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MEETING NOTICE

K of C Council # 10209 Meets

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

When: Monday, February 4th 2007

Time: 7:30 pm

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Grand Knight's Report

Brother Knights:

2008 has started just as busy as we ended 2007. In the month of January we selected the 2007 Essay Contest winners, assisted the Men's Club, held our monthly Pancake Breakfast, participated in the Adopt-A-Street cleanup, and hosted our Annual Free Throw Competition. February will be just as busy with the Free Throw Competition as the winners move on to the next level in Kyle. We will also assist with the Men's Club, host the monthly Pancake Breakfast and host a 1st degree ceremony.

I again am reaching out to all you Brother Knights to come out and be part of the fun by assisting us in some of our events. Remember that by you and your family participating in Knight Events, it can lead to you and your family been recognized as **Knight of the Month** or **Family of the Month**.

Special Thanks to Bob Meny, Rene Gaytan, Lee Jan, and Deacon John Pickwell for assisting with the Men's Club clean-up.

Congratulations to Cruz Albert Villegas on winning the Knight of the Month for December 2007 due to his leadership, organization and participation in numerous of programs.

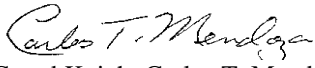
Congratulations to the **Rene Gaytan and family** on winning the **Family of the Month for November 2007** for his leadership and support with this year's Coat's For Kids Program.

Brother Knights, I ask all of you to really look at your schedule and see if you have some spare time **to come and join** your fellow brother Knights **once a month** as we gather for our **monthly meetings**, monthly events, fundraisers, and supporting our church in different ministries.

I am looking forward in continuing to serve the needs of our Council 10209 in 2008. See you at the February 4th monthly business meeting.

God Bless you all,

Fraternally,



Grand Knight Carlos T. Mendoza

KofC Support of the Pope

Brothers, I received a letter from our Supreme Knight Carl A Anderson, letting us know of His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI first pastoral journey to the United States, April 15 -20, 2008. He mentions that for years the Knights have proclaimed ourselves to be **“In Solidarity With Our Priests and Bishops.”** That solidarity is manifested in a preminent way through our fidelity to the Supreme Pontiff. Therefore, in preparation for Pope Benedict XVI's visit, the Supreme Council has developed several ways for Knights to express our being **“In Solidarity With Our Holy Father.”**

The first of these avenues is to join in prayer for the success of the Holy Father's visit. To this end, **papal visit prayer cards** are available and will be distribute at our next business meeting. Prayer cards are being disturbed in every country in which our Order is present, in hope that brother Knights around the world can join in prayer as the Holy Father comes to the United States. Knights are encouraged to visit www.kofc.org and add their names to the **Spiritual E-Bouquet** of prayers for the papal visit.

The second way to celebrate the Holy Father's visit is to strengthen our Order by adding many more members to our ranks. Each time that Supreme Knight has had the honor in meeting with Pope Benedict, the Holy Father has clearly expressed his great appreciation for the Knights of Columbus and our unparalleled service to the Church, not only to the Vatican but particularly at the local parish level. We can do so much now with 1.7 million members , but we must ask ourselves how much more we could do with 2 million or 3 million members – just imagine if your council had twice as many members as it does today! This potential to increase our charitable and volunteer works should drive and inspire our

recruitment efforts. Therefore, we are conducting a special **papal visit membership campaign** in honor of the Holy Father, to build up our Order so that we might be an even *stronger* **“right arm of the Church”** and our parish priests.

As part of this membership campaign, every First Degree until June 30 should be held in honor of Pope Benedict XVI. Special **new member certificates** will follow under separate cover for distribution to Knights initiated at these degrees. Additionally, through June 30, proposes of new members will receive a special **recruiter commemorative coin**, the design of which is shown at the top of the memorandum received from Supreme Knight. Finally, the names of all new members added through June 30 will be inscribed in a **tribute book** that will be presented to the Holy Father as a sign of our growth in his honor and of our increased ability to be of service o the Church.

Let us join together in fervent prayer for the intercession of our beloved founder, the Servant of God Father Michael J. McGivney, for the success of these initiatives and of the Holy Father's visit to the United States.

Prayer Box

Please Pray for:

DGK Albert Villegas, Bruce Hirsch, SK Bart Botta who has terminal cancer, Mark Majek, Mike and Alexis Moreno, Ishmael Gonzalez, Past-GK Louis Palacios and his family. Pray for Fr. Barry Cabell, Betty Parks, Deacon John and Marilyn Pickwell, and Art Aguirre.

Birthday Greetings



JANUARY'S Birthdays'

I want to wish the following Knights' a Big Happy Birthday!

Carlos Garcia, Rene Gaytan, Paul F. Hilt, Tehrani Amir Mahoubi, Jose O. Montemayor, Louis R. Palacios, William J Rancour, Cruz A. Villegas

Financial Secretary's Report

As those of you who are members of the yahoo group know we are doing the billing for this year's dues differently. Instead of mailing a billing notice to each member, I am instead asking that you **pay your dues** without being billed. This will save the council for postage as well as for the cost of

having the bills printed. I want to thank all those members who have already paid. If you want to get your dues payment to me, you can mail it, leave it in an envelope with my name on it in our box at church, or give it to me personally. Please make checks payable to "Knights of Columbus". My address is 4610 San Simeon Dr., Austin, TX 78749. For almost all of you dues are \$40 for the year. In a few weeks I will mail billing notices to those members who have not yet paid. I am hopeful that this experiment is successful. Let me know what you think.

I hope that each of you and your families enjoyed a blessed Christmas, and that the New Year brings continued blessings. Let me know if there is any way I can be of service to you.

Fraternally, SK Ken Moore F.S.



Parishioners enjoying the Pancakes

Monthly Pancake Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus invite everyone to their monthly Pancake Breakfast. Come and spend some time with fellow Knights and their family members, but most importantly bring your family to enjoy a breakfast with members of your Saint Paul's community. The Knights also invite Catholic men interested in learning more about becoming a Knight of Columbus to join them at the Pancake Breakfast. Proceeds from the Pancake Breakfast benefit the Knight of Columbus Charities which includes our Annual Youth Scholarship Program.

Date: Sunday, February 17th

Location: Saint Paul's Grace Hall

Time: After the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Mass

Cost: \$5 per person (All you can eat)

Serving: Pancake, Sausage, Juice and Coffee

Please make plans to attend the February 17th Pancake Breakfast it's lots of fun.

Special Thanks to the Knights that assisted with the January Pancake Breakfast: GK Carlos Mendoza, Rene Gaytan, Gayle Ferguson, Robert Rancour, Tom Natoli, Paul Hilt, Jonathan Hilt, Anthony Guzaldo, Sean McGee, Sarah McGee and Kiet Tran.



Learning to Cook: Jonathan Hilt

2008 Free Throw Championship Roundup

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship was held on Monday, January 21st at Bedichek Middle School. We had a good turn out with 15 participants! We have 5 boy champions and 2 girl champions for a total of 7 Council champions. We had a very competitive and close competition in both the girls 12 and 13-year-old divisions.

The 7 champions have been notified and will be participating in the upcoming District Level Championship on Sunday, February 10th in Kyle.

I like to send out a special gratitude of thanks to all of the Knights that came out. We had a total of 8 Knights who showed there support for this event and assisted with registration, score keeping and shagging balls. I like to also thank Coach Romero for allowing us access to his gym, using equipment and helping recruit some of the participants.

The Knights who participated in this year's event were Carlos, Rene, Tom, Albert, Anthony, Deacon John, Paul Hilt and Paul's son Jonathan.

I'm hoping to build off of this year's turnout and try to double the participation for next year.

<u>Age</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Girls</u>
10	Chorey Duncan	
11	Justin Muller	
12	Leland Dunn	Denise Mendez
13	Emiliano Espinosa	Bianca Martinez
14	Isaac Martinez	

- Chris Jistel, Council 10209 Free Throw Chairman

Church/Council Committee Report

Current subcommittees include: **Men's Club, Golf Tournament, and Vocations.**

Our Council has committed to help the **Men's Club** once per month, and we have selected the Saturday following the regularly scheduled business meeting to be our recurring day; for February this will be the 9th. During January several knights showed up to help the Men's club with yard work. We raked and vacuumed leaves from the lawn at the Rectory and did some mowing around the church. If you can help on February 9th, and all help is truly appreciated, please arrive at the buildings behind Grace Hall sometime in the morning, we generally start around 8:00, but anytime you can come is OK, there is always work to be done. For more information, please contact Bob Meny.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is scheduled for Saturday, February 9th and takes place in the chapel immediately following Mass and continuing until 11:00 P.M. This will be the first opportunity during Lent to visit with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, please consider giving an hour of undivided attention to Jesus through **Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament. Why not commit to making this your spiritual growth goal for Lent? If you do that and then come again during the Easter Season, I can almost guarantee that you will begin to look forward to the second Saturday each month to spend time in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Golf Tournament. Mark April 12, 2008 on your calendar, we will need as much help as possible on the day of the event to help with sign up of players, preparing and serving the meal, and/or playing in the tournament. We also need everyone's help right now in recruiting sponsors and players; registration/sponsor forms are enclosed/attached to this Newsletter. For additional information or interest in helping with this event, please contact Lee Jan, 512-217-7020 or email: janclassof75@yahoo.com

Mark your calendar for:

1. Men's Club -- February 9, 8:00 a.m. – about noon (you pick the time and duration)
2. Adoration -- February 9, 6:00 – 11:00 (you pick the time and duration, one hour recommended). The Knights have volunteered to cover the 10:00 to 11:00 hour, but if that does not work for you, please come when you can.
3. Golf Tournament -- April 12, Onion Creek Country Club, sign in stats at noon, shotgun tournament start at 1:00 P.M.



Kiet Tran, Chris Hotz, Rene Gaytan, Chrsi Jistel, Gayle Ferguson and taking the Picture GK Carlos Mendoza

Calendar Review

February 2008

Monday, February 4th – Monthly Business Meeting, 7:30 pm, St. Paul's Rooms 5 & 7

Saturday, February 9th – Knights' Assist Men's Club, St. Paul's Church

Saturday, February 9th – Adoration in Chapel 6pm-11pm

Sunday, February 17th - Monthly Pancake Breakfast fundraiser after 9 am and 11am Masses, Grace Hall

Monday, February 18th – Knights' Officers Meeting, 7:30 pm, St. Paul's kitchen (date changed due to free throw competition)

Thursday, February 21st – First Degree Ceremony in Grace Hall 7pm

Monday, February 25th – Greater Austin Area Chapter KC Meeting, TBA, 7:00 pm

Adopt a Street

Special Thanks to the following Knight that assisted with the clean-up,

Newsletter Articles

The next Newsletter Articles are due by Monday, February 25th. Submit your articles to Sean McGee at sean@mcgeeclan.us or by calling 680-0367.