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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



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

December 2012  
MEETINGS 1<sup>ST</sup> AND 3<sup>RD</sup> MONDAYS 7:00PM

NEWSLETTER  
COLUMBUS CLUB 1<sup>ST</sup> Tuesday - 7PM

**IN UNITY WITH OUR STATE OFFICERS and committeemen**

**Jim Collins**

**State Deputy**

**Larry Zapalac**

**Past State Deputy**

**Lloyd Waguespack**

**State Audit Committee**

**Pete Muceus**

**State Communications  
Committee**

Brother Knights,

This past Sunday, November 18, we held our annual Memorial Meeting honoring the deceased Brothers of Council 4204. I know those who attended will agree with me that it was a very moving ceremony. Thanks to all who made this a truly outstanding event. A special thanks to Bob and Schatze Sullivent, Carol and Pete Muceus, and my wife Carol for helping set up the hall. Also a thank you goes out to Chief Cook Steve Kalmus and his helpers Ralph Stolarski, Ed Borski, Glen Redding, and Anthony Valchar for an outstanding dinner.

On Sunday December 2, we will have our annual Catholic Daughter/Knights of Columbus Christmas party beginning at 2:30. Please bring your families and join in the fun. If you want your child or grandchild to receive a present from Santa, please bring a wrapped gift with the child's name on it and give it to Santa.

**Attention all 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Members:** You will have a golden opportunity on Saturday December 8 to join us in full knighthood. Council 4204 will be hosting a 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree exemplification beginning at 10:00. ***There is no cost to you other than your time and effort to go through the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree exemplification. Circle the date and make a true effort to attend on December 8. You will need to be at the hall at around 9:15.***

I wish all Brother Knights and their families a Blessed and Merry Christmas. Please remember to "Keep Christ in Christmas".

Calvin Sommer  
Grand Knight

Quote of the day: **Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts.**  
Winston Churchill

# Financial Secretary's Report

Brothers,

I hope you all had a Happy Thanksgiving!

There will be a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree on Saturday December 8. Let's have a good turnout of candidates; they will be able to do all 3 degrees on one day. Have all 1<sup>st</sup> Degree candidates at the Annex by 7:15 am. We need 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree members to attend all degrees to support Council 4204 candidates. Candidates for the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree need to be at the Annex by 9:00 am.

The Clergy Night celebration is on Friday, January 18 at the Stafford Centre (2610 South Main in Stafford), the same location it was held last year. This is an affair where over 1,000 Knights and their ladies will gather to recognize our priests and clergy. A social hour and cocktails will be start at 6:30 p.m. with Dinner at 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$30 per person. If you are planning on attending, please notify me ASAP and submit your payment to me prior to the close of the meeting on Monday December 3.

The annual dues bill will go out at the beginning of December. The dues are payable prior to January 15. Regular member dues are \$36. Once you receive your dues notice, please pay it promptly. Thanks for keeping your dues current. If any member has a problem paying their dues, please contact the Grand Knight Calvin Sommer at 281-242-6072 or myself at 281-491-9671. Please complete the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity Individual Member Worksheet (Form 1728A) (below) and return it with your dues payment; Supreme uses these numbers from all the brothers to report to the Federal Government to retain its tax exempt status. Supreme has the Culture of Life \$2 assessment for each council member. Your \$2 voluntary contribution along with your dues will be appreciated. Your membership cards are the color white (again). You can bring your dues to the Christmas Party or the December 2 meeting and save the council some postage.

I wish all of you a very blessed and Merry Christmas and a blessed, safe and Happy New Year.

## 2012 ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY INDIVIDUAL MEMBER WORKSHEET

Last year, the Knights of Columbus donated more than \$154 million to charitable and benevolent causes and more than 70 million hours of volunteer community service to aid the less fortunate. **To help prepare our Fraternal Survey for the Supreme Council office, please complete the information requested below and return it at our next meeting or with your dues.** This information will assist us in determining the total number of hours of community service volunteered by our members **during 2012.**

1. Number of visits you made during 2012 to:

Sick — caring for the sick/nursing homes / hospitals . . . . . \_\_\_\_\_

Bereaved — visits of condolence . . . . . \_\_\_\_\_

2. Number of times you served as a blood donor during 2012. . . . . \_\_\_\_\_

3. Estimated hours of community volunteer service during 2012:

Church Activities — service in all Church related activities . . . . . \_\_\_\_\_

Community Activities — service in all community related activities . . . . . \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Activities — service in all youth related activities . . . . . \_\_\_\_\_

Habitat for Humanity — service in all related projects . . . . . \_\_\_\_\_

Culture of Life Activities — service in all related projects . . . . . \_\_\_\_\_

Miscellaneous Activities — service in areas not outlined above . . . . . \_\_\_\_\_

4. Number of hours of fraternal service during 2012:

Sick/disabled members and their families — household chores, transportation, tutoring, counselling, etc.

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God bless,  
Peter L. Muceus  
Financial Secretary

# District 74 Deputy



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## District 74 Deputy Report December 2012

Brothers, it has been a few months since my last report, and I do apologize. I have been working most of my 'free' time with election efforts in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Florida, and Virginia. Efforts that appear to show I have not been a good steward of my time. It did open my eyes to some rather interesting issues that are garnered by a reality that is far and above, anything that the pundits were looking at.

First off, over 50% of Catholics voted for a man who is hell bent on destroying religious freedom in this country. Upon further 'analysis' it was discovered that this 50% was further sub-divided into 'active' Catholics and 'in-active' Catholics... in other words, those who go to Mass and participate in the Sacraments and those who don't. That breakdown was 75% of Catholics supporting a candidate for religious freedom. You might think, "Wow, this is really great!"... But that still leaves 25% who could not see past those **EIGHT** deadly sins... Lust, Gluttony, Greed, Sloth, Wrath, Envy, Pride... and the worst of all... simply voting for a political party instead of an informed decision. I can only ascertain that these 25% put their own personal gain and prejudices over a moral authority. Regardless, had the number of 'active' Catholics voted for Religious Freedom, the election for President would have been different.

Another truth that hit me square between the eyes, was that the election came down to three areas of discussion. The Economy, National Defense, and Social Issues were at the forefront of all debates with the emphasis on the first two but the third taking absolute control of how votes were cast. I can go into great detail over the Immigration Issues, Abortion & Women's Rights, Social Security & Medicare, and ALL the other Entitlement Programs – both Corporate and individual. But these are topics for another time. What I do want to say is that our country has finally made the turn where the moral authority has lost to the secular society. Ben Franklin said it best, "...***When the people find that they can vote themselves money, that will herald the end of the republic.***" The people voted to keep their **entitlements**.

So what is it that we will be asked to do now? As Catholics and as Knights we need to reinforce to those who still follow the Commandments and partake of the Sacraments that this is the right course... for those who are in the 'land of the lost'... we need to be like the sower of seeds in the parable of Jesus... Spread the word and hope that it falls on the fertile ground... we need to chase off the birds before they can devour the 'message'... we need to spread soil on the rocky areas so that the roots can be strengthened, we need to pull up the weeds before the seed is choked off...

I ask you to ponder this message and to remind each of you what you were challenged to do when you became a Knight. Do you remember the Grand Knight's Challenge? "...***we need not strive in physical combat, but by example and by word must we contend against the foes of Church and State.***"

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2008 State Winner

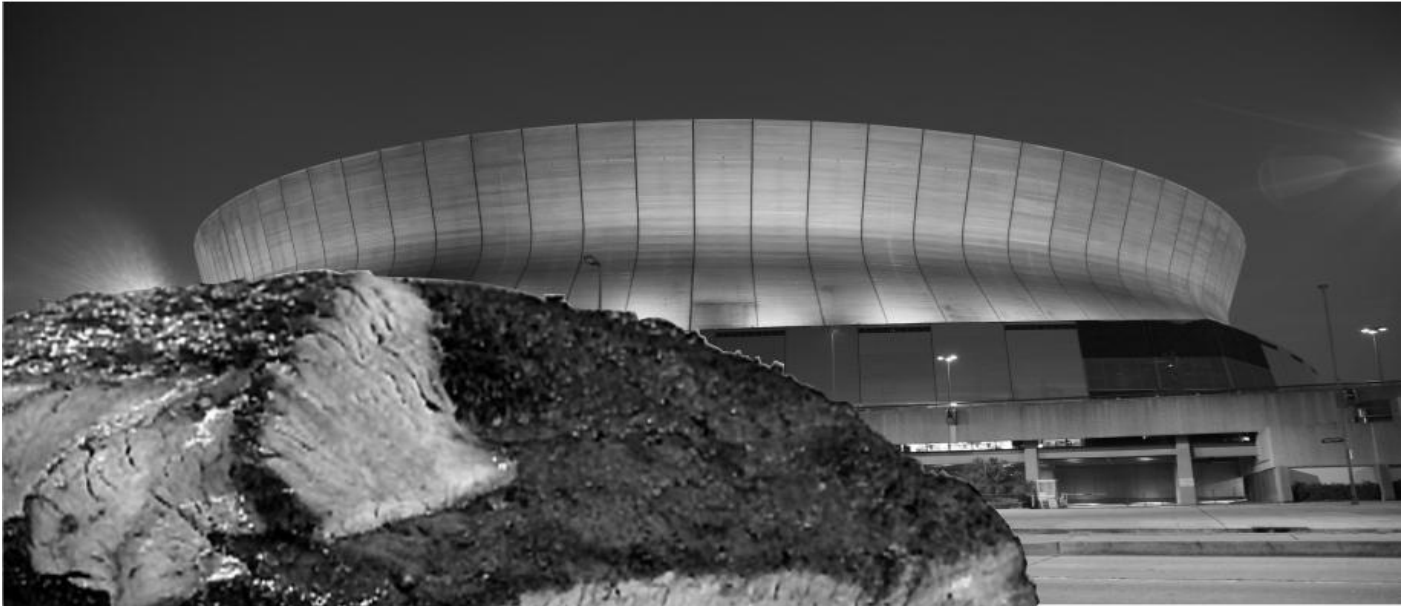


## FREE THROW CONTEST

Girls and boys, ages 10 to 14, are invited to show off their **free throw skills** in the statewide contest sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Be at St. Theresa Youth Center, St Theresa Blvd (behind St Theresa Church), Sugar Land, at 12:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 13, 2013, with proof of age and parental consent. Register, and show your free throwing skills. For more information, contact Mr. Ken Stilling at 281-750-5446.

# It Isn't a Superbowl



**Without a  
Great Tasting  
Knights of Columbus  
Brisket**

**ORDER YOURS TODAY**

## **Columbus Club News**

Brothers,

Your Columbus Club meets the first Tuesday of the month to conduct your Knights business. Be at the annex at 7 PM on December 4 for the short meeting.

CC Directors

## **Other council announcements**

Council 7728's Scholarship Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance is on Saturday, **February 9<sup>th</sup>** 2013 starting with a social at 6:30 p.m. Dinner at 7 p.m. and the Dance starts at 8 p.m. We will have live music by the Vince Ramos Orchestra, we will also be celebrating Olga and Joe's 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. Tickets will be \$25 per person with all proceeds going to funding our annual K.C. 7728 Educational Scholarships.

Vivat Jesus



Joe L. Longoria

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832-473-6408

## **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](http://www.kc4204.org); Our Galveston-Houston Chapter is [www.ghkofc.org](http://www.ghkofc.org); Texas State Council - [www.tkofc.org](http://www.tkofc.org); Supreme - [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org). Hall rental <http://www.kc4204.org/hall-rental>

## **KC Insurance**

Vince A. Loper (A-L) 281.844.8867 or [vincent.loper@kofc.org](mailto:vincent.loper@kofc.org)

Henry T. Rangel, FICF (M-Z) 281.731.8635 or [henry.rangel@kofc.org](mailto:henry.rangel@kofc.org)

# Birthdays

## St. Basil 4204 December 2012 Birthday Report

Name	Birthday	Name	Birthday
Nicholas J. Zapalac	12/01	Gregory D. Fuller	12/17
Ponciano F. Dumantay	12/02	Donald E. Hensley	12/17
Gary W Steuernagel	12/04	Jonathan P. Cherry	12/17
J Arnold Knoche	12/05	Donald W Mattern	12/19
Chris R. Broussard	12/05	Mrs Louise Bronikowski	12/19
Ben P Bono	12/06	Dale J. Stroyick	12/19
Frank A. Mba	12/06	Michael Chisenhall	12/20
David F. Becker	12/06	Victor C Novosad	12/21
Michael A. Mule'	12/06	Michael J. DePaolo	12/21
Rodney R. Smith	12/07	Anthony J Valchar	12/21
Fred W. Hodson	12/08	Charles R. Olvey	12/21
Mrs Lena Ruffino	12/07	Jacob M. Rodriguez	12/21
Olin E. Ludwig	12/08	Anthony F. Mancuso	12/21
Curtis Osborne	12/09	David H. Shumpert, Jr.	12/22
Daniel W. Cawthon	12/09	Joseph W. Azzarello, Sr.	12/24
Matthew D. Johns	12/09	Darrell F Pavlicek	12/24
Gary G. Turpin	12/09	Abraham Thomas	12/24
Donald R. Dickens	12/10	Harry F Richards	12/26
Emil D Zbranek	12/11	John S. Sudela	12/26
Timothy E Sweat	12/11	Jeremy A. Zapalac	12/27
Marco Roncal	12/11	Alois H. Grahmann, Jr.	12/28
Guy A. Baird	12/12	Chuka B Eche	12/28
Jude Ezike	12/12	Anthony M. Rychlik	12/28
Stephen E. Higdon	12/12	Paul K. O'Neal	12/28
William M Tallas	12/13	Leonard A Simek	12/29
Mrs Lucy Cavazos	12/13	John P. Pistone	12/29
Stephen Winzerling	12/13	Daniel T. Korkmas	12/30
Timothy L Schumann	12/15	Mrs Genevieve Puskarz	12/30
Neal O. Robichau	12/16	Richard S Pena	12/30
Martin T. Williams	12/16	Daniel E. Rega	12/30
		Dennis W Marek	12/31

## COUNCIL OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS FOR 2012-2013

Chaplain-	Rev. Stephen B. Reynolds, Pastor	Program	Jeff Manica	832-595-6611
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 281-491-0924	Vocation	John Sudela	281-491-4055
Recorder	Michael Abbot 281-242-8356	Community	Dave Kiger	281-242-4144
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 281-277-2210	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 281-242-1185	Teen Dance	Mike Matalaka	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 281-980-3314	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
	Jaime Ibarra 281-491-0924	Clothing Sales	Pete Muceus	281-491-9671
Chief Cook	Steve Kalmus 281-240-5991	Blood Drive	Paul Cinquemani	832-594-6753
BBQ Coordinator	Dominic Kutra 281-565-0787	Fish Fry	Ed Sebesta	281-242-4563
	Todd Heath 281-491-0747		John Clennan	713-306-5013
VA Hospital visits	Joe Williams 281-344-8426			

## Columbus Club Officers and Directors

Current Directors and Officers for the 2012/2013 year are:

<u>President</u>	Dan Rega	<u>Directors:</u>	Paul Cinquemani	Peter Vogt
<u>Vice President</u>	Lloyd Waguespack		John Hermann	Joe Spera
<u>Secretary</u>	Mike Mule`		Ralph Stolarski	Fred Stratton
<u>Treasurer</u>	Mike Matalaka		Bob Sullivent	Gene Travis
			Grand knight Calvin Sommer	

Green team's term expires in June 2013, Red in June 2014 and Blue in June 2015,. The 13<sup>th</sup> director is the Grand Knight, Calvin Sommer, of council 4204.

## CCBS Officers and Directors

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>	Dan Rega		

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 281-491-4204 or email at rsullivent@slb.com.



# 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. Names remain on the list for 90 days from last update.

## 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  
The unborn for eternal life

Fr. Robert Ritz  
Pope Benedict  
Members of Armed Forces

## DECEASED

Dyrk Burcie  
Philip Wleklinski

Florian Bartos  
KC Brothers

Bill Sitka  
clergy

Rudy Zertuche  
Gloria Garcia

## AS LISTED: (colors are for dating being listed only)

Bob Morgan – Cancer & Stroke  
Getulio Brito – Alzheimer  
Frank Osina – Hospice  
Larry Moller – Good Health  
Jenny Studebaker – Leukemia  
Jesus Cagigal – Prostate Cancer  
Rafael Gijon – Amputated Leg  
Lori Rahmtulla -- Various Illnesses  
Ann Neslony – Broken Ankle  
Claire Crites -- Breast Cancer  
Sarah Vannek – Hip Replaced  
Michael Dionne – Knee Replaced  
Jose Bolivar: Spiritual Healing  
Kathy Moller – Cancer  
Bob Sullivent -- foot surgery  
Janie Sitka – Vauious  
Anthony Kallina – Knee Surgery  
Henry Heitman – Prostate Cancer

Mrs. Edgar Santiago – Cancer  
Tom Sas – Cancer  
Ken Kilgore – medical issues  
Donna Vacik – Kidney  
Carman Cagigal – heart attack  
Harry Richards – stroke  
Carol Ann Barley – Medical  
Donna Blanchette – Heart  
Sally Bentz – Shoulder Surgery  
Wilma Strik – Illness  
Rosie Jenson: Bad Heart  
Mary Ann Hines – Hospice  
Deacon Frank and Karen Cromer --  
David Wleklinski family  
Evelyn Bartos – cancer  
Todd heath’s Dad – Heart attack  
Family of Evan Amond – peace

Karyn Guillary – Cancer  
Tom Lycka – Cancer  
Emil Zbranek – Health  
Martin Riggs -- Medical  
Wayne Buse – Diabetes  
Gina Orta – cancer  
Tom Nauck -- Surgery  
Fred Stratton -- Prostate  
Eddie Orta – surgery  
Al Bartz – Cancer  
Fr. Roy Ogerro – surgery  
This Country for freedom  
Jerry Byrd – Cancer  
Cynthia Pulliam – Various  
Betty Goekring – Health  
Irene Zertuche – Medical