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THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

"A civilization flourishes when people plant trees under which they will never sit."
~Greek Proverb

MESSAGE FROM THE STATE PRESIDENT

41st KJT General Convention Held In Houston

Daniel Cardinal DiNardo Receives Check

State President Christopher L. Urban presesented Daniel Cardinal DiNardo of the Galveston-Houston Diocese with a check for the Religious Retirement Fund and the Seminarian Education Fund at the 41st KJT General Convention on Thursday, July 24. Also pictured are (far left) State Vice President David M. Wagner and (far right) State Spiritual Advisor Father Bob Knippenberg.

The delegates of the 41st KJT General Convention gathered once again at the Houston Omni Westside Hotel for the fourth consecutive convention. The KJT had the distinct honor of having His Eminence Daniel Cardinal DiNardo celebrating the convention opening Mass. State Spiritual Director Rev. Robert E. Knippenberg along with former State Spiritual Directors Msgr. John Peters, Societies #5, Hallettsville, and #15, Smothers Creek; Msgr. Alois Pavlicek, Society #141, Georgetown; Father Gary Janak, Society #84, El Campo;

CHRISTOPHER L. URBAN
KJT State President

Msgr. Boli Zientek, Society #80, Sealy, and Rev. George Joseph, Society #130, Elgin. It was a pleasure and an honor to have so many of our chaplains and member priests concelebrating the opening Mass of the convention. Also joining us for the evening were Rev. Paul Chovanec, Society #119, La Marque; Rev. Eric Pitre, Society #80, Sealy; Rev. Steven Duyka, Society #35, Ennis, and Rev. Pedro Garcia-Ramirez, Society #132, Pflugerville. Deacon John McCourt of Society #3, Hostyn, assisted at Mass as well.

The Holy Cross Polka Mass Choir from East Bernard provided the music for the Mass once again. Rev. Don Rupert, Society #40, East Bernard, was in attendance with the choir.

The attendees at the Delegate Social were served an excellent meal by the Omni staff followed by a dance by the always entertaining Czech and Then Some from Ennis.

The business meeting began on Friday morning with 133 delegates representing 53

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41st General Convention – July 24-26, 2014
Houston, Texas

KJT State Attorney, State Directors Re-elected

Re-elected at the 2014 General Convention at the Friday session were (left to right) State Attorney Philip Hundl and State Directors Margaret Holik, Robert Nors, Larry Kuciemba, Margaret Hanslik, Ellen Zdansky, Thomas Arellano and Ray Pokorney.

ATTENTION
KJT Members

Silent Auction items are needed for the

KJT State Family Day
125th Anniversary
October 4 & 5, 2014

All proceeds will be donated to the KJT State Charities

Volunteers to help are welcome

Please contact Ellen Zdansky
361.992.4501

Kolache Eating Contest

Saturday, October 4, 2014
KJT 125th Anniversary Celebration
Tentative Times:
Youth 3 p.m. • Adults 4 p.m.

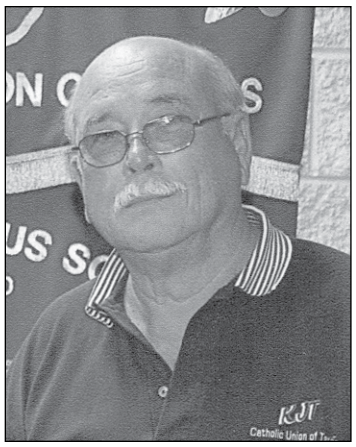
5 Flights – 10 People per Flight
Flights: Age 6-8 • Age 9-12 • Age 13-18
Adult Women (19 & Up) • Adult Men (19 & Up)
Call Home Office to sign up! More details to come!

Celebrants Of KJT Convention Opening Mass

Celebrants of the 41st KJT General Convention Opening Mass were (left to right) Deacon John McCourt, Rev. Stephen J. Duyka, Msgr. Boleslaus Zientek, Fr. Gary W. Janak, Daniel Cardinal DiNardo, Fr. Bob Knippenberg, Msgr. Alois Pavlicek and Msgr. John Peters.

KJT STATE FAMILY DAY WEEKEND

Sealy Discounted Hotel Rates October 3 & 4, 2014	
AMERICA BEST VALUE INN 2107 Hwy 36, South - 979.885.3707	$62.95 - $70.00
COUNTRYSIDE INN 2021 Hwy 36, South - 979.885.7404	$52.00 - $61.00
HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES 2360 Hwy 36, South - 979.877.0700	$105.99 - $125.99
SUPER 8 HOTEL 231 Gebhardt Rd. - 979.885.2121	$62.00 - $79.99
Discount Code - KJT 125th Anniversary	



HONORARY STATE DIRECTOR STANLEY JOE CERNOCH

Thank You – It Has Been A Heck Of A Ride!

It's been a ride and a heck of a ride. I want to thank all the KJT membership for having the confidence and trust bestowed upon me from January 1, 1995 through March 22, 2014. It is an honor that I will cherish the rest of my life.

Looking back after receiving my 50-year membership pin, never in my life did I think I would be so blessed to serve as a local society and district officer, a State Director and now, an Honorary State Director.

The KJT has a great youth camp. Kay and I looked forward each year to being counselors and Joe (deceased) and Jeff being campers. I'm trying to comprehend all of the friends and relatives I've met through the KJT. I've met more relatives than I ever knew I had. So many, in fact, I've come to the conclusion that I may be kin to myself.

Everywhere Kay, Joe and Jeff and I went we were treated with nothing but friendship and kindness. I hope the feeling was mutual.

Stanley Joe Cernoch
Honorary State Director
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KJT 125th Anniversary Celebration and State Family Day

Saturday, October 4, 2014

Golf Tournament @ Stephen F. Austin Golf Course
1130 Park Road – Sealy, Texas 77474
8:30 a.m. Registration with 9 a.m. Shotgun Start

Family Day – 1:30 p.m.
Registration & Silent Auction
Knights of Columbus Hall
1390 Highway 90 W – Sealy, Texas

Children's Activities:
Video Games * Laser Tag * Bounce Houses

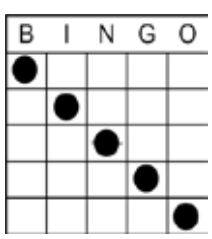
Kovanda's Czech Band 2-5 p.m.

Dinner 5-6 p.m.
Silent Auction Ends

Dujka Brothers 6-10 p.m.
More Video Games 6-9 p.m.

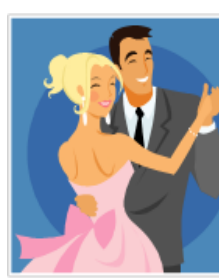
Sunday October 5, 2014

Mass – Immaculate Conception Catholic Church – 9 a.m.
600 4th Street – Sealy, Texas



Lunch – K of C Hall – 10:45 a.m.

Bingo Games with Prizes – Approx. 11:30 a.m.



Please RSVP by calling the KJT Home Office at 800.245.8182 or emailing info@kjtnet.org by Friday, September 24 so we can order ample food.

We look forward to seeing you all there!

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Living Icons of Christ's Love For His Church Present And Working In The World

[Jesus] said in reply, "Have you not read that from the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female' and said, 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh'? So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore, what God has joined together, no human being must separate." **(Matthew 19: 4-6)**

In a book-length interview given in June of this year, Cardinal Gerhard Müller, Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, underscored that the indissolubility of marriage is no mere doctrine, but a dogma of the Church, and he stressed the need to recover the sacramental understanding of marriage and family.

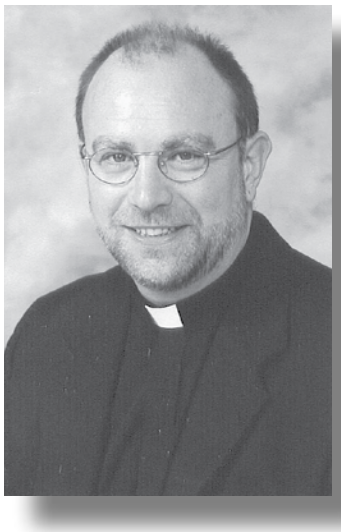
In the soon-to-be published book, *The Hope of the Family*, Cardinal Müller corrects misunderstandings about the Church's teaching on family; underscores the dramatic situation of the children of separated parents; and stresses that more education is needed and how that education should start from the reality of the love of God. "In a world that is angrily individualistic and subjectivist, marriage is not perceived anymore as an opportunity for the human being to achieve his completeness, sharing love," Cardinal Müller lamented.

He then stressed: "Someone is called to announce once again God, the loving Trinity! We should announce the revealed God, who calls all of us to be part of his relational being." Cardinal Müller asks for a more in-depth education on marriage and maintains that "remote preparation for marriage – from infancy and adolescence – should be a major pastoral and educational priority."

The Vatican's doctrinal chief emphasized that "life has sense only when it becomes a concrete gift to another in daily life." Life "is given in the mystery of marriage, which becomes the privileged place where the definitive and unconditioned self-gift is made," a gift that "gives sense to our life," said Cardinal Müller.

According to the cardinal, the reason the modern world's sense of marriage is mistaken is rooted in a misguided anthropology that "leads to disaster," because true humanism "is theocentric." "As a shepherd, I say to myself: It can't be! We must tell people the truth! We should open their eyes, telling them they have been cowardly tricked through a false anthropology, which can only lead to disaster."

The Hope of the Family also features a preface written by Cardinal Fernando Sebastian Aguilar, Archbishop Emeritus of Pamplona and Tudela, who wrote, "The main problem present in the Church with regard to the family . . . is the great number of baptized who marry civilly and of sacramentally married spouses who do not live marriage or the marital life in harmony with Christian life and the teachings of the Church, which would have them **be living icons of Christ's love for his Church present and working in the world."**



REVEREND ROBERT E. (BOB) KNIPPENBERG
KJT State Spiritual Director

WELCOME

Till Joins KJT Sales Rep Ranks

MICHAEL TILL

The Catholic Union of Texas, the KJT, welcomes Michael Till to our insurance representative ranks.

Michael has been married to Rebecca Pustka Till for 21 wonderful years and they are parishioners in Shiner at Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church.

He is a member of Wied Society #43 and has been a member of the KJT for over 21 years.

Michael has been self-employed for over 25 years and is not afraid of hard work. He finds time to support and promote his family, the KJT, ACTS, and is looking forward to his new found roll as a KJT insurance representative.

We encourage all Wied members as well as all area members to welcome him with your support.

Welcome to our team Michael!

KJT ANNUITY PORTFOLIO RATES

FPD Annuity 5*/Kapital Account 4*

(Issued on/after July 1, 2014)

Minimum Deposit of $250 to Open Kapital Account or FPDA
(additional premiums are required)
or opening deposit of $500
with no additional premiums required
Deposits of $250 - $749 – 1.5%
Deposits of $750 - $24,999 – 2.75%
Deposits larger than $25,000 – 3%
*Guaranteed Rate 1.5%

IRA 4*/Roth IRA 4*

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Minimum Deposit of $2,000 to Open IRA 4 or Roth IRA 4
Deposits larger than $25,000 – 3%
Deposits smaller than $25,000 – 2.75%
*Guaranteed Rate 1.5%

RATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTIFICATION

Immaculate Conception Church Bazaar
Sealy KC Hall
Sunday, August 31, 2014

BBQ Dinner of Pork, Beef, Chicken & Sausage
Beginning at 10:30 a.m.
Mexican food also available

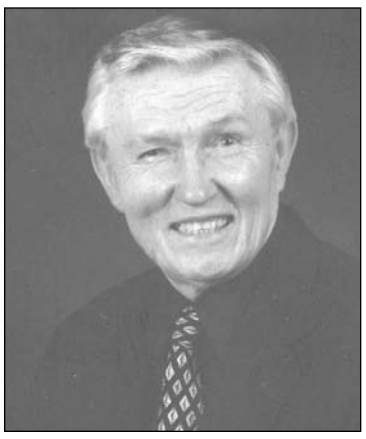
Live Music
Beginning at 10:30 a.m.
Live Auction at 1 p.m.
Large Silent Auction in KC Meeting Room
(Sponsored by KJT Society #80)

Entertainment throughout the day
Kiddie Games & Rides • Plant Stand • Grocery Stand
Country Store • Cake Walk • Gift Card Stand
Many more fun games, stands & booths!

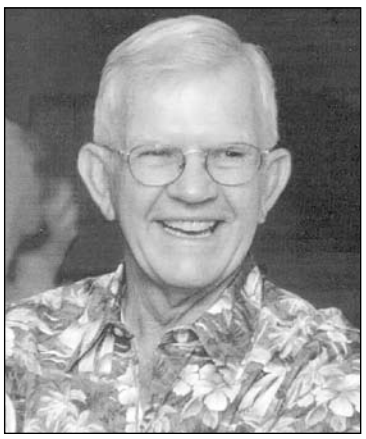
JULY 2014 TOP PRODUCERS

Ronald Hostas
Society #59, Seymour
- First Place July 2014 Top Producer

Eugene Maroul
Society #107, Abbott
- Second Place July 2014 Top Producer



Dan Stavena
Society #139, Bay City
- Fourth Place July 2014 Top Producer

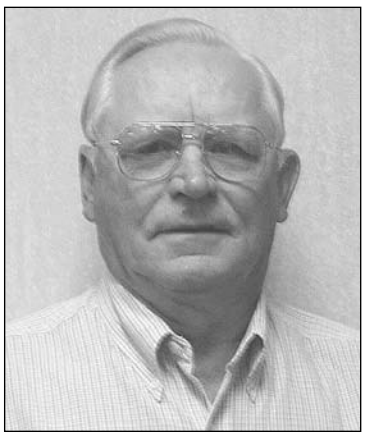


W.K. Leonard
Society #119, La Marque
- Fifth Place July 2014 Top Producer

Joe Landsfeld
Society #35, Ennis
- Sixth Place July 2014 Top Producer

Tammy Plante
Society #102, San Antonio
- Seventh Place July 2014 Top Producer
- July 2014 Premium Leader
- July 2014 Volume Leader
- July 2014 New Application Producer – 3 months

Lois Jirkovsky
Society #13, Yoakum
- Third Place July 2014 Top Producer
- July 2014 New Application Producer – 199 months

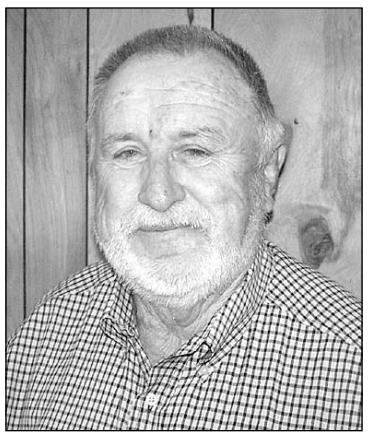


Daniel Lev
Society #90, Rosenberg
- Eighth Place July 2014 Top Producer

Mildred Machacek
Society #20, Shiner
- Ninth Place July 2014 Top Producer

Deborah Currey
Society #130, Elgin
- Tenth Place July 2014 Top Producer

Ellen Zdansky
Society #72, Corpus Christi
- July 2014 New Application Producer – 115 months
- July 2014 New Member Producer – 112 months



Frankie Joe Cernosek
Society #42, Holman
- July 2014 Application Leader

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Did You Know?

Avoid high bills during Texas heat! Keep your house warmer than normal when you are away, and only lower the thermostat to 78 degrees when you are at home and need cooling. A programmable thermostat can make it easy to set and adjust temperatues.

TCHCC

Texas Czech Heritage & Cultural Center

Mluvíte Česky?

Can you speak Czech?
Wish you could?

An informal understanding of the basic Czech terms needed for travel, speaking, singing, researching genealogy, and just for fun, will be offered at the Texas Czech Heritage & Cultural Center in La Grange. Classes will include the alphabet and conversational Czech, enjoy children's literature, and examine the Czech song lyrics so prevalent in this area. Some classes will be continuations. All classes are geared to those taking the class for the first time so that everyone can join in.

Classes will be every second Sunday of the month from 1-4 pm. The fee is only $10 a person per class and includes handouts. The Texas Czech Heritage & Cultural Center (TCHCC) is located at 250 West Fairgrounds Road on US HWY 77 just north of Bypass 71 in La Grange at the Fayette Co. Fair Grounds.

Call or email to verify classes. Pre-registration suggested but not required. Call toll free 888-785-4500 (or 979-968-9399)

Message From State President . . .

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societies, 12 state officers and directors and five honorary board members convening for the deliberations of this convention.

State Spiritual Director Rev. Robert E. Knippenberg led the opening prayer. John Kana, Society #4, Ammannsville; Paul Shenck and Ken Mathis of Marine Corp League Colorado Valley Detachment #1028 along with Henry Miksch, Society #4, Ammannsville, of American Legion Post #143, presented the flags followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Texas Pledge by State Vice President David M. Wagner. The National Anthem was played on the trumpet by Danny Zapletal, Society #35, Ennis.

Guests and business associates of the KJT who were present at the business meeting included Theron Holladay, President and CEO of Parkway Advisors, LP, KJT's investment advisory firm; Eddie Mire, KJT's Actuary of Rudd & Wisdom, and Cindy V. Taylor, *KJT News* editor and convention photographer.

A vast majority of the business was completed during Friday's sessions including the voting on the resolutions for changes to the By-Laws and the elections of state directors and the state attorney. Notable changes to the by-laws include:

☆Death benefits in the absence of a beneficiary designee will be distributed to the personal representative of the estate of the decedent.

☆The vice president of a local society must be Catholic.

☆A State Spiritual Director may serve multiple terms.

☆Any member eligible to serve as a delegate at a general convention is eligible to apply as a candidate for a specific director position of the Union and any member applying for the position of State Director or State Attorney must file an application for candidacy with the State Secretary of the Union between February 1 and April 1 in the year of the general convention.

☆No nominations for either State Director or State Attorney may be made from the floor.

☆Candidates must consent to a background check.

☆Candidates may only run for one position.

☆All candidate applications will be reviewed by a qualifications committee and either approved or disapproved.

☆Motions and proposed revisions to the Charter, Constitution and/or By-Laws must be submitted to the State Secretary on or before February 28 in the year of the general convention and no motions and proposed revisions will be allowed from the convention floor.

☆Candidates for State Director or State Attorney must be under age 70 at the time of the convention and can serve until the next convention.

☆The State Board of Directors may assess and collect state membership dues. The local societies may assess and collect local membership dues. The State Board of Directors may assess associate member fees.

The final order of business on Friday was the election of the Board of Directors and the State Attorney. Being no opposition to any of the positions, the current slate of directors and attorney were elected by acclamation. Father Bob installed the following as the Board of Directors who will serve until the next convention:

Position 1	Robert Nors
Position 2	Margaret Holik
Position 3	Larry Kuciemba
Position 4	Ellen Zdansky
Position 5	Margaret Hanslik
Position 6	Thomas Arellano
Position 7	Ray Pokorney
Attorney	Philip J. Hundl

All were incumbents.

A number of delegates and guests were treated to Casino Night on Friday evening, which was sponsored by KJT's investment advisory firm, Parkway Advisors, LP. A number of Black Jack, Texas Hold'em, Craps and Roulette tables as well as a Money Wheel were scattered throughout the Texas Ballroom at the Omni for all to enjoy. The evening culminated with the raffle of over $2,000 in prizes for the gamblers.

The business portion of the convention concluded Saturday around noon after all of the committee reports were presented to and approved by the delegates and the reading of communications.

After the morning break, a representative from Camp for All, one of KJT's 2014 Statewide Charities showed a short video and answered questions about the camp. (Please visit campforall.org for more information on this worthy charity). A short informative program was given by a number of local society members and two State Directors who shared fundraising and awareness ideas that their local societies take part in. After this program, the convention was adjourned.

The convention came to a close with Father Bob celebrating Mass on Saturday evening followed by the Convention Banquet and Dance. The evening of dancing and entertainment was enjoyed by all with the music being provided by the talented duo of John and Mark Dujka of The Dujka Brothers of East Bernard.

Thanks to all of the delegates, committees, marshals, officers, directors, honorary officers and directors, sponsors and guests who contributed to make this a successful convention.

Pictures from the convention can be found throughout this issue of the *KJT News*.

I do want to offer a special thanks to my staff: David, Kevin, Gailynne and Shirley. The planning for the convention is a huge task and from all the positive comments I've heard, it was enjoyed by all. Thank all of you so much for everything that you do!

For anyone interested in ordering a DVD set of the convention, an order form can be found on page 22 of this issue.

KJT Summer Youth Camp

The 2014 Annual KJT Summer Youth Camp began the morning after the convention so we were up and at 'em bright and early to get out to the SPJST Environmental and Nature Center in Waldek. 62 of our young members enjoyed three days of "action-packed" fun at the Center. I would like to thank Spiritual Director Father Bob Knippenberg, State Vice President David M. Wagner, Shirley Antosh and Elizabeth Wagner of Society #20, Shiner, for "putting camp together" this year. We saw nothing but smiles as the many parents and grandparents picked their campers up so we believe they all had a great time! Pictures of camp can be found on pages 12-13 in this issue of the *KJT News*.

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TAROCK TOURNAMENT

Sunday, September 07, 2014
KJT Activity Center
116 S. Hwy. 71
La Grange, TX 78945

- Entry Fee--$25 includes noon meal and other snacks throughout the day
- Four 1 ½ hour rounds will be played
- Registration at 8 am, play begins at 9 am, meal after the second round
- Top four (4) scorers after four rounds receive trophies and cash prizes-First through fourth place
- Table winners paid $5 after each round; door prizes to be given

- All players welcome—pass the word
- Cash door prizes
- Pre-registration is requested for meal preparation purposes
- Entry Fee will be refunded if unable to attend
- If you have any questions or for more information contact: Stanley Cernoch @ 281-422-9954,email scernoch32244@aol.com or Frankie Joe Cernosek @ 979-743-3486, email fjcnet@cvctx.com

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EMAIL _____ _____

Mail entry and fee to: KJT Home Office, PO Box 297, La Grange, TX 78945-0297

ACROSS THE STATE

National Polka Fest King, Queen

Gary Greener and Kara Walker were crowned the 2014 National Polka Fest King and Queen. The 48th Annual National Polka Festival was held in Ennis and 30,000 people where estimated in attendance at the festival over the weekend. The festival features four venues – the KJT Hall, Sokol Hall, KC Hall and downtown. There were 13 different polka bands playing during the weekend including Grammy award winning Brave Combo. Also at the festival were Squeezebox from Ohio featuring Ted Lange and Mollie B from the RFDTV Mollie B Polka Party. Ennis Society #35 hosted the Queen and King Contest on Friday night. There was a great crowd on Saturday afternoon for the Praha Brothers and Texas Dutchmen. Saturday night featured a country concert from CMA and MCA nominated duo of the year Love and Theft at the Sokol Hall. Brave Combo played to a packed house to close out the evening Saturday night at the KJT Hall. It was a big weekend that started Friday night at the KJT Hall, and then Saturday the parade started the day at 10 a.m. and the festival continued through Sunday night.

How America Eats Breakfast . . .

•Most people eat breakfast between 7 and 9 a.m.

•Pizza for breakfast? Yum 55%! Yuck 45%!

•74% prefer bacon. 26% prefer sausage.

•Most popular place for weekday breakfasts – Home 70%, work 23% and car 7%.

•I'll take my eggs: Scrambled 43%, fried 41%, poached 12% and hard-boiled 4%.

•Average number of cereal boxes in the cabinet: Two.

District IX Family Fun Day

Saturday, October 11, 2014
10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Bane Park
West Little York at Hwy. 290
•Food •Fishing •Horseshoes
•Free Throw Basketball
•Cards/Dominoes •Volleyball

Societies
#56 Houston
#82 Eastgate
#103 Baytown
#119 LaMarque
#120 Beaumont
#121 Katy Spring Branch

Information – Pat Nevlud
281.599.1057

Home Office Hours

To better serve our membership, the KJT Home Office is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Fridays.

KJT COOKBOOK SNEAK PREVIEW

FIESTA CORN DIP

Sharon Chovanec
La Grange, #46

½ c. green bell pepper, chopped
½ c. red bell pepper, chopped
¼ c. green onions, chopped
1½ c. cheddar cheese, shredded
2 cans corn, drained and rinsed
1 can black beans, drained well and rinsed
1 T. Hidden Valley Ranch Dressing powder mix
¾ c. mayonnaise
1 T. milk
2 T. chopped cilantro
1 tsp. Tony Chachere's Cajun seasoning
½ tsp. garlic powder

Mix all ingredients together and refrigerate overnight. Mix well again before serving with your favorite corn chips or tortilla chips.

KJT COOKBOOK SALE!

Looking for the perfect tailgate recipe or birthday gift for family and friends? Look no more ... "Cooking with the KJT" is the ultimate gift for the chefs on your gift list!

To order, send check or money order to:
Catholic Union of Texas, the KJT
P.O. Box 297
La Grange, TX 78945

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($13 per book)

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SOCIETY SPECIAL EFFORT

Georgetown Society Hosts Texas Czech Priests Meeting

BY BERNICE ERMIS

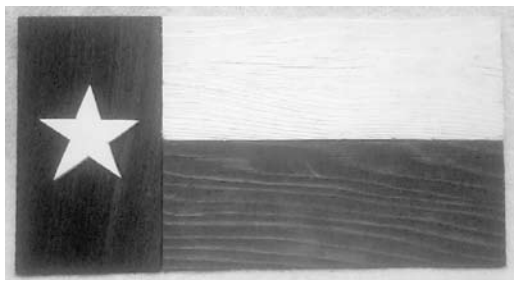
On Wednesday, August 6, KJT Society #141 and KJZT Society #130 of Georgetown hosted the Texas Czech Priests meeting with a breakfast and luncheon. They have hosted it since 2008.

The day started with morning prayers followed by a breakfast of kolaches, muffins, fruit, juice and coffee. The priests then held their meeting. Afterwards, the members of both societies joined them and the deacons, who had come from the Czech Republic, for a social gathering to talk about their country and answer questions from the assembly. They spend several weeks here in Texas with various priests and this was their last day here in the States. At 11 a.m. they all attended a Mass celebrated by Bishop Patrick Zurek of Abilene. The deacons assisted him and several of the priests joined in with readings. After Mass group pictures were taken of the societies and the priests and deacons.

Lunch was served consisting of Busch's chicken and rolls, along with many dishes and desserts provided by the members of both societies. After lunch they all departed for their hometowns and set the date for next year's meeting for Wednesday, August 5, 2015. Location will be announced at a later date.

Pictured are the priests and deacon: Bishop Patrick Zurek, Msgr.'s Louis Pavlicek, John Peters and Boli Zientek, Frs. Stephen Nesrsta, Stephen Duyka and Joseph Hybner, and Deacons Jaroslav Rasovsky of Kozichovice, Martin Rumisek of Nova Lhota and Zdenek Mleoch of Sobelice in the Czech Republic.

Society members pictured were: Pat and Bernice Ermis, Clarence and Elizabeth Meyer, Pat Gregoire, Georgia Howry, Millie Powell, Jon and Lil Oppy, George and Mary K. Marusak, Bob and Virginia Pargmann and their three grandchildren Hannah, Holden and Grant.



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Wooden State Flag of Texas
$20 per flag plus $7 shipping/handling
Free delivery in Houston area
Call Pat Nevlud to order: 281.599.1057
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13TH ANNUAL
SAN ANTONIO
CZECH GALA
Friday, Sept. 12, 2014
6:30-10:30 pm
St. Luke's Catholic Church
Parish Hall, San Antonio
Dance to the music of
CHRIS RYBAK

Tickets $30 Per Person
$60 Couple
Dinner included.
Silent Auction & Raffle
Info (210) 410-8840

MAGIC IN THE CARRIBEAN

The KJT Sails Again On Carnival's Luxurious Flag Ship Magic

BY SHIRLEY POKORNEY, KJT CRUISE COORDINATOR

The KJT sails again! Sailing on Carnival's newest luxury liner, the Flag Ship Magic, will make you feel as though you are waking up in Paradise every day. Sailing has become the most popular vacation in the world. You are pampered all day long.

There are so many activities on board that it would fill the newspaper to recount them all. But just the experience of gazing out onto the tranquil Caribbean waters on a beautiful moonlit night . . . well there's nothing better.

Experience live shows that are every bit as good as Vegas. Have all your meals in a beautiful, scenic dining room or enjoy the endless offerings of culinary delights on the Lido deck 24 hours a day.

If you have a taste for Lady Luck, there's the Casino and daily Bingo that pay off very well. Into crafts? Experts demonstrate creative towel folding, martini making, carving fruit, veggies and even ice.

There will be entertainment ranging from comedy and magic to the music of piano, western or vintage bands throughout the day and night and in venues throughout the ship. Total relaxation or partying hearty – for either, choices abound.

We depart from Galveston to save our members airline cost, so take a leisurely drive and save a bundle. Galveston is a destination of its own. The Strand, Moody Gardens, the Railroad Museum, the Bishop's Palace, Seawolf Park, a ferry trip to Bolivar, and fabulous seafood are but a few of its many attractions.

Even though Ray and I have been to Jamaica and Grand Cayman before, we are excited to return. There are so many interesting choices of things to do in each port that you can't fit it all in. But you won't want to miss Stingray City in Cayman.

Here are the details for the cruise:

SAIL AWAY: Sunday, October 19

RETURN: Sunday, October 26

SHIP: Carnival Cruise Line "Magic"

PORT: Galveston

DESTINATION: Montego Bay, Jamaica; Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, and Cozumel, Mexico

MASS: Daily with Fr. Bob Knippenberg, KJT Spiritual Director

CABINS: Your choice. Inside, outside or balcony cabins

CONTACT: Shirley Pokorney at (512) 251-1185 for THE VERY LOWEST RATES using our GROUP NUMBER (combining this with any other discounts such as military, super-saver, or VIFP club will save you even more than using these alone)!

CZECH CLASSES

Study Czech At Blinn College

BY THADIOUS POLASEK

Conversational Czech featuring Moravian dialects spoken in Texas will be offered in the fall at Blinn College in Schulenburg and Sealy via interactive videoconference. The following classes will be offered: Beginning Czech on Thursdays, September 18-November 13; Intermediate Czech on Wednesday, September 17-November 12, and Advanced Czech, September 16-November 11. To register for the classes please call (979) 743-5237 Pre-registration is required.

The instructor, Thadious Polasek, has been teaching Czech at Blinn for more than 16 years. The intermediate classes will include discussion on how the names of Texas Czech communities reflect Czech history. The advanced class will read articles from Texas Czech newspapers and the internet in Czech covering many topics of Texas Czech history, culture, Moravian dialects and music.

The beginning Czech class will begin with the alphabet and progress through the Czech grammar with a focus on vocabulary development.

Come and join our Community Education Czech classes at Blinn College in Schulenburg or Sealy.

KJT
Catholic Union of Texas

~ Annual Feast ~

St. John ~ Fayetteville

Sunday, August 31, 2014

10:00 a.m.
MASS
with
Polka Music

St. John The Baptist Catholic Church

Meal served inside Air-Conditioned Hall 11:00 A.M. 'Til 1:30 P.M.
with Music by D.J. Ricky Canik from 11:00 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.
Plates To Go and Drive Thru Line Served From 10:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

BARBEQUE DINNER
BEEF • PORK • SAUSAGE

MEAL TICKETS
ADULTS — $10.00
CHILDREN (Under 12) — $5.00

FROM THE PIT — Barbecue and Sausage To Go at 11:00 A.M.
Barbecue Beef and Sausage Sandwiches Served at 2:30 P.M.

Kolaches and Pastries

Country Auction
Under Pavilion
Including Antiques
1:30 P.M.

- Country Store
- Grocery Wheel
- Children's Games
- Silent Auction
- Plant Wheel
- Cake Walk-1:30
- Ice Cold Refreshments
- Ice Cream
- Concessions
- Train Rides
- Moon Walk

Bingo
In Air-Conditioned Hall
2:00 P.M.

LIVE MUSIC starting at 11:00 a.m. under the Pavilion
by Larry Sodek and local Parish Musicians
and a FREE DANCE after the Auction until 10:00 p.m.
Music By Charles & The Fabulous Four

Donated By: Doris Matocha Family and Main Printing, Inc., (Mike & Janice Marek)

2014 CATHOLIC SCHOOL TUITION GRANT WINNERS

Chumchal Rileigh	Soc. #13, Yoakum
Jacob Nemec	Soc. #72, Corpus Christi
Christine Janak	Soc. #15, Smothers Creek
Logan Vacek	Soc. #90, Rosenberg
Megan Vacek	Soc. #90, Rosenberg
Kimberly Ramirez	Soc. #96, Sinton
William Blake Adams	Soc. #112, Austin
Joseph Holy	Soc. #31, West
Channing Roberts	Soc. #111, Dallas
Kyle Okruhlik	Soc. #121, Katy-Spring Branch
Emma Okruhlik	Soc. #1, Praha
Jack Okruhlik	Soc. #121, Katy-Spring Branch
Emma Janak	Soc. #49, Needville
Mitchell Crain	Soc. #13, Yoakum
Addison Belicek	Soc. #13, Yoakum
Rachel Matocha	Soc. #46, La Grange
Philip Matocha	Soc. #46, La Grange
Clare Harper	Soc. #13, Yoakum
Ted Machacek	Soc. #16, Wallis
Sally Machacek	Soc. #20, Shiner
Julia Machacek	Soc. #20, Shiner
Kuenstler Logan	Soc. #80, Sealy
Gabriellle Mock	Soc. #29, Frydek
Carl Friesenhahn	Soc. #112, Austin
Jenice Tomasek	Soc. #134, Round Rock
Nathan Matusek	Soc. #13, Yoakum
Ellee Sodolak	Soc. #9, Fayetteville
Katelyn Goodridge	Soc. #119, La Marque
Sydney Grabarkievtz	Soc. #20, Shiner
Mallory Grabarkievtz	Soc. #20, Shiner
Grace Corley	Soc. #117, Waco
Allison Corley	Soc. #117, Waco
Brock Lincks	Soc. #35, Ennis
Patrick Corley	Soc. #117, Waco
Joshua Fishman	Soc. #115, Victoria
Kaylie Ann Olivarez	Soc. #43, Wied
Addison Fisher	Soc. #84 El Campo
Ashley Fisher	Soc. #84 El Campo
Colton Machart	Soc. #20, Shiner
Hannah Sutton	Soc. #84 El Campo
Amber Sutton	Soc. #84 El Campo
Kathryn Adamcik	Soc. #111, Dallas
Lillie Bell	Soc. #20, Shiner
Ryan Bell	Soc. #20, Shiner
Stefany Pokluda	Soc. #20, Shiner
Mallory Pokluda	Soc. #20, Shiner
Matthew Malinovsky	Soc. #20, Shiner
Cody Malinovsky	Soc. #20, Shiner
Gavin Kubala	Soc. #46, La Grange
Grant Kubala	Soc. #46, La Grange

75 YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP

The Diamonds Of The KJT

Dallas Society Member Honored For 75 Years

Cy Marek of Dallas Society #111 is pictured after receiving his 75-year membership pin from State Director Robert Nors. Also pictured is Sales Representative Ernest Bezdek. Congratulations Cy on your 75 years with the KJT!

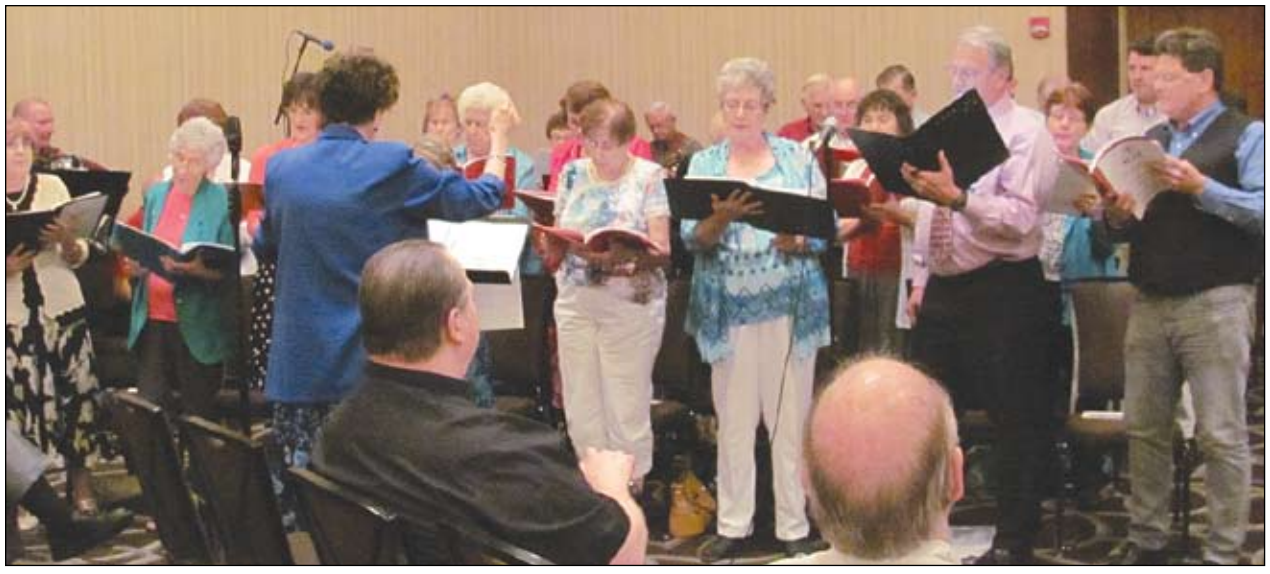
41st General Convention – Thursday, July 24, 2014
Houston, Texas

Gailynne Zapalac, Home Office staff, readies for early registration for the KJT 41st General Convention on Thursday, July 24.

Convention Opening Mass Altar Servers

The 41st KJT General Convention Opening Mass altar servers pictured with Daniel Cardinal DiNardo are (left to right) Ashley Veselka, Clay Jung and Philip Charles Hundl.

State Secretary-Treasurer prepares for early registration for the KJT 41st General Convention on Thursday, July 24.



Holy Cross Polka Mass Choir Performs At KJT Convention

The Holy Cross Catholic Church Polka Mass Choir of East Bernard and directed by Martha Viktorin had the honor of providing music at the Opening Mass of the 41st KJT General Convention held in Houston.

State Director Robert Nors (right) and Pete Zapalac of La Grange Society #46 chat during early registration.

Celebrants at the KJT Convention Opening Mass were (left to right) Fr. Gary W. Janak, Msgr. John Peters, Rev. Stephen J. Duyka and Msgr. Alois Pavlicek.

State Director spouses Shirley Pokorney and Georgie Nors catch up during early registration.

2014 KJT Annual Summer Youth Camp

SPJST Environmental & Nature Center, Waldeck

July 27-30, 2014

We need more blocks!

Can you repeat that?

Team Spirit!!!

We didn't do it ....

We rule this place!

Lending a helping hand . . .

One of many flags honoring the Saints

Ready to canoe!

How does that go again?

I'm getting another partner!

Waiting patiently . . .

One sunny hay ride . . .

Awww, that is sooo cool!

Just hanging out!

Just a few more steps!

Cooling down!

The Three Musketeers!

That's what you call a bounce!

This is the life!

One great looking 2014 Summer Youth Camp group!

41st General Convention – Delegate Social Thursday, July 24, 2014, Houston, Texas

Czech and Then Some of Ennis entertained the crowd with all types of music for listening and dancing pleasure.

41st General Convention Houston, Texas

Sealy Society #80 Pays Homage To The Flag

BY BERNICE STOLARSKI

Sts. Cyril and Methodius Society#80 of Sealy paid homage to the American flag on Saturday, June 14 and Sunday, June 15 in honor of Flag Day. The flag was honored at all three Masses at the Sealy Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. The society placed a patriotic floral arrangement on the altar and the Sunday 9 a.m. Mass was for living and deceased society members.

Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus in full regalia joined in the Flay Day program as well as Boy Scout Derek Stolarski. The program included a short story about the flag, reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and singing "The Star Spangled Banner." Then, while the organist softly played "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," the lector read the poem "I Am Your Flag."

Society #80 wishes to say an extra special thank you to Scout Derek Stolarski, Scout Leader David Stolarski, Fourth Degree KC's Ike Wozniak, Mark Nastoupil, Paul Dronka, Bennie Stolarski, Larry Kana, Raul Rosas, Gil Mendoza, Abraham Carrillo; lectors Steven Kutra, Mark Stolarski, Elsa Sanchez, Deacon Ben Munguia; music, Karen Burtschell, Debbie Schneider, Carolyn Rapsilver, Jennifer Gregory, Wendy Mendoza and Andres Morin.

Sealy Society #80 Flag Day Ceremony

Austin Holds Flag Day Event In Conjunction With Tailgate Party

St. Stephen's Austin Society #112 participated in a Flag Day ceremony at the Dell Diamond in conjunction with a tailgate party. The Round Rock Express provided the members with an exciting, nail-biting winning game.

Temple Society #114 Observes Flag Day

Temple Society #114 observed Flag Day and shown are Charlene Pavlat, Ruth and Elias Bigon, Father Reagan Cletus, Eugene Pavlat, Ronnie and Karen Hinze, Anita Massengale and Angeline Gerick. Not pictured is James Frei.

2nd Annual Flag Day Held

Manor Society #131 held their second annual Flag Day ceremony at the Manor City Cemetery on Saturday, June 14. The ceremony consisted of reading the "History of the Flag," the singing of a few patriotic songs and the reading of names of veterans buried at the cemetery. After the ceremony, members and guests went throughout the cemetery, placing small U.S. Flags at the gravesites of the veterans.

SOCIETY HAPPENINGS

Encourage Youth to Participate at the Local, District & State Level. They Are the Future of This Great Fraternal Family!

#80 SEALY

By Bernice Stolarski

The Sealy Society #80 officers' meeting was held prior to the regular meeting on Tuesday, July 22, with the meal being served at 7 p.m. by Bernice and Bennie Stolarski. The regular meeting opened with a prayer and Pledge of Allegiance led by President Larry Kuciemba.

Communications included a thank you card from Leon Konvicka and a letter from State Vice President David M. Wagner regarding the Society Growth Incentive check.

The society will get items from Bass Pro Shop for the Sunday, August 31 Immaculate Conception Church Bazaar live auction and will again sponsor the silent auction at the bazaar.

Plans for the Member Appreciation Dinner on Sunday, September 21 were discussed. Society #80 will provided altar flowers for that weekend and the 9 a.m. Mass will be for its living and deceased members.

Registration will start at 1 p.m.

Refreshments and snacks will be available, with a catered meal at 5 p.m. at which time door prizes will be awarded.

IN MEMORIAM OF OUR DECEASED MEMBERS

The members of the Catholic Union of Texas, the KJT, wish to express their sincere and heartfelt sympathy to the families and friends of the departed members who are listed below. May their souls rest in peace.

July 2014

Society #28, Granger
Johnny L. Michalek
Date of Death: 05/08/2014
Age 88

Society #35, Ennis
William C. Hickman
Date of Death: 06/25/2014
Age 73

Society #114, Temple
Helen Lingnau
Date of Death: 05/26/2014
Age 83

Society #108, Brenham
Albin Januszewski
Date of Death: 06/24/2014
Age 82

Society #16, Wallis
Reinhardt Schumacker
Date of Death: 05/20/2014
Age 60

Society #31, West
Rev. Walter Matus
Date of Death: 07/02/2014
Age 70

Society #16, Wallis
Henry S. Novak
Date of Death: 06/08/2014
Age 85

Society #111, Dallas
Stanley E. Vrla
Date of Death: 07/04/2014
Age 86

Society #119, La Marque
Martin E. Pesek
Date of Death: 12/29/2013
Age 53

Associate Members
Society #20, Shiner
Robert Butschek
Date of Death: 11/22/2013
Age 79

Society #111, Dallas
Robert W. Prachyl
Date of Death: 05/30/2014
Age 63

Society #13, Yoakum
Sister Marcella Srubar
Date of Death: 07/05/2014
Age 89

Society #128, Killeen
Willie F. Stefek
Date of Death: 06/29/2014
Age 84

Society #120, Beaumont
Angeline Kaluza
Date of Death: 05/09/2014
Age 92

Society #14, Bryan
John W. Luza Sr.
Date of Death: 06/28/2014
Age 68

25-Year Membership

August 2014

Society #13, Yoakum
Evon Theresa Janak

Society #14, Bryan
Joyce Ann Zemanek

Society #46, La Grange
Delores A. Kubicek
Jonathan David Walla

Society #56, Houston
Mary Ann Pakebusch

Society #72, Corpus Christi
Tarashea Masi Partain

Society #80, Sealy
Wendy Lynn Lamp
Mandie Nicole Radcliffe

Society #103, Baytown
Rev. Frank Alvin Lomica

Society #111, Dallas
Emil G. Bolcik Jr.
Laura M. Bolcik
Tracy Lynne Kucera

Society #117, Waco
Tyler Wayne Whiteside

Society #119, La Marque
Tommy Taylor

Victoria County's 29th Annual
Sunday, Sept. 28, 2014
10:00 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Victoria Community Center
2905 E. North • Victoria, Texas

CZECH HERITAGE FESTIVAL

Music By

Randy Janak Spinning Wheel DJ	9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
Shiner Hobo Band	11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Fritz Hodde and Fabulous Six	1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Fritz Hodde and Fabulous Six & The Red Ravens	4:00 PM - 4:30 PM
The Red Ravens	4:30 PM - 7:30 PM

★ ★ ★ 2014 Special Event - Learn "Hands-On" ★ ★ ★
Czech Cultural Art/Craft Classes: Daniela Sipkova Mahoney**
Book Signing & Egg Ornament Personalizing (Dome) 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM
Classes Below only $2/person/class: Underwritten by VCCHS: Normally $18.50/person/class; Only 40 accepted. Please call 361-649-2243 by September 15th to register and reserve your spot.

Czech Egg Decorating Art/Ornaments: (Annex)	2:00 PM - 3:15 PM
Czech Straw Art/Ornaments: (Annex)	3:30 PM - 4:15 PM
Czech Dough Art/Ornaments: (Annex)	4:25 PM - 5:00 PM

***Born in Prague, Czech Republic, Mrs. Mahoney now of Portland Oregon is known world-wide. Since 1983 she has decorated over 84,000 egg ornaments. Come see and learn from her exquisite work and presentations.*

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Exhibits • Raffle • Czech Heritage Museum • Arts & Crafts
Pastry Wheel • Auction • Czech Demonstrations
29th Texas State Tarok Tournament - $400 in Prizes
9th Annual Homemade Beer & Wine Show
Czech-English Mass - Celebrated by Father Joseph Hybner
9:00 a.m. - Our Lady Of Victory Cathedral - Laurent and Mesquite St.
11 AM • Almond Crusted Pork Loin Lunch • $8.50/plate
Kolaches, Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup and Sausage Wraps also available
Admission $7 *per person - under 15 FREE*
While in Victoria, see the premier exhibit: "Texas Czechs: Rooted in Tradition" at the Museum of the Coastal Bend, 2200 E. Red River St., Phone (361) 582-2511

FOR INFO: www.victoriaczechs.org
or (361) 578-6730 Donald Dusek
E-mail: ddusek@suddenlink.net
Sponsored by: Victoria County Czech Heritage Society

Sacred Heart Parish Fall Picnic
Hallettsville
Sunday, August 31, 2014
132 Years
at the K.C. Hall in Hallettsville, Texas
Dinner: Serving from 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Drive thru Plates-to-Go: 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Dining in the KC Hall
Country Fried Chicken, Stew, Homemade Cornbread Dressing with all the trimmings!
Adults $8.50 Children (10 & under) $4.50
Come join in on the FUN!
Short Memorial at 1:00 p.m. given by Rev. Msgr. John Peters

AUCTION on the Main Pavilion at 1:00 p.m.

Music on the Main Pavilion
Kovanda Czech Band
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Free Dance on the Polka Pavilion/Biergarten
Dajka Brothers & The Red Ravens
1:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Inside the air-conditioned KC Hall, Bingo (Noon to 6:00 p.m.), Cake Walk, Country Store & Religious Articles Booth.

Kiddie Games & Rides all afternoon!!!

Dance – KC Hall
Music by The Emotions
9:00 p.m.—1:00 a.m.
$10 per person

New to our Picnic this Fall – Cool off in the water slide!

Delicious hamburgers, french fries, nachos, popcorn, funnel cakes, snow cones, lemonade & sodawater all afternoon!!

Washer Pitching Tournament begins at 5:00 p.m.

Join us for a great time at the Sacred Heart Picnic! Fun & entertainment for all ages!!

SOCIETY HAPPENINGS

#129 SCHULENBURG

By James Prihoda

St. Augustine KJT Society #129 of Schulenburg held a meeting on Sunday, May 18. The meeting was moved to the Weimar Veterans Hall where officers and a group of members of St. Augustine were preparing the breakfast for the American Legion's State Riders Rally held that weekend. President Matthew Prihoda called the meeting to order. A report on the Sausage Fest turnout and success was discussed and members were enthusiastic about next year's participation.

The American Legion's Tri-County Legion Riders recognized the society for the wonderful support in preparing the breakfast for Saturday and Sunday morning.

The Memorial Day program by the American Legion Post #143, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Vietnam Veterans that was to be held on Monday, May 26 was discussed and it was decided to once again have the youth distribute cold bottled water to everyone attending the service and Observance of Flag Day by the membership. The Schulenburg Festival Float and Youth Party will be discussed at the next meeting.

A Society #129 officers called meeting was held on Friday, July 4 at 1 p.m. to discuss the Second Annual Turkey Shoot Challenge to be held on Sunday, August 17, KJT Convention update, the youth party and the festival float.

Seven members joined the four officers. The meeting was a very productive workshop preparing for the upcoming activities.

The society held a meeting on Sunday, July 20 with 14 members registering. Five KJT members from Pflugerville Society #132 and one guest were also registered.

The financial report showed an income $ 2,103 and expenses of $1,685.77 revealing net gain of $417.13.

These were derived from the Sausage Fest booths, Youth Turkey Shoot food booth, matching grant Turkey Shoot, dues, Home Office refunds and Society Recognition level award. The expenses for these activities were matching grant payout to St. Michael's Catholic School of $800, Turkey Shoot associated expense and advertisement, Sausage Fest entries and Habitat workers' meal contribution.

The Matching Grant Turkey Shoot report showed a net profit of $1,029 with advertising and associated expense of $231 for a net matching grant of $798. The Home Office check for $ 500 and a check from St. Augustine had been presented to St. Michael's Catholic School for a total of $1,300.

The youth party was scheduled for Monday, August 4 at the Schulenburg Swimming Pool. Work has begun on preparing the tractors and floats for the Schulenburg Festival Parade scheduled for Sunday, August 3, and putting out advertisement placards for the Turkey Shoot and other preparations to make a successful Turkey Shoot.

Corpus Christi Society #72 has executed another Join Hands Day. KJT member Elaine Brundrett, State Director Ellen Zdansky and President Rosalie Bohuslav presented Ronald McDonald House with numerous soda can tabs. They use the cash from the sale of the tabs to help offset the cost of families staying at Ronald McDonald House when their child or children are in the Driscoll Children Hospital. ATTENTION: Society #72 we will continue to collect soda tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Please bring them to the Sunday, September 7 meeting.

St. Martin's Society #43 of Wied presented Msgr. John with two donation checks recently. One was for their parish project, a toy spinning wheel, held at the St. Mary's Picnic (above), and the other was for the seminarian educational fund (below) for the Diocese of Victoria. Making the presentation were (left to right) officers Diane Aschen, Jane Labay, Msgr. John Peters accepting and Rebecca Till.

Heritage Festival & Muziky
October 17th and 18th
250 West Fairgrounds Road, La Grange, Texas

Friday, Oct. 17th
Octoberfest on the Deck
4:00 PM to 10:00 PM
Check out the Vendors and Arts & Crafts Booths!!
Music 6:00 - 9:30 PM with

The Dujka Brothers

Visit The Czech Village

Saturday, Oct. 18th
10:00 AM

Dedication of the new Barn in the Czech Village
Antique Tractor & Car Shows Museums and Czech Gift Shop and Arts & Crafts
Kiddie Barrel Train Rides and Hay Rides

~ Heritage Demonstrations ~
Textiles, Blacksmithing, Chuck Wagons, Corn Shelling & Grinding, Historical Speakers, Wood Cutting, Antique Washing Machine, Hay Baling and MORE!!

~ Biergarten Entertainment ~
11:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Mark Halata & Texavia Band and The Eurofest Band

~ Amphitheater ~
7:00 PM - 9:30 PM Muziky, Muziky

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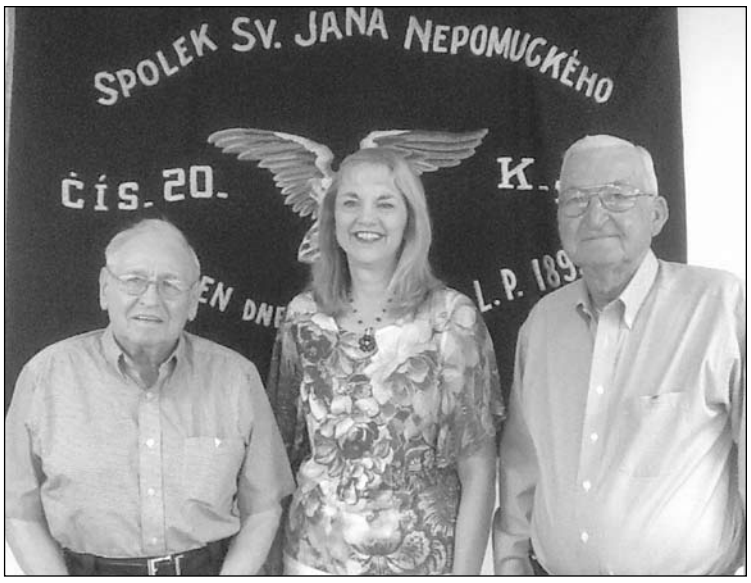
75 YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP

The Diamonds Of The KJT

Shiner Society #20 met on Sunday, June 8, at the Parish Activity Center for their quarterly meeting. During the meeting State Director Margaret Hanslik presented Laddie Janik with his 75-year membership pin. Also Jimmy Patek, who received his pin earlier, was recognized. Recipients not present were Alois Patek, Ladislav Kurtz and Walter E. Kowalik. Alois Pustka will be presented his pin at a later date. Following the meeting a lunch was served along with a special cake with the honorees names. All departed wishing everyone God's blessings and good health.



Shown are 75-year membership pin recipient Jimmy Patek, State Director Margaret Hanslik and 75-year membership pin recipient Laddie Janik at the Shiner Society #20 meeting. Congratulations!

Shown are (front) 75-year membership pin recipients Jimmy Patek and Laddie Janik with cake; back, Society #20 officers President David Wagner, Vice President Edwin Machacek, Secretary Wilma Wagner and Treasurer Elizabeth Wagner.

50-Year Membership

August 2014

Society #5, Hallettsville
Leo J. Bolom

Society #9, Fayetteville
Patrick J. Kramr
Eric J. Sury

Society #14, Bryan
Eugene F. Schulz

Society #16, Wallis
Anthony A. Drymalla
Michael R. Eder
Daniel J. Felcman
David A. Felcman
Kenneth W. Pustejovsky
Timothy William Raska
Kenneth W. Sliva
William C. Sliva
Willie C. Sliva
David C. Stepczyk
Randolph H. Zalesak

Society #20, Shiner
Nathan W. Kloesel
Gregory M. Najvar

Society #27, Taylor
Richard A. Janecka
James Raymond Kaderka
James D. Klepac
Paul Peter Zimmerhanzel Jr.

Society #28, Granger
Victor David Jr.

Society #29, Frydek
Benjamin S. Kutra Sr.

Society #31, West
Benjamin F. Cernosek
Douglas R. Hutyra
Gregory E. Hutyra
Richard J. Kaluza
Joseph H. Kotch Jr.
James P. Kudelka

Society #35, Ennis
David J. Smid
Arthur R. Toth Jr.

Society #40, East Bernard
Tobias M. Hlavinka

Society #42, Holman
Bennie J. Cernoch
Brian J. Cernoch

Society #48, El Campo
Michael A. Korenek

Society #54, Fort Worth
Paul Anthony Rice
James Tribble Jr.

Society #55, Corn Hill
Aloysius D. Kajs
Kalldie W. Kajs

Society #56, Houston
Thomas J. Bacak

Society #60, Tours
William G. Bettge Jr.

Society #71, Ganado
Adam S. Andel
Steven M. Andel
William Andel

Society #72, Corpus Christi
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KJT Youth Activity Corner

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Color the "BEGINNING OF FALL" picture and mail your entry in by SEPTEMBER 13 to be eligible for a drawing of three $5 cash prizes. Children must be ages 2-8 to enter and are limited to 2 wins per year. HURRY AND GOOD LUCK!

(If you have more than one child in your household wishing to enter the contest, please feel free to make copies of the picture. Must be a KJT member to enter contest.)

Mail the picture and your name, age, society #, address and phone number to the:
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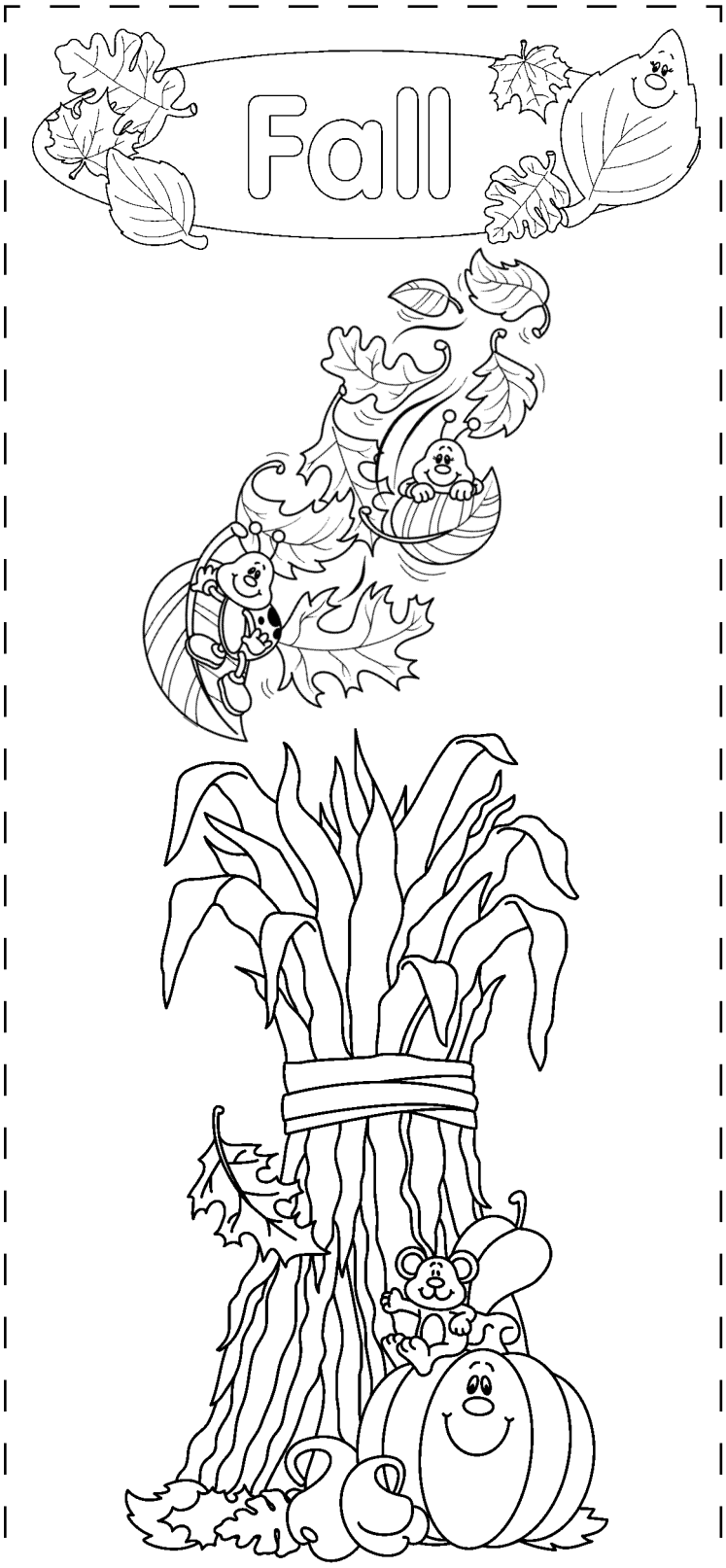


Who Am I?

I was born in 1894 in Poland and became a Franciscan. I contracted tuberculosis and, though I recovered, I remained frail all my life. Before my ordination as a priest, I founded the Immaculata Movement devoted to Our Lady. After receiving a doctorate in theology, I spread the Movement through a magazine entitled "The Knight of the Immaculata" and helped form a community of 800 men, the largest in the world.

I went to Japan where I built a comparable monastery and then on to India where I furthered the Movement. In 1936 I returned home because of ill health. After the Nazi invasion in 1939, I was imprisoned and released for a time. But in 1941 I was arrested again and sent to the concentration camp at Auschwitz.

On July 31, 1941, in reprisal for one prisoner's escape, ten men were chosen to die. I offered myself in place of a young husband and father. And I was the last to die, enduring two weeks of starvation, thirst, and neglect. I was canonized by Pope St. John Paul II in 1982 and my feast day is August 14th. Who am I?

July 2014 Who Am I? Answer: St. James

Answer the question correctly and three winners ages 9-12 will be eligible for a drawing of a $5 cash prize. Entrants must be KJT members. Send in form below by SEPTEMBER 13 to the KJT Home Office, P.O. Box 297, La Grange, Texas 78945.

Who Am I? Answer: _____

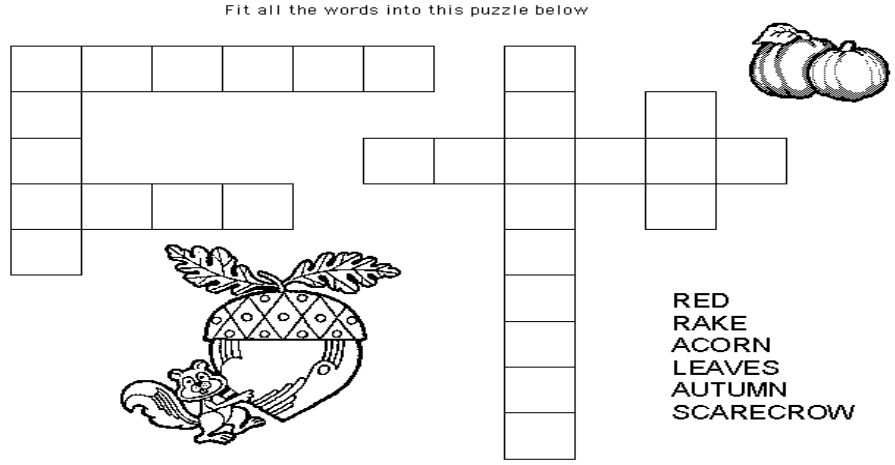
Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Society # _____

Fall Crossword

Fit all the words into this puzzle below



July 2014 Who Am I? Contest Winners

Dawson Belicek, Age 10, Society #13, Yoakum
Grace Dorantes, Age 10, Society #112, Austin
Preston Pustejovsky, Age 9, Society #107, Abbott

Back to School Contest Winners

Paige Pustejovsky, Age 4, Society #107, Abbott
Paul Rogers IV, Age 5, Society #129, Schulenburg
Jack Okruhlik, Age 6, Society #121, Katy-Spring Branch

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2014 AUG

SOCIETY #115, VICTORIA
Sunday, August 31, meeting, St. Mary's Catholic Church, Victoria, 7:30 am.

SOCIETY #3, HOSTYN
Sunday, August 31, meeting, Hostyn Parish Hall, 9:30 a.m. after the Scholarship Breakfast. Guests are always welcome!

ST. JOHN CHURCH PICNIC, FAYETTEVILLE
Sunday, August 31, St. John Recreation Hall, Fayetteville is right in the middle of the Central Texas South Golden Triangle Area and is conveniently located between Austin, Houston and San Antonio. Mass with Polka music at 10 a.m.. All-you-can-eat barbecue beef, pork and sausage dinner with trimmings prepared on the church grounds and plates to beginning at 11 a.m. Country auction at 1:30 p.m. Bingo, music and other events throughout the day. Come join an old-fashioned feast! For further information call (979) 378-2244.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH BAZAAR, SEALY
Sunday, August 31, Sealy KC Hall. Barbecue dinner of pork, beef, chicken and sauage beginning at 10:30 a.m. Mexican food also available. Live music begins at 10:30 a.m. Live auction at 1 p.m. Large silent auction in KC Meeting Room sponsored by KJT Sealy Society #80. Entertainment throughout the day including kiddie games and rides, plant stand, grocery stand, country store, cake walk, gift card stand and many more fun games, stands and booths.

SACRED HEART PARISH FALL PICNIC, HALLETTSVILLE
Sunday, August 31, KC Hall. Dinner will be served from 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Drive thru plates-to-go sold 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Dining in the KC Hall. Meal consists of country fried chicken, stew, homemade cornbread dressing with all the trimmings. Adults $8.50, children (10 and under) $4.50. Short memorial at 1 p.m. given by Rev. Msgr. John Peters. Auction on the Main Pavilion at 1 p.m. Inside the air-conditioned KC Hall there will be bingo (noon-6 p.m.), cake walk, country store and religious articles booth. Music on the Main Pavilion with Kovanda Czech Band 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Free dance on the Polka Pavilion/Biergarten with Dujka Brothers and the Red Ravens 1-9 p.m. Dance in KC Hall with music by the Emotions 9 p.m.-1 a.m. $10 per person. Kiddie games and rides all afternoon, and cool off in the water slide. Washer pitching tourney at 5 p.m. Delicious hamburgers, french fries, nachos, popcorn, funnel cakes, snow cones, lemonade and sodawater all afternoon. Come join in the fun!

CZECH JAM SESSIONS 2014

KJT Bar – Ennis TX

Friday nights 7PM

Sept 5 Nov 14

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Bring your instruments if you'd like to join in the fun!

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2014 SEPT

LABOR DAY
Monday, September 1.

SOCIETY #122, FREEPORT
Tuesday, September 2, meeting, St. Jerome's Father O'Malley Room, Clute, 6 p.m.

SOCIETY #87, JOURDANTON
Wednesday, September 3, meeting, Classroom No. 5, Formation Center of St. Matthew's Religious Education Facility, 7:30 p.m.

SOCIETY #34, NADA
Saturday, September 6, meeting, Family Life Center's St. Joseph Room, 7 p.m. following 6 p.m. Holy Mass.

THIRD ANNUAL BARBECUE COOK OFF, GANADO
Saturday, September 6, Ganado KJT Hall, noon-midnight. $5 all day event with free admission for children 12 and under. $10 arm bands for water slides. Dine-in and to go sausage and brisket plates. Plates $10 donations. To go line will be serving from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Concession booth, country store, raffle and drawing and live auction at 6 p.m. Music by the Country Four + One Polka Band. Water slides. Barbecue cook off along with Hot Wing competition and Junior Burger competition. Deadline to participate in any event is Friday, September 5. Evening entertainment starting at 8 p.m. by Nathan Young and the Keen Country Band. Food and fun for the entire family! For more details call Cori at (361) 782-8246 or Kurt at (361) 771-8000. Proceeds benefit the restoration of the Ganado KJT Hall.

Happy Grandparents Day

NATIONAL GRANDPARENT'S DAY
Sunday, September 7.

KJT ANNUAL TAROKY TOURNAMENT
Sunday, September 7.

SOCIETY #4, AMMANNSVILLE
Sunday, September 7, quarterly meeting, at the rectory immediately following the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

SOCIETY #72, CORPUS CHRISTI
Sunday, September 7, meeting, Moravia Hall, 2 p.m. Food and door prizes. Please continue to collect soda can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House and bring them to this meeting.

SOCIETY #112, AUSTIN
Wednesday, September 10, meeting, Sacred Heart Reception Room, 6:30 p.m.

13TH ANNUAL SAN ANTONIO CZECH GALA
Friday, September 12, St. Luke's Catholic Church Parish Hall, San Antonio, 6:30-10:30 p.m. Your are invited for an evening of Czech music and Czech food. The versatile Chris Rybak will provide the music. Come enjoy good food, good music, a great raffle and silent auction. Tickets are $30 per person, $60 for a couple. This evening is benefiting the statewide Texas Czech Heritage and Cultural Center in La Grange. For more information, call (210) 410-8840.

SOCIETY #31, WEST
Sunday, September 14, Corporate Communion at 7:30 a.m. Mass followed by meeting with coffee and kolaches.

SOCIETY #119, LA MARQUE
Sunday, September 14, tentative meeting, Parish Life Center.

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH ANNUAL FESTIVAL, YORKTOWN
Sunday, September 14, Yorktown Community Hall. Mass will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the church. At 10:30 a.m. the country store will open and lunch will be ready in the air-conditioned hall. Homemade sausage and barbecue beef shoulder clod will be served with potato salad, cole slaw, dessert and drink will be sold for $10 adult and pick up plates and $5 for children 12 and under. Lunch will close at 2 p.m. DJ Val Mungia will provide musical entertainment with your favorite polkas, waltzes and classic country music. At 11 a.m. the cake walk starts. The bounce house will open for the children at noon. There will be two raffles, ticket prices are $5 each or 5 for $20. The Church Festival Committee raffle includes various gift certificates. The Knights of Columbus will be raffling off a Charolais bull calf donated by Bill and Nelda Jauer. The drawings will be held at 3 p.m. A live auction will begin in the air-conditioned dining hall at 1 p.m. Many items have been donated to the aution. The Holy Cross Quilters have created another beautiful quilt. Also many hand-crafted and other unique items will be featured. Those interested in the auction are encouraged to sign up early.

SOCIETY #63, SMITHVILLE
Tuesday, September 16, meeting with potluck meal.

SOCIETY #134, ROUND ROCK
Saturday, September 20, meeting in the Pavilion. A chili supper will be served with Chris Lively as the cook.

SOCIETY #80, SEALY
Sunday, September 21, Member Appreciation Dinner, Hill Community Center. Registration begins at 1 p.m. Refreshments and snacks will be available with a catered meal to be served at 5 p.m. Door prizes will be awarded.

SOCIETY #13, YOAKUM
Sunday, September 21, meeting, St. Joseph Family Center after the 9 a.m. Mass.

SOCIETY #133, MISSOURI CITY
Monday, September 22, meeting, A&B Meeting Room, Holy Family

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(Continued from page 20)
Catholic Church, 1510 Fifth Street, Missouri City, 7:30 p.m.

AUTUMN BEGINS
Tuesday, September 23.

SOCIETY #87, JOURDANTON
Saturday, September 27, Join Hands Day, St. Matthew's Parish Hall, 9 a.m. Members to help with clean-up and set-up of St. Matthew's Church Picnic.

SOCIETY #115, VICTORIA
Sunday, September 28, annual fundraiser in conjunction with the annual Czech Fest, Victoria Community Center. Members are asked to provide baked goods and give of their time to help the cake wheel beginning at noon.

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7TH ANNUAL KJT STATE GOLF TOURNAMENT
Saturday, October 4.

SOCIETY #12, FRENSTAT
Saturday, October 4, quarterly trash pick-up and short meeting the day before the church bazaar. Meet at 8 a.m. weather permitting in front of the church. Watch the church bulletin for any changes.

KJT STATE FAMILY DAY, SEALY
Saturday, October 4-Sunday, October 5.

SOCIETY #141, GEORGETOWN
Friday, October 10, meeting, home of Pat and Larry Gregoire. Call (512) 869-0091 for directions.

DISTRICT IX FAMILY FUN DAY
Saturday, October 11, Bane Park, West Little York at Hwy. 290, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Food, fishing, horseshoes, free throw basketball, cards/dominoes and volleyball. District IX societies are #56 Houston, #82 Eastgate, #103 Baytown, #119 La Marque, #120 Beaumont and #121 Katy-Spring Branch. For more information contact Pat Nevlud, (281) 599-1057.

SOCIETY #119, LA MARQUE
Saturday, October 11, Fourth Annual Expo and Craft Show in conjunction with the Matching Grant Program, Parish Life Center & Pavilion, Queen of Peace Catholic Church, 1224 Cedar Drive, La Marque. Hurry and reserve your spaces – indoor spaces for $25 and outdoor spaces for $20. For more information contact Pat Krc at (409) 935-5700, larrykrc@att.net or Cindy Quintela at (409) 927-4054 (nights and weekends.)

SOCIETY #31, WEST
Sunday, October 12, meeting after 7:30 a.m. Mass with coffee and kolaches.

HOLY CROSS PARISH BAZAAR, EAST BERNARD
Sunday, October 12, Riverside Hall. Meal of barbecue beef, chicken and sausage with homemade dressing and all the trimmings will be served at 11 a.m. Hamburgers will be served at 3 p.m. Plenty of Czech pastries, refreshments and country store items. Pony rides, bounce house and Velcro wall. Games from noon-5 p.m. Grand auction at 12:30 p.m. Entertainment from noon til ? Dujka Brothers (noon-3 p.m.), Red Ravens (3-6 p.m.) and No Limit (country/rock 6 p.m. til ?). Raffle drawing at 8 p.m. Mass schedule at Holy Cross Church – 7 a.m. and 9 a.m. Everyone is invited!

SOCIETY #87, JOURDANTON
Sunday, October 19, Turkey Bingo, St. Matthew's Parish Hall, Jourdanton. Games begin at 1 p.m. KJT members are asked to be there at 11:30 a.m. for set-up. Refreshments of hamburgers, hot dogs, drinks, etc. will be available sponsored by the St. Matthew's Soup Kitchen and Friends of St. Matthew's. Bingo proceeds to benefit the Religious Retirement Fund.

SOCIETY #129, SCHULENBURG
Sunday, October 19, meeting, home of James and Carolyn Prihoda, 2 p.m.

SOCIETY #13, YOAKUM
Sunday, October 19, meeting, St. Joseph Family Center after the 9 a.m. Mass.

GUARDIAN ANGEL CATHOLICH CHURCH FALL HARVEST FESTIVAL & BAZAAR, WALLIS
Sunday, October 19, 5610 Demel Street. Thanksgiving Masses at 7:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Barbecue, homemade dressing and all the trimmings will be served starting at 10:30 a.m. Grand auction begins at 1 p.m. under the pavilion. Lots of entertainment, music all day, sausage in a boat being served, raffle, rides, games and booths. For more information, call the Parish Office at (979) 478-6532 or email gacwallis@gmail.com.

SOCIETY #126, NEW BRAUNFELS
Saturday-Sunday, October 25-26, kolache sale to benefit St. John Paul II High School at Sts. Peter and Paul Church, New Braunfels, after all the Masses or until all the kolaches are sold. A matching will be applied for.

SOCIETY #81, POTH
Sunday, October 26, quarterly meeting, Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church Parish Hall, 8:30 a.m. Refreshments will be served.

BEXAR COUNTY CZECH HERITAGE SOCIETY CZECH HERITAGE FESTIVAL, SAN ANTONIO
Sunday, October 26, San Antonio KC Hall, 5721 Rigsby (Hwy. 87 E/Loop 410). Opens at 11:30 a.m. Dance with music from 12:30-4:30 p.m. by Chris Rybak. Czech food and kolaches, big silent auction, cultural display and genealogy resources. Everyone is welcome and free admission. For more information, call (210) 649-2702.

SOCIETY #133, MISSOURI CITY
Monday, October 27, meeting, A&B Meeting Room, Holy Family Catholic Church, 1510 Fifth Street, Missouri City, 7:30 p.m.

HALLOWEEN
Friday, October 31.

KJT
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7th Annual State Golf Tournament

Saturday, October 4, 2014
Stephen F. Austin Golf Course
1130 Park Rd
Sealy, Texas 77473

8:30 a.m. - Registration
9:00 a.m. – Shotgun Start

4 Player Scramble - $50 / golfer
Includes 2 mulligans
(At least one team player must be a KJT Member)

18 Team Limit
(First come, first serve)
Deadline – September 30, 2014

Call 800-245-8182 and talk to David or Chris to register

For details on discounted hotel rates, call the home office.

TEAM CAPTAIN _____

ADDRESS _____

_____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____ _____

Mail entry form to: KJT Home Office, PO Box 297, La Grange, TX 78945-0297

2014 KJT SCHOLARS

The KJT fraternal family wishes to congratulate all of the 2014 scholarly accomplishments of its talented members and wishes them only the very best as they continue their educational endeavors and careers!

Shown (at left) is Robert Cameron Pavlicek of Damon Junior High. Cameron was Valedictorian of Damon Junior High. He is a member of Damon Society #92. Cameron's parents are Robert and stepmother Danielle Pavlicek of Damon. Grandparents are Eugene Pavlicek of Damon and step grandparents are Bill and Lisa Bergman of Alvin. Cameron will attend Needville High School this Fall and he will be a freshman.

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41st General Convention – Casino Night
Friday, July 25, 2014, Houston, Texas

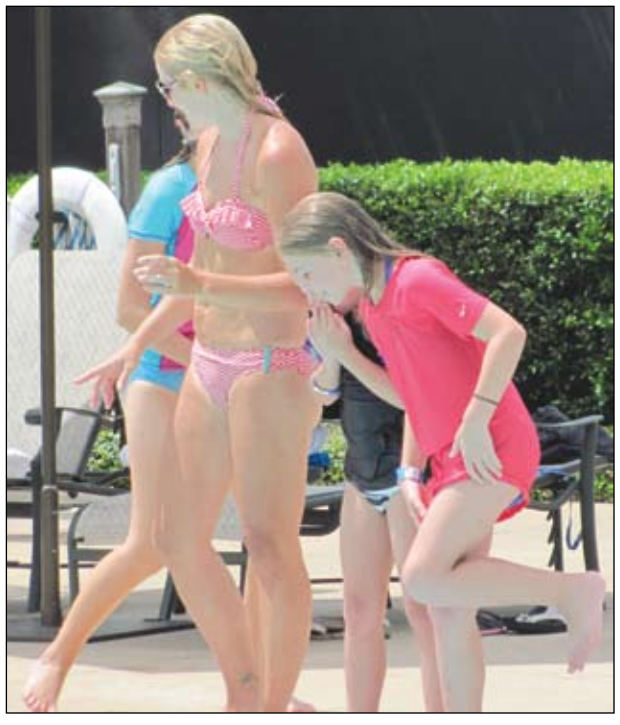
41st General Convention
Saturday, July 26, 2014, Houston, Texas

Eileen Svoboda of Damon Society #92 won a Yeti cooler and her society is tasked with finding a way to use the cooler in a fundraising effort and report back to the Home Office and Board of Directors. Presenting the cooler to her were (left) State Vice President David M. Wagner and (right) State President Christopher L. Urban.

It's all in the family – Mike Tydlacka and his son Thomas were both General Convention delegates!

State Director Margaret Hanslik presented a Years of Service poem and plaque to Honorary State Director Stanley Joe Cernoch for 18 years of service.

Youngest and Oldest Delegates – (Left) Josh Zapletal of Ennis Society #35 and (right) Albert Sustala of Sealy Society #80.

41st General Convention – Pool Party
Saturday, July 26, 2014, Houston, Texas

41st General Convention – Banquet & Dance
Saturday, July 26, 2014, Houston, Texas