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MEETING NOTICE

K of C Council # 10209 Meets

Where: St. Paul's Church-rooms 5&7

When: Monday, March 5th 2007

Time: 7:30 pm

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Grand Knight's Report

Brother Knights:

I would like to thank you all for your prayers. It really means so much to me and my family. Two years ago I was diagnosed with low kidney function due to complications from high blood pressure and diabetes. It has progressed to chronic kidney failure. My options now are to undergo dialysis treatments and get on a transplant list. I go to a dialysis clinic three times a week for a four hour session each time. Thanks to Bruce for all he has done to lead the council these past couple of months. Also to all of you all I am truly grateful.

We are now into the second half of our fraternal year. We have gone through a couple of months where our normal business was altered. We are now ready to resume our fund raisers to get back on track to meet our budget demands. We do have a major fundraiser coming soon. Our golf tournament will be here before too long. I want to see as many of you all involved in this as possible. Volunteer to help out or participate by getting a team and play some golf. Our pancake breakfast was a success and we should plan another possibly a regular monthly event. Another off site fundraiser is in order. These are always a success and fun to do.

As you all know our council was honored to have two of our brothers ordained as Deacons in the Catholic Church. Brothers Ron Woods and Vincent Boyle received their ordination on February 17th in Bryan, TX. I know I speak for everyone when I say congratulations and best wishes to Ron and Vince. We are very proud of their accomplishment. From all of us: all the best to them and their families.

Our next business meeting is scheduled for March 5th 7:30pm. I hope to see a many of you there as possible. God Bless you all.

Fraternally:
GK Louis R. Palacios

Prayer Box

Please Pray for:

SK Bart Botta who has terminal cancer, GK Louis Palacios and his family, Repose on the soul of Roxanne Nicks and for Brother Ron Nicks and his family, Fr. Hal Zink, Fr. Barry Cabell, Fr. Jim Evans, Fr. Jim Chamberlain, Betty Parks, Herman Bunn, Marilyn Pickwell

Monthly Awards

The Knight of the Month and Family of the Month awards will be announced at the March meeting!

Financial Secretary's Report

Brother Knights,

Any outstanding dues are now past due. If you have not yet paid your dues, please make an effort to do so as soon as possible. If there are compelling reasons why you are unable to take care of this obligation, please make one of the other officers or myself aware of your circumstances. The names of those members who are in arrears will soon be given to the retention committee for further action. Your dues are critical to funding the council's various endeavors and pay for much of our operating expenses. Thanks for your cooperation in this important matter.

Fraternally, Ken Moore, Financial Secretary

Community Service Corner

Here are the events planned this Month:

Saturday, 17 March 2007, 9:00am - Noon **CAPITAL AREA FOOD BANK** Sign up at the meeting. Meet at the food bank on South Congress o/a 8:50 am on March 17th for a brief orientation.

Saturday, 31 March 2007, 9:00-11:00 am **KAB City-Wide CLEAN SWEEP**. Sign up at the meeting—

important to sign up, because I'll be picking up wrist bands for the volunteer picnic. Meet at the Church parking lot by the big rock. We will pick up roadside litter along David Moore Rd , and all around the church grounds to include parking lots and buildings from David Moore to Bilbrook Dr.

Saturday, 31 March 2007 11:30 am – 1:30pm KAB Volunteer Party/Picnic at Waterloo Park , 403 East 15th St. Those that help can caravan or go on your own and meet up at Waterloo Park afterwards. There will be food, drinks, T-shirts, music & entertainment for adults & kids.

–SK Rene Gaytan

March Membership Drive

March is a membership blitz month for the Knights of Columbus. Is there a gentleman in our Parish who you have considered asking to join the council? Now is the time to do it. There are many new families at St. Paul's that could benefit from membership in the council. We need to ensure that we are asking every eligible member of the parish to consider membership in our order. Not only does this help them but it helps us as well. As Fr. Paul used to say "Many hands make light work". Let's be sure we try our best this month to add a few new members because it's a win-win situation for everyone. Contact our membership chairman Bruce Hirsch if you need help recruiting any candidates. Bruce's email is bruce651@aol.com.

Marbridge Drivers Needed

I have committed to driving our fellow Marbridge Parishioners to Sunday 9 a.m. Mass. I would like to develop a back up list of potential drivers to either assist with this ministry and/or be available on weekends that I will be out-of-town. If you are interested, please call me at 288-5592 or send me an email at mmajek@sbcglobal.net

-SK Mark Majek

Golf Tournament Update

Plans for the Council Scholarship and Charities Fund golf tournament are well underway and all indications are that the tournament will be a success. We have secured a very good price for golf at Onion Creek Country Club and are able to offer an incredibly low entry fee of \$80.00 per player at the golf course where the PGA Senior Tour began and former location of LPGA tournaments. We will have several opportunities for teams or individuals to win prizes. We have developed an application for teams and a letter/donation form to be used when contacting potential sponsors/donors.

Now we need your help to ensure that success will be the name of this FUNdraiser. Even if you do not play golf, we need your help. We will have forms and letters available at council meetings beginning with the Feb business meeting and soon, we will have a signed letter and entry forms available via email for those that have an email address. We are asking that you begin to contact the businesses you patronize and ask them to be a sponsor or donate a gift card. We also would like everyone to help advertise the tournament and get entry forms into hands of potential players.

If you would like to volunteer to help in a specific area, want more information, or want forms or letters, please contact co-chairs Lee or Robby Jan; 217 – 7020 Janclassof75@yahoo.com (Lee), 517-1804 Texangolfer2004@hotmail.com (Robby)

KofC Shirts in stock!

Dear Brother Knights,

I just wanted to let all of you know that the [New SK Gerry Gauthier Council 10209 shirts are in](#) and can be picked up anytime, i.e. KC meeting, before or after mass, or by calling me. I will meet you anywhere you want your shirt delivered. You can also pick them up here at my home at 513 Mulberry Drive, which is 1 block south of Bedichek Middle School off of South 1st. My home number is 416-7555 or it is best to call me on my cell phone 293-7262 to coordinate the transaction.

[The cost for the shirts are \\$30 each.](#) I have the names of the people that ordered shirts and for those of you that didn't order, we ordered extra shirts to accommodate everyone.

[The shirts can also be picked up at our next meeting.](#)

Thank you for your time and support.

Carlos T. Mendoza
Brother Knight

Trustees Report

As in keeping with the standard Knights of Columbus policies the trustees of Council 10209 conducted our semi-annual financial audit of the council in February covering the last half of 2006. All books and accounts were in order. I would like to thank our financial team of Ken Moore and Tom Natoli who continue to do a great job managing our council's funds. I would also like to thank my fellow trustee Matt Cullen who continues to do an amazing job tying out all the numbers to the penny each year. If you have trouble with your taxes I highly recommend giving Matt a call!

Obviously our income as budgeted will be quite a bit lower this year as we adjust to the new fundraising opportunities we

have as a council. Our council continues to be in good financial shape since we have done an excellent job managing expenses during the last several months. We look forward to turning the income trend positive in the second half of this fraternal year and we thank you for all your help. Please continue to pay dues if you have not already and participate in our upcoming fundraising activities, especially the golf tournament which is a great opportunity for the council. If anyone is interested in seeing the results of the financial audit please don't hesitate to contact myself or Matt. – SK Sean McGee

Calendar Review

March 2007

Monday, March 5th – Council Meeting. Social begins at 7pm in Kitchen, meeting at 7:30pm in rooms 5&7

Saturday, March 10th – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Chapel. Knights cover the final hour.

Monday, March 12th – Fourth Degree meeting at St. John Neumann 7pm.

Saturday, March 17th – Capitol Area Food Bank work session 8:45am-noon.

Monday, March 19th – Officer's Meeting 7:30pm

Saturday, March 31st – Keep Austin Beautiful Clean Sweep of David Moore Rd.

April 2007

Monday, April 2nd – Council Business Meeting 7pm rooms 5&7.

May 2007

Saturday, May 5th – Annual Golf Tournament at Onion Creek Country Club 1:30pm

Newsletter Articles

The next Newsletter Articles are due by Monday, March 26th. Submit your articles to Sean McGee at sean@mcgeeclan.us or by calling 680-0367.