



KNIGHT LETTER

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 Youth Activities.....W.C. Marek
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Happy Birthday August & September



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Grand Knight Report

First, I would like to start with Thank You! It means a lot that you all think that highly of me to elect me to this prestigious office. My best efforts will be made to not mess up the gift that has been bestowed. There is a lot of change with the Council brewing and sometimes changes are difficult for some people. We will work together to ensure the focus and direction is what is best for not only the members but the organization. The Knights of Columbus are all about resilience in the face of adversity. The Knights have many battle tested members that have been through all kinds of adverse times during our past 70 years. If we have been able to withstand the hard times of the past and present, there is no reason why we can't withstand what is ahead in our future. I have one final note for you to ponder. During my time with 3444 I have never seen more than 10% of the total membership at one time. Our monthly meeting dates and times are well established, but we usually have low attendance. Please help us regain the strength our Council by making a point to attend at least one meeting this year. I know that for some of our members this may be difficult, but for the sake of our mission and overall support for the church, I hope you can make it work. Thanks for your support and God Bless!

Steven Loos,
Grand Knight 3444

Membership Renewals

Please send membership renewals to Jim Oakes at the address below so that he can expedite members getting their new membership cards

Jim Oakes
18401 Deer Ridge Rd
Moody, TX 76557

Community Program / Youth Activities

As part of a ministry of St Mary's we as Brother Knights must be up to date with our EIM certificates. Ethics and Integrity in Ministry (EIM) is the Diocese of Austin program promoting safe environments, child & youth protection, and ethical behavior in all ministries. For the safety of our children, all volunteers in the Diocese of Austin are required to follow all EIM policies. This is in addition to the training required by your scouting organization. EIM Workshop (for all serving in a ministry within the school and church) will take place on August 20 @ 10:00 am - 11:00 am. Anyone who volunteers for St. Mary's Catholic School and Church ministries are required to be EIM compliant. Please complete and submit the EIM application at eappsdb.com/austin and pre-register to attend this workshop. You can also log onto the Diocese of Austin, click under EIM <https://austindiocese.org/application> and follow the prompts. You can take the EIM course on-line, if you do, please call into the Diocese the following business day to verify that you have completed the online training. You will need to then call Patricia St. Amour and report that you have completed the necessary training. If you have any questions, please call Patricia at 254-773-4541

Annual Scout Recognition Mass, Bishop Joe Vásquez recognizes scouts who have earned a religious emblem or award in the previous year. Eagle Scouts, GSCTX Gold awardees, and Stars and Stripes awardees are also recognized. The next recognition Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, October 15, 2022, at St. Theresa Parish in Austin from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Mark your calendars for this annual event.

Remember kids will be starting back to school this month, keep them safe out of harm's way. St Mary school goes back to school Aug 10 and Temple public school start August 23. Drive safely around the school zones and keep an eye open for the unusual.

WC Marek
Youth Activities Chairman

Deputy Grand Knight Report

Once again the council will be selling Football Frenzy tickets to support Texas State Charities. We are scheduled to sell tickets at St. Mary's August 27 Saturday evening mass at 5:30pm & August 28 Sunday at all three masses 7:30am, 9:15am & 11:30am. As Chairman for Knights of Columbus council 3444, I will need help with the sale of tickets after all the masses. Brother Knights please help with this endeavor with the purchase of a ticket. To contact me call or text 254-760-6930

The Seminarians of the Diocese of Austin will be attending their convocation with Bishop Vasquez at Cedarbreak during the first week of August. During that time they will have a R&R at a local home, swimming and hamburger lunch hosted by Catholic Vocation Advocates of Austin & Central Texas. We have been asked to cook the burgers. I would like to thank Leonard, Rex and Ernie for stepping up to man the grill.

God Bless,
Chris Reeves, Deputy Grand Knight

Knight of the Month

The Knight of the Month is Joe Stewart. Joe is honored for his service as he steps down as the Grand Knight. Joe was Grand Knight during the very difficult COVID period. Joe continues to serve in the vital and time consuming position of Hall Manager.

Family of the Month

The Family of the Month is Kris & Janet Haynes. Both Kris and Janet are well known for their service in the Choir. They both also are active in the Social Outreach ministry, spending numerous hours at Churches Touching Lives for Christ and Feed my Sheep. They have also helped out with Religious Education, specifically the Christmas La Posada event.

Congratulations to our monthly honorees!

Church Activities

Nothing to report at this time.

Fraternally yours,
Bruce J. McAtee
Council 3444
bjmcaatee@hotmail.com

Council Activities

Brother Knights of the Knights Of Columbus Council 3444,

St Mary School will be sponsoring a back-to-school tailgate party on Sunday August 7th. They have asked the Knights of Council 3444 to grill hotdogs and hamburgers for them. The school is providing all supplies, just looking to 3444 brotherhood of Knights for chef-power. We are looking for 3 to 4 volunteers, but more can make the job go easier. See if your schedule will support helping out. 11-12pm Setup. 12-3pm Grilling and Serving, 3-4pm Cleanup.

Please respond to the Council 3444 Worthy Chancellor Brother Knight Ryan Colburn at 713-410-0784 or ryancolb@swbell.net,

Sign up for the KC 3444 Newsletter

If you are reading this newsletter and know of any Brother Knight of Council 3444 not getting the KC 3444 Newsletter, please contact me. I found that many on the email subscriptions list are not receiving the newsletter account of misspelled email addresses, or it is being received in spam or junk mail. Please contact me for corrections or to be added to the subscription list.

WC Marek 254-760-2087 text or leave a message

August 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	6:30 - Activities Meeting 7:15 pm Board Mtg.	Hall Closed	Cook & serve Hamburgers for Semarian picnic	Hall Closed	Hall Closed	Hall Closed
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Hall Closed	6:15 4th degree 7:00 pm Rosary 7:30 pm 3rd Degree Mtg.	Hall Closed	Hall Closed	Hall Closed	Hall Closed	Private Lease
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Hall Closed	Hall Closed	Hall Closed	News Articles Due Hall Closed	Hall Closed	Hall Closed	Private Lease
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Hall Closed	Hall Closed	Hall Closed	Hall Closed	Hall Closed	Hall Closed	Private Lease Football Frenzy Ticket Sales
28	29	30	31			
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