

San Antonio Chapter Knights of Columbus



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KC Pro-life Ace Wings to Bishop Gustavo



Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller was presented the Knights of Columbus Ace Wings for his tireless advocacy of the sanctity of life from conception to death.

The presentation by Rudy Escamilla, Diocesan Deputy East occurred at the Hyatt Resort during the recent Fullness of Truth Conference in San Antonio where he opened the conference with the celebration of Mass.

October is Bishop Flanagan month

October is Bishop Emeritus Thomas J. Flanagan Month. At the Chapter Meeting in New Braunfels in 2009, we presented Bishop Flanagan with a proclamation declaring the month in which he was born as a fitting tribute to honor him for his long years as our Chapter Chaplain and spiritual father.

He is the Spiritual Advisor for the KC Retreat at Camp TECABOCA marking his 25th year and continues to serve as Faithful Friar of his assembly.

Bishop Flanagan was born on October 23, 1930 in Rathmore, County Kerry, Ireland, oldest of eight children born to Patrick and Mary McNamara Flanagan.

Flanagan was ordained a priest on June 10, 1956, at the age of 26, for the Diocese of San Antonio. Flanagan served in six parishes and also as spiritual advisor of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society, Chairman of the Board of the archdiocese's Assumption Seminary, as well as diocesan Chapter chaplain for its Knights of Columbus.

He graduated from Oblate School of Theology in 1979 with the master of divinity degree for clergy.

On January 5, 1998 he was appointed Titular Bishop for Bavagliana and Auxiliary Bishop for his home diocese by Pope John Paul II.

Flanagan was consecrated a bishop on February 16, 1998. His Principal Consecrator was Archbishop Patrick Flores. Flanagan's principal co-consecrators were Bishop Edmond Carmody, and Bishop John McCarthy. Auxiliary Bishop Patrick J. Zurek was ordained at the same ceremony.

Bishop Flanagan retired on December 15, 2005 at the age of seventy-five but continues a ministry of service to the Church and the Knights of Columbus.

In June 7, 2006 Archbishop José H. Gomez presided and gave the homily at the Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Vincent de Paul Church marking his 50th year since his ordination.

Bishop Flanagan is well known for his ecumenical role serving as Presi-

dent of the San Antonio Community in 1991. Recognizing his prominence in unifying different faiths in San Antonio, Archbishop Patricio Flores appointed him to the steering committee of the 1997 Billy Graham Crusade.

Flanagan was formally invested September 11, 2009 as an Honorary Oblate of Mary Immaculate at Oblate School of Theology chapel.

We praise him for his commitment to the holiness of his vocation and his constant gift of himself to the poor, the sick and the homeless.

Major Degree, New Braunfels October 9

The next major degree in New Braunfels will be at Council 4183 on Sunday, October 9, 2011 at 111 Landa Street, New Braunfels, 78130.

Registration will be from 6:30 to 9:00 a.m. followed by mass at 8:00 a.m.

Candidates need to bring their own medallions.

Continental breakfast after mass. Lunch is \$6 following the ceremonials. Candidates pay \$15.00 includes lunch. Please RSVP by October 7. Please contact GK Joe Hernandez at 830-832-6050 or email him at bmh1@satx.rr.com

Second degree begins at the usual time of 10:00 a.m.

Happy Birthday bishops!

Bishop John Walter Yanta turned 80 on October 2.

Bishop Thomas J. Flanagan 81 on October 23!



Maronite Patriarch to visit San Antonio



The San Antonio Knights of Columbus have been asked for a turnout on the visit by Maronite Patriarch Beshera Peter Rai on October 13 at 6:30 p.m. at St. George Maronite Church at 6070 Babcock Road.

Newly elected in March, Patriarch Beshera is making his first U.S. visit from the See [patriarch] in Bkerke, Lebanon. The host will be Reverend Ghassan Mattar, MLM, pastor of the church on Babcock Road.

In full communion with the Roman Catholic Church the patriarch represents the Eastern Catholic Church of the West Syriac Antiochene Tradition and is addressed as Beatitude.

The celebration will be a Pontifical Divine Liturgy at the Maronite Community Center off of Babcock followed by a banquet/reception at \$20 per person in the patriarch's honor at the Grand Ballroom at the center.

When the call came in for the Knights participation we were told that the pastor had requested the 4th degree turnout.

Carl Anderson on council membership:

Supreme Council says, go back to basics. Recruit "One new member, per council, each month."

Seminary nuns' retirement home fundraiser February 9 at IWC



Photo courtesy Vicki Carr website

Vicki Carr, long a sponsor of catholic fundraising in San Antonio, hopes to see you on February 9 at IWC for the Hermanas Josefinas.

A First Annual Gala for the St. Josephine Nuns will take place on February 9, 2012 at the University of the Incarnate Word Sky Room to raise funds to build the seminary sisters a modest residence.

Social hour 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller, M.Sp.S. will appear and lend his support for the sisters.

Honoree and speaker will be Monsignor Lawrence 'Larry' Stuebben and brother to the late Msgr. George Stuebben.

At 7:00 p.m. is a sit down dinner provided by the RK Group followed by entertainment beginning at 8:00 p.m. with international singer/actress Vicki Carr, long a favorite of Johnny Carson on the Tonight Show on NBC, along with jazz local favorite Henry Brun and other will entertain.

The St. Josephine Sisters [Hermanas Josefinas] in San Antonio since 1914, have dedicated their vocation to the seminary for some sixty years as the care givers in the cafeteria. Due to age and health issues, retirement nears. Plans for the gala are to build a handicapped residence with a small chapel encompassing some 5,900 square feet.

The estimated cost of the project and an endowment fund is around one million.

The Knights of the Archdiocese are being asked to sponsor some 24 tables at a cost of \$60 per person or \$600 per table of ten. Your attendance and donation is urgently needed.

For tickets and information please call Joe Borrero at 210-408-1059. Please send your monetary donations to: **Sister Crispina Parraguirre, 2622 W. Summit, San Antonio, TX, 78228**, telephone is 210-737-0584. Make checks payable to: **Hermanas Josefinas Retirement Home Fund.**

The San Antonio KC leadership in solidarity with Archbishop Gustavo asks that your council support this fundraising effort. If a council prefers, they can ask individuals to purchase tickets and forward a council check to address above.

For additional information call Joe or Lydia Borrero at 210-408-1059 or Yolanda Kujawski 210-493-0571.



Hermanas Josefinas at Council 4140 Nuns' Appreciation in September.

Bishop Thomas Joseph Flanagan coat of arms



The shield of the coat of arms of Bishop Thomas Joseph Flanagan symbolizes his family origins, his priestly vocation, and his devotion to the service of the Church and the people of God.

In heraldic language, the shield reads as follows: The field party per saltire is tinctured azure (blue) and or (gold/yellow). In chief azure a dove rising ardent (silver/white) on a lily branch gold, in dex-

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ter gold a St. Brigid's cross vert (green), in sinister gold a rose gules (red) barbed vert seeded gold, in base azure a lamb ardent.

In chief (top division) the blue background displays a silver dove in motion carrying a gold lily. The blue background evokes the inner peace and serenity present when the Holy Spirit, symbolized by the flying dove, is called upon to guide, direct and empower Bishop Flanagan in his service to the people. The dove is also a symbol of peace, gentleness, healing and compassion; all part of Bishop Flanagan's ministry in the parishes and with the Charismatic Renewal of the Archdiocese of San Antonio. The gold lily is a symbol of the lily of St. Joseph, Bishop Flanagan's middle name.

In dexter (the bearer's right) is a green St. Brigid's cross in the field of gold. The green cross symbolizes Bishop Flanagan's homeland of Ireland, his missionary call to leave Ireland, and the many parishes that he has served in the Archdiocese of San Antonio, including the most recent parish community of St. Brigid.

In sinister (the bearer's left) is a red rose, barbed green seeded gold. In displaying this charge Bishop Flanagan places himself under the patronage of Mary of Knock, a patroness of Ireland and Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas.

In base (bottom division) a silver lamb rests on a field of blue. The lamb symbolizes Christ, the Good Shepherd and Bishop Flanagan's role of shepherd in the Church. It also symbolizes the people of God, all people called into the one body of Christ. The blue background is for peace and unity, qualities that Bishop Flanagan brings with his commitment to ecumenism.

To complete the achievement of arms, an Episcopal hat in green and the mantling is the double six tassels of a bishop. The Celtic cross in gold forms the hilt of the sword behind the shield. On a scroll, the motto "For Christ We Are Ambassadors" appears at the base of the shield and expresses Bishop

Flanagan's priestly motto of his ordination class, and his desire to continue to be an ambassador of hope, sharing God's love and forgiveness. It also expresses his commitment to encourage and challenge all of God's people to be agents of hope, love, and forgiveness.

Council 12521 Major Degree October 16

The next major degree in San Antonio will be at San Martin de Porres Church, 1730 Dahlgreen, Council 12521, on Sunday, October 16, 2011.

Registration will be from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. followed by mass at 8:00 a.m.

Preregistration deadline is October 9.

Lunch is \$10 or \$17 for lunch and medallion.

Please contact GK Cristobal Trejo at 210-435-6898 or 210-782-6396 or Rene Garza DGK at 210-789-0079.

Second degree begins at the usual time of 10:00 a.m.

Bishop Thomas J. Flanagan Chapter Chaplain

THE LEGION OF MARY

The date of the foundation of the Legion of Mary in Dublin was September 7, 1921. Frank Duff was the founder and a layman. He wanted to form men and women to be truly sons and daughters of Jesus Christ through the intercession of Mary, Mother of God. He wanted the Legion of Mary to be spiritually strong and lead people to do His will. Saint Vincent de Paul Society would help the poor and needy to be fed with food and clothing to wear. The concern of the Legion of Mary was to help people grow in their faith.

The Legion of Mary is worldwide movement that leads us all into a deeper relationship with Jesus, the Lord. Their goal in a parish is to visit as many homes as possible. Check out the Legion of Mary in your parish, join them, knowing that their call is to teach Christians to the newness of faith, hope and love.

The Legion has a weekly meeting for us as seminarians to look to God, to

return to your Church, to be at home at last. Come home.

It is never too late to join the Legion. It is never too late to call on families to return to our faith. It is never too late to be set on fire with the gifts of the Spirit of God.

Let us stand up for Christ and remain faithful to Christ always. As a seminarian in Ireland, I was a member of the Legion of Mary.

Let us do our part and go preach to all nations.

† Bishop Thomas J. Flanagan, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus, Archdiocese of San Antonio Knights of Columbus Archdiocesan Chapter Chaplain

\$52,000 to Habitat for Flanagan home



Stephanie Weise, center, and Barbara James from Habitat for Humanity receive a check from Derek Rabey, Chapter President, for the Habitat home the Knights of Columbus are currently building off of Loop 410 and Old Pearsall Road. The check for \$52,000 was presented at the August Chapter Meeting.

Charity: First Principle of the Knights of Columbus

Charity is the sustained act of giving to others

By Robert Stegge, Assistant Diocesan Deputy

Definition of Charity: love, benevolence, good will; that disposition of heart, which inclines men to think favorably of their fellow-men, and to do them good. In a theological sense it includes supreme love of God, and

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universal good-will to men. 2. In a more particular sense, love, kindness, affection, tenderness, spring from natural relations; as, the 'charity' of father, son, and brother.

On the thirteenth Sunday of ordinary time Cycle 8 we read from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians. In this letter St. Paul appeals to the Corinthians to remember the abundance with which they are blessed and to be willing to share with others. The charity he is asking for is the sustained act of giving to others. He tells the Corinthians that their plenty should supply the needs of others. St. Paul is also careful to remind his readers that he is speaking here of their spiritual abundance as well as their material wealth.

The Knights of Columbus is an organization of men who have joined together for the purpose of practicing our faith in a special way. As Knights we are called on, not to exhibit or display charity, but to LIVE charity in our daily lives. The Practice of charity takes many forms; some are more obvious than others. It is easy to identify charity when we see a check change hands or we observe other forms of donations. We see charity in action in the formation and functioning of charitable organizations. On the other hand, there are many acts of charity, which are very quiet and often go unnoticed. This kind of charity consists of letting someone merge in front of us in traffic or not making critical remarks about a person. Most important of all is the charity we practice by remembering others in our prayers. Because it is through our prayers we realize the function of the Knights of Columbus as an organization of men who have joined together for the purpose of practicing our faith in a special way.

The Knights of Columbus in the San Antonio Archdioceses have many ways to express their support for our first principle of Charity. We perform many fund raisers that go directly to our parishes and other worthwhile local charities, for example Allied Women's shelter, various pro-life events (sonograms), Wheelchair Foundation, Habi-

tat for Humanity, but one of the ones that Bishop Tom is interested in is our Deaf Children's Tootsie Roll Drive. This charity not only supports a cause that our Archbishop wants to see grow, it also shows the State Council of Texas how the Archdioceses of San Antonio can do what is asked of them in charitable giving. In October & March of every year, numerous councils hit the streets and hold out the collection bucket for donations. But for some reason, each year, we come up a little short and have to go back to your councils and ask for additional money to make our goal. The Diocesan Deputies ask that this year, we make our goal early. Would it be great if the Arch Dioceses could report 100% of its goal by the end of this year?

Many Councils in the archdioceses make 100% in December, but sadly there are quite a few that are missing that goal. Even more, there are a few councils that donate nothing! How can we as Knight of Columbus not support what is asked? The goal is obtainable. Ask yourself "Why isn't my council in harmony with our first principle of charity?" And then ask your council to hit the streets during the Tootsie Roll drive. Together we can make a difference in our order and more important our life by showing charity to all and fulfilling what is requested of us in our charitable works.

Next time: Second Principle of the Knights of Columbus - Unity

SA State Charities 2011 goal set at \$116,440

The San Antonio Archdiocese goal for this fraternal year is \$116,440 of which some \$35,000 has been sent in or 30% of the total.

Last year's collection at this time was 37% so we have fallen by \$7200 behind.

Suggested Programs September 2011

By Joe Torres, State Programs Director

Columbian Award "Full Credit" Programs Include:
Church - "RSVP"

Community - "Habitat For Humanity" - Involve council members & entire parish community in the building of a home.

Council - "Special Olympics" (must file form 4584 on time to qualify - due by Jan. 30, 2012)

Family - "Food For Families" - Prepare/serve meals at a soup kitchen. Conduct food drives to re-stock the parish or community food pantry.

Pro-Life - "March for Life" - Participation in the activity should include council participation in terms of approval, organization, manpower, finances and materials. Examples would include chartering a bus or organizing a car pool to transport people to the event, providing K of C pro-life signs, or showing some other organizational support such as the Fourth Degree Honor guard. Individual participation in a pro-life march/walk by one or more Knights does not qualify.

Youth - "Coats for Kids" or "Sponsorship of a Squires Circle". The Coats for Kids program requires councils to purchase new children's winter coats from Supreme or collect "gently used" coats from Knights and parishioners for distribution. to needy kids.

Columbian Squires

State Squires are still in need of each Council to send in the names, email addresses, and phone numbers of their Chief Counselor and ALL their other Squire Counselors along with the Annual \$15.00 dues to: State Squires Chairman, 2003 Longmeadow Rd. Harker Heights, TX 76548-2269 or email information to:

ldprather@embarqmail.com

I have received 2 dues responses and NO Counselor information, Larry Prather

Wheel Chair Mission

Please have your council consider contributing \$150 towards the purchase of a wheelchair.

Fundraisers towards this activity are easy and very worthwhile. Checks need to be made payable to AMERICAN WHEEL CHAIR MISSION and sent to: Sam Szalwinski, State Council Chairman

1914 Margate, San Antonio, Tx 78232.

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Patriotic Essay Contest for Youth

Program is to open the doors of young minds, enabling our youth to be creative and thoughtful. Encourage students, grades 8 -12, to write essay on "The Responsibility of Catholic Citizen in a Free Society." Essays need to be 500 -700 words. Essays need to be submitted to your Council for judging by October 31 to be eligible for District Judging in November. Further advancement for Diocesan will take place in January followed by State Finals in March 2012. Certificates are available free from Supreme Council For additional details see Supreme Web Page.

RSVP

As we mentioned last month, "It is Back to School" time. The Diocesan Vocations Chairman should now have a roster of all of the Seminarians in their Diocese, These names must be distributed to the Councils, Assemblies, and Circles for sponsorships. It is not to late to sponsor a "Welcome Back" event for the Seminarians. The El Paso Diocese recently held a "Welcome Back" event, headed by DD and Vocations Liaison, Roger Hovis that was well attended. Keep up your good work and we will be looking forward to your reports. Tom Watters Sr. State Vocations Chairman.

Family of the Month

Identify a family of the month at the Officers Meeting or the first week of the month. Submit Supreme Form 1993a which can found at the Supreme website under council forms. The form needs to be submitted to Supreme by the 15th of the month. Make it easy and submit the form electronically. Just pick a family and submit the form!

Call Joe Naderer for details: (361) 215-1750 begin_of_the_skype_highlighting (361) 215-1750 (Cell).

Reminder: Qualify for PACE Award and send STSP completed forms to: Joe Torres, 7118 Crapemyrtle Dr, CC, Tex 78414 or kcjoetorres@grandecom.net

Pro-Life report

Dear Brothers...

At the end of this month, we all have the opportunity to make a REAL

difference in the lives of abortion-minded pregnant mothers and their babies. Allied Women's Center, the only Crisis Pregnancy Center supported by the Archdiocese, is holding their second annual Gala Dinner on Friday, October 28th, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in San Antonio. I am on the board and the gala committee, so I am inviting all Councils, Assemblies and individual Knights to attend this gala dinner. We are holding this gala in order to help fund a THIRD location near a San Antonio abortion clinic – in this case, directly across the street from Reproductive Services at Evers and Joiner in San Antonio. Our guest speaker will be Carol Everett, former abortion clinic owner turned pro-life activist. The dinner is free – no cost to you or your group. Of course, we are asking attendees to donate to Allied as part of our fundraising effort. The article (slightly edited) below has the background on Allied and recently appeared in the September 23rd issue of *Today's Catholic*, our archdiocesan newspaper:

"Allied Women's Center opened its doors in August of 1994 and its primary goal is to save the lives of the most defenseless humans on the planet – babies in the womb. It frequently receives women who are firmly intending to get an abortion when they come to the center. The center's counselors, with the primary help of the Holy Spirit, work with the client to help her choose Life over Death for her baby.


"During 2010, the counselors at the center helped 97 abortion-minded mothers choose life for 98 babies (including 1 set of twins); charted over 2000 client-assistance visits and gave away over 3000 packages of diapers. If a woman chooses life over death for her baby, the center "walks the talk" and provides a complete layette as well as the diapers, baby clothes, formula, furniture and various baby items for up to two years. Partial rental and utility assistance are also provided on a temporary basis. If an expectant mother is in high school, the center provides all of the above assistance for the duration of her schooling provided that good grades are maintained by her.

"The gala to benefit the mission of Allied will be held the evening of October 28. If you have a place in your heart for babies who are at great risk, you can donate or participate in this worthwhile event."

Brothers, in its 17-year existence, Allied has saved over 1,000 babies, with a success rate of over 95 percent. Once we open our third location, Allied will be the only crisis pregnancy center near ALL the major stand-alone abortion clinics. But, we need your help to obtain the funds to complete our expansion. I am asking you to seriously consider bringing 10 brothers/wives/families to sit at a table of 10. We do have table sponsorships available (starting at \$500) but you may instead choose to simply host a table of 10 at no charge. Or, sign up individually!

Time is getting short, so please let me know if you are interested. You can call me or email me any time. More information can be found at this website: www.catholicsconnection.org, or by calling Mary Torres at (210) 842-5936. I also have posters and sign-up brochures available – we would love to have folks hand them out at each parish. Will you help? You can reach me at rdoucette@satx.rr.com, or at (210) 379-3647 (cell).

Vivat Jesus! — Rick Doucette



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Seminary welcome at St. Mark the Evangelist



Seminarians enjoy the nice buffet offerings at Council 7613 welcoming them back to the fall 2011 school year. The afternoon was lively, standing room only, seminarians, clergy, Knights and spouses all with smiles as they intermingled with the young men.

Meanwhile the originator of this now annual event for the seminarians -Sam Szalwinski- was in the hospital recuperating from knee surgery. But the seminarians and Knights sent him some giant 'get well' poster cards.

Seminary council holds installation



Looking relaxed after the officer installation for John Paul II Council 13523 at the Patrick Flores residence foyer where a KC sponsored meal was waiting are L to R: Grand Knight Scott Schwind, FS Father John H. Collett, OMI, and DGK Armando Alejandro.

Habitat breakfast sponsor does it again



La Carmarca Restaurant fronting Woodlawn Lake has been a Habitat Leadership breakfast sponsor for a number of years. Past Grand Knight Nestor Moreno stops by on October 1 to present to them a Certificate of Appreciation from St. Anthony de Padua Council 8738 for last year's donation.

Region 20 Special Olympics Bocce Ball is a game the Olympians enjoy

Henry Gonzales, Special Olympics, Diocesan Coordinator

Brothers the time for another year of working with God's gifts has come



again. On October 2-3, 2011, the Sports Complex was buzzing with laughter and joy as the Olympians were planning their next move on the playing field. Bocce Ball is a game that the Olympians enjoy and always visit with old friends.

Sunday we had groups coming from as far as Carrizo Springs and as close as downtown San Antonio.

Meals were served to about 100 athletics and volunteers. On Monday that when it really got good. Teams from Pleasanton, Floresville, Poteet, and from all the SAISD elementary and Jr. High Schools were at the Sports Complex. Just the Olympians alone were numbered at 250; that's not counting the spectators or coaches.

Total meals for both days were at about 400 and everybody was pleased to have enjoyed sausage wrap, chips and a water. The Bar-B-Q pit was really huffing and puffing. Brothers I encourage everybody to come out and enjoy these events and show what really "CHARITY" is all about.

STATUS OF KC WHEEL CHAIR FUND DRIVE

By Sam Szalwinski

At the close of September, 2011 the State wide fund drive for wheel chairs has reached enough to purchase 128 wheel chairs and make 128 IMMOBILE people MOBILE. How many \$\$\$ is that? I would rather not answer that because toward the end of last year I suggested that we measure the success of the fund drive by the number of people who will receive a wheel chair.

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San Antonio Major Degree Corps

2011 – 2012 Exemplifications

Oct. 9 New Braunfels	Council 4183
Oct. 16 S.M. de Porres	Council 12521
Nov. 26 St. Brigid	Council 11596
Dec. 3 St. J. Neumann	This is a 4 th Degree exemplification
Mar. 24 A. de Padua	Council 8738
Jun. 16 Holy Spirit	Council 786

Chapter Meetings 2011

July 21 Open meeting Chapter Installation of Officers St. Anthony Claret Council
 Aug. 18 St. Marks 7613
 Sep. 14 Holy Trinity 9967
 Oct. 21 4183 New Braunfels
 Nov. 18 St. Brigid 11596
 Dec. 16 Open Meeting Christmas Lady of Grace 10191

Happy Birthday Bishop Flanagan
 October 23

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Of course, I realize that I am swimming up the proverbial stream without a paddle! So here it is in terms of dollars as achieved by each of the 15 dioceses in the State of Texas.

Amarillo \$ 0, Austin 5100, Beaumont 0, Brownsville 1050, Corpus Christi 0, Dallas 6400, El Paso 150, Ft Worth 0, Gal/Houston 5350, Laredo 0, Lubbock 0, San Angelo 0, San Antonio 650, Tyler 0, Victoria 600, Grand Total \$19,300

As can be seen with only seven dioceses participating, there is much work to do. Our Worthy State Deputy has asked every Council to contribute enough to make one IMMOBILE person MOBILE. So far 34 Councils, 9 individuals and 1 Assembly have done so. An arbitrary goal of \$150,000 or making 1000 IMMOBILE people MOBILE has been set.

I realize that we are early in the Fraternal Year and many Councils and Assemblies are making plans to get aboard this train. I am hearing that at least 3 Councils are planning major fund raisers. These are located in Dallas, Galveston/Houston and Boerne. Please consider organizing to involve your whole parish in a weekend fund raiser. All it takes is permission from your pastor and publicity followed by a pulpit announcement. Then stand at your Church exits and accept donations. This really works.

Stalwart Partners



Of the many causes and charities of the Knights of Columbus, Special

Of the many causes and charities of the Knights of Columbus, Special Olympics is one that is highly valued by individual members and garners a great amount of support.

Since the first games were created in 1968 by fellow Knight Sargent Shriver and his wife Eunice Kennedy Shriver, Knights of Columbus members have been active and devoted supporters of Special Olympics.

Since those initial Special Olympics games, the Order at the state and local level has donated a cumulative total of \$61 million to support the organization. Last year Knights raised \$2.8 million for the Special Olympics at all levels.

Also, 2010 saw more than 74,000 Knights volunteering 268,000 hours of their time at more than 10,000 Special Olympics games and related events. The broad popularity of the Special Olympics within the Order is evidenced by the more than 3,600 councils participating in local Special Olympics events across the U.S. and Canada.

This partnership with Special Olympics is part of the Knight's commitment to assist people with intellectual disabilities. In addition to the more than \$3.3 million local councils donated to Special Olympics in 2010, they donated more than \$13 million to a host of other charities serving people with intellectual disabilities.

Since 1980, the Knights have donated \$507.6 million to programs and charities advancing the cause of the intellectually and physically disabled.

Liturgical reform is goal as Pope amends canon law

From CatholicCulture.org website Sept. 28

Pope Benedict XVI has removed some canonical cases from the jurisdiction of the Congregation for Divine Worship, in an administrative move designed to give that Congregation's work a sharper focus on liturgical reform.

With a *motu proprio* entitled *Quaerit Semper*, the Pontiff modified canon law to provide that cases involving an unconsummated marriage, and some other cases including annulments of priestly

ordination, will be handled by the Roman Rota.

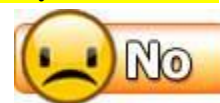
A new office of the Roman Rota will be established for these cases. The *motu proprio* has the effect of allowing the Congregation for Divine Worship to concentrate on liturgical issues.

In a brief statement explaining his intent, the Pope said that the Congregation should now be "free more fully to dedicate itself to the renewal of the Sacred Liturgy."

No one wants the money?

There are several offers of \$\$\$ to the first council who makes their membership goal by November 1.

We have not heard of anyone who wants the money.



Does that mean there is not one council who has met their membership goal?

If a council wants the money notify Bob Stegge if you are in San Antonio East or Dan Montes if in San Antonio West.



2011 State Meeting Dates
December 2, 3, 4, 2011 -
Mid Year Meeting at Austin Sheraton

2nd BFGC meeting scheduled for H. Spirit November 14

The next Bishop Flanagan Golf Committee (BFGC) meeting will be on Monday, November 14, 2011 at Holy Spirit Catholic Church Banquet Hall starting at 7:00 p.m.

Please plan to attend.

We need your help and support to make the 13th Annual Bishop Flanagan Golf Classic another successful Chapter event.

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October is here but September newsletter lingers

Goodness gracious time flies when you are having fun. The Chapter Directory will come out. Eventually. The downfall of my computer occurred at the most inopportune time. Worst, the hard drive was dead on arrival at the Best Buy Geek Squad. Lost all data. All of it. Documents, photos, key information on councils, districts, state, et al.

Life is good though. The earlier downfall mention above did more damage to my pocket book; ego, right knee and morale than it did my determination on getting this newsletter out. Here it is in October with a September surname.

The October newsletter will be in October ****crossed fingers.**** The State Deputy and State Treasurer and their ladies visit to Habitat Leadership Day will be covered later as well. As will this month's visit by SD Herreth to Chapter Meeting in New Braunfels for some award presentations. Get ready for some down home German food that evening.

October is Bishop Flanagan Month. Let's concentrate on membership and state charities and make him proud of his brother Knights. Bishop Thomas Flanagan is now home resting after a brief mishap at home, short stay at Methodist Hospital and shorter visit to the Chapter Retreat in the beautiful Hill Country getaway at TECABOCA. Please keep him in your prayers. Also our seminarians are back in town so keep them in your thought\$ and prayers.

Several deaths of Knights have brought a somber feel to autumn. One of the most beloved was Richard Larrumbide, he of Holy Spirit parish and Council 4140. A great man and kind soul who will be missed by many throughout Texas and here in San Antonio. Richard Larrumbide our prayers are with you. Also some very prominent Knights are in some heavy medical dilemmas so keep them and their families in your prayers as we approach the November Memorial Masses held by many councils throughout the order.

Speaking of Council 4140, their Nuns' Appreciation Dinner was superb with many religious on a bright fall afternoon. And with fall's arrival so are several Major Degrees in the works – see page six inside. Staying with this topic, the Hermanas Josefinas – Josephine Sisters - at Assumption need your help. It is impossible to repay what they have done for our Church: care for and feed the future pastors in our parishes, our seminarians. They mother them, counsel them with sound motherly advice and give them a good home cooked meal to nourish their young minds as they pursue the greatest of all vocations, priesthood. There are hundreds of priests throughout this country who remember the many delicious meals at Assumption. And the Hermanas Josefinas. Help them by buying a table for their fundraiser set for February 9th. Only \$600 for a table of 10 with Vikki Carr and Archbishop Gustavo, plus dinner by RK Group included. It will be the early year's best event. We really need your help on this one.