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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE:

The season of Lent is a very special time of the year to reflect on the 40 days Jesus spent in the desert fasting and giving up material things during that period. Always remember that Christ gave His life to save yours. Ash Wednesday was on February 18th.

A Major Degree was held on February 15th, with 31 candidates from the surrounding areas in attendance. There were also about 30 witnesses on hand for this Exemplification. We need to thank everyone for coming and especially the Degree Team from Houston. I would like to thank Group 1 for coming in on a Sunday and preparing the meal.

If you have someone going off to college in the fall, it is time to submit a scholarship application. Applications are due April 1, 2015. Your Council #2574 will award scholarships to graduating high school seniors and current college students. Applications are on the La Grange ISD website, www.lgisd.net and our website www.lagrangekc.com. You may also contact Jody Supak or your high school counselor for more information.

We had our local free throw contest on January 24th and had a nice turn out this year. Congratulations to the winners: 11 year old girls Hope Kalina, 9 year old boys Jaxon Cooper, 10 year old boys Kadyn Hall, 11 year old boys Wyatt Wick, 12 year old boys Jeffery Recek, and 13 year old boys Noah Ehler. Then on February 14th they went to Smithville for district and Wyatt Wick and Noah Ehler advanced. Great job everyone and hope Wyatt and Noah can make it to state. Thanks again to Philip Rocha, our youth director and Marcus Recek. They do a wonderful job with this event.

I would like to send a BIG THANK YOU to Rusty and Marilyn Freedman for chairing the Ladies Appreciation Night. It was a huge success with about 225 guests. Also I would like to thank everyone else that helped with all the decorating. It truly was beautiful and the ladies sure enjoyed it.

Brother Knights, I just wanted to ask any of you that might have borrowed any of our pots or pans or any of our coolers please return them. We have noticed some of them missing. Group Chairman Ed asked me to ask you whenever you cater a meal please check with the host of the event, before distributing food to each other. Some people have been claiming there should have been more food left on some occasions Thank You.

As always we need to mark our calendars for the MS 150 Bike-A-Thon which is on April 18-19. We will need as many members as possible to help out. We will be loading and hauling equipment to and from the Fair Grounds. We will be preparing, serving and cleaning up for two meals, dinner for about 4000 and breakfast about 5000. All Group Chairmen or a representative from that group will need to attend our Council meeting April 7th to discuss work assignments for the Bike-A-Thon weekend. For more information contact Pat Kalina @ 966-3702 or Hall Manager Ed Sulak @ 968-5117.

In closing I would like to remind all of you about our Memorial Scholarship and Msgr. Harry Scholarship Golf Tournament on Friday March 27th. Anyone who wants to play, make a donation, donate a door prize, or just come out and help please give Pat Kalina a call @ 966-3702.

Until next time, May God Bless you and keep you!

GRAND KNIGHT,
Pat Kalina Jr.

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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

During March each year, every K of C Council honors the legacy of Father Michael J. McGivney as our founder with a vision that every Catholic man be called to active participation in the sacramental life of the parish where they could plan events not only for Knights and their families, but also for the parish community. Through its history the Knights of Columbus have developed many programs to assist people in need of help. The Supreme Council is encouraging all councils to conduct outreach programs to those less fortunate than ourselves in our parishes and communities. The Lenten Season in the Church is especially a good time to become more involved in various external charitable activities --- contributing to the food pantry, visiting the nursing homes and shut-ins, providing an assist in projects such as Habitat for Humanity.

Also, very importantly, the Knights of Columbus stand for the Sanctity of Life and the development of a solid Catholic Family. The family remains at the heart of Father McGivney's intention to have a Catholic Organization that would address the perils threatening family life. As our first school of forgiveness, we should see the family as essential for the building of human society. Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI said, the family "is fruitful for society because family life is the first and irreplaceable school of social virtues". (Homily, June 3, 2012). Our present Holy Father, Pope Francis, is asking us to pray for the Synod of Bishops concluding meeting in October on the theme, "The Vocation and Mission of the Family in the Church and Contemporary World". He is inviting us all to put forth efforts "in seeking to make love and not hate normal, making mutual help commonplace, not indifference or enmity. ... This is the great mission of the family: to make room for Jesus ... to welcome Jesus in the family, in each member" (General Audience, 17 Dec 2014). Pope Francis then concludes: "When Christ visits the family, he comes as Prince of Peace. ... It is through the love of such families that God's Son quietly comes to dwell among us, bringing salvation to our world." (General Audience, Dec. 17, 2014). Forgiveness is the key --- for the family that prays together will stay together because it will be able to forgive through the mercy of Christ.

Father Dan Kahlich, Chaplain

◆ ◆ ◆ ATTENTION KC MEMBERS ◆ ◆ ◆

Our next council meeting is Tuesday, March 10, 2015. Social begins at 6:15 pm with a meal and meeting to follow. Congratulations goes out to brother Rusty Freedman who won the door prize and better luck next time to brother Albert Kozel who would have won \$350.00. This month it will be \$355.00.

◆ ◆ ◆ KC OFFICER'S MEETING ◆ ◆ ◆

Our Officer's meeting will be held March 24th at 6:00 pm.

◆ ◆ ◆ KC SCHOLARSHIP FUND ◆ ◆ ◆

Are you interested in contributing to the Scholarship Fund? Each year our Council gives scholarships to deserving students. If you need more information about the Scholarship Fund, please contact Jody Supak @ 968-5332 or Pat Kalina Jr. @ 966-3702.

◆ ◆ ◆ KC 4TH DEGREE ◆ ◆ ◆

There will be a 4th degree meeting Thursday, March 19th in Giddings. The meal is at 7:00 with the meeting to follow.

◆ ◆ ◆ KC B-B-Q CHICKEN & RIBS ◆ ◆ ◆

Just a reminder there will be a B-B-Q Chicken & Ribs Sunday, March 29. Spread the word.



Happy Birthday To You!

Our Council would like to wish the following members a "Happy Birthday" and many more happy, healthy years ahead. Enjoy your special day!

- March 01 - Chase Fietsam, Leroy Gaddes
- March 02 - Randy Heger
- March 03 - Wally De La Rosa
- March 04 - Lawrence Kallus, Ralph Goerig,
Eugene Urbanovsky
- March 05 - James Rebecsek
- March 06 - Dale W. Jurecka, Jason Kalina
- March 07 - Hunter Callis
- March 08 - William Levy, John Beck
- March 09 - Clement Trlicek, Thomas Stavinoha,
Ivan Faldyn, Andrew Muras
- March 10 - John Kubos, Ralph Dunk, Jose Solorzano
- March 12 - Brian A. Wood
- March 13 - J. Roy Baca
- March 14 - Edward Schielack
- March 16 - Kenneth Jurecka, Craig Zingelmann
- March 19 - Mark Hebert
- March 21 - Peter Chovanec Sr.
- March 22 - Peter Quitta, Christopher Deters
- March 25 - Richard Hrbacek, Antonio Valastro
- March 26 - Clayton R. Zarr
- March 28 - Patrick Kalina Sr.
- March 29 - Richard Calloway
- March 30 - David Machala, Ray Tompkins
- March 31 - Brian Burton, James Weikel



– Important Dates To Remember –

MARCH 06 -
SHOCK FISH FRY

MARCH 10 -
KC MEETING

MARCH 13 -
KC FISH FRY

MARCH 19 -
4TH DEGREE MEETING, GIDDINGS

MARCH 20 -
PLUM FISH FRY

MARCH 24 -
OFFICER'S MEETING

MARCH 27 -
GOLF TOURNAMENT & KC FISH FRY

MARCH 29 -
BBQ CHICKEN AND RIBS

MARCH 31 - **RED ROOSTER**

APRIL 12 -
SACRED HEART SPRING FESTIVAL

APRIL 18-19 - **BIKE-A-THON**

PLAN FOR THIS TAX DAY AND INTO THE FUTURE

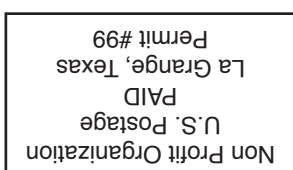
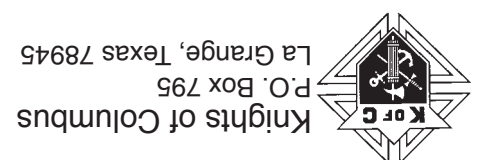
April 15 (Tax Day) is right around the corner. It's become popular this time of year to encourage the opening of an IRA or similar retirement annuity, or the depositing of additional funds into an existing account, as a tax-savings vehicle. Or perhaps someone has tried to convince you to open an account touting the rate of interest that money in one of these accounts can earn. Let me join the chorus of folks encouraging you to open or add funds to an existing account/annuity, but for a different reason.

Certainly, contributing money to a Knights of Columbus annuity will allow you to save some money on your income tax return. And our annuities do pay a very competitive interest rate, consistent with our primary goal of absolute safety of principal. Opening or adding to annuity for these reasons, however, strikes me as taking a short-term view of a product designed to provide long-term security. How much security? How does retirement income that you cannot outlive – guaranteed – sound to you?









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We are happy to meet with you – at your convenience and in your home or in our office – to explain in detail the benefits of opening a Knights of Columbus annuity along with the benefits of our top-rated life insurance, disability income and long term care insurance plans. Contact us, Doug or Jody Supak at (979) 968-5332, at supakins@cmaccess.com or stop by our office at 130 S. College St. in La Grange.

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



MARCH 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 GROUP 3	2	3	4 LG Noon Lions Club Drive Thru (Not KC Catered)	5 Law Enforcement Appreciation Supper (KC Catered)	6  Shock Fish Fry	7
8 GROUP 4	9	10 KC Meeting 	11	12	13  KC Fish Fry	14 Roadrunners Square Dance (Bar Only)
15 GROUP 5	16 Country Music Show 	17	18	19 4th Degree Meeting, Giddings	20  Plum Fish Fry	21 Clinton Ellebracht Private Dance (Bar Only)
22 GROUP 6 CDA Family Dinner (KC Catered)	23	24	25	26 CCA Banquet (KC Catered)	27 KC Scholarship Golf Tournament Frisch Auf & KC Fish Fry 	28 Orona Quinceanera (Bar Only)
29 GROUP 7 BBQ Chicken and Ribs	30	31 Red Rooster	1 APRIL	2	3	4
5 GROUP 8	6	7 Remnant Church Drive-Thru (Not KC Catered)	8	9 LCRA Meeting	10	11
12 GROUP 9 Sacred Heart Spring Festival (Bar Only)	13	14 KC Meeting 	15	16	17	18  Bike-A-Thon

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Group 6 - Proske/Supak 968-8630/968-5332

Group 7 - Matt Henneke/Billy Roensch 966-2582/966-7303

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966-3069/966-3469

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