





THE FORTY-TWO O FOURWARD!

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

March 2015 NEWSLETTER

MEETINGS 1ST AND 3RD MONDAYS 7:00PM COLUMBUS CLUB 1ST Tuesday - 7PM

IN UNITY WITH OUR STATE OFFICERS and committeemen

Jim Collins Past State Deputy Larry Zapalac Past State Deputy

<u>Lloyd Waguespack</u> <u>State Audit Committee</u> <u>Pete Muceus</u> <u>State Communications</u>

Brother Knights,

The Lenten season is upon us and within this time of preparation for Easter we, as Knights of Council 4204, embark on our Lenten fish fries. I write this having just returned from our first fish fry of the season and can report that it was a memorable event. It was so good to see our family of brother knights serving our parish community. We truly are a family brought together by our common faith and our dedication to the principles of our order but, as in any family, we bicker and argue a bit just like brothers and sisters sharing close quarters. With that in mind I ask that we all remember and put into action the lessons we have learned about charity, unity and fraternity and channel that energy into service to our church and our community.

Lastly, as we approach the closing of our fraternal year in June, we look forward to the election of new officers for the council. Past Grand Knight John Pistone is chairing our nominating committee as we are actively seeking 3rd degree brother knights who are interested in leadership roles in our council. If you are interested in an officer or director position please let John or any past grand knight know and they will be happy to answer your questions and sign you up.

Fraternally Yours,

John Hermann Grand Knight

Financial Secretary's Report

The Council selected the honorees for the month of January. Knight of the Month – Deacon Jim Anderson; Rookie of the Month – Dr. John Pozzi; Family of the Month – Deacon Jim Anderson family; Lady of the Month – Isabel Ibarra; Squire of the Month – Michael Hermann; Youth of the Month – Junior Catholic Daughters of America. Congratulations all!

Jacob Hickman joined the Knights on February 16. Jacob is the Chief Squire. Congratulations Jacob.

The Council 4204 fish dinners started Friday February 20 and go for 6 weeks. Lots of help is needed – LOTS!!! Wives and older teenagers are also welcome to help. Work starts on Thursday at 5:00 pm with Hall set-up & making cole slaw and preparing tartar sauce cups. Friday from 2:00 - 5:00 pm the fish is prepared green beans prepared and started and the cooking equipment is set-up. Friday from 4:30 pm to clean up the cookers, servers, food runners and general helpers are needed and cleanup starts as utensils are ready for cleaning. At least 30 active helpers are needed. This is an ideal time for the new members in the past 12 months to come, meet and work with other brother knights.

Fish prices have gone up significantly and this has caused an additional cost for more than one trip thru the serving line. The prices for the meal (a single time through the line) is \$10 for either blackened, mixed, or regular. If a customer wants to go back a second time, a special ticket that costs \$3 must be purchased.

Brothers – if you have not paid your dues it is time to pay them. If a member is having problems, contact me or the Grand Knight and we will help you without anyone else finding out.

God bless, Pete Muceus, FS

Council 4204 News

The services for Susan Link will be a Memorial Mass at St. Laurence Church on Thursday February 26 at 10:00. Instead of flowers, the Link family requests donations to the Periwinkle Foundation, 3400 Bissonett St Suite 185, Houston, TX 77005 phone 713-807-0191. Their website is periwinlefoundation.org. They are a 501c(3) organization that helps children with cancer and their families. Pray for repose of Susan's soul and for Lonnie and the family.

If you have not paid your dues and are coming to the fish dinner, bring your dues and give them to me Friday night.

Pray for all our clergy and their families especially those undergoing medical treatment and tests. Pray for all our brothers and their families.

This coming Saturday Feb 28 I will be conducting FS training at St Cecilias Catholic School, 11720 Joan of Arc Dr, Houston starting at 9:00am. The training usually lasts about 4 hours and is open to any KC member.

Peter L. Muceus Financial Secretary St. Basil Council 4204

Father Reynolds no longer receives email from frsbr@sttheresasugarland.org. Please update your address book to @sugarlandcatholic.com with the same prefix. You may also call the parish office at 281-494-1156 during regular business hours to confirm his contact information.

Deacon Frank Cromer's email has changed to frank@sugarlandcatholic.com. Please resend your email to that address.

The State Convention next year will be held in Houston. There is a group of Knights and their ladies, led by Brother Larry Zapalac, who are planning the convention under the overall direction of State Deputy Terry Simonton. There are monthly meetings the 4th Tuesday of each month at Council 3077 with snacks at 6:30 and the meeting at 7:00pm. Larry says the meeting will only last 1 hour. Volunteers and help of all kinds are needed. Contact Pete Muceus with questions.

The "FINISH LINE" is published monthly by the State Deputy and electronically posted on the www.tkofc.org website by the Editor Bobb Maher. This publication is a running outlook of the activities, events, award criteria, and due dates for the next.30-60-90 days. There is information for council officers, chairmen and members. Please visit the web site below regularly for more Knight of Columbus Information.

An Overview of what is on the web site follows: State Deputy monthly letter to the general membership Membership VIP Standings

1st Principal - Charities where we stand as a Texas State Council and the local council Membership Recruitment Incentives (Qualify for Cruises with the state deputy and others) Pro-Life (ACE Wings) I wonder how many members in our council are aware of this program? See page 11

KofC Insurance state contact info

September, October and November Reminders (just referencing these reminders will benefit the general membership)

Running of the Silver Rose (I wonder how many council members are aware of this supreme/state program?)

http://www.facebook.com/KnightsOfColumbusTexasStateCouncil

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WEB SITES

<u>Links have been added to this newsletter.</u> 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.

Per our Worthy Grand Knight you can see these pages by logging in with userid "brother" and the password is "kc4204". You should not give this information out to none brothers.

Houston Chapter is www.kofc.org; Texas State Council - www.kofc.org; Supreme - www.kofc.org. Hall rental http://www.kc4204.org/hall-rental

There are 2 other websites that have Catholic information for everyone. One is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus www.catholicpulse.com and it is also on facebook and twitter. The other website is called Catholic online at the website www.catholic.org and then enter "Catholic online" in the search area. Once you get the main page, enter "Monday homily" to listen to a weekly homily by Fr. Reynolds.

TSC Finish Line Publication link to the 4204 newsletter. http://www.tkofc.org/uploads/FinishLine-10-2014.pdf

Columbus Club

Dear Brothers,

I would like to thank all Brother Knights who showed up to clean the hall on Saturday February 7. We had a great turn out and we were finished by 10:30. A special note of thanks and gratitude goes out to Dan Rega and Fred Trlicek for fantastic and beautiful job they did on the new display case on the front wall of the hall. Please thank them next time you see them.

At out last Columbus Club meeting the Directors and other brother members in attendance made the decision to give the hall an official name. This will begin the process of complying with Supremes requirements and directives on keeping the KC name and emblem separate from the Columbus Club. The new name for the hall is "St. Basil Hall." Brother Fred Trlicek has removed the lettering from the front of the building and is having them repainted and we will add new wording and the name of the hall. Special thanks to Brother David Wlenlinski who is working with Fred on the new lettering and refurbishing the old lettering. When new lettering is available the front of the hall will read as follows:

St. Basil Hall
Knights of Columbus
Council 4204 Meets Here

On the same night of the Columbus Club Meeting we also had a meeting of the Sugar Land CCBS. We officially adopted a set of By-Laws for the Corporation. The new by-laws for Sugar Land CCBS provides that all members of KC Council 4204 are members of Sugar Land CCBS. The by-laws stipulate that the Board of Directors for the corporation will be the same as the Board of Directors for the Columbus Club. Each June when we elect new directors for the Columbus Club, those members will also be directors for the Sugar Land CCBS. The Sugar Land CCBS will have its own elections for President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer in July of each year. The only proviso being that the treasurer of the Sugar Land CCBS cannot be the treasurer of either the Columbus Club or The KC Council 4204.

At one of the Council meetings in June we will be electing four directors for a three year term. If any brother Knight is interested in serving as a director, please contact me so we can make sure your name is included in the election process. As a Columbus Club Director you will become familiar with what it takes to keep the hall running well. There are a lot of upgrades and improvements that are being considered for the hall, so come to one of our meetings on the first Tuesday of each month and provide your input.

Fraternally,

Lloyd Waguespack

Insurance Report

We Stand Strong On Ethical Ground

Some people believe that ethics in business is a contradiction in terms. They think that in order to be profitable, a company and its leaders must abandon morality and embrace the dark, greedy side that they see so often in the news and in movies..

At the Knights of Columbus, we know this isn't true. A business can be both ethical and successful. We are.

As a Catholic organization, we understand the value and importance of our core beliefs and the original mission of Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney. In fact, much of the strength and financial security we provide to members and their families can be attributed to our ethical, moral standards.

More than 96 percent of Knights who buy our life insurance keep it, year in and year out. The Order takes this commitment to our members very seriously. This means carefully planning when it comes time to invest. Our professional staff researches all transactions to insure that they fall in line with Catholic values. If a transaction makes them uncomfortable, they don't make it.

"We exclude any company engaged in activity that conflicts with Catholic moral teaching: companies directly involved in abortion, contraception, human cloning, embryonic stem cell research, for-profit health care that pays for any of these, or pornography," said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. "There are many companies in the pharmaceutical and communications industries that would undoubtedly provide excellent returns for us, but which are not in our portfolio because they engage in research and development or programming in ways that violate the sanctity or dignity of human life."

In the end, the Knights of Columbus investment strategy is motivated by morality, not money. Yet, each year we remain profitable, increase our assets and stay dedicated to this vision that will keep the Order financially sound for generations to come.

But don't just take our word for it. In 2014, the Knights of Columbus was named a "World's Most Ethical Company" by the Ethisphere Institute. We were one of only two life insurance companies to earn the honor.

"Faithful Catholics have choices when buying life insurance," said the Supreme Knight. "But they know that at the Knights of Columbus and their policy is supplied by an insurer that shares their moral and ethical values and is guided in all of its investment and sales practices by those values."

Contact me today to learn more about our products..

Vince Loper

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Birthdays

NAME	B'DAY	NAME	B'DAY
Gerald T Gussett	1-Mar	Mrs Janis Salsman	16-Mar
Michael D Jones	2-Mar	Jaime Ibarra	16-Mar
Chris S Macha	2-Mar	Lawrence A Amacker	17-Mar
H Wayne Buse	3-Mar	Valentin Vazquez	17-Mar
Daryle S Watson	3-Mar	Tu Duy Nguyen	18-Mar
Jimmy D Harrington	4-Mar	Mrs Ethel Engbrock	18-Mar
Danilo Mate	5-Mar	Deacon John C Kennedy	20-Mar
Arthur F Grahmann	6-Mar	John M Canal	21-Mar
Kenneth W Welfel	7-Mar	Lorenzo F Galang	21-Mar
Mrs Dorothy Raska	7-Mar	H Douglas Harper	21-Mar
Samuel D Demora	8-Mar	Lonnie D Link	21-Mar
Manuel E Reyes	8-Mar	Robert Blake Vacek	22-Mar
William M Cesak	9-Mar	Steven S Kalmus Jr	23-Mar
James W Collins	9-Mar	Rev Robert J Klem CSB	25-Mar
Stephen P Mc Carty	10-Mar	Carlos E Rodriguez	25-Mar
Mrs Robbie Henke	10-Mar	John J Lander	26-Mar
David A Mangino	12-Mar	Peter L Muceus	28-Mar
Craig S Braden	13-Mar	Richard D Dernehl	29-Mar
Werner A Klesel Jr	14-Mar	Deacon Gilbert Rodriguez	29-Mar
Michael P Matalka	15-Mar	Robert J Eder Jr	31-Mar
Benjamin P Gomez	16-Mar	Samuel Gonzalez	31-Mar
Mrs Leota Lanclos	16-Mar		

COUNCIL OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS FOR 2013-2014

Chaplain	ain Rev. Stephen B. Reynolds, Pastor		Program	OPEN	
Associate Chaplain Rev. Jose Tharayil		Membership	Stephen Frontera	281-410-1632	
Grand Knight	John Hermann	281-313-3819	Retention	Lloyd Waguespack	281-495-4422
Deputy Grand Knight Lloyd Waguespack 281-495-4422			Church	Deacon Frank Cromer	281-565-2776
Chancellor	Stephen Frontera	281-410-1632	Vocation	John Sudela	281-491-4055
Recorder	Robert Patterson	832-875-8574	Community	Dave Kiger	281-242-4144
Financial Secretary	Pete Muceus	281-491-9671	Public Relations	Al Ewer	832-978-5022
Treasurer	Dan Rega	281-980-5183	Pro Life	David Wleklinski	281-494-4770
Lecturer	John Sudela	281-491-4055	Council	John Gambino	281-242-0847
Warden	Mike Matalka	832-731-0591	Youth	John Clennan	281-491-8090
Advocate	Jason Jesko	832-776-9066	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 Matalka	281-494-7617
One Year Trustee	David Morris	281-799-3821	Football Sweepstakes Pete Muceus 281-491-9671		281-491-9671
Two Year Trustee	Calvin Sommer	281-242-6072	Bereavement	Joe Welsh	281-491-4027
Three Year Trustee	Ed Sebesta	281-242-4563	Coin Collection	Paul Cinquemani	832-594-6753
Insurance Agent	Vince Loper	281-844-8867	Golf	Lloyd Waguespack	281-495-4422
VA Hospital visits	Fred Stratton	281-491-4676	Halloween	OPEN	
Columbian Squires	John Clennan	281-491-8090	Free Throw Contest	Stephen Frontera	201-410-1632
	Jaime Ibarra	281-491-0924	Clothing Sales	Pete Muceus	281-491-9671
Chief Cook	OPEN		Blood Drive	Paul Cinquemani	832-594-6753
BBQ Coordinator	Dominic Kutra	281-565-0787	Fish Fry	Calvin Sommer	281-242-6072

Columbus Club 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 for 2014/2015 are:

President Lloyd Waguespack Sal Salinas Gene Travis Directors: Vice President Calvin Sommer Todd Heath Dominec Kutra Sec<u>retary</u> **Bob Sullivent** Ralph Stolarski Glen Redding Mike Matalka Joe Spera Treasurer Leon Anheier Grand Knight John Hermann.

Red team's term expires in June 2017, Blue in June 2015 and Green in June 2016. The 13th director is the current Worthy Grand Knight, John Hermann, of council 4204.

<u>Leasing Manager</u>: Sal Salinas <u>Maintenance Manager</u>: Fred Trlicek

CCBS Officers, Directors and Management:

There are five directors as listed below.

President Bob Sullivent

<u>Vice President</u> open

<u>Secretary</u> Lloyd Waguespack Treasurer & Hall manager Ralph Stolarski

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, guidance and forgiveness in our daily 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. Green remains forever.

For Good Health & Well Being:

Archbishop Emeritus Joseph Fiorenza Members & Family of Armed Forces unborn for eternal life Priests, Deacons and all brother Knights and their families.

Conversion and Return of Fallen away Catholics

Canonization of Ft. Michael J. McGivney

Request made at all meetings not listed here as well as in St. Theresa Bulletin and special needs.

St. Theresa Ministries and Priest Widows of Deceased Brothers Ex-Prisoners @ Isaiah house Soldiers returning from war

St. Theresa prayer List Pregnant Women for life Emeritus Pope Benedict XVI Fr. Miguel Obregon -- Cancer

VETS at VA Pope Francis Fr. Rov Vocations

DECEASED

Don Mattern Fr. T. J. Martinez John heckling Susan Link Ismael (Benny) Benavides

Bobbie Banks Irmgard Dvoretsky

Alice Dempsey Fr. Robert Ritz

AS LISTED:

All members and assiciates on prayer list from council meetings. Karyn Guillary-Cancer Mrs. Edgar Santiago – Cancer Tom Sas – Cancer Relief Richard Morgan – Surgery

Raphael & Doris Gijon – Health Issues Paul Bethke – Heart Surgery

Trinity Williams - medical Stephanie Schumann – Surgery

Fr. Andrew Syring – special Intentions Frank Cromer - Special Intention

PGK Andy Stryck Mom-in-law -health Bob Sullivent – medical Issues

Amy Gscamilla - Health

Matthew Maurer – lost home to fire

Janes Anderson – lost job

Getulio Brito – Alzheimer Mike Mule' - Cancer Evelyn Bartos – failing health Jim Godlove – Cancer Lori Rahmtulla -- Illness

Larry Loper – Cancer Surfing in Iraq and Middle East Lloyd Waguespack SR.- Health

Regina Vogt – Cancer Fred Stratton – Cancer Alby Godinich - Cancer Pat Shannon - Colon Surgery

PGK Andy Stryk Mother-in-law – bad health

Raymond Sulit -- Cancer Alex Iglesias – Health Al Ewer - health Ernie Garcia – Stroke Jim Grime - Stroke

Hermie Perez -- cancer Melody Brown – lung cancer Amber Downing - health Melissa Thigpen - Pancreitis Jim Anderson – New Deacon iohn Lanik - Stroke Mary Avery – near death