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MEETING NOTICE

K of C Council # 10209 Meets

Where: St. Paul Church-room 5

When: Monday, May 16th

Time: 7:00 pm

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Grand Knight Report

Brother Knights,

First, Please join me in welcoming our newest Knight Pedro (Pete) Gomez.

We are winding down the 2010 and 2011 year. Our summer is traditional a light schedule as many Knights are out of town and the children are off school. Our big events remaining this year are a BBQ fund raiser, the completion of Sue Botta's house project, the Altar server appreciation event and our Picnic in June.

I want to thank the Knights that worked on Sue Botta's project last month. A handful of Knights worked a Saturday trimming several trees and built a ramp for her to enter and exit her back yard. She was very appreciative and said she was amazed at how well constructed the ramp was and she had no expectations that it would look so good. We owe a big thanks to Abel and his son who are professional carpenters, and friends of Carlo M. They not only architected the ramp and hand rails but added a few touches to make it pleasing to the eye. Sue offered to buy Pizza for the Knights to show her appreciation. We have one more phase of the project that we will compete 6/12. We will move the planter boxes (her garden) closer

to the back porch.

We had a great turnout for the street cleanup In April- thanks to S. K. Rene for coordinating.

Bishop Joe will be at Confirmation Sunday May 8 at the 11 am mass. We will have a fall out at the mass. I understand that at least two of the boys being confirmed want to be Squires this year.

Final call for officers. The benefit of having a large council like ours, with about 40 guys that are very involved, is that there is usually several men to help out in any event. If you would like to be an officer please let S.K. David M, S. K. Bob F. or me know.

At the April Officers meeting we agreed on the fundraisers for 2011-2012. We will present this to the Council in the May 16 business meeting. (The business meeting was moved from May 2nd as the church is undergoing the annual cleanup). Also on May 16th we will have a brief officers meeting at 6 pm to start on the 2011-2012 budget. We will follow the officers meeting with the rosary and conclude with our business meeting at 7.

Congratulations to S.K. Carlos Mendoza and S. K. Kevin Russell who were named Knight and Family of the month. Both men helped coordinate the activities , obtain the tools and worked the entire day to build the ramp and trim the trees for Sue Botta.

Have a great May,

See you Monday.

Faternally,

SK Tom Natoli
Grand Knight

Insurance Agent Report

Lent has passed and now we continue to celebrate Easter, joyful at the resurrection of the Lord and full of anticipation for His return. In my own family, our two-month old, Catalina, was welcomed to the faith through the waters of Baptism and throughout the Church thousands formally entered the Church, either through Baptism or a Profession of Faith at the Easter Vigil.

With these new Catholics now members of the Mystical Body of Christ, our family is just a bit bigger. Becoming Catholic isn't always easy. The actual process is long and time-consuming, yes, but many of our newest members may have had to face family members confused—or even angry—about his or her choice to become Catholic. Maybe their social circle doesn't understand why he or she became “churchy”. Perhaps friends at work are now sharing with them some reasons they think whatever-

they-think about Catholics or because-this-or-that-happened-therefore-anything-remotely-related-to-the-Church-is-doomed.

Becoming Catholic wasn't the formalized process that it is now when Fr. McGivney and the first Knights founded the Order in 1882 and there truly was a social stigma attached to being Catholic that few people would want, but I like to think the Holy Spirit had new converts in mind when the Knights were founded. We are an organization dedicated to serving the needs of our Catholic family—the parish, our priests and bishops (the “Church”) and our own families, the “domestic churches” of our community.

As we continue to welcome the newest members of our parish to the faith, I think inviting them to join the Knights of Columbus is the logical next step. Not only are they introduced to some of the most active men in the parish, but we give them options to jump in with both feet and act upon the faith processed only a couple of weeks ago. We offer friendship built upon sweat and action, an example of faith witnessed through charity and a way for their new ideas to be heard and realized.

Have you never invited someone to join the Knights? Don't know what to say? That's okay. The officers of the council are always willing to help and I am more than happy to lend a hand too. The most important part is that you reach out—man-to-man—and let him know that you think that he would make a great addition to our Order.

Happy Easter!

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District Deputy Report

Brother Knights,

We are coming to the end of the fraternal year, and it is time to tie up the loose ends. Help your council achieve Star Council by recruiting a Catholic Gentlemen into the order or by meeting with your Insurance representative and learning about the great products the Order has for its members.

Important dates in May:

- Sunday, May 1st: Divine Mercy Sunday, Beatification of Pope John Paul II
- Thursday, May 5th: National Day of Prayer
- Sunday, May 8th: Mother's Day
- Tuesday, May 10th: 1st Degree at St. Ignatius

- May 13-15: State Convention in Dallas
- Sunday May 15th: World Day of Prayer for Vocations
- Monday, May 25th: Chapter meeting-Saint Theresa
- Wednesday, May 25th: 1st Degree at St. Catherine of Siena
- Monday, May 30th: Memorial Day
- Tuesday, May 31st: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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Community Corner

Brother Knights,

Thanks to the following volunteers at the Adopt-A-Street, City-Wide Clean Sweep on Saturday, April 9th. The street and church grounds are cleaner because of you: Robert Meny, Tony Garcia, Abraham Garcia, Chase Salazar, Bob Fonseca, Johnie Muller, Kevin Russell, Kayla Russell, Larry Larson, Angela Gaytan, Tom Natoli, Emmie Natoli and Kevin Roy. The next Adopt-A-Street will be scheduled during the month of July

.-SK Rene Gaytan

For the Good of the Order

The Lord is risen, Alleluia! Happy Easter! I hope you had a faith strengthening lent and had an opportunity to participate in the celebrations of the Triduum. The liturgies, as always, were wonderful and awe inspiring. It is amazing how you can feel Jesus' presence in your heart more profoundly each time you participate in these liturgies. As an Easter gift, I would like to share the following prayer, written by John Henry Newman, and recited daily by Mother Teresa. Perhaps if we made it a part of our daily prayers, we may become more charitable to those most in need of our love.

Dear Jesus,
Help us to spread your fragrance everywhere we go.
Flood our souls with your spirit and life.
Penetrate and possess our whole being so utterly,
that our lives may only be a radiance of yours.
Shine through us,
and be so in us,
that every soul we come in contract with
may feel your presence in our soul.

Let them look up and see no longer us,
but only Jesus!
Stay with us,
and then we shall begin to shine as you shine;
so to shine as to be a light to others;
the light O Jesus, will be all from you,
none of it will be ours;
it will be you, shining on others through us.
Let us thus praise you in the way you love best,
by shining on those around us.
Let us preach you without preaching,
not by words but by example,
by the catching force,
the sympathetic influence of what we do,
the evident fullness of the love our hearts bear to you.
Amen.

Peace

-SK Lee Jan

Prayer Box

Please Pray for: Louis Palacios, Father Barry Cabell, Father James Martin, Father Oliver Johnson, Father Paul McCallum, Carolyn Ferguson, Ofelia Cantu, John Massey's wife (her aunt passed), Sue Botta, Mary Moore, Joe Reschman.

Scholarship Program

The scholarship applications have been collected and now it is time to determine which applicants are the most worthy. I am in need of 5 Brother Knights to form this year's committee and review the applications with me. The only requirement is that you do not have a relative or family member applying for a scholarship this year.

If you would like to serve this year please contact me. I can be reached at seanmcgee@yahoo.com. We will meet sometime before June 1st at my house to review the applications. Plan on the review taking 2 hours.

Thank you for considering this important committee.

-SK Sean McGee

Calendar Review

- May 16- Monday
 - 6-6:40 officers meeting (topic 2011-12 budget)
 - 640-700- Rosary
 - 700-800-business meeting
- May 28 - Help the men's club
- May 29 - Corporate Communion

- 12:30 mass- lunch to follow at Las Posada on William Cannon (old Albertson shopping plaza across from Westgate bowling)
- June 3/4 Adoration
- June 6 – Council Meeting 7pm
- June 7- Knights evening- at Round Rock Express. Tickets are half price and can be bought for \$6. family and friends are invited.
- June 11- Sue Botta Garden project completion 9-12 am
- June 12-Altar server appreciation 3-8pm at Grace Hall
- Either 6/12 or 13- Flag ceremony w Boy Scouts
- June 16- First degree at St Paul
- June 19- Annual Picnic
- June 20 – Officer’s Meeting at 7pm
- June 25 Men's club workday

Newsletter Articles

The next Newsletter Articles are due by Monday, May 30th. Submit your articles to Sean McGee at sean@mcgeeclan.us or by calling 680-0367.