

MARQUETTE'S MARQUE

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Your Grand Knight's Message

100 YEARS AND STILL YOUNG

January 31, 2009

My Brother Knights,



FOCA

Please participate in your local parish's campaign to stop FOCA (Freedom of Choice Act) which will, if passed, make partial-birth abortion procedure legal again, nullify every state law restricting abortion, including parental consent and force state-funded doctors and hospitals to perform abortions. We must also save the Hyde Amendment which restricts your tax dollars from being used to directly pay for abortion.

Contacts: www.SaveYourHyde.com www.StopFocaLA.com

Write Senator Landrieu 724 Hart Senate Office Building, District of Columbia 20510-1804.

www.landrieu.senate.gov

Just to show you the kind of mentality we are dealing with in Washington, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said the reversal of the "Mexico City Policy" (which was a ban on giving federal money to international groups that perform abortions) "will help save lives and empower the poorest women..." Killing babies to save lives is just twisted logic.

On a brighter note, it's Mardi Gras in New Orleans and this is the perfect time to recruit new members of Marquette. Invite your friends, relatives and coworkers to Marquette for the festivities. There will be plenty of Form 100's at the bar and on the bulletin board.

VIVAT JESU
Francis Celino,
Grand Knight

If you never try anything new you'll miss out on many of life's great disappointments.

Below is a list of Program Directors. If you would like to volunteer to assist them, please talk to them at the next meeting.

CHURCH	JUAN MUNIZ	SQUIRES	TOM FALCON
COUNCIL	DARRYL VADELL	MEMBERSHIP	KIRT BLAISE
COMMUNITY	HAROLD VEGA	PRO-LIFE	GEORGE SCHLINDER
FAMILY	ERIC SNYDER	PUBLICITY	JOHN ADRIANNI
YOUTH	SHANE COLLINS	CHURCH EMERITUS	EASTON ARDOIN

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Committee Chairmen:

Become a mentor to a protégée. Show some of the younger members what you do and how you do it so they can carry on the traditions of Marquette.

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On February 17, 2009, all televisions in the United States will convert to a digital signal. Televisions not hooked up to cable or satellite will need a digital converter box in order to continue to operate. Catholic Charities and other organizations are collaborating to assist seniors in obtaining and installing converter boxes. They are asking us to do the following:

Apply for coupons online.

If your home is hooked up to cable or satellite you will not need a converter box. We ask that you please visit the website <https://www.dtv2009.gov/applycoupon.aspx> and apply for two coupons under your name and address. When your coupons arrive, either bring them to a meeting or send them to:

Shannon Murphy
Director of Volunteer Services
Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans
1000 Howard Avenue, Suite 1000
New Orleans, LA, 70113

The goal is to accumulate a number of coupons so that converter boxes can be made available for needy senior citizens most of whom do not have internet access with which to apply for the coupons and whose link with the outside world is their television.



We need computer literate Brother Knights to help with the web page. If you would like to show off your skills let us know.

PLEASE SUPPORT THESE BUSINESSES THAT SUPPORT MARQUETTE

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE KNIGHT AND
FAMILY OF THE MONTH.
WAS THE KNIGHT OF THE MONTH FOR JAN WAS Jay Beler
THE FAMILY OF THE MONTH FOR JAN WAS Dave Grego

MOW night

This MOW night will be February 4th and the main activity will be the scrapbook. Protect your reputation from those who put captions on the pictures and be there.

The next Officer's (Planning) Meeting will be moved to Thursday February 26th, 2009. (The 24th is Mardi Gras.)



DD Brandon will have his district basketball shoot off on February 8 @ Our Lady of Prompt Succor @ 2pm (2320 Paris Rd, Chalmette, LA) park behind the church.

Adult Free Throw Contest

The 3rd annual K.C. adult state free throw contest will be held Saturday March 8 at Delta Gym 8301 West Metairie, Metairie, LA starting at 10:00am. There are three age groups: 18-34, 35-54, and old people (55 & older).



On Saturday March 14, there will be a **state finals** for the boys and girls free throw contest at Teurlings Catholic High School, 139 Teurlings D., in Lafayette.



Lexan has been installed on the windows of the council hall, except for the fire escape windows, as a protection against breakage from over enthusiastic bead throwers. You will still be able to look out the windows, but opening them will not afford a better look as you will not be able to stick out your little puddin' head.

Louisiana Camp Joshua



LCJ is a weekend camp designed to train high school sophomores, juniors and seniors to be pro-life leaders through education about pro-life issues as well as leadership skills including speaking and discussing with others about these issues. LCJ is open to people of all religious denominations. K of C, Louisiana Right to Life and Louisiana Students for Life are sponsoring the event. There will be approved chaperones and pro-life college students assisting at the event which will be held at Bishop Tracey Center at 1800 S. Acadian Thruway in Baton Rouge on the weekend of March 27-29, 2009.

Contacts: Benjamin Clapper bclapper@prolifelouisiana.org 504-835-6520

Brother Knight Vince Whittington vawhitt@cox.net 225-892-0162

www.campjoshua.org

MARDI GRAS 2009

Mardi Gras 2009 will be February 24th. As always, the Home will be open starting with the first parades on Friday February 13th, and will remain open thru Shrove Tuesday. Beer tickets and admit bands will again be sold at the activities and meetings preceding Carnival. The dates of these are Wednesday Feb 4th, MOW and, **Wednesday February 11th. The best time to buy them is at meetings, as we don't like to spend time at parties doing business.** Beer tickets, as in the past, will be \$1.00 a piece. Beer sold during Carnival remains at \$2.00, with soft drinks being \$1.00 Non discounted beer tickets will be available throughout the Carnival Season. Back by popular demand will be the 12 beer tickets for \$20.00 deal doing the parade season. Premium beer will again be available, and we will again have DIXIE. Thanks again to PGK DD Uncle Paul and the Kitchen Krewe we will again have purple, green and gold Jell-O shots on the weekends. The Season Ticket Package will be available again this year. Two passes for Sat., Sun., and Tue. are normally \$30.00. Buy them in advance at the meetings or parties immediately preceding Mardi Gras and we will sell them for \$25.00. Minors accompanied by their pass buying parents will again receive a complimentary white band good for all three days. As always, one pass will be \$5.00, however, bands purchased however after the February general meeting will be **\$8.00**, two for **\$15.00**. All rules that have applied in the past will be enforced again this year. The rule banning outside drinks is especially important to the financial success of Mardi Gras at Marquette. Your cooperation is appreciated. If you see a potentially unsafe situation arise i.e., a spill please help take care of our Home and clean up the mess. Your cooperation is appreciated. The sign up sheets will be up as soon after Christmas. There will be, as in the past, be two sheets. One will be a sign up for opening or closing the home. The other will be for individual hours at the door for the last weekend. We ask that everyone pitches in and take a day or a couple of hours at the door or bar. Even if Mardi Gras doesn't float your boat, come on up and help out for a while. The monies collected at Carnival are important in maintaining our quality of life at Marquette and makes up a large part of our budget. When you sign up for a weeknight, we ask that you get there to open and stay to the end. This is not hard work and there is usually a lot of help; it is also an enjoyable way to spend the evening. If you are new at this or if there are any questions, get with Dave or George. Your participation is appreciated. Use this time to recruit new members. Remember if you see a Catholic gentleman 18 or over, who is not yet a Knight, take him to the bar, buy him a beer, and sign him up. It is also not beneath us to recruit Brother Knights from other councils. Marquette's degree team will be up and running and we can have a 1st degree at the Home soon after Mardi Gras, PGK, DD Uncle Paul will again have disposable cameras for Brother Knights and their families. **Make good use of them but please, don't take them home.** The pictures taken at the Home during this time of year have proven to be a valuable source of documentation on an important part of Marquette's history and a tremendous source of material for the scrapbooks. If the spirit moves you to cook for a parade, get with Dave or George so we can tell you if that date is open. Some days are already spoken for and unfortunately, we will be unable to reimburse anyone who cooks on a day that has been previously reserved. This is a not so brief run down on what promises to be another great Carnival season. If in doubt don't about anything don't hesitate to call Dave or George. As always, family and friends are welcome but please don't forget to include the ideals and values of our founder when asking people up. When up at the home use common sense and respect one another. Mardi Gras at Marquette is special and unique, work to keep it so. Vivant Jesus. Dave Grego PGK C 554-1971 George Schindler PGK H 456-7002.

TERRY KENNEDY, OUR INSURANCE AGENT WRITES

Do you know that the Knights of Columbus can offer Traditional & Roth IRA Plans? Do you know enough about them to decide whether or not they fit into your financial picture?

I would like you to answer three questions:

1. Are you, like most people, interested in saving money?
2. Do you find it difficult to save under common saving methods?
3. Take the number of years you've been working times your average salary. What percentage of that income have you saved so far? How much will you save in the future?

If your answers bother you, I would like the chance to sit and talk with you (and your wife, of course) about our alternatives – annuities and tax-sheltered savings at highly competitive interest rates. You need not look anywhere else but your own Order for your financial needs. Other institutions bombard you with ads for business at this time of year. We just keep doing what we have been doing since Father McGivney founded the Order – taking care of our members and their families.

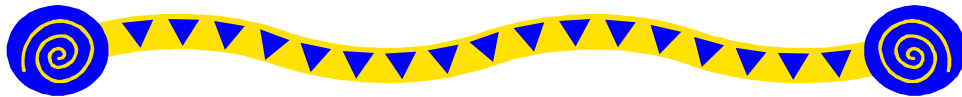
Call me today – I want to hear from you. Terry Kennedy, General Agent
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104 Village St. Ste B
Slidell, LA 70458



Columbian Squires:

If you want to be involved with the Squires, kindly call Tom Falcon, PGK, FDD at 940-7114.



Memorialize yourself or loved one at Marquette

To raise funds for Council Hall improvement we are offering memorial plaques which will be permanently affixed to the bar. The cost is only \$25.00 per plaque. Please fill out the form below and submit it to Phil Jones.

Please engrave my plaque as follows:

One letter per space

Your name _____

Your phone number _____

Enclosed is \$25.00

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, Feb 4, 2009	MOW night
Sunday, Feb 8, 2009	District Free Throw Contest
Wednesday, Feb 11, 2009	Business Meeting
Tuesday, Feb 24, 2009	Mardi Gras
Thursday, Feb 26, 2009	Officer's Meeting
Sunday, March 8, 2009	Adult Free Throw Contest
Saturday, March 14	State Free Throw Contest