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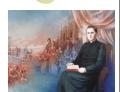
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## Holy Spirit Council 7264 Knightly News September 2011

We ask Father McGivney and St. Stephen, Pray for us.





## GRAND KNIGHT REPORT

#### MY DEAR BROTHER KNIGHTS AND SIR KNIGHTS;

I'm pleased to report that there are only a few Texas Knights Football Frenzy tickets left. If you have an interest in buying one of the last few chances, please contact Chuck Schabow (817-597-6120). He will gladly see to it that you get a ticket. Who knows, it could be a winner! You'd better hurry though, as we need to have all ticket stubs and money back to Chuck by the first week in September.

The preparations for our 11<sup>th</sup> annual golf tournament continue to move right along. We still need more hole sponsors, prizes for our raffle, and golfers to sign up. The outing is scheduled for October 8<sup>th</sup> so there are still a few more weeks left for you to help make this year's outing a huge success. We need you to call on your friends, relatives, professional contacts, anyone you think would be willing to sponsor a hole, donate a prize or provide a team for the tournament. You never know unless you ask. Thanks to the efforts of Dave Yaniko, this year's tournament will be offering three outstanding prizes for the golfer who is lucky enough to get a hole in one. We will offer prizes of: \$10,000, Resort vacation and Golf clubs. Do you need some help getting sponsors, prizes or golfers? No problem, call Dave Yaniko (817-688-0301) and he can send you all the materials you need to help you out.

At this time I'd like to take a moment to speak to you of the membership drive being chaired by Dale Burchfield. If we as a council are to grow and flourish, it is up to every Knight to bring in new members. We all know someone who is a Knight, but what about the guy you know who is a practicing Catholic and is not a Knight. I bet he has been waiting around for someone like you to ask him to join. Sometimes just a subtle offer of information about our order is enough to help a potential Knight make his decision. Dale is asking all Knights to look around and see if you can spot a potential candidate. If you know of one, furnish us his name. We will issue him an invitation to join the Knights with a letter from the Grand Knight. If you feel comfortable enough to contact them yourself, by all means please do so. If not, let our Recruitment team assist you by contacting Dale (817-313-0721).

I challenge all of you to do your part to make our golf tournament a huge success and to find a new member for our council. As Grand Knight, there is no better feeling than to see all Council 7264 Knights working together on a project and to have a bunch of fresh new faces right along with us all fired up and ready to help. Good luck and God Bless.

Vivat Jesus Andy Blanchard Grand Knight





Kathy Bitto

At the last Business Meeting we were asked to remember these individuals in our prayers:

Bettie Meza- RIP	Walter Upton - RIP	Betty Young
Joe Meza	Pat Tracy	Charlie Phillips
Debra Rogers	Carolyn Libby	Duane Tallman
Jan Bateman	Andy Allen	Marrika Schumann
Lawrence Bierschenk	James Andre	Peter Miscinski
Steven Metzler	Dave Frye	James Foreman

**PRAYER FOR RAIN:** as we continue to experience the effect of both the extreme heat and the drought, Bishop Vann has asked that the following prayer be used through the Diocese of Ft. Worth in the coming weeks.

Sharon Benafield

God our Creator, maker of all things and protector of your people, in Your love look upon us in our time of need and give us Your help. Open the heavens for us and send us the rain we need for our lives and crops. As our hearts long for You, so we seek rain to refresh the earth; as we long for life, so let the earth produce its harvest in abundance. May we rejoice in the good things of the earth and raise our eyes to You the source of all blessings. Hear our cry for mercy and answer our prayer, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Name	Date	Name	Date	
Justin R. Zamarippa	Sept. 1	William J. Kelly	Sept. 12	
Elmer M. Allen	Sept. 2	Thomas R. Collins	Sept. 17	
James P. Boukalis	Sept. 5	Peter G. Henz IV	Sept. 19	
John G. Pilkington	Sept. 6	Mauricio J. Hermandez	Sept. 22	
Ramiro Casas	Sept. 8	Robert C. Tracey	Sept. 23	
Horace A. Romero	Sept. 8	Randy L. Plunkett	<b>Sept. 27</b>	
Michael E. Riedlinger	Sept. 10	Martin J. Ivey	Sept. 30	

## Reminder that Our Council Charity Raffle is going on.

We encourage all members to help sell tickets for a chance to win a Statue of The Blessed Virgin Mary with Christ Child.

Please help us by buying and selling some tickets.

Tickets go for \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5

Your support in this effort is greatly appreciated, for tickets call: Andy Blanchard (817) 201-1777 or John Achtyl (817)-629-0178

## Congratulations to Dale Burchfield on being elected to 1st Year Trustee.

# Deputy Grand Knights Report

August 23 Planning Meeting attended by 16 members, discussion topics:

- Football Ticket Sales, need to be returned by Sept. 12th, contact Chuck Schabow @ 817) 597-6120
- Charity Raffle of Blessed Virgin Mary Statue Tickets on sale through Oct. 9, tickets \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Signs posted tickets available contact John Achtyl @ 817-629-0178
- Golf Tournament Saturday October 8<sup>th</sup> –, Golf Chairman: David Yaniko 817-688-0301
  Letters went out to members and to sponsors in August. If you wish to help anyone of the Co-Chairmen
  in their duties please contact them, they will be happy to hear from you. See list below.
  So far 11 Hole sponsors turned in and 9 Teams signed up.
- Parish Ministries Fair, October 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, Knights to have a table to encourage membership.
- Burrito Breakfast October 9<sup>th</sup>, 6 am start for cooks.
- Tootsie Roll Drive November 19<sup>th</sup>, mark your calendars.
- Our Council Christmas Party, December 16th, to be held at Parish Club House, looking for a Chairman
- Resurface wall in entrance of Club House for Councils plaques and pictures need committee

## Council 7264 Committees & Chairman:

Prospective New Members Committee— Dale Burchfield
Knight's Recognition Committee— Dan Brown, see info in news letter
Raffle Committee of Blessed Virgin Mary with Child Statue — Andy Blanchard, John Achtyl
2011 Football Sweepstake — Taylor Campbell, Charles Schabow
Golf Tournament Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> at Split Rail - Dave Yaniko
Tootsie Roll Drive — All members — Saturday November 19<sup>th</sup>.
Christmas Party December 16<sup>th</sup>, Need a committee chairperson

# Our Councils 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Golf Tournament © On Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> at Split Rail Golf Course

Only 38 days or 5 weeks and 3 days to Tee off, all members are asked to Help and Support this important fund raiser. We will be having Major Hole in One contest on all par 3 (4 in total). Prizes are: \$10,000 prize, Resort Vacation and Golf clubs, so spread the word. There will be 2 flights/groups and prizes for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place in each flight/group and a prize for last place over all finish. Cost is \$75 a player. There will be mulligan's and Raffle tickets sold. There are committees set up and you can contact the chairman to volunteer your services. Everyone's help can only make this event a big success. The following is a list of Co-Chairmen and their duties:

Hole Sponsor: Andy Blanchard – 817-201-1777

Golf Teams: Jimmy Dixon – 817-366-5183

Food/Preparation: Leonard Wright – 817-266-1750 Door Prizes/Raffle: Vic Verstraete – 817-596-9050

Set Up: James Nowak – 817-441-9223 Par 3 Set Up: Greg Libby – 817-441-8209

Golf Prize Bags: Taylor Campbell – 817-634-2202

Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> - Business meeting 7:15 pm Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> - Planning meeting 7:00 pm







Mike Miller of Bluebonnet Ct Weatherford



Steven Metzler of Canvon Creek Ln Weatherford



Wayne Wienke of Jennifer Ct Weatherford

As he passed by the Sea of Galilee He saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting their nets into the sea; they were fishermen. Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." And they left their nets and followed Him. (Mark 1:16-18)

While we recognize that the responsibility of supporting all vocations lies with everyone within the Church, our Council now has two new seminarians that we are supporting. Both of these fine young men have just started the journey as seminarians since July 1st 2011. We welcome to our council: Juan Lewis Mendoza, who is studying Santa Maria de Guadalupe de la Arquidiocelsis de Mexico and Thomas R Jones who is studying at Holy Trinity Seminary, Irving Texas. We wish to let them know that besides our support, they are in are prayers.

### **Prayer for Seminarians**

O Lord Jesus Christ, great High Priest, I pray that You call many worthy souls to Your holy priesthood. Enlighten the Bishop in the choice of candidates, the Spiritual Director in molding them, and the professors in instructing them. Lead the seminarians daily in Your unerring footsteps: so that they may become priests who are models of purity, possessors of wisdom and heroes of sacrifice; steeped in humility and aflame with love for God and man; apostles of Your glory and sanctifiers of souls. Amen.

Mary, Queen of the Clergy, pray for us.

## K of C Chapter meetings

Dates to Remember: 2011 - 2012

Oct 26<sup>th</sup> Chapter Meeting – Co. 8512 North Richland Hills (Co.2813 backup)

Sept 28<sup>th</sup> Chapter Meeting – Co. 6269 Arlington

Dec 14<sup>th</sup> Chapter Meeting – Co. 4709 Ft. Worth

Lan 25<sup>th</sup> Chapter Meeting – Co. 14549 Arlington Jan 25<sup>th</sup> Chapter Meeting – Co. 14549 Arlington



# The Supreme Knight issued the following statement concerning S&P's downgrade of AAA-rated insurers in the United States

The action taken by Standard and Poor's on Monday, August 8, does not reflect in any way on the business operations or performance of the Knights of Columbus. S&P's action - as their statement indicates - was caused by the downgrade of the rating of the United States in response to this country's debt crisis. According to S&P's statement on the methodology for their decision "the U.S. sovereign credit rating constrains the long-term ratings on these U.S. insurers." S&P's latest release cites the "very strong financial profiles" and "favorable business profiles" of the Knights of Columbus and other insurers affected by their rating revision. In addition, they cite the benefit the Knights of Columbus has from our "affinity relationships with our policyholders."

Because of our sound and ethical business practices and investment strategies, the Knights of Columbus is stronger today relative to the industry than it was five years ago. Over the past five years, the life insurance industry as a whole has seen a 6.8 percent decrease in sales. But during that same time, Knights of Columbus life insurance sales have grown by 20.7 percent. Since the financial crisis began in 2008, we have improved both operational performance and the credit quality of our investments. We continue to have the highest rating possible from A.M. Best (A++) and the highest rating S&P is able to give to any insurance company based in the United States (AA+). In short, there continues to be no more highly rated insurer in the United States than the Knights of Columbus, and our members can continue to have the highest confidence in our performance as a company and in the safety of the money that they have entrusted to us.

Video of the Supreme Knight's statement is also available on KofC.org.

The Knights of Columbus announced Aug. 2 that it will buy the John Paul II Cultural Center in Washington, D.C., to create a shrine and museum honoring the life of Blessed Pope John Paul II. "I take great pride in reporting," Supreme Knight Carl Anderson said at the group's conference in Denver, that "the Knights of Columbus will be at the forefront of preserving his legacy for generations to come."

Anderson said within the next year, the knights will work closely with Cardinal Donald Wuerl of the Archdiocese of Washington and Archbishop Allen Vigneron of Detroit to establish a national center, permanent museum and Shrine of Blessed John Paul II.

The Supreme Knight made his remarks at the Knights of Columbus' 129th annual convention, this year held in downtown Denver from Aug. 2-4.

God gave you a gift of 86,400 seconds today. Have you used one to say "thank you?" ~William A. Ward



# Knight / Family of the Month Nomination



Chairpersons are: Dan Brown and James Dixon

The committee is accepting nominations from fellow Brother Knights for "Knight of the Month" or "Family of the Month". You can send your nominations to either Brother Dan or Brother James. The nomination rationale should be in writing and must include at least one of our Knights of Columbus Principals:

### Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism

All nominees must be in good standing in the Catholic Church. You may contact Dan Brown at his e-mail: danbrown@uwmail.com

Or Phone # H 817-598-1757

Or send by mail to: 116 SE Rambling Trail

Weatherford, Texas 76087-7646

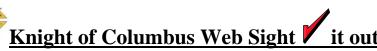
Or; you can contact Jimmy Dixon at his e-mail: jddjld@swbell.net

Or Phone # H 817-596-8443

Or send by mail to: 2106 Maplewood Dr

Weatherford, Texas 76087-3823

Or; when you are attending a meeting you can hand them your nomination.



Also Known as UKnight http://www.kofcknights.org/Council.asp?CNO=7264

If you have not checked out the web sight, please do and if you have a person that is interested in joining have them check out the sight. We are trying our best to update the information and pictures as it becomes available to us. If you wish to add someone to the prayer list, which stays on for 30 days, you can do so by clicking on the prayer list site. Entering your membership# and then enter the name and info if you wish. You can also check out other councils to see what they are doing if you use the "kofcnights.org" site. Please e-mail me at <a href="mailto:jlachtyl@live.com">jlachtyl@live.com</a> if you have any questions.



Please send your E-Mail address to <a href="mailto:ilachtyl@live.com">ilachtyl@live.com</a> to receive your News letter via E-Mail. At present we send out 58 postal mailings of the news letter and would like to be able to cut that down to save on postage and copy cost. So if you do have an e-mail address, please consider giving it to us. Your help in this matter is greatly appreciated.

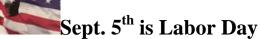


Reminder, that the THIRD (3<sup>rd</sup>) Saturday/Sunday to greet people coming to our parish prior to mass. Mark your calendars and come greet our fellow Parishioners.



Meals on wheels continue on each Thursday, Thanks to those of you that participate in this Council project. We deliver hot meals to seniors in the Weatherford area. If you are interested in giving 2 hours a month, contact Leo Davis at (817) 443-3870 or e-mail at <a href="mailto:leodavis@hotmail.com">leodavis@hotmail.com</a>

## **Month of September – Charity**



Labor Day, the first Monday in September, is a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. It constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country.

## **Prayer for the Sanctification of Labor**

O God, the creator of all things, you framed the law of labor for the human race. Graciously grant, by the example and patronage of St. Joseph, that we may do the work you provide us and earn the reward you promise. Sustain us with your grace to live up to our duties in charity and justice. Amen.



From "Conferences to the Priests of the Mission" by St Vincent de Paul (Conference 207). *Prepared by the "Focolari Movement"* 

## It is not enough to love God if my neighbor does not love Him

"Our vocation is to go and enflame the heart of men, to do what the Son of God did, He who brought fire into the world to set it alight with His love. What else can we wish for, than for it to burn and consume all things?

Thus it is true that I have been sent not only to love God, but also to make men love Him.

It is not enough to love God if my neighbor does not love Him. I must love my neighbor as the image of God and the object of His love, and do everything so that in their turn men love their Creator who knows and considers them as His brothers, whom He has saved; I must obtain that they love each other with mutual love, out of love for God who loved them to the point of abandoning to death His very Son. So that is my duty. Now, if it is true that we are called to bear God's love near and far, if we must set nations alight, if our vocation is to go and spread this divine fire in the whole world, if it is so, my brothers, if it is really so, how must I myself burn of this divine fire!

How can we give love to others, if we do not have it among us? Let us look if it is so, not generally, but if each one has it within himself, in due amount; because if love is not on fire in us, if we do not love each other as Jesus Christ loved us and if we do not act as he did, how can we hope to spread such love throughout the world? You cannot give what you do not have. The precise duty of charity consists in doing to others what you reasonably would like done to yourself. Do I really behave towards my neighbor as I wish he would towards me?

Let us look at the Son of God. Only our Lord can be so taken by love for creatures so much as to leave His Father's throne and take a body subject to infirmity. And why? In order to establish among us, with His word and example, the love of our neighbors. This is the love that led Him to the Cross and accomplished the wonderful work of our redemption. If we had a little of such love, would we stay here with folded arms? Oh! no, love can not remain barren, it urges us to obtain salvation and relief for others."

## Prayer

O Savior, who gave us the law to love our neighbor as ourselves, who practiced it in such perfect fashion towards men, let you yourself be, O Lord, your eternal thanks Savior, how happy I am to be in the state of loving my neighbor! Grant me the grace to acknowledge my good fortune, to love this blessed state, and to ensure that this virtue may be revealed now, tomorrow and always. Amen. (St Vincent de Paul)

# **SEPTEMBER 2011**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28	29	30	31	1 Happy Birthday Justin R Zamarippa	2 Happy Birthday Elmer M Allen	3
4	5 Happy Birthday James Peter Boukalis Labor Day	6 Happy Birthday John G Pilkington	7 Council 4th Degree Meeting	8 Happy Birthday Ramiro Casas Horace A Romero	9	10 Happy Birthday <u>Michael E Riedlinger</u>
11	12 Happy Birthday William Joseph Kelly	13 1st Degree at Saint Maria Goretti in Arlington Council Business Meeting	14	15	16	17 Happy Birthday Thomas Randall Collins
18 St. Stephen Parish CCD Starts	19 Happy Birthday Peter G Henz	20	21 Council 4th degree Meeting	22 Happy Birthday Mauricio J Hernandez	23 Happy Birthday Robert C Tracey	24
25	26	27 Council Planning Meeting Happy Birthday Randy L Plunkett St. Vincent De Paul	28 Chapter Meeting Last day for news letter Articles	29	30 Happy Birthday Martin J Ivey	