



3rd Degree

NEWSLETTER

Knights of Columbus
Council #7014 Rockdale, Texas
JANUARY 2025



4th Degree

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

Officers & Chairmen Mtg. (see Calendar)

2024-2025 COUNCIL OFFICERS

Chaplain.....Fr. John Boiko
 Grand Knight..... Kenny Svrcek
 Dep. GK.....Chad Ehler
 Chancellor..... Phil Konarik
 Recorder..... Robert Zapata
 Warden..... Charlie Watson
 Treasurer.....Tom Alejandro
 Financial Sec.....Craig Snow
 Advocate.....David Ehler
 Lecturer.....Dwayne David
 Inside Guard.....Charles Ehler
 Outside Guard.....Jason Ehler
 Trustee 1 Year.....Nick Guzman
 Trustee 2 Year.....Marty Elman
 Trustee 3 Year.....Bernie Doud
 Newsletter.....Phil Konarik
 Dist. Deputy..... (vacant)
 KC Hall Booking Mgr.....512-585-9149

KC Ins. Field Agent.....George Strmiska
 512-289-4834 em: george.strmiska@kofc.org
4th Degree, want to join, need info? Contact
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Financial Secretary, Bro. Craig Snow reminds us that he will be sending out notices to members for 2025 council dues soon. Be on the lookout for your notice by mail or email so you can take care of this promptly. Thank you!

MAJOR FUNDRAISER COMING UP

With Lent beginning on Ash Wednesday March 5th and Fish Fry #1 on Friday, Mar. 7, #2 Mar. 14, #3 Mar. 21, #4 Mar. 28, #5 Apr. 4 and #6 Apr. 11 is the last. As always, no Fish Fry on Good Friday.



KC'S ANNUAL LIGHT UP FOR CHRIST PROJECT

Set up helpers were Dwayne David, Mike Korenek, Phil & Debbie Konarik, Kenny Svrcek, Pete Zenner and Pat Watson. The Nativity will remain on display until after the Epiphany. Thank you all for your help with the setup. The take down and return storage in the Cooke House garage is set for Monday, January 6th at 4:30 pm.

VOLUNTEER HOURS DECEMBER:

CHARITABLE PROJ: 58 HRS
HALL MAINT. PROJ: 42 HRS
COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: 143 HRS

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SOME 2025 MAINTENANCE PROJECTS:

1. KC Hall storeroom, closets, file cabinets, etc discard any items that are no longer of use or do not belong to the council.
2. Create a punch list of items needing some maintenance, repair, replacement, paint.
3. Check hall pantry and kitchen cabinets for any outdated, unusable items/products as we get ready for 2025 events & Fish Frys.
4. As part of the above do deep cleaning.
5. Review and upgrade all exterior door seals.
6. Outside: New handicapped parking signs, paint handicapped space bumpers blue.

From the December (open) Council Meeting & Christmas Party: GK Kenny Svrcek and members & wives enjoyed a delicious pork steak dinner with trimmings and desserts by Lecturer Dwayne David, and his helpers Marty Elman, Rodney Barcak, Lambert Skubal, Jr, David Ehler, Jason Ehler, Chad ehler and Kenny Svrcek. Special guests were Chaplain, Fr. John Boiko, KC Insurance Field Agent George Strmiska and his wife Kate. GK Kenny reviewed the calendar for the remainder of December included a Quinceanera on the 23rd and the annual Rockdale Christmas Roundup. Christmas party attendees also brought unwrapped gifts for children and youth served by the Roundup. \$150 to Milam County Child Protective Services for Christmas presents for children in their program. There will be a meeting of KC work crew leaders after New Years. Coming up will be Law Enforcement/First Responders Chili Supper and our popular Lenten Fish Fry fundraiser in March and April. GK Kenny expressed appreciation for everyone's hard work in so many activities in 2024.

- **COUNCIL 7014 EXPENSES** for December include TXU outside (parking lot) security lighting \$83.85, Electric bill: APG&E \$650.42, SWMWSC water \$106.34, Dillo Disposal \$200.38, Texas Propane \$342.40, Emergency Lighting (battery replacement) 302.40, Rockdale Signs \$400. Donations: St. Joseph's Church monthly tithe \$200, St. Joseph's Ladies Society \$250. Donations to council \$400.
- **FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS** for the December 20th, 3800# delivery were Tom Alejandro, Phil Konarik, Marty Elman, Bernie Doud, Pat Barcak, Willie Barcak, Thomas Andrews, Jim Andrews and Mike Korenek. 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.
- **MAINTENANCE UPDATES** for December: (1) KC Hall emergency lighting fixtures and EXIT signs got new batteries while the hall was open for Christmas Roundup activities. The new batteries have an expected service life of 5 years making them good until 2029. (2) New Lenten Fish Fry signs have been received and will be attached to our display racks before Lent. The new signs look the same as the old ones that are familiar to the public at locations through Rockdale along East and West Cameron Avenue. The signs will be ready in time for Fish Fry. (3) Fire extinguishers are also to be inspected and replaced if needed.