Knights of Columbus Council 759 Newsletter

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Topics This Week

Council Officers Highlights Upcoming Events Prayer Requests Pro-Life Committee From the Deacon's Desk Church Director's Message Respect Life Rosary CD Financial Secretary Our Seminarians Fall Fest 2013 Catering Team KC CHILI COOKOFF

Council Officers



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HIGHLIGHTS

Knight of the Month - Dan Cleary

Family of the Month -Ralph and Margaret Foster

Food For Thought:

If you don't feel as close to God as you once did guess who moved???? Lent would be a great time to move back into position.

Last Saturday - 1st Degree Exemplification Welcome New Brothers:

Craig Wietz Patrick McGillick Randell Labio John Hebert Roland DeGraauw Carlos Barrera

From The Deacon's Desk - New Message Interesting - The History of Lent TrusteeBob ProppTrusteeOmar HolguinTrusteeMike PottsLecturerJack Zwit

Quick Links...

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www.4thdegree2857.org.

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IT IS NOW. FISH FRY STARTS TODAY!!!!! Lenten Fish Fries are Starting Friday February 15th. Serving 5 - 7 PM. Need set up help, serving help, cleanup help. Just help!!!!!

Update: Brother Ed Yrisarri Besides working the TC Jails, Ed has been trained to work in the Texas State Penitentiaries. He is going to work with Father Luis Runde at a facility called "Gramham", just outside Breckenridge, Texas. He will be there once a month teaching a four-hour class entitled, Make a Lifelong Change - and Never Return.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - TEXAS STATE COUNCIL - EDUCATIONAL GRANT APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE FROM BOB HENNESSEY at <u>robhenn@1scom.net</u>. If you have a college bound student you may want to check this out.

Don't Forget to Mail Tom Howard Your Dues

GOD BLESS AMERICA

ONE NATION UNDER GOD!!! UPCOMING EVENTS:

KC Dues Letters have been emailed to the council membership. This is a change from last year. This is a cost savings measure which will save the council \$500.

February 15th,22nd,March 1,8th,15th,22nd - Friday FISH FRY FRIDAYS!!!! FISH FRY FRIDAYS.

Set up at 3:00PM, Open at 5 - Close at 7. Cleanup and go home. We will need lots of help!!!!!!

February 20th - Wednesday Hall Committee Meeting. KC Hall 7:00PM. All knights are welcome.

February 21st - Thursday Officers Meeting. 7:00PM KC Hall. All knights are welcome.

February 23rd - Saturday

The next Saturday of Prayer will be February 23, 2013 at 8AM. We'll be meeting at the KC Hall 7:30AM on Saturday to go as a caravan to Planned parenthood, Knights and Youth together. At Planned Parenthood 301 S. Henderson, Ft. Worth. We seek to defend the unborn until we have secured their right to life, protected in law. Every time we pray in front of an abortion mill we are proclaiming the Gospel of life in a public square. We are also, prayerfully, making an abortionist concerned of us and accountable to God.

March 3rd - Sunday

Quarterly Blood Drive. At KC Hall 8:30AM - 1:30PM. Giving blood saves lives. Please consider giving your time and your blood to make a difference. Sign up today. Dan Porter <u>dan.porter1@verizon.net</u>

March 29th - Friday Good Friday and Founders Day.

April 6th - Saturday

KC 759 Chili Fest

Put your Chili Recipe to the test. Are you the best like you been saying. This is where the chili meets the mouth and now we will know for sure. You talk the talk or walk the walk.

April 5th & 6th - Friday and Saturday

Divine Mercy Weekend - Over a thousand young people will participate. A perfect opportunity to make the Knights of Columbus visible to the next generation of knights. Need help Friday 4 PM - 8 PM for set up and all day Saturday 8 AM - 7 PM to serve the young people. Where you ask - Nolan High School. Contact Mike Demma at <u>demmarespectlife@verzion.net</u>

April 7 - Sunday

Knights Corporate Communion Mass 9:00AM at SEAS. This is a Mass for the Knights and their families to sit together as a community, to attend the Eucharist. We will have pews roped off in the front of the church for the knights and their families. Please let's sit together and show our solidarity to the clergy and the SEAS parishioners. Thanks.

April 12th - Friday We will have our quarterly "Pasta Dinner" no cost but will will talk donations. After dinner we will have a family movie for the whole family to enjoy. All this will be at the KC Hall at 6:30PM. Come join the family fun. HELP NEEDED!!!!

Prayer Requests

God, our Father, walk through my house and take away all my worries and illnesses and please watch over and heal my family and friends in God's name, Amen. For the health of Monsignor. E. James Hart, Fr. Gary Geurtz, Fr. Jim McGhee, Fr. Dennis Smith, our deacons, Bishop Vann, the CFR's and all our Clergy

For the repose of the soul of Noreen Jordan mother of PGK Joe Jordan.

For the health and healing of Carol Vaughn in her upcoming surgery, wife of Grand Knight Burnie Vaughn.

For the health and healing of Yvonne Arrossa wife of Brother Sean Arrossa.

For the health and healing of Joe Woolbright father of Brother Chris Woolbright.

For the health and healing of Adele McGookin wife of Brother Joe McGookin.

For the repose of the soul of Gladys Mitchell and her family, aunt of Brother Joe McGookin.

For the repose of the soul Thomas Batkin Jr. cousin of Brother Joe McGookin.

For the health and healing for Johnny who sustained severe head injuries in an accident last Saturday and repose of the soul of the young lady who was driving the car.

For the health and healing of Angeline Woolbright wife of Brother Chris Woolbright.

For the health and healing of Heather Galage niece of Brother Bob Hennessey

For the health and healing of Anna Coleman and her family.

For the health and healing of Cheryl Pawlak wife of Brother Paul Pawlak. She just had her second surgery on her leg. It keeps breaking on her and she is in for a long road to full recovery.

For the health and healing of Maxine Propp wife of Brother Bob Propp.

For the health and healing of Tony Casper.

For the Health and Healing of Tom Sheely and prayers for his wife Kathy and daughter Jackie .

Great News!!! Tom is actually home now. He still is being treated by nurses each day, but he is home.

For the health and healing of Brother Johnny Pelzel.

For the health and healing of Velma Garcia and for Ug.

For the health and healing of Ralph Foster. Ralph is continuing his chemo treatments. The great news is that his PET Test shows as cancer free. Praise the Lord!!!

For the health and healing of Brother Tony Casper's granddaughter Laura Casper.

For the health and healing for Edie Dowling wife of PGK Jim Dowling.

For the health and healing of Cheryl Radford.

For the health and healing of Pablo Holguin- 5 year old grandson of Omar Holguin.

For the health and healing of Brother Chris Gomez.

For the health and healing Brother Joe Vedda Sr.

For the health and healing of Brother Chris Baker, son of

Brother Ken Baker.

May God's grace be with all those in their time of need.

For an end to the scourge of abortion.

For all those out of work or concerned about the future of their jobs.

In thanksgiving for the leadership of our Bishops, Priests and Clergy in standing up for and teaching the Truth

For our Country and its leaders - especially the "pro-choice" Catholics that they see the truth.

For our military who protect our freedom.

For our veterans who have served to protect our freedom.

Pro-Life Committee - Tim and Teresa Johnson tnt9232001@sbcglobal.net 817-908-0271

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CELL PHONE DRIVE: Knights of Columbus, will continue to collect used cell phones and recycle them. This is a fundraiser for Pro-Life charities. All Knights are asked to accept the cell phones and bring to a meeting.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Pro-Life ACE Wings Award Application tkofc.org/uploads/downloads/9_Ace_Pro-Life_Award.pdf File Format: PDF/Adobe Acrobat - Quick View The Knights of Columbus Pro-Life ACE Wings Award is earned by participating in five (5) or more Public Pro-Life activities in any 12-month period. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF OPPORTUNITIES THIS MONTH TO BE A PART OF A PRO LIFE ACTIVITY

FROM THE DEACON'S DESK

DEACON NELSON PETZOLD

Lent is a special time of prayer, penance, sacrifice and good works in preparation of the celebration of Easter. In the desire to renew the liturgical practices of the Church, The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy of Vatican Council II stated, "The two elements which are especially characteristic of Lent -- the recalling of baptism or the preparation for it, and penance -- should be given greater emphasis in the liturgy and in liturgical catechesis. It is by means of them that the Church prepares the faithful for the celebration of Easter, while they hear God's word more frequently and devote more time to prayer" (no. 109). The word Lent itself is derived from the Anglo-Saxon words lencten, meaning "Spring," and lenctentid, which literally means not only "Springtide" but also was the word for "March," the month in which the majority of Lent falls. Since the earliest times of the Church, there is evidence of some kind of Lenten preparation for Easter. For instance, St. Irenaeus (d. 203) wrote to Pope St. Victor I, commenting on the celebration of Easter and the differences between practices in the East and the West: "The dispute is not only about the day, but also about the actual character of the fast. Some think that they ought to fast for one day, some for two, others for still more; some make their 'day' last 40 hours on end. Such variation in the observance did not originate in our own day, but very much earlier, in the time of our forefathers" (Eusebius, History of the Church, V, 24). When Rufinus translated this passage from Greek into Latin, the punctuation made between "40" and "hours" made the meaning to appear to be "40 days, twenty-four hours a day." The importance of the passage, nevertheless, remains that since the time of "our forefathers" --

always an expression for the apostles -- a 40-day period of Lenten preparation existed. However, the actual practices and duration of Lent were still not homogenous throughout the Church.

Lent becomes more regularized after the legalization of Christianity in A.D. 313. The Council of Nicea (325), in its disciplinary canons, noted that two provincial synods should be held each year, "one before the 40 days of Lent." St. Athanasius (d. 373) in this "Festal Letters" implored his congregation to make a 40-day fast prior to the more intense fasting of Holy Week. St. Cyril of Jerusalem (d. 386) in his Catechectical Lectures, which are the paradigm for our current RCIA programs, had 18 pre-baptismal instructions given to the catechumens during Lent. St. Cyril of Alexandria (d. 444) in his series of "Festal Letters" also noted the practices and duration of Lent, emphasizing the 40-day period of fasting. Finally, Pope St. Leo (d. 461) preached that the faithful must "fulfill with their fasts the Apostolic institution of the 40 days," again noting the apostolic origins of Lent. One can safely conclude that by the end of the fourth century, the 40-day period of Easter preparation known as Lent existed, and that prayer and fasting constituted its primary spiritual exercises.

Of course, the number "40" has always had special spiritual significance regarding preparation. On Mount Sinai, preparing to receive the Ten Commandments, "Moses stayed there with the Lord for 40 days and 40 nights, without eating any food or drinking any water" (Ex 34:28). Elijah walked "40 days and 40 nights" to the mountain of the Lord, Mount Horeb (another name for Sinai) (I Kgs 19:8). Most importantly, Jesus fasted and prayed for "40 days and 40 nights" in the desert before He began His public ministry (Mt 4:2).

Once the 40 days of Lent were established, the next development concerned how much fasting was to be done. In Jerusalem, for instance, people fasted for 40 days, Monday through Friday, but not on Saturday or Sunday, thereby making Lent last for eight weeks. In Rome and in the West, people fasted for six weeks, Monday through Saturday, thereby making Lent last for six weeks. Eventually, the practice prevailed of fasting for six days a week over the course of six weeks, and Ash Wednesday was instituted to bring the number of fast days before Easter to 40. The rules of fasting varied. First, some areas of the Church abstained from all forms of meat and animal products, while others made exceptions for food like fish. For example, Pope St. Gregory (d. 604), writing to St. Augustine of Canterbury, issued the following rule: "We abstain from flesh, meat, and from all things that come from flesh, as milk, cheese and eggs."

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Second, the general rule was for a person to have one meal a day, in the evening or at 3 p.m.

These Lenten fasting rules also evolved. Eventually, a smaller repast was allowed during the day to keep up one's strength from manual labor. Eating fish was allowed, and later eating meat was also allowed through the week except on Ash Wednesday and Friday.

Dispensations were given for eating dairy products if a pious work was performed, and eventually this rule was relaxed totally. (However, the abstinence from even dairy products led to the practice of blessing Easter eggs and eating pancakes on Shrove Tuesday, the day before Ash Wednesday.) Over the years, modifications have been made to the Lenten observances, making our practices not only simple but also easy. Ash Wednesday still marks the beginning of Lent, which lasts for 40 days, not including Sundays. The present fasting and abstinence laws are very simple: On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, the faithful fast (having only one full meal a day and smaller snacks to keep up one's strength) and abstain from meat; on the other Fridays of Lent, the faithful abstain from meat. People are still encouraged "to give up something" for Lent as a sacrifice. (An interesting note is that technically on Sundays and solemnities like St. Joseph's Day (March 19) and the Annunciation (March 25), one is exempt and can partake of

whatever has been offered up for Lent.

Nevertheless, I was always taught, "If you gave something up for the Lord, tough it out. Don't act like a Pharisee looking for a loophole." Moreover, an emphasis must be placed on performing spiritual works, like attending the Stations of the Cross, attending Mass, making a weekly holy hour before the Blessed Sacrament, taking time for personal prayer and spiritual reading and most especially making a good confession and receiving sacramental absolution. Although the practices may have evolved over the centuries, the focus remains the same: to repent of sin, to renew our faith and to prepare to celebrate joyfully the mysteries of our salvation.

CHURCH DIRECTOR - ED LEAL

IF YOU NEED COMMUNION:

If any Brother Knight, or family member is ill or in the hospital I will make arrangements to bring them Holy Communion. Ed Leal edleal7751@gmail.com 817 205 1122

Respect Life Rosary CD

Before the March meeting, we will say the Rosary using the Respect Life Rosary CD prepared by Council 6269 in Arlington.

We will say the Luminous Mysteries as we always do on Thursday, but the CD's have all four Mysteries, each unique in its own way. Members are invited to have their families attend this saying of the Rosary. CD's will be available for order. Our cost from the Arlington council is only \$5 for the 2 CD set. You pay whatever you wish --- excess monies received will be used for Respect Life activities.

Using the CD's --- maybe loaded on you ipod --- is a wonderful way to say to the family rosary while traveling together, or on the way to or from work. 20 minutes very well spent, and hands free.

Get extra copies for Easter gifts. Lent is a wonderful time to get started saying the daily rosary, or using these CD's to do it.

Orders can be sent to Andy Bahl at <u>sabahl@1scom.net</u> please put the word rosary in the subject line. An order will be placed to the Arlington council on March 15th.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Brother Knights,

PGK, Tom Howard, Financial Secretary has sent Supreme his resignation as Financial Secretary, and copies to officers of Council #759, his resignation is effective June 30th. 2013. Brother PGK, Tom, has been a very valuable resource as he performed his job of Financial Secretary, to Council #759, Keller.

Financial Secretary is not an elected position but one appointed by the Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson. He shall hold office at the will of the Supreme Knight, normally for 3 years. The Financial Secretary must be a Third Degree member of the Order, at least 21 years of age and cannot be engaged in the sale of life or health insurance for another organization. The financial secretary cannot be a convicted felon and should not hold another elected council position.

It takes a good amount of time to have a candidate approved and bonded. Therefore, if there are any Knights in good standing that are interested in the position, please make it known to the Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight and Trustees as soon as possible.

Fraternally Yours, Burnie Vaughn Grand Knight Council #759

THIS MESSAGE WILL REMAIN IN THE NEWSLETTER UNTIL A NEW FINANCIAL SECRETARY HAS BEEN APPROVED

THANKS TOM FOR ALL THE FINE WORK YOU HAVE DONE FOR THIS COUNCIL OVER THE YEARS TO HELP MAKE US THE OUTSTANDING COUNCIL WE ARE TODAY. BURNIE VAUGHN GRAND KNIGHT COUNCIL #759.

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FALL FEST 2013 - KC FOOD CHAIR

Terry Bachman has been running the KC Fall Fest Food Booth for the last three years and has done a wonderful job. Thanks Terry. This year 2013 we are looking for a new chairman. Please contact GK Bernie Vaughn if you are interested.

Catering Team:

KC COUNCIL 759 CATERING EVENTS:

Catering Events for Council 759 are a major source of income in the support of our Council and our charity objectives every year. Please try to help out when you can to support the catering team. Contact Rob Schill at <u>rschill@verizon.net</u> and let him know you can help. The Catering TEAM will really appreciate the help.

June 15th - Saturday

McDonnell wedding We will cook for the wedding reception on June 15th next summer. That night. 150 people. We will need bartenders and servers.

We need people to confirm helping by emailing me at rschill@verizon.net .

Catering team

1st Notice of A Chili Cook Off

A challenge is being issued. There are many chili cooks within our Parish, many organizations have claimed and as yet unproven "The Best Chili " title. Dessert dishes are also a topic of bragging rights. Now comes the Challenge: On April 6th 2013, the Knights of Columbus are challenging any and all groups within our Parish to officially claim the prize of the "Traveling Trophy" of "The Best Chili" and "Best Dessert".

The event will be held April 6th at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1907 Whitley Rd. Keller, 76248. Bring your Chili already cooked in a crock pot or other dish.

We also will have a judgment on The Best Dessert. Again bring your best dessert and meet the challenge.

The Knights and your organization should promote this event. There will be other foods available such as hot dogs, hamburgers available for those who do not care for Chili, yet will want to participate in such an exciting event. The Knights will provide those choices as well as the drinks at the cook off.

The judgment rules are being discussed at this time. The time of the event is being discussed also. Any and all ideas about how to hold this event should be forwarded to Chairman, Omar Holguin, email hooluhan@hotmail.com or Co-Chairman, Burnie Vaughn, email Frisco1945@1scom.net. This promises to be a fun event.

Burnie Vaughn Grand Knight, Council #759