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Knight Times

Monthly Newsletter of Dallas Council 799



Chaplain's Message

By Fr. Josef
Vollmer-König

Dear Brother Knights,

For many of our families the next few months are very important. It is a time of Sacramental preparation for many of our children. As parents we made a promise to God at the time of the Baptism of our children that we would raise them in the practice of our faith.

I believe the best way to teach our children is by living our faith. To introduce and help them to fall in love with God, we have to know Him and be in love with Him. By helping them in their preparation we grow in our faith.

Preparing for First Reconciliation and Communion reminds us of the graces we

receive through these Sacraments. Many young people are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. This Sacrament completes the Sacraments of Initiation.

This does not mean that our journey is complete; it is only the beginning of the rest of our lives. As parents or sponsors, it is our obligation to be role models for them. As "Knights," I encourage you to take your role as a spiritual leader of your family seriously.

Blessings 😊 Josef



Charity, Unity, Fraternity & Patriotism

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Tue Feb 1	Monthly General Meeting KayCee Club Meeting Rosary at 7pm, Meeting at 7:30pm
Sat Feb 5	Culture for Life concert (RSVP required)
Sun Feb 6	Scout's Pancake Event at St. Patrick School Auditorium.
Mon Feb 7	Orientation Meeting, 6:30pm
Tue Feb 8	First Degree Ceremony, 7:00pm
Sun Feb 13	Sisters' Appreciation Dinner (volunteer Knights for driving and cooking)

Coming Up:

Tue Mar 1	Monthly General Meeting
Wed Mar 9	Ash Wednesday
Fri Mar 11	First FISH FRY!
Thu Mar 17	St. Patrick Day Party
Sat Mar 26	Diocesan Corporate Communion

Please check the KC website for more events and announcements: www.kc799.org

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Grand Knight's Letter

By John J. Little

Greetings to my Brother Knights:

The Great 799 is off to a terrific start for 2011. We had a standing room only crowd of well over 100 Brothers attend our January meeting, and we had perfect attendance among the officers! February presents a number of opportunities to maintain and build upon that momentum.

We start early with our monthly meeting on February 1, beginning (as always) at 7:30 p.m. We expect to be joined that evening by our Diocesan Deputy, Roger Scott, and our Supreme Director (and former State Deputy) Javier Martinez.

Knight of the Month

Council 799 recognized David Salazar at the January general meeting.

David Salazar

At the January meeting, Council 799 recognized David Salazar as the Knight of the Month. David is a parishioner at St. Thomas Aquinas. Most of us know David as one of the folks who man the bar in the KC Lounge, and as a key organizer of Boys Knights Out and similar events.

Each December for the past several years, David has taken on a far more important role for a number of families served by the Brady Center – he organizes the Magi Tree project through which Council 799 members provide Christmas gifts to Brady Center families. This year, David secured 75 “angels” from the Brady Center, each one bearing the name of a child served by the Center and two wishes – one for a toy or other item, one for a clothing item. By mid-December, the Lounge was overflowing with bags containing the requested items, all of which David delivered to the Brady Center. Through his efforts, 75 children received Christmas gifts.

What’s the occasion, you might be wondering? They’ll be on hand to present a couple of awards, not the least of which is our council’s second straight “Century Award.” Please make every effort to attend.

On February 8, we’ll host a First Degree ceremony to welcome new Brothers into our Order. I urge each of you to do the following things in preparation for this event.

First, invite a Catholic gentleman to join our Order. Our Membership Chairman, John Bane, has several orientation sessions scheduled to get candidates prepared for the February 8 degree ceremony.

Second, put this event on your calendar and make plans to attend; nothing demonstrates the principles

of unity and fraternity better than a roomful of Brothers greeting our newest Knights.

Sunday, February 13, brings our annual Sister’s Appreciation Dinner. You’ll find a separate article about that event within this newsletter. As the month ends, we’ll start turning our attention to our Lenten Fish Fries, which will begin in early March (Ash Wednesday is March 9 this year). Those Fish Fries are important fundraisers for our charity account, but they also present a great opportunity to volunteer a few hours and get to know many of your fellow Knights.

God bless you and your families!

John Little, Grand Knight

Remembering two Brother Knights:

During the past month, the Order has lost two exceptional Brother Knights.



The first is the Hon. John Roll, the Arizona federal judge who was

among the victims of the January 8 shootings in Tucson. As has been widely reported, Judge Roll had gone to morning Mass and stopped by the gathering organized by Congresswoman Giffords to pay his respects. Less widely reported is that Judge Roll was killed while attempting to shield one of the Congresswoman’s staffers who had been wounded in the shooting (the staffer, Ronald Barber, survived). Even less widely reported is that Judge Roll was a 4th Degree member of the Knights of Columbus.

The second is Sargent Shriver, who died on January 19 at the age of 95. John Little had the honor and



privilege of knowing Mr. Shriver and two of his sons, Bobby and Tim. He was a great man, he lived a great life, and he will be greatly missed. Mr. Shriver may be best known as the brother-in-law of President (and Knight) John F. Kennedy, but his own accomplishments (and those of his family) are a testament to the principles of our Order. He was the founder of the Peace Corps and served as its first Director. He and his wife, Eunice Kennedy Shriver, founded the Special Olympics, and the Knights of Columbus helped launch the first Special Olympics event in 1969. The Knights remain actively involved in the activities of the Special Olympics organization, which is currently led by Mr. Shriver’s son, Tim. Of Mr. Shriver, our Supreme Knight said “Sargent Shriver was a genuine Catholic gentleman, filled with faith, and a dedicated, loving husband and father to his five children. He lived a long and exceptionally productive life, and set an example for Knights everywhere.”

Our Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson, has issued statements reflecting upon the lives of both of these Brother Knights. Those statements are available at www.kofc.org.



*Birth Choice of Dallas
invites you to its
Second Annual
Culture for Life
Evening with the Arts*

*A Fundraising Concert
benefitting Birth Choice of Dallas*

*featuring a Classical Music Concert by the
Sound and Silence Orchestra*

Chris D. Westover - Conductor

Hubert Pralitz - Violin

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VIP Reception, Museum Tour & Premier Seating*

Concert Master Seating - \$100

*includes Gourmet Hors d'Oeuvres, Wine,
Dessert Après & First Row Seating*

Orchestra Seating - \$75

*includes Gourmet Hors d'Oeuvres and Wine
plus Dessert Après*

February 5, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

Presented at the

Museum of Biblical Art

7500 Park Lane, Dallas, Texas 75225

RSVP to 469-398-8374

<http://www.cultureforlifedallas.org>

Sponsorships Available. Culture for Life is a program of [Catholic Crisis Pregnancy Centers of Dallas](#), a 501(c)(3), d/b/a [Birth Choice of Dallas](#)



For These We Pray...

Please pray for our members and their family members with chronic or serious ailments, as well as the souls of our departed Brothers.

Prayer List

Pope Benedict XVI

† Angeline Faulkner	Leo Conway
† Gertrude Marie Wells	Bob Conway
† Elizabeth Jansen	Jerry Alfieri
	Tom Welch
	Terry O'Brian

Please keep us informed if you have a continuing illness or change in status that needs to be included in the newsletter. If you know of deaths or major illnesses of Knights or their family members, please contact:

Frank Gray, (214) 328-4935
or
prayers@kc799.org

On **March 26, 2011**, all area Knights are invited to a special KC two-fer!

Third Annual Diocesan Corporate Communion

Please join us for the Third Annual Knights of Columbus Diocesan Corporate Communion @ Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe, 2215 Ross, Dallas TX.

The Corporate Communion Mass will be celebrated by our own Bishop Kevin Farrell, Texas State Chaplain.

Bishop's Dinner -- Keynote Speaker is Supreme Knight Carl Anderson!

Later that evening the Bishop will host the annual Pro Life Dinner at the Anatole Hotel. The keynote speaker of the evening will be our Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson. This should be a great event!

KC799 is proposing to purchase some tables to help defray the cost for interested Members to attend. Please come to the February general meeting to hear more.

From the Bishop's blog: Texas Knights are Number 1

It is my privilege to serve as State Chaplain for the Knights of Columbus. It is indeed an honor to be associated with the Knights whose charitable works are well known and universal. They are a great gift to the Church here in Dallas and throughout the country. Their work is much admired. In an earlier blog I have expressed my hope that every Catholic man would be a Knight. More than 94,000 Texas Catholic men are already members of the order but that is not enough.

In July, I challenged the Texas Knights of Columbus to beat out the Knights of New York as number one in largest state membership. Tony Herreth, Texas State Deputy, has informed me that as of January 1, 2011 Texas had 94,720 Knights and New York had 94,580. Texas is Number 1! Congratulations to our Knights in the Lone Star State for leaving New York in Texas' dust...and my condolences to Archbishop Dolan. Now let's make it 96,000.

Sisters' Appreciation Dinner

On Sunday, February 13, Council 799 will take a moment to honor all of the Sisters who serve our Diocese by hosting the Annual Paul Bagley Sisters Appreciation Dinner. The event will start at 12:30 p.m. and conclude at 3:30 p.m.

The Sisters' Appreciation Dinner is our way of saying "Thank You" to all of the Sisters in the Dallas Diocese for their wonderful efforts in teaching our children, nursing our sick, praying for us, caring for our elderly, ministering to the poor, and all the other good works they perform. It is an afternoon of fellowship and fun with their friends and associates from all the Religious Communities in the Dallas area.

The Sisters eagerly look forward to this annual event where they are given an opportunity to renew old acquaintances, create new ones, and visit with each other in a relaxed

atmosphere. A fine dinner, prepared by Brother Knights, is served and small gifts are presented to each Sister.

There are three ways that you can help us make the Sisters Dinner a great event. First, we almost always need a few Brother Knights to volunteer to provide transportation to those Sisters who are not comfortable with driving to our hall. Second, we can use some volunteers to help us for an hour with the clean-up chores that necessarily follow such an event. Finally, we can use donations cash, gift cards, or small door prizes to help ensure that each Sister leaves with more than one token of our appreciation.

Donations can be addressed to the Grand Knight and mailed to (or dropped off) at the hall. If you can assist with transportation or clean-up, contact John Little at jlittle@lpf-law.com or 214.394.8658.

Ronald McDonald House

On Jan 22, several guys cooked dinner for guests of the Ronald McDonald House. Thanks to **Scott Callagy** for coordinating the event this month.



Ed Hubbuch	Scott Callagy
Tom Dehmer	Jeff Carter
Danny Rigamonti	David Broome
Joseph Canelliere	Bobby Lonergan
Ralph Fierro and his Daughter	Dan Lonergan

The group came eager to learn the menu and to do whatever was needed to prep, cook, serve and clean.

Pro-Life Event was a Success!

The Great 799 represented the Council very well at the 38th annual pro-life rally on Jan 22. In the March for Life, **Michael Savage** was in charge of the Flag detail, **David Holder** served as the Grand Marshal, **Victor Estrello** was in charge of charity collections and **Beau Hughey** led closing activities. This is not to mention the other outstanding members in the **Color Corps** and an appearance by the Grand Knight, **John Little**, who also helped with crowd control after Mass. Diocesan Deputy, **Roger Scott**, and District Deputy, **David Carr**, as well as **James Hale** of the Abram J. Ryan Assembly were also there to show their support for Life.



It was an outstanding event, concelebrated by the Bishops of the Dallas and Fort Worth Diocese, Kevin Ferrell and Kevin Van, as well as the Auxiliary Bishops Mark Seitz and Doug Deshotel. Bishop Ferrell encouraged all in attendance to pray for the respect for life everyday as part of their prayer lives. A crowd, estimated to be in excess of 10,000 people, participated in a mile long procession to the Federal Court House where the Roe Rally took place. Enthusiastic speakers and inspiring music warmed the crowd. A solemn procession returned to the Cathedral with 38 empty baby strollers representing a lost life for every year since the unfortunate passing of the Roe vs. Wade decision that legalized abortion.



Regular Hours

Lounge Information

Mon-Fri: Open 5pm to close*
Saturday: 2pm-close*

* Closing time is between 9pm and midnight. If you're having a good time, we're open.

Sunday Brunch at the KC Hall

The buffet brunch is open nearly every Sunday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Please consider inviting your family and friends to enjoy a great meal at the KC Hall this Sunday. Open every Sunday 11am -2pm \$10 for adults; \$5 for children

Send Your Content

Please provide suggestions, or content articles for the newsletter to: news@kc799.org. Deadline for Jan. newsletter is:

February 16

Volunteer Opportunities

Annual Garage Sale is April 16

The Annual KC 799/Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court #1719 Garage Sale is scheduled for April 16 in the upper parking lot of the KC Hall. Items for donation are needed along with volunteers to help before, during and after the sale. Contact Mike or Susan Ross Hill at 214-500-8129 to schedule a donation pick-up or drop-off or to volunteer for the event.

Recruiting for IT Committee

If you are looking for a way to get involved. Come to the KayCee lounge at 8:00 pm on the second Tuesday of the month to discuss current and future projects. The committee runs the gamut of projects from web development, cabling, desktop/server support, we cover it all. Come to help, come to learn. For more information, email chris@widhelm.com.

Golf Tournament Committee

The golf tournament committee held its first planning meeting to begin plans for the Golf Tournament later this spring. If you are interested in helping, please contact hectorleija@inbox.com to volunteer. We're looking for several gentlemen to help with the planning and operation of the tournament.

Catholic Charities Truck

Please contact Brian Bessner (214-454-7557) to volunteer to drive the *World of Gifts* truck to collect goods for Catholic Charities. Our Council needs drivers for Friday evenings and Sunday afternoons to drive the truck.

KayCee Club Hall Rental

The KayCee Club Hall is available for rental to Members and non-Members. For info, please contact Oliver Rhein (oliver_kc799@sbcglobal.net)

Vocation Chalice Program

Please continue to volunteer for our Vocation Chalice program. Chalices are exchanged on Tues. evenings, at the cabinet in the downstairs lounge.

Chalice 1

1/25-2/1	Donny Hebert
2/1-2/8	Bill Woleck
2/8-2/15	David Broome
2/15-2/22	Don Broome
2/22-3/1	Jim Hale

Chalice 2

1/25-2/1	Antonio Bernal Jr
2/1-2/8	Richard Johnston
2/8-2/15	Kenny Delzell
2/15-2/22	George Mones
2/22-3/1	Victor Estrello

Please call **Richard Johnston** at (469) 951-8859 to sign up for this program.

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Membership Information

Orientation Meetings:

There will be an orientation meeting on **Monday, Feb 7th.**

The meeting will be held in the downstairs conference room beginning at 6:30 pm, and will last approx. 40 minutes. The history, activities, and responsibilities of being a Knight will be presented. New applicants as well as those considering transferring to Dallas Council 799 are required to attend an orientation meeting.

What are the requirements?

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to men 18 years of age or older who are practical (that is, practicing) Catholics in union with the Holy See.

Membership Contact:

John Bane, (214) 707-1121
jdbane@aol.com

2011 Scout Sunday Pancake Breakfast

WHERE: St. Patrick School
Auditorium

DATE: Sunday, February 6th

TIMES: After 8:00 & 10:00 Masses

MENU (All you can eat):

- Traditional Bisquick Pancakes
- Delicious toppings include various nuts, berries & whipped cream
- Little Smoky Sausages
- Boiled Eggs
- Fruit bowls with a generous variety
- Oatmeal, with optional raisins and brown sugar
- Coffee, orange juice, fruit juice, milk, chocolate milk and ice water

COST:

- Military, Seniors, Kids & Teens - \$3
- Adults - \$4
- Family Discount - \$12 max. • Ages 3 & under FREE



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