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St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church

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DATE	EVENT	TIME & PLACE
9/30, 10/01 & 10/02 Fri, Sat, & Sun	Chicken BBQ	12:30 pm Prep-Kitchen; Cook, Sales & Clean up
10/01/2016, Sat	Monthly Rosary	4:30 pm - Church
10/01/2016, Sat	Special Olympics – 2016 Aquatics Competition	9:00 am – Josh Davis Natatorium, 12002 Jones Maltsberger Rd.
10/02/2016, Sun	Squires Meeting	9:00 am – Christopher Hall
10/5/2016, Wed	CHOC meeting	7:00 pm, Christopher Hall
10/6/2016, Thurs	Mass & General Meeting	7:00 pm, Christopher Hall
10/8-9/2016, Sat & Sun	Membership Drive	Pulpit Talk-All Masses
10/10/2016, Mon	Columbus Day	
10/13/2016, Thurs	Assembly 3018 Meeting	7:00 pm, Christopher Hall
10/19/2016, Wed	Chapter Meeting	7:00 pm
10/20/2016, Thurs	Officers Meeting	7:00 pm, Christopher Hall
10/22/2016, Sat	Silver Rose Ceremonies	11:30 am to 6:00 pm, Chapel & Main Church
10/22/2016, Sat	Special Olympics – 2016 Flag Football Competition	8:30 am to 5:00 pm, McAllister Park (Lower Bee Tree Fields), 13102 Jones Maltsberger Rd.
10/27/2016, Thurs	1 st Degree	7:00 pm, Christopher Hall

AWARDS & ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Our Knight of the month of August is Heath Thomas.

Based on all the work they did for the St Mark's HOEDOWN, our Family of the month is Sharon and Bill Hanson.

Ray Paige, pictured below, received an "Appreciation Certificate" for his role as a Major Degree Sponsor.



SK Ray Paige Receives an Appreciation as a Major Degree Sponsor

COUNCIL 7613 RECOGNITIONS FOR CHARITY

The Texas Knight, a publication of the Texas State Council Knights of Columbus, portrayed Msgr. Kevin Ryan (also a Sir Knight) being presented with a check of \$5,000 by GK Ysau Flores to help make much-needed repairs and improvements to the St. Mark's Community Center kitchen. A written article of recognition was well presented in the publication.

Another article in recognition of our Council is included in the September issue of the Knights of Columbus COLUMBIA (page 29) regarding a gift to the Guadalupe Home. The article stated that our Council donated \$2,500 from the Skeet Shoot fundraising project to help renovate the Guadalupe Home's facilities. It said that such a renovation is vitally needed to assist such a Catholic Charities home for expected mothers and women with infants who are experiencing homelessness.

WHEELCHAIR "THANK YOU"

Juana Flores wrote the following most graceful thank you letter to PGK/SK Sam Szalwinski for her mother's wheelchair:

"Hello, my name is Juanita Flores and I am writing you to thank You for donating the wheelchair to my mother.

My family and I are very thankful for your generosity, as the Wheelchair has helped my mother tremendously! We can't thank You enough.

May God bless you and your family now and always.

Sincerely, Juanita Flores

PS: Following is my mum using the wheelchair.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

During the August 1 Council meeting, we recognized and honored the birthdays of Brother Knights Miguel Perez-Suarez, SK Willie Boes, and SK Al Gill (all 76 years old) pictured below by PGK Tex Liedtka. The smile on their faces represents their good characters of friendliness.



Miguel Perez-Suarez (not Raul), SK Willie Boes, & SK Al Gill

CONGRATULATIONS AND PROUD

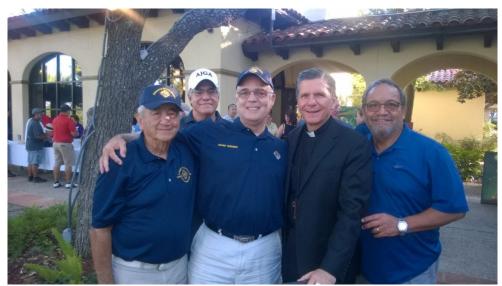
SK Fernando Arellano, Jr. with son, LTC Fernando Arellano III, at the Promotion Pinning Ceremony to COLONEL on Sept. 18, 2016 at Camp Mabry, TX.



SK Fernando Arellano & son Coronel Fernando Arellano III

THE ARZOBISPO GOLF TOURNAMENT

This golf tournament for seminarians, held on September 12, must to have been much pleasure to those pictured below – otherwise, why were all of them smiling. Such a good game must to have come about.



SK Fernando Arellano, GK Ysaú, SK Pedro Webber, Archbishop Garcia-Siller and Dan Alderete

DOVE HUNT TEAM ON LABOR DAY

The 5th annual San Antonio Family Association (SAFA) Dove Hunt held on this Labor Day at the Nooners Ranch Pavilion in Hondo TX, was very successful and will use its proceeds to help finance Guadalupe Catholic Radio.

One thing to notice is that SK Fernando Arellano is quite active in both the competitive events of golf and dove hinting.

Father Rudy T. Carrola- St Gregory the Great, (pictured below with Chris Huggins and SK Fernando Arellano) was very grateful for the Knights from KC 7613 for sponsoring him to participate in this event. He indicated that he usually stays too busy to get a chance to relax and do something for himself. He said that this is one event he really enjoys. Following is his actual written words of appreciation:

"I had a great time and I am very grateful to the Knights for sponsoring me. I know I need to improve my shooting but on the day of your Skeet Shoot I already have a full day starting at 7 am and ending at 7 pm. I will gladly tell everyone about your up-coming event. May God bless you and your council for the kindness you have shown to me."



Chris Huggins, Father Rudy T Carrola Jr. & SK Fernando Arellano

Shown below are views of our Brother Knights Chris Huggins and SK Fernando Arellano in action trying to find a bird to shoot at and "last but not least", a photograph of all sponsored by Council 7613.



Chris Huggins at his Hunting site



SK Fernando Arellano at his Hunting Site



Past State Deputy Ray Nuemann (seated), (left to right) State Deputy Doug Oldmixon, Chris Huggins, Chris's son, SK Fernando Arellano, & Father Rudy, St Gregory the Great, all sponsored by KC 7613

St MARKS YOUTH MINISTRY

An opportunity is open for some of us to respond to some of the needs of the St Marks Youth Ministry headed up by Mr. Frank Peacher. Mr. Peacher gets quite busy in the summer and has asked for some help. It is quite an experience as SK Bill Faucher, Johnny Melendez and SK Sal Scalia can attest. Their efforts have been in the kitchen preparing the meals for the Youth Mission.

What the youth do is to scrape and clean, then paint houses in the area around St Mary's University. They used to go to the Valley then recognized the need right here in San Antonio. Families in the area go to Holy Rosary and ask for their homes to be rehabilitated. Our youth leave on a Sunday and return on Friday after stopping at Schlitterbahn to cool off.

Our parish is making a significant impact to the area and in fact has become a focal point for other organizations wanting to do the same, such as Texas A&M.

What Frank needs primarily is some men, not more than 2 or 3, to help with getting the youth to the sites, supervising the work, and getting all of them back to Holy Rosary with the equipment ready to start another day. Transportation is provided...he is not asking for drivers.

The youth day starts with 6:15 AM Mass then breakfast. Usually by 8 AM they are on the way. They return about 3:30 PM. You do not need to stay with the youth at Holy Rosary, but can if you want to. *The dates of the mission next year are June 11 -16.*

These youths pay for their opportunity to work. The cost for each is about \$200. There are youth in our parish that cannot afford this so another request is to have our Council Sponsor Scholarships for our youth. Individuals also are encouraged to sponsor a youth for this trip.

We have a number of Knights who have worked with our youth before and all will attest that it is quite a rewarding experience. These kids are fabulous! We are bringing this to your attention early as it would be good to go with Frank Peacher to look at the homes and see what the needs are. This will happen after the New Year.

Any questions, see SK Bill Faucher at the meetings (Council 7613, Assembly 3018, etc.); email him at Bill.Faucher@Gmail.Com; or Cell Phone at 210-863-7062. Another great resource in our Council is Rich Mazzara (Phone: 210-590-9692, e-mail: rmazzara@stmarkevangelist.com). He has been on so many of these he has lost count. Hopefully, a number of you Brother Knights will become a part of this wonderful ministry.

HABITAT HELP

Brothers we will be starting our next Habitat House in February. I know this is way early to bring this up but I would like you to think about helping out. We are getting a lot of help from the parish. Most of the help is not familiar with construction.

We used to have a very good cadre of men who formed the core of St Mark's building. The cadre has been hit with age and health concerns. It is time to start rebuilding this core. With a solid core we can put up a very well built house. We need your help to make that happen.

We have some men now who do an excellent job. Please see SK Bill Faucher to expand on this some more. Brother SK Leo Forget is another good person to ask about this. You are not being asked to come out every day of the build but to consider coming out every Friday or Saturday of the build. We actually need help on Saturdays. Mike Costello, a fellow parishioner, leads the activity on Saturdays, but he cannot cover everyone's work to help. He is already quite busy. So, let SK Bill Faucher know if you are willing to be a part of the core of this next build. You can see SK Bill Faucher at the meetings (Council 7613, Assembly 3018, etc.); email him at Bill.Faucher@Gmail.Com; or Cell Phone him at 210-863-7062.

CHOC SUPPORT

If you have never thought about helping out with our **Christopher Hall Operations Committee (CHOC)**, you may want to give this some thought. The hall rental not only serves many needs of our parishioners but also provides an appreciative amount of funds to our Council 7613 of which are donated to the parish and to a number of charitable activities.

There is a small group that does yeoman's work making this happen. It is steady activity that many hands (more than we currently have) would make it light work and less time consuming.

It is surprising to see how much is done repeatedly by the same relatively small number of our Brother Knights – they need a break; one you could easily provide. Our Council has many activities going on and this particular one is one that is continuous...not seasonal, like the chicken BBQ.

Although the overall effort is somewhat continuous, the time you would actually spend on any one effort would be quite small (usually an hour or maybe two) and not be too frequent.

You are heretofore requested to give some serious thought towards volunteering to actively support CHOC for the benefit of both our Council 7613 and our Parish.

Any questions see Gary Richmond at the meetings (Council 7613, CHOC, etc.); email him at grichmond1@satx.rr.com or Cell Phone at 210-559-3571.

BLOOD DRIVE

The blood drive on Sunday of September 11 was a grand success in that at least 50 pints of blood was donated and out of approximately 50 donors, 16 of them were our Brother Knights.

Shown below are photographs of our Knights serving as donor registrars and as one showing his happiness in donating his blood.



Blood Donor Registrars SK Al Gill & Dr/SK John Green



Brother Knight Chris Huggins

KNIGHTS OF SONG

As shown in the (very short) first part of this video https://youtu.be/NtpFl3UnBt8, the *Knights of Song* are shown serving as a wonderful expression of faith during communion at St. Mark's. This shows that they have now advanced out of their practice phase to one of greatness.

Many other recordings are also included on the video of the performances conducted by not only the *Knights of Song* but also of the *Knights Got Talent*.

SK Lyle Bird encourages more of you to join the *Knights of Song* under the coaching of Wally Mika to try out your natural talent of singing. You will find it as a new and exciting experience.

The group meets once a month, usually in Christopher Hall. For questions (and answers), contact SK Lyle Bird at 872-1345.

MEATING THE NEED

Meating the Need supplies food for the residents/clients at Haven for Hope downtown. Our brother Knights volunteer one evening a month to serve the food to the 450 people who depend on St. Vinnie's kitchen for an evening meal.

On Wednesday of last week (September 7), we delivered another shipment of food to the shelter and served some of what we bought to the crowd of 450 hungry guests.

Each time we serve dinner, we begin by bringing plates out and hand delivering them to the disable and people in wheelchairs in the main dining area. You just would not believe how grateful the people are and how many times we hear them ask God to bless us for being there for them with a hot meal.

Following are photographs of few of our brother Knights as they are **Meating the Need.**



Al Sanchez & Paul Garcia



SK/Dr John Green and SK Marvin Boroski

CLERGY APPRECIATION DINNER

GK Ysau Flores wishes to thank the Deacons and Brother SK Bob Parrotte shown below with their wives for honoring him and his wife Marylou at the Clergy Appreciation Dinner held on Thursday, September 22nd. GK Ysau Flores is not shown below because he is serving as the photographer.



Deacon Gilbert Hernandez with wife Ann; Deacon Steve Marquez with wife Marilyn; and Deacon Raul Adam with wife Sylvia



Mrs. Marylou Flores; SK Bob Parrotte with wife Nancy; Deacon Gilbert Hernandez with wife Ann; Deacon Steve Marques with wife Marilyn; and Deacon Raul Adam with wife Sylvia

SOCIETY OF LADY GUADALUPE RETREAT

Our Brother Knights at the Society of Lady Guadalupe Retreat at St Mark's on September 4.



SK FERNANDO ARELLANO & ARNOLD SANCHEZ

KC BOCCEE BALL SPECIAL OLYMPICS COMPETITION

Our KC Brothers attending and serving the KC Special Olympics at McAllister Park on September 25 & 26 are pictured in the following 4-photographs.



Chris Huggins, Andy Totah, Mark Jackson, and 2 Knights from St Luke



St Luke Knight, SK Roy Dearman, M. Jackson, C. Huggins, GK YSAU



SK Roy Dearman with 2 Olympians and Student assistant



SK Henry Gonzalez, KC Area 20 Sp. Olym. Coordinator

OCTOBER SK SPECIAL OLYMPICS

As indicated in the this newsletters main schedule above, two SK Special Olympics events will occur this October – one will be an *Aquatics Competition* (Oct 01) and the other will be a *Flag Football Competition* (Oct. 22).

Volunteers are needed to serve each of these events. Those interested can obtain volunteer duty information by calling the area office at 210-530-9898. Those who wish to volunteer for either (or both) of these events may email Ms. Shawn Britt at sbritt@sotx.org or call the area office at 210-530-9898.

WOOD CUT SPLIT & STACKED

In preparation for the chicken BBQ project starting September 30, many thanks to SK Gerardo Zapata, Mike Wauters, Andy Totah, Mike Pattillo, SK Sal Scalia and his dog Roxie (shown below). Work was fast and furious but some time was made available for having some homemade Choc Chip cookies and Beer.



Mike Wauters, Andy Totah, Chicken BBQ Dir Mike Pattillo, & SK Sal Scalia,



SK Gerardo Zapata (Zappie) demonstrating his management style!