Knights of Columbus Council 759 Newsletter

Topics This Week

Council Officers New This Week Upcoming Events KC Retreat Knight's Pictures Rent the Hall Input to Weekly Note **Prayer Requests Pro-Life Committee Membership Director Burritos / Sausages/Chickens Columbian Squires Church Director's Message Youth Director Community Board Our Seminarians** 4th Degree News **KC Insurance Operation Welcome Home Community Store House Knight's Blood Drive Beautiful Feet** Hall Maintenance Committee Hall Maintenance Committee

Council Officers



Chaplain - <u>Fr Jim McGhee</u> Grand Knight <u>Jim Dowling</u> Deputy GK <u>Mike Potts</u> Chancellor <u>Dave Nicholas</u> Advocate <u>Bill Flatley</u> Recorder <u>Tom Schneider</u> Treasurer <u>Jim Obrzut</u> Financial Sec. <u>Tom Howard</u> Warden <u>Richard Crabtree</u> Guards <u>Andy Reiser Al</u> Obregon <u>Cary Schroeder</u> Noah Nadeau

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!!!

Year End Reflection:

I was sitting here reviewing the newsletter as I do every week and as I looked at the final newsletter of the year, I started to reflect on who we are as knights.

I think when we think of ourselves as knights, we think of the activities that we do as a council, our monthly meetings, fall fest, the weekly fish fry during lent, burritos, chickens, keeping our beautiful hall up and running and all the countless activities that we are involved in throughout the year under the banner of the knights.

What struck me today was how we as knights are much more intimately weaved into the community, not under the banner of the knights, but men in service to the church, to our families and to the community. We knights are involved in the church as acolytes, altar servers, ushers, Eucharistic ministers and stand as honor guards. We are involved in family activities like the Boy Scouts, the Squires, activities at the school, with the youth of our community as coaches and mentors. We meet our troops as they come home from deployments. We support the community as volunteers at Beautiful Feet, the Community Storehouse, women shelters and much, much more. We are involved in the fight for the life of unborn, respect for life, defending those who can't defend themselves and defending the faith. The list goes on and on. It is pretty impressive when you stop and think about it.

The conclusion I came to is this; I'm really glad to be a knight and to be associated with such a wonderful group of men I call my brothers. Bernie Vaughn Tom Sheely 2Yr Trustee <u>Mike Steiner</u> 1Yr Trustee <u>Mark LeMay</u> 3 YR. Trustee <u>Joe Jordan</u> Lecturer <u>Jack Zwit</u>

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Join Our Mailing List!

God Bless and Happy New Year.

Bob

Important Information:

FAMILY TIME:

Are you tired of the hustle and bustle of the holiday season? Tired of trying to figure out what to cook for dinner? Need a break where you and the family can just spend some time together in a safe atmosphere? Well the Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, January 14th, 6:00pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall. There will be a family movie afterwards for all to enjoy. Cost is free, donations are appreciated. Come join us for some family and friendship! Call Jim Jones at 682-229-8000 for any questions.

KNIGHTS RETREAT JANUARY 15th, Mark your Calendars - PLEASE RSVP

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

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

GOD BLESS AMERICA

UPCOMING EVENTS:

December 31 - Friday

New Years Eve Dinner Dance

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

Event: Knights of Columbus Council 759 NewYears 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 styleDinner

(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 9th - Sunday

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

January 9th - Sunday

San Juan Diego Assembly is hosting a Re-obligation ceremony on Sunday, Jan 9, at 3:00pm at the KC#759 hall.

ALL Knights of Columbus members, Columbian Squires and their families are invited. It is a dignified and impressive ceremony. This is an opportunity for you to reaffirm your commitment to the Knights of Columbus, reciting the oath for each degree, 1st through 4th, that you have attained. In addition it is an opportunity for your family to hear you renew the oaths you took at your exemplifications. This is also a time to support the Columbian Squires Circle that we sponsor. Following the ceremony, which will last about 30 minutes, there will be a potluck dinner. San Juan Diego Assembly will furnish the meat (ham) and ice tea and coffee. Members are asked to bring a potluck side dish or dessert to share. Please come and be a part of this event.

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January 15th - Saturday KC RETREAT

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.TexasRallyforLife.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.

January 22th - Saturday

The Saturday of prayer at the Abortion Mill will be Saturday, January 22th, 2011. 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.

February 20th - Sunday

KC Blood Drive at KC Hall 8:30AM to 1:30PM

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.

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

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 <u>robhenn@1scom.net</u> 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. E. James Hart, Fr. Gary Geurtz, Fr. Jim McGhee, Fr. Dennis Smith, Father Isaac, our deacons, Bishop Vann, the CFR's and all our Clergy.

For the repose of the soul of Tyrone TJ Withrow uncle of Brother Felix Mira.

For the repose of the soul of Deborah Tamburrino, wife of Brother Sal Tamburrino and mother of Brother Peter Tamburrino.

For the repose of the soul of Raymond Zwit, father of Brother Jack Zwit.

For the health of Brother Phil Leberta's mother.

For the repose of the soul Mirta Cruz of the mother of Jose Cruz Jr who passed away suddenly December 26th. She is the widow of PGK Jose Cruz and grandmother of Brother Knights, Jose and Gabe Cruz of our council.

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.

Pro-Life Committee/Couple - Burnie and Carol Vaughn

Pro-Life Committee - Carol & Burnie Vaughn 817-881-6261

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CELL PHONE DRIVE: The Knights of Columbus collect cell phones year around to support The Loreto House, a Catholic Life Center in Denton TX.

2011 March for Life, January 24, 2011. Washington DC. Joe & 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 22nd, 2011. 4th degree Knights will lead the March. A bus trip is planned for a day trip leaving from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton's north parking lot at 7:00 am and returning at approximately 8:00 pm, cars may be parked all day at the leaving point. At this time we have 22 seats available for cost only of \$25. This is not a fundraiser. We should arrive about 12:00 noon. Seats are being reserved immediately. Contact Burnie Vaughn at Frisco1945@1scom.net or 817 750 0045. Burnie & Carol Vaughn will be attending.

Dallas, Texas: Saturday January 22nd, 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. Rally and march for the 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 2nd Tuesday

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 (Cedric Dsouza)

Saturday January 9th 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. Son's of Knights are also welcome, for more information please see www.kellersquires.org or contact Allan Thompson at (817) 337-9982 or ajthompson@verizon.net

Message From The Church Director - Ed Leal

Happy New Year, Brother Knights!

Sunday we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany of the Lord. The Gospel we read from Matthew (2:1-12) reveals Jesus to all the nations, as the three wise men (Magi) journey from the East to pay homage to the new born king. Whatever the historical facts behind the story may be, the message of faith is that God is reaching out to us, communicating the "Word Made Flesh". This event shows God's intention to bless Gentiles as well as Jews through His Son. The openness and obedience of these Gentiles stand in sharp contrast to the hostility toward Jesus on the part of King Herod. God's revelation in Jesus has a tremendous power because it speaks to our hearts. Are we listening? Are we open to the Word? Let us become messengers to the world in this New Year, using our gifts - whatever they may be to pass on the message of the Good News. That love is born in our midst.

As we enter 2011, let us become closer to our Lord and Savior! Please join your fellow Knights in our one day retreat on Saturday, January 15. This is a wonderful opportunity to begin the New Year by taking time to reflect on our faith, and give thanks for all the gifts that God has given us.

The cost is only \$30.00, and is well worth the investment! The retreat will be held at Montserrat Retreat House in Denton.

Please RSVP with me. My contact information is listed below.

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,

Sir Knights:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who attended the Christmas social.

You all helped make it a very special night for Fr. Tom Kennedy, we were able to present the chalice that was purchased in honor of Sir Knight Harry Armstrong as you all know passed away this past summer..

We were also able to present the 4th degree sword to Fr. Gary Guertz for his service to the assembly as past Faithful Friar.

The seminarian that our assembly supports was not able to attend, but we are going to send a check for 1/2 of the support that we provide for him..As you may or may not know the assembly gives \$600.00 per year for seminarian support.

Also we are thankful for the assistance of Sir Knight Terry Peffers and his team of helpers for fixing the meat and potatoes we appreciate it a lot.

I would like to thank those of you who stood the Honor Guard on Friday evening December 9 for the Our Lady of Guadalupe procession, the Hispanic Community was very grateful for our participation

Finally thank you to all who came out to go caroling on Sunday evening, We had a total of 20 participants and we visited 10 homes.

A special thank you to SK And Bahl and SK Bill Jackson for organizing the event and obtaining the names from the councils in our assembly.

Beginning December 15 our Faithful comptroller will begin emailing the dues notices. Dues are \$35.00 for the year. \$30.00 goes to the general operating fund, and \$5.00 goes to the chalice fund.

This Sunday December 19 is our monthly fundraiser. Set up is 6:30

a.m. Breakfast will be served after all the masses on Sunday, clean up afterward, all who come to help should be on their way by 1:00 p.m. Please take a moment to thank SK Nic Stevens for all of his hard work preparing and organizing the breakfast.

.I also want to thank EVERYONE that has helped throughout the year making this fundraiser the success that it is.

CCC Ken Robinson has once again asked me to remind everyone that there is an Honor Guard/Color Corp training session planned for next Wednesday December 22nd at 7 p.m. in the KC Hall Council 759.

There is an Honor Guard planned for Midnight Mass on December 24 report time is 11:15 p.m. Please plan accordingly as parking will be difficult because of the 10:00 mass. Also remember the construction on NE Tarrant Pkwy.

There will be a re-obligation ceremony on January 9, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. at the KC Hall in Keller There will be a potluck dinner afterward, please bring a dish to share. we are encouraging all Sir Knights and their families and all Knights from the councils and their families to attend. The Squires are also participating in the ceremony.

Faithful Captain Rob Meyer will be handling this and making all the arrangements., as we are going to be out of town over the holidays, Rob will be handling any Assembly business that needs to be taken care of.

One last thing, mark your calendars for February 7 2011 this will be our ladies appreciation dinner, it will be held at the same restaurant it was held at last year, details are being worked out and I will inform you when they are completed.

Merry Christmas to all of you and your families God Bless all of you. God Bless America

Please remember your fellow knightsand their families in your prayers throughout this holiday season.

Jerome Bretschneider Faithful Navigator San Juan Diego Assembly 2857

KC INSURANCE

Call me - let's talk.

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

817-519-8993 or <u>Robert.Peffers@kofc.org</u>(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 everyday, they deserve our support!

Call the military suport 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 car pooling.

<u>Community Store House</u> (Tom Jones)

Mr. Ambassador, Brother Tom Jones

communitystorehouse.org

817-431- 3340

4574 Keller-Hicks Road

Keller Texas 76248

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 February 20th 8.30 am-1.30 pm at KC Hall

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 <u>rschill@verizon.net</u>

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 bargin 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 14th 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 20th 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

