



Knights of Columbus Council 7243

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FOURTH QUARTER 2021 NEWSLETTER

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Welcome Brothers, family and friends to St. George Knights of Columbus Winter Newsletter Edition. We hope you had a blessed Christmas surrounded by family and friends. I pray that you have a prosperous, healthy and safe New Year!

The year 2021 definitely, to say the least, has had many ups and downs. A totally different way of living than we could have ever imagined. With God's Grace we will get back to normalcy. I believe that we have and will continue to count on each other no matter what we are going through.

Even with all the obstacles we have endured, we the Knights of Columbus at St. George, have accomplished many things over this past year (please look over our past editions of the newsletters found at KofC7243.com.) This web page includes a wealth of information. In this newsletter you will see we have been very busy. This past quarter we served breakfasts; sold out the Charity Chips Round 1 and started the drawings; hosted our 17th Annual Car Show; provided Thanksgiving traffic control for the food distribution; sponsored our second Keep Christ in Christmas youth poster contest; and provided Traffic control for Christmas present distribution. We also provided Christmas presents to the Parish in the form of a bracelet containing religious sayings for the youth and young at heart. They were also given out at the Religious Education Classes and after Church. As is our custom, we provided monetary Christmas presents for the Priests, Deacons, St. George staff and our Tucson Diocese Seminarians and their support staff.

The year 2022 will offer many opportunities for us as Knights to serve the Church and community. In January we will award the 3 winners of the children's Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest. We will start selling the Annual State Charity Raffle tickets in January. This will require many of us, hopefully all, to buy and sell the tickets. The proceeds go to St. George. Last year we were able to give Monsignor over \$5,000, some of which allowed Monsignor to provide support to the Seminarians. Another activity happening is Round 2 of the Charity Chip drawings, which can be purchased on our webpage. The money raised will go to various charities in the community. In February we will provide traffic control for the High School students drive-through Spaghetti Dinner.

As always, if you have family, friends or know someone who would like to be a Knight, talk to them and invite them to join. Sometimes it is a matter of just asking. Happy New Year!

STAR COUNCIL AWARD PRESENTATION BY DISTRICT DEPUTY TOM WHITE



District Deputy Tom White presents the STAR Council Award for Fraternal Year 2020-2021 to Grand Knight Matt Campbell





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FUND RAISING UPDATE

As stated in the Grand Knight's message, Charity Chips Round 1 sales were so well received we were able to begin drawings early. Due to the positive response, we have instituted token sales for Charity Chips Round 2. A motion to approve Charity Chip Round 2 was approved at the November council meeting, with token sales to begin after masses in February 2022. Round 1 drawings and prize distributions will continue as advertised, with the first drawing having taken place at the November 2021 council meeting, and proceeding for the next 11 months. Round 2 in-person token sales, after masses, will begin in February. Drawings and prize distribution timing will be determined after the next 100 chips are sold (numbered 201-300, to distinguish them from Round 1 tokens). Awards are expected to take place over 12 months, the same as Round 1, unless circumstances dictate otherwise. It was agreed we would finish Round 1 prize distributions before we initiate Round 2 prize distributions. Round 2 token sales are available online, and will continue until all 100 tokens, 201 through 300, are sold. Winners' names will not be published, just the token numbers.

Charity Chips – Round 2



Round 1 of our Charity Chip program was a great success. It sold out in just over a month. There has been strong interest in having a round 2 of the program to allow our winter visitor parishioners to have an opportunity to participate as well as our year round parishioners.

Sold to date	Quantity available
10	90

WEB SITE UPDATE



Doug Hughes has done an outstanding job as Webmaster for our council web site. (See the above screen capture.) It can be accessed by going to www.kofc7243.org.

Doug continues to add functionality to the menu list of items (e.g., see the ONLINE STORE button.) He has added a BLOG section where items of current interest are available for viewing. You can sign up for email alerts when new items are posted.

Please send your constructive comments to Doug so he can filter them into future updates—Doug Hughes <papaduhughes@gmail.com>. We need lots of pictures as the current version has very few.



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ST. GEORGE 17th ANNUAL "SHOW YOUR RIDE" CAR SHOW

This year's car show was held October 30th. Fifty lovingly restored custom cars were on display for attendees to view and talk to the owners about the unique stories behind each car's restoration. Prizes were awarded for various categories, including Best in Show and the Grand Knight's Award. All proceeds were donated to the Apache Junction Boys and Girls Club. There were some 20 Brother Knights involved in setting up, tearing down, preparing and distributing food, selling tickets, registering participants, and providing overall support. Chairman Steve Ezyk thanked everyone who assisted. He was pleased with the results, which produced a net profit of \$1,468. The council voted to supplement the proceeds with \$532 in council funds to allow a \$2,000 donation to the Boys and Girls Club of Apache Junction.

An article submitted by Steve was published in the Apache Junction/Gold Canyon Independent, which stated in part: Knights of Columbus Council No. 7243 in Apache Junction recently presented a donation of \$2,000 to Angela Davis, director of the Boys and Girls Club Superstition Mountain Branch in Apache Junction. A check from the proceeds of the Oct. 30 St. George annual car show was presented by Steve Ezyk, fourth degree knight from Knights of Columbus Council No. 7243, according to a release. Christopher Metcalfe of Christopher Metcalfe Creations, an Apache Junction bicycle shop, was also there. "Chris graciously donated two children's bicycles for the Boys and Girls Club. Angela will present these bikes to two deserving children at the club. All in all it was a very successful meeting for Angela, Chris and me," Ezyk said in the release.

At the November 2021 meeting the council approved participation in the St. George 18th Annual "Show Your Ride" Car Show in 2022.



From left are Chris Metcalfe, Angela Davis and Steve Ezyk.

PHOTOS FROM THE SHOW



Car Show Sponsor, Monsignor Pinti,
in His Nash Metropolitan Golf Cart



Registration Desk



Grand Knight's Award 1955 Pontiac Star Chief



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Commemorative Car Show T-Shirt



Some of the Cars on Display



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LAST SUNDAY BREAKFAST OF THE FRATERNAL YEAR

Our October 10th breakfast was very successful. There were a total of 187 meals sold, for an income of \$935.00. When combined with donations of \$76.00, our gross income was \$1,011.00. Expenses were \$420.06, for a net income of \$590.94, with 30%, or \$176.40, going to the assembly, and 70%, or \$413.66, going to the council. The feedback from our diners was very positive and they can't wait for our breakfasts to restart next year. Thanks again for all who helped: Ralph Abeyta, Larry Beckwith, John Czerwinski, Don Martens, John Hennessey, Doug Hughes, Joe Lorden, Neil McMillan, Pat Prezioso, Gil Rollins, Joe Skamel, Tom Wolf and Ken Zudycki.





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VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

Many thanks to all the Brother Knights who helped by volunteering to support our events, including the October 10th Breakfast, the 17th Annual Car Show, the Thanksgiving Food Delivery, the Christmas Gift Delivery and the Christmas Bracelet distribution: Ralph Abeyta, Bill Amatuucci, Larry Beckwith, Greg Boyer, Rick Buckingham, Matt Campbell, Armino Castelhana, John Czerwinski, Steve Ezyk, Bill Gilles, Conrad Gorney, Dennis Hale, John Hennessey, Doug Hughes, Swede Jurgenson, Rene Lesieutre, Joe Lorden, Don Martens, Denis McDonald, Neil McMillin, Bob Mohle, Pat Prezioso, Msgr. Pinti, Gil Rollins, Joe Skamel, Tom Wolf and Ken Zudycki.

NEW COUNCIL AND ASSEMBLY SHIRTS



Brother Knight Bob Mohle has identified an alternate source for both council and assembly shirts. They are Featherlite, and the fabric is moisture free and wicking, and include the member's name. Contact Bob for pricing and delivery.

MEETINGS

Supreme has changed the requirements for council meetings. Councils are required to hold two meetings per month. One is a council meeting for all members. The purpose of this meeting is to build fraternal spirit, to share information, to strengthen formation in the faith, and to present matters that require the vote of council members. Meeting agendas are structured so as to last less than one hour and are scheduled for the second Monday of the month. The other monthly meeting is an Officer's Planning meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to plan programs, develop budgets, pay approved bills, prepare motions, discuss new ideas, and deal with other necessary matters. Council officers, directors, and chairpersons are required to attend this meeting. The meeting is open to any council members who wish to attend. Meeting agendas are structured to cover all necessary items, and may last more than one hour.

MEETING TIMES CHANGED TO 5:30 PM

The following motion was approved by the council at the August 9th meeting: Whereas the Council stands to gain more participation from our general membership from the majority of members who are at or are nearing the age where driving at night is prohibitive, the Officers move that the meeting times will be moved to a start time of 5:30 pm and the date of the general meeting will remain on the 2nd Monday of each month unless in conflict with National or Religious Holidays or planned activities by the St George Parish Community causing the meeting to be adapted to available room location or day of week. This decision will be updated by future motion as factors change. The motion was seconded, and approved unanimously.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Arizona State Raffle Ticket Sales in January
- Traffic Control for High School Students Drive-Thru Spaghetti Dinner in February
- Charity Chip Round 2 Flyer Distribution and Token Sales
- Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest Award Winners Presentation



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VETERANS DAY PARADE

Council 7243 and Assembly 2943 were well represented at the Apache Junction Veterans Day Parade. Attending were John Czerwinski, Don Martens, Dennis Hale, Doug Hughes, Rene Lesieutre and Matt Campbell. There was a very nice turnout of the public, many who voiced support for the Knights in the parade.



ELECTRONIC RECORD KEEPING

By unanimous consent at the December Officers Planning meeting, the officers agreed to retire the old council record book, Form 1403-00, and proceed, retroactive to June 2020, with electronic record keeping. We have been keeping council meeting minutes electronically since June 2020, initially due to virtual meetings/Covid restrictions and subsequently for convenience and accuracy in generating the meeting records, which can be distributed by email to our members, thereby improving communications. Electronic record keeping represents a significant improvement in record keeping, as demonstrated by comparison to the current record book, and allows the use of pictures and graphics. Approved electronic meeting minutes are stored on the Recorder's computer hard drive, which is backed up regularly and are also available from the Financial Secretary and Grand Knight. Hard copies of the approved meeting minutes since June 2020 are stored in a suitable binder and are kept in our meeting room since it may be desirable to have ready access at meetings to approved meeting minutes in hard copy format.

ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY

Financial Secretary Doug Hughes recently sent out a request for Brother Knights to complete the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (see attached.) The form is for you to report on your individual hours for both the Council and Assembly. Please review the categories and send me a report on the hours you have spent for the Calendar year 2021. As this report is due January 31, Doug will need a week to compile all of the submitted reports in order to report the summary to Supreme. This should not take much time so Doug would appreciate your attention.

This is important so the Order can maintain our tax status as a charitable organization.

Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity	
20 Individual Member Worksheet	
INSTRUCTIONS TO FINANCIAL SECRETARIES FAITHFUL COMPILERS BUREAUS	
<p>Brother Knights should separate reported assembly activities from their reported council activities.</p> <p>Location on the lower portion of this page are individual Member Worksheets to assist you in determining the number of hours of volunteer service reported by members during 2021.</p> <p>Knights prepare our Fraternal Survey for the Regional Council Office, please complete the information requested below and return it to our next meeting. This information will assist us in determining the total number of hours of community service volunteered by our members.</p>	
COUNCIL HOURS	ASSEMBLY HOURS
<p>Faith Activities</p> <p>1. School Support - Volunteer Programs</p> <p>2. Church Support</p> <p>3. Catholic Schools/Parishes</p> <p>4. Religious/Charitable Education</p> <p>5. Scout & Boy Scouts</p> <p>6. Religious/Charitable Programs</p> <p>7. Religious/Charitable Activities</p> <p>8. Religious/Charitable Events</p> <p>9. Religious/Charitable Projects</p> <p>10. Religious/Charitable Other</p> <p>Family Activities</p> <p>1. Family Formation Programs</p> <p>2. Family Crisis or Distress</p> <p>3. Family Prayer Night</p> <p>4. Family Support Programs</p> <p>5. Family Support Projects</p> <p>6. Family Support Other</p> <p>Community Activities</p> <p>1. Civic For Sale</p> <p>2. Older Americans Resource</p> <p>3. National for Seniors</p> <p>4. Physical Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>5. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>6. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>7. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>8. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>9. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>10. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>11. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>12. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>13. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>14. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>15. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>16. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>17. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>18. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>19. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>20. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>Life Activities</p> <p>1. Member for Life</p> <p>2. Member for Life</p> <p>3. Member for Life</p> <p>4. Member for Life</p> <p>5. Member for Life</p> <p>6. Member for Life</p> <p>7. Member for Life</p> <p>8. Member for Life</p> <p>9. Member for Life</p> <p>10. Member for Life</p> <p>11. Member for Life</p> <p>12. Member for Life</p> <p>13. Member for Life</p> <p>14. Member for Life</p> <p>15. Member for Life</p> <p>16. Member for Life</p> <p>17. Member for Life</p> <p>18. Member for Life</p> <p>19. Member for Life</p> <p>20. Member for Life</p>	<p>Faith Activities</p> <p>1. School Support - Volunteer Programs</p> <p>2. Church Support</p> <p>3. Catholic Schools/Parishes</p> <p>4. Religious/Charitable Education</p> <p>5. Scout & Boy Scouts</p> <p>6. Religious/Charitable Programs</p> <p>7. Religious/Charitable Activities</p> <p>8. Religious/Charitable Events</p> <p>9. Religious/Charitable Projects</p> <p>10. Religious/Charitable Other</p> <p>Family Activities</p> <p>1. Family Formation Programs</p> <p>2. Family Crisis or Distress</p> <p>3. Family Prayer Night</p> <p>4. Family Support Programs</p> <p>5. Family Support Projects</p> <p>6. Family Support Other</p> <p>Community Activities</p> <p>1. Civic For Sale</p> <p>2. Older Americans Resource</p> <p>3. National for Seniors</p> <p>4. Physical Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>5. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>6. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>7. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>8. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>9. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>10. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>11. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>12. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>13. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>14. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>15. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>16. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>17. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>18. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>19. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>20. Disabilities/Disabilities</p> <p>Life Activities</p> <p>1. Member for Life</p> <p>2. Member for Life</p> <p>3. Member for Life</p> <p>4. Member for Life</p> <p>5. Member for Life</p> <p>6. Member for Life</p> <p>7. Member for Life</p> <p>8. Member for Life</p> <p>9. Member for Life</p> <p>10. Member for Life</p> <p>11. Member for Life</p> <p>12. Member for Life</p> <p>13. Member for Life</p> <p>14. Member for Life</p> <p>15. Member for Life</p> <p>16. Member for Life</p> <p>17. Member for Life</p> <p>18. Member for Life</p> <p>19. Member for Life</p> <p>20. Member for Life</p>
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