



Knights of Columbus

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UPDATE

Brother Knights,

I hope that everyone had a blessed Thanksgiving Holiday. This is the time of year that offers us a chance to hold our loved ones a little tighter and enjoy the company of family and good friends. With that in mind, our annual Christmas party is coming this Sunday, December 2nd at 4:00 pm, at our hall. The council will provide the meat and drinks and you are asked to bring a favorite covered dish to complete the affair. Most importantly, for the young ones (and the young at heart) Santa will be making an appearance. So join us at the Christmas party and bring the family, a covered dish and a festive spirit.

Brother Robert Green has recently sent out a request to help man the upcoming casinos. There are four casinos fast approaching and we need recruits for all of them. They include the following: on Friday December 7th, for MagnaBlend here at the Waxahachie Civic Center from 8:00 pm to 11:00 pm; on Saturday December 8th, for Vintage Bank at Skyline Ranch, 1801 E. Wheatland Rd. in Dallas from 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm; on Friday December 14th, for North Texas Food Bank here in Waxahachie from 12 noon to 3:00 pm and on Sunday December 16th, for Advanced Fixtures at Pole Position, 10550 John W. Elliot Dr. in Frisco from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Please take a minute to look at your calendar and if you can help at any of these events, please don't hesitate to let Robert know.

The First Degree Team reported that we have two new candidates ready to join our council and with that in mind we will hold a First Degree Ceremony at 7:00 pm before our next regular meeting on December 13th. They also mentioned that some new supplies were needed for the team and a motion was approved to purchase them. Brothers, try to make an effort to attend and don't forget that every member is asked to actively recruit a new member. So don't be afraid to ask your friends or acquaintances in the parish if they want to join the Knights. That may be little the nudge that they need.

If you get a chance, go to our website www.kofc8417.org and check out the pictures of the police and firefighters who enjoyed the appreciation dinner at our hall on November 14th. A special thanks goes out to all those who helped with setting up, cooking and serving to make this a success.

Other brief news items:

The Building Committee is seeking bids for the fence across the front of our property and they will be turned in this month for review.

We are looking into setting up an account at HLH&R Metals Recycling in Waxahachie where we can raise funds by bringing them scrap metals, wire and computers and the council gets the credit.

Brother "Tal" Tallett mentioned that as a member of the Dallas Symphony Chorus he can get tickets to the Holiday performances at the Myerson at a 20% discount, contact him if interested.

The council's annual championship barbeque cook-off will be held March 1st and 2nd at the Texas Motorplex, make plans now to help or participate and don't forget we need corporate sponsors if you can help with that also.

Finally, our District Deputy reminded us that the annual Diocese "Free Throw Contest" would be held on February 17th, with the District contest the week before on the 10th and our council's will be on January 27th.

Church Gossip

Mildred, the church gossip and self-appointed arbiter of the church's morals, kept sticking her nose in the other members' private lives. Church members were unappreciative of her activities, but feared her enough to maintain their silence.

She made a mistake, however, when she accused George, a new member, of being an alcoholic after she saw his pickup truck parked in front of the town's only bar one afternoon.

She commented to George and others that everyone seeing it there would know what he was "doing".

George, a man of few words, stared at her for a moment and just walked away. He didn't explain, defend, or deny; he said nothing.

Later that evening, George quietly parked his pickup in front of Mildred's house... and left it there all night!

Happy November Birthdays to the following Brothers!

Glenn Beck	November 1
Thomas Kreminski	November 5
Ernesto Hernandez	November 7
Daniel Trevino	November 9
Paul Trausch	November 9
Benjamin Wessels	November 10
Robert Garrick	November 11
George Hill	November 15
Robert Golec	November 15
Dennis Bryant	November 15
Eric Gonzalez	November 18

Reynaldo Martinez	November 19
Jorge Pancorvo	November 20
David Bernard	November 20
Andrew Goth	November 20
Genesio Masciulli	November 21
Jack Connelly	November 22
Edwin Spaniel	November 29

Your Worthy Recorder

Keith J. Schumacher