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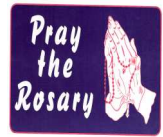
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CALENDAR OF DECEMBER EVENTS

COLUMBUS CLUB BUSINESS MEETING: Thursday the 3rd @ 6pm

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS MEETING: None scheduled this month

ASSEMBLY 1791 BUSINESS MEETING: Christmas Party canceled due to John Paine's Rosary

COUNCIL 4183 BUSINESS MEETING: Thursday the 10th at 7³⁰pm, rosary at 7

COUNCIL 4183 FRATERNAL MEETING: Tuesday the 22nd, First Degree Initiation @ 6³⁰pm, dinner at 7¹⁵

PRO-LIFE MASS: Sunday the 6th, at all Masses at Sts Peter & Paul and Holy Family Churches

BINGO: Mondays at 7¹⁵ pm. Volunteers report at 6

AFTERNOON SOCIAL HOUR: Wednesdays in the Club Room, 1 to 5pm

ADORATION: Tuesdays 9pm to Wednesdays 8am, 52 weeks/year, Sts. Peter & Paul Adoration Chapel. Open to all.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR JANUARY: Columbus Club meeting the 6th, Officers and Directors the 9th, Assembly 1791 business meeting the 12th, Council 4183 business meeting the 14th, Council fraternal meeting the 26th

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S MESSAGE – *The view from the top* – BR ED GLISKY, 609-2264

Brother Knights, as we enter this special season of Thanksgiving and the joyous celebration of the birth of Christ, I would like to extend the very best wishes to you and you families. We all have been so blessed in our lives, blessed with family, friends, community, church, and the Knights of Columbus.

I **am thankful for each and every** one of you. Texas and Catholics in Texas are facing so many challenges, as well as our country. We must become strong and ever extend our faith and commitment to our principals. I know you are the ones for this job. Please continue your efforts in recruitment and charity. Your example of commitment and faith is what makes us truly blessed.

Thanks for all you do for your Church, Council, District, State and Supreme.

Pay the Rosary. Ed Glisky

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE – *The Anchor* – BR GEORGE GAGNON, 626-8803

BROTHERS,

Happy Thanksgiving (a little late) and Merry Christmas (a little early). Thanks for making 2009 a banner year for our Council.

On the business side of things, at the November meeting we submitted our annual budget. We will vote on the annual budget at the December meeting. Please consider this notification to you of that upcoming action.

In the last newsletter I mentioned all the activities coming up in December. Let me restate them:

On December 19th at 8am we will be distributing **CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS**. We will assemble the baskets the previous Friday evening (the 18th). Afterwards we will go **CHRISTMAS CAROLING**. **Folks, this is not a budgeted item. It's success depends on the goodwill and generosity of member families willing to donate the cost of a Christmas Food Basket. We are asking anyone interested in supporting the poor of our community to make a donation of \$60. Checks**

THE ANCHOR (CONTINUED)

should be written to the Knights of Columbus and either mailed or delivered to the hall and given to our Financial Secretary, Charles Dreymla. Donations for Christmas Food Baskets will go only to support this effort.

At 5pm on Saturday the 19th of December, those of you interested in caravanning out to the **FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS** in Wimberley will meet at the Hall. The Festival of Lights is a community display of Christmas lights covering a full side of a hill at the Emily Ann Theater in Wimberley. Businesses, schools, and individuals place lighted displays along a path leading to Santa Claus, interactive activities, and a campfire where you will be afforded the opportunity to roast hot dogs and marshmallows while literally "singing around the campfire." This is a great event for kids. Admission is free although donations are accepted. Takes about 45 minutes to get there, and once there you and your family are welcome to stay as long or as little as desired.

At 3pm on Sunday the 20th of December we will have the annual **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY** (also called the Family Christmas Party). As in years past there will be a Christmas Pageant run by Gloria Tschoepe...but its success will depend on how many children we have participating. The more...the merrier. Please...please... please give Gloria a call at 830-624-7816 and volunteer your kids, grandkids, nieces, and nephews.

At 6pm on Tuesday the 22nd of December we will have the annual **KOFC CHRISTMAS PARTY** for members, their spouses, and our beloved widows. As we did last year, this will be a Bingo Extravaganza. We will serve cocktails from 6 to 6³⁰, serve dinner at 6³⁰, and start playing bingo around 7¹⁵. With any luck we can get Harvey to call again this year (although he's moving slowly, it's great seeing him out and about after his surgeries). We already have collected some great prizes for the bingo, and as with last year we'll have the 25 raffle prizes of Christmas and a mega 50/50. There is no cost for the event although we will challenge you to bring some Christmas cheer to our seminarians by buying raffle tickets and 50/50 chances at \$1/chance or 6 for \$5. So make plans now to attend, and PLEASE RSVP to me at 626-8803 with a name and number of guests who'll be attending.

On Friday the 25th of December we will once again celebrate the birth of Our Savior. Please know that at this time of year we should remember the cross as we look at the manger. Know that this is a truly blessed time of year and in the holiness of the season your Deputy Grand Knight Joe Hernandez and I wish each of you a happy, a holy, and a very Merry Christmas

Br George, PGK/GK

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES – *Entertaining, enjoyable, beneficial* – BR JOHN NEELY, 626-8659

Happy Birthday to these Brother Knights in December. [Apparently more than just wildflowers enjoy April - Ed.]

Phillip E. Barney 1 st	Larry J. Kapavik 8 th	Jesus A. Carrera 15 th	Jason Addington 21 st
Thomas W. Gabler 1 st	Abel Campos 9 th	Anthony Gioimo 16 th	Joel K. Banks 21 st
Christopher A. Randazzo 1 st	Ramon S. Abarca 9 th	Peter C. Warner 16 th	John G. Phelan 22 nd
Stephen J. Magdich 2 nd	Michael J. Manley 10 th	Eugenio G. Leal 17 th	Michael E. Gantt 22 nd
Robert B. Christmas 3 rd	Marshall D. Littleton 11 th	Larry C. Buro 17 th	Raul Hernandez 22 nd
Thomas C. Matschek 4 th	Guadalupe Garcia 11 th	Earl Richard 17 th	Ricardo Gonzales 24 th
Dr. Henry A. Hull 4 th	Paul N. Deltz 13 th	Dr. Marshall K. Warren 18 th	Nick P. Dellinger 25 th
Emilio Olveda 4 th	Harry F. Finke III 13 th	Robert F. Gorman 18 th	Rene Vega 27 th
Mark C. Koen 5 th	Russell L. Williams 13 th	James P. Weber 19 th	Patrick T. Byrne 27 th
Ramon Chapa, Jr. 5 th	Howard K. Phelan 13 th	Richard J. Urrutia 19 th	Rodolfo Garcia 28 th
Gregory T. Swoboda 7 th	Joe Alvarado 14 th	Rev. James C. Wasser 20 th	Jimmie R. Morger 29 th
James A. Bazar 7 th	Jim Wesolick 14 th	Michael A. Feuge 20 th	Robert A. Heinrich 29 th
Dennis M. Heitkamp 8 th	Raymond J. Martini 15 th	Gregory N. Plock 21 st	Romulo Garcia, Jr. 31 st

FOURTH DEGREE NEWS – SK JIM CRANNY, FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR

Regarding our **CHRISTMAS PARTY** we will need to RSVP to Ron Daskevich at 830-964-6131. Ron has secured us a spot at McAdoos. Please be sure to contact him regarding your Christmas Party plans and be sure to bring money as Ron does not wish to foot the bill.

Thanks for all of you who worked the water sales and especially to **RICH NEILSON** who headed it up.

Since we will be holding our Christmas party on the 2nd of December, our regularly schedule meeting which happens to fall on Feast of the Immaculate Conception (December 8th) will be canceled. Remember that is this day is a holy day of obligation

ED and **CLIFF** are bringing food for the January meeting, so come with an appetite.

Hope everyone has a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Jim

Fourth Degree Water Sales. Don't try to sell bottled water in the rain. Sold one case on Sunday (between clouds.)

We netted a little over \$500 from the Wurstfest water sales. My thanks to a crack team of **BRS WES TYMRAK, O.V. KIMBALL, NORBERT SCHWAB, ERWIN TSCHOPE, FRANCIS (MANNY) MANNIELO,** and **BOB HIMES.**

Rich Nielson



FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER – *Your prayers are solicited for...*

BR JOE ALVARADO, who grasped the brass ring the day after Thanksgiving, and for his family.

BR JOHN PAINE, who is slowed down some with heart issues.

GINNY SMETANKA, wife of **BR MIKE**.

BR CARLOS OLMOS, who's up for visitors at the Sundance Inn Health Center, Room 405 or at 221-1503

BR JASON MARTINI, our Brother Knight, and all seminarians, that God will inspire and bless their religious formation.

EDITOR'S TWO BITS – *\$27.60 fine for whining, and a Wurstfest pictorial*

I am requested by **BRS PAUL DELTZ** and **LARRY HUBERTUS** to relay the following information regarding the 2010 dues notice you have received or will be receiving in short order: of the \$40 you pony up for the privilege of getting to pal around with such sterling characters as this reporter, 69% is siphoned off by superior entities before it ever gets to Council 4183. That is correct, sir. Supreme, State and Chapter collectively reduce your forty bucks by \$27.60, leaving the Council only \$12.40 with which to operate, which includes keeping the lights on and buying your beer during Wurstfest. Put in that perspective, your dues are a heckuva bargain, don't you think?

Wurstfest has come and gone. Only the money and the memories remain. I managed to get in a couple of days work – the first Saturday and Sunday – and came away with an “enhanced tan”, sore feet and the following images of your colleagues at work.



Brs Matschek and Schulz have the registers ringing Saturday morning. I didn't stick around long enough to find out if the rumored big radio remote broadcast ever actually happened.



Br West dispenses advice and instructions, and offers the occasional option (some might call it an ultimatum) to the recalcitrant few: “Lady, if you don't want to park where I tell you, you can get off our lot.”



Brs Tymrak, Nielson and Kimball sell pints of water to Wurstfest revelers for a buck a throw. Besides rendering a valuable service and raking in a few coins for the cause, hanging out in a tent sure 'nuff beats standing in the sun, running up and down hills and inhaling a ton of Columbus Club real estate. Nice work if you can get it.



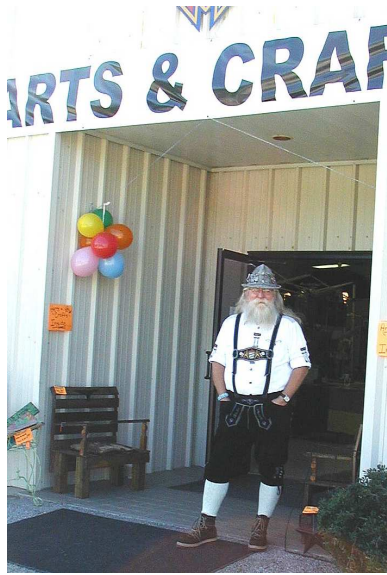
Ole! Br Walzem cheats death yet again.



El Jefe and JP2 freshman Mary Grace Gagnon man the turnstiles Sunday morning.



Wurstfest camouflage.



The Roaming Gnome stops by to add a bit of local color to the Arts & Crafts exhibits.



Br Williams having fun "herding cats" on the sunny asphalt.

Fraternally,

Br. Childs

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Vivat Jesus!!