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 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. BASIL COUNCIL 4204
 702 BURNEY ROAD, SUGAR LAND, TX 77498-2610

May 2011
 MEETINGS 1ST AND 3RD MONDAYS 7:00PM

NEWSLETTER
 COLUMBUS CLUB 1ST Tuesday - 7PM

IN UNITY WITH OUR STATE OFFICERS and DIRECTORS

<u>Larry Zapalac</u>	<u>Past State Deputy</u>	<u>Jim Collins</u>	<u>State Secretary</u>
<u>Gary Blanchette</u>	<u>DD & State Athletics Chairman</u>	<u>Robert Vacek</u>	<u>Audit Committee</u>
<u>Pete Muceus</u>	<u>Communications Committee</u>		

Brother Knights,

Welcome to our new brothers and to Paul O’Neal who transferred into our council. The 8 new Brothers were initiated at the 1st degree at Monday’s meeting: Jeff Manica, Paul Blubaugh, Jesse Mendiola, James Reynolds, Scott Hill, Craig Alwine, John Canal & Domingo Salcido. Welcome aboard, we are Glad to have you as members of Council 4204.

The Council Nominating Committee has proposed the following slate of members for the designated offices for Council officers for the 2011-2012 fraternal year: Grand Knight – Calvin Sommer; Deputy Grand Knight – John Hermann; Chancellor – Steve Bassey; Recorder – Peter Vogt; Treasurer – Lloyd Waguespack; Advocate – John Clennan; Warden - ; Inside Guard – Fred Stratton; Outside Guard – ; 3-Yr Trustee – Jeff Schumann. Your other two trustee’s are Bob Sullivent, one year, and Bill Talles, two year. As you can see we need a Warden. Nominations will be accepted from the floor as well at the May 2 meeting.

**Grand Knight,
 Jeff Schumann
 KC4204@firehousemail.com**

Thought for the day: **“Life is not the way it’s supposed to be, it’s the way it is;
 how we cope with it is what makes the difference.”**

Insurance Agents Report

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – SAFE, SECURE

“How long has the Knights of Columbus been in the insurance business?”

The Knights of Columbus has provided insurance benefits since its inception in 1882. From very humble beginnings, the Knights of Columbus has evolved into a Fortune 1000 company, marketing life insurance, retirement products, disability, and long-term care insurance to its members and their families.

“How is the safety of the funds in Knights of Columbus insurance plans and annuity retirement funds assured?”

The safety of funds in Knights of Columbus insurance plans and annuity retirement funds is best gauged by the financial strength of the Knights of Columbus. Our financial strength ratings are consistently among the highest in the industry:

We have earned Standard & Poor’s highest financial strength rating (AAA, Extremely Strong) for 18 consecutive years.

We have earned A.M. Best’s highest financial strength rating (A++, Superior) for 35 consecutive years.

National Underwriter ranks us in the top five percent of the approximately 2000 insurance companies in North America based on total value of assets.

Growth is a key for maintaining financial strength. Our life insurance in force has grown from \$38 billion in January 2000 to \$78 billion at year-end 2010 and continues to grow.

Because we are a fraternal benefit society, we have no stockholders. Our owners are our members and we return our good experience in the form of dividends* to our policyholders. From 2001 to 2010, the Knights of Columbus paid \$3.26 billion in dividends* to insureds. In 2010 alone, we distributed \$322 million in dividends. Our dividends* would have to drop to zero, before any value in your contract was impaired.

In 2010, our reserves exceeded the minimum required under State of Connecticut Laws (NAIC SAP valuation basis) by \$120,579,020. This is additional cushion to guard the value of your protection.

As of December 31, 2010, our surplus was \$1,729,953,173 (i.e. 11.4% of our total liabilities).

Surplus is an amount insurers hold to protect contract owners against the possibility of bad experience. Ours is one of the strongest solvency ratios in the insurance industry.

We have a simple, time-tested portfolio of products. These products have been around for a long time, both here at the Knights and in the insurance industry generally. The inherent risks of our products are therefore relatively low and well understood.

** Dividends are not guaranteed.*

“How does the Knights of Columbus invest the money of its insurance and annuity certificate holders?”

The Knights of Columbus has a conservative investment philosophy. Our assets are predominantly invested in high-quality, liquid investments and are well-diversified. Our investment department follows very strict rules regarding the quality of our investments.

We regularly monitor our assets against our liabilities to ensure that the expected cash flows of our investment assets reasonably match the benefits we expect to pay. This practice provides further protection against losses due to changes in market conditions.

Overall, as of 12/31/10, the Knights of Columbus General Account invested assets were distributed as follows: Bonds was 87.0%, Preferred Stocks was 3.2%, Common Stock was 2.4% and Real Estate was 1.0%. There is 6.4% in the other category which includes Policy Loans.

Call us – let's talk.

Mauricio Munguia, FIC (A-L) 713.203.9966 or mauricio.munguia@kofc.org
Henry Rangel, FICF (M-Z) 281.731.8635 or henry.rangel@kofc.org

Financial Secretary's Report

Brothers,

Let's pray for the repose of Pat Griffin's soul. Pat died on April 18. There was a memorial service on Easter Saturday. A memorial Mass will be planned for a future date.

There are 9 new members of Council 4204 – 1 transfer Paul O'Neal and 8 initiated at the 1st degree at the Monday 4/18 meeting: Jeff Manica, Paul Blubaugh, Jesse Mendiola, James Reynolds, Scott Hill, Craig Alwine, John Canal & Domingo Salcido. Welcome Brothers!!

Brother Ken Kilgore went back into the hospital with a fever and remained in for several days. Ken came back home on Good Friday. Let's continue to pray for Ken's good health.

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The coin drop originally scheduled for April 30 has been moved to May 7 because of conflicts with other activities.

Brothers – if you have not paid your 2011 dues – please do it now.

God bless,
Pete Muceus, FS

District Deputy's Report

Worthy Brothers,

As we begin our 50 day celebration of Easter time and give thanks to the joy of the risen Lord, you may ask yourself; what can I do to make this celebration more meaningful? How can I make a difference?

As brother Knights we are always presented with opportunities to make a difference. Our local St. Vincent DePaul Society is always looking for volunteers, how about the Fort Bend Women's Shelter, Hearts and Hammers, Foundation for Life or Special Olympics? All these are great places to start and many are asking for your help. During this Easter time celebration let us take some time to share our faith, our time and our brotherhood with those less fortunate and those in need. Let's make a difference.

With the fraternal year continuing to wind down, I look forward to the opportunity to hold your annual council elections and bring in new ideas and opportunities. Not only will there be an election of new officers in each council but the appointment of new directors for each of the six important programs in the Knights. If you have not already done so, please consider volunteering as a director or committeeperson in the areas of membership, family, community, church, youth, council and pro-life.

Each of these areas has many programs that support our communities and parishes and keep a council strong. Get with your Grand Knight and tell him you want to get involved and be active in your council!

Sunday May 15th is an order wide day of prayer for vocations. Please take some time to pray a rosary for the growth of Holy Orders and all that may be considering joining them.

Even though the fraternal year end is still two months away, it is never too late to start getting all you reports and paperwork in order so submit to Supreme so that your council can attain the prestigious Columbian Award. All councils in District 74 have done the required activities and programs this year, all that remains is submitting it for approval. Please take the time to do so and let your brothers and council be recognized for all it's hard work. If you have any questions or need assistance with the form, please do not hesitate to contact me.

There are only a few more opportunities this fraternal year to bring in a fine catholic man and his family to the Knights of Columbus. The next First Degree will be on Monday, May 16th at St. Thomas Aquinas in Sugar Land. There will be two First Degree's in June with the dates to be announced in the coming weeks. Share the experience of being a Knight, ask a catholic man and his family to join us!

As I close, I want to wish you and your families a very joyous and blessed Easter time celebration. HE IS TRULY RISEN!

Gary Blanchette
District Deputy #74

Coin Collection May 7

The coin collection scheduled for Saturday May 7. Brother Ken Stilling will have a sign up list at the May 2 meeting. Otherwise call him at 281-437-2216 or 281-750-5446. We need your help to make this successful. Thanks in advance for your consideration.

Birthdays in May

St. Basil 4204 May Birthday Report

Name	Birthday	Name	Birthday
Roland R Rodriguez	05/01	Charles D Scherpereel	05/21
Rev Ligory J. Philips	05/01	Larry D Helmcamp	05/21
Mrs Jane Cathey	05/02	Troy W. Campbell	05/23
Florian B Bartos	05/03	John R Cantu	05/24
Robert H. Kelly, Jr.	05/03	Robert J. Eder, III	05/26
Mrs. Margaret McDowell	05/03	John W Burchfield	05/26
Martin P Stieb	05/04	Mrs Janie Leos	05/27
George D. Kreimeyer, II	05/04	Jay N Patterson	05/27
Brian J Davidson	05/06	Jorge Marra	05/27
Gregory W. Montgomery	05/06	Domingo R. Salcido	05/27
Steve S Kalmus	05/07	Herbert W Meyer	05/28
Peter A. Vogt	05/07	Russell B Orsak	05/28
Ruben C Hernandez	05/10	Mrs. Mary Jean McArthur	05/29
David W Scates	05/10	Randy L Frnka	05/29
Rev Martin Njikang	05/14	Israel J. Pina	05/29
Ray A Anhaizer Jr	05/18	Eric D. Macha	05/30
Rudy A Zertuche	05/18	Joseph Spera	05/30
Ralph A Stolarski	05/20	Sherman S. Startz	05/31

Columbus Club Officers and Directors

In May or June 4204 will elect or reelect four directors. This will be done at the council meeting. The officers for the 2011/2012 year will be elected at the first meeting in July and will be conducted by the Grand Knight. Current Directors and Officers for the 2010/2011 year are:

<u>President</u>	Dan Rega	<u>Directors:</u>	Paul Cinquemani	John Gambino
<u>Vice President</u>	Lloyd Waguespack		John Herman	Bill Louviere
<u>Secretary</u>	Mike Mule'		Ralph Stolarski	Fred Stratton
<u>Treasurer</u>	Mike Matalka		Bob Sullivent	Gene Travis
			Grand knight Jeff Schumann	

Red's term expires in June 2011, Blue in June 2012 and Green in June 2013. The 13th director is the current Grand Knight of council 4204.

<u>Hall manager & CCBS Treasurer</u>	Ralph Stolarski
<u>Maintenance Manager</u>	Fred Trlicek
<u>Leasing Manager</u>	Bob Sullivent
<u>Bar/Event workers:</u>	Sam DeMorra
	Fred Trlicek
	Jeff Schumann

GOOD OF THE ORDER

“God, we offer up our prayers for the listed Knights, family and friends in need of healing and care. Thank you Lord for your love and guidance in our lives. Please give the family and friends of these loved ones courage, compassion and love as they heal and care for those in need. Amen!”

Please remember the following in your prayers and ask for Gods healing power to come over these members of our faith community.

For Good Health & Well Being:

St. Theresa Ministries and Priest
St. Theresa prayer List
Widows of Deceased Brothers
Fr. Robert Ritz
Ann Neslony
Dot keenan
John Pistone

Ex-Prisoners @ Isaiah house
Members of Armed Froces
Soldiers deployed over sea's
Deacon Frank & Karen Cromer
Ken Kilgore
Edith Hartensteiner
Col. David Eskelund

Pope Benedict
VETS at VA
Fr. Roy Ogerro
Dorothy Raska
Chris Ramsey
Emil Zbranek
Fr. Jack Whitley

DECEASED

Pat Griffin
Lucia Sulit
Hayden Family Mother-in-law

Robert Robinson Sr.
Tony Marino
Margaret Noel

Lois Lawrence
Leo Bowman
Marsha McIntyre

AS LISTED:

Napoleon Sulit – Lung Cancer
Fr. Andy Sebesta – Cancer/Surgery
Deacon & Peggy DuPont – Accident
Rafael Gijon – Health Issues
Joe Payne – Cancer
Rudy Ruthak – recovery from surgery
Al Guerra – Cancer
Fred Amlee – Cancer
Dorothy Raska - Kidney
Karyn Guillary – Cancer
Barbara Cacho – Breast Cancer
Bernard Shell – Prostate Cancer
Ally Aldrich – Back Surgery
Benny Benevides – Bad Health
Catherine Medina – Health Issues
Rosie Janssen – Back Pain
Linda Kasper – Cancer
Nicky Munguia – Surgery
Mark McClellan – Stroke
Shelley Rudding – Surgery
Max Schumann – Good Health
William Boehm – Stroke
Mike Blake's Daughter for safe pregnancy
Tom Sas – Cancer
Lonnie & Susan Link
Mrs. Edgar Santiago – Cancer
Susan & Charlie Compton – Cancer
Madelyn & Jacob Carrigan – premy Birth of child

Patty Felli – Breast Cancer
Grand Knight Gary Bentz -- Cancer
Rudy & Irene Zertuche - pain
Kathy Moller – Cancer
Bettly Guehring – Health
John Barta – Heart
Bob Morgan – Cancer & Stroke
Mary Reynoso – Cancer/Surgery
Luis Herrero – Cancer
Keith Borchardt – Back Surgery
Marie Unarcarly – Heart Problems
Mike Matalca – recovering from surgery
Alfonso Hernandez – Heart Issues
Tony Medina – Prostate Cancer & Heart
Jim Claire – Back Surgery
Rita Earp -- Health
Lillian Abbot – Surgery
Barbara Eder – Recovery from Spin Surgery
Mario Zequeira – Poor Health
John Boetlger Jr & Family – Cancer
Edwin “TAC” Hrneir – ALS
Netchy Meiselbach – Cancer
Clem Kotzur – Cancer
Getulio Brito – Alzheimer's
Susan Bower – Stroke
Mrs. Diana A. Blackwood – Cancer
Floyd Tafelsky - Cancer
Dyrk (Hartensteiner) Burcie - Cancer

Also Pray for:

Ray Tanking
Dina & Bruce Harlan

Tammy Stilling
Garland Melancon

Frances Petter
Margarita Iglesias

Sandra Sonvild

COUNCIL OFFICERS 2010-2011**DIRECTORS FOR 2010-2011**

Chaplain- Rev. Stephen B. Reynolds, Pastor
 Associate Chaplain Rev. Jose Tharayil
 Grand Knight Jeff Schumann 713-206-7176
 Deputy Grand Knight Calvin Sommer 281-242-6072
 Chancellor Dave Kiger 281-242-4144
 Recorder John Hermann 281-313-3819
 Financial Secretary Pete Muceus 281-491-9671
 Treasurer Lloyd Waguespack 281-495-4422
 Lecturer Paul Cinquemani 281-265-7381
 Warden Richard Pospisil 713-206-7963
 Advocate John Clennan 281-4918090
 Inside Guard Fred Stratton 281-491-4676
 Outside Guard Peter Vogt 281-565-2581
 One Year Trustee Mike Mule' 281-277-9429
 Two Year Trustee Bob Sullivent 281-561-9533
 Three Year Trustee Bill Tallas 281-980-1682
 Insurance Agt(A-L) Mauricio Munguia 713-203-9966
 Insurance Agt(M-Z) Henry Rangel 281-731-8635
 Columbian Squires John Clennan 281-491-8090
 John McDonald 281-494-7498
 Chief Cook Steve Kalmus 281-240-5991
 BBQ Coordinator Fred Trlicek 281-491-9040
 Bill Tallas 281-980-1682

Program Mike Jones 281 342-0133
 Membership Ken Stilling 281-437-2216
 Retention Calvin Sommer 281-242-6072
 Church Steve Bassey 713-384-3076
Vocation
 Community Ed Sebesta 281-242-4563
 Public Relations Al Ewer 281-242-8536
 Pro Life couple Scott & Dayna Furnish 281-989-5221
 Council John Gambino 281-242-0847
 Youth John Clennan 281-491-8090
Family
 News Letter Editor Bob Sullivent 713-689-1580
 Teen Dance Mike Matalka 281-494-7617
 Football Sweepstakes Pete Muceus 281-491-9671
Bereavement
 Coin Collection Ken Stilling 281-437-2216
 Golf Gary Blanchette 281-240-1774
 Halloween Ken Stilling 281-437-2216
 Turkey/Blood Drive Paul Cinquemani 281-265-7381
 Clothing Sales Ken Stilling 281-437-2216
 Bill Tallas 281-980-1682
 Fish Fry Ed Sebesta 281-242-4563
 John Clennan 281-491-8090

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