



# The Knight Newsletter

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**MEETING NOTICE**

**K of C Council # 10209 Meets**

**Where: St. Paul Church-room 5**

**When: Monday, February 2, 2015**

**Time: 7:00 pm**

Join the KofC10209 Google Group and get email notices of upcoming events! To sign up simply visit:

<https://groups.google.com/forum/?fromgroups#!forum/kofc10209>

**Grand Knight's Report**

Brother Knights,

I want to thank everyone who participated in one of the many events we had in January. We started the month with a successful blood drive, had a productive recruiting drive and coffee and donuts reception for interested parishioners and held our quarterly street cleanup at the end of the month.

We will not have a fundraiser in February, although we do have one scheduled for March 7th-8th. But there are still plenty of events for you to get involved in. February will be the month where we kick off the planning in earnest for the Golf Tournament on April 18th. Watch for a flyer, signup-sheet and information for the event soon. We need everyone's involvement to make this event a success. Start talking to potential team members today. Please consider requesting a gift-certificate or prize from a business you frequent. Everyone can and should pitch-in for our biggest event of the year.

Applications for our scholarship program will be available later this month with the start of Lent. If you have a college or trade school bound student in your family I recommend you have them fill out a

scholarship application. Scholarships will be awarded after Easter.

The Clergy appreciation dinner is scheduled for February 19th and I hope you will consider attending. It is very gratifying to see our Clergy given the thanks that they deserve.

With the start of the Lenten season we will be hosting the first Friday Soup and Salad on 2/20. The Knights usually kick off this season and this year will be no exception.

I look forward to seeing you all Monday night after Mass.

See you Monday! Vivat Jesus!

GK Sean McGee

#### **Awards:**

**Knight of the Month for January: Kevin Russell** for his outstanding work organizing and running our Blood Drive.

**Family of the Month for January: Bill and Linda Jensen Family** for their outstanding dedication to St. Paul Church and the Scouts

#### **Community**

Thanks to the following Brother Knights for helping with the adopt-a-street litter pick-up Saturday, Jan. 31:

John Schatte, Bob Meny, Bob Fonseca, Joe Sanchez, Steven Jaeger & Ken Mayes

Our next litter pick-up will be on April 11, 2015. This will be in conjunction with the annual Keep Austin Beautiful city-wide Clean Sweep.

Thank you.

SK Rene Gaytan

#### **Prayer Requests**

Please continue to pray for the recovery of Louis Palacios. He is still in the ICU at South Austin

Hospital. Visitors are welcome. Please also continue to pray for Don Stafford, Ace Valdez, Fr. Hector, Michael Snowden, Dennis Goss, Jeff Paine, Mary Moore, Nick Palacios, The Daub Family, Jennifer Snoddy, Mathew Soto, Mellisa Soto Tweety, Deacon John Riojas, Joan Woods mom, Evelyn Aguilar

#### **2015 Golf Update**

Fellow Knights we will hold our Annual Fundraiser Golf Tournament at the Onion Creek Golf Club on April 18th, 2 PM Shotgun start.

This event should involve a majority of our membership. There are many ways to become involved. Your involvement as a golfer for starters. If you play golf or want to start this will be a fun way to enjoy a day of golf. Please also invite any friends you may know to play in our event. We also need you to solicit donations such as cash, prizes or services that can be used as raffle prizes.

This event should be well attended and supported by our Knights.

If you want to be a part of the committee or donate, please give me a call 512-971-6822. Let's make a difference in 2015.

Bill Hoagland

#### **The Good of the Order Deacon John Pickwell**

How often are we caught in our own humanness and fall into the trap of letting our anger overcome us? We are so well aware of the principles of our Knight of Columbus organization, especially, Charity. This is so easy to say, it just rolls right off our tongue, and we may even be able to recite verbatim what is said on the Knights website about Charity: *“Our Catholic faith teaches us to “Love thy neighbor as thyself.” Members of the Knights of Columbus show love for their neighbors by conducting food drives and donating the food to local soup kitchens and food pantries, by volunteering at Special Olympics, and by supporting, both spiritually and materially, mothers who choose life for their babies. Knights*

*recognize that our mission, and our faith in God, compels us to action. There is no better way to experience love and compassion than by helping those in need, a call we answer every day."*

Reading this, I wonder, what does this mean . . . to me as a person, how am I impacted and changed, converted so to speak, into the man that Jesus calls me into? Being that disciple and, for that matter, being a knight means so much more than time spent as a member of the Knights. When we start parading out our "chevrons" of time served as a knight, we may have fallen into a trap.

As a deacon, I find that time served, in years, is totally irrelevant in serving a God that has called me outside of time, especially, Chronos, tic-toc time, and into Kairos time, God's time. . .no tic-toc. I must work hard each day to decrease my "I," my self-absorbed importance, into what God wants, and let God increase and fill my being. This is not easy.

What does it take for us to become a better version of ourselves, how do we plan to improve our relationship with our family, or maybe, forgive someone for something only we remember, and the person to us remains unforgiven, maybe they didn't think they did anything wrong, when in fact they caused you or the family great amounts of grief and heartache, how do you learn to forgive that?

We begin this month on our annual six week journey into Lent, and celebrate with Christ His Passion, Death and Resurrection. What aspect in our life are we ready to give to God, Kairos, and leave this Chronos world behind. How are we going to work in the Kairos time, being a better disciple for Christ, bringing people to God, in thought, word and deed? This is our chance to begin our personal change into becoming a better version of ourselves.

### **Calendar Review**

Monday, February 2, 2015 - Council 10209 General Meeting 7pm – Room 5

Monday, February 16, 2015 - Council Officers and Chairpersons meeting – 7pm Room 5

Saturday, February 28, 2015 -Men's Club Workday – 8am

### **Around the Austin Diocese**

On February 19, 2015, we will have the Clergy and Religious Appreciation dinner. This is a great event to spend some time with our clergy. Registration will need to be sent in by January 26, 2015 by our council.

On March 21, 2015, there will be a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification at St. Elizabeth parish in Pflugerville, TX. Any Brother Knight interested in becoming a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree member, contact Albert Villegas

### **Newsletter Articles**

The next newsletter articles are due by Friday, February 27, 2015. Submit your articles to Albert Villegas at [villegas3732@yahoo.com](mailto:villegas3732@yahoo.com) or by calling 512-799-7422.