

# THE KNIGHT REPORTER

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*GK Greg Accardo*

Brother Knights,

It is time to start thinking about the Fish Fry fund-raisers coming up for Lent. As all of you know we cook and sell the fish dinners every other Friday in Lent. Check your bulletin for the dates assigned to the council and come help out a couple of hours if you can.

Please, please, please send in your dues, if you just received a Knight Alert. We DO NOT want to suspend as many members as we did last year, but we cannot afford to carry per capita taxes on members who do not pay their dues in a timely manner. If for any reason you do not feel you want to be a Brother Knight any longer, please take a withdrawal instead of being suspended. Then again, we would rather have you as an active member in the council. This is not an easy job for the Trustee's or the Financial Secretary to remove names from our rooster. Nor is it easy for them to call members and ask them not to be suspended. They want you in the Knights, forever.

Anyone who can and likes to cook Jambalya please call me at 268-2201, we want to make some money soon with your skills at a fund-raiser. We may even make it a two or three team competition.

Vivat Jesus!

**Greg Accardo**, GK KofC 4030

### Membership Activities Report

Chairman: [Byron Bordelon](#)

2002-03 Fraternal Year Quota: 15 New Members: 4

**We have a few potential new members coming in for the 1st degree on**



"Let's cook up some new members to keep our council fresh & vibrant."

February 20th. If you can come participate, the new members appreciate the support of existing members. Potential new members are [Chris Casseri & Kris Walley](#).

Talk about joining the Knights with friends and family who are not already members. We need to drum up a few new people. Try to attend our Quarterly Communion and Coffee & Donuts. Wear your name badge and be proud of our organization.

Also, I have sent a beautiful "KC Invitation" to about 100 Catholic men who joined St. George Parish this past year. If you know someone who just joined, ask him if he got an invitation. We should be able to pick up a few new members with this endeavor.

Something brought up at the last meeting - Keep in mind that our Family Social every month is a great time to invite potential new members and their families to be a part of our council. Get them to come by.

### *Church Activities Report*

Chairman: [Andre Toups](#)

We have heard back from Fr. Tom concerning raising money for our monthly coffee and donuts. He appreciated our willingness to raise our own funds by selling dinners to continue this service, but after consulting with his staff he has decided not to add another fun raiser to the parishioners while they are still working on the Capital Campaign. What he proposed was to provide our Council the funds for the first half of this year. This will allow us to serve coffee and donuts from March through June. He would like the Council to reevaluate what we could provide for the second half of the year and get back with him so a budget could be worked out.

This being said and done, we will continue our coffee and donut service starting on March 2nd following the 7:30 and 9:30 masses. Coffee and Donuts are usually the first Sunday of each month.

I worked this weekend so I was unable to attend the Quarterly Communion, but I hope you and your family represented the commitment of our Council to our Lord and our Parish by attending with your fellow Knights. Our next Quarterly Communion will be May 18th for the 9:30 mass. Please make plans to attend and mark your calendars now.

Our monthly window washing at church is on Saturday February 8th at am. For those of you with kids in school, this is an easy way to get some service hours. And as always, all hands are appreciated.

### *Quarterly Communion*

- *May 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 mass*



[Pray the Rosary](#)

### *Community Activities Report*

Chairman: [Tim Romero](#)

**Our January Ice Cream Social at the Care Center Nursing Home was**



[God Bless America](#) link is a moving memorial to 9/11



attended by Bob Bostic, Ron Latour, Eulan & Beverly Rabalais, and Louis Rogge'. We served 68 residents a bowl of ice cream, a slice of cake, a banana, and some Fruit Punch. All of us really enjoyed the party. The folks really appreciate this simple event we do for them. You are rewarded hundred times over when you see the smiles on their faces.

Our February visit is scheduled for St. Clare's Nursing Home on Bishop Ott Drive near Lobdell. It is February 20th at 3:30pm. In March, we will go to Flannery Oaks at 2:00pm.

Also, I want to remind everyone about our aluminum recycling program. Bring any aluminum you are discarding to the bin we have behind the storage shed. Jim Fernandez and Louis Rogge' usually handle the collections. In this past year, we collected over \$110.00, which have funded the nursing home visits. Thanks to all who participated, and hopefully more of you will remember to bring your aluminum.

2002-03 Knight of the Month

- July: Louis Rogge'
- Aug: Bill Fremin
- Sep: Bob Fernandez
- Oct: Bob Wygle
- Nov: Gerald Mayers
- Dec: John Dias
- Jan: Greg Accardo
- Feb:
- Mar:
- Apr:
- May:
- June:

Guest Speaker for June

Metro 9 Councilman Darrell Ourso, his wife, his secretary, and her husband.

*Council Activities Report*

Chairman: [Anthony Michelli](#)

If anyone would like to cook for the first and second meetings of the month, please call me or email me. The council pays for the first meeting each month. The second meeting is our social and the food is paid for by a sponsor. So if you can cook a meal and/or sponsor a meal, let me know so I can make arrangements for you. Special thanks to our District Deputy and Financial Secretary Jeff Melancon for sponsoring and cooking for our January Family Social. Everyone enjoyed the meal.

Our aluminum recycling program has brought in almost \$120.00 this past year. Please remember to bring any discarded aluminum to the bin behind the storage shed. This is like free money. But please do not put garbage in the aluminum bin, this is for recycling purposes only.

**Knight of the Month:** GK Greg Accardo is our Knight of the Month for January. Greg has been furnishing and cooking the meals for a few of our meetings. Also, he stays and helps clean the hall after the monthly 7070 Corp meetings. Greg is now a long time member of our council, and we blessed to have him as part of our organization.

**ATHLETICS:** If you are interested in bowling, please contact PGK Rupert Rodriguez (766-3297). Anyone interested in Basketball or Softball should contact Bob Wygle (292-8027).

We are proud to announce the winners of the 2003 Free Throw Contest as follows:

- 10 year old division : Austin Bursavich and McKensey Lynch;
- 11 year old : Barrett Miller and Kelly Blackledge;
- 12 year old : Stuart Bonaventure and Lindsay Blackledge;
- 13 year old : Cory Richard and Rachel Laporte.

The winners will advance to the District-level contest, to be held at 9:00 AM on Saturday, February 15 in the St. Patricks Gymnasium (on Park Meadow Blvd ). For further information, contact the K.C. District Deputy, Jeff Melancon.

2002-03 Family of the

**Month**

- *July:* Eulan/Beverly Rabalais
- *Aug:* Karl/Kim Robillard
- *Sep:* Gerald/Jackie Mayers
- *Oct:* Ken/Michelle Arceneaux
- *Nov:* Andre/Beth Toups
- *Dec:* Louis/Barbara Rogge'
- *Jan:* Bob/Pat Fernandez
- *Feb:*
- *Mar:*
- *Apr:*
- *May:*
- *June:*

***Family Activities Report***

**Chairman:** [Travis Blanchard](#)

**The next movie night is Saturday, February 22nd.**

- **The "G" movie beginning at 5:30pm is 101 Dalmations II.**
- **The "PG movie beginning at 7:30pm is K-19 the Widomaker.**

**Family of the Month: Congratulations to Brother Bob Fernandez & his wife Patricia. They will be celebrating their 49th wedding anniversary in May. Their 3 daughters and 4 sons have given them 3 grandsons and hopefully a granddaughter in April. Bob is a Past Grand Knight and has been a strong, loyal member for over 30 years.**

***Youth Activities Report***

**Chairman:** [Bill Winter](#)

**The 2003 Catholic Youth Leadership Awards (CYLA) for Council 4030 are...**

- **C. Y. L. A. Winners each receive \$500**

- **Young Catholic Lady: Amy Elizabeth Lambert** of St. Joseph's Academy
- **Young Catholic Gentleman: Travis James Jenkins** of Bishop Sullivan High School

- **Substance Abuse Poster Winners receive \$50 gift cards**

**We had a total of 16 candidates this year - 9 young ladies & 7 young gents. We will honor each candidate at an upcoming Family Social (either February 24<sup>th</sup> or March 24<sup>th</sup>). At that meeting, as in the past, we'll present the checks to our winners and have all candidates get up and introduce themselves along with members of their families. Our council winners will also be congratulated at the upcoming Founder's Day Banquet to be held at St. Pius X in North Baton Rouge the evening of Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>.**

**If you would like to attend, you must let me know immediately. We need to get a head count soon on interested and the number of attendees from our council for the dinner that night (\$10 a head paid to our council). The money goes to help defraying the cost of the meals and plaques for our winners (\$15 each). At a minimum, our council has earmarked \$130 for the night (\$30 for the plaques and 10 dinners: Ellen & I, the two winners with their parents and their dates). We need to get a tally of all others**

interested in attending because we need to let Area Coordinator Delmas Forbes know. He informed me that seating and food is planned for only 300 attendees at St. Pius X.



Keep these brother Knights and their families in your prayers:

- **Dorothy Spitale, sister-on-law of Anthony**

**Good of the Order:**

BIG Jackpot: Joe Keller

Small Jackpot: Cory Hutchinson

**Business Meeting Report & Other Notes of Interest**

**Treasurer's report for January:**

Beginning balance.....\$ 24.28  
 Income.....\$5,631.00 (Dues & Tootsie Roll Drive)  
 Expenses.....\$3,396.14  
 Ending balance.....\$2,259.14

**4th Degree Information:** We have 4th degree exemplification in Thibodaux, LA on

**1st DEGREE CEREMONY**

Our Council's Degree Team has a first degree ceremony at 4030 on Thursday, February 20th. Candidates must arrive at 7:00 pm, and the ceremony begins at 7:30 pm. Call Jeff Melancon at 753-2365 by Feb. 18th, if you are bringing a candidate.

**7070 Exchequer Corp Board of Directors**

- **Pres:** [Anthony Michelli](#)
- **V.P.:** Guy Franco
- **Treasurer:** Chris Donner
- **Secretary:** Bill Winter
- **GK:** Greg Accardo
- **PGK:** Richard Goudeau
- **PGK:** Byron Bordelon
- **At Large:** Bob Fernandez
- **At Large:** Gerald Mayers
- **At Large:** Bill Fremin

**7070 Exchequer Corporation News**

**President:** [Anthony Michelli](#) **V.P.:** Guy Franco **Treasurer:** Chris Donner **Secretary:** Bill Winter

Our next meeting is February 10th beginning at 7:30pm. As always, we need everyone helps to keep our Hall clean since we have eliminated most of the services we paid for and are doing things ourselves. Make an effort to attend these meetings, at least once in awhile.

- **At Large:** Mike Coleman
- **GK Appt:** Bob Wygle
- **GK Appt:** Travis Blanchard
- **GK Appt:** Karl Robillard
- **GK Appt:** Tim Romero

### *Membership Milestones*



- 55 years: Vince Boeta, Cliff Comeaux, Guy Helouin, and Nolan Naquin
- 30 years: Joe Keller and Cyril Lejeune
- 25 years: Bob McLaughlin
- 5 years: Russ Harrell

### *Happy Anniversary*

- Woody & Norma Braud
- Kevin & Jamie Devall
- Richard & Sandy Goudeau
- Ed & Mary Lundin

### *Happy Birthday*

**Brother Knights: Jeff Melancon, Jr.; Woodie Braud; Ron Latour; Warren Young**

**Family Members: Lynn Blanchard, wife of Travis; Fran Kane, wife of John; Marie David, wife of Wilson, Becky Robin, wife of John; Mary Lundin, wife of Ed; Sandra Holmes, wife of Boyd; Mary Ann Lieux, wife of James; Beau Bordelon, son of Byron; Samantha Adams, daughter of Steve; Jeremy Brady, son of Bob; John Dupre, son of Greg; Adele Wiggins, daughter of Paul; Nathalie Roeling, daughter of Van; Stewart Roeling, son of Van**