



**THE FORTY-TWO O FOURWARD!**  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. BASIL COUNCIL 4204  
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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**

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Brother Knights,

The fraternal year is over and we embark on the next leg of our journey. 2010 – 2011 will be as good of a year as the one just past. Of course this is only because of the great Knights we have in our council. 'I want to give a special thanks to all of the brother Knights that helped me and our council out this past year. Thanks to all the Chairmen for doing such a great job on all the projects throughout the year to make this a successful Council. We have had a great year but it was sure a fast one. And a very big "thank you" goes out to each and every Knight that has helped throughout the year. A special thanks to our council cooks lead by brother and friend Steve Kalmus.'

Grand Knight,  
Jeff Schumann  
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Thought for the day: "Happiness keeps us Sweet, Trials keep us Strong, Sorrows keep us Human, Failures Keep us Humble, Success keeps us Glowing, BUT; Friends keep us Going!" Unknown

## Chaplin Corner

Brother Knights:

This year, Independence Day falls on the first Sunday of July. Our national celebration of July 4<sup>th</sup> provides us an opportunity to thank God for the blessings he has given to our nation. For many, the United States is a symbol of hope and a promise of justice. As Americans, we want to realize fully the potential of our nation, while also acknowledging that our society will always be in need of conversion and purification.

The ideal of freedom that is the inspiration for our country is not a selfish one. We value political and social liberty not for its own sake, but as a necessary condition for the fulfillment our human nature, created in the image and likeness of God. Freedom implies a commitment to justice, so that others might "obtain what is their due, according to their nature and their vocation" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1928).

"It is the *duty of citizens*," says the *Catechism*, "to contribute along with the civil authorities to the good of society in a spirit of truth, justice, solidarity, and freedom. The love and service of *one's country* follow from the duty of gratitude and belong to the order of charity" (CCC, no. 2239). Our obligation to help create a just society extends to the attitude with which we receive immigrants to our land: "The more prosperous nations are obliged, to the extent they are able, to welcome the *foreigner* in search of the security and the means of livelihood which he cannot find in his country of origin" (CCC, no. 2241).

To be true patriots, then, we must not only love our country, but also be willing to put into practice those ideals upon which it was founded.

Sincerely in Christ,

*Fr. Stephen B. Reynolds*

## District Deputy Report

Worthy Brothers,

Another fraternal year has come and gone with many activities and events taking place that helped some of us make new friends and others renew old friendships and many of us become better catholic men. I hope that you were able to experience all of these this past year. As we embark on our new year, there is a sense of excitement and enthusiasm that only comes with a new beginning. Now is the time to not look back but to look ahead and ask yourself; "what can I do to be a better Knight?" I ask that if you haven't been active to make a point to come out and join us as we support our church and community. The program committees at your council will be actively planning events and looking for volunteers dealing with Pro-Life, Youth, Community, Church, Family and Council, I ask you to choose one or two and get involved with them. Programs are what make a council strong and we need your help to make each one successful.

As I install each council officer over the next few weeks, I challenge you to take the position you have been elected to seriously. Remember the charge you were given at the installation and act on it. You are the foundation of the council and must set an example for others. I thank you for your commitment to the order and your council and look forward to working with each one of you to make this coming year the best that it can be. For all the outgoing officers, thank you for all you have done this past year to help your council, your dedication is immeasurable.

As I close, I want you to reflect on something. We face many daily challenges in life with our families our health and our jobs. As Knights and Brothers, we know that we can always count on each other to be there when needed. That is what makes the Knights so special, our fraternal brotherhood. I hope and pray that with the start of our new fraternal year you will recommit yourselves to be the best Knight and Brother you can be, to be Jesus to others and to share what you have with the less fortunate.

May God bless you and your families?

Gary Blanchette DD#75

## Financial Secretary

Brothers,

The State Council has a fund raising activity that also provides monetary prizes for 10 weeks during the pro football season. It is an online discount webpage coupon that also includes 10 weekly pro football games. The cost of an individual card is \$10 for 10 weeks of games. The 10 weekly prizes range from \$400 to \$20. Contact the FS, Pete Muceus if you would like to purchase some and/or get some to sell to friends or co-workers. The Council makes \$1 for every ticket sold.

Let us pray for the repose of the soul of Brother Rogerio Trevino who died on May 10, Brother Leonard Anhaier who died on May 19 and Mrs. Virginia Guinn, the widow of Brother and Sir Knight James Guinn, who died on May 26. Pray for the repose of Rogerio, Leonard and Virginia's souls and their families.

There is a 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree ceremony on August 7 that 1<sup>st</sup> Degree members should plan to attend. When I find out the times, I will let all know. 1<sup>st</sup> Degree members – put this date on your calendar.

Faithfully,  
Brother Pete, FS

## MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE / August, 2010

Our next middle school dance is August 27<sup>th</sup>. A new year brings new beginnings. Please come out and help provide a safe venue for the kids to have a good time. We need help as early as 6 PM but need the most help from 7 PM to 10:30 PM.

## Insurance Information

### **Reprint of April Newsletter: 'Right to Apply' helps widows in need**

The laws and rules of our Order, as well as state laws, specify that the Knights of Columbus may accept insurance applications only from Knights of Columbus members. As a member, you may apply for insurance on yourself, your wife and your dependent, minor children.

The Order's Board of Directors has taken action, though, to assure that a brother Knight's widow maintains the right to purchase additional life insurance, annuities, and long-term care insurance for a limited time. This can be of great benefit and comfort to those we leave behind.

This "right to apply" is available **only** to the widows of **insured members**. If you have not availed yourself of our top-rated life insurance program, or purchased an annuity or long-term care policy, this benefit is **not** available to your widow, the woman you walked through life with.

But if you are an insured member, your widow will have the right to apply for additional insurance on her life and on the lives of your minor children. She also will have access to our annuity and long-term care insurance programs. This right can be exercised for up to one year following the Order's receipt of proof of the insured's death.

Know two things. First, we will assist your widow and children in any way possible if you should die, both with your Knights of Columbus insurance and any other life insurance you may have. Second, we will provide them our best professional advice and service to ensure that they continue to have adequate insurance protection and financial security. As professional fraternal financial advisors and brother Knights, we have no greater responsibility.

Only by becoming an insured member of the Order, can you and your family enjoy the full range of fraternal benefits in the Knights of Columbus.

Call us – let's talk.  
Mauricio Munguia (A-L) 713.203.9966 or mauricio.munguia@kofc.org  
Henry Rangel (M-Z) 281.731.8635 or henry.rangel@kofc.org

## Prison Ministries

Prison Ministry serves religious needs of our area prisons. We seek to learn more Religion and way of life.

Texas Department of while providing;

Liturgy of the Word,

and or other programs. These programs Minister to interested men and provide religious materials for inmates use.

Contact; Milton Lutz at 281-565-1302 or MJLutz35@windstream.net for more information



the spiritual and Catholic inmates in also help the men about our Catholic Volunteers work on correction facilities Apologetics, Mentoring, RCIA

## General Council News

Baby news:

Avery Elysse Pospisil was born to Richard and Ashley Pospisil at 3:34 P.M. on June 28<sup>th</sup> And is 7lb 8oz. Ashley was in Methodist Sugar Land. The family came home June 29th.

Brand New Grandma Henrietta Pospisil is excited!

Congratulations to the following that were recognized by the Council members.

May: Mike Matalka – Knight of the Month; Fr. Jose Tharayil – Rookie of the Month; Ralph Stolarski – Family of the Month; Diane Senger – Lady of the Month; Andrew Archibong – Squire of the Month. June: Bob Sullivent – Knight of the Month; Manny Garcia – Rookie of the Month; Larry Moller – Family of the Month; Marsha Kreimeyer – Lady of the Month; Brian Magloyan – Squire of the Month; Elizabeth Mule' – Youth of the Month.

Congratulations to all!!

## Tribute to our Military

The following article will stir some feelings for al patriotic Americans. Is the story true? The validity is UNKNOWN. However, It is worth reading.

MAY GOD BLESS THIS AIRLINE CAPTAIN:

He writes: My lead flight attendant came to me and said, "We have an H.R. on this flight." (H.R. stands for human remains.) "Are they military?" I asked.

'Yes', she said.

'Is there an escort?' I asked.

'Yes, I already assigned him a seat'.

'Would you please tell him to come to the flight deck? You can board him early," I said.

A short while later, a young army sergeant entered the flight deck. He was the image of the perfectly dressed soldier. He introduced himself and I asked him about his soldier. The escorts of these fallen soldiers talk about them as if they are still alive and still with us.

'My soldier is on his way back to Virginia,' he said. He proceeded to answer my questions, but offered no words. I asked him if there was anything I could do for him and he said no. I told him that he had the toughest job in the military and that I appreciated the work that he does for the families of our fallen soldiers. The first officer and I got up out of our seats to shake his hand. He left the flight deck to find his seat.

We completed our preflight checks, pushed back and performed an uneventful departure. About 30 minutes into our flight I received a call from the lead flight attendant in the cabin. 'I just found out the family of the soldier we are carrying, is on board', she said. She then proceeded to tell me that the father, mother, wife and 2-year old daughter were escorting their son, husband, and father home. The family was upset because they were unable to see the container that the soldier was in before we left. We were on our way to a major hub at which the family was going to wait four hours for the connecting flight home to Virginia.

The father of the soldier told the flight attendant that knowing his son was below him in the cargo compartment and being unable to see him was too much for him and the family to bear. He had asked the flight attendant if there was anything that could be done to allow them to see him upon our arrival. The family wanted to be outside by the cargo door to watch the soldier being taken off the airplane. I could hear the desperation in the flight attendants voice when she asked me if there was anything I could do. 'I'm on it', I said. I told her that I would get back to her.

Airborne communication with my company normally occurs in the form of e-mail like messages. I decided to bypass this system and contact my flight dispatcher directly on a secondary radio. There is a radio operator in the operations control center who connects you to the telephone of the dispatcher. I was in direct contact with the dispatcher. I explained the situation I had on board with the family and what it was the family wanted. He said he understood and that he would get back to me.

Two hours went by and I had not heard from the dispatcher. We were going to get busy soon and I needed to know what to tell the family. I sent a text message asking for an update. I saved the return message from the dispatcher and the following is the text:

'Captain, sorry it has taken so long to get back to you. There is policy on this now and I had to check on a few things. Upon your arrival a dedicated escort team will meet the aircraft. The team will escort the family to the ramp and plane side. A van will be used to load the remains with a secondary van for the family. The family will be taken to their departure area and escorted into the terminal where the remains can be seen on the ramp it is a private area for the family only. When the connecting aircraft arrives, the family will be escorted onto the ramp and plane side to watch the remains being loaded for the final leg home. Captain, most of us here in flight control are veterans. Please pass our condolences on to the family. Thanks'

I sent a message back telling flight control thanks for a good job. I printed out the message and gave it to the lead flight attendant to pass on to the father. The lead flight attendant was very thankful and told me, 'You have no idea how much this will mean to them.'

Things started getting busy for the descent, approach and landing. After landing, we cleared the runway and taxied to the ramp area. The ramp is huge with 15 gates on either side of the alleyway. It is always a busy area with aircraft maneuvering every which way to enter and exit. When we entered the ramp and checked in with the ramp controller, we were told that all traffic was being held for us.

'There is a team in place to meet the aircraft', we were told. It looked like it was all coming together, then I realized that once we turned the seat belt sign off, everyone would stand up at once and delay the family from getting off the airplane. As we approached our gate, I asked the copilot to tell the ramp controller we were going to stop short of the gate to make an announcement to the passengers. He did that and the ramp controller said, 'Take your time.'

I stopped the aircraft and set the parking brake. I pushed the public address button and said, 'Ladies and gentleman, this is your Captain speaking I have stopped short of our gate to make a special announcement. We have a passenger on board who deserves our honor and respect. His Name is Private XXXXXX, a soldier who recently lost his life. Private XXXXXX is under your feet in the cargo hold. Escorting him today is Army Sergeant XXXXXX. Also, on board are his father, mother, wife, and daughter. Your entire flight crew is asking for all passengers to remain in their seats to allow the family to exit the aircraft first Thank you.'

We continued the turn to the gate, came to a stop and started our shutdown procedures. A couple of minutes later I opened the cockpit door. I found the two forward flight attendants crying, something you just do not see. I was told that after we came to a stop, every passenger on the aircraft stayed in their seats, waiting for the family to exit the aircraft.

When the family got up and gathered their things, a passenger slowly started to clap his hands. Moments later more passengers joined in and soon the entire aircraft was clapping. Words of 'God Bless You, I'm sorry, thank you, be proud' and other kind words were uttered to the family as they made their way down the aisle and out of the airplane.

They were escorted down to the ramp to finally be with their loved one.

Many of the passengers disembarking thanked me for the announcement I had made. They were just words, I told them, I could say them over and over again, but nothing I say will bring back that brave soldier.

I respectfully ask that all of you reflect on this event and the sacrifices that millions of our men and women have made to ensure our freedom and safety in these United States of America.

Foot note: As a Viet Nam Veteran I can only think of all the veterans including the ones that rode below the deck on their way home and how they were treated. When I read things like this I am proud that our country has not turned their backs on our soldiers returning from the various war zones today and give them the respect they so deserve.

I know everyone who has served their country who reads this will have tears in their eyes, including me.

## Birthdays

St. Basil Council 4204 Birthday Report July 2010

Name	Birthday	Name	Birthday
Rev. Jose J. Tharayil	07/01	Jeffrey A Mikolajek	07/20
Donald L Downing	07/02	Bruce S Shimala	07/20
Gene A Travis	07/04	Jack A. Neal, Jr.	07/21
Mrs. Doreen Matthiesen	07/04	James R. Christ	07/21
Bennie C Rychlik	07/05	Mark A. Serice	07/21
Paul R Schell	07/05	Eugene Ortiz	07/21
Alonzo Guerra	07/05	Patrick G Lee	07/22
Patrick J. Kilgore	07/05	Joseph B Toner	07/22
Robert W. Vacek	07/06	Frank Covarrubias	07/22
John P. Heitman	07/07	Anthony R Segura	07/23
John B Rodriguez	07/08	Jerome D. Pospisil	07/23
George E. Abdo	07/10	Charles H. Crowell	07/23
Fred J. DeNisco	07/11	Bernard F. Marek, Jr.	07/24
Richard P. Mudra	07/12	Douglas W Blaskowsky	07/24
Joseph S. Schillaci	07/13	John A Sullivan	07/25
Mrs. Edelmira Rubalcava	07/13	David L Miller	07/26
Ismael G. Benavides	07/14	Rene J. Moreno	07/27
Rev. Stephen A. Lacroix	07/14	Otto E. Ulrich, Jr.	07/28
Ronnie J Hornischer	07/16	Robert F Schumann	07/29
Mrs. Timi Beeler	07/16	Robert M Yur	07/29
Enrique Ramon	07/16	Rev. Robert G. Ritz, CSB	07/30
Tom J. Simek	07/16	Roy G Mullins	07/30
Julian M. Rodriguez	07/17	John J Harry	07/30
John G. Hermann	07/18	Jason M. Botello	07/30
Clinton W Brown	07/19	M. George Kubanda	07/31
Gregory C. Cordova	07/19	Carlos A. Fernandez	07/31
Thomas Hernandez, Jr.	07/19		

## 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.

### For Good Health & Well Being:

St. Theresa Ministries and Priest  
St. Theresa prayer List  
Widows of Deceased Brothers  
Fr. Robert Ritz  
Pope Benedict  
Fr. Andy Sebesta

Ex-Prisoners @ Isaiah house  
Members of Armed Forces  
VETS at VA  
Fr. Roy Ogerro  
Robert Schumann

### AS LISTED:

Peggy DuPont – Accident  
John Pistone – Safe return from deployment  
Edwin Friesenhahn – Deceased  
Mr. (DAD) Herreth – in Hospital  
Charles Sullivent – Safe return from deployment  
Bob Morgan – Cancer & Stroke  
Widow Vera Martino – Deceased  
Bob Patterson – Prostate Cancer  
Benny Benevides – Bad Health  
John Barta – Heart  
Fred Amlee – Cancer  
Colleen Herman – Knee Surgery  
Frank Foltyn – Bad Health  
Keith Borchardt – Back Surgery  
Mrs. (mom) Sulit – Cancer  
Rogerio Trevino – Deceased  
Schatze Sullivent – Back Procedure & Knee Surgery  
Past Faithful Navigator Ernesto Ramirez–Deceased  
Florian & Evelyn Bartos – Failing Health  
Karen Cromer - Health

Deacon Gerald DuPont – Accident  
Jerry Byrd - Cancer  
Bob Sullivent – Back Pain  
Virginia Sanchez - Cancer  
Angie Timmermann – Kidney failure  
Rosie Janssen – Back Pain  
Virginia Guinn - Deceased  
Jerry Byrd – Heart Condition  
Dorothy Raska - Kidney Infection  
Emil Zbranek – Successful Recovery  
Mary Reynoso – Cancer/Surgery  
Anthony Valcher – Surgery  
Joe Payne – Cancer  
Napoleon Sulit – Lung Cancer  
Karyn Guillary – Cancer  
Leonard Anhaizer - Deceased

Ann Neslony – Well Being  
Al & Isabel Guerra – Failing Health

### Also Pray for:

Rusty Herring Gene  
Pat & Jo Ann Griffin  
Ken Kilgore  
John McDonald  
Msgr. Emilian Foltyn

Ray Tanking  
Linda Kasper  
Margarita Iglesias  
Frances Petter

Jason Mikolajek  
Patricia Richards  
Alex Iglesias  
Sandra Sonvild

Tammy Stilling  
Rudy Zertuche  
Rafael Gijon  
Garland Melancon

Editors note:

Please provide feedback on the new format for the Good of the Order. Do you like it or do you want to go back to the original? Suggestions on improvements to all parts of the news letter are most welcome.

## COUNCIL OFFICERS 2010-2011

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