

Knights of Columbus

St. Helena's Council 7965

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Knighly News



Council Meeting –	February 24
Fish Fry –	February 26

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637-7130

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838-5450

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650-5682

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Mike Rendon
495-5895

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David Pleasant
654-4764

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657-2445

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590-0519

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967-3935

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251-9675
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632-0957
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656-3103

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Abel Mendez
237-5609

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February 2010



My Dear Brothers in Christ,

The Lenten season is upon us, and I call on each of us to reflect on how we can perform works of charity, prayer and almsgiving. It is through such works, that we will renew ourselves in time for the Easter season.

At this time we are also half way through our fraternal year and still have many projects in the works. I thank all of you for your commitment to our events and encourage you to continue helping our council.

Our Superbowl BBQ event ended well but with much effort. I congratulate **Brother Daniel Losoya** and everyone who helped with the project. Revenue from the project decreased from last year – no doubt a reflection of the difficult times we are all currently experiencing and other competing demands (such as Haiti Relief) for charity. I know that many Brothers and parishioners have less time and money, but Still, every little bit of support helps - whether it's time or money. I urge all my Brothers to step back and see what you can contribute in the events to come. Please note the calendar of events listed on the next page.

Brothers, you can see we don't lack activities. We will be conducting Fish Fries on three Fridays in Lent, and with Easter comes the annual Easter Egg Hunt. The success of all these events falls on all of us and how we give up our time and contributions. I ask all the new Knights to step up and pick a function. Each of us can be a key factor in the success of our efforts. No matter how small, every contribution of time or dollars helps us to achieve our objectives to help our community, whether on the parish or state level.

Please make it a point if you have not been to a meeting lately come to this one. We have many items to cover and I need everyone's input.

Your Brother in Christ,

Raul Soria
Grand Knight

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

MONTHLY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

February 2010

- 20 – Heartland Party
- 21 - Taco Breakfast
- 21 - Blood Drive, 9 am – 1 pm
- 24 – Council Meeting**
- 26 – Lenten Fish Fry

March 2010

- 2 - Council Adoration, 8 pm, Chapel
- 12 - Clare Bridge Bingo Party
- 12 – Lenten Fish Fry
- 14 - Membership Blitz
- 20 – Heartland Party
- 21 - Taco Breakfast
- 26 – Lenten Fish Fry

April 2010

- 3 – Children’s Easter Egg Hunt
- 7 - Council Adoration, 8 pm, Chapel
- 9 - Clare Bridge Bingo Party
- 10 – Tootsie Roll Drive
- 17 – Heartland Party
- 18 - Taco Breakfast
- 23 – 24 Fiesta Parade Chair Fundraiser

MONTHLY RECURRING EVENTS

Council Meetings – Feb 24 Mar 24 Apr 28 May 26 Jun 23 (Dolan Center, 7:30 pm)

Council Officer Meetings – Feb 10 Mar 10 Apr 14 May 12 Jun 9 (Dolan Center, 7:30 pm)

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. We especially need volunteers to help with cleanup detail after 10 am mass.

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! Please help replenish the bare pantry shelves.

Editorial – Thanks from a KC of the Month

Thanks to a slow news cycle the Editorial Staff (me) has space to fill. So I thought I would relate some of the lessons I have learned in life to my experience as a Knight of Columbus. Like most of us, life lessons began with my parents and were later reinforced by Air Force officers I served under, and senior NCOs who let me think I was their boss as a young officer. My Mom said if you make a mess – clean it up. In the Air Force the lesson was expanded to: don't just gripe unless you are prepared to offer a solution, and even more importantly be prepared to work to correct a problem. Lastly, I learned that we can't improve an organization if we just perform the minimum tasks required. This rule also applies to improving a community.

When I joined the Knights of Columbus, I didn't fully appreciate the potential value of the organization. Individually, we can gripe and complain about inequities or problems and never accomplish anything. But together, I marvel at the accomplishments we can all take pride in. From helping young, frightened teenage moms, orphans who can use a little help, high school graduates who need a little help with tuition, deaf folks who need help to appreciate the liturgy, and even older folks at nursing homes who welcome a friendly contact. The list of things we do goes on and on. Another plus has been the opportunity to work with a bunch of positive minded brother knights. No one has to do everything, but many do a little and a lot gets done.

Our current economic conditions seem to promote despair. We witness folks with a lot of complaints and few solutions for national problems. Our news media outlets don't help because what seems to sell is negativity - sensationalism and promotion of divisiveness. Life is difficult and big problems require hard work and sacrifice. As a KC, I can't solve the problems of the world or even those of our community, but I take pride in knowing that I can help make a difference – even with just a little effort. Thanks to my life lessons, my Catholic faith, and my KC experiences I usually keep a positive outlook. In this season of Lent, I invite Brother Knights to examine their hearts for ways to live up to the example of Jesus and Brother Knights who try to make a difference as KCs. There are a number of other parish and community organizations that offer outlets for positive action. **Sure anyone can gripe or complain without offering solutions, but in in all my years of service in the military or civilian employment I have yet to see one person rewarded positively for just complaining.**

SICK OR IN DISTRESS

Include the following members and their families in your prayers:

Sick

Bro & Daughter of Bro Wes Athey	Bro Russel & Dorthy Knouse
Bro John Dodgen	Brother Robert Hanselman
Bro Jim Jennings	Bro Oscar Frausto
Father of Bro Tommy Terrazas	Spouse of George Vincent
Spouse of Bro Barry Scott	Bro Orlando Guadalupe
Son of Bro Hank Dorantes	Bro Frank Perales
Nephew of Bro Terry Layton	Deacon Stan Stancomb
Grandmother of Bro John Cartwright	Bro Julian Trevino
Stepmother of Bro Chris Mcquade	Grandson of Bro R. Knouse
Granddaughter of Bro Harry Woodville	Father of Bro Oscar Elizondo
Granddaughter of Bro Jim Jennings	Brother of Bro Ernest Munoz
Bro-in-Law of Bro Harry Woodville	Spouse of Deacon Stan Stancomb
Daughter of Bro Tom Jarzombek	
Grandfather of Bro Armando Barron	

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

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY wishes to:

February 2010

Robert & Patricia Allen - 02/07 - 51 yrs
 Adolf & Hilda Pfaffinger - 02/01 - 46 yrs
 Alma Yzaguirre - 02/26 - 38 yrs
 Connie Garcia - 02/19 - 22 yrs
 Lori Mendez - 02/28 - 1 yr



Julio & Maria Trevino - 02/02 - 49 yrs
 Paul & Marie Gustowski - 02/26 - 38 yrs Dickie &
 Michael & Linda Toohey - 02/14 - 29 yrs Steve &
 Dan & Heidi McConaughy - 02/14 - 18 yrs Abel &

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

February 2010

BROTHERS:

Joseph Algermissen - 02/03
 Wayne Borgmann - 02/13
 Mark DeLeon - 02/23
 Ceasar Acosta - 02/12
 Lawrence Chavez - 02/22
 Brian Sharp - 02/02
 Armando Barron - 02/18

Robert Hanselman - 02/03
 David Pleasant - 02/22
 Phillip Tijerina - 02/01
 Manuel Olague, Jr. - 02/08
 Valentin Lucero - 02/14

Richard Dvorak - 02/08
 Joe Cantu - 02/03
 Thomas Wendel - 02/13
 Alan Graykowski - 02/19
 Donald Coronado - 02/05
 Eric Caldwell - 02/27
 Javier De La Torre - 01/28



LADIES:

Pamela Barclay - 02/17
 Yolanda DeLeon - 02/09
 Gail Guadalupe - 02/06
 Maria Losoya - 02/22
 Prue Riojas - 02/03

Sioning McKinney - 02/21
 Mary Rodriguez - 02/17

Mary Coronado - 02/15
 Lori Franckowiak - 02/18
 Chris Layton - 02/28
 Lanell Rauschuber - 02/12
 Regina Woodville - 02/28

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

CONGRATULATIONS!

Month of January 2010

Knight of the Month

Robert Siller

Family of the Month

Manuel & Virginia Olague

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR FINANCIAL SECRETARY

February 2010

COUNCIL DUES

As of February 10, 140 of the 205 "billable" members have paid their 2010 annual dues. Thank you for your prompt payment. **FOR THOSE 65 MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT YET SUBMITTED THEIR DUES PAYMENT, CONSIDER THIS MESSAGE AS YOUR "REMINDER NOTICE". YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE, ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU DO NOT HAVE THE 'WHITE' 2010 MEMBERSHIP CARD. PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO WRITE THAT CHECK AND MAIL IT, USING THE PREAMBLED ENVELOPE PROVIDED WITH THE INITIAL MEMBERSHIP NOTICE MAILING.**

A one-time payment of \$24 is preferred; however, you may render a quarterly payment of no less than \$6. Bring your payment to the February 24, 2010 council meeting or mail it in the self addressed envelope enclosed with the statement. **Please include the top, tear-off section of the statement with your payment.** Thank you.

If you have misplaced the statement mailed to you, please call the FS, 657-2445, to have another one sent to you.

The 2010 membership cards have been mailed or personally given to those members who have paid their 2010 dues. If you have not received a **WHITE**, 2010 Membership Card, it means the FS, most likely has not received your 2010 dues payment. If you have sent in your dues payment and you cannot find your 2010 card, please call the FS.

If you have any questions or concerns about making payment due to financial constraints, please feel free to call me, Wayne Borgmann, FS, at 657-2445 or Grand Knight, Raul Soria at 838-5450, or email at: r-soria@sbcglobal.net. My E-Mail address is: wborgmann@satx.rr.com.

ATTENDANCE LOTTERY

Brother **Tim Luna's** name was drawn for the January '10 Council business meeting attendance lottery. Brother Time was at the meeting and was awarded with the \$20. Therefore, the lottery for the month of February 2010 is reset to \$5. Remember, you **MUST** attend the Council business meeting to win. The next meeting will be on **February 24, 2010**, at 7:30 pm, in the Dolan Activity Center. Let us fill the Council Chambers with some new faces. Your participation in council activities is desired and greatly valued. See you there.

WELCOME – NEW MEMBER

Please welcome the following Brother Knight who was admitted to Knighthood on February 3, 2010.

Brian W Sharp, 12822 Falcons Nest, SA TX 78233-4668; TEL: 442-8934 (home); 267-7555 (cell)

CHANGE OF ADDRESS NOTIFICATION

Do not forget to include me, your Financial Secretary (FS), when you send out "Change of Address" forms announcing that you have moved to a new address. Instead of sending a form to the Knights of Columbus **Columbia** Magazine, please send it to me. I will update my files and also send a report of your new address to the K of C Supreme Office in New Haven, CT. to change their files, including the **Columbia**. Request "Change of Address" forms be sent to me by regular mail to 12419 Alexandria St, San Antonio, TX 78233-5204, or by E-mail to: wborgmann@satx.rr.com , or by telephone at 657-2445. Also, if your telephone number changes, please do include your new number. Thank you very much.

Fiesta Parade Seats

Bro Eddie Moreno will be chairing the Fiesta Parade Seat fundraiser again. Mark your calendars for Friday and Saturday, April 23-24. Volunteers will be needed to set up nearly 200 folding chairs for both Battle of Flowers Parade (Fri, Apr 23) and Flambeau Parade (Sat, Apr 24). Contact Brother Eddie also has parade seat tickets for sale, but they sell fast. Contact him at 863-6839.

Lenten Fish Fry Fundraisers

GK Raul Soria announced plans for the sale of fried fish plates on three Friday evenings – Feb 26, Mar 12, and Mar 26-during lent. He has secured a reliable vendor of good quality frozen fish. Additional details for the fundraisers at the February meeting. Plates will be priced at \$6.

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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