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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. BASIL COUNCIL 4204  
702 BURNEY ROAD, SUGAR LAND, TX 77498-2610

August 1, 2009  
MEETINGS 1<sup>ST</sup> AND 3<sup>RD</sup> MONDAYS 7:00PM

NEWSLETTER  
COLUMBUS CLUB 1<sup>ST</sup> Tuesday - 7PM

**IN UNITY WITH OUR STATE OFFICERS and DIRECTORS**

Larry Zapalac- Immediate Past State Deputy

Jim Collins- State Treasure

Robert Vacek- Audit Committee

Pete Muceus- Education/Training

David Morris- St College Council Chairman

Gary Blanchette- District Deputy

Brothers in Christ,  
First off, Pray for a speedy recovery of Pope Benedict XVI, fractured wrist.

My Brother Knights, as we begin our journey into this new fraternal year we will take on many tasks. Some of those will be for our families, our council, and our parish. Our goal is to do the best job possible for those in our own families as well as our fraternal family. In order for that to happen, we all need to participate in the meetings and events of this council. The officers, committee chairmen and I will be calling to invite all of you to help us in this effort. Even if you cannot come to the meetings or events, you can lend your support by calling other brother knights asking them to get involved. We have a busy schedule and need you now. Please contact any of your Brother Knights to volunteer soon. Scheduled events for August begin with a Squires meeting; Spaghetti Dinner; Membership Drive; and to round off the month with a Middle School Dance.

Please forgive the rookie Grand Knight as he gets started.

**Grow in family, Grow in faith, Grow in the Knight of Columbus.**

PRAY THE ROSARY,  
Jeff Schumann  
Grand Knight 4204

## **Financial Secretary**

Brothers,

The start of the new fraternal year means a new State Charity donation goal for the Council. We have not received our goal yet from Texas State Council. One way each individual can contribute is by purchasing a State Charity Pin for a minimum donation of \$20. The FS has the new charity pins and they can be obtained at any meeting.

The next 1<sup>st</sup> Degree at Council 4204 will be Monday August 17. If you have Catholic friends you would like to join the Knights, have them fill out a Form 100 and bring it to either the Membership Director John Pistone or FS Pete Muceus.

Clergy Night will be Friday January 29 and again at the Stafford center. The event sold out last year and will again this year. I am taking reservation now and will submit Council attendees in late November. If you want to attend, let me know and submit a check for \$30 for each reservation.

Faithfully,  
Brother Pete, FS

## **Columbus Club**

Brother Knights,

Whenever starting a new project it is always good to set a few general goals. As time moves forward new goals will be added a few may fall by the way side. The first goal is to improve communication between the Council and the Club. Mike started this effort by providing a spreadsheet of income and expenses. Lloyd has provided an update for the first half of 2009 and will continue to provide updates at the end of each quarter. Just ask for a copy at the next meeting.

My second goal is to establish a feeling of ownership and pride for the hall. We are all members of the Columbus Club and we all "own" the hall. Over the past year a number of small projects have improved its appearance a small amount and more can be done for little cost. Let's consider having a few Saturday or week night work parties. Items that come to mind include cleaning the kitchen, trophy case, front entrance and the overhead lights.

We have set up two sub committees, one to investigate how to obtain the funds for major repairs, and a second to update our By-Laws. Progress reports will be available at our next Club meeting.

My first request as Columbus Club President is to keep me in your prayers. As some of you know I am not noted for having a great deal of patience. I tend to want it done my way now. Please send some patience my way.

Dan Rega  
Columbus Club president

## **Insurance Corner**

Brother Knights,

“If you can’t trust the Catholic Church, who can you trust?” A member said this during an appointment earlier this month. My fellow brother knights, when it comes to life insurance, you can absolutely trust the Catholic Church. AM Best and Standard and Poor recently completed their annual rating of the Knights of Columbus financial strength. For the 34<sup>th</sup> consecutive year from AM Best and the 17<sup>th</sup> consecutive year from Standard and Poor, the Knights of Columbus earned the top ratings from each. There are 1,800 life insurance companies in North America. The Knights are one of only 4 companies out of those 1,800 to consistently get the top ratings. If you have a life insurance, fixed annuity, or long term care insurance need, why would you go to any other company?

Fraternally yours  
Joshua Cutbirth  
713-894-3868

## **Council News**

### **MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE**

Our first Middle School Dance for the New Year will be August 28. School starts on Monday August 24. The kids will be ready to let off some steam after a long summer. We will need a lot of guys and gals to help keep the kids in line. Please be there and help. The most help is needed between 6:30 PM and 9 PM but we could use you until 10:40 when the last kid should be picked up. Please support your council in this very important fund raiser and stress relief for the kids of our community.

### **CDA GARAGE SALE**

Our Ladies need our help. Setup for their Garage Sale is Sunday, July 27 and tear down is around noon on August 1<sup>st</sup>. If you can help please see the Grand Knight.

### **Family Spaghetti Dinner**

KC 4204’s annual spaghetti dinner is Friday, August 14 at 6:30 PM. Chairman Mike Mule would love to see another great turn out like last year. He is planning for lots of KC and family to attend so please come out so we do not have left over spaghetti. Bring your family and if you have been talking or have someone to talk to about joining the council invite them. It might be the trick that gets them in our council. Let’s have lots of fun and enjoy the free spaghetti.

### **First Day of School**

Remember that Monday August 24 is the first day of school in Fort Bend ISD. Watch out for the future Knights and CDA going back to school.

## **Gifts for Iraqi and Afghanistan grammar school children**

This is a reprint from last month:

Brother Knights of Saint Basil Council 4204 have been exceptional in supporting our military in Iraq, as witness the most complimentary letter from Command Master Chief Carl Morgan in Iraq. If you are not aware of this letter, and/or would like a copy, e-mail Al Ewer at [alewer@earthlink.net](mailto:alewer@earthlink.net) and he will be most pleased to e-mail a pdf copy of the letter to you. All of you are to be commended for your generosity and patriotism as Knights.

Now it is time to help our brothers and sisters in the military build a lasting camaraderie with the elementary school age youngsters of Iraq and Afghanistan in hopes of establishing a lasting and enduring peace. Many battles are being fought and won by the joint USA and Afghanistan forces, but it seems to be imperative that we win the hearts, souls and minds of the young who simply want them and their parents to survive, and to have the opportunity to achieve the goals they never before dreamed possible.

I ask your help in providing items suitable for elementary school children as listed below. One of the constraints is that any item must fit within a box measuring 12 inches wide by 12 inches long by 5 inches high. Some suggestions are # 2 Wood clinched pencils, personal size pencil sharpeners, rubber erasers, ball point pens, box of crayons, colored drawing pencils, coloring books, Spiral bound notebooks (lined paper), Spiral bound notebooks (drawing paper), 3 ring folders (lightweight), 3 hole lined paper, individually wrapped candies and snacks, small bottles of white glue, glue sticks, paper clips, small staple guns and staples, replacement staples, staple removers, small safe scissors, plastic sandwich bags, other elementary school appropriate non-perishable small personal gifts.

Many thanks, my brothers,  
Al Ewer

### **VA Hospital Visit**

Chairman Joe Williams would love to buy you breakfast. Join him and other Brother Knights Sunday, August 23 at 7 AM at the KC hall. The group will have breakfast and go to the VA hospital together. There are a lot of VETS that would love to see your smiling faces. Joe says that the look on the VETS faces when the Knights come in as indescribable. Join the fun and honor our heroes at the VA Hospital.

### **Steak Dinner Ticket Sales**

We will be selling tickets for our World Famous Steak Dinner starting Sunday, August 23. Chair Mike Jones will have tickets for you to get at the meeting on August 17. Please pick up at least 10 and sell them to your friends. It is the best, and cheapest, steak dinner you will find in Sugar Land.

### **2009/2010 Budget**

In this news letter you will find a printing of the proposed budget for 2009/2010. We will vote on this budget at the August 3 meeting. Please come and support your council for our plans for the next fraternal year.

# Birthdays

St. Basil 4204 August 2009 Birthday Report

Name	Birthday	Name	Birthday
Johnnie P Marek	08/01	Thomas Hernandez	08/19
Jorge E. Narvaez	08/03	Mark K Arnold	08/19
Carlos L Trejos	08/05	Melvin J Grahmann	08/20
Michael W. Whitt	08/08	Mrs. Hortencia Garcia	08/20
Mre. Verna Jasso	08/08	Deacon Glen F. Haller	08/20
Rafael Gijon y Robles	08/09	Grant C. Crowell	08/20
Michael L Hanley	08/09	Brian M. Hill	08/21
Kenneth R Sciba	08/10	Stephen L. Karpowich	08/21
Rev Peter K. Mosteller, CSB	08/13	William R. Schindler	08/22
Armando Ortiz	08/13	Jeffrey A. Dodson	08/22
William R Penado	08/13	Dominic Kutra	08/23
Jack A Jebbia	08/14	Mrs. Mildred Netardus	08/24
Rev Robert J. Matzinger, CSB	08/15	Thomas E Lycka	08/24
Kenneth T Rammrath	08/15	Ronald J. Castagno	08/25
Thomas R. Taska	08/15	DR Jaime A Olmo	08/28
Robert M Stanfield	08/16	Joe L. Longoria	08/28
Tim E Kana	08/16	James L Anhaizer	08/30
Todd W Heath	08/17	Mrs. Joan Kov	08/30
Mrs. Edith Hartensteiner	08/18		

## GOOD OF THE ORDER

Let us join in prayer and ask God for His healing for those who are ill and to share His strength with them and their families. These Brother Knights and friends are in need of prayer, so please take time to remember them.

St. Theresa Parish Ministries	Virginia Sanchez	Robert Schumann	Karen Cromer
Roy Raska Family	Fr. Andy Sebesta	Selma Shimek	Linda Kasper
Karyn Guillary	Fr. Roy Ogerro	VA VETS	Doug Blaskowsky
Widows of Deceased Brothers	Bob Morgan	Marguerite Iglesias	Marcus Zaruba
John Sudela's sister Liz	Ken Kilgore	Howard Kathwynn	Fr. Ritz
Lloyd Waguespack's Dad	Jason LeSage	Larry Pdelt	Robert
Schumann			
Lauren Estes	Edyth Worley	Joe Williams Friend	Jason Mikolajek
Joan Stasczyk	Brad Dickens	Linda Dickens	John Snyder
John Sudela's Sister Liz	John Snyder	Joanna Gavin	Georgiana Owens
Cindy Brady	Vergie Callanan		

Pray for all Brother Knights and their families and Intentions

## **COUNCIL OFFICERS 2008-2009**

Chaplain-	Rev. Stephen B. Reynolds, Pastor	
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One Year Trustee	Fred Trlicek	281-491-9040
Two Year Trustee	Mike Mule'	281-277-9429
Three Year Trustee	Bob Sullivent	281-561-9533

## **DIRECTORS FOR 2008-2009**

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Retention Chairman	Calvin Sommer	281-242-6072
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Vocation Director		
Community Director	Ed Sebesta	281-242-4563
PR Director	Al Ewer	281-242-8536
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Golf/Turkey/Halloween	Gary Blanchette	281-240-1774
Fish Fry	Ed Sebesta	281-242-4563
	John Clennan	281-491-8090
Chief Cook	Steve Kalmus	281-240-5991
BBQ Coordinator	Fred Trlicek	281-491-9040
	Bill Tallas	281-980-1682
Columbian Squires	John Clennan	281-491-8090
	John McDonald	281-494-7498
	John Sim	281-980-4506

## **Columbus Club Officers and Directors**

<u>President</u>	Dan Rega	<u>Directors:</u>	Al Guerra	Paul Cinquemani
<u>Vice President</u>	Lloyd Waguespack		Bill Louviere	John Gambino
<u>Secretary</u>	Mike Mule'		Rick Pena	Mike Matalka
<u>Treasure</u>	Ralph Stolarski		Bob Sullivent	vacancy
			Grand knight Jeff Schumann	

Hall manager

Maintenance Manager

Leasing Manager

Bar/Event workers:

Ralph Stolarski  
 Fred Trlicek  
 Bob Sullivent  
 Gene Travis  
 Fred Trlicek  
 Jeff Schumann  
 Sam DeMora

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