STATE VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Turn Up The Heat On Your Savings . . .

Summer time, it’s hot and it’s here. Granted living in the GREAT State of Texas it’s something we’ve come to expect. We have been blessed with rain so far this year and now the question becomes, will it continue? So, we know the heat isn’t going anywhere but up and I encourage you do the same to your SAVINGS! Every week I get multiple phone calls asking if someone can add money to their KJT Kapital Account. The answer is quick and simple: YES!

It’s simple – long term a KJT Kapital Account is a much better account and opening one couldn’t be any easier. Our KJT Kapital Account is an annuity-based product that receives a 1099-INT each year (so you claim the interest earned each year) and the account only requires a $500 minimum deposit to open without additional monthly contributions (an opening $250 minimum deposit requires mandatory monthly contributions). The account does have surrender charges that are applicable for the first 5 years yet it becomes penalty free in the 6th year and beyond (not to mention you can withdraw 10% of the balance each year without a penalty). Oh, and here is the best part – the KJT is currently paying 1.50% on account balances of $250 to $749, 2.75% on account balances of $750 to $24,999 and 3.00% on account balances of $25,000 or more (while the account is guaranteed to never go lower than 1.5%). Oh, and you can add to the account at any time.

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As May has come and May has gone we reflect upon the events that have passed with it. Beginning with Sunday, May 14, we celebrated Mother’s Day. We honored all mothers that remain with us as well as those who have passed on to be with the Lord in Heaven for they remain in our hearts.

On Thursday, May 25, we celebrated the Ascension of the Lord with a Prayer of Thanksgiving for all that we are. As the end of the month approached we celebrated Memorial Day on Monday, May 29, where we remembered all the men and women who have given their lives, those who have served and those who continue to serve to protect our freedom.

Every Memorial Day weekend for 51 years there is the National Polka Festival in Ennis. This year KJT State President Christopher L. Urban, State Director Ray Pokorney, his wife Shirley, my wife Melba and I visited and promoted the benefits and Christian values of the KJT. It is always lots of fun, great music, delicious foods and cold beverages. A big “Thank You” to Ennis Society #35 President Joe Block and his whole team for the outstanding hospitality. It takes a tremendous amount of hard work and dedication by so many people to make a festival of this magnitude a success every year.

As May came and went, June arrived and I offer big congratulations to all our graduating high school seniors who are about to embark upon another step in the journey of life.

Remember to spread the good news of our KJT Family for all that we are and all that we do.

As July approaches it is beginning look like another busy month.

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.

Save Electricity – Reduce Use From 2-6 p.m.

Avoid running your washing machine, dryer or dishwasher during peak times. Set the thermostat a few degrees higher during peak times. If you’re away, bump it up 7-10 degrees.
State Vice President's Message . . .

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any time! If you already have a Kapital Account then you are ahead of the curve. Your policy surrender period is already in countdown mode to the zero-penalty period (or the account might already be past that point). Remember, you are free to make as many deposits as you wish (because the account become penalty free in the 6th year and beyond).

Use this summer to apply a little heat of your own for a change!

BY SHIRLEY POKORNEY
KJT KRUISE KOORDINATOR

Sail Away Is Rapidly Approaching – Don't Be Left Wishing On Shore!

We are excited to introduce KJT's newest member benefit!

PerkSpot is a one-stop shop for exclusive discounts from hundreds of national & local merchants including travel, computers, movies, cell phones, restaurants, clothing, groceries, pet care & much more! Access it on our website www.kjtnet.org or directly at kjt.perkspot.com!

Welcome to Your
Catholic Union of Texas Discount Program!

Your discount program is a one-stop-shop for exclusive discounts at hundreds of national and local merchants!

access your perks at
KJT.PERKSPOT.COM

Dosens of great categories like

HOTELS COMPUTERS TICKETS CELL PHONES RESTAURANTS

AUTOMOTIVE APPAREL TOYS & KIDS GIFTS WELLNESS

and many more!

EXPLORE YOUR SAVINGS TODAY

ST. THOMAS BEACH

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ruising is such a fun and carefree way to travel! Pack and unpack only once, wake up to a new vista each morning after partying or sleeping the night away during relocation, and choose from unlimited food and drink offerings 24 hours a day, all while receiving the VIP treatment with a full wait staff anxious to make your every wish their command.

The KJT wanted to make it possible for all of us (first time cruisers and long-time mariners alike) to experience this unique pleasure at an affordable price. That is how this great member benefit evolved and demand has kept it coming back ever since.

Between ports, cruisers experience the joys of making new friends with KJT members from all over our great state during relaxing evening dinner banquets. Add in daily fabulous door prizes and giveaways furnished by the KJT Home Office, optional daily Mass, entertaining Vegas-style stage performances, a hopping casino, a plethora of other fun activity – ranging from bingo and game shows to classes on towel folding, cooking or drink mixing – and there is never a dull moment from sail-away to the all-too-soon return debarkation.

The Southern Caribbean is the most popular of cruise routes, not for a reason, but for MANY reasons. Foremost is the incredible beauty and unbelievable variety that nature offers us on this part of the planet. Next are the diverse cultures you'll encounter among the independent countries on your island itinerary. Then, there is the incredible amount of fascinating history and pirate lore in this area of the world where our Western civilization had its very beginnings.

And don't forget about the pure fun and adventure of exotic excursion offerings at each port of call. But if you prefer to shop for bargains unlike any you will ever find within our own shores on items such as jewelry or electronics, you will definitely find them on this trip as well.

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Celebration Of Corpus Christi Goes Back To 13th Century

"Jesus said to them, ‘Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him.’" (John 6: 53-56)

While traditionally the month of June is dedicated by Catholics to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, this year we also celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). The celebration of Corpus Christi goes back to the thirteenth century. Pope Urban IV instituted it in 1264 for the universal Church. He wanted it to be filled with joy and accompanied by hymns and a festive procession. He asked the great Western Church father, St. Thomas Aquinas, to compose two Offices of prayer. St Thomas did so – along with five hymns – and they have nourished the piety of Christians for centuries. In one of them St. Thomas noted: “Material food first of all turns itself into the person who eats it, and as a consequence, restores his losses and increases his vital energies. Spiritual food, on the other hand, turns the person who eats it into Itself, and thus the proper effect of this sacrament is the conversion of man into Christ, so that he may no longer live for himself, but that Christ may live in him. And as a consequence it has the double effect of restoring the spiritual losses caused by sins and defects and of increasing the power of the virtues”.

In the celebration of Corpus Christi, we proclaim our belief in the Real presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. We also proclaim that the same Jesus lives within each one of us who are baptized into His Body, the Church. In fact, the entire Trinity takes up residence within us and, through that life in the Church and participation in the Sacraments we can live in the Trinity. This is the mystery of what we call communion. The Christian faith and life is about relationship, with the Father, and through His Son Jesus and in Jesus Christ with one another for the sake of the world. The world into which we are “dismissed” at the end of every Mass is the world that God still loves so much that He continues to send His Son to save, recreate and transform it from within. Our going forth from Mass to “announce the Gospel of the Lord” is to proclaim, by our lives, the ongoing redemptive mission of Jesus Christ and humanity’s participation in it.

WELCOME TO OUR SALES FORCE

Kruise Koordinator, Slots Of Fun, District President, Sales Rep, What Next?

SHIRLEY POKORNEY
BY DAVID M. WAGNER
KJT STATE VICE PRESIDENT

The KJT is happy to announce the appointment of Shirley Pokorney to our growing sales team. Shirley was born in Bandera, the “Cowboy Capital of the World”. However, she spent most of her youth in Taylor where she attended St. Mary’s School and graduated from Taylor High School. Then she headed off to the big city of Austin to earn her tuition for The University of Texas at Austin by working as a long-distance telephone operator for Southwestern Bell.

During this time, she met and married her husband, KJT State Director Ray Pokorney. After earning her degree in education, she taught Early Childhood and Special Education, English As a Second Language, Content Mastery and Second Grade to Pflugerville elementary students.

While raising her four children and teaching by day, she attended The University of Texas at Austin by night to obtain her Master’s Degree in Educational Administration. She happily served as a principal in Pflugerville schools for many years until she had an opportunity that she just couldn’t resist to open a brand-new school in Hutto. Retirement from education provided her with the opportunity to try a brand-new career direction, so she began her own Healthy Chocolate business – yum! All this while she was managing a ranching operation with her husband as well.

Shirley has been a very active member of Pflugerville Society #132. She is a regular volunteer at St. Elizabeth’s Church where she is a Lector, Eucharistic Minister and St. Vincent de Paul home visitor. The KJT has allowed Shirley to keep her leadership skills sharp by serving as president of District IV and leading folks from her district on casino bus trips for the past 20 years®. She has also had the fun of organizing and leading the state trips as KJT Kruise Koordinator.

Now as a sales representative for the Pflugerville and surrounding area, Shirley is eager to introduce new members to the rewards of living the KJT life.

Did You Know?
The cowboy foot was named the State Footwear by the 80th Legislature in 2007.

TREVEREND ROBERT E. (BOB) KNIPPEMBERG
KJT State Spiritual Director

For 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.

Hearing Care
15% savings on over 70 hearing aid models at 1,400 preferred providers. FREE, 10-step hearing evaluation to diagnose the extent of hearing loss. Beltone’s exclusive BelCare Aftercare Program offers members lifetime cleanings, inspections, adjustments and service for any Beltone hearing instruments purchased at any Beltone location throughout the United States.

Daily Living Products
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.

Consumer Pharmacy Benefits Management Company
Another Wonderful Member Benefit!

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MAY 2017 TOP PRODUCERS

Joe Landsfeld
Society #35, Ennis
• First Place May 2017 Top Producer

W.K. Leonard
Society #119, La Marque
• Second Place May 2017 Top Producer

Linda Gaas
Society #29, Frenstat
• Third Place May 2017 Top Producer

Robert Nors
Society #31, West
• Fifth Place May 2017 Top Producer

Thomas Arellano
Society #141, Georgetown
• Seventh Place May 2017 Top Producer

Ellen Zdansky
Society #72, Corpus Christi
• Sixth Place May 2017 Top Producer

Cynthia Nemec
Society #139, Bay City
• Fourth Place May 2017 Top Producer

John Kana
Society #4, Ammannsville
• Eighth Place May 2017 Top Producer

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: ___________________________________________________
Camper's Preferred First Name: _________________________________ male female
T-Shirt Size:  Child Adult \{S M L XL\}

Parent/Guardian's Name: ___________________________________________
Home Mailing Address: ___________________________________________________
Home City, State, Zip: _________________________________________________
E-Mail address: _________________________________________________________
Daytime Phone: _____________________ Evening Phone: _________________

If you previously attended a KJT Camp circle year(s) attended: 2014 2015 2016
Cabin mate (Name & City): ________________________________________________

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: __________________

Did You Know?
The State Saltwater Fish is the red drum named by the 82nd Legislature in 2011.

75-Year Membership
June 2017
Society #1, Praha
Bernard J. Okruhlik

Society #49, Needville
Joseph J. Kovar Jr.

Society #90, Rosenberg
Clarence Myers

Society #112, Austin
Andrew G. Prikryl Jr.

Society #128, Killeen
Joe Podest

IMPORTANT REMINDER FOR MEMBERS
The KJT asks members to always check their certificates to note whether they have the proper beneficiaries designated.
ORDINATION TO PRIESTHOOD

Caldwell Society #100 Member Ordained In Round Rock June 3

BY MARY P. WALKER
SENIOR CORRESPONDENT
CATHOLIC SPIRIT
DIOCESE OF AUSTIN

With great joy and thanksgiving, Bishop Joe Vásquez ordained Deacons Jared Cooke, Joseph Daheim, Doug Jeffers, Jesse Martinez and Brian Phillips to the priesthood Saturday, June 3 at 10:30 a.m. at St. William’s Parish in Round Rock. With ages ranging from 26 to 30, four of the young men grew up in Catholic families and Catholic parishes within the diocese, and one was baptized into the Catholic Church during his college years.

Jesse Paul Martinez, 26, member of KJT Society #100 in Caldwell, grew up in Caldwell, with St. Mary Our Lady of Lourdes as his home parish. He is the son of Ernest and Martha, and has a younger brother, Brandon. When he was 5, he first thought about becoming a priest. The idea persisted in his ministries as altar server, lector and within the parish youth group.

“I first approached discernment as an attempt to figure out if this call to the priesthood was genuinely from God or just a pious thought,” Deacon Martinez said. Before his junior year in high school, he confided to his parents, who contacted the Diocese. Deacon Martinez met with the vocation director, then Msgr. (now Bishop) Michael Sis, who helped guide him in the discernment process. Bishop Sis arranged for Deacon Martinez to have spiritual direction, which is the process and discipline of understanding the movement of God in our lives and responding to his promptings.

At the beginning of his senior year in high school, accompanied by his father, Deacon Martinez met with Bishop Sis for what he thought would be another information session. They concluded the meeting by beginning the paperwork for admission to the seminary.

“I walked out of that meeting very excited and shocked that everything was happening so quickly,” Deacon Martinez said. He received his undergraduate degree from Holy Trinity Seminary in Dallas and studied theology at St. Mary’s.

Society #100 Honors Father Martinez

St. Benedict Society #100 of Caldwell presented newly-ordained Priest Fr. Jesse Martinez with a Kapital Account policy. Fr. Jesse is from Caldwell and is a lifelong member of St. Mary’s. Shown with Fr. Jesse are society officers Anthony Motloch, Louemma Polansky and Joe J. Rychlik. Also pictured is District President and Sales Representative Linda Gaas. The entire St. Mary’s family congratulates Fr. Jesse on his ordination and wishes him God’s Blessings.

Father Jesse blesses his family at the conclusion of the Mass of Ordination.

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Overnight Stay Only $110 Per Couple

Deacon Martinez has found great comfort and joy in the support of his parish. The Caldwell area was especially excited about his upcoming ordination, the first since Father Ed Karasek’s ordination in 1987.

Deacon Martinez looks forward to serving God’s people through celebrating Mass and the sacraments, and the day-to-day life of a priest, saying, “One of my great passions is parish life.” To those who are wondering whether God is calling them to the priesthood or religious life, he advises not to overthink their concerns and to be open to God’s gentle promptings. “Trust that God is working in the church and that Christ is the primary agent of your discernment and formation,” Deacon Martinez said.

Spaces will be reserved in the order checks are received. No verbal reservations will be accepted. Non-KJT members may send in a check, but will be placed on standby until all KJT members have been confirmed. Checks will be returned to couples who do not make it onto the final bus roster. Make check out to “KJT District IV” in the sum of $110 per couple. This fee includes one double occupancy room, portage fees, $46 complimentary casino free-play, driver tip, and a variety of prizes for bus games and contests. No refunds can be issued, but you may find your own substitute if you need to cancel.

Mail reservation checks along with names of riders, current mailing address, phone number and dates of birth (all must be over 21) to:
Shirley Pokorney
10100 Bennett-Pokorney Manor, Texas 78653
For more info:
(512) 251-1183

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Caldwell Member Ordained . . .
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Seminary and the Pontifical College Josephinum. For him, seminary life was a time of enriching his knowledge and prayer life, making strong friendships, and the satisfaction of working toward a mission.

WANTED

Human Interest Stories Involving KJT Members


Please submit articles for our Human Interest Story Section!

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

Ammannsville Society #4 Member Carly Divin Joins KJT Team

BY DAVID M. WAGNER
KJT STATE VICE PRESIDENT

The Catholic Union of Texas, the KJT, is excited to announce one of our newest agents – Carly E. Divin. Carly was born and raised in Schulenburg and attended St. Rose of Lima Catholic School and Sacred Heart Catholic High School.

After graduating, she received her Associates of Art degree from Blinn Junior College and has been teaching at St. Rose of Lima Catholic School in Schulenburg for the past five years. She is married to her best friend Matthew Divin and they have a daughter Emileigh and a dog Midnight. They currently reside in Weimar.

Carly is very proud to be a KJT sales representative and looks forward to this new endeavor. She is currently a member of Ammannsville Society #4. She will be working alongside John Kana serving the society and area.

We welcome Carly and are very excited to have her come aboard!

THEY WILL BE MISSED . . .

Andy Stavinoha Is New KJT Sales Team Member

BY DAVID M. WAGNER
KJT STATE VICE PRESIDENT

Andy is very proud to be a KJT representative and looks forward to this new endeavor.

He grew up in Wallis and graduated from Brazos High School. After graduation, he joined the Army Reserve, moved to El Campo and began working at HEB.

Andy currently lives in the Rosenberg/Richmond area and is currently working in the grocery supply business.

Andy enjoys fishing, various activities with his son, watching the Houston Astros as well as following UT sports.

Andy is very proud to be a KJT representative and looks forward to this new endeavor.

He is a member of St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church in El Campo.

He will be working alongside current KJT representatives Michael Tydlacka and Daniel Lev serving Society #90 of Rosenberg and surrounding area.

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

KJT GRANT PROGRAM

BY DAVID M. WAGNER
KJT STATE VICE PRESIDENT

Barbara Hajdik of Society #80 of Sealy presented a $150 Religious Education Grant check to Pat Sever, assistant to the Director of Religious Education at Immaculate Conception Church. This donation was possible because Society #80 reached a Society Recognition Level III status.

KJT GRANT PROGRAM

BY DAVID M. WAGNER
KJT STATE VICE PRESIDENT

Remind . . .

Please note that articles, photos and ads 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.
KJT BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

BY KEVIN KANA
KJT STATE TREASURER-SECRETARY

The Board of Directors meeting of the Catholic Union of Texas, the KJT, was held at the Home Office in La Grange on Tuesday, May 23. State Spiritual Director Fr. Bob Knippenberg offered Holy Mass for all enrolled in the KJT Memorial Foundation. State President Christopher L. Urban welcomed the Board members and distributed the agenda that would be followed. The roll call indicated that all directors and officers were present. All financial reports, investment reports and marketing reports were accepted.

State Vice President David M. Wagner gave an update on the upcoming youth and teen camps to be held in late July.

President Urban stated that the audit by the Texas Department of Insurance was complete and overall it went very well.

State Family Day is scheduled for Sunday, July 23 at the KJT Activity and Fraternal Center near La Grange. Details about the day’s events can be found on page one of this issue of the KJT News.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Needville Society #49 Member Earns 1st Degree Blackbelt

Mitchell Janak, a member of Society #49 of Needville, received his 1st Degree Black Belt on Saturday, May 13 in Angleton. He started Tae Kwan Do in May 2011 at the age of 4 in the Tiny Tiger program and continued his journey to black belt until completion of his goal. Mitchell plans to continue his TKD training as a black belt. He also enjoys Cub Scouts and WWII history. Mitchell is in the fourth grade and the son of Monty and Lori Janak. Way to go Mitchell!

WELCOME

Freeport Has 5 New Members

These new members of Society #122 of Freeport had someone great in common in their lives and he was Great-Grandpa and Great Uncle L.V. (Ladislav Vaclav) Keprta. He was a member and secretary of Society #122 for 50 years until his passing in March 2015. He was also the sales representative for the society for many years. Great-grandchildren shown in wagon (above left to right) are Wyatt Scott, Grayson Huehlefeld, Paul Vaclav Huehlefeld and Lily Huehlefeld. His great-niece is shown below and is Jamie Jo Michna. We welcome all of you to this great fraternal family!

KJT CHARITIES

Bay City Donates To Retirement Fund

Bay City Society #139 President Larry Browning is shown presenting State Director Ellen Zdansky with a $500 check for the Religious Retirement Fund during the Monday, May 22 society meeting held in Bay City. Also present were Vice President James Engbrock, State Director Margaret Holik, Sales Representative Cynthia Nemec, Secretary-Treasurer Vincent Nemec and Society Chaplain Rev. Greg Korenek.
2017 KJT SCHOLARS

The KJT fraternal family wishes to congratulate all of the 2017 scholarly accomplishments of its talented members and wishes them only the very best as they continue their educational endeavors and careers!

Clint Taylor IV Earns Ph.D. in Molecular Biophysics From UT Southwestern In Dallas

Clint Taylor IV, a 26-year member of La Grange Society #46, graduated from The University of Texas Southwestern Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas with a Ph.D. in Molecular Biophysics. The commencement exercises were held on Thursday, June 1 at 7 p.m. at the Tom and Lula Gooch Auditorium on the South Campus.

The commencement address was given by Steven L. McKnight, Ph.D., Professor and Chair Emeritus of the Department of Biochemistry at UT Southwestern. His main message was to explain what a Doctor of Philosophy degree is and put it simply as a “speculative versus observational means of science.” These doctors continue to search for better results throughout their lives’ neverending work...they never settle for what everyone thinks is the obvious.

Andrew R. Zinn, M.D., Ph.D., presented the 95 candidates and Daniel K. Podolsky, M.D., President, The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, performed the conferring of the degrees.

Clint was a Duke Scholar in seventh grade, attended the Texas Academy of Mathematics and Science at the University of North Texas in Denton and graduated from Lake Travis High School in Lakeway. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Biochemistry in May 2010 at The University of Texas at Austin.

His Ph.D. Dissertation was "Regulation and Dysregulation via Docking Interactions in WNK and ERK1/2 MAPK Signaling." He was awarded his degree on December 9, 2016.

During his studies, Clint performed research in the Department of Pharmacology in the lab of world-renowned scientist, and member of the National Academy of Sciences and Director of the Simmons Cancer Center, Professor Melanie H. Cobb, Ph.D. She was also his mentor who performed his ceremonial hooding during the commencement exercises. His research focused on understanding how molecular interactions between cellular signaling molecules become disrupted in certain types of cancer.

While working on his Ph.D., he was honored to attend the International School of X-Ray Crystallography in Pharmacology and Drug Design Conference in Italy. The school also allowed him time to visit Rome and The Vatican.

Clint is completing his Postdoctoral Fellowship in the Cobb Lab located in the T. Boone Pickens Biomedical Center located on the North Campus of UT Southwestern where he will continue to expand on the work performed as a graduate student and work as part of a team in collaboration with the UT Southwestern High-Throughput Screening Facility to develop new pharmaceutical agents to treat cancer and high blood pressure.

As a side note, Clint was the original developer, designer and web site content manager for the KJT when he was 15. He attended every KJT Summer Youth Camp and also volunteered for one year at the camp.

His proud parents are Cindy V. Taylor and Kenneth Stohr of Spicewood. His mother has been the the editor of the KJT News and a La Grange Society #46 member, both for 26 years.

His father, Clinton Taylor III, is also a member of La Grange Society #46. He resides in La Grange.

His extremely proud grandparents are Weldon and Carol von Minden of La Grange, and Marilyn Strmiska, La Grange Society #46 member and a resident of La Grange also.

Way to go Clint!

Society #48 Presents Scholarships

Hillje Society #48 presented scholarships to McKenna McCown, Shelby Koudela and Amanda Lutringer. Society #48 Secretary Charles Holik made the presentation at the Louise Scholarship Reception on Tuesday, May 16. Congratulations to all of you!

Frydek Awards Scholarship

Society #29 of Frydek awarded two local scholarships. One was awarded to member Daniel Mock, who graduated from Clements High School in Sugar Land on June 3. He will be attending The University of Texas. KJT Sales Representative Charles Mock and wife Martha presented him with the scholarship. Congratulations Daniel!
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Pflugerville Society #132 Agnes Pokorney Memorial Scholarships Awarded

BY SHIRLEY POKORNEY
SOCIETY #132, PFLUGERVILLE

The Society #132 of Pflugerville Agnes Pokorney Memorial Scholarship is awarded in recognition of dedicated service to the student’s community, parish and local KJT. It was established by Agnes Pokorney, a school food service manager who loved the kids she served and wanted to help ensure they could get educational opportunities that she had not had. All hands were needed on the family farm to merely eke out a living during the Great Depression era. And although she was only allowed to complete sixth grade, she could beat any machine at performing math calculations in her head, preferring to mentally add up the daily cafeteria receipts and even correcting the mistakes of bank tellers who were using calculators on more than one occasion.

When she wasn’t working, she was a tireless volunteer for St. Elizabeth’s Church and the Pflugerville community. This scholarship recognizes students who share her values for hard work and giving back. Recipients this year are Amy Spalik ($1,000) and Lane Romick ($750).

Amy Spalik is a model of youth leadership. Despite her choice of rigorous advanced academic courses, she has won the top awards in multiple subject areas each of her four high school years. But dedication to her studies has not kept her from an extremely varied and active life of volunteering. From mentoring elementary students to working at the local animal shelter to assisting with religious education at church or reading to kids at the local library, Amy is a perpetual motion donor of her time and talents. She can be found at KJT events filling drink glasses with ice, handing out door prizes, selling festival raffle tickets or serving as Santa’s elf to distribute gifts at Christmas. She organized a fundraiser to fill 20 needy elementary students’ backpacks with food so they wouldn’t go hungry on the weekends. Now that she is old enough, she really gives of herself as a regular contributor to our local KJT society blood drive! Amy will continue to benefit students for years to come as she pursues her goal of teaching high school math courses.

Lane Romick is an active participant in sports all four years of high school, achieving all district academic honors for varsity basketball. In his spare time, he referees youth basketball games. He also assists his local KJT at their monthly pancake breakfasts and helps raise scholarship money at chili bingos. Lane is headed to the University of Mary Hardin Baylor, where he will no doubt achieve his goal of becoming a physical therapist.

Amy Spalik is presented with a plaque and $1,000 Society #132 Scholarship by Bridget Krahula at the Pflugerville High Senior Awards Assembly. Congrats Amy!

Lane Romick was surprised with a plaque and $750 Society #132 Scholarship presented by Shirley Pokorney at his graduation party. Congratulations Lane!

Jordan Weyand Earns Degree In Accounting From SHSU

BY SANDRA WEYAND

Jordan David Weyand received his Bachelor of Business Administration Degree in Accounting from Sam Houston State University on Saturday, May 13. The graduation was held at the Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum at 9 a.m. Jordan also received his Associate of Arts degree in Music from Blinn College in May of 2014 and is a 2012 graduate of La Grange High School.

Jordan currently teaches piano lessons for the Music and Arts Center in The Woodlands and for One Music Square in Huntsville. He also teaches individual lessons in tennis and piano to numerous students in Huntsville, Conroe and The Woodlands. Jordan will begin his preparatory classes for his CPA license exam and then will pursue a career in accounting.

Jordan is a member of La Grange Society #46. He is the son of David and Sandra Weyand of La Grange, and the grandson of Doris and Lambert Lidiak and April and Harley Weyand. Congratulations Jordan!
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Hostyn Member Brittany Fietsam Graduates From The University Of Texas At Austin With Honors May 19

BY BRENDA FIETSAM

Brittany Fietsam graduated with Honors from The University of Texas at Austin on Friday, May 19. Brittany received a Bachelor of Science degree in Advertising, was part of the Texas Media Program and has completed a Business Foundations Certificate from the McCombs School of Business.

During her four years at UT, Brittany was very active on campus with the Texas Sweethearts. She participated in service work, supported various UT sports, received numerous awards in her curriculum work and was the female quarterback for one of the intramural co-ed football teams on campus.

Brittany became a member of Hostyn Society #3 at the age of one-year-old and was a KJT Scholarship recipient in 2013.

Parents are Harold and Brenda Fietsam of La Grange. Grandparents are Benedict and Dianna Kallus of La Grange and Harold Sr. and Earline Fietsam of Schulenburg.

Brittany has accepted a position with TopSpot Internet Marketing in Houston as a Search Engine Marketing Specialist.

Way to go Brittany!

Austin Society #112 Member Kaycee Macik Earns Degree From Texas Woman's University in Denton May 13

KayCee Danielle Macik graduated from Texas Woman’s University in Denton on Saturday, May 13 earning a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Interdisciplinary Studies with an Elementary Education minor.

KayCee’s parents are Chad and Kassandra Macik of Del Valle and her grandparents are Nick and Shirley Macik of Austin and Billy and Lillie Reese of Coupland.

KayCee, Chad, Nick and Shirley are all members of Society #112 in Austin.

Congratulations KayCee!

Did You Know?

Reduce your use from 2-6 p.m.! Keep blinds closed in the afternoon, or install solar screen on south- and west-facing windows.

Use ceiling fans, allowing you to raise the thermostat about 4 degrees with no reduction in comfort. Turn fans off when you leave the room.
HUMAN INTEREST

Former Elgin Baseball Star Impacting Wildcats As Volunteer Coach

BY TARA DREYER
FREELANCE WRITER
ELGIN COURIER

ack in 2015, the stars aligned at the Elgin High School baseball stadium as brothers Zach Evans and Jacob Navejas took the field together as varsity members of the Wildcat team for the first time.

Evans, a senior at the time, was a star on the mound for the Wildcats, the ace of the pitching staff, the team’s strikeout leader, and the player that Elgin head coach Gary Currie relied on as the team’s leader. Navejas, the then-freshman, had just landed a starting role on the Wildcats varsity roster as a utility player who saw time at third, shortstop and behind the plate as a catcher.

“That’s what I wanted to accomplish coming into high school my freshman year and being able to play with my brother was great; we just had fun doing what we do,” Navejas said.

“It was a dream come true for a one-time thing because Jacob was like he is now; he is big all over the state,” Evans said. “I’m glad I was a part of that with him and I was able to lead him into the leader he is today.”

However, it wouldn’t be a one-time thing as Evans rejoined the Elgin Wildcat baseball program this season as a volunteer coach to take the field once again with his highly-recruited brother, who received an offer from Rice following his sophomore season.

“This season him helping coach and telling me what I need to do better and giving me different views on the game has helped me,” junior Navejas stated. “I just like how he is giving up his time to help us players on the team to get better and become better people in general.”

A mid-season injury while pitching at North Lake College ended Evans playing career and led him back to Elgin where he has spent the entire spring attending every practice and game.

“I feel like it was something that I was obligated to do; I played a big part in the baseball program for four years and I felt like I could offer more than what I did as a player,” Evans said. “My brother was a big part of it, but also I wanted to be there for the kids and to tell them to take the game seriously because it can be taken away from you really quickly.”

“We talked about him jumping in full-fledged and helping with bullpens and now we have our pitchers in a different routine with them working on specific locational stuff,” Currie said. “We are in a better routine with Zach here to help those guys know what they are supposed to be doing days before they get to the mound, so it has been really nice having him there for that.”

Evans experience has been crucial for the Wildcats this season since Elgin’s district was realigned with Georgetown, East View, Bastrop and Cedar Creek, teams that the Wildcats freshman through junior classes hadn’t seen before, but were former district foes in Evans’ days. Not to mention that District 19-5A boasted Leander Rouse and Cedar Park that sealed two of the four seeds for the postseason and pushed Hutto and Elgin into a tie for fifth place.

“It is almost like he is playing (Continued on page 14)

KJT DIAMONDS

Hostyn Presents 75-Year Pins

Hostyn Society #3 awarded 75-year membership pins at the Sunday, May 21 meeting. All five recipients were present to receive their pins. At the presentation were (left to right) State President Christopher L. Urban (presenter), Ted Hoffmann, Anthony Janda, John Kozel, John B Janda Jr., Albert Kozel and Society President Patrick Janda (presenter). Congratulations to all of you!

On Wednesday, May 24, Temple Society #114 presented a $1,400 check to St. Mary’s Catholic School in Temple. The funds will be used by St. Mary’s Catholic School to fund Catholic education for children in the Central Texas area. The funds contributed to St. Mary’s Catholic School were raised from the KJT/Knights of Columbus Council #3444 Lenten Fish Frys, KJT Home Office Grant funds and additional funds contributed by Society #114. At the presentation were top row (left to right) Gene and Betty Engbrock and Rick Wyatt, KC members; Estelle Simonton and James Hosch, KJT members, and Jerry, Richmond and Andrew Lambret, KC members; bottom row, John and Janie Hattamer and Reverend Steve Sauer, KJT members; Charlie Brust, Henry Birkholz, Cami Salgado, Julien Ramos and Anuki Pelawatta, St. Mary’s students; Theresa Wyles, Principal of St. Mary’s Catholic School, and Society #114 President Eugene Pavlat.

Stanley Dusek Honored For 75 Years

State Director Margaret Holik presents East Bernard St. Wenceslaus Society #40 member Stanley Dusek with his 75-year membership pin. The presentation was made at the monthly meeting in May. Congratulations!
again because he played the teams that we are playing now in high school and he knows how good of programs they are.” Navejas said. “He knows the coaches, so he knows how they run things and he tells us.”

“He has been very good for our pitching staff because they are so young and are not used to seeing the big teams that we’re playing in this district right now, so it has been a very nice thing to have,” Currie said. “I can count on him to be a baseball coach and change the kids’ lives and how they look at the road as someone who taught him the real values of baseball; like you get to play baseball because you have something that a lot of people don’t have,” Evans said. “I just hope he realizes that in the coming years and looks at me and thanks me for that; that’s kind of my motivation towards him and for him to accomplish everything he is meant to accomplish in the sport.”

There’s a bright future ahead for Navejas in baseball and once again for Evans too.

“I am more than happy to take him on as my staff any day of the week,” Currie said. Brothers Zach Evans and Jacob Navejas joined Elgin Society #130 in 2016. Congratulations to these two young rising stars!

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.

May 2017

Society #35, Ennis
Anton F. Lika
Date of Death: 04/11/2017
Age 73

Society #90, Rosenberg
Arthur W. Roche
Date of Death: 09/16/2017
Age 98

Society #31, West
Raymond Michalek
Date of Death: 04/30/2017
Age 69

Society #25, Ellinger
Gilbert Vraza
Date of Death: 05/02/2017
Age 75

Society #71, Ganado
Anton T. Kaspar
Date of Death: 05/01/2017
Age 71

Associate Member

Society #46, La Grange
Archbishop Miloslav Vlk
Date of Death: 03/18/2017
Age 71

Society #111, Dallas
Mildred Adamcik
Date of Death: 07/04/2017
Age 81

Society #40, West
Benjamin C. Hanak
Date of Death: 04/08/2017
Age 65

Society #41, Georgetown
Frank H. Hromick
Date of Death: 09/12/2017
Age 79

Society #23, Fort Worth
John G. Matous
Date of Death: 04/19/2017
Age 79

Society #14, Bryan
Lee F. Polansky
Date of Death: 07/04/2015
Age 81

Society #117, Dallas
Mildred Adamcik
Date of Death: 04/26/2017
Age 91

Date of Death: 12/20/2016
Age 82

Date of Death: 04/12/2017
Age 71

Date of Death: 05/01/2017
Age 71

Date of Death: 04/20/2017
Age 68

Date of Death: 04/14/2017
Age 90

Date of Death: 03/28/2017
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### KJT CHARITIES

**Frenstat Gives $1,200 To Fund**

Frenstat #12 Society donated $1,200 to the Religious Retirement Fund. At the March meeting President Franklin Karasek (left) and Treasurer Linda Gaas presented the check to State Director Ray Pokorney. Society #12 would like to thank everyone (below) who came to the dance in January to support the KJT Religious Retirement Fund. We would also like to thank all our members and friends who came out to help serve hamburgers and refreshments and take money at the door for the dance. Hope to see you next year for another wonderful dance and fellowship!

### SOCIETY SPECIAL EFFORT

**Schulenburg Society #129 Participates In Memorial Day Event**

St. Augustine Schulenburg Society #129 participated in the Memorial Day Celebration on Monday, May 29 in Wolters Park in Schulenburg. The memorial was hosted by McBride American Legion Post 143 veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post and Vietnam War Veterans of Schulenburg. The society provided bottles of water to all the veterans and participants that attended memorial services.

### 50-Year Membership

**June 2017**

- **Society #9, Fayetteville**
  - Gary J. Kovar
- **Society #20, Shiner**
  - Andrew Brosh Jr.
- **Society #28, Granger**
  - Dennis L. David
- **Society #31, West**
  - James L. Kolacek
- **Society #39, Marak**
  - Darby G. Tepera
- **Society #40, East Bernard**
  - Alphonse David Raymond Hennecke Jr. David R. Hennecke
- **Society #56, Houston**
  - David Demny
- **Society #59, Seymour**
  - Roy A. Novak
- **Society #80, Sealy**
  - Maximilian Zapalac
- **Society #111, Dallas**
  - Paul Janecka
- **Society #114, Temple**
  - Kurt M. Petter
- **Society #115, Victoria**
  - John K. Marek
- **Society #121, Katy-Spring Branch**
  - Anthony C. Opela
- **Society #126, New Braunfels**
  - Mark W. Jurica
- **Society #128, Killeen**
  - Robert Gene Stefek
SOCIETY HAPPENINGS

#119 LA MARQUE
By Melba Reznicek

Last month we failed to congratulate Father Paul Chovanec, Society #119 Chaplain, on being Texans of Czech Ancestry’s (TOCA) Award honoree to receive the TOCA Award, and Michael Reznicek for being KJT honoree to receive the TOCA Award. Congratulations to both of you and thank you for all you do! La Marque Society #119 held Join Hands Day on Saturday, May 20 at Queen of Peace Parish Life Center to clean up around the church and Parish Life Center prior to the Queen of Peace Festival on Sunday, June 4. A big thank you for all those who took time out of their busy schedule to help with this project.

On Sunday, June 4, Society #119 held a quick meeting prior to the Queen of Peace Festival to cover a few issues that needed to be discussed. For several years, the society provides the Beer Garden for the Queen of Peace Festival. As one visited the booth they found turkey legs, sausage on the stick, corn on the cob, funnel cakes, as well as a cold beer or two. The festival was another success this year even with a rocky start of showers of rain that morning clearing to sunshine throughout the day, but we were literally blown away by rain and high winds at the closing of the day. Through it all the Lord still blessed us with a good day overall.

#29 FRYDEK
By Doris Sodolak

Frydek St. Stephen’s Society #29 met at St. Mary’s Kitchen on Wednesday, May 10 with several members in attendance. President Shane Eschenburg opened the meeting with a prayer and pledge to the American flag.

Treasurer Val Eschenburg stated that the fundraiser was a success and winners were drawn for gift cards.

Donations to the Religious Retirement Fund were given by society and the Frydek KJT Youth. St. Mary’s Church was given a donation and Fr. Thuy was remembered on his anniversary ordination to the priesthood. The society was a “hole sponsor” for the Frydek KC Golf Tournament and supported the East Bernard KJT at their annual Kolache Festival.

Thanks were given to Albert and Brian Sodolak for heading up the KJT Pancake Breakfast. The society was happy to see a large number of parishioners attending.

This year the society awarded two scholarships which went to Taylor Bartholomaus and Daniel Mock.

Receiving their 75-year membership pins for 2017 were Albert Sodolak, Frank Bogar and Victor Ermis. A 50-year membership pin will go to Martin Mock.

The society recently lost two members – Lawrence J. Blazek and Louis W. Ondruch. They both were remembered with a KJT enrollment.

The KJT youth participated in the entertainment at the Colonial Nursing Home. Kolaches and refreshments were served to the residents by the KJZT #29 society and St. Mary’s Altar Society. The society will have several young people attending the KJT Summer Youth Camp. Flag Day will be observed by the membership.

The meeting closed with a prayer to St. Stephen and door prizes were awarded.
#80 SEALY
By Bernice Stolarski

On Saturday, May 6 starting at 9 a.m., five local fraternal societies sponsored a Join Hands Day project of placing small U.S. flags on the graves of veterans at seven local cemeteries.

Involved were KJT Society #80 of Sealy, Hermann Sons Lodge 239-2, Knights of Columbus Council 3313, SPJST Lodge 141, and Woodmen Life Chapter 105, assisted by Girl Scout Troop 574 of Sealy, Boy Scout Troop 990 of Wallis, Sealy Pack 443 Cub Scouts, and family members of the Scouts.

The cemeteries covered were the Sealy Cemetery, Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Holy Cross Cemetery on Stockold Road, St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Frydek, San Felipe de Austin Cemetery, San Felipe Community Cemetery and the Hartsville Cemetery between Sealy and Wallis.

Approximately 650 flags were placed on these cemeteries. There were 39 youth and adults who participated.

#3 HOSTYN
By Dianna Kallus

Sts. Cyril and Methodius Society #3 of Hostyn held its second quarterly meeting on Sunday, May 21 at the Hostyn Parish Hall. Twenty-three members and one guest, State President Christopher L. Urban, were in attendance.

Society President Patrick Janda called the meeting to order and Secretary Joyce Muras led the members in the opening prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

President Janda thanked everyone who participated in the Join Hands Day. A total of 17 pairs of hands from the Join Hands project of placing small U.S. flags on the graves of veterans rest in peace.

The Hostyn KJT will hold its Drive-Thru Fundraiser on Wednesday, July 12 at the La Grange KC Hall. The meal will consist of barbecue pork steak, noodles, cooked cabbage and peaches for $10 a plate. Meal tickets were handed out during the meeting to members for pre-sale. Tickets are available from the Hostyn KJT members or Young Neighbors in Action.

The society has lost three members this year – Leonard G. Lidiak, 1/13/17; Edward F. Janda, 2/27/17, and Alois C. Kozel, 4/8/17.

The society had five members receiving their 75-year KJT membership pins present at the meeting. Congratulations to Ted Hoffmann, Anthony Janda (accompanied by his wife Lucy), John B. Janda, Jr., Albert Kozel and John Kozel (accompanied by his wife Lillian).

The society had five members receiving their 25-year KJT membership pins this year. Congratulations to Stephen C. Janda, Justin Michael Smith, Hannah Delgado, Bryson Kolek and Jacob Kozelsky.

State President Urban addressed the members. He spoke about the upcoming Family Fun Day and mentioned that Chris Rybak is to entertain during the day. He also thanked members for all their efforts in the projects in their society. It was announced that Brenda Fietsam, the society’s treasurer, will soon be a sales agent for the KJT.

State President Urban led the members in the closing prayer for the living and deceased members.

Meeting was adjourned and door prizes were won by Kirtley Kallas and Ivan Muras.

#112 AUSTIN
By Sarah Vitek

The meeting of St. Stephen’s Society #112 of Austin was held on Thursday, May 11 at Sacred Heart Church. Co-President Mike Hyzak opened the meeting with a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice President Anne Hyzak sent a sympathy card to the family of William Psenick. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Ted Vitek reported that he has two leads that he is working on. All members need to help recruit new members as membership continues to drop.

Sarah Vitek distributed the tickets for the Round Rock Express ballgame that will be on Sunday, July 9. Nick and Shirley Macik will provide the tailgate party and a flag ceremony is also planned.

Everyone is hoping for a great turnout of about 50 members and guests.

Mike Hyzak brought up for discussion a future fundraiser and the Christmas party. No definite plans were made yet.

The society decided to make donations to the Religious Retirement and Seminarian Education Funds.

Sarah Vitek mentioned that two of its young members, Matthew and Grace Dorantes, recently were honored. Matthew attained the prestigious honor of Eagle Scout and Grace received a basketball award. Congratulations to these fine young people. Their parents are Martin and Testy Dorantes, who are all members of Society #112. Matthew also was one of the recipients of a KJT Scholarship, which he so appreciative of. Good luck in your future endeavors.

Shirley Macik said their granddaughter, Kaycee Macik, will be graduating from TWU. Everyone wishes her the best in her new career.

At the last meeting, members discussed having the youth observe and/or help at a kolache bake. Sarah Vitek contacted the person in Georgetown about this and they would love to have the youth involved. She will be notified when a date is scheduled either in September or October. So, everyone would like to have as many juniors involved in this as is possible.

Society #112 has a Facebook page thanks to Kenneth Klanika. Viewers on Facebook that would like to see updates on events can go to https://www.facebook.com/kjt112/.

The meeting adjourned with a closing prayer. Nick Macik won the society drawing.
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2017 JUNE
OFFICER MEMBER RECRUITMENT APPLICATION DEADLINE-FIRST PERIOD
Friday, June 30.

2017 JULY
SEMINARIAN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE
Saturday, July 1.

SOCIETY #43, WIED
Sunday, July 2, meeting, white house behind St. Mary's Church, 10:30 a.m. All members are encouraged to attend.

161ST ANNUAL STS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH FEAST, DUBINA
Sunday, July 2, Holy Mass at 9 a.m. "Dubina-Style" fried chicken and sausage dinner with all the trimmings. Adults $9, children under 12 $5. Serving begins at 11 a.m. Adult take home plates through express to-go line. Entertainment and amusements all day! Country auction 1:30 p.m., bingo 2-6 p.m., Washer pitching tournament registration at 3 p.m. and tournament begins at 4 p.m. Hamburgers will be served in the evening. Sweepstakes drawing at 8 p.m. Free dancing under the pavilion with polka and Waltz music day and night. Shiner Hobo Band, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Mark Halata and Texavia/Incredible Music Makers 2-8 p.m. Everyone is invited!

SOCIETY #34, NADA
Sunday, July 2, meeting, Room 2, Holy Family Catholic Church, 1510 Fifth Street, Missouri City, 2:30 p.m.

INDEPENDENCE DAY
Tuesday, July 4.

KJT YOUTH CAMP APPLICATIONS DUE-DEADLINE EXTENDED
Friday, July 7.

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.

KJT NEWS DEADLINE
Monday, July 10.

SOCIETY #3, HOSTYN
Wednesday, July 12, Drive-Thru Fundraiser, La Grange KC Hall. The meal will consist of barbecue pork steak, noodles, cooked cabbage and peaches for $10 a plate. Funds raised will go towards the Religious Retirement Fund. Tickets are available from the Hostyn KJT members or Young Neighbors in Action. A bake sale will be sponsored for the Young Neighbors. Mark your calendars now!

SOCIETY #81, POTH
Sunday, July 16, quarterly meeting, Blessed Sacrament Church Parish Hall, 8:30 a.m. Refreshments will be served.

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.

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

2017 AUG
5TH ANNUAL SOUTH TEXAS SUMMER POLKA FEST, CORPUS CHRISTI
Saturday, August 5, Moravian Hall, 5601 Kostoryz Road, Corpus Christi. Doors open at 11 a.m. Admission is $10. Battle Dance 12-6 p.m. with Czechaholics and Majeks. Meals available for purchase. Beer, tea and soft drinks will be available. There will be a raffle and course-kolaches. For more information contact Sam Morris at (361) 215-9163. Sponsored by the Czech Heritage Society of South Texas. Be sure and save the date!

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. Please plan to attend and bring a new member.

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

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 #129, SCHULENBURG
Sunday, August 13, Society Challenge Turkey Shoot, Tofel’s Place, Ammannsville, 1 p.m. Mark your calendar and assemble your team!

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

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

SOCIETY #133, MISSOURI CITY
Tuesday, August 22, meeting.

SOCIETY #13, YOAKUM
Wednesday, September 6, regular meeting of St. Matthew Religious Education Facility, Classroom No. 5, 7:30 p.m.

SOCIETY #34, NADA
Saturday, September 9, meeting.

2017 SEPT
ST. JOHN’S CHURCH PICNIC, FAYETTEVILLE
Sunday, September 3, Mass with Polka music at 10 a.m. All-you-can-eat barbecue beef, pork and sausage dinner with trimmings prepared on the church grounds and plates to go beginning at 10:30 a.m. at St. John Recreation Hall. Country auction at 1:30 p.m. Bingo, music and other events throughout the day. Come join in an old-fashioned feast! Fayetteville is right in the middle of the Central Texas Golden Triangle area and is conveniently located between Austin, Houston and San Antonio. For further information call (979) 378-2244.

ST. JOSEPH’S CHURCH PICNIC, CORPUS CHRISTI
Friday, September 8, meeting, St. John’s Church Picnic, 9 a.m.

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ST. JOHN’S CHURCH PICNIC, FAYETTEVILLE
Sunday, August 20, meeting, Sacred Heart Reception Room, 6:30 p.m.

SOCIETY #129, SCHULENBURG
Sunday, September 3, Mass with Polka music at 10 a.m.

ST. JOHN’S CHURCH PICNIC, FAYETTEVILLE
Saturday, September 2, Sunday picnic, 10 a.m.

ST. JOHN’S CHURCH PICNIC, FAYETTEVILLE
Sunday, September 3, 10 a.m. Mass followed by meeting and catered meal at 5 p.m.

LABOR DAY
Monday, September 4.

SOCIETY #1, JOURDANTON
Wednesday, September 6, regular meeting, Formation Center of St. Matthew Religious Education Facility, Classroom No. 5, 7:30 p.m.

SOCIETY #34, NADA
Saturday, September 9, meeting.

SOCIETY #72, CORPUS CHRISTI
Sunday, September 10, meeting and covered dish meal, Moravian Hall, 2 p.m.

SOCIETY #31, WEST
Sunday, September 10, Corporate Communion at 7:30 a.m. Mass followed by meeting with coffee and kolaches.

SOCIETY #119, LA MARQUE
Sunday, September 10, meeting and covered dish meal, Queen of Peace Life Center, 1 p.m.

PATRIOT DAY
Monday, September 11.

SOCIETY #80, SEALY
Sunday, September 17, Member Appreciation Day, Hill Center, Sealy. Registration at 1 p.m. followed by games, door prizes and catered meal at 5 p.m.

FIRST DAY OF AUTUMN
Friday, September 22.

SOCIETY #7, JOURDANTON
Saturday, September 23, Join Hands Day. Members to help with clean-up and set up of St. Matthew’s Church Picnic, St. Matthew’s Parish Hall, 9 a.m.

SOCIETY #81, POTH
Sunday, September 24, 7th Annual KJT Benefit Raffle in conjunction with the Poth VFD Barbecue Chicken Dinner, 12 p.m. Proceeds benefit KJT Charities and Poth VFD. 200 tickets to be sold. First prize, $500 VISA gift card, second prize, $250 VISA gift card, third-fifth prizes, $100 VISA gift card, sixth-ninth prizes, $75 VISA gift card and tenth prize, $50 VISA gift card. Donation $20. Need not be present to win. Contact Jackie Moczegma at jackiejrjansky@msn.com to purchase tickets.

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**SOCIETY #115, VICTORIA**

Sunday, September 24, Czech Fest fundraiser.

**ST. MARTIN CATHOLIC CHURCH ANNUAL PICNIC, TOURS**

Sunday, September 24. A fried chicken dinner will be served beginning at 11 a.m. A live auction starts at 12:30 p.m. Fund, food and entertainment for all!

**SOCIETY #132, MISSOURI CITY**

Thursday, September 28, business meeting, Room 2, Holy Family Catholic Church, 1510 Fifth Street, Missouri City, 2:30 p.m.

**SOCIETY #141, GEORGETOWN**

Saturday, September 30, meeting.

**SOCIETY #130, ELGIN**

Saturday, September 30, meeting.

**2017 OCT**

**KJT SOUTHERN CARIBBEAN KRUISE**

Sunday, October 1-10.

**10TH ANNUAL KJT STATE GOLF TOURNAMENT, FLATONIA**

Saturday, October 7, Flatonia Golf Course, 1245 Hwy. 90 East, Flatonia. Call the Home Office to reserve your team’s spot. Proceeds will benefit the St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital.

**SOCIETY #31, WEST**

Sunday, October 8, breakfast served and meeting after 7:30 a.m. Mass.

**SOCIETY #112, AUSTIN**

Thursday, October 12, meeting, Sacred Heart Reception Room, 6:30 p.m.

**SOCIETY #87, JOURDANTON**

Sunday, October 15, Turkey Bingo, St. Matthew’s Parish Hall. Games begin at 1 p.m. KJT members are asked to be there at 11:30 a.m. for set up.

Refreshments of hamburgers, hot dogs, drinks, etc. will be available sponsored by the St. Matthew’s Soup Kitchen and Knights of Columbus. Bingo proceeds to benefit the KJT Charity for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital.

**SOCIETY #129, SCHULENBURG**

Sunday, October 15, meeting, home of James and Carolyn Prihoda, 2 p.m.

**SOCIETY #13, YOAKUM**

Sunday, October 15, meeting, St. Joseph Family Center after the 9 a.m. Mass.

**KJT ANNUAL TAROKY TOURNAMENT, TEXAS CZECH HERITAGE & CULTURAL CENTER, LA GRANGE**

Saturday, October 21.

**SOCIETY #119, LA MARQUE**

Saturday, October 21, Sixth Annual Craft and More event. Recipient of the fundraiser will be the Ronald McDonald House in Galveston.

**SOCIETY #81, POTH**

Sunday, October 22, quarterly meeting, Blessed Sacrament Church Parish Hall, 8:30 a.m. Refreshments will be served

**SOCIETY #133, MISSOURI CITY**

Thursday, October 26, business meeting, Room 2, Holy Family Catholic Church, 1510 Fifth Street, Missouri City, 2:30 p.m.

**SOCIETY #115, VICTORIA**

Sunday, October 29, meeting.

**SOCIETY #87, JOURDANTON**

Wednesday, November 8, election of officers meeting, Formation Center of St. Matthew Religious Education Facility, Classroom No. 5, 7:30 p.m.

**SOCIETY #81, POTH**

Sunday, November 12, Member Appreciation Dinner and 100th Anniversary Meeting. Meeting, Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church Parish Hall, 488 W. Westmeye St., Poth, Texas 78147. Following the meeting, lunch will be served and celebrated with the Poth KJZT society. Children’s activities and bingo are planned. Please RSVP to Lawrence Jansky (830) 484-3723, Jackie Mozzygemma (210) 325-2692 or Jane Hosek (830) 484-2845 by Monday, November 6.

**SOCIETY #119, LA MARQUE**

Sunday, November 12, meeting and covered dish meal, Queen of Peace Life Center, 1 p.m.

**SOCIETY #31, WEST**

Sunday, November 12, meeting after 7:30 a.m. Mass with coffee and kolaches.

**SOCIETY #63, SMITHVILLE**

Friday, November 17, Christmas Party/Meeting, KC House, 7 p.m. More information to follow.

**SOCIETY #3, HOSTYN**

Sunday, November 19, Hostyn Parish Hall. Mass for the deceased and living members at 8:00 a.m. followed with a free-will donation Scholarship Breakfast with meeting starting around 9:30 a.m.

**SOCIETY #117, WACO**

Sunday, November 26, 75-Year Membership Pin Presentations.

**SOCIETY #80, SEALY**

Tuesday, November 28, officers meeting 6 p.m., meal and regular meeting, 7 p.m., Immaculate Conception Church Center.

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**SOCIETY #56, HOUSTON**

Sunday, November 5, 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 #43, WIED**

Sunday, November 5, meeting after 9:14 a.m. Mass at St. Mary’s (the white house). All members are encouraged to attend!

**SOCIETY #141, GEORGETOWN**

Friday, December 1, Christmas Party.

**SOCIETY #133, MISSOURI CITY**

Saturday, December 2, St. Mikulas Youth Social, Centennial Room, Holy Family Catholic Church, 1510 Fifth Street, Missouri City, after 5:30 p.m. Mass; 6:30 p.m.

**SOCIETY #3, HOSTYN**

Saturday, December 2, Christmas party in conjunction with the Hostyn KJZT. More details to follow.

**SOCIETY #56, HOUSTON & SOCIETY #121, KATY-SPRING BRANCH**

Sunday, December 3, annual Christmas Party, St. Jerome Catholic Church, outback house/room which is located behind the church across the parking lot. Society #121 will be hosting the combined party again this year. Party will start around 2 p.m., followed by social, caroling and meal. We encourage all members to mark the date on their calendar and plan to attend and be involved.

**SOCIETY #13, YOAKUM**

Sunday, December 3, meeting, St. Joseph Family Center after the 9 a.m. Mass.

**SOCIETY #87, JOURDANTON**

Sunday, December 3, KJT/KJZT Annual Christmas Social, St. Matthew’s Parish Hall, Annual, noon-4 p.m. This is the society’s second youth activity for the year. Members are asked to be there at 10 a.m. to help with set up.

**SOCIETY #72, CORPUS CHRISTI**

Sunday, December 3, Moravian Hall, 2 p.m. St. Thomas More annual Matching Grant bake sale and Christmas bingo.

**DEADLINE FOR STATEWIDE CHARITY PROJECTS DONATIONS**

Friday, December 8.

**SOCIETY #34, NADA**

Sunday, December 10, meeting.

**SOCIETY #130, ELGIN**

Sunday, December 10, meeting.

**SOCIETY #31, WEST**

Thursday, December 14, meeting, Sacred Heart Reception Room, 6:30 p.m.

**SOCIETY #129, SCHULENBURG**

Sunday, December 17, meeting, home of James and Carolyn Prihoda, 2 p.m.

**OFFICER MEMBER RECRUITMENT APPLICATION DEADLINE – SECOND PERIOD**

Sunday, December 31.

Walking & Texting Fact

68 percent of those injured during walking and texting are women.

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**25-Year Membership**

**June 2017**

**SOCIETY #13, Yoakum**

Valerie M. Durocher

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**SOCIETY #16, Wallis**

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**SOCIETY #20, Shiner**

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**SOCIETY #31, West**

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**SOCIETY #34, Nada**

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**SOCIETY #131, Manor**

Jose A. Sanchez Jr.

Nora Lee Sanchez
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.

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Blake W. Ford

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Whitney Vavra

Walking & Texting Facts
Nearly 80 percent of the injuries were because of a fall!

KJT STATE TAROKTOURNAMENT

Saturday, October 21, 2017
TCHCC Hanslik Hall
250 West Fairgrounds Road
La Grange, TX 78945

- Entry Fee—$25 includes lunch.
- Four 1 ½ hour rounds will be played.
- Registration at 8 am, play begins at 9 am, Lunch break after the second round.
- Top four (4) scorers after four rounds receive trophies and cash prizes—First through fourth place.
- Table winners paid $5 after each round.

TCHCC Heritage Fest & Muziky Tarock Tournament Entry Form

NAME: ____________________________
ADDRESS: ____________________________
CITY, STATE, ZIP: ____________________________
PHONE #: ____________________________
EMAIL: ____________________________

* Mail entry form and check payable to TCHCC, PO Box 6, La Grange, TX 78945

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