January	2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS Janua					
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	• Bingo (Team Worker)		• CCD Classes 4	5	• Epiphany	• South Texas Tractor (2 workers @ 3:00 - 7:00 pm & 2 workers @ 7:00 pm - 11:30 pm)
8	9 • Bingo (Team Worker)	Meeting @	• CCD Classes 11	• Private Party	13	• Sweet 15 (2 workers @ 3:00 - 7:00 pm & 2 workers @ 7:00 pm - 11:30 pm)
15 • K.C. BBQ Chicken Drive-Thru Sweepstakes Drawing	• Bingo (Team Worker)	_	18 • St. Rose Stew Drive-Thru	19	20	21
22	• Bingo #3	_	•CCD Classes 25	26	27	28
29	30 • Bingo (Team Worker)	_	FEBRUARY 1	2 • Fireman's Drive- Thru Stew Supper	3	4 • Private Valentine's Dance (2 workers @ 7:00 pm - 10:30 pm)
5 • KC Rosary in Hall @ 5:30 pm	• Bingo (Team Worker)		• CCD Classes 8	9	10	<b>11</b> • Wedding (2 workers @ 3:00 - 7:00 pm & 2 workers @ 7:00 pm - 11:30 pm)
12 • Super Bowl Sunday	• Bingo #6 (Team Worker)	Martine	• Ash Wednesday	<b>TEAM LEADE</b> #1 - John Schindl #2 - Edward Kusy #3 - Dennis Johns #4 - Pete Garcia,	er #5 - 500 , #6 - La son #7 - Do	an Besetzny e Kurtz rry Brown nald Bohac nest Srubar

Rosary led by KC Brothers/family before St. Rose Mass. Please join the group in front of church 35 minutes before mass time below. You can now see semi-annual schedule on website: www.kcschulenburg.org click on Events; click on St. Rose Rosary Service

> View schedule on Schulenburg KC website: http://www.kcschulenburg.org/strosaryservice.html

St. Rose Rosary by the KC's Sun. January 22, 2023 before 7:30 a.m. mass 

#### **Recruiting New Members**

Brothers, we need your help in recruiting new members. Please keep a look out for great Catholic gentlemen that will strengthen our council.

Please ask your family members, friends, business acquaintances who are in good standing with the Catholic Church to join the KC's. They will just go to www.kofc.org and click at top of screen to join and complete the form. If they need additional help, they can contact Colton Bubela (979-639-1959), our Membership Director.

# **JANUARY** (NOTE THE MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS)

# Happy Birthday Guys!

Jan. 20 - Byron Eckhardt

Jan. 21 - Edward Kusy

Jan. 22 - Paul Berger

Jan. 23 - Michael Seger

Jan. 27 - Ralph Besetzny

Jan. 28 - Raymond Miller

Gary Eudy

Brent Florus

Aaron Machac

Clint Johnson

Michael Olle

- Jan. 03 Ryan Havrda
- Jan. 06 Sterling Koopmann
- Jan. 07 Daniel Neiser
- Jan. 08 Kaighan Kalich
- Jan. 14 Kaddin Mikulik
- Jan. 15 Nolan Besetzny Brayson Florus
- Robert Hranicky
- Jan. 17 Royce Shimek
- Jan. 19 Rodney Michalke

### **KC INSURANCE**

Brother Knights:

Another year has come and gone. I appreciate the opportunity to work with you and your families this past year and look forward to a new year in 2023. Continue to do the great work in your council as you have done in the past. Always remember, this great organization was formed by Blessed Father McGivney TO PROTECT ALL CATHOLIC FAMILIES. Have a Blessed and Safe 2023. Larry "Bear" Kana (979)877-5589 GOD BLESS!!!!!!!



Kenneth Miksch

979-966-3579

**KC FREE THROW CONTEST** The KC Free Throw Contest is coming up in January, usually held on a Saturday. More details will be available soon, or contact brother knights: Darrell Vyvjala, Rodney Michalke, or Adam Venghaus

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May you be guided by the light of wisdom

> Wishing you a holy **Epiphany!**

#### Brother Knights,

I want to start out by wishing you all a joyous holiday season. Hopefully you had an enjoyable time with friends and family. Thanks to you and your families we have had another great year at "Star Council 2902." You are the reason we have such a strong relationship with our church and community. Chief Onunaku says as knights, "You must be a man of faith, a man of charity, man of unity, bringing people together to believe in one God." Where better than here, when better than now! As we start the 2023 New Year,

may we continue to dedicate our time, talents and treasures to our fellow Catholic community while serving our generous and almighty God. Remember Father Jaspers Christmas wish "to pack the church each Sunday." May God's Blessings be with you all.

The \$50 December Monthly KC Meeting Challenge winner is Brother Knight Paul Berger. Since Paul was unable to attend, our January prize will be a \$75 cash certificate. See ya at the January 13th KC meeting at 7:30 pm.

At the January 13th KC meeting, we have invited the Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest winners to attend our awards ceremony starting at 6:45 pm at the Schulenburg Hall. Make plans to come early and support our local vouth's efforts. Remember some are our next generation of leaders and future KC members. Special thanks to Schulenburg Printing and Office Supplies for co-sponsoring the event. Next time you see Brother Knights Jeff, Doran and Chris, please let them know how much we appreciate their support and dedication to our

At our last KC meeting brother knight Tom Bargas presented a public service project request to adopt a two mile stretch of highway north and south of Schulenburg on Highway 77. After the meeting a few knights joined in and we have been approved by TxDot to clean up the two mile stretch on Highway 77 North. Signs should be posted by mid January. Tom plans to do our first KC knights clean up soon after the signs are installed. We will clean the area at least four times a year and if enough interest is shown we will adopt the two miles south of Schulenburg also. For more information and to participate in this worthy project please contact Tom Bargas at 561-6713. Your dedication to this project is truly appreciated. Kudos Tom and those volunteers!

## JANUARY 15, 2023 ANNUAL BBQ CHICKEN DINNER & SPORTSMAN'S RAFFLE

January 15, 2023 is our annual BBQ Chicken Dinner. The \$12 to go plates will consist of the best 1/2 BBQ chicken, mouthwatering buttered onion potatoes, delicious pinto beans and the finest juicy pickle. After lunch, we will have our 13th Annual Sportsman's Raffle consisting of 41 guns. (Remember if you win, you can always trade in the gun for a gift certificate at M-G.) For raffle tickets contact John Schindler at 561-6438. Or venmo us at kc-schulenburg. Please include your phone number with venmo. You also have the option to purchase raffle tickets by PayPal / credit card thru our website: www.kcschulenburg.org.

We thank you for supporting our council and we wish you the best of luck! We will also be having a KC blood drive that day. For more information please contact Chairman brother knight Edward Kusy at 743-5879.

The Public Relations committee has announced the Schulenburg Junior Livestock Show KC sponsored Fajita Feed will be on January 22 starting at 4 pm till 7ish at the expo center. Volunteers are needed to help cook and serve the fajita tacos. Please contact GK Paul if you would like to help.



# K.C. MEETING JANUARY 10, 2023 - 7:00 P.M.

### PRAYER FOR LIFE/MARCH FOR LIFE

February 5th at 5:30 pm is the Council 2902 Prayer for Life/ March for Life here at the KC hall. Your presence is requested. We will pray the rosary, followed by light refreshments.

#### FEBRUARY 12 SLAB OF BBQ PORK RIB SALE

Currently the 4th Degree members of St Michael's Assembly #1527 are holding their annual \$25 Slab of BBO Pork Rib sale to be held on February 12. Pickup is here at the Schulenburg Hall starting at about 10 am. For more information contact Faithful Navigator Ken Berger at (281) 814-3786 or Captain Paul Zapalac at (979) 966-9187 to place your orders.

#### CHARITY, UNITY AND FRATERNITY EXEMPLIFICATION

The next Charity, Unity and Fraternity Exemplification will be on February 14th at 6:30 pm at the Schulenburg Hall. We are looking for future brother knights. If you know of anyone who is interested please send them my way. We invite everyone to attend the exemplification. For more information please contact GK Paul at (979) 966-9187.

### 2022 KNIGHT OF THE YEAR

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Next I would like to tell you a story about two brother knights, both recently celebrating over 50 years in the Schulenburg KC's. One has said he's never showed up to a single event, never been to a single meeting and has never participated in any of our fundraisers, and calls himself a knight. The other is constantly here at the hall working our events and dedicating his time to our organization. This brother knight does not do it for the recognition but for the success of Council 2902. He organizes all of the Schulenburg KC Blood Drives, he fills in wherever we may need him, such as a recorder at our KC meetings or at St. John Church as a lector, usher or even a 71 year old altar boy when needed. When called upon to lead the rosary at a memorial service or at St. Rose School his answer has always been "yes." He is constantly hovering over our every move and keeps tabs on us from up above making sure the events go smoothly and run efficiently. He has even purchased a plane to get the surveillance he needs to carry out the tasks here at the hall. This year has seen a significant task completed for his family in that his third son has joined the Knights of Columbus organization. All joking aside this brother knight is one of our most valued brother knights. He is the first to arrive to an event at 4:30 am to cook us breakfast and one of the last to leave at 2:30 pm after the hall has been thoroughly cleaned. It is my honor to introduce our 2022 Schulenburg KC Knight of the Year celebrating his 50th year in our organization, Mr Edward Kusy. (He joined on 5/1/72).

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 2022 FAMILY OF THE YEAR

Father McGivney believed in Catholics providing for their families, whether it is your own or someone else's. To increase unity in our Church and our families is one of the great missions of the Knights of Columbus. This family has been a consistent supporter of our church, our school and our community building unity along the way. You will find them each year preparing the Christmas meal for the less fortunate and here at the hall doing various jobs behind the scenes.

Their dedication to the community started several years ago with her serving on the Schulenburg Festival Association as a director. She was instrumental in organizing the Festival Arts & Crafts show during her tenure. She continued her community involvement by serving on the Schulenburg EDC board, while their kids would attend St. Rose School. She remains very active with the community through groups like the Lions Club, Schulenburg American Legion Ladies Auxiliary, and she recently joined the Schulenburg Garden Club and volunteers her time now at the Schulenburg Food Pantry. She

### is currently treasurer of the Altar Society, helping with necessary care of our church.

He has been a member of the Schulenburg Knights of Columbus Council 2902 for over 40 years joining on April 1, 1982. In the 1990's he served as President of the Schulenburg Lion's Club where they would volunteer at the Texas Lions Camp for blind and disabled children. He was an Assistant Foreman in the Schulenburg Volunteer Fire Department where he volunteered for over 20 years. Some of his son's first memories as a child were coming to the KC Hall at 2 a.m. to light the fire for Schulenburg KC Sunday barbecue chicken dinners. This brother knight was involved with many of the barbecue pit renovations over the years. He rigged up the propane baking system that we still use for our infamous turkey dinners.

One of the things they are most known for is all the time spent at the local church picnics. But they were not just dancing and partying. They were cooking their specialties, German potatoes and green beans. They volunteer at almost all of the area church picnics, from St. Rose, to High Hill, Dubina, Ammannsville, St. John, Moravia and Moulton to name a few. He recently said in his lifetime he has probably cooked over 100,000 pounds of potatoes. All of this dedication to our church, community, and council would lead them into becoming the type of family Father McGivney built the Knights of Columbus Organization on. Congratulations Kenneth and Debbie Behlen you are our 2022 Schulenburg KC Family of the Year.

#### Financial Secretary's Corner: Rodney Kalich 979-208-9414, email - rkalich88@gmail.com PICTURES OF KC 2902 ACTIVITIES /FRATERNAL ACTIVITY

Many of you have the KC 2902 shirt (if you need - let us know) and are involved in community activities in Schulenburg or wherever you live or volunteer. We would like you to text (979-208-9414) or email (rkalich88@ gmail.com) so we can include in our annual picture scrapbook and also get credit in our fraternal benefits survey. Please make sure to include the number of hours or donations contributed as well. God bless!

SPECIAL DRAWING FOR MEMBERS WHO PAY MULTIPLE YEARS DUES WILL BE HELD IN LATE JANUARY I am truly indebted for those members who pay their dues timely in addition for those that pay multiple years at 1 time (4 years for \$100 is the popular one). Someone asked me what occurs with future paid dues if something happens to me? My answer: They will be paid back to you. Just pay multiple years by January 15th and you will be included in the drawing for MANY POSSIBLE PRIZES. GOD BLESS!

#### 2022 FRATERNAL BENEFITS SURVEY

Please call, text or email me any additional activities/hours/monies you provided during FY2022 which can be included on our survey that is due in January. THANK YOU.

2023 MEMBERSHIP DUES & CARDS Please call me if you have any questions in regards to your current status on membership dues. We have collected over  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the membership dues.

Please consider paying multiple years (4 years is most common - you will automatically be mailed your future membership card in future years). You can pay by

Pavpal (click here): VenMo - @kc-schulenburg (denote dues): Mail check to: Schulenburg Knights of Columbus, 405 South Street, Schulenburg, TX 78956. Any questions, call or text Rodney 979-208-9414. MAY GOD BLESS EVERYONE. I forego getting paid commission for collecting dues so we can use monies to our mission of FAITH, FAMILY AND COMMUNITY.

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