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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.

Remember, each Friday of Lent there will be FRIED CATFISH DINNERS to go at the hall helping support the CDA, Shock, our Churches and our KC charities. Please come enjoy a great meal and help support these causes. The Plates are \$10, and the drive thru is open from 4:30 to 6:30. Thanks.

A Major Degree was held on February 21st, with 53 total candidates from the surrounding areas in attendance, with 15 from our council. There were also about 50 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 10 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, 2016. Your Council #2574 will award scholarships to graduating high school seniors and current college students. Applications are on our website www.lagrangekc.com. You may also contact Jody Supak or your high school counselor for more information. See article on page 3 of this newsletter.

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 215 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.

As always we need to mark our calendars for the MS 150 Bike-A-Thon which is on April 16-17. 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 4,000 and breakfast about 5,000. All Group Chairmen or a representative from that group will need to attend our Council meeting April 12th to discuss work assignments for the Bike-A-Thon weekend. For more information contact Randy Proske @ 979-505-0262 or Hall Manager Stuart Naumann @ 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 18th. Anyone who wants to play, make a donation, donate a door prize, or just come out and help. Please give Randy Proske a call @ 979-505-0262.

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

Grand Knight,
Randy Proske

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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

As we move toward the final weeks of our Lenten Journey to Holy Week, we anticipate once again the joyous celebration of Easter. It is the foundation of our faith. St. Paul tells us, "...if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is vain, your faith also is vain." 1 Cor. 15:17 During our Lenten journey, we reflected on taking up our cross and following Jesus. We may have entered into the spirit of 'fasting', 'prayer' and 'almsgiving' as a way of permitting Christ to live through our lives. We hope to be ready to celebrate the glorious victory over sin and death.

Holy Week is the very special time in our Lenten observance. Special graces are given to those who prayerfully participate. One finds a deeper understanding of God's purpose, of God's compassion, and of God's powerful love and mercy. The week begins with Palm Sunday celebrating Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Receiving the blessed palm reminds us of how quickly and often we turn away from Christ. Next comes Holy Thursday. It begins what is called the Triduum --- commemorating the Passion, Death and Resurrection on Good Friday and Holy Saturday. It is probably one of the most eventful and significant days in Jesus' entire life! He washed the apostle's feet; He instituted both the Eucharist and the Priesthood; He gave his new commandment to love one another; He promised to send the Holy Spirit to help us; He endured the agony in the garden; He asked his disciples to watch and pray with Him; He prayed that all might be one. Everything Jesus did that day was tied to His plan for the Church. He wanted all his people for all times to be grounded in the Eucharist, in the priesthood of service, in unity and in love. He promised to send the Holy Spirit to do all that he asked of us.

As Knights of Columbus, let us make every effort to observe the Triduum and share in its special graces. Peace and Blessings to all.

Sincerely in Christ,
Father Dan Kahlich, Co-Chaplain

◆ ◆ ◆ ATTENTION KC MEMBERS ◆ ◆ ◆

Our next council meeting is Tuesday, March 8, 2016. Social begins at 6:15 pm with a meal and meeting to follow.

◆ ◆ ◆ KC OFFICER'S MEETING ◆ ◆ ◆

Our Officer's meeting will be held March 22nd at 6:00 pm.

◆ ◆ ◆ KC 4TH DEGREE ◆ ◆ ◆

There will be a 4th degree meeting Thursday, April 9th in Bryan. The meal is at 7:00 with the meeting to follow.

◆ ◆ ◆ 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.

◆ ◆ ◆ KC B-B-Q CHICKEN & RIBS ◆ ◆ ◆

Just a reminder there will be an EASTER - B-B-Q Chicken & Ribs Sunday, March 27. Spread the word.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #2574 & MSGR HARRY SCHOLARSHIPS DUE APRIL 1ST

Knights of Columbus Council # 2574 is once again offering scholarships to active members of council # 2574, their wives, their children & dependent grandchildren. An active member is one whose dues are paid & is participating in some form or fashion in the fraternal/service/financial/insurance programs of the Order. Just paying your dues, or just showing up at an event or just having an annuity or insurance policy by itself does not qualify as being an active member for scholarship purposes. These scholarships are being offered to graduating high school seniors & to current college students as well. KofC Council #2574 Scholarship applications & KofC #2574/Msgr Harry Scholarship applications for graduating high school seniors are on the LGISD website (www.lgisd.net) & on the KofC #2574 website. It is advisable for all graduating high school seniors to obtain their scholarship applications from the LGISD website (www.lgisd.net) & to complete, sign & submit those applications to their High School Counselor.

Please take note...There is a new application for current college students this year. The application for current college students is listed on the KofC #2574 website only, not on the LGISD website. It is advisable for all current college students and for those applying for renewal of the KofC #2574/Msgr Harry scholarship to obtain their applications from the KofC #2574 website (lagrangekc.com). All 3 Scholarship applications are listed on the KofC #2574 website. Each application is titled...KC High School Graduate, KC College Student Renewal, Msgr Harry scholarship so be sure to complete and submit the appropriate application. Completed applications should be signed and submitted along with a copy of your grades (current transcript) to Jody Supak at 130 S. College St. in La Grange. Fully completed & signed applications along with current transcripts can be emailed to jody.supak@kofc.org if preferred.

All applications must be fully completed, signed and submitted by April 1, 2016 for consideration.

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!

Mar. 01 - Chase Fietsam, Leroy Gaddes

Mar. 02 - Randy Heger

Mar. 03 - Wally De La Rosa

Mar. 04 - Ralph Goerig, Eugene Urbanovsky

Mar. 05 - James Rebecsek

Mar. 06 - Dale W. Jurecka, Jason Kalina

Mar. 07 - Hunter Callis

Mar. 08 - William Levy, John Beck

Mar. 09 - Clement Trliceck, Ivan Faldyn, Andrew Muras

Mar. 10 - John Kubos, Ralph Dunk, Jose Solorzano

Mar. 12 - Brian A. Wood

Mar. 13 - J. Roy Baca

Mar. 14 - Edward Schielack

Mar. 16 - Kenneth Jurecka, Craig Zingelmann

Mar. 19 - Mark Hebert

Mar. 21 - Peter Chovanec Sr.

Mar. 22 - Peter Quitta, Christopher Deters

Mar. 25 - Richard Hrbacek, Antonio Valastro

Mar. 26 - Clayton R. Zarr

Mar. 28 - Patrick Kalina Sr.

Mar. 29 - Richard Calloway

Mar. 30 - David Machala, Ray Tompkins

Mar. 31 - Brian Burton, James Weikel



– Important Dates To Remember –

**MARCH 4—PLUM CHURCH
FISH FRY**

MARCH 8—KC MEETING

MARCH 11— FISH FRY

MATTHEW TORRES BENEFIT

**MARCH 18—K OF C FISH FRY
AND GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**MARCH 19—4TH DEGREE
MEETING GIDDINGS**

**MARCH 22—OFFICER'S
MEETING**

MARCH 27— HAPPY EASTER

**MARCH 27—BBQ CHICKEN
AND RIBS**

MARCH 29—RED ROOSTER

**APRIL 10—SACRED HEART
SPRING FESTIVAL**

APRIL 15-16—BIKE-A-THON

RETIRE WITH THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

There are few things in life that are harder to predict than how much money we'll need in retirement. When we reach retirement, most of us will be in a state of uncertainty. With careful planning and smart decision-making, however, you can remove much of the financial uncertainty from your retirement years and eliminate the headache-inducing guesswork.

A great vehicle to help you achieve that goal is the newly redesigned Knights of Columbus Single Premium Immediate Annuity (SPIA). The SPIA is a powerful product that – properly structured – can give you a guaranteed, fixed stream of income for the rest of your life. And like all Knights of Columbus products, it is customizable so that you can select the best options to fit your retirement needs. A Knights of Columbus Single Premium Immediate Annuity puts your money to work and your mind at rest. Here's how it works:

As its name suggests, the SPIA is funded by a single premium. You pay once. That's it. Pulling from non-qualified or qualified funds (such as IRAs, ROTH IRAs, SEPs, TSAs or 401Ks), you fund your SPIA with a single payment and it begins to work immediately. How, when & how much money you receive from your SPIA depends upon the options you select.

Option one: Guaranteed Period Only–With this option, you choose how many years you want to get paid and how often. For the number of years, you can choose any number from 5-30 years. As with all four options, you can choose to be paid monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually. The amount you'll be paid is fixed and will not change. If you pass away before you have received all of your payments, your savings will not be lost. The remainder of your guaranteed payments will go to a joint owner (if you elected one) or to your named beneficiary. Once all the guaranteed payments have been made, the contract will terminate.

Option Two: Life Annuity with a Guaranteed Period–With this option you choose how many years you want to get paid, and if you outlive those number of years, you continue to get paid the same amount for the rest of your life! Like option one, if you pass away before you have exhausted your guaranteed payments, those payments will be made to a joint owner or a named beneficiary. If you pass away after the guaranteed period, the contract will terminate & no additional payments will be made.

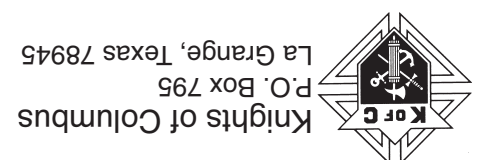
Option Three: Joint and Survivor–This option covers two people. As with the other SPIA options, it allows you (the primary owner) to receive guaranteed, fixed payments for the rest of your life, but, it also gives you the ability to pass on your payments to a second person – such as your spouse – after you've passed away, which will allow them (as joint owner) to receive payments for the rest of their life as well.

For as long as you live, you will receive a fixed payment. When you pass away, your spouse will receive the payment for the rest of their life as well. The amount they receive at this point will be a percentage of the amount that you received while you were alive. This percentage can be 100%, 66.6% or 50%, as elected on the original contract. If however, your spouse passes away first, you will continue to receive payments in the amount originally received for the rest of your life. Once both owners have passed away, the contract will terminate.

Option Four: Deferred Paid-Up Annuity–This option is for those who don't need to begin receiving money right away. With the deferred annuity, you elect to begin receiving payments after a certain number of years have passed or after you've reached a certain age. With this option, you cannot begin receiving payments for at least five years, and you must begin receiving payments by age 84. Once payments begin, you will receive payments for the rest of your life. However, this is a paid-up annuity, so if you pass away sooner than expected and the amount of money you received is less than the amount of money you paid into the annuity, the difference will be given as a death benefit to your named beneficiary. This option guarantees that – at a minimum – you and your family will not lose money.





The Knights of Columbus Single Premium Immediate Annuity can give you the guarantees you need. And, as with all products from the Knights of Columbus, it's backed by our A++ (Superior) financial strength, as rated by A.M. Best. So if you're looking for a solution to retirement worry, retiring with the Knights of Columbus may be just what the doctor ordered. For specific rules & complete details on these plans speak to your local brother Knight Field Agents Doug or Jody Supak who will be more than happy to fill you in. They can be reached at (979) 968-5332, at 130 S. College St. in La Grange or email them at douglas.supak@kofc.org or jody.supak@kofc.org.

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6 GROUP 1	7	8 KC Meeting 	9	10 Band Booster Drive Thru	11 KC Fish Fry 	12 Road Runner Square Dance (Bar Only)
13 GROUP 2	14	15	16	17	18 KC Memorial Golf Tournament at Frisch Auf KC Fish Fry	19 Private Dance
20 GROUP 3	21 Country Music Show 	22	23	24	25	26
27 GROUP 4 HAPPY EASTER BBQ Chicken & Ribs Sunday	28	29 Red Rooster	30	31 CCA (KC Catered)	1 APRIL	2
3 GROUP 5	4	5	6	7	8	9 Sacred Heart Decorating
10 GROUP 6 Sacred Heart Spring Festival (Bar Only)	11	12 KC Meeting 	13	14	15	16 Bike-A-Thon

Group 1 - Charles Youngblood/Pat Lyons/Ray Tompkins 713-992-0587

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

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