



# The Knight Lite

Knights of Columbus

St. John the Evangelist  
Council #8342  
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April, 2007

## COUNCIL OFFICERS

Chaplain: Father Eric Gyan  
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## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

### **TO OUR BROTHERS WHO CELEBRATE THEIR BIRTHDAY DURING APRIL**

Jeffrey J. Melancon (2)  
Wayne Hendricks (2)  
Gary Wilson (3)  
Tracy Ducote (3)

Alfred Saurage (4)  
David Gaffney (6)  
Tim Goatley (9)  
David Guedry (11)

Anthony Edel (14)  
Ralph Foret (16)  
Fr. Eric Gyan (19)  
Ross Erwin (20)

James Shoriak (21)  
John Stassi (21)  
Harold Braud (23)  
Robert Dennie (30)

**Thanks to their parents for being PRO-LIFE; by their love for each other and by the grace of God, these good Catholic gentlemen were born. We join in celebrating their lives.**



## Welcome Center

Joe Defley, Jr. transferred to our council at our March meeting.

We are honored he has chosen to become a member of St. John's.

### Family Director's March Presentation



**February Family of the Month: Gwen and Tommy Delaune**

**February Knight of the Month: Keith Boudreaux**

## PARISH FESTIVAL HELP NEEDED

One volunteer is needed to coordinate and deliver church supplied drinks and donuts to the Boy Scouts as they clean up the festival grounds in the early morning hours (6:30 to 8:30 am) on April 28 and 29. If you can volunteer, please contact Brother Robert Temple, Jr. at 677-9566 or 933-3214.



### **A WORD FROM OUR DISTRICT DEPUTY**

My Dear Brothers,

On behalf of Grand Knight Randall Day of St. Mark's KC Council, I am inviting you to the Annual Teacher's Appreciation Banquet. It will be held on Wednesday April 25, 2007 at St. Mark's Fr. DeMaria Community Center. He has asked that Grand Knights bring their Council Banner. I will convey further information as I get it.

Vivat Jesus!  
Robert T.  
DD #24



## Columbian Squires Update

Brother Delmas Forbes, our State Youth Activity Chairman, attended the March meeting of the Columbian Squires. He addressed the Squires and congratulated them on becoming Charter Members. He also discussed the possibilities of the Denham Springs Circle hosting the State Squire conference. Other discussions in the meeting circled around progress on the Squires running next year's Knights of Columbus Basketball Free throw contest and a dance fundraiser for our circle. The Squires also had one new applicant proposed at the meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 7, 2007 at 7:00 P.M.

Esto Dignos, Be Worthy

*Edward Touchet, Chief Counselor*



## INSURANCE AGENT'S REPORT

Father Michael J. McGivney saw the needs of his parishioners and called some of the men of his parish together, from which the Knights of Columbus was established. The first principle of the Order – Charity – dictated that an insurance program for the widows and children was a necessity. As such, the Insurance Program was put into force, "For Knights, By Knights."

As a member in good standing you have an opportunity to continue Father McGivney's vision by providing for your family. We know not when God will call us home.

Please give me a call today at 225-202-7506 so we can review your needs. There is no obligation, but if you want insurance that is reasonable and effectively fulfills your requirements, none is better than Knights of Columbus Insurance.

Dennis Burke, FIC, Field Agent

## **LOOKING FORWARD**

### APRIL

- 11<sup>th</sup> – Charity Calendar drawing @ 6 pm followed by Meeting of Officers and Directors @ 7 pm
- 11<sup>th</sup> – Columbian Squires Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> – Regular Monthly Meeting of Council @ 7 pm – Eat @ 6:30 pm
- 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> – Ascension Parish Bicentennial Celebration @ Lamar-Dixon Center
- 25<sup>th</sup> – Teacher Appreciation Banquet @ 6 pm in St. Mark's Father DeMaria Community Center
- 26<sup>th</sup> – First Degree – St. Amant – Candidates Report @ 6:30 pm – Ceremony @ 7 pm
- 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> – Festival De La Prairie

### MAY

- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Charity Calendar drawing @ 6 pm followed by Meeting of Officers and Directors @ 7 pm
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Columbian Squires Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- 3<sup>rd</sup> /4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> – State Convention in Alexandria
- 10<sup>th</sup> – Regular Monthly Meeting of Council @ 7 pm – Eat @ 6:30 pm – Officer Nominations Open
- 20<sup>th</sup> – Council Fundraiser after 9:30 and 11:30 Masses
- 20<sup>th</sup> – Quarterly Communion @ 11:30 am Mass – After Mass purchase and eat lunch in the Community Center
- 24<sup>th</sup> – First Degree – St. Mark – Candidates Report @ 6:30 pm – Ceremony @ 7 pm

### JUNE

- 6<sup>th</sup> – Charity Calendar drawing @ 6 pm followed by Meeting of Officers and Directors @ 7 pm
- 6<sup>th</sup> – Columbian Squires Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- 9<sup>th</sup> – Corpus Christi Procession after 4:30 Mass
- 14<sup>th</sup> – Regular Monthly Meeting of Council @ 7 pm – Eat @ 6:30 pm – Officer Nominations/Election
- 28<sup>th</sup> – First Degree – St. John – Candidates Report @ 6:30 pm – Ceremony @ 7 pm
- 30<sup>th</sup> – District Communion @ 4:30 Mass - Installation of Officers and Banquet after Mass

### JULY

- 4<sup>th</sup> – Charity Calendar drawing @ 6 pm followed by Meeting of Officers and Directors @ 7 pm
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Columbian Squires Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- 22<sup>nd</sup> – KCLS @ Dutchtown High School



**Membership is the lifeblood of our Order; so, if you know someone who is interested in joining our Council, explain the workings of the Order, give him a Form 100 and help him complete it. Brother Delphin Russelburg, our Membership Director, is available to help if you need information. His phone number is 622-4278.**

## Grand Knight's Column

Who will heed the call to provide the leadership in the coming fraternal year? Our nominating committee is now contacting members to see if leaders will come forward and accept one of the offices necessary to keep our council functioning well. I urge you to pray for guidance from the Holy Spirit, asking that you make the correct decision when the committee contacts you.

Brothers Robert Templet, Sr. and Cliston Guillot will travel to Alexandria to represent our council at the state convention. We wish them a safe journey and look forward to their report at the May council meeting.

The Ascension Parish Bicentennial Celebration will be held at the Lamar-Dixon Fairgrounds on April 20, 21 and 22. We have been asked to provide volunteers to work two or three hours one day manning a ticket booth. If you can help, please get in touch with me either by phone at 673-3766 or by email – [kjindon1@eatel.net](mailto:kjindon1@eatel.net). I'll need your name, address, telephone number and email address (if you have one). This information will be forwarded to the Chairman of Volunteers for the celebration, Brother Monte Bonin, PGK.

Please mark your calendars for two upcoming important events. On June 9 we will lead the parish in the second Corpus Christi Procession after the 4:30 Mass. On June 30, after the 4:30 Mass the Installation of Officers will be held in the Community Center. Please make plans to attend both events. If you are scheduled to serve at one of the Sunday Masses, you can also attend the Saturday Mass – a small sacrifice on your part.

Since joining St. John's council in March, 2005, I've continued to be impressed by the generosity of the members. You've given of your time, talent and finances whenever requested; most recently, giving financial assistance to McMain's Child Development Center. I know that the children receiving aid from that facility will be appreciative of your help and, on their behalf – THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU!

As always, please remember our sick and departed brother Knights and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

If you need me for anything, call me at 673-3766 or email me at [grandknight@kc8342.org](mailto:grandknight@kc8342.org).

Vivat Jesus!

*Don Belanger*