



# Knights Times

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Father Roach Council 3217  
Dickinson, Texas

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## Message from our Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

As we come to the end of the year, we have accomplished many things as a council. I would like to thank all that have had an active hand and encourage those who were not active to participate. This is your council and you made it what it is today. I wish you all well, a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year. I challenge you all to attend as much as possible, and do great things in "His name"

Pete V  
Grand Knight KC 3217

## Columbus Club of Dickinson

The Columbus Club of Dickinson recently held a special election to fill three positions with the Board of Directors and one Officer position. The current leadership is as follows:

<b>President</b> Pascual Velazquez	<b>Vice President</b> P.J. Velazquez	<b>Recorder</b> Tim North	<b>Treasurer</b> Tim Alexander
<b>Three Year Director</b> Michael Moore Richard Mayfield Tim Alexander P.J. Velazquez	<b>Two Year Director</b> George Ussery Michael Dunn Jack Neal Robert Rose	<b>One Year Director</b> Charles Suderman Ed Moroney Ken Suderman Tim North	

## Please welcome our new Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight

As many of you know, our Grand Knight, Juan Moran, had the opportunity to move to San Antonio to be closer to his parents. In October, we held a special election and elected our Deputy Grand Knight, Pete Velazquez, to be our new Grand Knight and Mike Moore to fill the post of Deputy Grand Knight. Please welcome both of them next time you see them!

## Come to our meetings!

Our meetings are the second and third Thursday of each month. The first meeting is our Knights of Columbus Council meeting and the second is our Columbus Club of Dickinson meeting. Both meetings are open to ALL MEMBERS! If you are a member of the Knights of Columbus Council, then you are a member of the Columbus Club of Dickinson. We have been making a lot of changes to things and would like to encourage everyone to come to our meetings. If it has been a while since you have been to a meeting, come on out and see what we are doing!

## First Thursday Steak Nights!!

Our regular monthly Steak Nights will begin again on Thursday January 6th from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. Our Steak Nights will not be held during the months of March and April due to Lent and will continue on the first Thursday of each month from 5:30pm to 7:30pm starting May 5th. The price is \$12.00 per plate for an Adult Steak Dinner, \$6.00 per plate for children 12 years old and under. We are also offering limited Chicken Breasts for both Adults and Children in place of Steak.

## Council Christmas Party

The Father Roach Council will be holding its annual Christmas Party on Saturday, January 15, from 6:00pm to 9:00pm. The Council will be providing the main course and is asking that everyone bring a covered dish. Please contact our new Deputy Grand Knight, Mike Moore, for additional details and to coordinate what needs to be done in order to make this a successful Christmas Party for all! He can be reached at (281) 831-7144.

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**Supreme Director**

Javier Martinez



**Ladies Appreciation Night**

Calling all of the ladies that have helped our Council over the past year! It's time for us to show you how much we really appreciate all that you do to help us out in everything we do! In order to do that, we will be having a Ladies' Appreciation Night on Saturday, February 12th, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at the Dickinson KC Hall. We invite all of you to come and enjoy yourselves!

**Council Newsletters**

In an effort to reduce the cost of our newsletters and to allow us to send them out on a more regular basis, we are making some changes to our mailing list. We would like to send the majority of our newsletters in an electronic format either through email or our website. In order to do that, we are asking that ANYONE that wishes to continue receiving this newsletter, either electronically or via U.S. Postal Service, please contact us with your preference and your updated contact information by the end of January 2011. You can contact Michael Dunn with your preference and updated contact information in any of the following ways, or in person:

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It is very **IMPORTANT** that **EVERYONE** that is interested in continuing to receive this newsletter contact us, otherwise you **WILL** be dropped from our mailing list. This will be the last newsletter mailed out using the current mailing list.



**Fourth Degree Exemplification**

The 1st District of Texas will be holding the 2011 Spring Exemplification of the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus on February 26th in Deer Park, Texas. This exemplification will be honoring the Immediate Past State Deputy and Supreme Director, Sir Knight Javier S. Martinez. If you are a 3rd Degree Knight in good standing and would be interested in joining the 4th Degree, this is your opportunity. If you are interested, please contact anyone of the 4th Degree Knights in our Council. All of the paperwork must be completed and turned into the 4th Degree Assembly by the beginning of February.



**Dickinson Festival of Lights**

Thank you to everyone that came out to help with the 13th Annual Dickinson Festival of Lights! It has turned out to be a very successful year with over 50,000 people coming through the park, as opposed to just over 34,000 last year. It has been a lot of fun, but also a lot of hard work and it is not over. We will need some help after the first of the year to take down and put away all of the decorations and return Paul Hopkin's Park to a regular County park.

**Seminarian Support**

As many of you know, Jasper Liggio has made a major change in his life this year and has entered upon the path to Priesthood. This is something that Jasper has dreamed about, and prayed about for years, and we couldn't possibly be any happier for him! Jasper and his family have always been a huge supporter of our Council, Church and Community and we will be forever grateful to him. He is one of our Brother Knights and deserves some extra special prayers during this new journey in life! Please keep him in your prayers!

**!!! New Council Website and Domain Name !!!**

As many of you have noticed, our website has been up and down for the past several months. After many attempts, we finally have a website back up and running that should not be going anywhere for a very long time. We have also secured a new domain name for the Council's website and email. We will maintain both names for the next year and will transition to the new name throughout this next year. The new name is: <http://www.kc3217.org>

**Lenten Fish Fries**

This year we will be starting our regular Lenten Fish Fries a little early. We will be having 10 Fish Fries with the first Fish Fry on February 11th from 5:30pm to 7:30pm and the last one on April 15th. The Fish Fries this year will be on the following dates: February 11th, 18th, 25th, March 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th and April 1st, 8th and 15th. The Fish Fries will be held at the Dickinson KC Hall and we look forward to a great turn out!

# HALL RENTALS

**For rental information**

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**JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

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MICHAEL DUNN  
JOSE DUPLAN  
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JOHNNIE KLECKA  
PATRICK KLECKA  
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DAVID MESSINA  
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LANCE PAWLIK  
FRANCIS QUIN  
EVERETT SNIDER  
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CHARLES VITABLE  
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PASCUAL VELAZQUEZ  
TOM WEBER

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GLEN DOLEZAL  
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WILLIAM FREED  
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LUCAS HINOJOSA  
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**COME AND JOIN US ON FACEBOOK**

The Father Roach Council #3217 now has a FACEBOOK account.

<http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Knights-of-Columbus-Father-Roach-Council-3217/255186298328>



## **Biography of Supreme Knight, Carl A. Anderson**

As supreme knight of the Knights of Columbus, Carl A. Anderson is the chief executive officer and chairman of the board of the world's largest Catholic family fraternal service organization, which has more than 1.8 million members.

Mr. Anderson has had a distinguished career as a public servant and educator. From 1983 to 1987, he served in various positions of the Executive Office of the President of the United States, including special assistant to the President and acting director of the White House Office of Public Liaison. Following his service at the White House, Mr. Anderson served for nearly a decade as a member of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

From 1983 to 1998, Mr. Anderson taught as a visiting professor of family law at the Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family at the Pontifical Lateran University in Rome. In 1988, became the founding vice president and first dean of the Washington, D.C., session of this graduate school of theology now located at The Catholic University of America.

He is the author of the New York Times bestseller, *A Civilization of Love: What Every Catholic Can Do To Transform The World*; co-author (with Msgr. Eduardo Chávez) of *Our Lady of Guadalupe: Mother of the Civilization of Love*, also a New York Times bestseller; co-editor (with Livio Melina) of *The Way of Love: Reflections on Pope Benedict XVI's Encyclical Deus Caritas Est*; and (with José Granados) *Called to Love: Approaching John Paul II's Theology of the Body*.

Mr. Anderson was the only Catholic layman from North America to serve as an auditor at the World Synod of Bishops in 2001, 2005 and 2008.

Pope John Paul II appointed Mr. Anderson as a member of the Pontifical Academy for Life (1998) and the Pontifical Council for the Laity (2002), and as a consultant to the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace (2003). Pope Benedict XVI has appointed him as a consultant to the Pontifical Council for Social Communications (2007) and as a member of the Pontifical Council for the Family (2008). He is a member of the Board of Superintendence of the (I.O.R.) (Institute for the Works of Religion - Vatican Bank) (2009) and has served as a consultant to the Pro-Life Committee of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) since 2002.

Mr. Anderson is a Knight Grand Cross of the Order of St. Sylvester; a Knight of the Order of St. Gregory the Great; and a Knight Grand Cross of the Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem.

He serves as a member of the International Scientific Council of the Studium Generale Marcianum of Venice. In 1994, he was a member of the Vatican delegation for the Fifteenth Meeting of the International Jewish Liaison Committee held in Jerusalem.

Mr. Anderson currently serves on the Board of Trustees of The Catholic University of America and the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. He has received honorary doctorates from The Catholic University of America, The Pontifical Theology Academy of Krakow and St. Vincent's Seminary, Latrobe, Pa. Mr. Anderson is the recipient of many honors including the Imago Dei Award, Archdiocese of Denver (2005); the Canterbury Medal, Becket Fund for Religious Liberty (2007); Servant of Peace Award, Path to Peace Foundation (2007); Rector's Award, Pontifical North American College, Rome (2008); The John Carroll Society Award (2009); the Lupa Capitolina Award, City of Rome (2009); and the John Cardinal O'Connor Award (2009).

Mr. Anderson has served as assistant supreme secretary and supreme secretary of the Knights of Columbus until becoming supreme knight in October 2000. Prior to that, he served as the Order vice president for public policy from 1987 to 1997. He has been grand knight, district deputy, state advocate, state secretary and state deputy for the District of Columbia jurisdiction.

Since Mr. Anderson assumed the responsibilities of supreme knight in 2000, the Knights of Columbus has achieved new heights in charitable giving, providing in its latest year more than \$150 million directly to charity and 68 million hours in volunteer service.

In just under a decade as the chief executive officer of the Order, Anderson has overseen strong growth in the Knights' financial resources. Life insurance in force has grown from \$39.7 billion to \$75 billion - an increase of 89% in less than a decade - and over 7% a year. Life insurance sales have also increased - from \$2.9 billion in 2000 to nearly \$7.6 billion this year - an annual growth rate of 6.9%.

Despite two serious market corrections during his tenure, the Knights has remained financially strong. It is one of only three U.S. life insurers to have the top ratings from both A.M. Best and Standard and Poor's, as well as certification from the Insurance Marketplace Standards Association (IMSA). At the same time, the organization's assets under management have increased from \$8.5 billion in 2000 to more than \$15.5 billion today - an increase of 83% overall - and 6.7% annually.

In 2009, in the midst of one of the worst economic crises, the Knights' position relative to the U.S. life insurance industry actually improved, and the Order's investment portfolio earned a very competitive 5.75%. In fact, A.M. Best cited: "consistently positive statutory earnings, excellent persistency and an exceptional level of risk-adjusted capitalization" when they gave the Knights their top rating of A++ (Superior) this year - for the 34th consecutive year.

In addition, during Mr. Anderson's tenure the Knights of Columbus established the \$1 million Heroes Fund to provide immediate assistance to the families of rescue workers killed in the terrorist attack of Sept. 11, 2001; the \$2 million Pacem in Terris Fund to assist efforts for peace in the Middle East by the Catholic Church; and was financial sponsor of the 2004 Papal Concert of Reconciliation.

Mr. Anderson holds degrees in philosophy from Seattle University and in law from the University of Denver. He is a member of the bar of the District of Columbia and is admitted to practice law before the U.S. Supreme Court.

He and his wife, Dorian, are the parents of five children.

*Information gathered from the Knights of Columbus website: <http://www.kofc.org>*



# Upcoming Events

## January 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Mary, the Mother of God
2 Feast of Epiphany	3	4	5	6 Steak Night 5:30pm-7:30pm	7	8
9 The Baptism of the Lord	10	11	12	13 Council Meeting 7:30pm	14	15 Christmas Party 6:00pm-9:00pm
16	17	18	19	20 Columbus Club Meeting - 7:30pm	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 4th Degree Meeting - 7:30pm	28	29
30	31					

## February 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Officer's Meeting 7:00pm	3 Steak Night 5:30pm-7:30pm	4	5 Right to Life Mass - 10:00am
6	7	8	9	10 Council Meeting 7:30pm	11 Fish Fry 5:30pm-7:30pm	12 Ladies Appreciation 6:00p-8:00p
13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17 Columbus Club Meeting - 7:30pm	18 Fish Fry 5:30pm-7:30pm	19
20	21 Presidents' Day	22	23	24 4th Degree Meeting - 7:30pm	25 Fish Fry 5:30pm-7:30pm	26 4th Degree Exemplification
27	28					

## March 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Officer's Meeting 7:00pm	3	4 Fish Fry 5:30pm-7:30pm	5 Right to Life Mass - 10:00am
6	7	8	9 Ash Wednesday	10 Council Meeting 7:30pm	11 Fish Fry 5:30pm-7:30pm	12
13 Daylight Savings Time Begins	14	15	16	17 Columbus Club Meeting - 7:30pm	18 Fish Fry 5:30pm-7:30pm	19
20	21	22	23	24 4th Degree Meeting - 7:30pm	25 Fish Fry 5:30pm-7:30pm	26
27	28	29	30	31		



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