



## *From the Grand Knight...*

Brother Knights (Ladies),

Brothers, I hope you have gotten plenty of rest, because we about to get very busy! As we completed our extremely successful 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Sportsman Raffle this past weekend, we gear up for our Superbowl BBQ and the Katy Rodeo. I would like to thank these leaders Kirk Jurecka, Gary Johnson, Kent Rump, Scott Griffin, Richard Shirley, Leo Rice, and Henry Mak, but most importantly thanks to all the brothers and wives that once again dedicated their time, talent, and baking skills to complete the event. The response I have received from attendees was overwhelmingly positive and appreciative! Thanks to all those that donated door prizes and gifts for the raffle.

We have been pre-selling the last couple of weekends after masses and the response has been pretty good. We are taking orders online and allowing payment through PayPal, which is a first for us and has also boosted sales. Thanks to Chris Ramsey and Steve Burdette for your work on that! We will be cooking February 2nd and distributing February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please try to schedule time to help your brothers with this task! Brother Richard has been buying meat and I am sure would appreciate any help. Please reach out to help if you can!

February also means Katy Rodeo is upon us! We are at a new facility and again we reach out to the Holy Spirit that we have enough volunteers to handle the expected job. We will be setting up Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, cooking and working 13<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> and tearing down February 17<sup>th</sup>. We need all hands-on deck and then some more (all family is invited to participate).

On a positive note, our Fish Fry's are starting March 8<sup>th</sup> with no conflict with Rodeo, so our leader Craig Tompkins should be happy that he will have a full staff of help for all Lenten Fish Fry's. We are still working out a few logistical issues, so again be prepared to help the cause.

Brothers and wives, I can not thank you enough for all you do for this Council. I know our District Deputy has expressed his gratitude many times for what we do and how we operate, but my appreciation for you all cannot be expressed in words. You all constantly amaze me with your selflessness and dedication to Council 6950. I am so proud to part of this amazing family. I maybe a little prejudice, but we have the best council, parish and clergy, hands down. So please consider giving your time as we serve our parish and community these next couple of months.

God Bless

Your Brother in Christ  
Mike Hurst  
Grand Knight

**Knight-O-T Month JANUARY 2018 – Gary Johnson**

**Family-O-T Month JANUARY 2018 – Jennifer & Mark Wrzyszczyński**

**Knight-O-T-YEAR 2018 - Chris Ramsey**

**Family-O-T-YEAR 2018 - Karen and Ray Riddle**

Remember Our Brothers in the Military - *Lt Col Sean Scott, Col James Scott Griffin, Captain Brent Lanier, SGT Patrick Mechura*

**Upcoming Events \*\*\*\*\***

- FEB 2 - Cooking for Super Bowl BBQ – 8 am till done.
- FEB 3 - Distribution of BBQ - need help 7 am to noon
- FEB 3 - St. Bart’s Blood Drive – 8 am to 3 pm – Youth Building
- FEB 3 - Squires Meeting 3:30 to 5:30 pm
- FEB 3 - Latin Chant – 7 am Mass
- FEB 4 - Latin Chant Practice - 7:00 pm FLC Music Room
- FEB 6 - General Meeting - meal 6:30 meeting 7:30 pm
- FEB 10 - Setup for Katy Rodeo – New Arena – Look for emails
- FEB 11- Latin Chant Practice – 7:00 pm FLC Music Room
- FEB 13 - Katy Rodeo – Cooking and selling for SLACK Riders – 5 pm till done.
- FEB 14 -16 Katy Rodeo – Serving from 7:30 to 5 pm Show Barn and 5 pm to 10 pm Rodeo Area
- FEB 19 - 4<sup>th</sup> Degree meeting Meal 7 pm Meeting at 7:30 pm
- FEB 20 - Business (Officer) Meeting – 7 pm – all members welcomed
- FEB 18 - Latin Chant Practice – 7:00 pm FLC Music Room
- FEB 25 - Latin Chant Practice – 7:00 pm FLC Music Room

**Looking Ahead \*\*\*\*\***

- MAR 2 - Squires Meeting 3:30 to 5:30 pm
- MAR 2 - Latin Chant – 7 am Mass
- MAR 4 - Latin Chant Practice - 7:00 pm FLC Music Room
- MAR 6 - General Meeting - meal 6:30 meeting 7:30 pm
- MAR 8 - 1<sup>st</sup> Fish Fry – Old Parish Hall – Serving 5:30 to 7:30 pm, clean up to follow
- MAR 11- Latin Chant Practice – 7:00 pm FLC Music Room
- MAR 15- 2<sup>nd</sup> Fish Fry – Old Parish hall – Serving 5:30 to 7:30 pm, clean up to follow
- MAR 18 - Latin Chant Practice - 7:00 pm FLC Music Room
- MAR 19 - 4<sup>th</sup> Degree meeting Meal 7 pm Meeting at 7:30 pm
- MAR 20 - Business (Officer) Meeting – 7 pm – all members welcomed
- MAR 22 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Fish Fry– Old Parish Hall – Serving 5:30 to 7:30 pm, clean up to follow
- MAR 25 - Latin Chant Practice – 7:00 pm FLC Music Room
- MAR 29 - 4<sup>th</sup> Fish Fry – Old Parish Hall – Serving 5:30 to 7:30 pm, clean up to follow
- MAR 31 - Corporate Communion – 9 am Mass – breakfast in the hall following Mass.

**Brothers it is very critical that we all help in Council activities. God Bless those who contribute!!**

**Free dues for 2020** – At the January Meeting the drawing for free dues for 2020 was won by Cody Chachere. He was not present and missed free dues.

**Hall Rentals-** Call Warden Bob Martinelli 281-795-3597. Email [rmartinelli1@consolidated.net](mailto:rmartinelli1@consolidated.net) members pay \$50 per hour, and non-members \$100 per hour

<b>FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS</b>			
1st Jose Sarria	4th Paul Johnson	5th Stephen Marinello	6th Leon Berckenhoff
6th Stephen Hookstra	7th Rev Alberto Maullon	7th Andrew Novak	9th Darrell Thumann
10th Doug Bruno	10th Joseph Ernestes Jr	11th Armando Mejia	13th Christopher Peterson
14th Gerald Kobza	15th Jason Villanueva	15th William Wall	18th Jojnny Tomas Jr
21st Rev David Garnier	21st Brian King	21st Raymond Patek	21st Guillermo Raya
21st Pete Young	23rd Harry Mican	23rd Jorge Sinay	24th Kevin Crowley
26th Robert Srubar	28th Edward Janda		

\*\*\* I apologize if I missed any brothers. Best wishes to all.

**Honorary Members:** Brothers who have been a Knight of Columbus for more than 50 years:  
 Frances Bourque – 68, Gene Mechura – 64, Pat Russek – 61, Orville Schonefeld – 58, John Williams -58, Ed Brzymialkiewicz – 57, Harry Mican – 56, Edward Janda – 56, James Reuss – 56, Eugene Matura Sr – 55, William Roberts – 54, Marvin Marek – 53, Gerald Huguenard – 53, Frank Wittler – 53, AJ Vana -50

## ***Degree Schedules:***

Please contact Membership Director Rico Hollas, 281-391-0607. Rico will have dates for all upcoming first degrees and major degrees. Brothers if you are a 1<sup>st</sup> degree please go to a major degree!!

**Major Degree Dates** – 03/24/19 – 9:00 am - Council 8482 9623 Zaka Road Houston, Tx 77064

**1<sup>st</sup> Degree Dates** – 02/18/19 – 6:15 pm – Council 4204 702 Burney Road Sugarland, Tx 77478

**Dues for 2019** – FS Alfred Gosch is currently accepting dues for 2019. Dues are \$32. Council Website [www.kofc6950.org](http://www.kofc6950.org) has ability to pay by credit card or you can make check made payable to Knights of Columbus #6950 or you can give him cash. You can mail the check to:

FS Alfred Gosch, 5941 Whispering Lakes Dr., Katy, TX 77493

## ***Historians Corner:***

### **\*\*\*\*\* Katy Rodeo Event \*\*\*\*\***

*Brothers this is one of our largest fund raisers and an event that requires an exceptional amount of man power. This year on Wednesday Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> – we will feed all the contestants that are in the “SLACK” portion of the rodeo. They start at 7 pm and go to finish (time unknown). We then turn around on Thursday morning and open the show barn kitchen at 7 am. That runs 7 am to 4 pm on Thursday and Friday. After which the rodeo kitchen opens from 5 pm to 10 pm. As you can see we can use help all day long. Saturday again following the rodeo parade ((approx. 10 am), show barn kitchen will be open till 4 pm and again the rodeo kitchen opens at 5 pm. We then come back on Sunday to haul all the equipment back to our property. It’s a major project for us, and one the community appreciates our Council for working. Consider taking some vacation time, PTO time, from 14<sup>th</sup> thru 16<sup>th</sup> of February!!!*

### **We have important events upcoming**

**February 14-16, 2019** – Katy Rodeo – New Arena, larger crowds, we will need all brothers to work these days. Slack will only be one night – Feb 13<sup>th</sup> – 6 pm till finished. We will be serving breakfast in the show barn beginning at 7:30 and continue to serve in this building to around 4 pm. Then we move over to the main rodeo to have food ready by 5 pm and serve to 10 pm.

**March 8-April 12** – Fish Fry’s for 6 straight weeks. In the old parish hall

**April 15, 2019** – Council Golf Tournament at Willow Fork

**May 18-2019** – Family Fun day at KC 6950 Hall



## ***Columbian Squire News:***

The Joseph M. Walla Squire Circle # 2738 – Leader Fred Krenek. Any Catholic young man between the ages of 10-17 is eligible for membership. Do you have a son or relative in this age range? If so contact Fred about joining 281-925-9628 or [texaninperu@yahoo.com](mailto:texaninperu@yahoo.com). Squires meet on the first Sunday of the month. *Brother Fred is looking for a replacement is that you? Get with Leo Rice if you wish to lead these young men.*



## ***Fourth Degree News:***

Next Exemplification will be held – **Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> Shrine of the True Cross, Dickenson**. Have you considered advancing to the Patriotic Degree of our Order? Anyone interested in joining please contact PFN Leo Rice 281-380-0389 or speak to any 4<sup>th</sup> degree member of Council 6950.

## ***Good of the Order:***

Brothers continue to pray for all brothers sick and in distress. Remember our deceased brothers in your prayers as well. Many good men paved the way for our Council, pray they are with our Lord. Pray also for our Military personnel. Brothers going forward I will list members (and others) to pray for in this area of the newsletter. Please reach me at my email below if you would like to add a brother, loved one, etc.

### **Please pray for:**

Joe Aguilera, Megan D'Andrea, Monica Bargas, Kenneth Berger, Kelly Berger, James Bernd, Nick Brown, Elaine Coffey, Dcn. Fred Dingis, Tom Fitzpatrick, Mike Floeck, Shelly Gosch, Ginger Griffin, Clara Guice, Armand Hollas, Keith Jobe, John Liddell, Aaron Martinelli, Bob Martinelli, Eugene Matura Sr., Harry Mican, Jean Morris, Joe Ognowski, Steve & Betty Orsak, Rose Petter, Sara Resch, Stephen Resch, Amilcar Sabio, Pat Sammon, Craig Smith, Janie Spies, Cathy Stone, Donna Tompkins, Leo Trevino, Patsy Tydlacka, Tish Tydlacka, Sandra Vinlarek, Jake Walla, Marjorie Wilkinson, Steve Word.

**Vocations: Seminarians Sponsored by Council 6950** – Pray for seminarians Chris Wuenscher, Jacob Ramirez, Man Nguyen and Ben Maxwell. Welcome Deacon Justin to St. Bart's. Please add these men to your prayer list. Let us support them on their journey to Priesthood.

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