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A MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

Worthy Brothers

Some fresh breezes are afoot in our council. In the past few months, we've been blessed with six new members joining us from a variety of stages in life. These six men: **Tommy Garcia**, **Jack Johnson**, **Kevin Pike**, **Pete Ineich**, **Jim Hagan**, and **Tim Secola**, present an eclectic mix of Catholic men. Each of them brings his own set of talents. Each represents the potential to take our council to new places – into new areas of service. These new members joined us through a natural and spirit-driven evolution of our group so they can partake in service performed in good faith alongside like-minded and like-faithed friends.

Let all of us welcome these new members into our fold. And let us please consider renewing our own motives to be a part of the council realizing that each of us, young and old, brings talents to the table that shine out beyond the basket, brighten the world, and give us new Life in Christ.

Vivat Jesus,

– Bill Eldridge

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

The Family of the Month for February 2023 goes to a couple who've been involved in the council for decades. The good memories go way back with these two. He is currently an officer stretching himself into new roles in the council. His lovely wife has been a mainstay in our council efforts since back when we used to bowl together. On Ash Wednesday, though, they really got stretched. At 5:30 Mass, everything was in full motion. The homily was over. It was time for the Offertory, and people glanced to the back of the Church, taking for granted that the ushers had things well in hand. Carey and Melissa Leslie, sitting in the back pew,

glanced around only to discover why things had been really quiet back there. There were no ushers. The Gifts had to be gathered and presented. So, the two of them, cool as cucumbers, acting as though they were Masters of Ceremony in the Vatican, did what needed to be done. They found the Gifts and presented them to the celebrant. The Offertory happened. The Prayer over the Offerings and the Eucharistic Prayer could progress. So, Carey and Melissa, Family of the Month for February, 2023, ever will be known as the man and wife who, through their quick thinking and knowledge of the Liturgy, kept an Ash Wednesday Mass running smoothly. In all seriousness, we love you two.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

The Knight of the Month for February, 2023, is no stranger to work. He's one of the hardest working guys in the council. Our Council meetings begin on time because the council hall is always ready on time. Worthy Warden Richard Villarreal has done the heavy lifting for more years than we can count. This past month, though, he went above and beyond. During our February Membership Meeting, Richard and Lupita were out of town. When some amateurs reached into the refrigerator in the storage room to get drinks for the meeting, we discovered a can of Coca Cola had frozen and exploded. Every square inch of the interior of the refrigerator was covered in a sticky mess. The Grand Knight planned to clean it up. A couple of days passed. Still, the Grand Knight planned to do it, and a couple more days passed. Last Tuesday, two of us, **David Roberson** and the Grand Knight, showed up independently of each other, at the same time only to discover that the inside of the refrigerator was sparkling clean. We went from guy to guy asking who had cleaned the mess, and it started looking like we had a guardian angel. And then **Richard** showed up and nodded. Of course he had cleaned it up. He hadn't known about it, and thought nothing of it. Over the years, **Richard** has done countless things without being asked, without being seen, but this time, he did something that caught our attention in a most appreciative way. Thank you, **Richard**. Thank you, **Lupita**, for sharing your guardian angel with us. We so appreciate everything you've done over the years for the council.

MARCH 2ND MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Our March 2nd Membership Meeting will take place in Room 1 of the Parish Center. We will begin at 7:00 PM with the Scriptural Rosary followed by the meeting at 7:30. There will be light snacks, beverages, and good cheer. Worthy Lecturer Ed Long will present on what happens upon the death of a Holy Father. We will have time to socialize as well as discuss some items of interest.

K OF C STATE CONVENTION GOLF TOURNAMENT

This year the tournament will be held at Stevens Park. We have some golfers in the council who might want to register. If you're interested, contact Chris Curto at chris.curto@gmail.com or Bob Fisher at rmfish@swbell.net.

The venue is as follows:

Stevens Park Golf Course Friday, May 5 9:00 AM shotgun start Breakfast and Lunch Prizes Only \$125 per player BINGO!!

Our next Parish Bingo will be on Saturday, March 11th, with dinner beginning at 6:30 PM. Brother David Roberson will be preparing his special recipe for pulled pork. Our last Bingo was a banner event. Consider bringing your family and friends to dine in fine fashion and enjoy the excitement of an evening of Bingo.

FOOD TRUCK

A special thanks goes out to all of the members of the council and the parish who assist with the Catholic Charities food distribution in the Parish Center parking lot on the third Tuesday of each month.

"For I was hungry and you gave me food..."

- Matthew 25:35.

RED CARPET TRIVIA NIGHT

Our Parish Trivia Night will take place on Saturday, March 25th at the Old 75 Beer Garden. The proceeds will go to the child, young adult, and adult parish evangelization programs. Please note that there are two options for tables: **VIP and Basic**. Each table seats six participants. The **VIP** tables cost \$624 which entitles the party to begin at 6:00 PM with:

- Priority parking and seating
- Very Special VIP Happy Hour
- Fantastic Appetizers
- Live Music
- Two free drink coupons
- Entrée from the Old 75 Menu

Basic tables cost \$400 for a table of six. These participants show up at 7:00 PM. The plan includes:

- One free drink coupon
- Entrée from the Old 75 Menu

Our Council plans to participate in the event. If you're interested in heading up a table or being a part of one, please contact Chris Curto at chris.curto@gmail.com or Bill Eldridge at wfeldridge016@gmail.com.

BIBLICAL ART MUSEUM VISIT

On Sunday, Feb. 19th, several members of our council visited the Dallas Museum of Biblical Arts. The event was organized by **Council Director Bob Fisher.** The tour included a look at Salvador Dali paintings of scenes from Dante's Inferno, maps from ancient Palestine, a truly impressive

mural depicting Jesus emerging from the tomb after His Resurrection, Sculptures of the Stations of the Cross, and casts of Michelangelo's David, the Pieta, and Moses.

SATURDAY MORNING RETREAT

Brother Michael O'Malley is organizing a Saturday morning Retreat for some time after Easter. This is in keeping with the K of C emphasis on increased faith formation being part of our organizational goal. The Retreat will include prayer, brotherhood, and spiritual self-reflection. If you're interested in participating, please contact Mike at mike_omalley@hotmail.com.









CALENDAR OF EVENTS		
Thursday, March 2 nd	Membership meeting at the Parish Center, East Room 1 (7:00 PM Rosary, 7:30 Meeting - Door Code 18820#)	
Friday, March 3 rd	Special Olympics Basketball Awards (Frisco) 9:30 AM	
Saturday, March 11 th	Bingo in the Parish Center following 5:30 PM Mass	
Thursday, March 16 th	Officer/Director Planning Meeting, 7:00 PM at the Parish Center, Room 4, Door Code 18820#	
Tuesday, March 21 st	Bingo at Cottonwood Creek Health Center, 2:15 PM	
Sunday, March 26 th	Cook and Serve for High School Youth Group (Parish Center), 6:00 PM	



March 2	Dan Sanford
March 4	Glenn Angel
March 8	Jim O'Malley
March 10	Bill Archer
March 18	Carey Leslie
March 18	Emmanuel Ifeji
March 19	Ray Battalora
March 21	Mark Goedecke
March 24	William Jung

REGULAR FUNDRAISING

Our regular fundraising endeavors:

Donating Blood: Tom Thumb: Albertsons: Compass Bank: We are number 22058 with Carter Blood Care Good Neighbor Program No. 54476 Community Partner No. 49000119848 When opening an account refer to our Affinity code 87719

Forms for all of the above are available at each meeting from our Financial Secretary.

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