MESSAGE FROM THE STATE PRESIDENT

KJT Sees Positive Financial Growth Once Again . . .

You can find the financial results for 2016 on page 7 of this issue of the KJT News. The KJT saw positive growth in 2016 once again as assets increased by $6.2 million to reach $77.3 million at the end of the year. The growth came with surplus increasing by $507,087 for the year, an increase of 13.2% over 2015. This is the highest point since the third quarter of 2005. KJT’s assets to liabilities now sits at 105.9%, its highest point since the first quarter of 2010 and .2% over 2015.

The officers and directors of the KJT are proud of the financial advances the fraternal has taken during the past five years and anticipates further positive growth in 2017.

Delegate & Director Qualifications
For 42nd General Convention – July 2018

The 42nd General Convention is just 15 short months away and the requirements to serve as a delegate per the KJT By-laws are as follows:

1) To be eligible to serve as a delegate or alternate to a General Convention, the member must attend all or a minimum of 50 percent of the local society meetings from January 1 to December 31 of the year preceding the convention.

2) An individual will not be able to serve as a delegate or alternate to the General Convention who is or whose spouse is a state officer or state director, state directress of other fraternal life insurance organizations, or insurance sales representative representing the other fraternal life insurance organizations.

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SOCIETY SPOTLIGHT

15 Austin Members Walk To Alleviate Hunger Locally

BY SARAH VITEK

Fifteen members of Austin Society #112 participated in the annual Austin CROP Hunger Walk at Camp Mahry.

This walk is sponsored by Church World Services. The purpose is to raise money for food, medical care, disaster relief and development locally and worldwide, to reduce the number of people living in poverty worldwide. The CROP Hunger Walk helps to provide food and water, as well as resources to empower people to meet their own needs.

A percentage of the money raised in the CROP Hunger Walk is distributed to local hunger-alleviating agencies in the Austin area. Austin Society #112 was one of the local sponsors.

Society #112 participants were top row (left to right) Honorary State Director Ted Vitek, Society Vice President Anne Hyzak, Stephanie Hyzak, Society Co-President Michael Hyzak, Matthew Hyzak, Michelle Hyzak, Kenneth Klanika; second row, Society Reporter Sarah Vitek, Glenn Vitek, Eileen Rosipal, Jennifer Klanika, Thomas Klanika, Co-President Darlene Chapa, and bottom row, holding the banner, Katie and Sophie Hyzak.

Way to go Society #112!
FRATERNAL ACTIVITY REPORT

Time To Reflect . . .

As I complete my final lap of recovery from my accident, I had plenty of time to reflect upon the KJT. I know our forefathers are smiling down on us as 127 years of good leadership and continuing dedication of our membership pave the way to a strong organization.

As we continue to place strong emphasis on membership this year, please spread the good news of the KJT and the many products, services and membership benefits that are available. A note to remember is that it doesn’t only take the sales representative of your society to help build membership; it takes the effort of each and every one within your society to help promote membership.

May each and every society be fruitful in building their membership this year. As always, thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Fraternal Activity Manager. You can contact me at (409) 771-8101 or mareznicek@sbcglobal.net.

Michael A. Reznicek
KJT Fraternal Activity Manager

State President's Message . . .

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Additionally, there will be three vacancies for state directors at the 42nd General Convention in July 2018. To qualify for the position of state director, one must be eligible to serve as a delegate to the convention (see requirements on page 1). There are additional qualifications, so if anyone is interested and would like to learn more about the other qualifications, please call and ask for me to discuss.

Happy Easter

As we continue our Lenten journey preparing for Jesus’ resurrection on Easter Sunday, I would like to thank all of you for your membership in the KJT. I appreciate all you do for the KJT and ask that you continue to recruit new members to our organization. If you have friends or family members that might benefit from any of our programs we ask that you invite them to join us.

I pray for a Blessed Easter Season to all!

Christopher L. Urban
State President's Message

KJT COOKBOOK SNEAK PREVIEW

COFFEE CAKE

Ingredients

| 1 ½ c. flour | Topping: 1 ½ c. sugar |
| ¾ c. sugar | 1 T. baking powder |
| ½ tsp. salt | ½ c. shortening |
| ½ c. milk | ¾ c. flour |

1 egg
1 tsp. vanilla
½ c. apricots, may use any fruit and increase amount if desired

Mix all cake ingredients together and place ½ in a 8 x 10” pan. Cover with the fruit. Add remaining cake mix on fruit. Mix sugar, flour and cinnamon, cut butter into mix. Add pecans and sprinkle on top of cake batter. Cook at 350° for 30 minutes.

2017 Important Dates To Remember

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IMPORTANT MESSAGE

The Czech Ex-Students Association of Texas, CESAT, requests that every Texas Czech write a letter to their State Senator and State Representative requesting the Czech language be allowed to be taught at community colleges in Texas. It was possible to teach Czech until 2016 when the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board removed Czech from the Academic Course Guide Manual (ACGM). Please keep your letter to one page in length. To find your State Senator and State Representative, you can go to the following website: www.fyi.legis.state.tx.us/Zip.aspx.

Ellen Zolansky
Corpus Christi, TX

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Look no more . . . "Cooking with the KJT" is the ultimate gift for the chefs on your gift list!

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P.O. Box 297
La Grange, TX 78945

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Please send me ___ copies of Cooking with the KJT
SALE PRICE $10.00 plus $3.00 shipping/handling per book for general delivery ($13 per book)
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Enclosed is my check or money order for $______

Mail books to:

Name

Address

City, State, Zip

KJT Fraternal Activity Manager
HE WILL BE MISSED . . .

Kubala, 97, who passed away at Heart Veteran Willie “Bill” Kubala on Sunday, February 5, the Heavenly Gates opened wide, letting in the WWII Purple Heart Veteran Willie “Bill” Kubala, 97, who passed away at his residence.

After serving his duty in WWII, he then became a caretaker for the late Dr. A.P. and Belle B. Beutel. Later in time he became a co-worker with Dow contractors, working the same land, which was his home place and residence with his late wife Theresa Kubala.

Bill was a great domino player and loved his Czech dances.

Bill and late wife Theresa had two daughters, Pat Harris, and Kathy Gatlin and husband Gary. He then was blessed with four grandchildren, Karmen Hice and husband Jeff of Maryland, Amanda Thompson, Stephen Danbury, Ryan Gatlin and wife Jisele of Spring, and Preston Harris and wife April of Brazoria. Bill also had eight great-grandchildren along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Bill is survived by his sister Cecilia Henry and family of Mississippi. Bill was proceeded in death by his parents, three brothers, four sisters and late wife Theresa.

Funeral services were held on Friday, February 10 at St. Jerome’s Catholic Church of Clute with Father Jim officiating. Internment was at the Restwood Cemetery in Clute. Bill and Teresa were lifelong members of St. Michael’s Catholic Church. Bill was a Freepport Society #122 member and received his 75-year membership pin on February 1.

Did You Know?
The State Aquarium is the Texas State Aquarium in Corpus Christi designated by the 69th Legislature in 1985. The city of Ennis was proclaimed the official State Bluebonnet Trail.

TEXAS CZECHS:
ROOTED IN TRADITION

BY LORI NAVJAR

PolkaWorks mission is to highlight unique cultural traditions through documentaries, photography and public programs designed to educate and inspire. We’ve traveled thousands of miles across the grand state of Texas to share stories through exhibits, film, photography, public programs and diverse social media.

We are proud of our community activities that involve local theaters, state and family historians, imaginative storytellers, talented musicians, inspired chefs and community cooks, and Texas PBS.

Since October 2014, the “Texas Czechs: Rooted in Tradition” exhibition has been hosted at the following venues: Museum of the Coastal Bend in Victoria, Czech Center Museum in Houston, Lavaca Historical Museum in Hallettsville, Institute of Texan Cultures in San Antonio, Czech Heritage Museum and Genealogy Library in Temple, State Capitol Visitors Center in Austin, and currently at La Retama Central Library in Corpus Christi.

“Go the Grove, Texas” documentary has aired in 2016 on Texas PBS stations that include: KERA in Dallas, KLRU in Austin and KNCT in Killeen and Waco. It is also soon to air in 2017 on KTTZ in Lubbock, KCOS TV in El Paso, Panhandle PBS in Amarillo and even Eastern New Mexico.

Our “Saddle Up – Ranching, Rodeo and Tradition” exhibition is in production now and scheduled to showcase in 2018.

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ACT NOW Sale Ends May 15th
For a limited time you can enter your exclusive code to receive 25% off general admission tickets over 42” when you check-out online! Your promo code is not valid with any other special offers such as group rates, party packages, and discount admission, etc. This promo code has no cash value and may not be refunded, redeemed, or sold for profit. This discount is only valid online.

HOW TO USE PROMO CODE
1) Visit Splashway.com and click “Buy Tickets Now.”
2) Add all your tickets to your cart.
3) Enter your promo code in the coupon box and click “Apply Coupon Code” button.
4) Your promotional discount will adjust your ticket price.

PROMO CODE Expire: May 15, 2017

$25 OFF SEASON PASS
Purchase your 2017 season pass at the KJT home office for only $74.99! Fire up your grill or use your promo code KJT2017SP online. In addition to the incredible savings, Splashway season pass holders take advantage of “Pass Perks”

•Free admission to Splashway;
•Complimentary Zipline Tour Adventures;
•Discount on Outdoor Africa Tours;
•Free admission to our new kiddie area;
•Discounted cabana rentals;
•Big savings on souvenirs, food and more.

OFFER EXPIRES: May 15, 2017
Throughout the year, we are all burdened with a variety of deadlines. Income Tax filing deadline. (Watch out for the penalty!) Deadline for Little League sign-ups. (Don’t want to see a disappointed/sad face!)

And now, coming soon... April 30th! Deadline for filing your request for an ag use exemption on land you are using for agricultural use. (I know, not very exciting but this can impact your property tax substantially.)

The Texas Constitution allows agricultural and open-space land to be taxed generally on its agricultural use, or productivity value instead of the selling price of the land in the open market (market value).

To qualify for “ag use” (1-d) or open-space (1-d-1) valuation, the land must be in agricultural use. The requirements of the ag-use or open-space designations differ slightly. However, either designation achieves the taxpayer’s objective of valuing the land on a basis of productivity instead of market value, and therefore, a much lower property tax consequence.

Each county’s central appraisal district (CAD) adopts specific agricultural use guidelines regarding minimum livestock stocking density, acreage per tract and productivity yields. Land will not qualify simply because it is rural and has some connection with agricultural. Casual uses such as home vegetable gardens, hobby farming and ranching, or incidental cutting and baling of hay typically do not constitute a qualifying agriculture use.

It’s strongly recommended to contact your CAD office and visit with the appraisers and staff to confirm your county’s ag use guidelines and deadlines.

Applications requesting Ag-Use or Open-space designations and valuation should be filed between January 1 and before May 1. Applications received with a postmark date after April 30 but before the appraisal roll is certified are subject to a penalty for late filing. Applications received after the appraisal roll is certified cannot be considered and must be filed again the next year.

Finally, once your land is designated as “agricultural use” land, the designation should continue from one year to the next. However, if the land is transferred or the use appears to change, it’s always a good idea to contact your CAD office to confirm whether you need to reapply for the “ag exemption” or not.

Philip J. Hundl is the State Attorney for the KJT and an attorney/shareholder at the law firm of Wadler, Perches, Hundl & Kerlick in Wharton, Texas. This article is courtesy of John D. Perches, attorney/shareholder at Wadler, Perches, Hundl & Kerlick.

Special Reminder for Members
The KJT asks members to always check their certificates to note whether they have the proper beneficiaries designated.
**FEBRUARY 2017 TOP PRODUCERS**

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**WELCOME TO OUR SALES FORCE**

**Brady Alexander Joins KJT Team**

The Catholic Union of Texas, the KJT, is excited to announce our newest agent, William “Brady” Alexander. Brady was born in Texas City and grew up in and around Dickinson.

He attended and graduated from Dickinson High School, then the College of the Mainland in Texas City and eventually received his Bachelor’s Degree in Criminal Justice from The University of Houston. After serving several years as a police officer for the Dickinson Police Department, Brady retired from the PD to join his Mother Lisa Alexander and Grandfather W.K. Leonard in the insurance industry (who are also KJT insurance representatives).

As a member of La Marque Society #119, Brady is extremely happy to join Lisa and W.K. to continue the legacy his family has established.

We welcome Brady and are very excited to have him come aboard!

**Did You Know?**

At least 2.7 million Americans today are living with atrial fibrillation (AFib).

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**Application for 2017 KJT Summer Youth Camp**

**SPJST ENC (COOPER FARMS) NEAR WALDECK**

**JULY 23TH THROUGH JULY 27, 2017**

**(9 - 12 Year Age Group)**

Applicants must be KJT members between the ages of 9 and 12, but less than 13 years of age as of July 1, 2017 to be considered. Applications must be completed and forwarded to the KJT Home Office, PO Box 297, La Grange, Texas, 78945 by June 23, 2017. Parents must furnish transportation to and from the campsite and approve of their child’s participation. A $100 registration fee is required. The registration fee will be returned ONLY if the Home Office is notified by July 10, that the child will not be able to attend. Eighty (80) campers will be selected. If more than 80 applications are received, priority will be given to those who have not attended in previous years. (Please print or type the following information.)

- Camper’s Legal Name: ____________________________
- Preferred First Name: __________________________ 
- T-Shirt Size: Child □ Adult □ (S □ M □ L □ XL □)
- Parent/Guardian’s Name: _________________________
- Home City, State, Zip: __________________________
- Parent/Guardian’s Signature: ____________________
- Parent/Guardian’s Date: _________________________
- Camper’s Signature: ____________________________
- Camper’s Date: _______________________________

I, ______________________, the parent/guardian of ________________________, a minor, hereby agree and authorize the CATHOLIC UNION OF TEXAS, THE KJT, to use any photographs of my son/daughter taken during the Annual KJT Summer Camp for publication in the KJT News or on the KJT Website.

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**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:**

Society #: ____________________
Status: ________________________
2016 SALES AWARDS

Awards Presented At SDOR Meetings Held Across State

JOHN KANA, SOCIETY #4, AMMANNNSVILLE
5TH PLACE STAR WINNER
BRONZE HEAVY HITTER
LIFE PREMIUM CHALLENGE WINNER

ELLEN ZDANSKY, SOCIETY #72, CORPUS CHRISTI
SILVER HEAVY HITTER
LIFE PREMIUM CHALLENGE WINNER
PACETSETTER AWARD

STEPHANIE PRIHODA, SOCIETY #129, SCHULENBURG
9TH PLACE STAR WINNER
BRONZE HEAVY HITTER

MILDRED MACHACEK, SOCIETY #20, SHINER
LIFE PREMIUM CHALLENGE WINNER

LAWRENCE YANTA, SOCIETY #115, VICTORIA
6TH PLACE STAR WINNER
BRONZE HEAVY HITTER
LIFE PREMIUM CHALLENGE WINNER

W.K. LEONARD, SOCIETY #119, LA MARQUE
4TH PLACE STAR WINNER

MICHAEL TILL, SOCIETY #43 WIED
1ST PLACE STAR WINNER
BRONZE HEAVY HITTER
LIFE PREMIUM CHALLENGE WINNER

DEBORAH CURREY, SOCIETY #130, ELGIN
2ND PLACE STAR WINNER
BRONZE HEAVY HITTER &
LEON BARTON, SOCIETY #134, ROUND ROCK (RIGHT)
LIFE PREMIUM CHALLENGE WINNER

ALBERT SUSTALA, SOCIETY #80, SEALY
LIFE PREMIUM CHALLENGE WINNER

JOE LANDSFELD, SOCIETY #35, ENNIS (LEFT)
3RD PLACE STAR WINNER
LIFE PREMIUM CHALLENGE WINNER &
HERBERT BREM, SOCIETY #31, WEST (RIGHT)
8TH PLACE STAR WINNER
BRONZE HEAVY HITTER
LIFE PREMIUM CHALLENGE WINNER

(Presenting the awards was State Vice President David M. Wagner and State President Christopher L. Urban presented Ellen Zdansky her award.)
Tracking Ancestral Footprints A Genealogy Research Workshop
April 28 - 29, 2017
10:00 am - 4:00 pm each day
One day / Two Days
One Low Price—$10.00
Caldwell Civic Center – Caldwell, TX
103 Texas Hwy 21 W, Caldwell, TX
https://goo.gl/maps/SXikBLkG6mo
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Internet Help
TCGS Website Help
Maps of Czech Republic
Czech Dictionaries
Czech Translation
Cadastral Maps
For more information contact: Gladys Valchar at 972-790-2848
Lunch is on Your Own
To register by credit card: https://squareup.com/store/TXCZGS/item/registration
To register by mail: print a registration form from the Texas Czech Genealogical Society (TCGS) website (http://txczgs.org/)
Please respond by April 21 so we can help serve you better
Larger workshop room available this year
Bring your computer
Waiting to Help You With Your Czech Family Search

KJT NORTH TEXAS GOLF TOURNAMENT
SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2017
OLD BRICKYARD GOLF COURSE
605 NORTH FWY. SERVICE ROAD,
FERRIS, TEXAS 75125

SHOTGUN START AT 8:30 AM
4 PERSON SCRAMBLE
(ONE TEAM MEMBER MUST BE A KJT MEMBER)
$75 PERSON ($300 PER TEAM)
RSVP TO INSURANCE@KJTNET.ORG
CALL 800.245.8182
FOR MORE INFORMATION
PRIZES & OTHER GOVERNMENTS

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Children's
to st. jude
going
proceeds

To register by credit card:

Lunch is on Your

To register by mail: print a registration form from the Texas Czech Genealogical Society (TCGS) website
Please respond by April 21 so we can help serve you better

Statement of Financial Condition

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Reserves, Liabilities, and Surplus

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**TURKEY SHOOT**

**APRIL 9, 2017**

1 P.M.  
**KJT MATCHING GRANT BENEFIT**  
**MEDICAL EXPENSES FOR LUKE B. FRIDEL**  
20-MONTH OLD SON OF LOCARDUS & MINDY CERNOCH FRIEDEL  
GRANDSON OF CHARLES & BARBARA CERNOCH AND BERNARD & VIVIAN FRIDEL  
**TOFEL’S PLACE,**  
**AMMANNVILLE, TEXAS**  
**SPONSORED BY**  
**ST. AUGUSTINE KJT SOCIETY #129 OF SCHULENBURG**

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**2017 KJT DISTRICT IV ANNUAL MEETING & FAMILY FUN DAY 2017**

**DATE:** Saturday, March 25, 2017  
**PLACE:** Old Settlers Reunion Hall  
**ADDRESS:** 3300 Palm Valley Blvd. E., Round Rock  
**LOCATION:** Midway between IH 35 and 130 on Hwy 79 is Dell Diamond. (RR Express) Palm Valley Blvd. is at the stop light immediately west of the Dell Diamond Parking Lot. Turn north, go 100 yards, then left (west) into the hall parking lot.  
**AGENDA:**  
1:30 PM Registration  
2:00 PM Welcome and Business Meeting  
2:30 PM Fun for All – Silent Auction, Raffle, Bingo, Indoor and Outdoor Games for the Kids  
(Bring your own dominoes and taroky cards if you wish)  
4:00 PM Complimentary Meal  
4:30 PM Silent Auction Ends, Raffle Drawing  
5:30 PM Cleanup and Farewell  
**SOCIETY:**  
1. Bring 1 raffle item from each society (suggested $25 value)  
2. Solicit Silent Auction/Bingo items from members or local merchants  
3. Dessert to share would be appreciated but not necessary.  
4. Call Shirley @ 512.251.1185 with questions or to volunteer to help  
**REMARKS:** The meal, tea, and lemonade will be furnished. Beer and wine may be brought in but no hard liquor. Desserts are completely dependent upon what you choose to bring to share. Bring the kids, grandkids, neighbor kids – it is free, fun and all are welcome! We are keeping it simple and ending early so all ages and abilities can have fun participating.

**ASSIGNMENTS:**  
1. Pflugerville – Meal  
2. Austin – Silent Auction  
3. Temple – Raffle  
4. Killeen/Taylor – Registration  
5. Georgetown/Granger/Elgin – Games  
6. Manor – Bingo  
7. Round Rock/Corn Hill – Cleanup

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**MEMBER SPOTLIGHT**

**Stolarski Earns Eagle Scout Rank**

**BY BERNICE STOLARSKI**

Derek Stolarski of Bellville Boy Scout Troop 36 earned the rank of Eagle Scout in a Court of Honor ceremony on Sunday, February 26 at Fuchs Hall in Bellville. After the impressive ceremony, he was honored with a meal by his parents David and Christina Stolarski.

Derek thanked everyone for their donations and support for him to complete his project of a Prayer Garden in front of Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Bellville.

Derek is a member of Society #80 of Sealy. His grandparents are Flora Stolarski and the late Carl Stolarski of Sealy, and Clarence and Linda Reuther of New Ulm. Derek also has a younger brother, Luke.

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**CHARITIES PROGRAM**

**Victoria Diocese Bishop Gets Donations**

KJT State Spiritual Director Father Bob Knippenberg presented Diocese of Victoria Bishop Brendan J. Cahill with two checks from the KJT – one was for $5,682.50 for the Religious Retirement Fund and the other was for $2,278 for the Seminarian Education Fund. The presentation was made on Wednesday, March 8 at the Chancery in Victoria.
**DIAMONDS OF KJT**

**Society #20 Member Receives Pin**
State Director Margaret Hanslik is shown presenting Shiner Society #20 member Edwin Machacek with his 75-year membership pin. Congratulations Edwin!

**State Director Recognizes Machacek**
State Director Margaret Hanslik is shown congratulating 75-year membership pin recipient Edwin Machacek along with his wife Mildred.

**CHARITIES PROGRAM**

**Shiner Donates To Retirement Fund**
Shown are Shiner Society #20 officers Secretary Wilma Wagner, President David Wagner, Vice President Laddie Kurtz and Treasurer Elizabeth Kubicek presenting State Director Margaret Hanslik (middle) with a check for the Religious Retirement Fund.

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**Application for 2017 KJT Summer Teen Camp**
SPJST ENC (COOPER FARMS) NEAR WALDECK
JULY 27TH THROUGH July 30, 2017
(13 - 15 Year Age Group)

Applicants must be KJT members between the ages of 13 and 15, but less than 16 years of age as of July 1, 2017 to be considered. Applications must be completed and forwarded to the KJT Home Office, PO Box 297, La Grange, Texas, 78945 by June 23, 2017. Parents must furnish transportation to and from the campsite and approve of their child’s participation. A $100 registration fee is required. The registration fee will be returned ONLY if the Home Office is notified by July 10, that the child will not be able to attend. Forty (40) campers will be selected. If more than 40 applications are received, we will use first come/first serve to determine the attendees. (Please print or type the following information.)

Camper’s Legal Name: ___________________________________________
Camper’s Preferred First Name: _________________________________
Age: ____ Birthday: Mo._____ Day ____ Yr. _____
T-Shirt Size: ________
Parent/Guardian’s Name: ___________________________________________
Home Mailing Address: ___________________________________________
Home City, State, Zip: ___________________________________________
E-Mail address: ___________________________________________
(If an e-mail is listed, you will receive confirmation from this office by e-mail)
Daytime Phone: _______________ Evening Phone: _______________
If you previously attended a KJT Camp circle year(s) attended: [ ] 2014 [ ] 2015 [ ] 2016
Campers may request ONE cabin mate of the same sex. Your child’s name must also appear on the cabin mate’s registration. Only reciprocal requests will be honored.
Cabin mate (Name & City): ___________________________________________
Parent/Guardian’s Signature: __________________ Date: ____________
Camper’s Signature: __________________ Date: ____________

I, ________________________, the parent/guardian of ___________________, a minor, hereby agree and authorize the CATHOLIC UNION OF TEXAS, THE K.J.T., to use any photographs of my son/daughter taken during the Annual KJT Summer Camp for publication in the KJT News or on the KJT Website.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:
Society #: ______
Status: ______

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**The Texas Polka Party Place**

**Stříbrňanka**

Saturday, April 22
7-10PM | Admission: $10

Stříbrňanka Brass Band
from the Czech Republic
Kitchen is open!
SOCIETY HAPPENINGS

#112 AUSTIN
By Sarah Vitek
Austin Society #112 held its famous Annual Junior Hamburger Cookout at the Sacred Heart Cafeteria on Thursday, March 9. Over 50 members and guests enjoyed the delicious burgers and trimmings. Thank you to Rodney and Christopher Zurovetz, along with Bernard Tupa, who prepared the burgers, to Michael and Stephanie Hyzak who brought all the trimmings and to Susan Zurovetz, Shirley Macik, Darlene Chapa and Sarah Vitek for getting everything ready, to Kenneth Klanika for providing the trailer to haul the pit and to all who furnished the array of desserts. Even though the weather was threatening, the event had a great turnout. See photos below.

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.

February 2017

Society #1, Praha
Vaclav Masek
Date of Death: 12/31/2016
Age 86

Society #114, Temple
Rev. Edward Jordan
Date of Death: 01/19/2016
Age 79

Society #9, Fayetteville
Edwin A. Klimek
Date of Death: 12/23/2016
Age 86

Society #13, Youkum
Paul F. Hrncair
Date of Death: 11/08/2016
Age 76

Society #84, El Campo
Jaroslav Janis
Date of Death: 01/07/2017
Age 93

Society #72, Corpus Christi
Eddie Urbanovsky
Date of Death: 12/09/2016
Age 84

Society #27, Taylor
Daniel R. Kaspar
Date of Death: 01/05/2017
Age 86

Society #72, Corpus Christi
Gerard L. Mokry
Date of Death: 12/17/2016
Age 72

Society #40, East Bernard
Alphonse Vacek
Date of Death: 01/17/2017
Age 94

Society #29, Frydek
Lawrence J. Blazek
Date of Death: 01/20/2017
Age 87

Society #90, Rosenberg
Veronica Horelica
Date of Death: 01/01/2017
Age 51

Society #20, Shiner
Robert Siegel
Date of Death: 02/04/2017
Age 71

Society #72, Corpus Christi
Alvin L. Matula Jr.
Date of Death: 12/29/2016
Age 78

Society #40, East Bernard
Stephen Macha
Date of Death: 01/01/2017
Age 51

Society #102, San Antonio
Lawrence Orsak
Date of Death: 12/09/2016
Age 83

Society #50, Penelope
William Dvoracek
Date of Death: 01/01/2017
Age 77

Society #35, Ennis
Tyler J. Slovak
Date of Death: 02/13/2017
Age 25

Society #3, Hostyn
Leonard G. Lidiak
Date of Death: 01/13/2017
Age 78

Society #84, El Campo
Jerome J. Dusek
Date of Death: 12/15/2016
Age 92

Society #43, Wied
Norbert Janak
Date of Death: 02/17/2017
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Society #128, Killeen
William H. Yowell
Date of Death: 02/16/2017
Age 88

Shiner Society #20 officers are shown presenting 75-year membership pin recipient Edwin Machacik with a monetary gift. Congratulations Edwin!

Online Applications For Enrollment in The KJT Memorial Foundation Are Now Available – www.kjtnet.org

For donations of less than $25 an enrollment card is sent to the designated individual and for donations of $25 or more, they will receive a hard-bound book with a beautiful holy picture. All those enrolled are remembered in daily prayers and monthly Holy Masses.

Express your love and remembrance for special occasions such as birthdays, graduations, weddings, anniversaries and times of illness as well as consolation to a loved one’s family by enrolling them today!
SOCIETY HAPPENINGS

#134 ROUND ROCK
By Margie Thompson

Society #134 of Round Rock held its quarterly meeting on Saturday evening, March 4 in the St. William’s Parish Activity Center.

Religious Retirement Fund tickets were sold by Louis Zbranek.

Seminarian Henry led the prayer before dinner. Pok-e-Jo’s barbecue was served. Members brought desserts to share.

President Tina Risinger opened the business meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Evening guests were introduced and members were honored to have State Director Ray and Shirley Pokorney with them for the evening. State Director Pokorney welcomed everyone and was happy to see the large turnout of members and guests at the meeting.

Pictures were taken of the Josephine Bruskewitz Family, and Leon Barton Family — all family members are KJT insurance members.

State Director Pokorney reminded members of the benefits of the KJT and the upcoming summer camps available to the youth.

District IV Shirley Pokorney spoke about the camps and District IV Family Day at Old Settlers Park coming up on Saturday, March 25. She invited members to the Coushatta Trip on Saturday, March 25. She invited members to let him know three days in advance so he can change the count with the caterer.

Bingo was played and door prizes were drawn.

Reminded members that the KJT newspaper lists all the upcoming activities.

Society Vice President Leon Barton reminded members to see him for any insurance needs.

He also asked members to give an accurate head count when they RSVP, and if they must change the head count to let him know three days in advance so he can change the count with the caterer.

Bingo was played and door prizes were drawn.

25-Year Membership
March 2017
Society #4, Ammannsville
Darren Wayne Kana

Society #14, Bryan
Charles Thomas Phinney

Society #31, West
Jonathan Ray Morris
Philip Wayne Mynarick

Society #40, East Bernard
Samantha Danielle Vacek

Society #43, Wied
Brice James Sitka

Society #46, La Grange
Clara Smith
Holly Marie Smith

Society #59, Seymour
John D. Sykora

Society #72, Corpus Christi
Madeline Patrice Eicher
Deborah Joan Kucera

Society #81, Poth
Evelyn A. Kolenda

Society #111, Dallas
Koda Felipe Chovanetz
Miyuki Felipe Chovanetz
Laurie Leigh Munchrath

Society #112, Austin
Pamela Fojtik

Society #128, Kileen
William J. Murray

75-Year Membership
March 2017
Society #1, Praha
James Bacak
Frank J. Tupa

Society #4, Ammannsville
Bernard G. Kallus

Society #43, Wied
Patrick H. Janak

Society #48, Hillje
Leo R. Popp
Albert Winter Jr.

Society #56, Houston
Dennis J. Veit

Society #71, Ganado
Lonnie E. Rab

Society #84, El Campo
Lawrence W. Bartosh

Society #102, San Antonio
George E. Vacek

Society #108, Brenham
Gilbert C. Motl

Society #119, La Marque
Louis L. Motl

50-Year Membership
March 2017
Society #9, Fayetteville
Emil L. Sodolak

Society #14, Bryan
Lawrence V. Luza

Society #35, Ennis
Curtis J. Kapavik
Paul K. Vavra

Society #48, Hillje
Neal T. Strnadels

Society #50, Penelope
Marvin H. Dudik

Society #55, Corn Hill
David L. Danek

Society #80, Sealy
Chris A. Janicek
David A. Stolarski
Mark A. Stolarski

Society #112, Austin
Joe M. Lung Jr.

Society #115, Victoria
Christopher A. Orsak

Pictured are Four Generation St. William’s Society #134 of Round Rock members and their families taken at the society meeting on Saturday, March 4. Seated (left to right) are Sandy Bruskewitz, John Bruskewitz, Josephine Bruskewitz, Madison Brunet; standing, Thomas Brunet, Benjamin Brunet, Sarah Brunet and Baby Grant Brunet.

Reminder . . .
Please note that articles and photos for the KJT News can be mailed to: KJT News, P.O. Box 297, La Grange, Texas 78945, or can be sent via e-mail to editor@kjtnet.org.

Deadline for articles, photos and ads for the News is the 10th of every month. We welcome and appreciate your interest in KJT journalism.
SOCIETY HAPPENINGS

#3 HOSTYN
By Dianna Kallus

Sts. Cyril and Methodius Society #3 of Hostyn held its first quarterly meeting on Sunday, February 19 at the Hostyn Parish Hall with its newly-elected officers for 2017. The society invited State Vice President David M. Wagner to attend the meeting. Shown are (left to right) Treasurer Brenda Fietsam, Secretary Joyce Muras, President Patrick Janda, State Vice President Wagner, Vice President Benedict Kallus and Reporter Dianna Kallus.

Hostyn Society #3 held first first meeting of the year on Sunday, February 19 at the Hostyn Parish Hall with its newly-elected officers for 2017. The society invited State Vice President David M. Wagner to attend the meeting. Shown are (left to right) Treasurer Brenda Fietsam, Secretary Joyce Muras, President Patrick Janda, State Vice President Wagner, Vice President Benedict Kallus and Reporter Dianna Kallus.

Czech Youth and Family Day
Saturday, June 24, 2017
Texas Czech Heritage and Cultural Center
250 W. Fairgrounds Rd.
La Grange, Texas, 78945

CHS & TCHCC Co-Sponsors

Registration at 9:30 a.m. in the TCHCC Lobby. Lunch $5.00

The day will begin with a tour of the Museum’s new exhibit and Genealogy Library. In the library families will have the opportunity to research as to the origin of their ancestors. Families are encouraged to tour the village.

There will be introduction of the 2017-2018 Miss Czech Slovak, CHS Chapter Queens, Little Sisters and other guests in the Hanslik Hall. Activities planned are Tarocky lessons, Czech lesson, Pernicky ornaments, Czech Bingo, art of Strudel making and home-made Ice Cream. There will be information regarding regional Czech & Slovak Kroj.

For info call Vlasta Vitek  512-836-0383 or 512-496-3432 or Jean Blaha Davis  979-884-0182 Valtvit29@gmail.com landwdav@verizon.net

Name of Parent, Grandparent, etc. or Sponsor

Address ____________________________
Telephone __________________________

Amt enclosed _____ Ck #______ Cash____ Send to: Vlasta Vitek,
11502, North Oaks Dr.
Austin, TX, 78753-2846

Family and children's names, ages & address if different from above:
____________________________________

Please return no later than June 17, 2017

#141 GEORGETOWN
By Bernice Ermis

Members of Georgetown Society #141 sell ice cream for the KC fish frys every year during Lent. Along with the ice cream they also bring desserts and some parishioners also donate items.

On Friday, March 10, desserts were a large sheet cake, Macadamia nut cookies, and a this awesome meal that benefits the Religious Retirement Fund, scholarships and other charities.

Guest speaker State Vice President Wagner talked to the society about different topics. He commended Society #3 for being the first society to participate in Project H. Flag Day is on Wednesday, June 14 at the Fayette County Courthouse Grounds, Hostyn Society Drive-Thru Fundraiser is Wednesday, July 12, State Family Day is Sunday, July 23 at the KJT Activity and Fraternal Center unless it is sold and would then be held at Hostyn, Youth Camp is July 23-27 and Teen Camp is July 27-July 30. KJT Youth and Teen Camp applications are due now.

State Vice President Wagner led the members in the closing prayer for the living and deceased members. Meeting was adjourned and door prizes were won by Edward Kozel and Ralph Goerig.
SOCIETY HAPPENINGS

#87 JOURDANTON
By Henry Netardus

St. Jerome Society #87 of Jourdanton held its Annual Valentine’s Day Bake Sale after all the weekend Masses on Saturday-Sunday, February 11-12. Kolaches, sausage, poppy seed rolls, various kinds of fruit kolaches, pecan rolls, cakes of all kinds, pecan pie tarts, PBJ non-bake cookies and fudge were furnished by the society and its members. Proceeds from the sale along with a Matching Grant from the Home Office will be presented to the St. Matthew’s CCD program.

#31 WEST
By Georgie Nors

West Society #31 members had their regular monthly meeting on Sunday, February 12 after the 7:30 a.m. Mass. Kolaches and coffee were provided for the members. President Michael Kraemer called the meeting to order and led the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Betta Kidwell and Louis Pavlas were the attendance prize winners. Robert Nors reported that the 2016 Scholarship recipients were paid off.

Society #87 President Henry Netardus, Vice President Phillip Netardus and member Debbie Netardus are shown selling baked goods after the 11 a.m. Sunday Mass. Father Kazimierz Oleksy looks on in approval.

Sherry Pavlas reported no one on the sick list.

Cathy Kraemer reported on the District SDOR meeting that was held in Hillsboro. Cathy and Michael Kraemer were in attendance, as well as Ernest Bezdek, and Robert and Georgie Nors. The agenda for the year were discussed by State Vice President David M. Wagner. He stated that the KJT is financially sound. He introduced a new project with the KJT called Project H. It is designed to empower individuals, or a group of individuals, to share goodwill throughout their parish and communities by providing Hope, Help or make it Happen through fundraising, volunteering and education assistance. The KJT Home Office will help get you started with this project. State Director Wagner also reported that the KJT News will be produced in-house at the Home Office starting mid-year and the KJT North Texas Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday, April 29 in Ferris, which is close to Ennis.

There was some discussion about a renovation project for St. Mary’s School. It was decided to apply for a grant for this project.

Secretary Cathy Kraemer stated that she has placed the new calendar list on Facebook, which feeds into the parish website. Facebook targets people in the society’s zip code area.

President Kraemer reminded members of the upcoming Fish Fry Fundraiser for the Religious Retirement Fund which would be held on Friday, March 3. Lots of help will be needed.

President Kraemer stated that they have checked out the fish fryer and replaced a regulator. They will test it again to make sure to get it working. Last year, 378 plates were sold with a profit of over $2,200, of which $1,500 was given to the Religious Retirement Fund and $100 to the Boy Scouts. Robert Nors reported that 25 plates are already sold in advance to be picked up around 6 p.m. It was decided to keep the cost per plate at $9. Help would be needed on Thursday, March 2 to cut up and season the fish.

Sherry Pavlas stated that she got the ads out in the various church bulletins and Marvin Cepak got the flyers out to the businesses.

Sherry also stated that she has the signs to put up for the plates-to-go drive-thru, and signs to be put up on the main road into town. Members were asked to bring desserts. Members of the CDA stated that they would donate desserts that will be left over from their Tuesday Taco Lunch.

President Kraemer stated that the District Family Day will be hosted by the West Society. It will be held on Sunday, April 30 at the Dulock-Snapka Farm.

After some discussion, it was decided to have a Pancake and Sausage Breakfast after the next meeting, since the society hasn’t served pancakes in a while.

Ryan Janek has asked the KJT to help with an accreditation meal for approximately 50 people. They have asked the church organizations to help with this, and asked the KJT to get and serve the wines. After some discussion, it was agreed to ask the KJZT members to help. They agreed to help and split the cost of the wines.

Sherry Pavlas stated that she will again take care of the society scholarship. She will do the advertising and will have the applications available.

Members were asked to recommend people for new membership. To advertise what the KJT is, it was recommended to put flyers about the KJT into the bags with the plates-to-go during the Fish Dinner Fundraiser.

Louis Pavlas and Sherry Pavlas won the door prizes. The meeting was adjourned and Georgie Nors led the closing prayer.
2017

DISTRICT IV FAMILY DAY AND MEETING
Saturday, March 25, Old Settler’s Reunion Hall, 3300 Palm Valley Blvd. E., Round Rock. Registration 1:30 p.m. Welcome and business meeting 2 p.m. Silent auction, raffle, bingo kids games 2:30 p.m. Complimentary meal 4 p.m. Silent auction ends, raffle drawing 4:30 p.m. Cleanup and farewell 5:30 p.m.

MCLERNAN-HILL COUNTIES CZECH HERITAGE SOCIETY SPRING MEETING AND SOCIAL
Sunday, March 26, West Community Center, Tokio Road, West, 2 p.m. Potluck dinner, 4 p.m. Featured speaker will be Margie Mashek Davis of West. Author of “West Is Best, Local Community History 1850-2015” for the children of West. Everyone is welcome to attend. Bring a dish to share and small gift for the door prize.

SOCIETY #130, ELGIN
Tuesday, March 28, meeting.

SOCIETY #80, SEALY
Tuesday, March 28, officers meeting 6 p.m., meal and regular meeting, 7 p.m., Immaculate Conception Church Center.

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APRIL FOOL’S DAY
Saturday, April 1.

SOCIETY #84, EL CAMPO
Saturday, April 1, Society Information Dinner and Social, St. Philip’s Parish Family Activity Center, El Campo. Registration begins at 6 p.m. Meal will be served between 6:15-6:30 p.m. A Saturday evening Mass is held at 5 p.m. at St. Philip’s. Please come and enjoy dinner with us! Please RSVP by Thursday, March 30 and RSVP by calling Robert Leopold at (979) 543-3535 or Leonard Leopold at (979) 648-2894. Bring your family and guests to our annual social!

SOCIETY #129, SCHULENBURG
Saturday, April 1, Schulenburg Sausage Fest.

HISTORY OF WEST MUSEUM FIFTH ANNUAL SPRING FUNDRAISER, WEST
Sunday, April 2, KC Hall, 2547 Jerry Mashek Drive, West, 11 a.m. The museum supports efforts to preserve the history, heritage and culture of the people of West and surrounding communities. There will be a silent auction, country store, raffle and a free public dance featuring polka, waltz and country music provided by the West Polka Boys.

Palm Sunday
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Sunday, April 9.

DISTRICT X FAMILY DAY
Sunday, April 9, James and Beverly Holman Residence, 11802 Up River Road on Nueces River, 2-5 p.m. Look for KJT sign with balloons. Food, fun and games! Fishing – bring your own bait and tackle. Easter Egg Hunt – bring Easter basket for your children. Lots of door prizes and special prizes for the egg hunt. Short district meeting. This is a family event and members are welcome to invite family and friends – the more the merrier! Bring a dessert and RSVP for the food preparation to State Director Ellen Zdansky at 992-4501. District X is comprised of societies from Corpus Christi, McCook and Sinton.

SOCIETY #129, SCHULENBURG
Sunday, April 9, Matching Grant Turkey Shoot, Tofel’s Place, Ammannsville, 1 p.m. The Matching Grant will benefit the medical expenses for 20-month-old Luke B. Fridel.

SOCIETY #117, WACO
Sunday, April 9, a fried chicken lunch will be served at noon followed the business meeting, KC Hall, 5515 Sanger Avenue, Waco. Members are asked to bring the sides and a dessert. An Easter Egg Hunt will be held for the youth followed by a cake walk for all to enjoy. Members are requested to bring baked goods for the cake walk. Bring guests and children to the meeting.

SOCIETY #34, NADA
Sunday, April 9, (Palm Sunday), meeting.

SOCIETY #31, WEST
Sunday, April 9, Corporate Communion at 7:30 a.m. Mass (Palm Sunday), meeting afterwards with coffee and kolaches.

SOCIETY #87, JOURDANTON
Wednesday, April 12, regular called meeting, Formation Center of St. Matthew Religious Education Facility, Classroom No. 1, 6 p.m. After brief meeting, members to assemble Easter baskets for youth activity on Easter Sunday.

GOOD FRIDAY
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Friday, April 14.

SOCIETY #87, JOURDANTON
Saturday-Sunday, April 15-16, members to pass out Easter baskets to children of St. Matthew’s after 6 p.m., 7:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. Masses and 9 a.m. at St. Ignatius Sunday morning Mass.

EASTER
EASTER
Sunday, April 16.

TAX DAY
TAX DAY
Tuesday, April 18.

SOCIETY #63, SMITHVILLE
Tuesday, April 18, meeting, KC House, 7 p.m., with sandwiches as refreshments.

SOCIETY #141, GEORGETOWN
Friday, April 21, meeting.

EARTH DAY
Saturday, April 22.

DANCE, KJT HALL, ENNIS
Saturday, April 22, music by the Stribnanka Brass Band from the Czech Republic, KJT Hall – The Texas Polka Party Place, Ennis, 7-10 p.m. Admission $10. Kitchen is open.

DISTRICT VIII FAMILY DAY AND MEETING
Sunday, April 23, Bower’s Lake, 1 p.m. There will be fishing and washers. Bait will be furnished. Meal and drinks will be furnished by the district. All members are asked to bring desserts. Hope to see you there! Mark your calendars!

DISTRICT XI MEETING
Sunday, April 23, St. Matthew’s Parish Hall, Jourdanton.

22ND ANNUAL CZECH SPRINGFEST, HOUSTON
Sunday, April 23, SPSST Lodge 88, 1435 Beall Street, beginning at 11 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. Admission is $8 for adults and children under 11 are free. A traditional Czech dinner will be served from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Adults $10, children under 11 years, $7. Soup and sausage with sauerkraut will be served at 1 p.m. Guest artist Ivetta Dandova, Czech National Enterprise Award Winner in 2001, 2002 and 2003, displaying her prize-winning items. She will have items for sale. Kovanda’s Czech Band will play from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and the Czechaholics Band will play from 3-6 p.m. for our dancing pleasure. Spend some time in the Country Store where you will find kolaches, Czech pastries, homemade bread and canned goods. Visit vendors selling their art, jewelry and handcrafted items. Last, but not least, there will be a silent auction with 100 items for bid. Enjoy the fun of a kolache eating contest also!

SOCIETY #133, MISSOURI CITY
Thursday, April 27, business meeting and meal, restaurant, Missouri City, 6:30 p.m.

KJT NORTH TEXAS GOLF TOURNAMENT, FERRIS
Saturday, April 29, Old Brickyard Golf Course, 605 North Fwy. Service Road, Ferris, Texas 75125. Shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Four-person scramble (one team member must be a KJT member). $75 person ($300 per team). RSVP to insurance@kjt.net.org. Call 800.245.8182 for more information. Prizes and other giveaways. Proceeds going to St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital.

CZECH HERITAGE SOCIETY OF TEXAS SPRING MEETING AND 16TH ANNUAL MISS TEXAS CZECH SLOVAK QUEEN PAGEANT, HALLETTSVILLE
Saturday, April 29, Knights of Columbus Hall, 321 US Hwy. 77, Hallettsville. Hosted by the Lavaca CHS Chapter. Registration begins at 8 a.m. and concludes at 3:30 p.m. with the crowning of the new 2017-2018 Miss Texas Czech Slovak Queen. Visit vendor booths, displays, silent auction and traveling library and see the contestants competing in on-stage interview, kroj modeling, talents and personal interviews.

DISTRICT V ANNUAL FAMILY DAY, TOKIO
Sunday, April 30, Dulak-Snapka Farm, hosted by the West and surrounding societies of District V. Registration starts at 11 a.m. Festivities from noon-3 p.m. Food will be provided. Please bring fishing equipment, lawn/ folding chairs. The officers ask for some help with the contests so any volunteers that will step up will greatly be appreciated. District V meeting will be held around 3:15-3:30 p.m. Contact information: Tanner (214) 535-2269, Keith (214) 334-1385 or Joe (214) 289-6953. The farm is located at 1092 Tokio Loop off “Old Railroad Road”, exit (Continued on page 15)
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SOCIETY #130, ELGIN
Tuesday, May 16, meeting.

SOCIETY #129, SCHULENBURG
Sunday, May 21, meeting, home of James and Carolyn Prihoda, 2 p.m.

SOCIETY #3, HOSTYN
Sunday, May 21, Hostyn Parish Hall. Mass for the deceased and living members at 8 a.m. followed with a free-will donation Scholarship Breakfast with meeting starting around 9:30 a.m. Please plan to attend and bring a new member.

SOCIETY #80, SEALY
Tuesday, May 23, officers meeting 6 p.m., meal and regular meeting, 7 p.m., Immaculate Conception Church Center.

SOCIETY #133, MISSOURI CITY
Thursday, May 25, business meeting, Room 2, Holy Family Catholic Church, 1510 Fifth Street, Missouri City, 2:30 p.m.

SOCIETY #129, SCHULENBURG
Monday, May 29, Veterans Day Memorial Day Service, McBridge Post #143, Schulenburg.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL TUITION GRANT ENTRY FORMS DUE
Wednesday, May 31.

SOCIETY #63, SMITHVILLE
Saturday, June 3, Garage Sale, St. Paul Parish Hall located at Mills and Second in Smithville, 8 a.m. Proceeds go to the Religious Retirement Fund. There will be a bake sale and sausage wrap sale also.

SOCIETY #34, NADA
Saturday, June 3, meeting.

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

27TH ANNUAL CZECH KOLACHE KLOBASE FESTIVAL, EAST BERNARD

SOCIETY #134, ROUND ROCK
Saturday, June 10, meeting, KC Pavilion.

SOCIETY #80, SEALY
Saturday-Sunday, June 10-11, Flag Day Ceremonies at all three Masses. altar flowers and 9 a.m. Mass for living and deceased members of the society.

SOCIETY #31, WEST
Sunday, June 11, Flag Day ceremony at all Masses.

SOCIETY #31, WEST
Sunday, June 11, meeting, 2 p.m., prior to Youth Swim Party.

SOCIETY #119, LA MARQUE
Sunday, June 11, meeting and covered dish meal, Queen of Peace Life Center, 1 p.m.

FLAG DAY
Wednesday, June 14.

SOCIETY #3, HOSTYN
Wednesday, June 14, Flag Day, Fayette County Courthouse Grounds.

SOCIETY #141, GEORGETOWN
Wednesday, June 14, Flag Day.

SOCIETY #115, VICTORIA
Wednesday, June 14, Flag Day.

SOCIETY #87, JOURDANTON
Wednesday, June 14, Flag Day Ceremony, Jourdanton Community Center, 9 a.m.

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KJT YOUTH & TEEN SUMMER CAMP APPLICATIONS DUE
Friday, June 23.

STS. PETER & PAUL FEAST, PLUM
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OFFICER MEMBER RECRUITMENT APPLICATION DEADLINE-FIRST PERIOD
Friday, June 30.

SEMINARIAN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE
Saturday, July 1.

SOCIETY #13, YOAKUM
Sunday, April 30, meeting, St. Joseph Family Center after the 9 a.m. Mass.

SOCIETY #115, VICTORIA
Sunday, April 30, meeting.

SOCIETY #87, JOURDANTON
Saturday, May 6, hands and lively entertainment with plenty of music, dancing and family fun.

SOCIETY #6, HOUSTON
Sunday, May 7, meeting, Assumption Catholic Church, Pope John Building, second floor right behind the rectory, Houston, 1:30 p.m. Meeting followed by social, bingo and meal. We encourage all members to mark the date and plan to attend and be involved.

SOCIETY #112, AUSTIN
Tuesday, May 16, meeting, Sacred Heart Reception Room, 6:30 p.m.

SOCIETY #87, JOURDANTON
Saturday-Sunday, May 13-14, Mother’s Day Bake Sale before and after all weekend Masses.

KJT DISCOUNTED SPLASHWAY SEASON PASS DEADLINE
Monday, May 15.

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SOCIETY #115, VICTORIA
Sunday, April 30, meeting.

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

SOCIETY #129, SCHULENBURG
Sunday, August 13, Society Challenge Turkey Shoot.

SOCIETY #56, HOUSTON
Sunday, August 13, meeting, Assumption Catholic Church, Pope John Building, second floor right behind the rectory, Houston, 1:30 p.m. Meeting followed by social, bingo and meal. We encourage all members to mark the date and plan to attend and be involved.

SOCIETY #112, AUSTIN
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SOCIETY #13, YOAKUM
Sunday, August 20, meeting, St. Joseph Family Center after the 9 a.m. Mass.

SOCIETY #130, ELGIN
Tuesday, August 22, meeting.

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HELP US FIND THESE MEMBERS

Please help us find members that no longer have a correct address on file with the KJT. Contact with our members is very important to us. We need to deliver important papers to these members. If you have information concerning any of the names listed below, please call the Home Office at 800.245.8182.

**MISSING MEMBERS**

- SOCIETY #113, LA MARQUE
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  - Hurlie H. Collier
  - Brian S. Janacek
  - Scott M. Roeder
  - Dylan Kelly Marquez
  - Mia Liv Quintela Stanley

- SOCIETY #121, KATY-SPRING BRANCH
  - Dennis E. Boedeker Jr.

- SOCIETY #129, SCHULENBURG
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- SOCIETY #122, FREEPORT
  - Charles D. Chambers Jr.

- SOCIETY #126, NEW BRAUNFELS
  - Steve W. Nemeck
  - John M. Slavik

- SOCIETY #128, KILLEEN
  - Joe Podest

CATHOLIC SCHOOL TUITION GRANT PROGRAM

The Catholic Union of Texas will continue to offer the Catholic School Tuition Grant Program in 2017 to assist in obtaining an excellent education from a Catholic school! The Catholic school tuition program awards a maximum of $100 each to students chosen through a random selection process. The student applying for the grant must be a life insurance member of the KJT. We will accept only one application per student.

The application must be postmarked by May 31, 2017. Winners will be notified by mail on August 1, 2017. All awards will be paid directly to the Catholic school that the student attends after verification of attendance is submitted. Submitting an application does not guarantee that the entry will be automatically selected.

Winners will be determined by a random selection process and notified by mail.

For additional information, contact the KJT Home Office at (800) 245-8182.

Catholic School Tuition Grant Program for Grades K-11

**Catholic School Tuition Grant Program Rules**

1. The student must be a life insurance member of the Catholic Union of Texas, the KJT.
2. The student must enter a Catholic elementary school or be part of a Catholic accredited homeschool curriculum, grades Kindergarten through 11 in Fall 2017.
3. Winners will be determined by a random selection process and notified by mail.
4. All awards will be paid directly to the Catholic school the student attends. Verification of attendance will be required.
5. Please submit the following entry form. Photocopies of this form are also acceptable.
6. For additional information, contact the KJT Home Office at (800) 245-8182.

Mail this completed form to:

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