



Knights *focus*

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St. Jude Catholic Church
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The e-Age

by Grand Knight Bill Tillotson

Believe it or not, this newsletter is a monthly publication. Are you surprised?

If you are, then the Council must not have a good e-mail address for you. Or you've blocked my e-mails. You see, the Council has moved into the 21st Century and is doing almost all of our communication via the Internet. If you received this newsletter as a bundle of papers in the mail, we do not have a good e-mail address for you.

Why have we gone in this e-direction? First and foremost is cost. We used to spend upwards of \$1,000 per year to send out newsletters via U.S Mail (otherwise known as "snail mail"). Secondly was manpower – it took several guys (usually the poor Grand Knight) a lot of time to print the newsletters, fold and staple them and haul them off to the post office. Third is timeliness – often, by the time the articles were compiled and formatted into a newsletter, printed and mailed, much of the information had become outdated.

So how do I know what's going on? The central database of our Council is our award winning website that is open 24/7 for you to go find out all about council activities. That site is:

www.kofc7736.org

The point to note here is: *we aren't going back.* We save too much money and manpower that we can plow back into our charity programs by utilizing the Internet.

Hence, if we do not have an e-mail address for you, PLEASE go to the website, click on the Officers link on the left hand side of the page and send an e-mail with your contact info.

If you simply cannot find a way to get e-mail, printed copies of this newsletter are put them in a folder on the bulletin board in our meeting room. Just go by and pick up a copy after whatever mass you attend.

I also ask all Knights of our Council to please make use of our website to find ways to get involved. Our website allows you to "pull" information as you need or want it, as opposed to having it "pushed" to you every week via an e-mail from your Grand Knight.

We are sending out paper copies, along with e-copies, **just this one month.** There are two things going on that have to be transmitted to all brother Knights – officer nominations and the 2012-2013 budget. We have several fine men who have volunteered to lead this Council next year that deserve your support. We also have plans to raise and spend a ton of money and would like your input on that. The budget and slate of officers are presented in this newsletter.

Our regular monthly meeting is TUESDAY, MAY 8 in our meeting room over in the Parish Hall. The slate of officers and budget will be presented there. The election of officers and vote on the budget will be at our regular meeting the next month on TUESDAY JUNE 12.

Vivat Jesus!
Bill

Upcoming Events

- May 4 – Confirmation
Mass
- May 6 – Corporate
Communion
- May 8 – Business Mtg
- May 8 – Scholarship Apps
DUE
- May 12 – Jewel and Junk
Show
- May 13 – Mothers Day
Breakfast
- May 15 – Lady Knights
Mtg
- May 22 – Council Planning
Mtg
- May 26 – Abortion Clinic
- June 2 – BINGO!

Raffle Tickets

Our annual scholarship raffle has started up. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. First prize is \$100 cash, 2nd a diamond ring, and on from there.

WE ARE SELLING TICKETS AFTER EVERY MASS! Please help sell tickets after the Mass you attend – just come out to the north entrance after Communion. WE ALSO ARE NOT MAILING TICKETS OUT TO EVERYONE. We encourage all brother Knights to buy tickets and you can do so from the guys after the Mass you attend.

Bingo!!!

Our next Bingo is the evening of June 2 starting at 6:30 P.M. Please come out and help with the Bingo or the food sales. Or just bring your family out and play!

Mothers Day B'fast

Don't forget that the Knights will do breakfast on Mother's Day after 7:45 A.M. Mass. This is a much larger breakfast than usual so we'll need all hands on deck. We'll have roses for the mothers present, so bring your family out.

2012/2013 Budget

A proposed budget for the 2012/2013 fraternal year has been assembled by the present sitting officers. This budget will be presented at the meeting on May 8 and voted on at the meeting on June 12. Please come to these important meetings and have a voice in the future of this council.

KC Scholarships

Knight of Columbus Scholarship Applications are DUE on May 8. There have been several e-mails, pulpit and bulletin announcements. There have been paper applications in the back of the church, but the application can also be downloaded from our or the parish website.

**Have the Knights
made you a better
Catholic?
Pass on the gift by
asking someone to
join the Knights!**

First Degrees

(all at 7:00 P.M. unless noted)

5/21 – Council 7099 in Grapevine

5/22 – Council 14549 in Arlington

5/25 – Council 11423 in Ft. Worth

6/6 – Council 9299 in Arlington

6/26 – Council 11423 in Ft. Worth

Contact

Speedy Gonzales at 817-680-8240

or e-mail at speedyg@hotmail.com

if you have a lead on a new member

Officer Nominations 2012-2013

The Nominating Committee presents to you the following list of individuals who have expressed an interest in being officers next year:

Grand Knight – Dave Tomlin

Deputy Grand Knight – Speedy Gonzales

Chancellor – Chris Laurent

Treasurer – Lee Livingston

Recorder – Larry Ciarkowski

Advocate – Larry Evans

Warden – Marshall Seavers & Armand Auger

Inside Guard – Ray Reyes

Outside Guard – Ricky Villareal

The election of officers will be held at our meeting on June 12. Please note that ANY 3rd Degree Brother Knight can be nominated for and run for ANY of these offices at ANY time before the actual election. Election will be conducted by our District Deputy Tony Martin.

Website Award

Our website has been recognized by UKnight Interactive as being one of the three best Council websites in Texas! We were recognized for this at the State Convention last month in Houston. Please take advantage of our website to get all your Council information. Simply go to www.kofc7736.org and check out our cool website!

**ASK A FELLOW CATHOLIC GENTLEMAN
TO BECOME A KNIGHT!**

Monthly Awards

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH – All Brother Knights of Council 7736 – We will all collectively be the Knights of the Month for May and June as your Grand Knight struggles with picking out just one. This award will resume being awarded in July.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH – All the families of Council 7736 – We will all collectively be the Families of the Month for May and June as your Grand Knight struggles with picking out just one. This award will resume being awarded in July.



Find out everything going
on with Council 7736 at
www.kofc7736.org

**Knight of Columbus Council 7736
2012-2013 Budget (INCOME)**

Category	Revenue:	2012-2013 Budget	2011-2012 Proj. Actual
Council Rev.	Dues	\$6,000	\$5,985
	Easter/Mothers Day Breakfasts	\$700	\$690
	Misc. Donations	\$100	\$87
	Parish Festival	\$500	\$945
	Bishop's Religious App. Dinner	\$520	\$520
	Scholarship Donations	\$1,000	\$850
	Pennies for Seminarians	\$400	\$448
	Interest Income	\$60	\$57
	Council Revenue Total	\$9,280	\$9,582
Fund Raising	BINGO	\$6,000	\$5,739
	BINGO Food	\$2,000	\$1,966
	BINGO Pull Tap	\$0	\$0
	Turkey and Brats	\$6,500	\$4,645
	Fish Fry	\$5,200	\$5,124
	Halloween in the Park	\$1,600	\$1,570
	Misc. Fundraiser	\$800	\$1,342
	Nativity Magnets	\$1,000	\$535
	Our Lady Magnets - Parish	\$0	\$0
	Our Lady Magnets - Other Councils	\$0	\$135
	K of C Shirts and Hats	\$350	\$189
	Misc. Scholarship Fundraiser	\$0	\$0
	Pancake Breakfast	\$1,300	\$1,304
	Wurst Home Town Festival/ Pecan Festival	\$3,500	\$2,944
	Scholarship Raffle	\$5,000	\$5,000
	Fund Raising Revenue Total	\$33,250	\$30,493
Revenue Total ->		\$42,530	\$40,075

(Expenses shown next page)

**Knight of Columbus Council 7736
2012-2013 Budget (EXPENSES)**

		2012-2013 Budget	2011-2012 Proj. Actual
Category	Expenses		
Mandatory	Supreme	(\$616)	(\$405)
	Catholic Advertising	(\$176)	(\$165)
	Culture of Life	(\$344)	(\$314)
	State	(\$1,376)	(\$1,207)
	State Charities	\$0	\$0
	Western Metroplex	(\$100)	(\$90)
	Mandatory Total	(\$2,612)	(\$2,181)
Council Admin	Council Equipment	(\$1,500)	(\$600)
	Chapter Meeting Hosting	(\$350)	(\$249)
	Degree Expenses	(\$700)	(\$700)
	Financial Secretary	(\$480)	(\$479)
	Insurance / Liability	(\$500)	(\$500)
	Building Usage Fee	(\$1,200)	(\$1,200)
	Misc. Admin	(\$518)	(\$572)
	Name Tags	(\$300)	(\$300)
	Newsletter (inc. postage)	(\$50)	(\$50)
	Postage (FS)	(\$100)	(\$98)
	State Conv.	(\$520)	(\$500)
	Storage Shed	\$0	\$0
	Council Administration Total	(\$6,218)	(\$5,247)
Civic Charities	General Charities	(\$1,100)	(\$1,100)
	Prison Ministry	(\$300)	(\$300)
	Civic Charities Total	(\$1,400)	(\$1,400)
Family Expenses	Christmas Party	(\$750)	(\$766)
	Family Activities	(\$1,200)	(\$1,200)
	Installation of Officers	(\$400)	(\$353)
	Family Expenses Total	(\$2,350)	(\$2,319)
Church	Bishop's Rel. App. Dinner Auction	(\$1,760)	(\$1,700)
	Bishop's Rel. App. Dinner Tickets	(\$520)	(\$520)
	Building Fund Donation	(\$1,000)	(\$1,000)
	Easter/Mothers Day Breakfasts	(\$700)	(\$702)
	Parish Festival	(\$500)	(\$995)
	Religious Vocations Appreciation	(\$830)	(\$780)
	Seminarian Appreciation	(\$700)	(\$500)
	St. Jude Charities	(\$1,000)	(\$996)
	Unborn Memorial/Right To Life	(\$1,100)	(\$1,072)
	Pennies for Seminarians	(\$400)	(\$448)
	Church Total	(\$8,510)	(\$8,713)
Youth	Confirmation/RCIA/Grads/1st Comm.	(\$500)	(\$500)
	Easter Egg Hunt	(\$300)	(\$219)
	Scholarships	(\$6,000)	(\$7,000)
	St. Jude Youth	(\$1,700)	(\$1,200)
	Youth Total	(\$8,500)	(\$8,919)
Fund Raising	BINGO	(\$800)	(\$782)
	BINGO Food	(\$1,000)	(\$1,045)
	BINGO Pull Taps	\$0	\$0
	Turkey and Brauts	(\$2,900)	(\$2,074)
	Fish Fry	(\$2,600)	(\$2,558)
	Halloween in the Park	(\$1,200)	(\$1,189)
	Misc. Fundraiser	(\$450)	(\$800)
	Nativity Magnets	(\$280)	(\$280)
	Our Lady Magnets - Parish	\$0	\$0
	Our Lady Magnets - Other Councils	\$0	\$0
	K of C Shirts and Hats	(\$100)	(\$100)
	Misc. Scholarship Fundraiser	\$0	\$0
	Pancake Breakfast	(\$900)	(\$941)
	Wurst Home Town Festival/Pecan Festival	(\$1,550)	(\$1,413)
	Scholarship Raffle	(\$1,100)	(\$1,089)
	Fund Raising Expense Total	(\$12,880)	(\$12,272)
Expense Total ->		(\$42,470)	(\$41,051)
Net Surplus or (Deficit) ->		\$60	(\$976)

Council 7736 Upcoming Events

AFTER ALL MASSES IN MAY – SELL RAFFLE TICKETS

May 4 @ 7:00 P.M. – Confirmation Mass

May 4/5 – Council 6269 Carnivore Cookout

May 6 @ 7:45 A.M. – Corporate Communion

May 8 @ 7:00 P.M. – Monthly Business Meeting at Parish Center – Rosary at 6:30 P.M.

May 8 – SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE

May 12 @ 10:00 A.M. – Jewel and Junk Show

May 13 @ 7:00 A.M. – Mother's Day Breakfast

May 15 @ 7:00 P.M. – Lady Knights Meeting

May 21 @ 7:00 P.M. – 4th Degree Meeting at Council 6269

May 21 @ 7:00 P.M. – First Degree at St. Francis in Grapevine

May 22 @ 7:00 P.M. – Council Planning Meeting

May 22 @ 7:00 P.M. – First Degree at St. Maria Goretti in Arlington

May 25 @ 7:00 P.M. – First Degree at St. Rita in Fort Worth

May 26 @ 8:15 A.M. – Pray at Abortion Clinic

June 2 @ 6:30 P.M. – BINGO!

June 3 - RAFFLE DRAWING AFTER 7:45 A.M. Mass

June 6 @ 7:00 P.M. – First Degree at Most Blessed Sacrament in Arlington

June 12 @ 7:00 P.M. – Monthly Business Meeting at Parish Center – Rosary at 6:30 P.M.

June 18 @ 7:00 P.M. – 4th Degree Meeting at Council 6269

June 19 @ 7:00 P.M. – Lady Knights Meeting

June 23 @ 8:15 A.M. – Pray at Abortion Clinic

June 26 @ 7:00 P.M. – Council Planning Meeting at Parish Center

June 27 @ 7:00 P.M. – Western Metroplex Chapter Meeting at Council 759, Keller

June 29 @ 7:00 P.M. – First Degree at St. Rita in Fort Worth

July 4 – Fourth of July Parade in Arlington

July 10 – Officer Installation Banquet

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