Christians should be praying for the end of abortion in our time, for the women who feel trapped into that terrible choice, for the abortionists to see their evil and repent, and for our society to wake up from the moral slumber that allows such a sin.

There are some things we must never do, as individuals or as a society, because they are always incompatible with love of God and neighbor. These intrinsically evil acts must always be rejected and never supported. A preeminent example is the intentional taking of human life through abortion. It is always morally wrong to destroy innocent human beings. A legal system that allows the right to life to be violated on the grounds of choice is fundamentally flawed. America, the ultimate test of your greatness is the way you treat every human being, but especially the weakest and most defenseless, we must defend Life.

Our next opportunity to support the Helpers of God's Precious Infants will be on Saturday September 21, 2019 for an 8:00 am Mass at St Joseph Catholic Church located at 1501 Kane St Houston, Tx 77007 followed by a Rosary procession at Houston Women's Reproductive Services located at 5225 Katy Fwy, Houston, Tx 77007. Parking will be on Nolda St. Please stand up and be counted as we gather together to end this evil thing called abortion.

Finally, I would like to close with a brief reflection. This month marks the 18th anniversary of the September 11 attacks. Please take some time and offer a rosary for the several thousand souls lost to that most egregious and horrific event. Too many lives are ended every day in this world simply out of hate and misunderstanding. We, as Catholics and as representatives of our nation, must be instruments of the will of God and instruments of His mercy and Love. We will never forget that tragic day, but we will also forge ahead secure in the knowledge that our Heavenly Father Loves us all and forsakes no one. May God grant peace on all those souls, especially the faithfully departed, that ended on September 11, 2001.

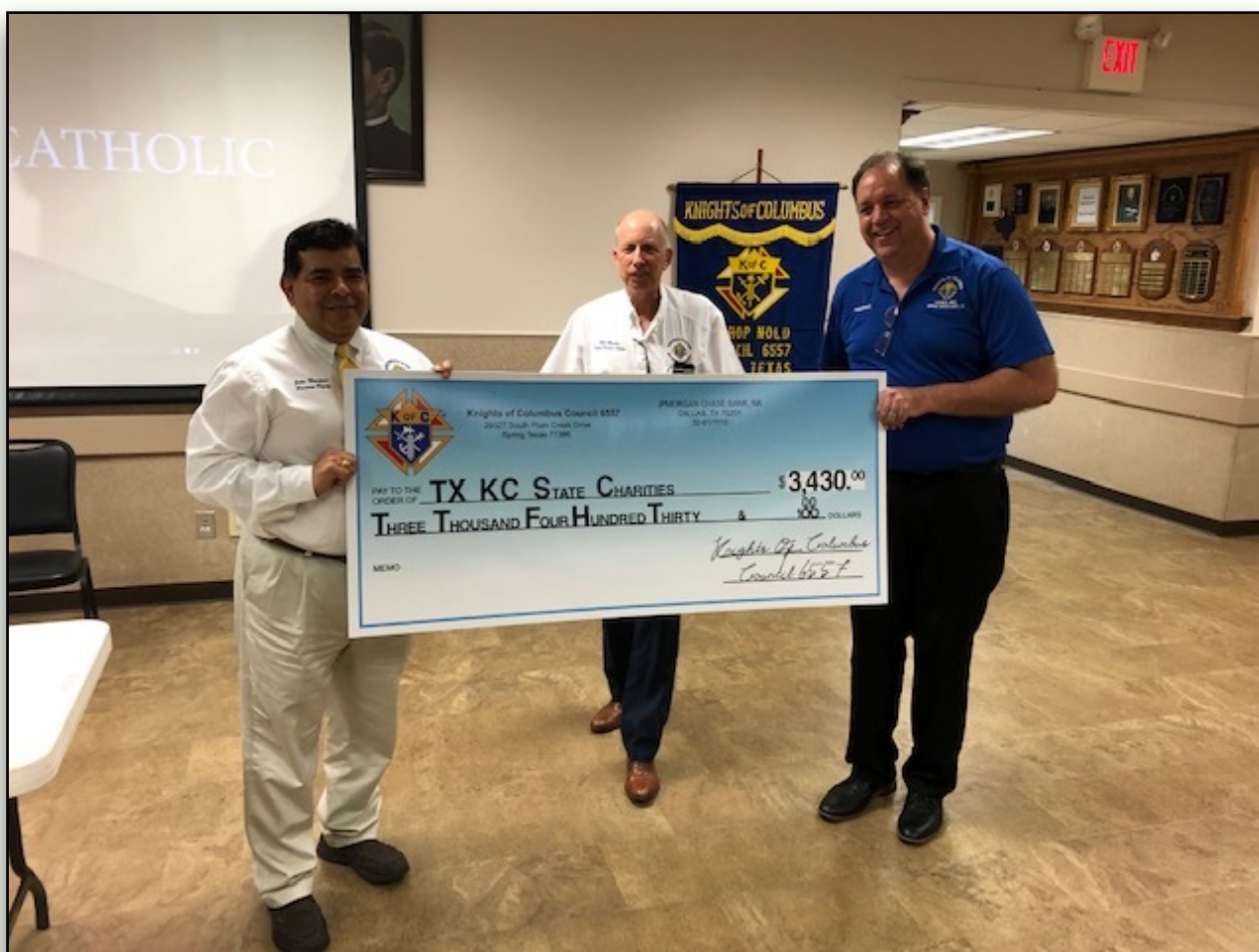
Your Brother in Christ

Paul(Yogi)Ybarra Jr.

Pictures are from August 17 Rosary at the Planned Parenthood Clinic on Louetta



John Hinojosa Diocesan Deputy Knights of Columbus Galveston-Houston Accepting check



Kevin Youll receiving his Brotherhood Degree (3 degree) certificate



Galicano Tenido receiving his Brotherhood Degree (3 degree) certificate



The council is giving out free "IDEA" shots to those reporters who are thinking of submitting articles to the newsletter



Notice to all council Reporters, Taking Pictures.

The way I understand it, you do not need permission to take pictures in a public place for the KoC newsletter. The definition of a public place is where people have no reasonable expectation of privacy. One of the issues we are having, we need to be concerned if someone is under the age of 18. There is always a fine line and not very clear as to know what to do. To be safe we should always require a permission slip for those under 18, and kept on record with the KoC.

However, not needing permission in other cases, doesn't mean you shouldn't as a curiosity inform the subject what we will be doing with his or her picture as verbal permission.