

Knights of Columbus

St. Helena's Council 7965

Knightly News

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Council Meeting – April 25
Fiesta Parade Fundraiser – April 28-29
Tootsie Roll Drive – May 6
Wives Appreciation Dinner – May 13

April 2017



Greetings Brother Knights,

I wish all members and their families a most joyous Easter season. I also thank our many members who contributed to our Holy Week liturgy, the procession and vigil in the Dolan Cener on Thursday Vigil, the Way of the Cross, and the Easter Egg Hunt. These were not KC projects, but our members are leaders in other ministries and brother knights can always be counted on to help our parish community. In many instances we don't even have time to send out an email. **Brother Richard Moreno** is example of the leadership our members provide. He assists in weekday masses and leads rosaries in Spanish for funeral services. He only slowed down recently when an aging pacemaker battery forced him to stop for a few days for a replacement

Thanks to **Brother John Polhemus** and our other Trustees for compiling an outstanding slate of officers for the coming fraternal year. The full slate is listed in the newsletter. Nominations will be made at our April meeting and elections will be conducted at our May meeting.

Besides our officers, we need program directors, or co-directors. We especially need a new membership director. We thank Bro Charles Schley for his service for the past few years.

The newsletter contains information about fundraising projects coming up in the next 30 days. We have opportunities for any member to participate. **Brother Eddie Moreno** is Chair of our Fiesta Parades concession on April 29/30. We get outstanding help from our young Squires Circle, but we can always use more help. Also read about our Tootsie Roll Drive set for Saturday, May 6, and our Chicken Barbeque that takes the place of our May Taco Breakfast.

We also have two non work events. Our next Corporate Mass will be observed on April 30 at the 10 am mass. Lets fill the front four pews. A second event is our Annual Wives Appreciation Dinner at Pompeii Italian Grill on Saturday, May 13 after 6 pm. Enjoy a social evening with no clean up or set up. Wives are our guests and the cost is only \$18 for a member. Information is provided in the newsletter.

I look forward to seeing a good turnout for our next Council Meeting on Tuesday, April 25.

Your Brother in Christ,
Roger Pritt
Grand Knight

Please submit any newsletter articles to r.siller@sbcglobal.net no later than the 3rd Monday of every month. If you want your article published, then please e-mail me. Robert Siller /editor

MONTHLY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

April 2017

25 – Council Meeting
28-29 Fiesta Parades Fundraiser
30 – Corporate Mass

May 2017

6 – Tootsie Roll Drive
9 – Officers Meeting
12 - Brookdale Bingo
13– Wives Appreciation Dinner
19 - Heartland Party
21 – Chicken BBQ
23 – Council Meeting & Elections

MONTHLY RECURRING EVENTS

Council Officer Meetings (Dolan Center, 7pm) – May 9 Jun 13
Council Meetings (Dolan Center, communion 6:30; business 7 pm) – Apr 25 May 23 Jun27

Monthly Adoration, every first Tuesday, from 8:00 - 9:00pm, St. Helena’s Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Scheduled Adoration - Monday through Friday 9:00am – 9:00pm. Knights should schedule one hour each week to spend time in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at St. Helena’s

Taco Breakfast – Third Sunday of each month. 6:45am to 1:00pm

Heartland Nursing Home - 3rd Friday, 3:30 – 4:30 pm, Heartland Nursing Home, 1 Heartland Dr. off of Stahl Rd.

Bingo with Alzheimer’s Patients – 2nd Friday, 2:15pm, at Brookdale, 14595 Nacogdoches Road

**Trustees Announce Slate of Officers
for 2017-18 Fraternal Year**

On behalf of the Council’s Trustees, **Bro John Polhemus** announced the following slate of officers.

- GK** **Hector Maydon**
- DGK** **Roland Castro**
- Chancellor** **Greg Martin**
- Advocate** **Ricardo Moreno**
- Recorder** **Steve Dvorak**
- Treasurer** **Rodney Boatright**
 Joe Cantu
- Warden** **Bob Nunley**
 Joe Salinas
- Inside Guard** **Jon Garcia**
- Outside Guard** **Chris Dunleavy**
- Trustee – 3yr** **Roger Pritt**

Additional nominations will be accepted at the April and May council meetings. Elections will be held at the general meeting on May 23.

Live Presentation ‘Way Of The Cross’

St Helena 3rd Annual 'WAY of the CROSS' was successfully conducted on April 14, 2017 at noon. **FS Bro Art Martinez** served as chair for the event. The program was a live re-enactment of ‘stations of the cross’ in a 2½ hr period. The event required 13 Committee Members (7 were KCs or spouse of a KC) and 18 Cast Members (14 were KCs or spouse of a KC). **Bro Art** selected all from parishioners involved in all ministries within St Helena Parish. The Council was represented by **Brothers FS-Art Martinez, Oscar Elizondo, Juan Paniagua, Steve Dvorak, Jorge Mejias, Terry Layton, Richard Armendariz, Rudy Batilla, Tony Molina, Branndon Frail, Dcn Paul Gustowski, Steve Garcia, James Estrada, and Marcos Hernandez**. We were assisted by KC wives **Kitty (Art) Martinez, Yolanda (Marcos) Hernandez, Kimberly (Greg) Martin, Lupe (Tony) Molina, Stacy (Charles) Schley, Blanca (Fred) Kreiner, and Dolores (Roland) Castro**.

Easter Egg Hunt Highlight for Kids

Bro Tino and Michelle Villarreal acquired a fine array of prizes for the throng of kids who showed up for our annual Easter are set for the Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 15. Squires helped with the “hiding” of Easter eggs. As usual, the Easter Bunny was a hit of the event, and no child left with an empty basket.

KC Council 7965 Scholarships Available

Graduating high school seniors who plan to attend college, technical, or vocational school are encouraged to apply for a \$600 educational grant offered by St. Helena Council 7965. Applications are available in the RE office and are due no later than April 28, 2017.

Don't Miss Wives Appreciation Dinner

Our annual Wives Appreciation Dinner is May 13, Saturday, at Pompeii Italian Grill on Nacogdoches Road. It will start after the 5:00 PM Mass at 6:30 PM. Your cost is \$18 and your wife's cost will be defrayed by our council. The menu includes dinner salad, soft drink or iced tea, choice of one of three entrees; Lasagna, Chicken Parmesan or Grilled Chicken. There will be a full cash bar available for our party.

Contact **Bro Steve Dvorak** at **210-656-4722** to leave a message that you and your spouse will attend, or email at sdvorak2@satx.rr.com. He will accept your \$18 cash or check payable to St Helena Knights of Columbus Council 7965 at the general meeting on April 25. You could also contact Br Steve Dvorak to make another arrangement to pay in advance. Fifteen brother knights already signed up at the general membership meeting on March 28. The maximum number of people that Pompeii Italian Grill can accommodate is 85. Please contact Br Steve by May 7. We look forward to seeing you there to show thanks our wives support.

Upcoming Fundraisers

Bro Eddie Moreno, chairs the Council's **Fiesta Parade Seat** project. This is one of biggest fundraisers as we sell tickets for 500 seats to two parades on **April 28/29**. Eddie handles ticket sales, but he needs plenty of energetic members to setup chairs. Speed is essential as we have limited time to setup and take down and stack folding chairs. More information will be provided at the April meeting, or contact **Eddie at 863-6839**.

Our annual **Tootsie Roll Drive** is set for **May 6**, at the intersection of Nacogdoches and Thousand Oaks. We will have two shifts 9AM- 12PM and 12PM - 3PM. We need twelve brothers per shift. We especially need workers the afternoon shift. Even if you can't stay for the whole shift, any time is appreciated – especially in the afternoon. Sign up at the April meeting or just come out. This is not hard work. We live in a friendly and generous community, but need members to just hold up a can and give out tootsie rolls. All proceeds will go toward KC state charities and for Archdiocese deaf ministries.

Our annual **Chicken BBQ** is set for **Sunday, May 21**. Our Taco Breakfast for May has been cancelled to allow for this event. Thanks to the ingenuity of **Bro Paul Cardenas**, we set up a temporary pit behind the Dolan Center that enables us to grill an amazing number of chicken portions at a time.

We produce some of the most succulent barbeque chicken. But, we need help. More information will be provided at the April Council meeting.

Corporate Mass

Bro Doug Harrison reminds us it's time for a few good men to exercise their vocal chords for a good cause our Council Corporate mass at 10 am on Sunday, April 30. Practice will be held on Monday, April 24 at 6:45 at church. We especially need members and their families to fill the front four pews which are reserved for us. Please wear a KC shirt (if you have one) and a KC name tag.

SICK OR IN DISTRESS

Include the following members and their families in your prayers:

Died

Mother of Bro Ricardo Guzman

Bro John Dodgen

Bro Everardo G. Bustos

Sick

Bro & Daughter of Bro Wes Athey

Bro Tino Villarreal and spouse

Spouse of Bro Dan Losoya

Bro Mark Deleon

Bro Jimmy Leos

Bro Ramiro Ramirez

Bro Ed Greer

Bro Jesse Garcia

Bro Ricardo Moreno

Bro Carlos Lee

Father of Bro Doug Harrison

Bro John Polhemus & Spouse

Bro-in-law of Bro Tony Razzino

Bro Noe DeLeon

Brother of Bro Arturo Rodriguez

Mother of DGK Hector Maydon

Son of Bro Roland Castro

Granddaughter of Bro John Cavazos

Son of Bro. Marcus Hernandez

Mother-in-law of Bro Tony Molina

We list names of brothers and family members when we are aware of an illness or death. **If you or a family member has a need for prayers**, please inform the Chancellor.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY wishes to: April 2017

Martin & Margaret Casarez - 04/24 - 56 yrs
Rodney & Anne Boatright - 04/01 - 45 yrs
Joe & Calie Avila - 04/10 - 41 yrs
Rudy & Gina Batilla - 04/04 - 19 yrs
Raul & Andrea Gutierrez - 04/18 - 16 yrs



Victor & Barbara Ruiz - 04/24 - 52 yrs
Louis & Mary Ann Garcia - 04/12 - 42 yrs
John & Ellen Cartwright III - 4/22 -22 yrs
Scott & Inez McCue - 04/06 - 16 yrs
Joe & Arvella Kirven - 04-12 - 6 yrs

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

April 2017

BROTHERS:

Arturo Zapata - 04/20
Anthony Razzino - 04/14
Joe Salinas - 04/15
William O'Connell - 04/22
Mike Tinoco - 04/28
Frank Svochak - 04/09
Dr. John Standifird - 04/16

Darrel Hintz - 04/23
Jesse Garcia - 04/24
Antonio Angel - 04/25
Roland Reyes - 04/24
Leland Knox - 04/12

Daniel Garcia - 04/03
Roger Chicone - 04/28
Raul Tijerina - 04/18
Andres Barbosa - 04/01
Rudy Batilla - 04/12
Juan Paniagua - 04/08
Dominic C Lawrence - 04/29



LADIES:

Gloria Angel - 04/01
Carolyn Larson - 04/16
Loretta Ramos - 04/22
Odessa Ward - 04/06

Teresa Dvorak - 04/24
Karen Meloni - 04/23
Rosie Ruiz - 04/15
Sue Wright - 04/01

Terri Kellerman - 04/03
Marie Ostrander - 04/02
Rose Mary Terrazas - 04/13
Elizabeth Canonizado -

Congratulations Years of Service - April

Earl R Ostrander - 34 Yrs.
Dominic P Delgado - 22 yrs.
Adolf Pfaffinger - 11 Yrs.
Hector Maydon - 7 Yrs.
Kevin Cardenas - 6 Yrs.
Jason W Flores - 3 Yr.

Roger L Chicoine - 29 yrs.
Ceasar Acosta - 13 yrs.
Phillip R Tijerina - 11 Yrs.
Juan Paniagua - 7 Yrs.
David G Dvorak - 6 Yrs.

Harry A Blank - 22 yrs.
Eddie M Roel - 12 yrs.
Conrad A Solis - 10 Yrs.
Alvin Vasquez - 7 Yrs.
Jose L Guevara - 4 Yrs.

If your name should be included in the above listings, please accept our apology for the oversight. We ask that you contact the Council Financial Secretary, Art Martinez, so that he can update/correct the data files. Call Brother Art at 210-632-0957; or send mail to 5743 Brambletree St., San Antonio, TX 78247-1350; or send an Email to: jamurchoice@yahoo.com

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR FINANCIAL SECRETARY

April 2017

COUNCIL DUES

As of April 17, 2017, 156 of the 201 "billable" members have paid their 2017 annual dues. Thank you for your prompt payment. KNIGHT SUSPENSION LETTERS WERE MAILED TO 14 MEMBERS ON 4/10/16 who are 3 and 4 years in arrear with their dues and are NOT responding to our calls or are unreachable. Three have answered positive. PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO RESPOND TO THE MAILED NOTICE SENT TO YOU. WRITE THAT CHECK AND MAIL IT TO THE ADDRESS THAT IS CLEARLY STATED ON THE MAILED NOTICE.

REMEMBER, YOUR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES OF \$24 ARE USED TO COVER THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS BY THE SUPREME COUNCIL OF \$6.50 (PER CAPITA OF \$3.50, CATHOLIC ADVERTISING OF \$1.00, AND CULTURE OF LIFE OF \$2.00) AND THE TEXAS STATE COUNCIL ASSESSMENT OF \$8.00. THE REMAINING \$9.50 GOES TOWARDS COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION COSTS AND COUNCIL ACTIVITIES. AND, KEEP IN MIND; THE ANNUAL DUES FOR ST HELENA K OF C COUNCIL 7965 IS AMONG THE LOWEST IN THE STATE.

PLEASE HONOR THE PLEDGE TAKEN AT YOUR FIRST DEGREE – REMEMBER TO KEEP YOUR DUES CURRENT AT ALL TIMES. SEND IN YOUR PAYMENT NOW!!!

A one-time payment of \$24 is preferred; however, you may render a semi-annual payment of no less than \$12. Bring your payment to the April 25, 2017 council meeting or mail it in the self addressed envelope enclosed with the statement. **Please include the top, tear-off section of the statement with your payment.** Thank you.

If you have misplaced the statement mailed to you, please call the FS, 210-632-0957 or send an email to iamurchoice@yahoo.com to have another one sent to you.

The 2017 membership cards have been mailed or personally given to those members who have paid their 2017 dues. If you have not received a 2017 Membership Card it most likely means the FS has not received your dues payment. If you have sent in your dues payment and you cannot find your 2017 card, please call the FS.

If you have any questions or concerns about making payment due to financial constraints, please feel free to call me, Art Martinez, FS, at 210-632-0957 or Grand Knight, Roger Pritt, at 210-241-9911, or email the GK at: St.Helenas@yahoo.com or the FS at: iamurchoice@yahoo.com

ATTENDANCE LOTTERY

Brother **Ron Queener's** name was drawn for the March 28, 2017 Council business meeting attendance lottery of \$45. He was not present at the meeting. Therefore, the lottery for the April 25, 2017 meeting is set to \$50. Remember, you **MUST** attend the Council business meeting to win. The next meeting will be on **April 25, 2017**, at 7:00 pm, in the Dolan Activity Center. We celebrate communion service at 6:30P in the chapel prior to the meeting. Let us fill the Council Chambers with some new faces. Your participation in council activities is desired and greatly valued. See you there.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS NOTIFICATION

Do not forget to include me, your Financial Secretary (FS), when you send out "Change of Address" forms announcing that you have moved to a new address. Instead of sending a form to the Knights of Columbus **Columbia** Magazine, please send it to me. I will update my files and also send a report of your new address to the K of C Supreme Office in New Haven, CT. to change their files, including the **Columbia**. Request "Change of Address" forms be sent to me by regular mail to 5743 Brambletree, San Antonio, TX 78247-1350, or by E-mail to: iamurchoice@yahoo.com , or by telephone at 210-632-0957. Also, if your telephone number changes, please do include your new number. Thank you very much.

40 Cans for Lent Food Drive

St Helena Annual '40 Cans For Lent' collected **1100 lbs** of non-perishable food items and **netted \$653 in cash** donations. (Money donations) on the weekend of April 1-2, 2017. **Bros Art Martinez** and **Tony Cardenas** were co-chairs on the Council's annual 40 Cans for Lent Food Drive. to help replenish the **SVdP** food bank shelves. **Brothers Jon Garcia, Steve Dvorak, and Greg Martin** helped with the event in loading and unloading the food items at the **SVdP** food bank. This year **Council 7965** were assisted by young ladies of the **Junior CDA** under guidance of **CDA Kimberly Martin**. The young ladies did an extraordinary job helping with soliciting food items and money donations. We were assisted by **Maristella Longoria, Julianna Longoria, Ares Flaherty, Malia Sotomayor, Lauren Martin, Raquel Moore, Miranda Moore, and Nia Alvarez.**

ADORATION: MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, 9 TO 9 – SEE YOU THERE!! KC Council Adoration, First Tuesday, 8 p.m.

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