

# Knights of Columbus

St. Helena's Council 7965

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## Knighly News



**Corporate Communion Mass – August 30**  
**Parish Festival – September 19**

### Chaplain

Msgr. Leo Dolan

### D.D. # 32

Joe Zimmer  
637-7130

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Raul Soria  
838-5450

### Dep. Grand Knight

Manny Olague  
650-5682

### Chancellor

Mike Rendon  
495-5895

### Treasurer

David Pleasant  
654-4764

### Financial Secretary

Wayne Borgmann  
657-2445

### Recorder

Preston Trinkle  
590-0519

### Warden

Tino Villarreal  
669-6408

### Advocate

Jim Palinkas  
653-6748

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Daniel Losoya  
373-5699

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Jesse Garcia  
967-3935

### Trustees

1st yr John Polhemus  
251-9675  
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632-0957  
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656-3103

### Lector

Abel Mendez  
237-5609

### Insurance Agent

Valentin Lucero  
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**August 2009**

### My Dear Brothers in Christ,

Getting the year started is always exciting. We are blessed that our council is rich with energy and charity. July was very busy for us and August has followed right along. We should all be proud of our many contributions of service to our community of St. Helena's and neighbors with special needs. This letter is my opportunity to recognize some special knights among us.

**Brother Losoya** and all the Knights involved in the "Family Nite" on July 18 must be congratulated for starting a new program. The evening was full of Fellowship and Love. We helped introduce a new church group to our St Helena community. We wish this "Married Couples Group" lot of success. Then, on July 25, we held our awards banquet at Pompeii Restaurant. The event was a great closure to a very successful fraternal year. The following evening, a total of 46 people attended the night out at the Missions for the alter servers and Knights. The evening was hot, the Missions lost the game but the event was great.

August started off with a very well planned and executed major degree. **Brothers Bustos, J. Martinez, Olague and Borgmann** along with many volunteers made council 7965 very proud. I am still receiving phone calls congratulating me on our event. On August 22 we will be hosting the 4<sup>th</sup> degree color corp. meeting. I'm confident that we will shine again.

We are also taking the lead on worthwhile community events. **Brothers Pleasant and Trapuzzano** coordinate teams of knights and their wives for monthly visits to Claire Bridge and Heartland nursing homes. Both events are a step towards your "Ace Wings", and Heartland is a great opportunity for brothers with young children to touch folks who appreciate personal contact. **Brother Joe Sandoval** is doing a great job of organizing the Parish Festival, and the knights will have a beer booth and the bingo event. Lastly, my pet project - "Taco Breakfast" on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday is great for new Knights. We also have time for fun as the 7965 Hitmen will participate in another softball tournament.

Other brothers are active in other wonderful ministries such as St. Vincent de Paul, ACTS, CYO, and Pro-Life. While I named a few members who get the "ball rolling", we won't accomplish much without a little support from a lot of knights. So, brothers as you can see there is something for everyone. You just need to decide which program or event fits best with your schedule. Commitment to Charity, Unity, and Fraternity is what drives us. What we gain as a council is what we give back to our brothers and sisters of this community. Become active, pray daily, and truly stand up for our beliefs and not sit back in silence. I urge all brothers to come to our meetings and learn how to get involved.

Thank you brothers, God bless you and your families, let's push hard this year. Peace be with you.

**Raul Soria**  
**Grand Knight**

Please submit any newsletter articles to [r.siller@sbcglobal.net](mailto:r.siller@sbcglobal.net) no later than the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month. If you want your article published, then please e-mail me. Robert Siller /editor

## MONTHLY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### August 2009

26 – Council Meeting, Dolan Center, 7:30 pm

30 – Corporate Communion Mass at 10 am. Front rows reserved for Knights and their families.

### September 2009

9 – Officers Meeting, Dolan Center, 7:30 pm

12 – Softball Tournament – Rusty Lyons Fields, 8am

18 - Setup for parish festival – to be announced

19 - Parish Festival

23 - 40 Days for Life sidewalk prayer vigil begins at Planned Parenthood, 104 Babcock Rd.

23 - Council Meeting, Dolan Center, 7:30 pm

### Future Events

Oct 2 – Habitat for Humanity Build

Oct 3 – Enchilada Dinner fundraiser (enchilada rolling party, Fri, Oct 2)

Nov 7 – Texas Hold'em Tournament

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## MONTHLY RECURRING EVENTS FOR KNIGHTS PARTICIPATION

**Monthly Adoration**, every first Tuesday, from 8:00 - 9:00pm, St. Helena's Blessed Sacrament Chapel

**Scheduled Adoration** - Monday through Friday 9:00am – 9:00pm. Knights should schedule one hour each week to spend time in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at St. Helena's

**Taco Breakfast** – Third Sunday of each month. 6:45am to 1:00pm. Contact Raul Soria to donate food items or money to defray cost of food items

**Heartland Nursing Home** – 3rd Saturday, 3:30 - 4:30pm, Heartland Nursing Home, 1 Heartland Dr. off of Stahl Rd.

**Bingo with Alzheimer's Patients** – 2nd Friday, 2:30pm, at Clare Bridge Home, 14595 Nacogdoches Road

**Monthly Admissions Committee Meeting** – Tentatively meets at 7:00pm on a date prior to the General Meeting date. A Catholic gentleman and his wife receive a taped briefing on the Order and, if he desires, he signs applicable membership forms to start the entry process into our Order. Contact Jim Palinkas, 646-9649, a week ahead of this meeting if you have a candidate.

**Members are encouraged to bring non-perishable items to the General Meeting to support the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry!**

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### **Support for Rite of Christian Initiation Adult (RCIA)**

Once again, Council 7965 Knights will support our RCIA candidates by providing them wholesome refreshments each Sunday during October through January. To make this endeavor a reality, I ask each Knight to donate \$5.00 (or more if possible) to this worthy cause. Our goal is to collect \$800.00 by December 1<sup>st</sup>. Please either bring me your donation at one of our General Meetings from August through November or you may mail your donation to the following address: John Martinez, 4602 Villa Nava, San Antonio, TX, 78233. Questions? Call me at 646-9649 or email me at [jamartinez007@satx.rr.com](mailto:jamartinez007@satx.rr.com). Thank you.

### **Monthly Adoration**

Brother Knights, Brother unity through prayer is a bond that will last forever. We have this opportunity a couple of times this month at the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Adoration is Mon-Fri 9A-9P, but our council is committed to cover 6P-9P Mon-Fri. Plan on a few minutes each week and meditate one-on-one with Jesus Christ at our St Helena Chapel.

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# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY wishes to:

August 2009

Casey & Genevieve Quiroz - 8/1 - 56 yrs  
 Ricardo & Selia Moreno - 8/1 - 45 yrs  
 Raul & Lori Tijerina - 8/12 - 37 yrs  
 Rey & Maria Silva - 8/8 - 28 yrs  
 Gabe & Diana Becerra - 8/27 - 26 yrs  
 Donald & Mary Coronado - 8/25 - 19 yrs  
 James & Maria Stone - 08-05 - 13 yrs  
 Ernest & Olga Munoz - 8/12 - 9 yrs



John & Mary Polhemus - 8/23 - 46 yrs  
 Alfredo & Nora Solis - 8/20 - 38 yrs  
 Phillip & Rosalynda Tijerina - 8/16 - 33 yrs  
 Eli & Bobbie Farias - 8/29 - 28yrs  
 Rudy & Amanda Mendez - 8/28 --22 yrs  
 Roger & Stephanie Muniz - 08-31-15 yrs  
 Raul & Rebecca Soria - 8/17 - 12 yrs

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# HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

August 2009

## BROTHERS:

Charles Pfiester - 08/05  
 Noel DeLeon - 08/01  
 Chico Sanchez - 08/02  
 Michael Toohey - 08/07  
 Oscar Elizondo - 08/10  
 Christopher McQuade - 08/13

Ricardo Moreno - 08/04  
 Edward Rauschuber - 08/06  
 Donald Neumann - 08/08

John Polhemus - 08/29  
 Salvador Zurita - 08/16  
 Stephen Syring - 08/10  
 Paul Cardenas - 08/09  
 Conrad Solis - 08/19  
 Ruben Ontiveros - 08/28



## LADIES:

Meredith Bendele - 08/28  
 Kameron Chicoine - 08/14  
 Pat Fietsam - 08/24  
 Rose Martinez - 08/14  
 Jennifer Moreno - 08/23  
 Rosalie Reyes - 08/08  
 Maria Stone - 08/08

Rose McNally - 08/27  
 Mary Polhemus - 08/16  
 Angela Siller - 08/12  
 Maria Trevino - 08/02

Nadine Cardenas - 8/28  
 Sally Fernandez - 08/05  
 Angie Islas - 08/30  
 Lori Mendez - 08-16  
 Virginia Ramirez - 08/30  
 Kendra Slaughter - 08/23  
 Donna Wieters - 08/18

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If case of any errors or omissions, please contact Council Financial Secretary, Wayne Borgmann so that he can update/correct the data files. Call Wayne at 210-657-2445; or send mail to 12419 Alexandria, San Antonio, TX 78233-5204; or send an Email to: [wborgmann@satx.rr.com](mailto:wborgmann@satx.rr.com)

## Parish Festival Plans Continue

**Bro Joe Sandoval** (494-1898) invites all interested members to come to planning meetings for the parish festival set for Sep 19. **Bro Tony Angel** is chair of the setup committee. The Council will take care of beer sales and bingo. Call Joe to learn how you can help, or come to the next Council meeting.

## Ladies Seek Items for Festival Store

The KC Ladies will be having a specialty store at this year's festival. Donations of new or almost new items are requested. All donations will be greatly appreciated. Contact **Mary Polhemus, 251-9676, or Bobbie Ingenloff, 653-8279**

## KC Ladies Welcomes Wives

KC Ladies invite wives of all members of the Council to join the Ladies Auxiliary. The ladies meet at Dolan Center at 7:30 pm on the second Wednesday of each month and follow each meeting with a meal or snacks. The ladies participate in a number of service projects to assist the parish community as they enjoy fellowship. For further information contact **Mrs Mary Polhemus at 653-3530.**

## Men's ACTS Bingo

The St. Helena's Men's ACTS Team invites everyone to a Family Fun Night of Bingo on Saturday, August 22, from 6:30 pm to 10 pm at the Dolan Center. A bingo card is available for a \$5 donation. Contact: **Bro Gabe Becerra, 387-2242.**

Proceeds will be used to fund the ACTS Men's Retreat, October 15-18.

## Forty Days for Life Vigil

We are all invited to prepare for the 40-Days For Life sidewalk prayer vigil. The San Antonio Coalition For Life has asked us, Brother Knights, to take on the 8 pm -8am slots for the 24hr vigil that will run from September 23 thru November 1. We need 2-people per hour to pray the Holy Rosary asking our Lord to intervene into the heart of a mother-to-be to change her mind and not terminate her pregnancy.

The location will be 104 Babcock Rd. This is an All San Antonio Councils participation program. With enough participants, we can pull this off with each of us signing up for only one 1-hr session. For further information contact **Bro Art Martinez** 210-632-0957, or by e-mail at: iamurchoice@yahoo

## How About a Date Night With Your Wife?

The Marriage Fellowship Group, our newest parish ministry, invites engaged and married couples for "Couples by Candlelight", a fun evening of fellowship and marriage enrichment on Saturday, August 29 from 6:30 -9 pm at the Dolan Center.

Greg and Julie Alexander of Alexander House will be sharing stories of how they've helped couples from across the world keep the joy in their marriage and will lead couples in a time of sharing and enrichment with their spouses. Hors D Ouevres, dessert, and drinks will be served. Childcare is provided. Attendees must preregister with **Joan Martinez** at [joanm@sthelena.org](mailto:joanm@sthelena.org) or 653-3316. The event is free, but a free will offering will be taken to support the Alexander's ministry.

## CONGRATULATIONS! Month of July 2009

**Knight of the Month**

**Tino Villarreal**

**Family of the Month**

**Greg & Janet Trapuzzano**

### SICK OR IN DISTRESS

Include the following members and their families in your prayers:

#### Sick

**Bro & Daughter of Bro Wes Athey**  
**Bro Bill McNalley**  
**Bro John Dodgen**  
**Son of Bro Martin Casarez**  
**Mother of Bro Paul Cardenas**  
**Spouse of Bro Daniel Losoya**  
**Nephew of Bro Terry Layton**  
**Grandmother of Bro John Cartwright**  
**Bro Dan Losoya**  
**Granddaughter of Bro Harry Woodville**  
**Mother of Bro Tony Cardenas**  
**Brother of Bro Rudy Mendez**  
**Brother Robert Hanselman**  
**Cousin of Bro Tino Villarreal**  
**Granddaughter of Bro Jim Jennings**

**Bro Russel & Dorthy Knouse**  
**Bro Carlos Lee**  
**Bro Jim Jennings**  
**Father of Bro Tommy Terrazas**  
**Spouse of Bro Barry Scott**  
**Son of Bro Hank Dorantes**  
**Deacon Stan Stancomb**  
**Bro Noe Lopez**  
**Grandson of Bro R. Knouse**  
**Father of Bro Oscar Elizondo**  
**Daughter of Bro Mike Rendon**  
**Bro Frank Perales**  
**Spouse of George Vincent**  
**Bro Orlando Guadalupe**

We list names of brothers and family members when we are aware of an illness or death. If you or a family member has a need for prayers, please inform **Chancellor Mike Rendon** at 495-5895

**A MESSAGE FROM YOUR FINANCIAL SECRETARY**

August 2009

**COUNCIL DUES**

As of August 15 the names of **fifteen (15)** Brother Knights remain on the unpaid dues list for year 2009. **Three (3)** of the 15 have not paid their 2008 dues.

On August 11, telephone calls were made to the 15 Brothers. The answering devices of **Eight** of the Brothers were activated stating no one was **home or available** and to please leave a message. The recorded message did clearly state a return call would be made as soon as possible. **THE RETURN CALL FROM SEVEN OF THE 8 HAS NOT YET BEEN RECEIVED.** The **one** who did call stated he is facing some serious financial problems – his employer is having trouble meeting his payroll requirements. Pray that his situation clears up soon. **Two** Brothers did answer the telephone **and** each faithfully **PROMISED** that payment would be mailed. The telephone numbers of **two** Brothers have been disconnected – reminder notice sent to each. The telephone message recorders for **two** Brothers were filled to capacity – reminder notice sent. Left a message with the family member of **one** Brother requesting a call back – no call back yet.

It is very disheartening that Brother Knights, who are also Catholic gentlemen, totally ignore messages left on their telephone recording devices and even fail to reply to the many written letters/memos mailed to their home address. Please do take the time to reply to the requests of your Council Officers, your Brother Knights.

Your FS wishes to establish a communications link with all fellow Brother Knights. Without a two-way communication link, it is really most difficult to know if there is a problem that your Brother Knights may be able to assist with. Talk to the FS and let him know how you are doing and what your plans are regarding the payment of your membership dues. Do as the Brother Knight referred to above did, call and let us know if you are faced with some kind of difficulty that is hindering your ability to pay your dues. The Council is here to help you, but **you need** to make that call and explain your situation.

Remember, at the time of your Knights of Columbus Initiation, you **pledged** to keep your dues current. Fulfill that pledge and send in your dues payment now. Make your check payable to **Knights of Columbus, 7965** and mail to Wayne Borgmann, FS; 12419 Alexandria St; San Antonio, TX 78233-5204.

**Please note**, if you do not have a “**BLUE**” **2009** membership card you are very likely one of the elusive **FIFTEEN**. If, however, you can not find your current card and you believe you have paid your dues, please contact Wayne at 657-2445. Or, send an email to: [wborgmann@satx.rr.com](mailto:wborgmann@satx.rr.com) Thank you very much.

**ATTENDANCE LOTTERY**

Brother **Dale Meek**, your name was drawn for the July meeting attendance lottery of \$40. Your absence at the meeting increases the lottery for August meeting to **\$45**. Remember, you **MUST** attend the Council business meeting to win. Council business meetings are held the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:30 PM, in the Dolan Center. The next meeting will be on August 26, 2009. Let's fill the Council Chamber with some new faces. Brothers, your participation in council activities is desired and greatly valued. Mark your calendar and we will see you there.

**WELCOME – NEW MEMBERS**

Please welcome the following Brother Knights who were admitted to Knighthood on August 5, 2009.

- Oscar R Frausto, Jr.**, 6315 Antares Park, SA, TX 78239-1634; TEL: 887-1358
- Louis T Guerrero, Jr.**, 5807 Gardenwood St., SA, TX 78233-4419; TEL: 875-9440
- Juan D Rodriguez**, 5423 Goshen Grove, SA, TX 78247-5848; TEL: 832-8963

**CONGRATULATIONS-NEW THIRD DEGREE MEMBER**

Extend congratulations to Brother **Joe M Butcher** who received the honors of the Third Degree of the Order on August 1, 2009

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**Knights of Columbus Launch News and Information Site for Catholics**

The Knights of Columbus has launched a brand-new Internet-based news and information service for Catholics everywhere – **Headline Bistro**, news that Catholic need to know. The new Web site provides a quick digest of daily news of interest to Catholics. Whether it relates to world affairs, politics or news specifically about the Catholic Church, you'll find links to the original sources here. You'll also find video clips, detailed state-by-state information about voting and public policy, and recommended books. Want to know what our bishops say about important issues like health care reform, immigration, or a multitude of social issues. The site also includes links to Facebook and Tweeter. It merits being added to your Favorites list. Check it out at: [www.headlinebistro.com](http://www.headlinebistro.com)

## COUNCIL CALENDAR

Refer to Page 2 for complete schedule  
of Council Events.

### St Vincent de Paul Needs

Item	Size	Pkg
Apple Sauce	25 oz	can
Corn	15 oz	can
Corn Flakes	18 oz	box
Grape jam or jelly	18 oz	jar
Green Beans	14 1/2 oz	can
Instant Potatoes	15 oz	box
Macaroni & cheese	7.25 oz	box
Peanut Butter	18 oz	jar
Pinto Beans	2 lbs	bag
Powdered Milk	3.2 oz	box
Rice	2 lbs	pkg
Spaghetti	24 oz	pkg
Tomato Sauce	8 oz	can
Tuna	6 oz	can
Ivory Soap	4.5 oz	bar
Laundry Detergent	28 oz	box
Toilet paper		
Tooth paste	6 oz	tube

ADORATION: MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, 9 TO 9 – SEE YOU THERE!! **KC Council Adoration, First Tuesday, 8 p.m.**

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