

The Columbian Squires

PRESENTATION IS IN 2 PARTS

PART 1: TONIGHT

PRESENTED TO THE COUNCIL ON THE ACTION TO
REACTIVATE THE CIRCLE AS A CHURCH BASED
ORGANIZATION

PART 2: TBD

FINAL PRESENTATION FOR PROSPECTIVE NEW CIRCLE
MEMBERS AND COUNCIL.

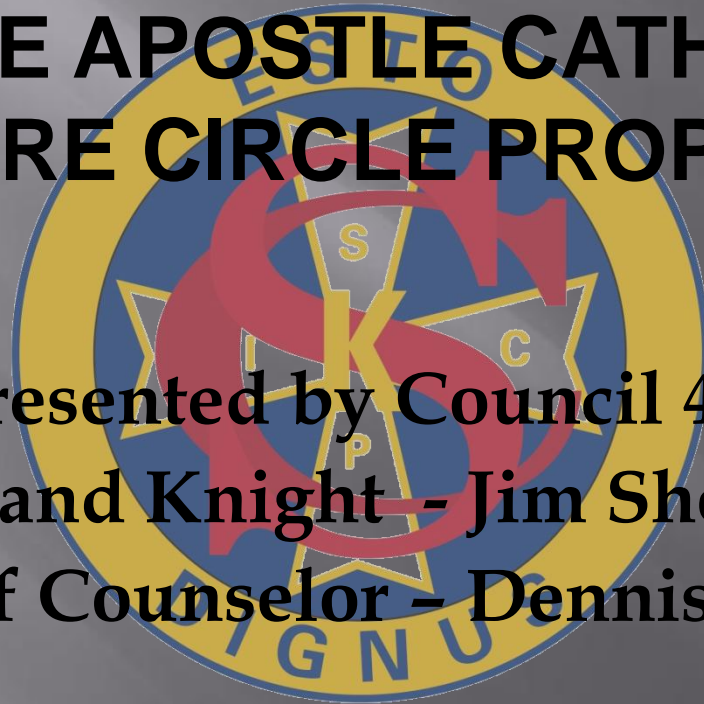
I WOULD ENCOURAGE ALL NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS TO
ATTEND THIS TO GET A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE
CIRCLE ORGANIZATION



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ST. PETER THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH SQUIRE CIRCLE PROPOSAL

**Presented by Council 4101
Grand Knight - Jim Shehan
Chief Counselor - Dennis Jettun**





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“BE WORTHY”



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Founded By



Brother Barnabas McDonald
Founder

August 4, 1925



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1st Charter Circle



16 Charter Members

03/05/2010



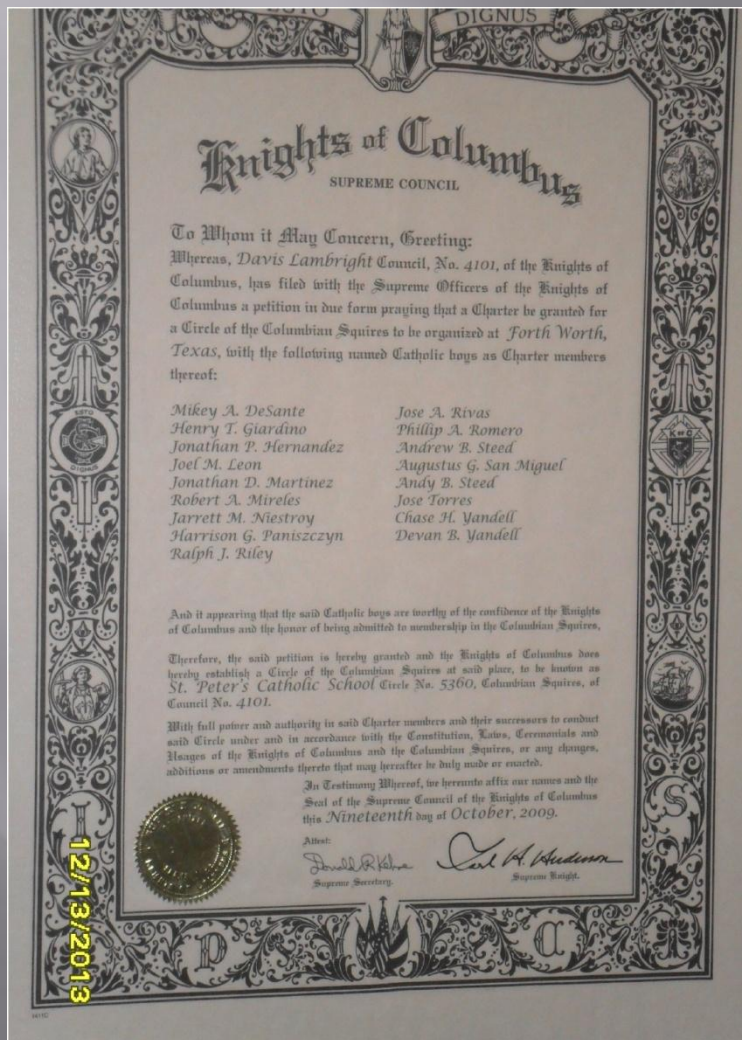
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CURRENT CHARTER

Original name of CIRCLE –
St. Peters Catholic
School

Under the new CIRCLE
It will be changed to –

St. Peter The Apostle
Catholic Church



NOTE:

No change will be applied to the
charter



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Bro. Barnabas Concept:

**“GIVE A BOY THE GREATEST
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HIMSELF THE SORT OF
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TO BECOME, AND WE SO
UGENTLY NEED.”**



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- PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION
- RECENT PROGRAM CHANGES
- SPONSORSHIP
- CIRCLE MEMBERSHIP - COUNSELORS
- LESSONS LEARNED ON PAST CIRCLE
- GOING FORWARD
- CIRCLE SURVIVAL
- CIRCLE SUPPORT
- BENEFITS
- WRAP UP



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PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

- The Squires are an international fraternity of approximately 25,000 Catholic young men, ages 10 to 18, in over 1,400 circles worldwide administered by:



- SUPREME COUNCIL
- Board of Directors – Knights of Columbus



- STATE COUNCIL
- State Squires Committee – Agent of the State Deputy Knights of Columbus
- INTERNATIONAL
- Organizational Level Support at International Functions



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RECENT PROGRAM CHANGES

- In 2017, Supreme issued a ruling that no new Circles would be created.
- In 2017 , Council 4101 applied for suspension of it's Circle owing to this action in hopes that suspension will save our Circle from being declared "Dissolved" by Supreme.
- As of Jan 02, 2018, our advocate for us in the Texas State Squires Office has notified our Circle's Chief Counselor that Supreme is willing to allow us to restore our Circle to "Active" status.
- Later in this presentation a discussion on what put our Circle on target to be suspended and what we need to do to prevent this happening again in the future



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SPONSORSHIP OF REACTIVATION

- **LOCAL COUNCIL - Primary Sponsor**
Davis Lambright Knights of Columbus Council 4101
- **CHURCH BASED CIRCLE -**
Will operate under current Supreme By-Laws for Circles
and special operating guidelines as set by Fr. Holguin
- **New Circle Name -**
St. Peter The Apostle Catholic Church
(The old name will have " School" dropped from the end)



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CIRCLE MEMBERSHIP - COUNSELOR REQTS

- Boys ages - 10 to 18 yrs
- Counselor Ratio - 1 to 10
- Dues - yearly basis and determined on first business meeting
- Other - determined as CIRCLE evolves
- ALL ACTIONS will have final review and approval of Fr. Holguin our church Pastor and 4th Degree



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LESSONS ON OUR PAST CIRCLE

➤ Meetings DATES and TIMES

Best to establish this based on an introductory meeting as parents will mostly be involved in driving for No. 1.

i.e. : 1 Saturday / month- early afternoon for
1 ½ hr for starts

- Past CIRCLE operations went pretty smooth so current Chief Counselor will “Kick Start” CIRCLE reactivation
- Look at making Chief Counselor part of yearly rotation and possibly part of yearly officer installation



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GOING FORWARD

- Membership prospect drive opportunities
 - Sunday after masses
 - Knights 1st Sunday Breakfast
- Establish first introductory meeting following drive
 - Saturday
Morning, Afternoon, before 6pm Mass ????
 - Sunday
After last mass or some time from 2 to 4pm



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CIRCLE SURVIVAL

To prevent future possibilities of the Circle losing its membership with Supreme the following must be addressed:

- #1 Membership – maintain a minimum of 10 members
- #2 Counselors – in addition to the Chief Counselor, maintain a 1:10 ratio of counselors to members
- #3 Appoint new Chief and Circle counselor with each Council election cycle.



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CHURCH SUPPORT

CIRCLE is:

- **Self-Reliant and therefore needs little or no assistance from the parish except with administration support with meetings.**
- **Self funding with initial funding coming from sponsoring council but on a very limited basis and in case of emergency funding as well.**
- **sources of revenue –**

Membership Dues - \$ TDB yr
Fund raisers, etc.



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SPONSORING COUNCIL SUPPORT

➤ Circle relations

Council members are encouraged to attend Circle meetings.

Joint activities - aside from school/circle, council/circle encouraged as well

➤ Counselor Staff

Training of counselor staff by Council Chief Counselor and available 24/7 when needed by the Circle.

Will have dual training in "CHILD SAFE" certified by the Supreme Council and also the Diocesan required training.

Minimum 2 rule will apply at all events, including meetings.

➤ Circle Officers

Proper Training in Parliamentary Procedure

➤ Leadership Training

Counselors will monitor the Circle Officers performance and develop their opinions without undue interference.



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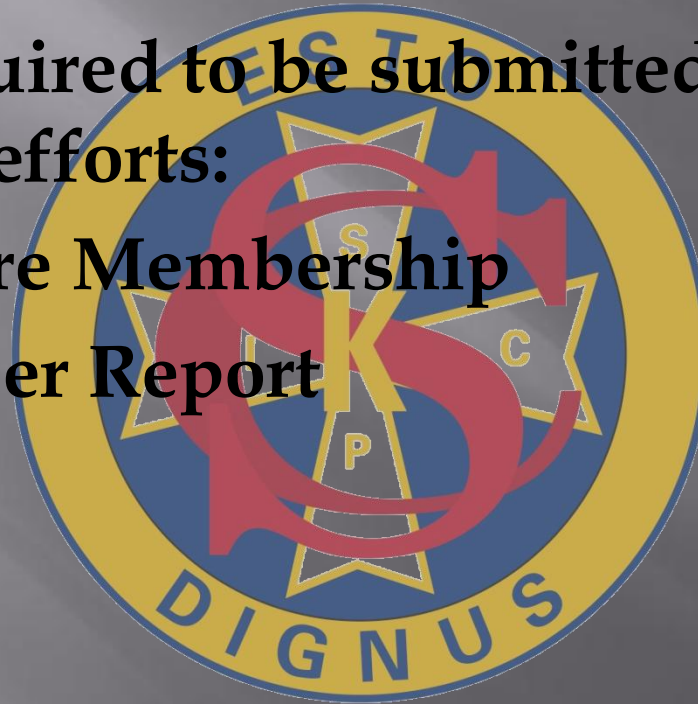
- School-
 - Parish -
 - Sponsoring Council -
 - Community -
- support of an organization within it's various activities i.e. , sporting events, hall events, fund raisers, etc.
- Also see an organization that helps the character of the school and as well provide skills to impart on students to further their educational development and social character.



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FORMS REQUIRED

- Forms required to be submitted as a result of the above efforts:
- 280 – Squire Membership
- 468 – Officer Report





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WRAP UP -

Reactivation of CIRCLE will become church based

Church and Council will have jurisdiction over meeting schedules, location, activities with the right for final approval reserved to Fr. Holguin, Pastor.

Church support will be first priority of the CIRCLE

All KofC Council members will be encouraged to attend meetings especially the Circle Counselors.

Any other issues....

END OF PART 1PRESENTATION