



Knights Talk



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Grand Knight's Message



Brian Roeten

Brothers:

We have now made it to the last month of this 2005-2006 KoC fiscal year. That means that this will be my last Grand Knight's Message to you. I hope that you enjoyed reading them.

I am very thankful for your confidence and trust in me by electing me as your Council Grand Knight this past year. It has been a wonderful and humbling experience for me to serve you in this capacity. I hope that you were not disappointed in my efforts and results. I have surely grown in many ways to become what I believe to be a better leader than I previously was; and I hope that this trend continues.

I am especially grateful to you for contributing your precious time, energy, and talents, to help write this last chapter of our ongoing journey of Knighthood of Council #8954. You made our successes happen with your personal commitment to serve God, our Parish, our Community, and our Council. Again, I thank you for all that you have done towards this joint effort, and that you continue to do.

One thing that you did do this past month was to honor and show support for our Clergy by attending the annual Clergy Appreciation Dinner. We were very happy to host our Pastor Msgr. Don Fischer, Parochial Vicar Father Tom Speiser, and Deacon Randy Engel – along with two visiting Seminarians. The meal was great as usual, as was the company. Many thanks go to Brother Joel Lanoux and Co. to make it all happen.

Next Meeting
Thursday June 1, 7:30pm in the Upper Room

We also had our annual Cinco de Mayo Dinner fundraiser early in the month. We provided the Parish a great authentic Mexican dinner at a great price – including live entertainment and refreshments. Brothers Manuel & James Villela, Frank Basquez, and Isaac Sandoval put this event together and jointly chaired it. Brother Jim Davoli graciously provided the beer and access to experimental margaritas to help subsidize this fundraiser. Thank you, Jim, for your generosity and effort! We also appreciate the help that all other Brothers provided in putting on this event.

During this month's June Business Meeting, we will elect new officers to lead us through the 2006-2007 fiscal year. I pray that you give the next Grand Knight and his staff the same support that you gave me and mine. Let's continue to serve God by serving each other, our Brothers in this Council, this Parish, this local community, and this country.

Until notified otherwise, we should be using our official ***Knight Support Line*** when appropriate. It is for private or public Council related news that must be acted upon by me and/or the Council relatively fast. I hope to continue this service for our Council in the coming year. The number is: **972-805-1921.**

May God's grace shine upon you and your family, and our entire Knight family.

Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Fraternally Yours,
Brian Roeten, Grand Knight



Editor's Notes

Newsletter needs new editor

This is the last issue for the current newsletter editor. If you would like to assume the reigns starting with the new fraternal year, please contact the Grand Knight or the newsletter editor.



From the Financial Secretary



Lairy Johnson

Congratulations

Congratulations to Tony Pascarelli and happy birthday. Tony will be 70 this month and combined with his 38 consecutive years of service qualifies him for the Honorary Life Membership status. My fellow knights, it is age plus steadfast service that qualifies you for the Honorary status. Please be diligent to pay your dues consistently throughout the years. Then you will be in Tony's club. Currently we have 18 HL members including Tony. Although HL members pay no dues, we also get credits from Supreme and State council on their assessments. Wish Tony a happy birthday.



Community Activities



Jon Hagarman
Community Activities
Director

White Rose Center

Brother Dan Dunn collects baby items for the White Rose at each business meeting. The White Rose accepts new and gently used baby items, as well as maternity clothes.



Garage Sale

Mark your calendar for the council's next garage sale scheduled for Saturday, June 10th. Clear out the closets and garage it is nearing that time. The procedure is the same: drop off items Friday night (June 9th) in rooms 124PC and 125PC. The sale starts 7:00 am Saturday morning and ends at noon. We need several pickup trucks and much manpower help on Friday evening (June 9th) between 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM to pick up and move several loads of furniture and other collectibles that are being graciously donated to the Council for this event. Many volunteers (including you) are needed to make this happen to really benefit the Council. The Saturday morning sale is also in need of your help. Please plan on working with us a couple of hours between 6:00 AM and 12:00 Noon. Contact Jon Hagarman (972) 680-9519 or jbhagarm@netscape.net for additional info and to volunteer.



Council Activities



James Aston
Council Activities Director

Officer Installation & Pot Luck Dinner Reception

The council's Officer Installation and Pot Luck Dinner Reception is Saturday, June 17th. The officer installation will begin approximately at 6:15 - 6:30 PM (after Mass) in the Main Sanctuary and the Pot Luck Dinner Reception about 7:00 – 7:15 PM (after installation) in the St. Joseph Room. Bring a side-dish or desert for the Pot-Luck Dinner. We would love to see you there whether you will be an officer or not.



Corporate Communion

There will be a K of C Council #8954 Corporate Communion held on Sunday, June 4th, at 8:45 AM Mass. It is celebrating Pentecost Sunday. We will meet at 8:30 AM in the Sanctuary Hall off the Narthex and process in together with the Color Corps. We sit together during Mass and process out together when Mass is over. We ask that you and your family participate in this event to show our Council Unity. There will be a post-Mass reception with a great continental breakfast.



Cinco De Mayo Mexican Dinner

The Cinco de Mayo Mexican Dinner held on May 6th (Sies de Mayo) was a great success. Compliments were received that evening and days afterward on the great food, the beautiful music and the sense of being at a family gathering. The success was the result of the hard work done by brothers who planned the event; who bought the food; who cooked/served the food; who helped set up/take down the tables and chairs; who decorated the gym; who washed the dishes and sold tickets. Special thanks to Brothers Manuel and James Villela and Frank Basquez for running the kitchen; Brother Ben Porras for securing the meat; Brother Jim Davoli for the beer and margaritas, Brothers Joe Acosta and Brian Keelan for the tickets. Council Special Thanks go to Cindy Villela for the Cinco de Mayo banner that will be available for years to come. Council Special Thanks go to Nancy Acosta, Cindy Villela, Veronica Basquez, Rosa Porras, Janice Silva and Gloria Sandoval. These beautiful ladies helped plan/cook/serve and clean up. Council Thanks go to the many sons and daughters there helping their parents that evening. Truly all of St. Joseph saw this was a Knights' Family Event.



Clergy Appreciation Dinner

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Clergy Appreciation Dinner - from the cooks to the clean-up "staff". We had a great evening! Everyone who attended and gave thanks to our Clergy for their service to our St. Joseph Community needs to be commended for their participation. We had excellent feedback on the meal. (where else can you go and get a cooked to order steak dinner with all the trimmings for \$10.00?). We presented each of our clergy and seminarians with a copy of the book on Father Michael McGivney--Parish Priest. They expressed deep thanks for the dinner, the book and the contributions of Council 8954 to our parish. Plan now to attend the dinner next year for another great meal and some surprises!



K of C Apparel

Knights of Columbus shirts and caps can be ordered at each monthly business meeting by completing an order form and submitting payment. Orders can usually be picked up by the next meeting. We have short sleeve shirts, a new long sleeve dress shirt, assorted hats and a new degree team shirt. See Milton Catalina to place your order or if you have suggestions for additional products.



Other News

Texas Knights Football Frenzy

Brothers, Football Season is only a couple of months away and what better way to get into the football spirit than the 2006 Texas Knights Football Frenzy Sweepstakes. For the purchase of a \$10 ticket, you get 9 chances to win every week for 10 weeks of the football season from October 29 to December 31, 2006. You get 9 chances to win from \$20 to \$400. Here is how you win: you get 4 NFL teams every week; total all the points scored by your 4 teams; if your total score is the highest among all the tickets sold, you win \$400; if your 4 teams total score is the 2nd highest/ 3rd highest/4th highest/ 4th highest / 5th highest/ 6th highest/ 7th highest/ lowest team total/ 2nd lowest, you can win \$200, \$100, \$80, \$60, \$40, \$20, \$60, \$40 respectively.

This is the 3rd year for this Texas Knights Fundraiser. For every ticket sold, the Texas State Council gets \$1.00. Texas Knights have received approximately \$40,000 and \$45,000, respectively, for the first two years. These additional funds have made it possible to maintain the state per capita every council is access every year at its current rate. In addition, every council is given a certain percentage credit toward their state per capita. The council sold 34 tickets the first year and 87 the last year.

The bottom line that this is a win-win-win situation for everyone. Some lucky person could win from \$400 to \$20 every week for 9 weeks. The Texas State Council receives additional funds toward supporting running the state and supporting its many programs. Council 8954 receives a certain amount of credit toward its state per capita assessment and thereby keep more of the monies raised for distribution among our many charities we support.

All brothers are asked to help by buying and selling Football Frenzy Sweepstakes tickets. Contact Brother Isaac Sandoval at 972-495-8930 to get your tickets and answer questions.



Special Knights of Columbus Mass

A special mass for members of the Knights and their families will be held at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Plano on June 10th at 10am. Fr. Josef Vollmer-Konig, diocesan vocations director and Friar for the Christopher Columbus Assembly will be the celebrant. At least six other priests will concelebrate. A light reception will be held after the mass. Knights are asked to wear a suit. For more information, contact Dick Sisler at (972) 596-4190.



Calendar of Events

June 2006

1 st	6:45pm	Officers Meeting
	7:30pm	Business Meeting
3 rd	9:00am	First Sat. Mass & Rosary
4 th	All Masses	Breakfast Burritos Sale
	8:45am	Corp. Com. (Pentecost Sunday)
9 th	6:00pm	Garage Sale Collection & Prep
10 th	7:00am	Garage Sale
12 th	7:00pm-9:00pm	1 st Degree Team Practice
17 th	5:00pm	Mass + Officer Installation/Pot Luck Social
21 st	6:00pm	VA Hospital Visit
28 th	7:30pm	1 st Degree

July 2006

1 st	9:00am	First Saturday Mass & Rosary
2 nd	All Masses	Breakfast Burritos Sale
6 th	6:45pm	Officers Meeting
	7:30pm	Business Meeting
10 th	7:00pm-9:00pm	1 st Degree Team Practice
19 th	6:00pm	VA Hospital Visit
26 th	7:30pm	1 st Degree
27 th	7:00pm	Bowling Social



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Remember, this is one of your fraternal benefits and it is only available to members. Please take the time to meet with our field agent.



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