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

June 2012
 MEETINGS 1ST AND 3RD MONDAYS 7:00PM

NEWSLETTER
 COLUMBUS CLUB 1ST Tuesday - 7PM

IN UNITY WITH OUR STATE OFFICERS and committeemen

Larry Zapalac

Past State Deputy

Jim Collins

State Deputy

Pete Muceus

State Communications Committee

Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

We are at the close of one fraternal year and at the beginning of another. Thanks to all of you that came out and helped at the planning meeting as well as the budget meeting. The budget was approved at the June 18 meeting and is in place.

As we begin our new fraternal year I ask each of you to rededicate yourself to the principles of our order. I also ask that each of you make an effort to participate in the activities of the council. Pick out an activity that interests you and pitch in and enjoy the fellowship of your Brother Knights.

I also ask each of you to work on recruitment. There are men of this parish just waiting for one of us to ask them to join the Knights of Columbus. I know its a pipe dream but wouldn't it be great if each current member recruited a new member this coming fraternal year!

We will be having our summer Knight's Night Out on Friday July 20 at 7PM. I encourage all to come our and enjoy the company of your Brother Knights. A meal will be served and then you can enjoy a game of card or dominoes or just visit. I really encourage all new members to attend as it is a great way to meet members of the council. I hope to see you there.

Calvin Sommer
 Grand Knight.

REMEMBER:

There is a Pro-Life rosary the first Sunday of every month. It is in front of the respect life monument.

Financial Secretary's Report

Brothers,

At the KC meeting June 4 the monthly honorees were selected by those at the meeting. For May: Knight of the Month - Pete Muceus; Rookie of the Month – Bill Encarnacion; Family of the Month – Dominic Kutra; Lady of the Month – Carol Sommer; Squire of the Month – Nicholas Archibong; there was no Youth of the Month. For June: Knight of the Month – Todd Heath; Rookie of the Month – Jaime Ibarra; Family of the Month – Ralph Stolarski; Lady of the Month – Marsha Kreimeyer; Squire of the Month – Jacob Hickman; Youth of the Month – Agnes Archibong.

We start the 2012-2013 Fraternal Year on July 1. The Council has new goals for new members, insurance members and State Charity. You can help with new member goals by nominating a Catholic friend to become a member. The 1st Degree at Council 4204 will be on Monday August 20. You can help with the State Charity goal by purchasing a state charity pin for \$20. Contact the FS Pete Muceus at a meeting or send me a check saying you would like a charity pin.

The State Council has a fund raising activity that also provides monetary prizes for 8 weeks during the college football season. It is an online discount webpage coupon that also includes 8 weekly pro football games. The cost of an individual card is \$10 for the online discount coupon and for 8 weeks of games. The 8 weekly prizes range from \$500 to \$20. Contact the FS, Pete Muceus if you would like to purchase some and/or get some to sell to friends or co-workers. The Council makes \$1 for every ticket sold.

Put your membership into action by trying to take part in one activity this fraternal year!

Congratulations to Brothers Bill Encarnacion, Stephen Frontera and Seminarian Francis Nguyen who attended the 2nd & 3rd Degrees Saturday June 16. CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Sir Knight Ian Cyril who attended the 4th Degree exemplification on Saturday June 8 and is Council 4204's newest Sir Knight!

The Council grew by 9 members at the 1st Degree held on June 18. The newly initiated members are: Chris Broussard, Ken Hawthorne, Stephen Higdon, Jason Jesko, Jesse A. Mendiola, Kevin Muceus, Eddie Orta, Mike Rodriguez & Bobby Ruma. Welcome all!

At the 4th Degree Assembly 2243 meeting Jun 19 some 4204 Brothers were elected as officers for the 2012-2013 fraternal year. Dan Rega is the Faithful Navigator (Grand Knight equivalent); John Hermann is the purser (Treasurer equivalent) and Fred Stratton is the Inner Sentinel (Inside Guard equivalent). Congratulations!

The Council has shirts and hats for sale. There are a few jackets and vests left over from prior years. Contact Pete Muceus if you are interested.

God bless

Brother Pete, FS

District Deputy



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District Deputy Report

The advent of the New Fraternal Year brings forth a chance to renew our endeavors to show ourselves, our families, our brothers and our community that Catholicism and Catholic values are not just for keeping up appearances and lip service, but are to be LIVED!!

In the same manner in which a refreshing spring shower cleans the air, brightens the flowers and washes the dirt and filth from the streets; so too does the new Fraternal Year give us, as Knights the ability to strengthen ourselves in our Faith, to embellish in the principles of our Order in Charity, Unity and Fraternity, and to fight with an undaunted conscience the evils that face not just our Church but our society as well.

In last months message, I asked you how the resolutions are going. Also to meet and greet your Council Officers and Directors and to make yourself available to them for a successful year of programs geared towards the workings of Charity, Unity & Fraternity with regards to the Council, Church, Community, Youth, Family and Pro-Life. I cannot stress this enough that it is up to YOU!!! to make it happen.

This month I am going to set the stage for helping us, as Knights, to not only support the Church but to be its defender as well.

Most of us from the “old school” were taught that the Catholic Church has three elements:

- The **Triumphant** (*Ecclesia Triumphans*) – which is made up of those in Heaven
- The **Suffering** (*Ecclesia Penitens*) – Those souls who are in Purgatory awaiting their reward
- The **Militant** (*Ecclesia Militans*) – The faithful on earth who are charged with fighting evil.

These three elements make up the **Communion of Saints**. We as living members of the Church, need to draw upon this Communion of Saints to help strengthen us in our Faith Formation primarily through prayer and learning the teachings of the Catholic Faith.

When we were initiated into the 1st Degree of the Order, the Grand Knight challenges us to “...acquire a proper knowledge of the principles and the commandments of our holy religion...” Over the past few months I have imparted some sources that can help with the knowledge, specifically using the Bible, and Catechism as a good starting place. But in the background was the understanding that it is through prayer that we should always begin our *study*.

Prayer is what keeps us in Communion with the Saints... it is praying to God for our salvation and praying for the Saints & Heavenly court to intercede for our petitions and to offer our prayers for the suffering in purgatory. As Knights, what greater prayer do we have than the Rosary of Our Lady. Do you remember the promise you made during your 1st Degree to be “...loyal in your heart...” ? I ask that you renew that pledge and to recite the rosary as often as possible.

Brothers, keep true to the Faith,

Vivat Jesus

Council News and Information

2011-2012 Yearly Awards

Youth of the Year:	Ryan Heath
Squire of the Year:	Nicholas Archibong
Lady of the Year:	Debbie Kutra
Family of the Year:	The Dominic Kutra Family
Rookie of the Year:	Jaime Ibarra
Knight of the Year:	Glen Redding
Scholarship Winners:	Kevin Muceus, Jill Palmer and Nicholas Archibong
David J. Hartensteiner Grand Knight Award:	Anthony Valchar
Robert Schumann Lifetime Achievement Award:	Emil Zbranek

Rev. John Raymond Whitley, C.S.B. 28 June 1927 ~ 24 June 2012

Father Jack succumbed to pulmonary complications at about 6:30 a.m. at Seven Acres Hospice in Houston, Texas

Here are the arrangements for Fr. Jack's services...

Tuesday, 26 June:

Rosary and wake at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church from 5:00-8:00 PM.

Wednesday, 27 June:

Funeral Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church at 10:00 AM.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton is located at 6646 Addicks-Satsuma Road, Houston, Texas 77084

Church phone: 281-463-7878

Father Jack Whitley

"...the most loved Knight in the State of Texas"

Daniel Cardinal DiNardo, Clergy Night 27 January 2012

John Raymond Whitley was born to W. Raymond Whitley and Margaret Loughney in Rochester, New York on the 28th of June, 1927.

In 1944, John (Jack) Whitley was graduated from Aquinas Institute in Rochester, New York and entered the Rochester Novitiate where he made his first vows on August 15, 1945. A year at St. Michael's College in Toronto, Canada, was followed by three years at Assumption College in Windsor, Canada, where he earned a B.A. from the University of Western Ontario in 1949. He attended the University of Toronto Library School in 1949 and 1950 and earned a Bachelor of Library Science Degree in 1950. The following year he taught Latin and Science at St. Thomas High School in Houston where he began his studies of Theology. He completed his studies of Theology at St. Basil's Seminary while also teaching at St. Michael's College School in Toronto, Canada.

Father Jack was ordained June 29, 1954 at St. Basil's Church in Toronto, Canada by Cardinal McGuigan and celebrated his first solemn Mass in Blessed Sacrament Church in Rochester, New York.

In 1955, Father Jack was sent to Aquinas Institute in Rochester, New York to serve the multiple roles of librarian, teacher of English and Theology, coordinator of assemblies, director of graduation, and moderator of the school band and Color Guard Instructor. Under his leadership, the Aquinas Color Guard won five New York State championships and three national rankings.

During his seventeen years at Aquinas, he earned a Master of Education degree from the University of Rochester; a diploma from the National Drum Corps Association; did further studies in Library Science and English at Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.; and also served as President of the High School Library Section, and served on the Executive Board of the Catholic Library Association, edited its yearly review of books; and later was elected to the board of the National Catholic Education Association. On weekends, he would make mission appeals throughout the nation on behalf of the Basilian Fathers Missions.

In 1973, he was sent to Catholic Central High School in Detroit as an English and Science teacher and was then appointed Assistant Principal. In the fall of 1978 he entered the Doctoral program in Educational Administration at Wayne State University.

Subsequently, Father Jack was asked to be the Principal of Andrean High School in Merrillville, Indiana, a position which he held until 1988 when he went to Rome to study Spirituality at the Angelicum.

In the fall of 1989 he was sent to St. Joseph Center in Sugar Land, Texas, where he served as Director of the Mission Center, and was responsible for funding the evangelical and educational activities of the Basilian Fathers Missions in Mexico and South America, as well as serving as Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus Council of St. Thomas Aquinas Church and the Columbian Squires, was a member of the Fourth Degree Assembly at St. Theresa Church in Sugar Land, Texas, served as Chaplain of the Houston Chapter, and served as Associate State Chaplain for the Knights of Columbus in the State of Texas for four years, 2009-2012. He also served on the Diocesan Mission Council, the Texas Mission Council, and completed more than forty-five years of preaching for the missions in Mexico and South America.

Father Jack was awarded a Doctor of Laws degree from the University of Assumption, and continued his work of evangelization and making missionary appeals to generate funds to support the apostolic activities of the Basilian missionary priests until 2011.

Dennis Trainor

District Deputy

District 74

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Vivat Jesus

Columbus Club News

Brothers,

The last three years has been an interesting journey as President of the Columbus Club. A number of goals were achieved, we are paying the bills and the building looks a little more attractive. I will be moving on to Faithful Navigator of Assembly 2243. Extending a huge thank you to all the Directors for their support over the past three years. A lot of behind the scenes effort is required to prepare the hall for KC and outside rentals, cleanup after everyone, and maintain the physical plant.

We will be electing five new Directors on July 2nd. Two Brothers have graciously placed their names on the list. Last month's request for volunteers produced zero results. Out of five hundred members this is a sad response. Please give it some thought. Any help is appreciated. If you wish just to bar tend we can find some member who will be a Director only. It would be great to have a list of 10 Brothers who wish to bar tend once in a while. I can be reached at 281-980-5183 or uhnider@windstream.net. We all know the larger the team the easier the load.

At the June meeting the Directors recommended we remodel the restrooms as our next capital project. One contractor has made it known he would like to be considered, now is the time for others to step forward and request a bid package when it becomes available in the coming months.

In addition the BBQ pits need repair. The Directors are requesting someone to step forward and prepare a scope of work and obtain a few quotes. The repairs possibly can come from the maintenance budget and not require capital funds. We need someone who understands the ins and outs of BBQ pits, can evaluate the pits condition and sort out the quotes. Just complaining the pits need repairs will not get a thing accomplished.

Dan Rega
281-980-5183 (evenings)
uhnider@windstream.net

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WEB SITES

Links have been added to this newsletter. Click on the link below and go straight to the site of your choice.

Our monthly newsletter and calendars are on the web site under the Newsletter tab.

Knights of Columbus web site links. Council 4204 is www.kc4204.org; Our Galveston-Houston Chapter is www.ghkofc.org; Texas State Council - www.tkofc.org; Supreme - www.kofc.org. Hall rental <http://www.kc4204.org/hall-rental>

KC Insurance

Call us!

Vince A. Loper (A-L) 281.844.8867 or vincent.loper@kofc.org
Henry T. Rangel, FICF (M-Z) 281.731.8635 or henry.rangel@kofc.org

Birthdays

St. Basil Council 4204 Birthday Report July 2012

Rev. Jose J. Tharayil	07/01	Julian M. Rodriguez	07/17
Jason B. Jesko	07/01	John G. Hermann	07/18
Donald L Downing	07/02	Anthony M. Scarlatella	07/18
Gene A Travis	07/04	Clinton W Brown	07/19
Mrs Doreen Matthiesen	07/04	Thomas Hernandez, Jr.	07/19
Bennie C Rychlik	07/05	Bruce S Shimala	07/20
Paul R Schell	07/05	James R. Christ	07/21
Patrick J. Kilgore	07/05	Mark A. Serice	07/21
Robert W. Vacek	07/06	Eugene Ortiz	07/21
John P. Heitman	07/07	Patrick G Lee	07/22
John B Rodriguez	07/08	Anthony R Segura	07/23
Jesse G. Mendiola	07/08	Jerome D. Pospisil	07/23
Mrs Lupe De La Rosa	07/09	Charles H. Crowell	07/23
George E. Abdo	07/10	Mrs Amy Howard	07/24
Fred J. DeNisco	07/11	Bernard F. Marek, Jr.	07/24
Richard P. Mudra	07/12	Douglas W Blaskowsky	07/24
Charles D Broussard Sr	07/13	John A Sullivan	07/25
Mrs Edelmira Rubalcava	07/13	David L Miller	07/26
Joseph S. Schillaci	07/13	Rene J. Moreno	07/27
Ismael G. Benavides	07/14	Miguel Rodriguez	07/27
Rev Stephen A. Lacroix	07/14	Otto E. Ulrich, Jr.	07/28
Francis Nguyen	07/15	Robert M Yur	07/29
Kevin A. Muceus	07/15	Rev. Robert G. Ritz, CSB	07/30
Ronnie J Hornischer	07/16	John J Harry	07/30
Mrs Timi Beeler	07/16	M George Kubanda	07/31
Enrique Ramon	07/16	Carlos A. Fernandez	07/31
Tom J. Simek	07/16		

COUNCIL OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS FOR 2011-2012

Chaplain-	Rev. Stephen B. Reynolds, Pastor	Program		
Associate Chaplain	Rev. Jose Tharayil	Membership	Ken Stilling	281-437-2216
Grand Knight	Calvin Sommer 281-242-6072	Retention	John Hermann	281-313-3819
Deputy Grand Knight	John Hermann 281-313-3819	Church	Deacon Frank Cromer	281-565-2776
Chancellor	Jaime Ibarra	Vocation	John Sudela	281-491-4055
Recorder	Mike Abbot	Community	Sam Gonzales	281-980-8762
Financial Secretary	Pete Muceus 281-491-9671	Public Relations	Al Ewer	832-978-5022
Treasurer	Lloyd Waguespack 281-495-4422	Pro Life	David Wleklinski	281-494-4770
Lecturer	Paul Cinquemani 832-594-6753	Council	John Gambino	281-242-0847
Warden	Glenn Redding	Youth	John Clennan	281-491-8090
Advocate	John Clennan 713-306-5013	Family	Mike Mule`	281-277-9429
Inside Guard	Fred Stratton 281-491-4676	News Letter Editor	Bob Sullivent	713-689-1580
Outside Guard	Joe Spera	Teen Dance	Mike Matalka	281-494-7617
One Year Trustee	Bill Tallas 281-980-1682	Football Sweepstakes	Pete Muceus	281-491-9671
Two Year Trustee	Jeff Schumann 713-206-7176	Bereavement	Joe Welsh	281-491-4027
Three Year Trustee	Dennis Marek	Coin Collection	Ken Stilling	281-437-2216
Insurance Agt(A-L)	Vince Loper 281-844-8867	Golf	Gary Blanchette	281-240-1774
Insurance Agt(M-Z)	Henry Rangel 281-731-8635	Halloween	Ken Stilling	281-437-2216
Columbian Squires	John Clennan 281-491-8090	Turkey Diner	Paul Cinquemani	832-594-6753
Chief Cook	Steve Kalmus 281-240-5991	Clothing Sales	Pete Muceus	281-491-9671
BBQ Coordinator	Dominic Kutra	Blood Drive	Paul Cinquemani	832-594-6753
	Todd Heath	Fish Fry	Ed Sebesta	281-242-4563
			John Clennan	713-306-5013

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:

Archbishop Joseph Fiorenza
St. Theresa Ministries and Priest
Widows of Deceased Brothers
Ex-Prisoners @ Isaiah house

Fr. Roy Ogerro
St. Theresa prayer List
VETS at VA

Fr. Robert Ritz
Pope Benedict
Members of Armed Forces

DECEASED

Father Jack Whitley

Joe Payne

Gregory Warren

Marylyn Schweiger

AS LISTED:

Dyrk(Hartensteiner)Burcie–Cancer
Audra Schweiger Warren – health
Karyn Guillary – Cancer
Tom Sas – Cancer
Henry Heitman – Prostate Cancer
Bob Morgan – Cancer & Stroke
Juan Carlos Corea – ALS
Thomas Quinterro – Leg Surgery
Netchy Meiselbach – Cancer
Mary Reynoso – Cancer/Surgery
Mrs. Edgar Santiago – Cancer

Paul Schweiger – Car Accident
Domingo Salcido – Cancer
Bettly Guehring – Health
Benny Benevides – Bad Health
Marjory Baner - Health
Florian Bartos – cancer
Richard Swvrek – Prostate Cancer
Jerren Pernell – Brain Cancer
Bernard Shell – Prostate Cancer
Jesus Cagigal – Prostate Cancer
Cross Ext. family – good wishes

Jim Collins -- Surgery
Tom lycka -- Cancer
Getulio Brito – Alzheimer’s
Emily Cross New Born
Emil Zbranek – Health
Thomas Gnipp – Surgery
John Sudela – Heart
Mark McClellan - Stroke
Floyd Tafelsky – Cancer

Columbus Club Officers and Directors

Current Directors and Officers for the 2011/2012 year are:

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer

Dan Rega
Lloyd Waguespack
Mike Mule’
Mike Matalka

Directors:

Paul Cinquemani
John Hermann
Ralph Stolarski
Bob Sullivent

John Gambino
Fred Stratton
Gene Travis

Grand knight Calvin Sommer

Blue team’s term expires in June 2012, Green June 2013, and Red in June 2014. The 13th director is the current Grand Knight of council 4204.

New directors and officers will be elected in July as Dan Rega and John Gambino are retiring from the club. Mike Matalka and Bob Sullivent are running for reelection. We need at least two Knights to step up and fill Dan and John’s shoes. They have done an outstanding job taking care of your hall and grounds. We will elect the officers of the club in July from the directors that the council elects. Please be a part of your council’s efforts to manage this facility that the Knights of Columbus Council 4204 calls home.

CCBS Officers & Directors

The Columbus created an organization to manage and run the rental and bar sales of our hall. This allows the Columbus Club to be tax exempt and not pay property taxes on the facility saving the Columbus Club, and thus, council 4204 money. The Hall and leasing managers are appointed by the Columbus Club President annually. The officers and directors can be any 4204 member in good standing and serve until they resign or the CCBS elects new directors at its annual meeting to be held in June each year. The current officers and directors are.

There are five directors as listed below.

<u>President</u>	Bob Sullivent	<u>Co-Vice President</u>	Dan Rega
<u>Co-Vice President</u>	Jeffery Schumann	<u>Secretary</u>	Lloyd Waguespack
<u>Treasurer</u>	Ralph Stolarski		
<u>Hall manager</u>	Ralph Stolarski	<u>Leasing Manager</u>	Bob Sullivent
<u>Maintenance Manager</u>	Open		

As with the Columbus Club officers and directors will be elected in July for the CCBS. If anyone would like to serve as a Director or Officer of the CCBS please contact the current president Bob Sullivent at 281-561-9533 or email at rsullivent@slb.com.