



3rd Degree

NEWSLETTER
Knights of Columbus
Council #7014 Rockdale, Texas
JUNE 2016



4th Degree

Officers & Chairmen Meeting: 2nd Thursday 7pm.

Council Meeting w/supper 3rd Thursday at 7pm

2015-2016 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.....Tommy Grimes

Advocate.....Fred Marquez

Lecturer.....????

Inside Guard.....Tom Alejandro

Outside Guard.....Rodrigo Mancillas

Trustee 1 Year..... Jody Darby

Trustee 2 Year..... Chad Ehler

Trustee 3 Year.....Nick Guzman

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NEW ADDITION AT WELCOME MONUMENT
Next time you drive into Rockdale (from the KC hall) on U.S. 79 East, notice the new sign with logos of various service and civic organizations. In October 2015 council 7014 voted to supply the KC logo for this community project.



VOLUNTEER HOURS FOR MAY:
CHARITABLE PROJECTS: 1308 HRS
HALL MAINT. PROJECTS: 45 HRS
COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: 61 HRS

We Remember Gus

Gus Klekar, 75, was the second Grand Knight of our Council 7014 serving two terms and he was a charter member. Gus and Ginger were leaders of Crew 3 when there was weekly bingo and dances nearly every Saturday and (in those early days) the crews cleaned the hall afterward. Gus was instrumental in forming the council and in getting the KC hall built. Gone to his rest May 07, 2016.

NEW COAL PRODUCER

Pictured with their more efficient "coal producer" to supply the BBQ pits with red hot coals was built by Chad Ehler, Wesley Janak, Jason Ehler, Clint Butler and Roger Whitmore (not pictured). David Ehler and Michael Korenek supplied some materials. Wood is input through an upper door, is lit, and burned, coals fall through a grid about 1/3rd way up from the bottom and collect on a floor near the bottom. Ash falls out through the floor leaving only the coals. Coals are then shoveled into the pits. Smoke exits the top stack. 50% less wood is used! **GREAT JOB GUYS!**

From the May Officers and Council Meetings: GK Kenny Svrcek reviewed the calendar for upcoming events, KC Hall bookings, Mayfest results, Nomination of Officers, Place of Hope Benefit on May 21st, more restroom renovations to begin.

- **MAYFEST 2016 WAS BLESSED** with good weather and the workers turned out to make the big event a success to be proud of. Our efforts produced a gross amount of \$47,597.85 minus expenses of \$18,732.94* and a net profit of \$28,864.91* to be shared 50/50 with St. Joseph's @ \$14,432.45* each. There will be a detailed report shortly. *One more expense item will affect the final numbers.
- **KC COUNCIL 7014 SONS & DAUGHTERS SCHOLARSHIP** application forms have been available from RHS counselors and were to be collected at the end of the school day on Friday, April 29. There were no applications turned in this year.
- **NOMINATION OF KC OFFICERS** is now open for the 2016-2017 term. All of the current officers (listed above) agreed to be nominated again. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the election during the June council meeting. Any KC member in good standing, who is interested in serving as an officer, may place their name in nomination at that time.
- **SUPER BINGO FOR MAY** was cancelled as that Sunday was also Mother's Day. Games will resume in June on the second Sunday, June, 12th.
- **FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS** for May were Frank David, Pat Watson, Charlie Watson, Marty Elman and Harry Ormsby. The Capital Area Food Bank truck visited the KC hall parking lot on 19/May. Pat and Charlie Watson opened the hall for restroom access. There will be no delivery to unload in June (see calendar) Thank you all!
- **NEXT RESTROOM RENOVATION** has begun. New LED light fixtures have been installed. (New lights also in the meeting room) Members will work on the upper part of the men's and ladies restrooms. The ceiling panels will be replaced, the ceiling grid will be painted as will the upper portion of the walls. This work can be done before any outage of facilities would be required. Partitions to include handicapped stalls with grab bars will be ordered. Much more of the plumbing and wall construction is expected to be contracted out. Work days and start times will be announced by phone and email.
- **MAJOR DEGREE COMING UP** in Westphalia on Sunday, June 5th. All of our First Degree knights need to consider advancing in their degree work. Contact Kenny Svrcek or Tommy Grimes for details.
- **2016 STATE CONVENTION** delegates were Financial Secretary Tommy Grimes and Grand Knight Kenny Svrcek. As part of their convention report a memorial booklet was passed around during the May council meeting. Those remembered from our council 7014 were: Clarence Krenek, Robert Leopold, Joseph Murello and Daniel Svrcek. Each of these families will receive a booklet.