



3rd Degree

NEWSLETTER
Knights of Columbus
Council #7014 Rockdale, Texas
APRIL 2024



4th Degree

Council Meeting w/supper 2nd Tuesday @7pm,

Officers & Chairmen Mtg. (as needed)

2023-2024 COUNCIL OFFICERS

Chaplain.....Fr. Pedro Castillo
Grand Knight..... Kenny Svrcek
Dep. GK.....(vacant)
Chancellor..... Phil Konarik
Recorder..... Robert Zapata
Warden..... Charlie Watson
Treasurer (temp).....Lambert Skubal Jr.
Financial Sec.....(vacant)
Advocate.....Jim Grametbauer
Lecturer.....Chad Ehler
Inside Guard..... Marty Elman
Outside Guard.....Ronnie Mancillas
Trustee 1 Year..... Marty Elman
Trustee 2 Year.....Nick Guzman
Trustee 3 Year.....Craig Snow
Newsletter.....Phil Konarik
Dist. Deputy..... Tom Alejandro
KC Hall Booking Mgr.....512-585-9149



Alleluia!
He is risen go
and Rejoice in
this day
HAPPY EASTER

THANK YOU, LADIES, for all the cakes and other tasty desserts you made for the KC Lenten Fish Frys. The St. Joseph's Ladies Society members, KC wives and friends. The desserts are what the customers first see as they wait in line for their fish plates. It is fun to see how they make their final choices and when new customers find out desserts are included in the price of the plate!

ELECTION OF OFFICERS 2024-2025

Nominations of council officers is now open. Elections take place at the June 2024 meeting. A nomination committee will be accepting officer nominations and Financial Secretary (appointed position).

VOLUNTEER HOURS MARCH:

CHARITABLE PROJ: 958 HRS*
HALL MAINT. PROJ: 30 HRS
COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: 80 HRS



*Includes hours for making desserts

2024 FISH FRY RESULTS

This 16th annual fund raiser project was an all-time record setting year! The Rockdale Fed. Credit Union purchased 700 tickets and offered the \$12 tickets to its members. What a great benefit this was to their members and KC's!

| FISH FRY | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| #1 | 465 | 0 | 520 | 353 | 378 |
| #2 | 401 | 481 | 344 | 368 | 477 |
| #3 | 299 | 418 | 290 | 268 | 445 |
| #4 | 0 | 378 | 310 | 263 | 492 |
| #5 | 0 | 382 | 210 | 288 | 428 |
| #6 | 0 | 403 | 190 | 287 | 530 |
| TOTALS | 1165 | 2062 | 1864 | 1827 | 2750 |

GK Kenny Svrcek thanks all who volunteered their time for six Fridays in a row to cook, prepare and serve plates, bake cakes, make slaw, tea, purchase groceries, etc. Our hats are off to our Ladies for the great job of supporting the Fish Fry effort again this year. We know we could not do it without you all!

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From the March Council Meeting: GK Kenny Svrcek and members enjoyed a delicious meal of meatloaf, black-eyed peas, mashed potatoes by Lambert Skubal, Jr, and his helpers. For dessert, chocolate chip pan cookies by Debbie Konarik. GK Kenny reviewed the calendar for the remainder of March and upcoming April. Lent Fish Fry Friday's, our major fundraiser continues in March. A new walk-in cooler condenser at the KC cook house was purchased and installed @ \$2387.68. The annual RVFD Fundraiser is scheduled for April 20. Another Milano HS Senior Serve BBQ plate dinner (drive thru) is scheduled for Apr. 21. We hear that the cancer benefit held for Doug Stewart on Mar. 10 was a big success. Great!

- **COUNCIL 7014 EXPENSES** for March include TXU outside (parking lot) security lighting \$83.61, Electric bill: APG&E \$391.78, SWMWSC water \$108, Dillo Disposal \$200.38, St. Joseph's Columbus Club Corp. \$4000, Brady's Pest Control \$92.01, Texas Propane \$309.82, Rockdale Bldg. Materials \$63.73. Donations: \$200 St. Joseph's Church monthly tithe, Donations received: A big "Thank You" to four donors for contributing \$1500, \$300, \$200, and \$300 for a total of \$2300 toward the cost of the new condenser for the walk-in cooler. Thank you Thank you Thank you for your generosity to this unexpected equipment failure expense!
- **FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS** for the Mar. 15th 3400# delivery were: Phil Konarik, Pat Barcak, Roman Razo, Bernie Doud, Kenny Svrcek, Thomas Andrews and Jim Andrews. Reminder calls by Charlie Watson. Thanks guys, for taking time out of your day to help with this project assisting the needy in our town.
- **LOOKING FOR MORE VOLUNTEERS** for the Food Pantry monthly delivery. In June 2007 the KC's were asked by the late Gloria Thrasher (former parish organist, liturgical committee, etc.) and Rockdale Christian Services Chairperson if the knights would like a community service project. Tommy Grimes, Marty Elman, and Leo Dubey responded to this first call. Since then, the KC's have never missed a monthly 3rd Friday in 16+ years. We have been called out for a few extra deliveries as well. We've showed up in the heat, the cold, the rain, in times of plenty of help and lately only a few helpers. We meet the food truck from Austin (large 18-wheeler) about 8:30 am, load food boxes onto our pickup trucks and then up the alley a half block to the food pantry building. This normally takes about an hour. We are looking for help from knights, ladies, parishioners, citizens, anyone who can be available on 3rd Fridays and is able to handle boxes and packages weighing 10 to 25 lbs. For more info call Phil Konarik 512-760-5795.