## Knights of Columbus Council 759 Newsletter

November 26, 2010

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Grand Knight Jim Dowling

Deputy GK <u>Mike Potts</u>

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Did you know if you click on a Topic in "Topics this Week", on the left in purple box, it will take you to that Topic!!!

## THIS WEEK:

**Quarterly Blood Drive is this Sunday after Morning Masses at KC Hall.** 

Don't forget to buy your Dallas / Philly raffle tickets at the December 2nd Monthly Business Meeting!!!!

WOW!!! We are going to have a Retreat, January 15th, just for us Brother Knights.

Click KC Retreat for details.

Click: Being a Detroit Lion's Fan...

It's worth the read.

IT'S TIME TO GET IN THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON.

Guards Andy Reiser Al
Obregon Cary Schroeder

Noah Nadeau

Bernie Vaughn Tom Sheely

2Yr Trustee Mike Steiner

1Yr Trustee Mark LeMay

3 YR. Trustee Joe Jordan

Lecturer Jack Zwit

#### Quick Links...

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Council 759 Catering KC
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#### **SEAS Home Page**

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With the Holiday's come the usual hurry about for the perfect gift to your loved ones. Don't forget the ones who are not loved by anyone but God and their mothers, the homeless. As the Council has done on a monthly basis and in years past, we will be doing two large meals in Nov and Dec. Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve Dinner. When you go shopping at Kroger's, Tom Thumb, Albertson's or any other food outlet over the next couple of weeks keep in mind that there is a need for those turkeys that they sell for reduced prices when you buy a certain amount. A 15lb turkey will cost less than \$5.00 (Less than 2 cups of coffee at Starbuck's). Buy a turkey or two and bring them to the Hall. We will cook and serve them to those who really need our assistance. Also, good serviceable coats and clothing are needed. These items will be collected and distributed.

## Important Information:

## Planning a special event or party.

The Council Meeting Hall is available for all Hall Members and Charter Hall members for new lower unbeatable rates. For Hall Membership and rental information contact Al Obregon at 817-337-0902.

#### **NEW COWBOY TICKET RAFFLE**

Dallas / Philly, December 12th, Night Game, Great Seats, Parking Pass, \$10 a Ticket. Great opportunity to see your home team play in the new stadium.

Consider bringing a friend into the Knights, you will be doing your friend a great favor!!!

## **GOD BLESS AMERICA**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

#### November 27th - Saturday

Knights and other "Prayer Warriors" will be going to Planned Parenthood, 301 South Henderson Ft Worth. We pray 20 decades of the ROSARY, asking for God's help to eliminate abortion. Meet at the KC Hall at 7:30 AM, or meet us at the abortion mill. We complete 20 decades in about an hour. We try to stop and have breakfast after the Rosary. Please join us in prayer.

#### November 28th - Sunday

KC Blood Drive after Sunday Masses.

#### **December 2nd - Thursday**

Monthly Council 759 Business Meeting - Rosary at 7:00PM, Meeting starts at 7:30 Sharp.

#### **December 4th - Saturday**

#### St. Nick's Party

The annual St. Nick's Party will be held at the Parish Hall on Saturday, 12/4/10 at 6:30 pm. A spaghetti and meatball dinner will be served and St. Nick will make an appearance to take photos with the kids. Please consider signing up to cook, help with photos and/or cleanup. Please contact Edwin McGillick at 817-229-8322.

## December 10th - Friday

#### Caterina Event - Help Needed

Fort Worth Diocese Catholic Committee on Scouting will have the annual Bishops Dinner and adult awards ceremony at KC 759 on Friday December 10.

## **December 11th - Saturday**

Smoking Chickens and Selling after the Saturday Masses. Will need Help. Meet at 5:00AM at KC Hall. Any questions e-mail Al Obregon at <a href="mailto:obie1948@swbell.net">obie1948@swbell.net</a> or call at 817-528-2393. Help Needed.

#### **December 12th - Sunday**

**Burritos / Sausage Sunday** 

Cooks at 5:00 AM Rollers at 6:00 AM. Sellers needed after all Sunday Masses. Help Needed.

## December 15th - Wednesday

Hall Committee Meeting CANCELLED for December.

## **December 16th - Thursday**

Monthly Council 759 Officers Meeting. 7:30PM. All knights are welcome to attend.

#### **December 18th - Saturday**

KC Hall Workday - Cancelled!!!!!!

#### **December 23rd- Thursday**

Prepare Christmas Dinner for Beautiful Feet at KC Hall

#### **December 24th - Friday**

Serve Christmas Dinner at Beautiful Feet

#### December 31 - Friday

**New Year's Eve Dinner Dance** 

Catered, Music. A good time for one and all.

**Event:** Knights of Columbus Council 759 New Year's Eve Dinner

and Dance

Date: Friday December 31, 2010 Location: Knights of Columbus Hall

Tickets: \$25.00 per person

Schedule: 7:00 pm-Appetizers(cheese/crackers, wine and beer)

7:45 pm- Buffets style Dinner

(Lasagna and a chicken style choice)

9:00 pm- Finger food (cheese/crackers, sweets)

9:00 pm -Music / Dancing

11:30 pm- Distribution of Champaign / party favors 11:59:59 pm- Old year exit - New Year entrance

1:00 am/01Jan- go home

#### January 6th - Thursday

Monthly Council 759 Business meeting. Rosary at 7:00PM, Meeting starts at 7:30 PM sharp.

## January 19th - Wednesday

Hall Management Committee meeting. 7:00PM.

## January 20th - Thursday

Council 759 Officers Meeting, 7:30PM. All knights are welcome.

#### January 22nd - Saturday

KC Hall workday. 8:00AM. Help Needed.

#### January 22nd - Saturday

2011 Texas Rally for Life

Gather at 1 p.m. and march up Congress Avenue to the Rally at the South Steps of the Capitol in Austin. The Rally, which will be held from 2 to 3 p.m., will feature pro-life speakers and leaders from across the state. For any questions, call SK Burnie Vaughn at 817 750 0045 or email at Frisco1945@1scom.net.

The web page for this program is

www.TexasRallvforLife.org/Knights

A bus trip is being planned for a day trip leaving approximately at 7:00 am and returning at approximately 8:00 pm. At this time we have 48 seats available for cost only of \$25. This is not a fundraiser. We should arrive about 12:00 noon.

March 26th - Saturday

Major Degree at KC 759

## **KC RETREAT**

This retreat is really a good opportunity for all the brothers to get to share their faith with each other in a spiritual setting. The details are being worked out by Ed Leal with Father Edmundo of the Montserrat Retreat House. Here's what we have so far for your planning purposes. Stay tuned for further details. Mark the date on your calendar.

January 15th, a one day retreat for the K of C members at the Montserrat Retreat House in Denton.

On a one day retreat, we usually begin with gathering at 8:30 a.m.

and finish with Mass at 3:15 p.m. so that everybody can go home by 4:00 p.m.

The cost is \$30.00 per person with lunch and a reasonable stipend for the Retreat Master. The \$30.00 checks should be made out to Montserrat Retreat House.

## Being a Detroit Lion's Fan....

It wasn't easy -sitting through yesterday's game against Dallas - and watching things go relatively well until the 4th quarter, when my team had their head handed to them on a platter - and Detroit lost.

## Again.

I get teased constantly about why I remain a fan - a fan of a team which hasn't won anything resembling a Super Bowl since 1957. For a long time - actually, up until yesterday - it was completely due to the fact that I was born and raised in Michigan, and that was the gist of my loyalty. I watched the rest of my family generally transfer their loyalties to the Dallas Cowboys, "America's Team" and all that nonsense. But after yesterday's game I had a minor revelation:

My loyalty to them is, in some small way, no different than God's loyalty to me.

I've watched Detroit screw up for years on end - making stupid mistakes, throwing away opportunities - and I've stood by them.

God has watched me along the path of my life -screwing up, throwing away opportunities, making mistakes -and He has stood by me.

I think I'll keep pulling for my Lions...

Love in Christ, Gerry Asher

## **Knights Pictures**

## **KC759 Event Pictures**

Dannie Needham has put together a web site of all the pictures he had of council events. Check it out. It's a hoot!!!! Also, If other knights have pictures they want to share Dannie will add them to the page.

www.knightsofcolumbuscouncil759.shutterfly.com

## WANT TO RENT THE KNIGHT'S HALL?

SEND NOTE TO: knights759@verizon.net

# Input to Knights of Columbus Council 759 Weekly Newsletter

PLEASE SEND ALL INPUT FOR THE CURRENT WEEK
NEWSLETTER TO BOB HENNESSEY AT <a href="mailto:robhenn@1scom.net">robhenn@1scom.net</a> by
NOON THURSDAY TO HAVE YOUR INPUT INCLUDED IN
CURRENT WEEK.

THE PLAN IS TO PUBLISH WEEKLY, EARLY FRIDAY.

## **Prayer Requests**

For the health of Fr. John Hart, Fr. Gary Geurtz, Fr. Jim McGhee, Fr. Dennis Smith, Father Isaac, Deacon Klaus Gutbier, Bishop Vann, the CFR's and all our Clergy.

For the health of the mother of Jose Cruz Jr, who has been diagnosed with an aggressive form of cancer and is going through testing and surgery soon after. She is the widow of PGK Jose Cruz and grandmother of Brother Knights, Jose and Gabe Cruz of our council.

For the health of Brother Steve Vozar.

For an end to the scourge of abortion.

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

iobs.

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

For our military who protect our freedom.

# **Pro-Life Committee/Couple - Burnie and Carol Vaughn**

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The next 4th Saturday of prayer at the Abortion Mill will be on Saturday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010. We seek to defend the unborn until we have secured their right to life, protected in law and respected by all. Knights and other "Prayer Warriors" will be going to Planned Parenthood, 301 South Henderson Ft Worth. We pray 20 decades of the ROSARY, asking for God's help to eliminate abortion. Meet at the KC Hall at 7:30 AM, or meet us at the abortion mill. We complete 20 decades in about an hour. We try to stop and have breakfast after the Rosary. Please join us in prayer.

CELL PHONE DRIVE: The Knights of Columbus collect cell phones year around to support The Loreto House, a Catholic Life Center in Denton TX. 50+ phones delivered to Loreto House on 9-29-2010. Thank You!

2011 March for Life, January 24, 2011. Washington DC. More than 100,000 will be there as in the past. Joe and Valerie Jordan are planning to make the event. I encourage others to do the same.

The Texas Rally for Life will take place in Austin on January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2011. The actual anniversary of Roe v. Wade, 2PM to 3PM. 10,000 attended in 2010. A bus trip is being planned for a day trip leaving approximately at 7:00 am and returning at approximately 8:00 pm. At this time we have 48 seats available for cost only of \$25. This is not a fundraiser. We should arrive about 12:00 noon. The Knights of Columbus will get first option for seats. Seats are being reserved immediately and preferred to reserve by email to SK Burnie Vaughn ... Frisco1945@1scom.net The charter bus company being used for this function will be Lone Star Coaches,

Grand Prairie, Texas. Burnie & Carol Vaughn are planning to make the event.

Dallas, Texas: Saturday January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2011. Join Dallas Bishop Kevin J. Farrell, Fort Worth Bishop Kevin W. Vann, diocesan clergy and thousands of people of faith to pray for an end to the scourge of abortion on our city and country, to witness publicly, and rally and march for a Culture of Life. Save time parking and ride the DART Rail - Pearl Station is just two blocks from the Cathedral! For more information and schedule see: www.prolifedallas.org

Mike Demma, has started up a Pro-Life organization for parishioners of St Elizabeth Ann Seton, I encourage all Knights and spouses to become a part of the group. They will meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month.

## **Membership Director**

In this place we call home - with all its good and bad features, it is beauty and ugliness, it is strengths and weaknesses. Every individual has a voice in shaping the world around him and every individual can make his or her voice heard. Your community and Parish offers limitless opportunities for action that can be seen, felt, and judged for its true worth. Look for something that is needed and workable in your community and Parish. No matter what you choose.... get involved!!! Council 759 is always welcoming new members to join.

## **Burritos/Sausages Team (Dan Weed)**

Saturday December 12th COOKS 5:00 AM 6:00 AM ROLLERS NEEDED.

## **Columbian Squires**

(Allan Thompson)

The Squires are always accepting young Catholic Men between 10 and 18 years of age. Sons of Knights are also welcome, for more information please see <a href="www.kellersquires.org">www.kellersquires.org</a> or contact Allan Thompson at (817) 337-9982 or <a href="mailto:ajthompson@verizon.net">ajthompson@verizon.net</a>

## **Upcoming Events:**

Squires Collecting for Holiday Meals.

\$40.00 per Meal

You can write your check to "Columbian Squires"

Mail to 725 Overland Trail Southlake, TX 76092

Or donate at http://seassquires.org/donate.htm

Squires are selling Firewood Contact Allan if interested.

## Message From The Church Director - Ed Leal

**Brother Knights in Christ:** 

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Sunday is the beginning of Advent, and during the next four weeks we begin preparing for the coming of the Lord.

In Sunday's Gospel from St. Matthew he tells us to stay awake for you do not know on which day your Lord will come.

This is what life is all about: Staying awake and knowing that the Lord is in our lives. Stay awake and find ways to love our neighbors.

Advent is preparing us for the presence of God: in history, in our present lives and in the life to come.

Let us keep our eyes open and delight in the coming of the Lord!

FYI...on Saturday, January, 15, 2011 Council 759 will be participating in a one day retreat at Montserrat retreat house in Denton.

We all need to take time to reflect on your our faith, our values, and the gifts we've been given by God.

Please check today's newsletter for more information on this wonderful and exciting experience.

May the Lord bless you and keep you. May is face shine upon you, and be gracious to you.

May he look upon you with kindness and give you his peace. Amen.

Peace be with you!

Ed Leal (817) 205-1122 eleal@itt-tech.edu

## **Youth Activities** (Joe Jordan)

**Keeping Children Safe Class** 

Any Knights that are interacting with the youth are required to take the Keeping Children Safe class. It's our responsibility to ensure that all Knights are compliant with the Diocesan requirements. Anyone working with the Squires, Scouts or volunteering with the youth need to take the course. The course is taught multiple times a year at various locations in the diocese. You can check the Diocesan website for more information about the program and see the scheduled classes by clicking here.

## **Community Board**

Looking for something, looking to sell something, looking to get the word out on something, this is the place to do it. Send input to Bob Hennessey at robhenn @1scom.net

## **Our Seminarians**

**New Seminarian Gary Picou** 

**GARY PICOU** 

CELL: 817-614-6286 GARY PICOU EMAIL: <u>GJPICOU@HOTMAIL.COM</u> 401 MICHIGAN AVE NE WASHINGTON, DC 20017

Please support our Seminarians by writing them (cards, letters, etc.)

Philip Petta St. Mary of the Assumption 509 W. Magnolia Ave. Fort Worth, Texas 76104 Phone: 817-228-4734

ppetta8262@yahoo.com

Edwin Floriano Assumption Seminary 2600 W. Woodlawn Avenue San Antonio, TX78228-5196 Phone:210-734-5137

floriano28@hotmail.com

## 4th Degree - San Juan Diego Assembly 2857

Sir Knights,

I want to start by saying "THANK YOU" to those who were able to help this past Sunday at the monthly Pancake Breakfast.

I called an officer's meeting for this evening so we could sit down and go over activities of the assembly since we're not having a regular monthly until January 2011.

Our Faithful Comptroller Dave Tyrone reported that he'll be sending out the electronic dues notice for the year of 2011 starting December 15th. We're going to do the first dues notice electronically to save on postage expenses. He'll be available to take dues payments at the monthly meeting on January 12th.

The assembly will hold its Christmas Social on December 9th, 7:00 PM at KC Hall (Council 759) Keller, TX this will be a potluck buffet type meal. The assembly will be providing the main meat dish, which will be HAM. The dress for all SIR KNIGHTS is Tuxedo with Baldric. We're asking all to bring your families and invite a fellow knight and his family to the Christmas Social. Please bring a dish for the potluck buffet.

Annual Christmas Caroling is being chaired by SK Bill Jackson and SK Andy Bahl. The caroling will take place on December 12th. Plans are for us to gather at the KC Hall (Council 759) Keller, TX. We'll be visiting shut ins to bring them some Christmas Joy. This project is a worthwhile MINISTRY and it is a joy to see the smiles on their faces. I urge all of you to bring your families and invite a fellow knight and his family or a fellow parishioner and their family to join us. When we've completed the caroling we always return to the hall for some refreshments.

We're asking the Grand Knights from Council 759, 7641 and 8512 to please submit three names of SHUT IN'S so we can try to stop by and visit them and share some Christmas Joy with them.

Please watch for an e-mail from Sir Knights Andy and Bill regarding this worthwhile MINISTRY.

Nic Stevens, our Breakfast Chairman reminded us that we'll be serving pancake breakfast on Sunday, December 19th in the church hall, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Roman Catholic Church.

Our Color Corps Commander reports that we have the following Honor Guards coming up.

December 10th, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Roman Catholic Church, 6:30 PM for the Novena and Procession in Honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Report time 6:00 PM parish hall.

December 24th, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Roman Catholic Church, Christmas Midnight Mass, report time 11:15 PM. Remember parking will be a premium because of the Christmas Masses that evening and all of those who will be wanting to attend Midnight Mass.

Finally before I close our Faithful Captain Rob Meyer has asked me to publish the assembly web site access; <a href="https://www.4thdegree2857.org">www.4thdegree2857.org</a>

## MAY GOD BLESS YOU, YOUR FAMILIES AND MAY GOD BLESS AMERICA

PLEASE KEEP OUR TROOPS AND THOSE WHO SERVE OUR NATION AS POLICE OFFICERS, FIREMEN AND OTHER FIRST RESPONDERS IN YOUR PRAYERS.

In Christ, Jerome Bretschneider, Faithful Navigator San Juan Diego Assembly 2857

## **KC INSURANCE**

Call me - let's talk.

817-706-6879 or Andrew.Wheaton@kofc.org (Alpha A-J)

817-519-8993 or Robert.Peffers@kofc.org(Alpha K-Z)

Come visit our Council Website KC759.org sponsored by our field agents Andy and Terry

## **Operation Welcome Home** (Tom Jones)

Remember our dedicated service personnel arrive and depart every day, they deserve our support!

Call the military support office at DFW 972.574.0392 for daily arrival/departure times to greet them

. You can also call me at 817.773.2131 for information or carpooling.

## **Community Store House (Tom Jones)**

Mr. Ambassador, Brother Tom Jones

communitystorehouse.org

817-431- 3340

4574 Keller-Hicks Road

**Keller Texas 76248** 

The Community Storehouse grew by 50% in total clients serviced, as compared to August of last year. Overall, the organization has already serviced 69% over the total amount for the end of last year. To date, we have expended \$1,002,298.08 which represents a 29% growth in monies expended as compared to August of last year.

http://www.communitystorehouse.org

http://www.minipagesites.com/minipages/commstore/commstore.html

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."
Winston Churchill

**KNIGHTS BLOOD DRIVE - Ken Robinson, Chairman** 

Our next Blood Drive will be on Sunday, November 28th 2010 8.30 am-1.30 pm

## **Beautiful Feet (Rob Schill)**

Beautiful Feet is seeing a downturn with the economy and they are out of perishable groceries. We need meat and grocery cards so they can buy what they need. If you can help, please contact Br. Rob Schill at rschill@verizon.net

Beautiful Feet Ministries 1709 East Hattie Fort Worth, TX 76115 Phone: 817 536 0505

## **Hall Maintenance Committee**

Chairman - Jim Jones Treasurer - Mike Steiner Manager - Al Obregon At large - Burnie Vaughn At large - Dannie Needham At large - Dave Nicholas

#### **Council Hall Membership Available:**

Offered to any Member in Good Standing
Initiation fee designated for Capital Improvements Only
\$300.00 initiation fee
\$150.00 rental fee (no other fees)
\$300.00 Lock in rental fee (no other fees)

For Current Charter Hall Membership \$100.00 rental fee (no other fees) \$300.00 Lock in Fee (no other fees)

This an outstanding barging given the cost to rent comparable space.

## **Hall Maintenance Committee Minutes**

Building Maintenance Committee Meeting Minutes November 17, 2010

Attendees:

Jim Jones Obie Tom Howard Jim Dowling Burnie Vaughn

On Hold - Vent pipe for grill needs to be replaced. Place in downtown Ft Worth can build.

Tom will call on the leak in the Patio cover

Need more eagles tickets sold

Hall Account: \$6,900 Checking Balance \$4,300 Savings Balance

Thanksgiving Smoker, bring shovel and rake. Send Bob Hennessey an email

January 14<sup>th</sup> Spaghetti Dinner for Hall Fund Raiser. Serve at 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Email Mike Potts for council newsletter. Get with Andy Wheaton and ask how he wants to plan.

Jim to look into lights. Need donations.

Tom is looking into 3 ft. wall for Patio area.

Tom is looking into someone to do the fence.

Need to look into replacing chairs and table cloths.

Need a flashing type Gutter for top of smoker

**No Hall Committee Meeting or Work Day in December** 

Work day set for November 20<sup>th</sup> 8:00am
Work to do;
Turkey Cook
Clean Leaves out of gutter on patio
Spread dirt from concrete pour

## **CAPITOL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS**

- 1. NARTHEX \$4000.00
- 2. **FENCE \$4000.00**
- 3. PARKING LOT LIGHTING \$7,501.
- 4. CEILING FANS IN MAIN HALL \$2000.00
- 5. STRIPING IN PARKING LOT \$1,000.00
- 6. SIGNAGE BY ROAD Eagle Scout Project
- 7. **CEILING \$12,000.00**

## MAINTENANCE AND UPKEEP

- 1. **KITCHEN FLOOR \$400.00**
- 2. SIDEWALKS TO CONTAINER \$600.00
- 3. EXHAUST FAN IN STORAGE ROOM \$500.00
- 4. EMERGENCY LIGHTS IN KITCHEN AND STORAGE ROOM \$600.00