

St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church

October, 2019

Council #7613

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR OCTOBER 2019

DATE	EVENT	TIME & PLACE
10/01/2019, Tues	CHOC Meeting	7:00 PM – Christopher Hall
10/03/2019, Thurs	Mass & Council Meeting	7:00 PM – Christopher Hall
10/05/2019, Sat	Monthly Rosary	4:25 PM - Church
10/05/2019, Sat	Guadalupe Dinner	Guadalupe Home
10/10/2019, Thurs	Assembly Meeting	7:00 PM – Christopher Hall
10/12-27/2019	Pumpkin Patch	
10/17/2019, Thurs	1 st Degree	7:00 PM – Christopher Hall
10/19/2019, Wed	Chapter Meeting	7:00 PM – New Braunfels Council 4183, 111 Landa St,
		New Braunfels, Texas 78130
10/24/2019, Thurs	Council Business Meeting	7:00 PM – Christopher Hall
10/31/2019, Thurs	Chicken BBQ Prep	

KNIGHT'S FAMILY COMMUNION

This Sunday (September 29) at the 10 AM Mass we are having a Knight's Family Communion. We need to meet at about 9:45 AM or earlier in the church front. Come one come all, we need many of you and your families for a very good association and communion. Following the Mass, we can all visit with each other in Christopher Hall for a good "Brunch".

Our Knight's usually always meet solely as Knight's without members of our families (unless they have a son that is also a Knight). Here is a great opportunity to include families that we are proud of to be with us and of which they want to see a part of our mission.

NEW KNIGHT'S

On August 29 at the 1st Degree ceremony at Christopher Hall, the six individuals shown below were swarn in as new knights. As indicated below, our Council 7613 gained three new members – Bob Gilson, Larry Eblen, and C. J. Pleasants.

The well attended ceremony was very successful and each of the new Knights were personally welcomed by all attendees. Let us all give our new Knights a warm welcome to our Council 7613 meetings and involve them in our activities as friends and "Brothers".



Bob Gilson (St. Mark's), Gerardo Leon (Holy Trinity), Larry Eblen (St. Mark's), C. J. Pleasants (St. Mark's), Cameron Blackmon (St. Francis of Assisi)

ACHIEVEMENTS & RECOGNITIONS

Following are a number of wonderful awards that were presented during the September 5 Council 7613 meeting. These wonderful people are honored because they served as an inspiration to our Parish Community and Council and by supporting and strengthening Christian Family Life.



FAMILY OF THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2019

SK GERARDO & PATTI ZAPATA

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2019



JOHN GOETZ

INVITATION: PILGRIMAGE JOURNEY OF FAITH

Brother Knights – Please Join Us On A Pilgrimage Journey of Faith

SK John Thabet of Accent Travel; SK Gene Townsend and his wife Jeannie; and the St. Mark's Society of Our Lady of Guadalupe invite you and your family and friends on a **7-day Pilgrimage to Mexico, January 14-20, 2020**. Accent Travel has been sponsoring pilgrimages for more than 25 years and will take excellent care of you. SK Gene and his wife Jeannie are experienced Group Leaders and will be leading this pilgrimage. In the past, Gene and Jeannie have led pilgrimages to Mexico among other places.

Places you will experience: The pilgrimage will focus on the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe, spending an entire day and a half on the sacred grounds. We will also visit the Church of San Miguel del Milagro where St. Michael the Archangel appeared, the historic city of Puebla, the small Indian baroque church of Tonantzintla and Cholula Church constructed on the top of the Great Pyramid.

We will stay in Taxco, the Silver Capital of Mexico, and see the "Jewel of Mexican Baroque", the Church of Santa Prisca. We will have Mass in the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and many other beautiful churches on our journey. Very important—we will stay in excellent hotels.

There are trips, tours, and *Pilgrimages*. What SK John Thabet and SK Gene and Jeannie Townsend have planned is a religious Pilgrimage. **A Pilgrimage consists of three F's—Fun, Friendship, and Faith. Fun:** We will have a lot of fun. Taking meals and tasting a variety of cuisines, shopping and sightseeing are some of the fun things we will share. **Friendship:** Sharing a religious pilgrimage with family and friends will draw us closer together and provide lifelong memories. **Faith:** Visiting the historical holy sites on this pilgrimage will deepen our faith, bring us closer to Our Holy Mother, and in turn her son, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Please join us on this exciting venture. Applications are being accepted on a first-come basis. For a more intimate experience, the Pilgrimage will be limited to about 30 people. As of now, there are still spaces available.

Details of the Pilgrimage:

- 2 nights in Puebla, 1 night in Taxco, 3 nights in Mexico City
- Cost: \$1,899 per person includes round trip air from San Antonio (single supplement is \$400).
- A deposit of \$300 will hold your place. Make check out to: Nativity Pilgrimage.

• <u>Mail Checks and Documents noted in the link below to: Accent Travel Agency, Inc., 15701</u> <u>Henderson Pass, San Antonio, TX 78232; you also may drop them off in person should you</u> <u>desire.</u>

• Contact SK John Thabet at Accent Travel, (210) 494-3553, with any further questions

• Click this link for complete details and application: https://www.nativitypilgrimage.com/dcngene-sanantonio

We hope you will join us on this exciting pilgrimage to experience the magnificence that is Our Lady of Guadalupe.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FALL FAMILY PICNIC

The Knights of Columbus would like to invite you to the 2nd annual Family Fall Picnic. Join us, Sunday October 13, from 1 to 4 pm on the Christopher Hall lawn and veranda. We will be serving Hamburgers, Hotdogs and other fall favorite food and drinks. There will be Pumpkin Carving, Swinging and bobbing apples, prizes for costumes, and crafts and Games for all. Following is a brief invitation to the event.





<u>October 13</u>

Beside Christopher Hall Time: 1-4pm Serving KC famous hamburgers, hot dogs &more! Prizes: Funniest- Craziest- Creative Costumes

Games, pumpkin Craving, dunking for apples, more!

Contacts: PGK Ysau Flores, <u>ysau flores@msn.com</u> or PGK Tex Liedtka <u>tliedtka@chesneymorales.com</u>

GET TO KNOW YOUR BROTHER KNIGHTS BETTER

It would be good to know a much about your background as you worked and played through the years. I wrote 6 pages about myself as I grew up on the farm and nearly vanished in the quick sand. Later I decided that working in the fields and on the hot roads that going to college wasn't such a bad idea after all. From there with a mechanical engineering degree, I worked at Boeing in Wichita for 6 years and later for North American Rockwell for 10 years on the Apollo program in California. From there, I spent 2 years as a manager at the San Antonio Water System and went on to work at Southwest Research Institute for 25 years where I retired for the first time. Well from there I went on as a full time engineering professor at UTSA for 8 years where I retired for a second time. Oh yes, I was a sergeant in the National Guard for 6 years during my time in college; have been married for 63 years; and now have 3 children, 9 grand children and 3 great grandchildren. Well, I do have to reduce my 6 pages of things I have written about my background to ever fit into a newsletter (however, please write more than I just wrote about myself). You should be able to do much better.

The following ideas about your background are a few to consider – you may have some better information about yourself to share with us:

- When did you become a Knight?
- Tell us about your service to our country
- How many years have you been married:
 - How many children and what is their present activity?
 - Include a family picture (if you have one)
- Tell us about your non-military work positions and experiences
- What are your present activities (working, church, Community, retired, etc.)?
- Anything else you wish to share?

What ever you have to provide about your background will be most appreciated – send it to me any way you chose including by e-mail (<u>acrogers5399@att.net</u>).

STARTUP HISTORY OF SEMINARIAN "WELCOME BACK DINNERS"

In 2008 there was a Diocesan request that parishioners invite seminarians to their homes. It was about the time of SK Sam Szalwinski's completion of his two year commitment as Diocesan Deputy. He and his wife Beverly invited several District Deputies and Seminarians from Assumption Seminary. The event was very simple. They all enjoyed hamburgers with a beer or soft drinks around SK Sam's and Beverly's pool.

The following year the event was moved to Christopher Hall because attendance would probably grow due to the full support and attendance by Father Raul Salas, then Director of Assumption Seminary. We also extended the invitation to all Seminarians in San Antonio. We requested support from KC members of our Council and "pot luck" dishes from parishioners. Children were always invited. Council members, led by PGK Ed Garcia, BBQ'D briskets and we received strong support from everyone. Msgr. Ryan always joined us as his time permitted.

Our most recent "Welcome Back" on 25 August, 2019 was attended by a total of 146 people. Much thanks goes to SK Richard Lee, SK/PGK Tex Liedtka, and SK Gerardo Zapata for cooking the dinner briskets.

QUARTERLY BLOOD DRIVE

On September 15th we had our quarterly blood drive handled by our most honorable SK/Dr. John E. Green. We had 41 people who attempted to donate and 31 successfully gave. All shown below had happy faces except one who did not want to be seen.



Patti Rangel



David Schmidt





Allan Cleaveland



Patrick von Dohlen