STATE VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Love makes it all work...

As we say goodbye to October, we realize the year is almost over. Our lives continue to march forward, and some things seem never to change. When people learn that my career revolves around the insurance industry, they all seem to ask the same question. The question is simple, yet my underlying reason to support my answer seems to be the surprise. "How is the insurance business?"

The question never changes nor does my answer, Good! Sure, business could always be better, yet we are consistently producing numbers year in and year out. Production is not the result of some snazzy marketing program or some new ground-breaking product. It's simple; the underlying reason is that people still fall in love, get married, and have children. Not to mention the basics to financial planning hasn't changed and Life Insurance remains a vital part of a good financial plan.

No matter what the case may be, people still fall in love, and they protect their loved ones. Love is the underlying cause that makes you purchase life insurance. Love provides the desire to provide and protect the people you will leave behind. The fact is, your children will still need lunch money, VP Continued on p. 8

TCHCC Czech Heritage Fest Has It All!
Muziky Performance to Honor Vrazels Polka Band

The Texas Czech Heritage and Cultural Center in La Grange will host the annual Heritage Festival & Muziky on October 19 and 20. The Fest will open at 4 pm on Friday with their famous homemade chicken and dumplings served, while it lasts, in the Hanslik Banquet Hall beginning at 5:30 pm. “The Polka On! Octoberfest on the Deck” will begin at 6 pm with music by the Dujka Brothers till 9:30 pm. Mark and John Dujka have been making music together for over 30 years and have several acknowledgements, including being inducted into the Polka Hall of Fame at the KC Hall in Hallettsville, and receiving a Favorite Song Award from the International Polka Association for their recording of Church Picnic Polka. The song is featured on their latest CD, Let’s Have a Party, which celebrates the duo’s 30th anniversary.

Saturday, the day kicks off with an opening ceremony at 10 am. The La Grange Ford Hospoda will be filled with cold pivo and musical entertainment by Jerry Haisler & the Melody 5 and Enzian Buam from 11:00 am to 6 pm. Jerry Haisler from Temple and his band have been making music for almost 50 years. Enzian Buam of Houston combines German and Czech standards, as well as country, featuring the yodel master, Jason Keepers, Urban Cowboy fiddler, Robert Herridge, and bass man Bill Holt. Plenty of room to dance on the Capital Farm Credit dance floor!

VRAZELS’ POLKA BAND
LEGACY

Enjoy more music at the Muziky, Muziky event from 7-9:30 pm in the Sanford Schmid Amphitheater. Always a popular part of the Heritage Fest, this year’s Legends Series will feature The Legacy of the Vrazels Polka Band.

The band, formed in 1953, was originally known as the Vrazels’ Playboys and consisted of Alfred, Anton and their three cousins, Leo, Louis, and Ladis Vrazel. Shortly after this, Alfred and Anton changed the name of the band to Vrazels’ Polka Band, Continued on p. 8

Quote of the Month

“The great gift of the human imagination is that it has no limits or ending.”

Muziky Continued on p. 8
EDITOR'S MESSAGE

A Huge Thank You...

Burr!! Who knew winter would start in October?? We completely skipped the Fall weather!! All is well. Most of us received plenty of rain along with this cold weather, so that’s a blessing. With the looks of things, some of you will be in the hay fields well into late December and early January, trying to cut what you can before the first real, winter freeze.

I want to thank all the societies that have opened a Facebook account. We now have 20 Societies with their own pages. A quick reminder, starting in January I will add all of your society meetings, events, and projects on your FB page. So, if you have an active society, and would like to open a FB page, please let me know. I will set a page up for you. There are so many ways now to get the word out about your events. Members, along with future members, can check the website calendar, the newspaper (either through email, on the website or a hard copy), FB events, and frequent post on Twitter and Facebook.

I can not thank all the golf participates enough for getting teams together for the KJT State Charity Golf Scramble. We were able to raise $4,810 for the KIDS Unlimited Foundation in Houston. We had perfect weather until we hit the last hole, and then we were in for a couple of hours of rain storms. I would like to thank the two boys who have battled childhood cancer, Peyton Vasquez and Josh Guillory, along with their families, for joining us. It was such a blessing to hear their stories and be part of an organization that is willing to help do our part to help find a cure for cancer.

If you have a story you would like to share; I am looking for stories!! If you would like to share a story about a family event, family history, a journey or an adventure from the past. Please, let me know. I have plenty of space in the months to come.

October 16, 2018, was National Boss’ Day. I would like to personally thank Christopher Urban and David Wagner for everything they do to help our fraternity. These two guys put in countless hours for our members and our company. They are understanding, caring, and just overall great guys to work for, and work with each day. Thank you for everything you do Chris and David!!

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Generations of Cotton

Four generations of KJT Cotton Farmers pose for a picture in one of the family-owned cotton fields. Alfonse Drabek (center back), with his son David to his right, to his left grandson Neil, and his great-grandson Lane.

The Drabek family are all members of KJT Society #90, Rosenberg.
MESSAGE FROM OUR ACTIVITY MANAGER

Happy October everybody! I hope you all are enjoying this cooler weather. I had a busy month in September, and it was great catching up with a lot of KJT members and friends. On September 23rd, Melba and I ventured down to Victoria for a Polka Festival. The Victoria Czech Heritage sponsors this festival. I visited with several KJT members from Society #115. Mr. Lawrence Yanta was busy spinning the wheel for the KJT cake and pastry booth. Mr. Donald Dusek was doing his part keeping the festival running smoothly. It is always a pleasure visiting with members of the societies while enjoying the festival. There is always great music, food, and those tasty cold beverages.

On September 29th, I went to Hallettsville for the Kolache Festival. There was a band playing on each end of their pavilion and the great music brought about a lot of dancing to those polka and waltzes tunes. It is always great to see our KJT members at all these festival. I enjoyed a visit with Nick and Shirley Macik. There were activities for children as well as adults throughout the day. What would a Kolache festival be without all those delicious kolaches and ice cold beverages?

On Sunday, September 30, I was off to Houston for the 55th annual Slavic Festival. The Czechs, Polish, Croats, and Ukrainians are the core cultures of this festival. Each group provides a booth with their authentic foods to enjoy, and each group entertains with their own culture in costumes, music, and dances. Our KJT State office has a booth each year where we hand out information and sell those great KJT cookbooks. I would like to thank Stephanie Prihoda and Patrick Prihoda for their participation in the KJT booth. Rev. Paul Chovanec and his team always host a great Festival. I thank God for all his blessings that allow us to attend and enjoy these Festivals all year. Once again we are still in need of new members. As always thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Fraternal Activity Manager.

Michael Reznicek
Fraternal Activity Manager
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Study Abroad in Prague, the Czech Republic

When: June 26 to July 17 (2019)
Depart US June 26, 2019

Where: Prague, the Czech Republic

Housing: Group participants will be housed in double occupancy unairconditioned dorm. The dorm is situated in the northwestern part of Prague, linked to downtown by bus and subway.

Food Service: Three meals a day will be served.

Czech Language Instruction: Czech classes will be at the agricultural school. The classes are non-credit courses. Arrangements for credit must be made with your university before you depart.

Instructors: Professors will be from Charles University and a linguistic institute in Prague.

For more information email: polasek29@gmail.com or call: Thadious Polasek 979 562 2207

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Consumer Pharmacy Benefits Management

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.

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
During any given week, I hear the terms “1031” or “1033 exchange” used correctly and incorrectly. What are 1031 and 1033 exchanges?

**1031 vs. 1033 Exchanges**

The numbers “1031” and “1033” refer to the Internal Revenue Code Sections 1031 and 1033. Under Section 1031, a properly structured land transaction allows a seller of land, to reinvest the proceeds in a new piece of property and to defer all capital gain taxes. In a 1031 exchange a seller must identify the replacement property within 45 days of the initial sale and then close the purchase of the replacement property within 180 days. Remember 1031 exchanges defer capital gains, not avoid them forever. Also, the sales proceeds from first sale must be held by a qualified intermediary in order to qualify as a 1031 exchange. If you are selling land with a low cost basis and would like to defer capital gains, it may be worth utilizing the 1031 exchange. On the other hand, a Section 1033 exchange applies to land lost through a casualty, theft or condemnation, and realize gain from the insurance or condemnation proceeds. This kind of “forced sale” is often referred to as an “involuntary conversion” and any realized gains from the owner can be deferred if the owner acquires replacement property that is similar to the property that was lost. Typically, the 1033 exchange rules are easier to comply with than those regarding a 1031 exchange, but there are still limitations on which properties qualify as “similar” properties and when those properties must be acquired. Also, the sale proceeds in a 1033 exchange can be held by the owner and not an intermediary until the replacement property is acquired. In a 1033, there is no 45 day identification period. The time frame for acquiring replacement property could be up to 3 years.

Philip J. Hundl is State Attorney for the K.J.T. and a shareholder in the law firm of Wadler, Perches, Hundl & Kerlick with offices in Wharton, El Campo and Richmond, Texas. State 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 attorneys for advice on their particular circumstances. Submit your questions for this column via email to phundl@wphk-law.com or via U.S. Mail to Wadler, Perches, Hundl & Kerlick, Philip J. Hundl, KJT State Attorney c/o KJT Legal Column, 101 W. Burleson Street, Wharton, Texas 77488 or at www.wphk-law.com.

**Czech Heritage Ancestry**

Does anyone in your society stand out for promoting the Czech language or culture? If so, let us know and they may be recognized at the Texans of Czech Ancestry banquet in La Grange coming up in March 2019. Contact Kevin Kana at 979-968-5877.
SEPTEMBER TOP PRODUCERS

Carly Divin
Society #4, Ammannsville
First Place September
Top Producer

Deborah Currey
Society #130, Elgin
Second Place September
Top Producer

Maragaret Hanslik
Society #38, Moulton
Third Place September
Top Producer

Ronnie Hostas
Society #59, Seymour
Fourth Place September
Top Producer

Ted Vitek
Society #112, Austin
Fifth Place September
Top Producer

Daniel Lev
Society #90, Rosenberg
Sixth Place September
Top Producer

Tanner Schlottman
Society #35, Ennis
Seventh Place September
Top Producer

Stephanie Prihoda
Society #46, La Grange
Eighth Place September
Top Producer

Pat Nevlud
Society #121, Katy-Spring Branch
Ninth Place September
Top Producer

Ellen Zdansky
Society #72, Corpus Christi
Tenth Place September
Top Producer

Shirley Pokorney
Society #132, Pflugerville
Application Leader

W.K. Leonard
Society #119, La Marque
Application Leader

Brenda Fietsam
Society #3, Hostyn
New Application Producer-2 months

If you would like more information on how you can become a KJT member, visit our website, www.kjt.net.org and find a representative near you, or give us a call at, 1-800-245-8182.
Bernice Stolarski  
Society #80, Sealy

On September 16, 2018, KJT Society #80, Sealy held its Member Appreciation Day at the Hill Center. The celebration included a catered meal, refreshments of soda, water, and Chex mix snacks. Members participated in group games or played dominoes. A good time was enjoyed by all.

Then, on Sunday, September 30, KJT Society #80, Sealy sponsored the silent auction at the Immaculate Conception Church Bazaar. Over $4,400 was raised from the many items donated by the parishioners. KJT member Barbara Hajdik, chairman of the silent auction, along with some helpers, did a great job setting everything up and running the show.

All proceeds go to the church.
Religious Retirement Donation

KJT Society #139, Bay City

BAY CITY SOCIETY #139
President Larry Browning is shown presenting State Director/Sales Representative Cynthia Nemec with the $500.00 check for the Religious Retirement Fund during the September 24, 2018 society meeting held at the Bay City Columbus Hall meeting room. Also present were (left to right) James Engbrock, vice-president; Vincent Nemec, secretary-treasurer; and Rev. Greg Korenek, chaplain of Society #139.

KJT IN ACTION

75-Year Membership

October 2018

Society #14, Bryan
Charles Zemanek, Sr.

Society #19, Cameron
John Tepera
Raymond Tepera

Society #23, Plum
Benjamin J. Svoboda

Society #28, Granger
Frank Dobias

Society #39, Marak
Jerry Kostroun, Jr.

Society #40, East Bernard
Bernard E. Kruppa

Society #43, Wied
Charles B. Motal

50-Year Membership

October 2018

Society #1, Praha
Randy D. Fajkus

Society #20, Shiner
Larry G. Botard

Society #31, West
Kenneth Hutyra
John W. Mynarcik

Society #35, Ennis
Gary L. Kozlovsky
Kenneth W. Kozlovsky

Society #42, Holman
Clement C. Cernosek Jr.

Society #43, Wied
Leonard S. Pesek Jr.

Society #77, Megargel
Michael L. Matus

Society #102, San Antonio
Troy D. Meuth

Society #107, Abbott
Terry W. Kramolis

Society #111, Dallas
Cassidy R. Adamcik

Society #121, Katy-Spring Branch
Gregory A. Brokmeyer
Stephen C. Brokmeyer

Society #139, Bay City
James Engbrock

25-Year Membership

October 2018

Society #3, Hostyn
Alexandra L. Janda
Wade M. Mozisek
Weston B. Mozisek
Whitney F. Mozisek

Society #6, La Grange
Christopher M. Ellert
Faith M. Kalms
Mike R. Pechal

Society #31, West
Peter J. Johnson

Society #36, Wallis
Samantha K. Zapalac

Society #48, Hillje
Michelle A. Holik

Society #56, Houston
Alyssa N. Perrard
Jessica R. Perrard
Melissa D. Perrard

Society #72, Corpus Christi
Abigayle L. Hoelscher
Sarah A. Hoelscher
Amber N. Partain

Society #90, Rosenberg
Lindsie M. Lev

Society #111, Dallas
Cassidy R. Adamcik
Kyle A. Adamcik
Hannah K. Belota
Emily A. Ellard
Timothy J. Heines

Society #121, Katy-Spring Branch
Gregory A. Brokmeyer
Stephen C. Brokmeyer

Society #139, Bay City
James Engbrock

KJT ANNUITY PORTFOLIO RATES

FPD Annuity 5*/Kapital Account 4*
(Issued on/after June 1, 2018)

Minimum Deposit of $250 to Open Kapital Account or FPDA
(additional premiums are required)
or opening deposit of $500
with no additional premiums required

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**Includes a 1% FIRST year bonus interest rate

IRA 4*/Roth IRA 4*
(Issued on/after June 1, 2018)

Minimum Deposit of $2,000 to Open IRA 4 or Roth IRA 4
Deposits smaller than $25,000 – 3.50%**
Deposits larger than $25,000 – 3.75%**
*Guaranteed Rate 1.50%
**Includes a 1% FIRST year bonus interest rate

***RATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTIFICATION***
**KJT IN ACTION**

**MUZIKY, Continued,**

Band. A third brother, Lawrence Vrazel, Jr. joined them playing drums for the following 12 years. The band that retired in 2009 featured Alfred and Anton Vrazel, Thomas Strmiska, Albert Hesselmer, David Trojacek, and Patrick Strmiska. The band has received numerous awards and recognition, the most recent being inducted into the 2018 Polka Hall of Fame at the KC Hall in Hallettsville.

The Legends Series performance will be followed by a huge Fireworks Finale, sponsored by HEB.

**STROLL THE VILLAGE**

In addition to enjoying the great music, you’re invited to stroll the Czech Village, an early 1900s recreated village complete with residential houses, barns, tavern, sawmill, and general store. Demonstrations of early life for the immigrants will take place throughout the grounds all day, including working in the saw mill, blacksmithing, corn shelling and grinding, hay pressing, and the making of textiles, noodles, sausage, and wine. Children activities will be available as well as Bingo in the Velehrad SPJST Hall. An antique farm equipment show sponsored by the South Texas Wheel Spinners & Crank Twisters Club and an antique car show will spread through the village. Vendors and craft booths will be available for your shopping pleasure. Visit the country store for some good buys, including fresh, stone-ground corn meal for cooking. Plenty of food and cold beverages will be available as well. The Janak Barn & Texas Czech Agricultural Museum displays farm practices and implements from the late 1800s to 1940. The Czech Village houses two music museums. The Czech Music Museum of Texas, located in the Kalich House, features four genres of Czech music – classical, folk, polka, and liturgical. The Polka Lovers Club of Texas Museum, located in the Hoelscher House, features a display of Texas polka bands, as well as memorabilia and photos of the Polka Lovers Klub of America, Texas Chapter.

Inside the TCHCC main center, stop by the Czech Gift Shop to browse the brand-new stock of authentic Czech items, T-shirts, caps, crystal, periodicals, music CDs, and new Christmas decorations for 2018. Watch textile demonstrations of spinning and looming, crochet, and knitting. Enjoy the current exhibits at the center: WWI and the Birth of Czechoslovakia details Czech efforts on the battlefield and Czech Americans on the home front during World War I. Lidice 1942, on loan from the Czech Embassy in Washington, D.C., details the fate of this small village near Prague during WWII. Have you always wondered about your Czech roots? The spacious Melnar Library will offer help with genealogy research. The Hanslik Hall will be the site of the KJT State Taroky Championship. Swing in there and they’ll be happy to teach you this fun card game. Plenty to do for the entire family! Come out and Czech out the fun!

Book your hotel rooms at the Best Western and ask for the TCHCC Fest room block and discount before October 1. Article contributed by Theresa Parker, Texas Polka News.

**VP MESSAGE Continued,**

backpacks, clothes, school supplies, transportation, a tuxedo or prom dress and one day even a wedding. Life goes on once we leave this earth and with the adequate gift of life insurance, your son or daughter will still have the necessities of life (not to mention the needs of your surviving spouse). Love is what fuels the fire that causes people to buy life insurance; it’s not about money. So, in good times and in bad, people will still fall in love, get married, have children, and need to protect their family with life insurance. I am proud to say, KJT has a team in place to serve and help with these insurance needs. So, until people quit falling in love, then my answer to the reoccurring question will
KJT IN ACTION

Matching Grant Donation

KJT Society #131, Manor

ST JOHN NEUMANN
KJT Society #131, Manor participated in the KJT Matching Grant Program at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church in Manor. The local society held a Breakfast Kitchen Fundraiser on August 5th to raise funds for the St. Joseph Religious Education Program. Total funds raised were $432.50, the State KJT added $489.25, for a total of $920.50 for the RE program. Presentation of check to the RE Directors was made on September 16th. Pictured are KJT members Joe Banda and Fina Guajardo and RE Directors Carmen Herrera and Sylvia Rosas.

Join Hands & Flag Day Celebration

KJT Society #115, Victoria

KJT SOCIETY #115, VICTORIA celebrated Join Hand’s Day and Flag Day over the last couple of months in their community. On June 14, 2018, KJT members Donald Dusek, Irene Brosch and Joe Pustka; along with the Veteran’s stood to honor the American Flag at the VFW Hall in Victoria (pictured below). For their Join Hand’s Day activity, KJT Society #115, Victoria joined forces with Victoria’s KJZT Society #101 to participate at the Twin Pines Nursing and Rehab Center. Pictured above left to right are Donald Dusek, William Sneed, Wendy Hrncir, Joe Pustka, Evelyn Dierlam, Rose Pustka, Lillian Berger, Rosie Olsovsky, Irene Brosch, and Carolyn Nevlus.

Reminder:

Please remember to update your records at the KJT Home Office periodically. With the turn of the century, home phone lines are becoming extinct, and most of us use our cell phones as our main lines. It’s important that we have up-to-date communication information here on record. We are proud to personally deliver membership notices, and make it part of our success that we recognize those who have been a part of our organization for so long.

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Charity work has been at the foundation of our fraternity since it first established itself in 1889. KJT has found new and fun ways to help fund organizations that help support those in need. Whether it’s a community project or a state-wide project; we strive to do our part.

Over the next year, KJT will help raise money for the Kids Unlimited Foundation in Houston. KU is a non-profit organization that helps children with cancer escape the world of medication and treatment. They help send children, along with their families, to different events, like fishing tournaments, sporting events, and so much more.

In October, the Home Office hosted the KJT State Charity Golf Scramble in Flatonia, Texas. The day was perfect! With a lot of sunshine and getting caught in the rain on the very last hole, we were able to raise an incredible amount for Kids Unlimited. After registration, buying raffle tickets, and making various donations, KJT presented Kids Unlimited with a check for $4,810.

Peyton Vasquez and Josh Guillory (pictured left) teamed up with Josh’s dad, Jason Guillory, and KU Volunteer Armando Gonzales to represent Kids Unlimited. Joining them were VP of Kids Unlimited, Ken Kasper; KU Volunteer Jimmy Zamarippa; and Peyton’s mother, Jodie Vasquez.

A huge THANK YOU to everybody who was able to make it. Once again, events like these show we are more than just business here at KJT, we are family.
About Kids Unlimited

The Kids Unlimited Foundation is a non-profit organization formed to benefit children stricken with cancer. Kids Unlimited became a 501(c)(3) organization in 1994 when caring individuals, of whom several were parents of children with cancer, founded a grassroots organization with the hope to provide children a reprise from cancer and an opportunity to be free of the harsh treatment regiment. Through these efforts, Kids Unlimited joins over 250 families together for consistent family-oriented activities.

So often, children with a life-threatening disease become caught up in a world of pain, hospitals and limitations. Our foundation focuses on providing family-oriented activities that allow these children to experience a fun outing in an atmosphere of friends where their illness can be forgotten, at least for a while. These events are designed to include the whole family; the patient, siblings and parents. This allows the brothers and sisters to have a family experience beyond the shadow of cancer and gives the parents a much needed respite. We believe the entire family should be included because each member is affected by this illness. We also encourage those families who have lost their child to cancer to remain a part of our foundation as member families and be included in all the family events and activities.

Some of our events include catfish and bass tournaments; outings to the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo, Astros, Dynamo and Rockets games; offshore fishing trips, family camp and holiday parties. We are the only group of its kind in Houston and the surrounding areas which consistently provides “family” activities for kids with cancer.

First Place Winners:
Andy Janda, Gary Cerny, Perry Muras, Ernie Mensik

Second Place Winners:
Pat Prihoda, Tom Svec, JB Wellborn, Charlie Cernoch

Third Place Winners:
Neil Hart, James Belota, Tim Coyne, Matt Prasifka

Longest Drive and Closest to the Pin: Joseph Zapiotpek
Longest Putt: Adam Kozel

If you would like more information about Kids Unlimited and how you can help, please visit their website at www.kidsunlimited.org/index.html
NEW MEMBER

KJT Society #20, Shiner would like to welcome their newest member, Liam Thomas Berger. He is the son of Thomas and Sara (Janak) Berger. His grandparents are Patrick # Dolores Janak and Mary Ann Berger and the late Ernest Berger Sr., and great-grandmother is Rita Janak.

The Janak and Berger Families are all members of KJT Society #20, Shiner.

Bexar Czech / Slovak Festival
Sunday Oct. 28, 2018
11:30- 4:00 p.m.

Join us for our annual Bexar County Czech Heritage Day Celebration.
Dance to the Music of Fritz Hodde & Fabulous Six

Enjoy a traditional Czech dinner of sausage, Czech potatoes, green beans sauerkraut, peaches, Czech Kolaches & Desserts also for sale.

Culture / Genealogy Displays

Admission $5.00 (children 12 & under Free)
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Easy Potato Soup

Margaret Hanslik
KJT Society #38, Moulton

16 oz. frozen hash brown potatoes
1 c. onions, chopped
14 1/2 oz. ready to serve chicken broth
2 c. water
10 1/2 oz. cream of celery soup, undiluted
2 c. milk
Garnish: shredded cheddar cheese, diced cooked ham or bacon

Combine potatoes, onion, broth and water in a Dutch oven; bring to a boil. Cover, reduce heat and simmer 10 minutes. Stir in soup and milk. Heat thoroughly. Garnish if desired.

Carrot Cake

Rebecca Till
KJT Society #43, Wied

Cake:
4 eggs
2 c. sugar
1 1/2 c. oil
2 tsp. soda
1 tsp. salt
2 tsp. cinnamon
2 c. flour
3 c. carrots, grated

Icing:
8 oz. pkg. cream cheese
2 c. powdered sugar
1/2 c. pecans, chopped
2 T. margarine
1/2 tsp. vanilla

CAKE: Beat together eggs and sugar until fluffy. Then add oil and mix together. Add all dry ingredients and mix well. Fold in carrots. Pour cake mix in greased and floured pan and bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes. ICING: Mix together the icing ingredients and spread on cool cake.
SOCIETY MINUTES

KJT Society #31, West
Georgie Nors, Reporter

West KJT Society #31 and
West KJZT #11 joined to-
gether to have a Corporate
Communion Mass on Sep-
tember 9, 2018, at the 8:00
A.M. Mass. After the Mass,
Coffee and Kolaches were
served.

Secretary Cathy Kraemer
read the minutes of the June
meeting. A drawing for the
attendance prizes was held
next, and Michael Kraemer
and Sherry Pavlas were the
winners.

Due to the absence of Trea-
surer Robert Nors, Cathy
Kraemer gave the financial
report. He had also noted
that $127.50 was spent on
shirts, before the conven-
tion, paid 2 Scholarships at
$250.00 each, spent $132.72
on a Church Auction item,
and paid $400 to Westfest for
½ cost of the fans for
mass.

There was some discussion
on the increase cost of the
fans for the Westfest Mass.
Our part went up from $270
to $400. Michael Kraemer
noted that Westfest decid-
ed to get more fans this year
but didn't tell us up front.
President Kraemer will dis-

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dent Kraemer reported on
the State Convention that
was held in Houston in July,
the State Family Day held
at the KJT Activity center
in La Grange on July 29th,
and the Church Festival
and Auction held on August
12th. West KJT Society #31
was in charge of the Auc-
tion.

Under new business, was
some discussion on the Fall
Hamburger Fundraiser. Af-
der some discussion, it was
decided to not have a hamb-
ger fundraiser this fall.
Breakfast was scheduled for
the October 14th meeting,
but that weekend the Man's
ACTS Retreat will be re-
turning, and they will need

St. Stephen's KJT #112 Austin
Sarah Vitek, Reporter

The meeting of St. Stephen’s
KJT #112 was held on
Thursday, October 11, 2018,
at Sacred Heart Church.
President Michael Hyzak
opened the meeting with a
prayer followed by the
Pledge of Allegiance. TVP
Annie Hyzak sent a get-well
card to Bernard Tupa, who
recently was in an auto acci-
dent. Bernard, we hope and
pray that you are healing and
getting better each day.

Six of our members vol-
unteer for a work day at
Down Home Ranch near El-
gin. Poinsettias were plant-
ed and moved to the green
house. The volunteers were
Nick and Shirley Macik,
Anne Hyzak, Vlasta Vitek,
Ted and Sarah Vitek.

The annual raffle ticket drive
has begun. Thanks to the
Maciks for doing the mail-
outs. This annual fund-rais-
er benefits the Priests and
Clergy Retirement Fund and
the Education of the Semi-
narians. We encourage all
our members to please be
generous in supporting this
cause. President Hyzak will
contact St. Albert's to see when
the society can have a Cor-
porate Communion, prefer-
ably in November.

The joint KJT/KJZT Christ-
mas party will be on Sat-

day, December 1 beginning
at 6 PM at St. Louis's
Wozniak Hall. Invitation
will be going out in No-

price of chicken. Hostyn has
been booked for cutting up
veggies & also cooking the
dinner. David Wagner will
check with Debbie Greene
regarding SHOCK kids sell-
ing tickets and bake sale.

Tabled for October meeting – Veteran's Day Program
at Sacred Heart and annual Christmas party.
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 above.

May their souls rest in peace.

Virginia Mary Pustka, 78, of Wied, passed away Oct. 8, 2018. She was born on Oct. 27, 1939 to Julius J. & Helen Woitaske Grahmann in Hallettsville. She married John P. Pustka on April 29, 1961 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Hallettsville. She was a member of KJT & KJZT of Wied, Catholic Daughters of Americas of Hallettsville, Christian Mothers of Hallettsville, Altar Society of Shiner, Catholic Life Insurance, and Saints Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church of Shiner.

Virginia is survived by: son Robert “Skeeter” Pustka & wife Debbie of Wied; 3 daughters, Jane Labay & husband Duane of Hallettsville, Rebecca Till & husband Michael of Wied, and Karen “Shorty” Pustka of Wied; brother Andrew J. Grahmann of Stafford; 4 sisters, Frances Hanslik of Hallettsville, Irene Barton of Koerth, Gertrude Janak of Hallettsville, and Mary Bruening of Shelby; 6 grandchildren, Jessica Conway (Dylan), Hillary Zarosky (Marcus), Amber Labay, and Derrick Labay; and 4 great grandchildren, Cayden & Kyndal Conway, and McKenna & Kennedy Zarosky.

Virginia was preceded in death by: Husband John; parents; brother David J. Grahmann; and 2 sisters, Thelma Spies and Viola Grahmann.
SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Congratulations
2018-2019 Catholic School Tuition Grant Recipients.
We hope you all have an amazing school year!

Society #1, Praha
John Okruhlik
Society #3, Hostyn
Dillon Goedrich
Luke Goedrich
Anthony Janda
Kirtley Kallus
Kenlie Kallus
Society #4, Ammannsville
Natalie Osina
Tenley Zbranek
Alyssa Zbranek
Society #13, Yoakum
Timothy Belicek
Gregory Belicek
Chloe Belicek
Audrey Belicek
Society #14, Bryan
Sarah Boriskie
Society #35, Ennis
William Peter Skrivanek
Wyatt Skrivanek
Society #20, Shiner
Gabe Darilek
Macy Grabarkievitz
Grady Kocian
Zach Kocian
Ted Machacek
Julia Machacek
Sally Machacek
Faith Machart
Cody Malinovsky
Matthew Malinovsky
Jacey Picha
Stefany Pokluda
Mallory Pokluda
Society #28, Granger
Johnnie “J.D” Morgan
Society #121, Katy-Spring Branch
Jack Okruhlik
Kyle Okruhlik
Society #43, Wied
Jacob Motal
Lacie Oliveraz
Easton Oliveraz
Ashlyn Pesek
Cameron Pesek
Society #48, Hillje
Kinsley Koudela
Konley Socha
Kade Townsend
Society #76, Dime Box
Langtry Blankenburg
Briscoe Blankenburg
Trinity Blankenburg
Society #80, Sealy
Myah Kuenstler
Society #84, El Campo
Ashley Fisher
Addisyn Fisher
Elizabeth Leopold
Society #90, Rosenberg
Katie Redding
Logan Vacek
Society #111, Dallas
Channing Roberts
Jayc Roberts
Society #112, Austin
Blake Adams
Aiden Adams
Renae Friesenhahn
Katherine Hyzak
Sophia Hyzak
Society #126, New Braunfels
Emma Arismendez
Society #132, Pflugerville
Cade Shirocky
Conor Shirocky
Society #134, Round Rock
Jenice Tomasek
Juliann Tomasek

Thank You Letters

I would like to thank the KJT State Office for the gracious scholarship they presented to me in the amount of $1500.00. Thank you so much for your generosity. It is very much appreciated and will aid in furthering my education at Texas State University.

Cameron Pavlicek
### Activity Page

**BE STRONGER THAN YOU WERE YESTERDAY**

**Brain Riddle**

What can be seen once in a minute, twice in a moment, but never in a thousand years?

**Answer:** The letter "m".

**DID YOU KNOW?**

11% of people are left handed.

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**TCHCC Heritage Fest & Muziky**  
**Fest & Muziky**  
October 19-20, 2018  
**Details on p. 20**

**KJT STATE TAROCK TOURNAMENT**  
October 20, 2018  
KJT Society #87, Jourdanton  
**Turkey Bingo**  
Sunday, October 21, 2018  
**Details on p. 20**

**KJT Society #129, Schulenburg**  
Quarterly Meeting  
Sunday, October 21, 2018  
2:00 p.m.  
Location: James & Carolyn Prihoda's  
2421 Fm 2672  
Schulenburg, Texas 78956

**Daylight Savings Time**  
November 4, 2018

**Veteran’s Day**  
November 11, 2018

**DISTRICT VIII FALL SOCIAL**  
Sun., November 11, 2018  
Frenstat Activity Center  
District VIII members, their families and guests are welcome! Registration will being at 11:30 AM. The wonderful turkey and dressing meal will be served at 12:00 noon. Due to limited funds we will have to charge $5.00 per adult and $3.00 for 12 and under for the meal. A short meeting will follow. Donations of door prizes from your society are welcome. District VIII will provide all the food, drink and dessert. Please call Linda Gaas (979-596-2606) or Hubert Polansky at (979-567-3508) with the number of persons from your society that will be attending. This can be emailed as well lindamgaas@gmail.com or polanskys@msn.com.

**Veteran’s Day**  
November 11, 2018

**KJT Society #122, Freeport**  
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**KJT Society #3, Hostyn**  
Society Meeting  
Sun., November 18, 2018  
After Mass - 9:30  
Hostyn Parish Hall  
Christmas Door Prizes

**Happy Thanksgiving**  
November 23, 2018
KJT Society #72, Corpus Christi-Matching Grant Bake Sale Saturday & Sunday, December 1st & 2nd, 2018 @ 2:00 Location: St. Thomas More Catholic Church

KJT Society #46, La Grange-Christmas Social & Society Meeting, December 1, 2018 @ the Msgr. Harry Parish Center. Registration and social after the 5 p.m. Mass followed by a catered meal.

KJT Society #3, Hostyn December 1, 2018 KJT/KJZT Christmas Party Hosyn Parish Hall Starts at 6 p.m. Meal/Games/Santa

KJT Society #56, Houston KJT Society #121, Katy-Spring Branch Christmas Social & Society Meeting, December 2, 2018 Society #121 will be hosting the combined party. Party will start around 2:00 pm, followed by social, caroling and meal. We encourage all members to mark the date and plan to attend and be involved. The Christmas party will be held at St Jerome Catholic Church in there outback house/room which is located behind the church across the parking lot.

KJT Society #13, Yoakum-Annual Christmas Party Sunday, December 2, 2018 after 9:00 a.m. Mass, at the St. Joseph Family Center. Annual Christmas Brunch, Christmas Program provided by the youth members. Visit with St. Nick and Christmas goodies. A short meeting will be included.

KJT Society #121, Christmas Social Sunday, December 2, 2018 @ 2:00 Location: Moravian Center. Registration and social after 9:00 a.m. Mass, at the St. Joseph Family Center. Annual Christmas Brunch, Christmas Program provided by the youth members. Visit with St. Nick and Christmas goodies. A short meeting will be included.

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KJT Society #72, Corpus Christi-Society Meeting & Christmas Party Sunday, December 2, 2018 @ 2:00 Location: Moravian Hall

KJT Society #12, Frenstat Society Meeting Mon. December 3, 2018 The meeting will be at the Holy Rosary Activity Center at 6:00 p.m. for our annual stew meal and a short meeting. Instead of door prizes, you can bring food items for Sam’s House in Somerville.

St. Nicholas Visits Thurs. Dec. 6, 2018

Pearl Harbor Day Fri. December 7, 2018 Feast of Immaculate Conception Sat. December 8, 2018

KJT Society #87, Jourdanton-Annual Christmas Party Sunday, December 2, 2018 KJT/KJZT Annual Christmas Social, 12:15 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., St. Matthew’s Parish Hall -

KJT Society #63, Smithville’s Meeting/Christmas Party Thurs. December 6, 2018 7:00 pm in the KC House. Meal to be catered and all who want to participate in gift giving game please bring a $10 gift; also bring food items for the Smithville Food Pantry.

This is the Society’s 2nd Youth Activity of 2017. Members asked to be there @ 10:30 a.m. to help.

KJT Society #72, Corpus Christi-Society Meeting & Christmas Party Sunday, December 2, 2018 @ 2:00 Location: Moravian Hall

KJT Society #129, Schulenburg-Society Meeting Sun December 16, 2018

St. Mikulas Youth Social Sat, December 8, 2018, Centennial Room, After 5:30 Mass~6:30 PM Holy Family Catholic Church, 1510 Fifth Street, Missouri City, TX 77489

KJT Society #31, West-Society Meeting Sun, December 9, 2018 Christmas Program and Meal at 2:00 p.m.

KJT Society #112, Austin-Quarterly Meeting Wednesday, January 9, 2019 Classroom No. 5

KJT Society #112, Austin-Society Meeting Dec. 13, 6:30 p.m. reception room at Sacred Heart Church

KJT Society #129, Schulenburg-Society Meeting Sun, December 16, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

KJT Society #139, Bay City-Society Meeting December 17, 2018 Location and Time will be determined at a later date.

St. John’s KJT TURKEY DINNER WITH HOMEMADE DRESSING NOVEMBER 11, 2018 HUNGERFORD HALL

SERVING BEGINS AT 10:30 DINE IN OR DRIVE THRU

26th Annual Ellinger Chamber of Commerce POLKA FEST Sunday, Dec. 2, 2018

Mass 10 a.m.
Fried Chicken & Sausage Lunch Dine In Following Mass & To Go Starting 10:30 a.m.

Adults - $10 / Children (12 & Under) - $5

Dancing from 12:30 – 5:30 p.m.

DUJKA BROTHERS and RED RAVENS

Dance Tickets - - $10

Doors Open at 9 a.m.
Silent Auction
Chamber of Commerce Hall, Ellinger, TX ellenertexas.com

Merry Christmas
Happy New Year!!

KJT Society #87, Jourdanton- FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING Wednesday, January 9, 2019 Society No. 87’s FIRST Regular Meeting of 2019 7:30 p.m., Formation Center of St. Matthew Religious Ed. Facility, Classroom No. 5

KJT Society #12, Frenstat Red Raven Polka Dance Benefiting the Priest Retirement Fund January 12, 2019 the annual Polka Dance in Frenstat benefiting the Priest Retirement Fund. Doors open at 5:30 and hamburgers will be on sale at 6:00. Dance begins at 7:00 until 11:00.
Please help us find members that no longer have a correct address on file with the KJT. If you have information concerning any of the names listed below, please call the Home Office at 800.245.8182.

Society #107, Abbott
Dale E. Sulak

Society #111, Dallas
David W. Cepak
Robert L. Woods
Michael A. Zmolik

Society #112, Austin
Jeffery W. Cervenka
James A. Maxa
Mark A. Mills
Theresa L. Muzia