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KJT Sees Positive Financial Growth Once Again . . .

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The officers and directors

ou can find the

financial results for

2016 on page 7 of

this issue of the *KJT*

News. The KIT 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

105.95%, its highest point since

the first quarter of 2010 and .2%

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:

Only a Catholic insured or annuity or individual retirement account adult member, who has all assessments and dues paid up, if applicable, can be elected a delegate.

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



CHRISTOPHER L. URBAN K.IT State President other fraternal life insurance organizations.

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SOCIETY SPOTLIGHT

15 Austin Members Walk To Alleviate Hunger Locally

BY SARAH VITEK

over 2015.

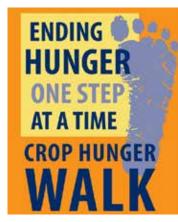
ifteen members of Austin Society #112 participated in the annual Austin CROP Hunger Walk at Camp Mabry.

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!



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

•April 10, 2017 KJT News Deadline

•April 29, 2017 KJT North Texas Golf Tournament

•May 6, 2017 Join Hands Day

THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

"In the Spring, I have counted 136 different kinds of weather inside of 24 hours." ~ Mark Twain

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MICHAEL REZNICEK KJT Fraternal Activity Manager

FRATERNAL ACTIVITY REPORT

Time To Reflect . . .

s 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 Resulcek

State President's Message . . .

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COFFEE CAKE

1 T. baking powder

 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. apricots, may use any fruit

and increase amount if

11/2 c. flour

¾ c. sugar

½ tsp. salt

¾ c. milk

1/4 c. shortening

1 tsp. vanilla

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!



Ellen Zdansky Corpus Christi, #72

Topping: ¼ c. sugar 1 T. flour

1 T. cinnamon 1 T. butter ½ c. nuts



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Mix all cake ingredients together and place ½ in a 6 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.

KJT COOKBOOK

SNEAK PREVIEW

2017 Important Dates To Remember			
Month	Day	Event	
April	10	KJT News Deadline	
April	29	KJT North Texas Golf Tournament	
April	30	IRS Form 990-N Due	
May	6	Join Hands Day	
May	15	KJT Discounted Splashway Season Pass Deadline	
May	31	Catholic School Tuition Grant Entry Forms Due	
June	14	Flag Day	
June	23	KJT Youth & Teen Camp Applications Due	
June	30	Officer Member Recruitment Application Deadline-First Period	
July	1	Seminarian Scholarship Applications Due	
July	23	KJT State Family Day	
July	23	KJT Youth Camp Starts – Ends July 27	
July	27	KJT Teen Camp Starts – Ends July 30	
October	TBD	10th Annual KJT South Texas Golf Tournament	
October	1	KJT Kruise Leaves Galveston Port – Returns October 8	
October	21	KJT Annual Taroky Tournament at TCHCC	
December	8	Deadline for Statewide Charity Projects Donations	
December	31	Officer Member Recruitment Application Deadline-Second Period	

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.

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HE WILL BE MISSED . . .



WILLIE "BILL" KUBALA

n 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 of 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. Interment was at the Restwood Cemetery in Clute.

Bill and Teresa were lifelong members of St. Michael's Catholic Church. Bill was a Freeport 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

olkaWorks 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,

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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.

"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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MESSAGE FROM THE STATE ATTORNEY

Deadlines, Deadlines & More Deadlines -(Ag Use Land Exemption – Don't Miss April 30 Deadline!

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

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

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 aguse or open-space designations

hroughout the year, we very exciting but this can impact differ slightly. However, either designation achieves the taxpaver'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

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. Attorney's note: The information in this column is not intended as legal advice but to provide a general understanding of the law. Readers with legal problems, including those whose questions are addressed here, should consult



PHILIP J. HUNDL **KJT State Attorney**

attorneys for advice on their particular circumstances.

Submit your questions for this column via email to Philip J. Hundl at phundl@wphk-law. com or via U.S. Mail to Wadler, Perches, Hundl & Kerlick, Philip J. Hundl, c/o KJT Legal Column, 101 W. Burleson Street, Wharton, Texas 77488

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Another Wonderful Member Benefit!

While the KJT has had the ScriptSave prescription drug discount card for many years, ScriptSave now has some additional savings opportunities for our members.

Vision Care

Save 40% off the retail price of frames, save on lenses and lens options (a complete pair of glasses purchase is required), 15% savings on conventional (non-disposable) contact lenses, 15% off the retail price of LASIK and PRK Vision Correction Procedures, \$5 off eye exam with dilation, \$10 off contact lens exam. No limits on usage and savings at over 13,000 locations including both private practice providers and optical retailers such as LensCrafters, Target Optical, Sears Optical, JC Penney and most Pearle Vision locations.

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ActiveForever.com offers a wide selection of assistive daily living aids at guaranteed low prices! Cardholders receive a 10% discount.

If you would like to take part in the *ScriptSave* program and you don't have your original card that was sent out at the inception of the program, you can contact us at info@kjtnet.org or you can call the office at 800.245.8182 to get your discount card. Additionally, you can go to www.kjtnet.org to download your card. All household members of a KJT member may take part in the program.

IMPORTANT REMINDER **FOR MEMBERS**

The KJT asks members to always check their certificates to note whether they have the proper beneficiaries designated.

KJT DISTRICT V ANNUAL FAMILY DAY

SUNDAY APRIL 30, 2017

LOCATED AT THE DULAK-SNAPKA FARM, TOKIO TX

Hosted by the West and surrounding Societies of District V

Registration starts at 11:00 am, Festivities from 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

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 pm.

Contact information; Tanner (214) 535-2269, Keith (214) 334-1385, Joe (214) 289-6953



The farm is located at 1092 Tokio Loop off "Old Railroad Rd.



Exit I-35 at FM 1858 and turn to the direction going west, almost 4 miles turn right onto Old Railroad Rd. go about 3 miles and turn left onto Tokio Loop, go about 2 miles and the Farm is on the left, look for the yellow signs at points of

FEBRUARY 2017 TOP PRODUCERS



Joe Landsfeld Society #35, Ennis

- First Place February 2017 Top Producer
- February 2017 Appplications Leader
- February 2017 New Application Producer – 6 months
- February 2017 New Member Producer 6 months



Linda Gaas Society #29, Frenstat

- Second Place February 2017
 Top Producer
 - February 2017 Premium Leader
- February 2017 Volume Leader



John Kana
Society #4, Ammannsville
• Third Place February 2017

Top Producer



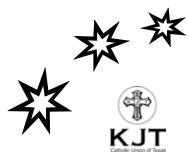
Ellen Zdansky Society #72, Corpus Christi

- Fourth Place February 2017 Top Producer
- February New Application Producer 146 months
- ◆February 2017 New Member Producer – 143 months



Margaret Holik Society #48, Hillje

• February 2017 Appplications Leader



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.

WELCOME TO OUR SALES FORCE

Brady Alexander Joins KJT Team



WILLIAM "BRADY"
ALEXANDER

he 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).

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.)

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Preferred First Name:	male female
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Home City, State, Zip:	
E-Mail address:(If an e-mail is listed, you will receive confirmat	tion from this office by e-mail)
Daytime Phone: Evenii	ing Phone:
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Parent/Guardian's Signature:	Date:
Camper's Signature:	Date:
,, the parent/gunereby agree and authorize the CATHOLIC Unhotographs of my son/daughter taken during the he KJT News or on the KJT Website.	
Parent Signature	FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: Society #

2016 SALES AWARDS

Awards Presented At SDOR Meetings Held Across State



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



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



LAWRENCE YANTA, SOCIETY #115, VICTORIA
6TH 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.)



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



MILDRED MACHACEK, SOCIETY #20, SHINER 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

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Tracking Ancestral Footprints Genealogy Research Workshop

April 28 - 29, 2017 10:00 am - 4:00 pm each day

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Please respond by April 21 so we can help serve you better

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Statement

of Financial Condition

Admitted Assets	31-Dec 2016	31-Dec 2015
Cash and Short-Term Investments	\$ 2,893,730	\$ 2,360,562
Bonds	56,148,566	53,318,664
Preferred and Common Stock		
Mortgage Loans	16,082,389	13,237,025
Real Estate	694,085	715,191
Policy Loans	591,214	575,087
Other Invested Assets	5	5
Accrued Investment Income	869,142	837,728
Premiums and Considerations	5,753	6,569
Recoverable from Reinsurance		
Write Ins OTI Assets & Misc	32,619	36,019
Total Admitted Assets	\$ 77,317,503	\$ 71,086,850
Reserves, Liabilities, and Surplus		
Reserves for Certificates	\$ 71,442,956	\$ 65,764,485
Contract Claims	108,879	134,221
Liability for Deposit Type Contracts	628,006	618,207
Provisions for refunds payable	117,370	114,524
Asset Valuation Reserve	371,446	332,078
Interest Maintenance Reserve	98,151	113,702
Miscellaneous Liabilities	209,528	175,552
Payable for Securities		
Total Reserves and Liabilities	\$ 72,976,336	\$ 67,252,769
Surplus	\$ 4,341,167	\$ 3,834,081
Total Reserves, Liabilities, & Surplus	\$ 77,317,503	\$ 71,086,850

Statement

Surplus as of Statement Date

of Financial Condition				
Income		For Quarter 2016	Dec 31 2015	
Life and Annuity Premium Income	\$	5,962,234	\$	5,738,904
Net Investment Income	·	3,739,868	·	3,468,671
Amortization of Interest Maintenance Reserve		30,554		27,902
Misc Income		58,707		20,334
Total Income	\$	9,791,363	\$	9,255,811
Benefits and Expenses				
Policy Death Benefits	\$	576,679	\$	581,463
Matured Benefits				-
Annuity Benefits		155,870		2,607,918
Disability Benefits				-
Surrender Benefits		1,688,804		1,506,661
Interest and Adjustments on Contract Funds		24,415		24,208
Increase in Life and Annuity Reserves		5,678,471		2,999,888
Expenses, Taxes, and Commission Payments		1,059,044		1,078,865
Increase in loading		(189)		
Total Benefits and Expenses	\$	9,183,094	\$	8,799,003
Net Gain (Loss) From Operations Before Refunds		608,269		456,808
Refunds to Members		115,172		115,837
Net Gain (Loss) From Operations After Refunds	\$	493,097	\$	340,971
Net Realized Capital Gains (Losses)		42,876		51,502
Net Income	\$	535,973	\$	392,473
Surplus				
Net Income From Operations	\$	535,973	\$	392,473
Change in Net Unrealized Capital Gains (Losses)		-		-
Change in Non-Admitted Assets		10,481		62,065
Change in Asset Valuation Reserve		(39,368)		(20,549)
Write Ins - Prior Period Adjustment				
Net Change in Surplus	\$	507,086	\$	433,989
Surplus - Prior Year	\$	3,834,081	\$	3,400,092

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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 LUCAKUS & MINDY CERNOCH FRIEDEL GRANDSON OF CHARLES & BARBARA CERNOCH AND BERNARD & VIVIAN FRIDEL

TOFEL'S PLACE, AMMANNSVILLE, TEXAS

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Stolarski Earns Eagle Scout Rank

BY BERNICE STOLARSKI

erek 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.



Eagle Scout Derek Stolarski is shown with his parents Christina and David Stolarski



Pictured is one of the three statues in the Prayer Garden that Derek Stolarski completed for his Eagle Scout project. There is also "A Place of Peace" bronze plaque identifying some of the donors to his project.

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

 ${\bf 4.}\ \ {\bf Killeen/Taylor-Registration}$

5. Georgetown/Granger/Elgin – Games

6. Manor – Bingo

7. Round Rock/Corn Hill - Cleanup

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.

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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

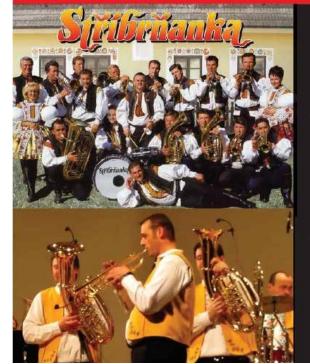


Shiner Donates To Retirement Fund

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.

The Texas Polka Party Place

KJT Hall * Ennis, TX



Saturday,
April 22

7-10PM | Admission: \$10

Stříbrňanka Brass Band

from the

Czech Republic

Kitchen is open!

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: Child ☐Adult ☐{S☐M ☐L ☐XL☐
Parent/Guardian's Name:	
Home Mailing Address:	
Home City, State, Zip:	
E-Mail address:(If an e-mail is listed, you will receive confirmation fr	rom this office by e-mail)
Daytime Phone: Evening Ph	none:
If you previously attended a KJT Camp circle year(s) a Campers may request ONE cabin mate of the same son the cabin mate's registration. Only reciprocal reque	sex. Your child's name must also appear
Cabin mate (Name & City):	
Parent/Guardian's Signature:	Date:
Camper's Signature:	Date:
I,, the parent/guardia hereby agree and authorize the CATHOLIC UNION photographs of my son/daughter taken during the Ann the KJT News or on the KJT Website.	N OF TEXAS, THE K.J.T., to use any
Parent Signature	FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: Society #

Status:

SOCIETY HAPPENINGS

#112 AUSTIN

By Sarah Vitek

Austin Society #112 held

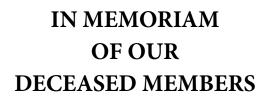
its famous Annual Junior Hamburger Cookout at the Sacred Heart Cafeteria on Thursday, March 9. Over 50 members and guests enjoyed the delicious burgers and trimmings.

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.



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 #82, Eastgate
Adolf Fillips Jr.
Date of Death: 10/24/2016
Age 78

Society #35, Ennis
Robert Zmolek
Date of Death: 11/12/2016
Age 91

Society #43, Wied
Leona Buzek
Date of Death: 01/05/2017
Age 90

Society #114, TempleRev. 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, Yoakum
Paul F. Hrncir
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: 01/14/2017
Age 60

Society #20, Shiner
Paul Patek Sr.
Date of Death: 01/27/2017
Age 72

Society #77, Megargel Charles J. Kulhanek Date of Death: 01/21/2017 Age 86

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 Age 70

Society #40, East Bernard
Daniel R. Vacek
Date of Death: 01/25/2017
Age 77

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

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, PenelopeWilliam Dvoracek
Date of Death: 02/02/2017
Age 79

Society #103, Baytown
Jerome W. Rucka
Date of Death: 01/31/2017
Age 77

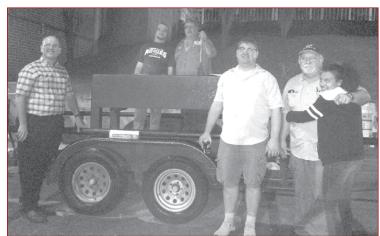
Society #35, Ennis
Tyler J. Slovak
Date of Death: 02/13/2017
Age 25

Associate Member

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 Machacek 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

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 Mynarcik

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, Killeen William J. Murray

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 being held around the July 4 timeframe and the KJT Kruise that is planned for October 1-8. If anyone has any questions, she asked them to call her.

Ray and Shirley Pokorney

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 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.

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.

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. Strnadel

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.



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 Sandra Barton, Margaret Barton with great-granddaughter Leia Lockett, Leon Barton; standing, Mercedes Barton and Greg Barton.



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SOCIETY HAPPENINGS



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.

#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. Seventeen members were in attendance including State Vice President David M. Wagner and one guest.

President Patrick Janda called the meeting to order and State Vice President Wagner led the members in the opening prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

President Janda commented on the Christmas Party. He thanked everyone who filled out the Charity Reports and to Secretary Muras for filing with the Home Office. The financial books were audited on Monday, January 16 by Clarence Faldyn, Thomas Kozel and Ivan Muras. Books were found in good standing.

It was mentioned that the 2017 Christmas Party will be hosted by the Hostyn KJT along with the Hostyn KJZT on Saturday, December 2. Details will be settled at a later meeting. Join Hands Day was discussed to help around the parish grounds in preparation for the Parish Picnic.

Also, brought up was the new Project H introduced by the Home Office. Society #3 participated in their first Project H on Saturday, January 28. Members are asked to be thinking of other projects.

The July Drive-Thru Fundraiser was discussed. The date set is Wednesday, July 12. The meal voted in was a pork steak dinner with noodles, cooked cabbage and peaches. Mark your calendars now for

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.



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.

Please return no later than June 17, 2017

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 <u>Valvitek29@</u>		83 or 512-496-3432		Davis 979-884-018 ndwdav@verizon.net
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		_		11502,	North Oaks Dr.
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Grange, Texas, 78945 #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

parishioner brought some large pralines.

The ice cream is sold for \$1.00 a cup and the desserts are 50 cents for two cookies, one bar, brownie, etc.

The person who brought the pralines also donated items to raffle. This year he donated two items which appear in a later issue of the KJT News. KJT members Richard Nemec also makes clocks to raffle off.



Working the table Friday were Larry and Pat Gregoire, Daphne Gentz and Pat and Bernice Ermis.

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.

Beta 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.



Society #87 President Henry Netardus is shown selling baked goods to a St. Matthew's parishioner after the 7:15 a.m. Sunday Mass during the society's Annual Valentine's Day Matching Grant Bake Sale.

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 agendas 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 platesto-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.



Corpus Christi Society #72 presented a check to Father Tomasz at its meeting on Sunday, March 5 for the St. Thomas More Catholic Church Religious Education Ministry. At the presentation were (left to right) officers of the society, Treasurer Kara Johnson, President Rosalie Bohuslav, Father Tomasz, Secretary Connie Williams, Vice President Rosalie Williams and State Director Ellen Zdansky. St. Thomas More Catholic Church thanks Society #72 for their continued support.



Corpus Christi Society #72 President Rosalie Bohuslav and Vice President Rosalie Williams delivered a CCD check from the society to Deacon Fred Castillo at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church. Deacon Fred was very thankful for the donation which will be used for religious classes and materials and Vacation Bible School.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS





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.

MCLENNAN-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.





APRIL FOOL'S DAY Saturday, April 1.

Saturday, April

SOCIETY #84, EL CAMPO

Saturday, April 1, Society Information Dinner and Social, St. Phillip'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 Masss is held at 5 p.m. at St. Phillip'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 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-monthold 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

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

Sunday, April 16.



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 Stribrnanka 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, 1p.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, SPJST 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, childen under 11 years, \$7. Soup and sausage with sauerkraut will be served at 1 p.m. Guest artist Iveta Dandova, Czech National Enterprise Award Winner in 2001, 2002 and 2003, displaying her prizewinning 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 easting 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@kjtnet.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 onstage 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

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



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I-35 at FM 1858 and turn to the direction going west, almost four miles turn right onto Old Railroad Road, go about three miles and turn left onto Tokio Loop, go about two miles and the Farm is on the left, look for the yellow signs at points of turns.

IRS FORM 990-N DUE

Sunday, April 30.

SOCIETY #43, WIED

Sunday, April 30, meeting after 9:14 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's (the white house). All members are encouraged to attend!

SOCIETY #13, YOAKUM

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

SOCIETY #115, VICTORIA

Sunday, April 30, meeting.



JOIN HANDS Day

Saturday, May 6.

SOCIETY #31, WEST

Sunday, May 7, West Church of Assumption Parish 125th Anniversary. A 10:30 a.m. Mass will be celebrated by Auxiliary Bishop Daniel Garcia and Rev. Paul Hudson. A catered meal will be served at the KC Hall afterwards.

SOCIETY #56, 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

Thursday, May 11, 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.

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

Saturday, June 10, Riverside Hall. Plenty of music, dancing and lively entertainment with banfds and entertainers. Arts, crafts, plate lunch, hamburgers, raffle prizes, cake walk, kid games and family fun. Plenty of kolaches for sale. Information: (979(335-7907 or (979) 531-9747. Web site www.kkfest.com.

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.

SOCIETY #133, MISSOURI CITY

Thursday, June 22, business meeting, Room 2, Holy Family Catholic Church, 1510 Fifth Street, Missouri City, 2:30 p.m.

KJT YOUTH & TEEN SUMMER CAMP APPLICATIONS DUE

Friday, June 23.

STS. PETER & PAUL FEAST, PLUM

Sunday, June 25, Mass at 10 a.m. with Bishop Brendan Cahill officiating. Meal of fried chicken, "Plum-style" sausage,

dressing, buttered potatoes, sauerkraut, green beans with dessert. Serving 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in air conditioned dining hall. Drive-thru plates-to-go from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Music by Ken Brothers from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., country store, penny raffle with many prizes to win, cake walk, plant wheel and lots of children's games. Country auction with lots of unique homemade crafts beginning at 1:30 p.m. Bingo in airconditioned hall starting at 2 p.m., hamburgers at 4 p.m. and free dance at 7 p.m. Fun for all ages, come enjoy a great day!

OFFICER MEMBER RECRUITMENT APPLICATION DEADLINE-FIRST PERIOD

Friday, June 30.



SEMINARIAN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE

Saturday, July 1.

SOCIETY #133, MISSOURI CITY

Monday, July 3, Stafford Fundraiser, Stafford Complex.

SOCIETY #112. AUSTIN

Sunday, July 9, Family Day at Dell Diamond with tailgate party and exciting ball game with Round Rock Express against Colorado Springs. Sarah Vitek will take reservations for tickets and car passes. For information, call her at (512) 656-7570.

SOCIETY #3, HOSTYN

Wednesday, July 12, Drive-Thru Fundraiser. The meal consists of pork steak dinner with noodles, cooked cabbage and peaches. Mark your calendars now!

SOCIETY #87, JOURDANTON

Sunday, July 16, St. Matthew's Czech Day Celebration.

SOCIETY #129, SCHULENBURG

Sunday, July 16, meeting, home of James and Carolyn Prihoda, 2 p.m.

SOCIETY #63, SMITHVILLE

Tuesday, July 18, meeting, KC House, 7 p.m.

KJT STATE FAMILY DAY

Sunday, July 23.

KJT SUMMER YOUTH CAMP

Sunday, July 23-Thursday, July 27

SOCIETY #80, SEALY

Tuesday, July 25, officers meeting 6 p.m., meal and regular meeting, 7 p.m., Immaculate Conception Church Center.

SOCIETY #133, MISSOURI CITY

Thursday, July 27, business meeting, Room 2, Holy Family Catholic Church, 1510 Fifth Street, Missouri City, 2:30 p.m.

KJT SUMMER TEEN CAMP

Thursday, July 27-Sunday, July 30

SOCIETY #115, VICTORIA

Sunday, July 30, meeting.



SOCIETY #129, SCHULENBURG

Sunday, August 6, Schulenburg Festival Parade.

SOCIETY #3, HOSTYN

Sunday, August 6, 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.

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 #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



MISSING 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.

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SOCIETY #128, KILLEEN

Joe Podest

SOCIETY #129, SCHULENBURG

Gilbert W. Surman

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 grants 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 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.

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.
- 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:



Catholic Union of Texas, The KJT CST P.O. Box 297 La Grange, Texas 78945

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Catholic Union of Texas, The KJT Catholic School Tuition Grant Program for Grades K-11

Submitting an entry to the Home Student's Name ___ Certificate No. _____ Society No. ____ Office does not ___City___ ____ State___ Zip ____ guarantee that you will automatically _ Telephone No. ___ Parent/Guardian receive a tuition grant from ____School Name_ **Catholic Union of** Texas, The KJT. Make Check Payable To: ____ (school or business office) __Grade-Fall 2017___ _ Send Check To: Address **Deadline** ___ State _____ City May 31, 2017 Parent or Guardian Signature Incomplete entries will be automatically disqualified.

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