

MARQUETTE NEWSLETTER

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Your Grand Knight's Message

April 28, 2010

Brother Knights:

This weekend is the State KC Convention in Lafayette. Brother Shane, Uncle Paul & me-self will be eating huge amounts of boiled crawfish [Cajun style] and hanging out with brother knights from across the state of Louisiana. It is worthy of mention that Ben Davidson will be stepping down after serving two years as our State Deputy. We [Marquette] thank Ben for his years of service to this organization – especially when you consider the sudden and untimely death of his wife last year, which happened shortly after he began his second term. I have had the good fortune to meet Ben and talk with him personally on a few occasions. Some of you might remember that he visited Uncle Paul's house for our annual Easter Egg Hunt last month. He was very impressed and encouraged by this event our council put on – and commented that our membership consisted of guys whose ages range from 20 to 80 year olds. Ben may be up in his years, but the one thing that always struck me about him – is that he's young at heart. As we

welcome our next State Deputy, we wish Ben Davidson many more years in his service as a Knight of Columbus. He may be stepping down, but that doesn't mean he's stepping out.

Please take note [information way down yonder] that it's time for submissions of the Rudy Classen Annual Scholarship Award.

Last - but definitely not least - on the final weekend of this month our nation observes Memorial Day. Please remember in your prayers all members of our armed forces who gave their lives for our freedom and way of life.

Vivat Jesus!

Jerry Vadell - Grand Knight



Meetings:

We meet on the second Wednesday of the month. Happy hour is from 6:00 PM until 7:15 PM. Rosary is from 7:15 until 7:30. Meeting is from 7:30 until 8:30 unless someone gets a little longwinded. On the fourth Tuesday of the month we have an officer's meeting which is a planning session. Doors open at around 6:00 and the meeting starts around 7:30. On the first Wednesday of the month we have MOW night: Marquette On Wednesday. We do various projects around the home and work on the scrapbook. Someone usually opens up around 6:00 PM.

****PLEASE NOTE**** MOW Knight for the month of May has been changed to "MOT" [Marquette on Tuesday] Knight, May 4, 2010 – in order to accommodate the wishes of many MOW Knight regulars who wish to attend a Cinco de Mayo event of their choice on Wednesday evening.

Our next General Meeting is Wednesday, May 12th, 2010. Doors open at the Hall at 6pm. Meeting begins at 7:30pm and **WILL CONCLUDE** at 8:30pm. Wayne Trosclair, of Notre Dame Seminary will be up at the hall to speak about various issues concerning the seminary after the meeting.

NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS FOR THE 2010 – 2011 COLUMBIAN YEAR

With a “thumbs up” from the nominating committee, I have agreed to run for a 2nd term as Grand Knight. Thankfully, all of the current officers have agreed to stay on for another go-round as well. Below is the list of the current officers. The official nominations will take place at the May meeting. If one or several of you want to move in for a hostile takeover for any of the positions below [including the Grand Knight] here is your big chance.

Grand Knight	Jerry Vadell
Deputy Grand Knight	Shane Collins
Chancellor	Eric Snyder
Warden	Justin LaGrange
Recorder	Leon Mathes
Advocate	Darryl Vadell
Inside Guard	Dickie Abadie, Dave Kondroik, Tony Grego
Outside Guard	George Schindler IV, Kenneth Beler II, Juan Muniz
Treasurer	Dave Grego
Lecturer (appointed)	Mark Carver



We will also need activity directors. If there is one area that interests you please step forward and let the Grand Knight know what you would like to do. There are a lot of suggested activities and sometimes we don't have enough people to take charge. We would like someone to step up and learn about the Cadillac Banquet.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE KNIGHT AND
FAMILY OF THE MONTH.
KNIGHT OF THE MONTH – Justin Lagrange
FAMILY OF THE MONTH – Bill Ceravolo

Thanks to Brothers Darryl Vadell & Dave Kondroik for handling the kitchen duties for the April Meeting [on short notice]. And thanks to Curt Franklin, Gary Beckman & Ronnie Jacobs for cooking at the officers meeting.

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THREE CHEERS

Congratulations to Sierra T. Ryan – who represented Marquette Council 1437 in the 8-11 year old Alcohol Awareness and Abuse Poster Contest – and **WON FIRST PLACE** in the Area A Competition!!!!!!!

GREAT JOB Sierra!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

And ... and best wishes for your poster to win a state award at the convention.



Please bring any old rosaries to the meetings for the sisters of the Holy Family.

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*****NOTICE*****

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ADDRESS**

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U.S. MAIL WE DO NOT HAVE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS**

THE EMAILS THAT WE ARE MISSING ARE

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JOSEPH BAUDIER
SCOTT BURST
JEROME CHRISTY
KEVIN COUSINS
DON COUSINS
DENNIS DININGO
DR. ANGELO GIORLANDO
DOM GRIESHABER
EDWARD HAMANN**

**DR. DAVID HERLEVIC
FRANK MACERA
DENNIS MAGGIO
JOSHUA MUSSO
WILLIAM PERSON, JR.
NORMAN SASS
DR. ANTHONY SCARDINO
CHRISTOPHER WHIPPLE
KEITH WHIPPLE
KEITH WOLFF**

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HELP US CUT OUR COST**

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**IF YOU KNOW AN EMAIL ADDRESS FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE IT WOULD BE
APPRECIATED IF YOU WOULD SEND IT TO US.**

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MARQUETTE SEMINARIAN FUND -- 2010

Dear Brother Knights:

Each year Marquette asks its members to support vocations. This Easter season is a perfect time to reflect on the many services and blessings that Brother Knights have received from the Religious. It's also the perfect time to make a personal commitment to ensure that Catholic clergy will be available to meet our future needs.

For 30 years, the Seminarian Fund has been Marquette's way of saying "thank you" to Catholic men who aspire to serve the Church. Last year the Marquette membership was very generous in its support of vocations.

Marquette has selected Paul Clark as this year's recipient. Paul is in the pre-theology. The parish where he will be studying to work has yet to be determined.

I hope that you will help us continue a wonderful Marquette tradition of assisting a young man on their journey to the priesthood. Solidarity and support of religious vocations is a knightly trait and a blessing of the Catholic Church.

Please send donations to:

Eric Snyder
4209 Tartan Drive
Metairie, LA. 70003

Make your check out to Marquette Council #1437 with Seminary Fund noted on the check. You may also donate at the meetings.

Vivant Jesus!
Eric J. Snyder – Chancellor

INSTALLATIOIN OF OFFICERS FOR 2010-2011

The date is set for Saturday, June 26, 2010. Mass at 6pm on the 2nd Floor with the installation taking place right after. Reception on 3rd Floor immediately following. **Please mark your calendars** and make every effort to attend this function – especially if you are part of this year's officers.

Due to a previous commitment – our chaplain, Fr. Pat Williams is unavailable to celebrate Mass. So ... the parochial vicar at St. Ann Parish in Metairie, Fr. Mike Mitchell has agreed to stand in for Fr. Pat as the celebrant.

BROTHER KNIGHTS

OUR RECORDS INDICATE THAT YOU ARE EITHER A FIRST OR SECOND DEGREE KNIGHT AND THAT YOU HAVE NOT YET TAKEN THE SECOND AND OR THIRD DEGREE OF OUR ORDER

THERE WILL BE A MAJOR DEGREE
BOTH SECOND AND THIRD
IN SLIDELL ON
SUNDAY
APRIL 25, 2010

PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ATTEND
ALL INFORMATION IS ATTACHED.

PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU CAN ATTEND THIS DEGREE.

IF YOU HAVE ATTAINED YOUR 3RD DEGREE PLEASE ADVISE ME AND THE APPROX DATE THAT YOU WENT THROUGH.

WE ARE HAVING A BIG PUSH TO GET AS MANY OF OUR BROTHERS TO FULL KNIGHTHOOD. YOU ONLY NEED TO DO THIS ONCE. JUST ONE SUNDAY MORNING

I PROMISE YOU AN EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME

SUNDAY
APRIL 25, 2009

PLEASE R.S.V.P
WE NEED TO LET THEM KNOW HOW MANY CANDIDATES WE WILL HAVE IN
ATTENDANCE

HERE IS A COPY OF THE DEGREE INFORMATION THAT I HAVE SENT TO EVERY 1ST ONLY THAT
WE HAVE. ONE OR TWO OF THEM ARE 2ND ONLY'S. THERE ARE ABOUT 5 ON THE LIST THAT
WE DO NOT HAVE EMAILS TO SEND THEM THIS INFO. THEY ARE

SCOTT BURST
JEROME CHRISTY
DENNIS MAGGIO
CHARLES MARTINEZ
QUENTIN QUINETTE III
CHRISTOPHER WHIPPLE
LUKE WHITE
PAUL JAEGER

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Columbian Squires:

Jesuit Marquette Circle No. 4156

A second squire's circle has been initiated at Rummel High School by Brother Eric Snyder's son, Nathan.
Thus far, Nathan has six charter members. He needs ten.

Vivat Jesus!
Tom Falcon – PGK, FDD
(504) 940-7114

MEMBERSHIP BLITZ

RECRUIT!!!!!!!!!!!!!! The State and Supreme Columbian Year is on the down-slope. Let's
make a huge push to bring in new Brother Knights! Remember, new membership is
the life-blood to a functioning and thriving council.

Justin Lagrange, Worthy Warden and Membership Director
(504) 428-5756

There will be two **annulment writing workshops** put on by the **Family Life Apostolate of the Archdiocese of New Orleans:**

St Clement of Rome
Parish Center, Room 2
4317 Richland Ave. Metairie
8:30 AM – noon
Three Saturdays: September 11, 18, and 25

The Visitation of Our Lady
School Library
3520 Ames Blvd. Marrero
Five Tuesdays
7:30 PM – 9:00 PM
October 19, 26, November 2, 9 and 16

For information contact Family Life Apostolate (504) 861-6243.
The cost is \$20.00 for the entire workshop

Francis Celino -- PGK

MARQUETTE KNIGHT AT ZEPHYRS

Brother Justin Lagrange is currently working on a Fireworks Friday in August – either August 13th or 20th. Stay tuned.

Annual Rudy Classen Memorial Scholarship
Deadline: June 9, 2010

The annual Rudy Classen Memorial Scholarship will be awarded once again this spring. Two \$250.00 scholarships are awarded as a memorial to the great Knight, past Financial Secretary, and HPGK, the late Rudolph “Rudy” Classen. The criteria for receiving this scholarship are as follows:

(1) All students going from a Catholic school into a Catholic high school (8th or 9th grade) are eligible.

(2) A 250 word essay entitled "What my Catholic education means to me" will be reviewed by the committee consisting of the Chaplain, Grand Knight and Chancellor. Should a conflict of interest occur, or at the request of one of the committee members, the Chaplain will appoint a Marquette member in good standing as a substitute.

(3) Essays are to be presented no later than the June general meeting to the Deputy Grand Knight. In the event of multiple entries, the Deputy Grand Knight will code the entries to assure anonymity, before presenting the essays to the Grand Knight. Should there be a conflict of interest involving the Deputy Grand Knight then a trustee will be appointed to collect the essays.

(4) The scholarships will be awarded at the Spring Quarterly communion, date and location to be determined by the Church director and Chaplain.



INSURANCE MESSAGE OF THE MONTH

Don't wait, act today

When you're family is hungry, you see that this need is taken care of quickly. You don't put it off until tomorrow; you act immediately to the best of your ability. As a provider to your wife and children, your responsibilities are great and your time is spread thin. It is easy to forget important tasks or let them slip to the backburner for later.

Everything, including your health, can change in the blink of an eye. Don't put off today what can't wait until tomorrow. As your professional Knights of Columbus agent, I urge you to make securing life insurance for you and your family a top priority.

It is my fraternal obligation to make sure that every member has the opportunity to protect his family with the Order's top-rated insurance products. I'll work with you to put a plan in place that will help your family when that help is what they needed the most.

Your Knights of Columbus insurance program is second to none. As the premier safety net for Catholic families for more than 126 years, our insurance program makes me proud. But I'm also concerned that too many of our brother Knights have not yet looked into the needs of their family. I suspect that, for many of them, life insurance has drifted to the backburner until tomorrow. Don't be one of them; move your insurance needs to the forefront today.

I'm Terry Kennedy, General Agent at 985-649-2703 or terry.kennedy@kofc.org. Call me. Let's talk.

***Please Note* Terry has recently brought on a new field agent for our area. His name is Mark Chiffici. We will invite Mark to come and speak to the council at either our October or November meeting.**

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Marquette Home Building and Improvement Association

The purpose of the Marquette Home Building and Improvement Association is to hold title to our property at 314 Saint Charles, to collect the income derived from the property, and after paying maintenance and other expenses, turning over the surplus funds to Marquette Council.

Every third degree member of Marquette Council is also a member of the Marquette Home Building and Improvement Association. The business of the Association is managed by an eleven member Board of Directors made up of the Grand Knight, the Immediate Past Grand

Knight, and nine other Council members. On the second Wednesday of September the Association holds its annual meeting. At that meeting, three members of the Board of Directors are elected to serve for three year terms.

Members currently serving on the Board of Directors:

James J. Lynch, Jr. – President

Gerard Keller – First Vice President

Michael R. Jamison – Second Vice President

Barry R. Waller – Secretary

Dr. Kenneth Schott – Treasurer

Stephen F. Babin

Richard C. Lewis

David. R. Grego

Harold J. Vega

Francis Celino – Immediate Past Grand Knight

Gerard M. Vadell – Grand Knight

A little history on the Association – it was incorporated on July 24th, 1956. On September 2nd, 1959 the Association completed the first and most important part of its mission – the purchase of our building at 314 Saint Charles.

The Mid-Year Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Marquette Home Building and Improvement Association was held on Monday, January 11th, 2010 at the Council Home. The Board elected the following officers for a one year term:

James J. Lynch, Jr. – President

Gerard Keller - First Vice-President

Michael Jamison – Second Vice-President

Barry Waller – Secretary

Dr. Kenneth Schott – Treasurer

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 30-May 2	State KC Convention
May 4, 2010	“MOT” Knight
May 12, 2010	General Meeting
May 25, 2010	Officers’ Meeting
May 31, 2010	Memorial Day
June 26, 2010	Installation of Officers
July 24, 2010	Marquette Picnic – Zephyr Field