



San Antonio Knights of Columbus



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Archdiocese receives \$81,136.59 from KC state charities



Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller holds a check from Knights of Columbus leadership presented on October 21 representing 70% of the more than 113,000 collected during the 2010-2011 fraternal year ending on June 30.

L-R John Daly Diocesan Deputy West, Bishop Thomas J. Flanagan, Chapter Chaplain, Rudy Escamilla Diocesan Deputy East, and Derek Rabey Chapter President and state charities lead for San Antonio.

St. George Maronite hosts his beatitude Peter

The visit by Maronite Patriarch Beshera Peter Rai on October 13, was a glorious occasion for all Catholics but especially so for the parishioners at St. George Church, 6070 Babcock Road, who are part of the Eastern Catholic Church of the West Syriac Antiochene Tradition.

Patriarch Rai, 71, was elected March 25 as the leader of the Lebanon-based Maronite church, which is the largest of the six Eastern Catholic patriarchal churches with an estimated 13.3 million members.

Patriarch Rai stressed that Christians are not outsiders in the Middle East and were established there "and impacted society with their values" 600 years before Islam. They have contributed positively to their countries and should not be made scapegoats in any area.

Here from the See in Bkerke, Lebanon, the patriarch made his remarks in Arabic to the large and devoted audience.

This marked only the third time in San Antonio's Eastern Church that a patriarch has visited.

Unless Middle Eastern countries support religious freedom and respect human rights, the "Arab spring" movement will devolve into an "Arab winter," said Maronite Patriarch Bechara Rai.

Patriarch Rai said the "Arab spring" movement holds much promise, but its leaders must "adopt a separation between religion and state." He said such a system exists in his native Lebanon and "respects all religions and all values of each religion."

Representing the Archdiocese of San Antonio was Auxiliary Bishop Thomas J. Flanagan who had a chance to see many old friends whom he had married and known for many years before and after the mass celebrated at 6:30 p.m.

Time after time, Bishop Tom was greeted by the never ending faithful who stopped to wish him a brief welcome and pay their respect. They added they were pleased he had come to join them in their most unique and happy celebration with their patriarch.

The Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree were invited to participate and were warmly received by the Patriarch and the St. George Church community.



Bishop Flanagan bids goodbye to his Beatitude Beshera Peter Rai after dinner where several bishops of the Eastern Church were present and also thanked Bishop Flanagan for being present for the occasion.



Above: St. George Maronite Church, Associate pastor, Reverend Charles Khachan, M.L.M. He introduced Bishop Flanagan to the patriarch and followed by introducing Rudy Escamilla of "the Knights of Columbus" where upon the patriarch wagged his index finger and smilingly added, "I know about the Knights of Columbus.!"

State Deputy, State Treasurer visit SA Leadership Day



State Deputy Tony Herreth works on Flanagan Habitat Home as State Treasurer Terry Simonton steadies the ladder on October 1, 2011.

Bishop Thomas J. Flanagan Chapter Chaplain



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

THE RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

On October 15, Pope St. Sixtus established the Marian Prayer to all our Christians to pray the Rosary with our family and those who visit with our families. It is truly great the number of people of all ages who pray this prayer on a regular basis. May we faithfully pray the Rosary as often as we can and may it become a part of other family prayer life.

As I prepare this message for my brother Knights and their families, I write this article in my family's home. It was and is a place where the family evolve together to pray the Holy Rosary. We pray for each other, for family, for friends and all the faithful departed. It was in this home and Rosary that helped me with my vocation to the priesthood. We continue to pray the rosary today.

My brother Knights, let us pray a special Rosary during the month of October to gather as a family and to gather in groups in for the Most Holy Rosary. May this month of the Holy Rosary be a time of prayer for peace,

harmony in all of your families, and our willingness to follow Christ more faithfully to share a message of hope and love, compassion and generosity with all God's people. In particular, our Rosary should be offered to our elderly, our youths, the sick, the lonely and the forgotten. Pray the Rosary daily. Share a Rosary with our youths.

Mary, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, pray for us.



Sam Szalwinski drops by on Leadership Day to check progress on Habitat Home, greet workers and state officers and relax with the soon to be homeowners Vanessa and Peter Gonzales.

Fourth Degree exemplification December 3

My fellow Brother Knights and Sir Knights of Columbus, The Texas Second District of the Fourth Degree will hold an Exemplification on December 3, 2011 at St John Neumann Parish, 6680 Crestway Drive, San Antonio, Texas, 78239 (210.654.1643). The host Assembly will be Mother Teresa Assembly 2523, Faithful Navigator *Sir Knight* Melroy Brandt. This Exemplification will be named in honor of +Monsignor Robert Silverman.

COST: The cost for the exemplification for candidates will be \$70.00. The candidates will be the guest of the Master and will receive one (1) complimentary banquet ticket for themselves. Additional banquet tickets for wives and other guests will be \$30.00 each.

BANQUET: Banquet tickets are \$30.00 per person. Candidates must purchase banquet tickets for their family and guests in advance through the

Assembly they will be joining. Sir Knights must also purchase banquet tickets in advance though their Assembly for themselves, family and guests. All tickets must be purchased in advance. **No** tickets will be available at the door. **Deadline is Monday, November 14, 2011.** Banquet tickets requested after that date will cost \$38.00.

ELIGIBILITY: Third Degree applicants with at least six months from the date of their First Degree are eligible to enter the Fourth Degree. Any candidate with a first degree date before June 2, 2011 is eligible to join the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Completed Form 4's and banquet request must go through your respective Assembly of choice and arrive to the Master not later than November 14, 2011.

All Form 4's must be accurately and completely filled out. If you need a Form 4 or if you need assistance completing the Form 4, please contact your respective Council Grand Knight, Financial Secretary or the Faithful Navigator or Faithful Comptroller of the Assembly you desire to be part of or join as a Sir Knight. All of these individuals are involved in your application process and can assist you in any question or matter that you may have. If you are interested in becoming a Fourth Degree Sir Knight, now is time. We are waiting and would be honored and proud of you joining the Noble Fourth Degree Sir Knights. A handout is attached for additional information and review.

If you have any questions and/or concerns, please feel free to contact me at your convenience at MasterDistrict2@satx.rr.com 210.380.8058 (cell), 210.654.1317 (home).

Be Blessed! ViVat Jesus! Fraternally,
GREGORY L. TATUM,
Master, Texas Second District
Our Lady of Guadalupe Province

Chapter President File

Greetings. There is no better time to focus on our charitable works than right now. To qualify for the Quick Start Award, your Council must submit

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a payment to the Texas State Council for the assessed Charity Goal before December 31, 2011. There is no reason for a Council not being able to qualify for this award.

There are plenty of ways to pursue fund raisers for your charitable contributions. You could host BBQ plate sales, pasta dinners, pancake breakfasts, taco sales, or a fish fry. If cooking is not your Council's strong suit, you could host a dance, host a golf tournament, a holiday gift wrapping service, or ask your Parish Priest for permission to conduct second collections. The only thing stopping you from reaching your assessed Charity Goal is your Council's imagination.

Working together we can make this a great year for the charitable works we can do within our Parish Communities as well as the Archdiocese as a whole. I look forward to hearing about the great work we will all do this year under the First Principle of Our Order.

VIVAT JESUS! SK Derek W. Rabey
ASA Team Lead - Charity

MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT PART 2

By Dan Montes, Assistant Diocesan Deputy

How to Succeed at Membership Recruitment continues. Holding a Church Drive. A Church drive is an ideal opportunity to reach an audience of qualified prospects. Its success is dependent on carefully planning and carrying out each of the following steps. Obtain pastor's approval for membership drive at all Masses on a target weekend Confirm dates/ details. Order quantities of prospect cards (# 921A) Membership Documents (# 100), posters and flyers such as "Protecting Families for Generations" poster (# 2923), "Make Your Family A Part of Ours" flyer (#324), "Did You Know?" flyer (# 1267), Family Fraternal Benefits flyer (#2761), Member/Spouse Fraternal Benefits flyer (# 2773), etc., from the Supply Department. Provide announcement for parish

bulletin each of two weekends before drive.

Prepare tabletop display highlighting council activities and member benefits; include handouts and copies of council newsletter and place in main church entry. Post teams of two to three Knights at each church door at every Mass to hand out flyers and Prospect Cards. Collate materials and hand to each man as he enters. Leave sharpened pencils at each pew for completing Prospect Cards. Arrange for pastor, grand knight, membership director to make a brief announcement prior to or after Mass, explaining K of C, encouraging men to complete Prospect Cards and hand in as they leave church. Use letter of support of support from the pastor, with Father wants you letter or sample pulpit announcements (#2678). Position Knights at exits to answer questions from prospects, assist in completing Membership Documents or collect completed Prospect Cards for follow-up. Make sure table/ supplies are restocked for each Mass. After, deliver Membership Documents, completed Prospect names to recruiting teams for personal follow-up visits. Follow up immediately!!!

Now it is time to hold or Conduct an open House. An open house provides an opportunity to introduce your council and the Order to a broad audience of prospects at one event. The main objective is to "exhibit your Products", your volunteer service programs, your social and fraternal activities, your membership benefits, that your council and the Order have to offer to members and their families.

Appoint committee to organize open house, set date and time, publicize in local newspapers, radio, cable television and church bulletins. You should Order quantities of promotional materials including "Open House" poster (# 2826) At least six weeks in advance. Compile list of prospective members, and send open house invitation to prospects and their spouses. Follow up mailing with telephone confirmation of receipt and availability to attend. As event approaches, reconfirm all arrangements for site, materials, program, etc. Arrange display of council scrapbooks, awards, programs, activities.

Assign each attending prospect to a recruiter who will act as host throughout the event. Have a plan program: Welcome committee greet guest; Introduce to officers members; Grand Knight/ membership director explain council aims/ organization; ask insurance agent to explain benefits; show promotional video.

Schedule question/ answer session following video further explaining Order and council. Conclude with refreshments or light buffet. Make certain host-recruiters ask prospects to join, assist in completing Membership Document (# 100).

Conducting and organizing an In-House Open House. An "in-house open house" provides a comfortable, casual atmosphere in which one or two host-recruiters and wives introduce prospect couples to the local council and the Order. Solicit Volunteers to host open house in their homes, to plan a casual event where small group gets together to enjoy company and learn about the K of C (Coffee and a card game, barbecue, brunch, evening of drinks and conversation, etc. Personally invite three to five prospects, making sure invitation is for husband and wife. Order Recruitment Flip Chart at least three weeks prior, have Membership Documents (# 100) on hand and show video and discuss fun/ benefits of family activities Invite prospect families to join! Assist in completing Membership Documents and inform prospects of admission committee meeting, First Degree date, and make arrangements to escort them to the degree. (Plan First Degree within two weeks of open house).

Conducting a Recruitment invitation program; Promoting Insurance; Use an admission committee; Scheduling and conduct First Degrees and Recognizing council Recruiters will be discussed in future News Letter. Recruit, Recruit, Recruit.

Part one was published by Dan Montes in the August newsletter.

Advent begins November 26-27 with the introduction of the Third Edition of the Roman Missal.

Suggested Programs for November

Joe Torres, 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).

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 material, such as chartering a bus or organizing a car pool to transport people to the event, providing K of C pro-life sings, 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 Mid-Year Meeting - January 13-15th in San Antonio, TX. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS! We still have not heard from most Dioceses about Squire Counselors. We are still missing the names, addresses, phone numbers and email addresses from about 65 of the Circles in Texas. Please submit your Counselors information to: State Squires Chairman, Larry Prather, 2003 Longmeadow Rd., Harker Heights, TX 76548-2269 or email information to: ldprather@embarqmail.com

Wheel Chair Mission. Please have your council consider contributing \$150 towards the purchase of a wheelchair. Only half of the State Dioceses are participating. Check if your Diocese is one participating! 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.

Youth Activities. Patriotic Essay Contest for Youth 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 to be eligible for District Judging in December. 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. For info please call Jesse Aguilar @ (210) 464-5601.

Basketball Free Throw - Remember to order your Free Throw Kits from Supreme. Council competition is in Jan, Feb/District, State - March 03, 2012 in San Antonio, Texas.

Boerne council places 5th internationally, 1st in state



Left to right above are State Deputy Tony Herreth, Financial Secretary Don Schwartz, past GK Joseph Arrieta, DGK Rob Birkett, Scott Scheidt, current Grand Knight at Council 10940 in Boerne. The awards were presented at the October Chapter Meeting in New Braunfels.

Council 10940 took first place in state and fifth place internationally for their Pro-life work last year. The award on the right is from the Hill Country Pregnancy Center and is a Servants Heart Award. It was presented to Boerne for all the work the council

did on retrofitting / remodeling of the pregnancy center and their work and efforts in the Ultrasound Initiative. Council 10940 was able to place the ultrasound machine in the pregnancy center last FY and pay for the training of the techs to be able to operate it.

The Knights have supported the Hill Country Pregnancy Center since it opened. Part of their efforts were that the council has helped the center relocate to a larger facility. Work included demo, carpentry, electrical, flooring, painting, and contractor specific task by council members. This created a warm and inviting place for expectant mothers.

In the final part of last fraternal year, Council 10940 was able to place a 3D ultrasound machine in the facility through the Ultrasound Initiative program provided by Supreme Council.

Council 10940 was able to raise enough funding to pay for the machine and provide training to staff on the operation of the machine.

First Chic O'Connor Award to Bill Merrill



Bill and Evelyn Merrill receive the first annual Chic O'Connor Award from State Deputy Tony Herreth for his untiring work in Special Olympics.

The award was presented at the October Chapter Meeting in New Braunfels.

Bill is a member of Council 9681 in Converse. The award was newly designed and Brother Merrill is the first recipient of the award given by the Texas State Council for outstanding achievement in Special Olympics.

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 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.

Youngest, 26 yo Sir Knight meets Archbishop Gustavo



On February 11, 2011 Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller visited Panna Maria, TX and probably met the youngest Sir Knight in the archdiocese.

Seen above is SK Elias Stanley Brysch III, Assembly 1088 Father Davit. Elias is currently Outer Sentinel at 1088 and warden of St. Joseph's Council 6782 in Karnes City.

'I CAME SO THAT ALL MIGHT HAVE LIFE AND HAVE IT TO THE FULL'

From Today's Catholic, column by Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller, October 21, 2011

These words in the headline, from the Gospel of John (10:10) eloquently speak of the great gift of every human life — a gift from God. Jesus is referring both to our hope for eternal life and to our life in this world. These

words are the theme for this year's Respect Life Program, which the Catholic Church observes annually during the month of October.

As disciples, we are called and sent to serve others, and this begins by respecting and defending the gift of every human life. "Love one another as I have loved you," Jesus has told us — which means fully, without discrimination, excluding no one. We are to forget ourselves in serving others. Jesus also said that all will know that we are his true disciples by our love for one another. Today, he might well have added — and by the respect we show for the gift of every human life.

In his statement for Respect Life Month, Cardinal Daniel N. DiNardo, archbishop of Galveston-Houston and chairman of the U.S. Catholic Bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities, says: By following Jesus' new commandment of unselfish love, our lives can be richly fulfilling, and marked by joy and peace. In contrast, treating others as either means or obstacles to one's self-serving goals, while never learning to love generously is an impoverished way to live.

The message of the Gospel is intercultural. Popular attitudes, often fed by advertising and entertainment, focus on the individual at the expense of the common good; they promote a selfish and demeaning view of human sexuality. Many people, even leaders, show a callous disregard for the less fortunate, the unborn, the elderly, persons with disabilities, victims of human rights abuses and torture. The results for our quality of life are devastating. Family life erodes; communities are torn by division. Our nation is sorely divided today.

There are also attempts to silence religious voices in the public policy debate. Our Constitution specifies a separation of church and state, but it does not advocate the separation of religion from society. In fact, just the opposite. As Cardinal Joseph Bernardin pointed out in an address at the University of Chicago in 1984:

The separation of church and state is designed to provide religious organizations space to speak. To put it succinctly, the separation of church and state

means that religious communities should expect neither favoritism nor discrimination in the exercise of their religious and civic functions. They are free to participate in any dimension of the public debate, but they must earn the right to be heard by the quality of their arguments.

This means that Catholics not only have a right but also a responsibility to speak out about the moral implications of public policies. Not only pastors and religious but also the laity. As Cardinal DiNardo's statement points out:

Catholics must not shrink from the obligation to assert the values and principles we hold essential to the common good, beginning with the right to life of every human being and the right of every woman and man to express and live by his or her religious beliefs and well-formed conscience.

Respecting life includes opposing policies, practices and attitudes that are life-threatening and life-diminishing along the full spectrum — from conception to natural death and life in all its stages and circumstances. It also means promoting and enhancing the gift of every human life to the extent that we are able.

Jesus came that we might have "life to the full." We must meet our God-given responsibilities to ensure that this happens.

San Antonio Major Degree Corps 2011 – 2012 Exemplifications

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| 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 |
| Feb. 19 OL Fatima | Council 4315 |
| Mar. 24 A. de Padua | Council 8738 |
| Jun. 16 Holy Spirit | Council 786 |

**Felicidades / Congratulations
to Archbishop Gustavo
Garcia-Siller on completing his
first year as Archbishop of San
Antonio on November 23!**



CTSA Archbishop Show airs November 8

Taping of the Catholic Television of San Antonio –CTSA- November Archbishop show, which will air on November 8, was held on October 25 at the auditorium at Assumption Seminary.

Invited were seminarians, faculty, newly ordained priests, and board members of Assumption. CTSA moderator / Deacon Pat Rodgers asks board member Rudy Escamilla a question on the seminary.

Chapter Meetings 2011

- Jan. 19 St. John Neumann 9291
- Feb. 16 Schertz 6358
- Mar. 16 St. Joan of Arc 10181
- Apr. 20 Seminary 13523
- May 18 Our Lady Fatima 4315 submit election slate for officers
- Jun. 15 St. James 7770 Chapter Elections
- July 20 Open meeting Chapter Installation of Officers St. Pius 4298
- Aug. 17 St. Marks 7613
- Sep. 21 Holy Trinity 9967
- Oct. 19 4183 New Braunfels
- Nov. 16 St. Brigid**
- Dec. 21 Open Meeting Christmas Lady of Grace 10191

2012

- Jan. 18 St. John Neumann 9291
- Feb. 15 Seminary 13523
- Mar. 21 St. Joan of Arc 10181
- Apr. 18 Schertz 6358
- May 16 Our Lady Fatima 4315 submit election slate for officers
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Political activity guidelines

From USCCB website

What does section 501(c)(3) of the IRC say about political campaign activity? Section 501(c)(3) of the IRC prohibits organizations that are exempt from federal income tax under its provisions, including Catholic organizations exempt under the USCCB Group Ruling, from participating or intervening in political campaigns on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. This prohibition has been interpreted as absolute. [See: Fact Sheet 2006-17, *Election Year Activities and the Prohibition on Political Campaign Intervention for Section 501(c)(3) Organizations*, at 1 (February 2006) (hereinafter "Fact Sheet"), <http://www.gov/newsroom/article/0,,id=154712,00.html>.]

How does the IRC limit lobbying activity by Catholic organizations? The IRC limits the amount of lobbying in which section 501(c)(3) organizations may engage. Under section 501(c)(3), Catholic organizations may engage in lobbying activities only if they do not constitute a substantial part of their total activities, measured by time, effort, expenditure and other relevant factors. Neither the IRC nor the regulations define what is "substantial" in this context. A few cases suggest that the line between what is substantial and what is insubstantial lies somewhere between 5% and 15% of an organization's total activities. IRS does not endorse any particular percentage safe harbor, but would clearly be more comfortable at the lower end of the spectrum. [See: *Murray Seansongood v. Commissioner*, 227 F.2d 907 (6th Cir. 1955) (less than 5% time and effort was not substantial); *Haswell v. U.S.*, 500 F.2d 1133 (Ct.Cl. 1974), *cert. denied*, 419 U.S. 1107 (1975) (16-20% of budget was substantial).]

Recruitment Strategies How to Describe the Benefits of Membership

Use this list to describe the many benefits and opportunities that Knights

of Columbus members and their families enjoy.

COLUMBIA MAGAZINE – Free subscription to the Order's monthly magazine examining issues of concern to Knights, Catholics and families.

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS ROSARY – Blessed by the supreme chaplain, presented during the First Degree exemplification to each new member.

DAILY MASS OF REMEMBRANCE AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH – Mass for deceased members and their wives, and deceased members of the Squires program, at birthplace of the Order.

INSURANCE – Portfolio of top-quality life insurance, long-term care, and annuity products exclusively for members and their families.

FAMILY FRATERNAL BENEFIT – For eligible families: a) Pays \$1,500 for the child who dies before the age of 61 days; b) Pays \$750 for the child who is stillborn at least 20 weeks after conception; c) Offers guaranteed-issue insurance up to \$5,000 to any child under age 18.

ORPHAN BENEFIT – \$80 monthly allotment for orphans of eligible families; up to \$7,000 in college scholarships available.

MEMBER/SPOUSE FRATERNAL BENEFIT – Accidental death coverage for member and spouse at no cost.

WIDOW BENEFITS – a) Continues to be covered under the Member/Spouse Fraternal Benefit; b) May purchase life insurance, long-term care insurance, or annuities up to one year after insured member's death; c) Receives a free lifetime subscription to *Columbia*; d) Eligible with her children for scholarships, student loans, etc.

SCHOLARSHIPS – Scholarship programs for higher education available to members, their spouses and children.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT – Opportunity to build personal leadership skills, public speaking ability, organization skills, etc.

FOURTH DEGREE – Eligibility to join the "Patriotic Degree."

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP at Age 70 with 25 years of membership.

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MEMBERSHIP CARD – Entitles participation in all Catholic, fraternal and social activities in nearly 13,000 councils throughout the world.

ACTIVITIES – FAMILY/YOUTH/RELIGIOUS/SOCIAL/ATHLETIC – Participation in a variety of programs and activities conducted by local councils.

Columbian Squires News

The Columbian Squires Circles of the Archdiocese of San Antonio would like to welcome the return of Aurthur Trevino Circle 2900 in Floresville, Texas. and the newly formed Father Philip Chung-Jin Kim Circle #5525 in Selma, Texas.

The investiture team from Tom McCarthy Circle #3611 conducted the reinstatement investiture for the new Squires of Circle 2900 and after the investiture, the Floresville Knights of Columbus Council 6641 served hamburgers and hot dogs for the team and the newly reinstated Circle. There was a large number of Knights present to support the Circle, which is what is needed for the success of all the Circles.

Johnny Servantes, Chief Counselor
Circle #2900

New Squires in Selma 5525

The investiture team from Tom McCarthy Circle #3611 also invested the newly formed Columbian Squires Circle #5525 in Selma, TX. Circle #5525 is named after Father Philip Chung-Jin Kim, who was Parochial Vicar of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in Selma before his tragic death in an automobile accident. A Korean immigrant, he was married and had two children before entering the Diaconate program. Following the death of his beloved wife, he entered the seminary and was ordained a priest at the young age of 72. He loved being a priest and his favorite saying was "Take it easy." Circle #5525 has been very active in the parish leading the Rosary each

fourth Saturday of the month. They also participated in the Universal City "Heroes Walk" in commemoration of the attacks on 9-11. Upcoming events include participation in the local "40 Days for Life" vigil as well as beginning a sponsorship program at St Peter and St Josephs Children's Home in San Antonio. The new Circle is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 6856, which has been participating in all the Squires events.

Steve Van Sciver, Chief Counselor
Circle #5525



Congratulations to the new Squires in these two Circles and to all the new Squires that have been added to existing Circles. Kudos to the Counselors that answered the call and a special thanks to the Knights that support these Councils and to those Councils that stay involved in all the Circles. The Squires are growing once again in the Archdiocese of San Antonio because of the support from the San Antonio Chapter and the perspective Councils. The Knights being active and alongside the Squires is essential for their success!

Be Worthy! John D. Hudson
San Antonio Archdiocese
Columbian Squires Director

2011 State Meeting Dates
December 2, 3, 4, 2011 -
Mid Year Meeting at Austin Sheraton
&
January 13, 14, 15, 2012 Squires
Mid-Year
Conference at San Fernando Cathedral with Bishop
Oscar Cantu



Star District Deputy

District Deputy 45 Richard Oubre gets the Star District Award from State Deputy Tony Herreth. The award is given to a district that has all councils reach Star Council. District 45 was the only district out of 21 in the archdiocese so honored.

KC permanent insurance plans

Do you need life insurance that lasts as long as you live? Our permanent plans give you the security of:

Knowing your family is protected, as long as all premiums are paid as they come due.

Knowing your premium will stay the same, regardless of your future health.

A guaranteed cash value that will grow over time and can provide a source of funds for future needs. Another valuable feature of our permanent life insurance plans is the opportunity to earn policy dividends. While dividends are not guaranteed and are declared annually by the Order's board of directors, our dividend scale has been - and continues to be - among the very best in the life insurance industry. Our permanent plans include:

Whole Life – premiums payable for all of life.

Limited Payment Life – premiums payable for a shorter period.

Discoverer – a custom blend of whole life and term insurance.

DualLife – a custom blend of whole life and term, insuring two lives, payable upon the 2nd person's death.

For additional information contact your council insurance field agent.

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Kudos to the most visible arm of the order...Fourth Degree

Bishop Flanagan's 81st birthday was celebrated at the October Chapter Meeting in New Braunfels with a sing-along "Happy Birthday" song, a birthday cake and best wishes from the KC elite in attendance that included State Deputy Tony Herreth who was here to present awards to the winners of various state and supreme awards.

Tootsie Roll Drive for this fall nixed by San Antonio Police Department redirects efforts to council level in getting the monies for their state charity assessment by Texas State Council and which we desperately need to continue to give the archdiocese funds for the archbishop's charity. See story page one.

Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller will mark his first year anniversary of his installation as archbishop on November 23 during the 12 noon mass at the cathedral. We wish him a blessed day with his parents in the audience. Our prayers remain with our very likable archbishop.

St. Mark the Evangelist Assembly 3018 on November 19 will celebrate the fifth year anniversary of the canonization of the Knights of Columbus seventh saint: Saint Rafael Guizar y Valencia for whom Assembly 3018 is named after.

Membership lagging for Mid-Year Meeting report which should come out December 1 so we urge council's to turn in all the Form 100s -First Degree ceremonial- as soon as possible to reach Supreme before November 30.

Death of Rodolfo 'Rudy' Cantu drew much comment among local Knights who remember his many years of active leadership in the archdiocese and his tenure with the San Antonio Degree Corps.

Advent season and the changes via English translation on the Third Edition of the Roman Missal will begin on November 27 weekend for the Catholic Church in the United States of America.

Squires Mid-Year Meeting at San Fernando under the guidance of State Squire Chair Larry Prather will be on January 13-15 at San Fernando Cathedral, same as last year. Local circles are strongly urged to participate and meet and greet the State Father Prior, our very own Bishop Oscar Cantu who will be in attendance. For further info please email John Hudson, archdiocese leader for the Squires at john_hudson@irco.com

Fourth Degree turnouts are amazingly strong this fall and bode well for our order's image in the archdiocese and among the 200,000 plus catholic men who are not yet members of the Knights of Columbus. Our Worthy Master Gregg Tatum is earning his big bucks salary as he continually calls for turnouts especially so during this great weather we have in the area. Kudos Sir Knights for your efforts in showing that we, the fourth degree, are the most visible arm of the order and the strong right arm of the Church.