



3rd Degree

NEWSLETTER
Knights of Columbus
Council #7014 Rockdale, Texas
JANUARY 2019



4th Degree

Officers & Chairmen Meeting: 1st Thursday 7pm.

Council Meeting w/supper 3rd Thursday at 7pm

2018-2019 COUNCIL OFFICERS

Chaplain.....???

Grand Knight.....Kenny Svrcek

Dep. GK.....Wesley Janak

Chancellor.....Phil Konarik

Recorder.....Robert Zapata

Warden.....Charlie Watson

Treasurer.....Lambert Skubal, Jr.

Financial Sec..... Jim Grametbauer

Advocate.....Fred Marquez

Lecturer.....Chad Ehler

Inside Guard.....Tom Alejandro

Outside Guard.....Rodrigo Mancillas

Trustee 1 Year..... Clint Butler

Trustee 2 Year..... Jason Ehler

Trustee 3 Year.....Manual Doud

Newsletter.....Phil Konarik

Dist. Deputy.....(vacant)

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2018 Roundup Christmas

This community effort to brings much needed Christmas cheer to the needy of our town as well as to those who help make it happen. The 2018 Roundup served 320 families or 1069 individuals, over 600 of them children. The local newspaper recognized the organizations, students, teachers and individuals who fund-raised, donated and volunteered to make this happen again, as it has for 50 years. What a wonderful and caring town we have. While the KC's were not specifically mentioned, Council 7014 donated the KC Hall rent free for 3 days at a value of \$1475, provided a volunteer staff who opened and closed the hall as well as assisted as needed. While at the hall, KC volunteers helped unload delivery trucks, sort delivered items and transport food/gift boxes out to vehicles as well as making deliveries. Afterward it was over, KC members stayed to take down and store the extra tables and chairs. The KC Hall and its members participation are an important part of this well-organized effort to care for the needy of our community. *Thank You All!*

VOLUNTEER HOURS DECEMBER:

CHARITABLE PROJECTS: 172 HRS

HALL MAINT. PROJECTS: 24 HRS

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: 163HRS

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KC Christmas Party

The annual KC Council Christmas Party took place on Saturday, evening, December 15th. Members and guests enjoyed plenty of BBQ chicken, ham sausage, sides and desserts prepared by Lecturer, Chad Ehler's crew. Following the meal, GK Kenny Svrcek reported on recent improvements to the hall and listed the donations made by the Council during 2018. A discussion on "how we go forward in the next five years" was begun and an upcoming survey of members on this topic was announced. The GK thanked the knights and ladies for their dedicated hard work throughout 2018. As usual, members "entry fee" to the party was an unwrapped toy for the Christmas Roundup which began on Dec. 16, 17 & 18th.

From the December Officers and Council Meetings: GK Kenny Svrcek reviewed the calendar for upcoming events and KC Hall bookings for December and January, a survey of our members for ideas and comments is ready to be mailed.

- **COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP SURVEY** has been mailed out for members and wives to reply with their thoughts and ideas for the future planning and consideration. The officers very much want your ideas, comments and opinions. Please take the opportunity to respond by using the stamped envelope provided. We'd appreciate this response returned promptly as 2019 planning and hall bookings are already taking place. Thank you!
- **SUPER BINGO** for December was not scheduled because of the upcoming Christmas Roundup and to give bingo workers time off for the busy holiday preparations and activities. Bingo resumes Sunday, January 13th.
- **FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS** for December were Roman Razo, Milton Frei, Phil Konarik, Pat Watson, Charlie Watson, Pete Ramirez, Manual Doud, Frank Garcia and Tom Hormuth. The Capital Area Food Bank trucks also visited the KC hall parking lot Thursday, Dec. 6th and 20th. Charlie and Pat Watson opened the hall for restroom access. Thank you all for taking time out of your day to help those in need.
- **COUNCIL ALLOCATED FUNDS** in December for St. Joseph's Parish 2019 Religious Calendars \$427.50. These calendars are available now at St. Joseph's church. \$250 was donated to the Altar Society Bazaar as a prize on their raffle and \$642 to KC Texas State charities to pay up our yearly accessed amount of \$1340. Memorial Mass for deceased KC members and wives in November \$305 and Rockdale Chamber of Commerce Winter heaters for the needy \$200.
- **DUES ARE DUE** as Financial Secretary, Jim Grametbauer, has been mailing 2019 membership dues statements. You will notice that there are special assessments on your statement that are not mandatory. These two amounts of \$10, however, go towards our State Charities and our council Christmas and other social expenses during the year such as Ladies Valentine's Dinner.
- **NATIVITY TAKE DOWN AT ST. JOSEPH'S** will be Monday, Jan. 7th at 4:30pm. Help will be needed to repack the figurines and shelter for storage in the Cooke House garage as well as cleaning up the site.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!