STATE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

42nd KJT General Convention

proceedings of the convention in the August issue of the KJT News. We look forward to seeing all of the delegates and their guests in Houston.

State Family Day

Upon returning from the convention, we will begin readying ourselves for our annual State Family Day to be held at the KJT Activity and Fraternal Center in La Grange on Sunday, July 29. We will begin the day with Holy Mass at 11:30 a.m. and a pork bbq dinner to follow. For entertainment, we will have the Accordion Cowboy, Chris Rybak, along with water slides and face painting for the kids. Come out and join us!!!

11th Annual KJT Golf Tournament

The 11th Annual KJT State Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday, October 6, 2018 at the Flatonia Golf Course in Flatonia, Texas located at 1245 Hwy 90 East. More information on the course is available at: www.flatoniagolf.com

Proceeds from the tournament will benefit Kids Unlimited Foundation, one of KJT’s statewide charities for 2018. Kids Unlimited Foundation focuses on providing family-oriented activities where children with cancer can get their minds off of their illness, at least for a while. You can find more information on Kids Unlimited at www.kidsunlimited.org.

We will play a 4 person scramble format at $250 per team which includes mulligans. Carts will need to be paid for separately at the clubhouse. Call to reserve your team’s spot in the tournament. We are looking for a big turnout and look forward to seeing everyone there!

Collin Reedy Receives Agnes Pokorney Memorial Scholarship

Shirley Pokorney
KJT Society #132, Pflugerville

It would be totally inaccurate to say that Pflugerville Society 132 gave Collin Reedy their Agnes Pokorney Memorial Scholarship as he truly earned it! One would be hard pressed to find a more industrious worker or a more well-rounded individual for the $1,500 award. This diligent student attained National Honor Society status and received multiple Science and Engineering Awards in addition to serving as a captain on the football team and running varsity track. In spite of a crowded school schedule, Collin had already figured out that it is important to reserve some time for service to others. His impressive resume includes varied leadership roles in his church and extensive volunteerism in his community, as well as countless hours over the years devoted to KJT activity that included pancake breakfasts, chili bingos and stuffing and distributing raffle ticket envelopes. Unbelievably, he still made time to work as a life guard to help finance his college tuition. We know this amazing self-starter will create his own luck, so instead we congratulate and wish him incredible success at Texas A&M on his path to bettering our world as a future construction engineer.

Collin Reedy enthusiastically accepts his KJT Society 132 Agnes Pokorney Memorial Scholarship award from program administrator Shirley Pokorney.
EDITOR'S NOTE

Convention Time!! Camp Time!! Family Day!!

STEPHANIE PRIHODA
Director of
Media and Marketing

Wow!! All of this is happening so quickly, and I’m so excited to get started! As this newspaper hits the press, I will be heading to Houston for the 42nd KJT General Convention. I have prepared a social media lecture to help our members better understand the importance of social media and where our organization is headed with technology. For those of you not attending the convention, if you are interested and would like to know more about this topic, feel free to contact me here at the home office, and I will be more than welcome to go over my lecture with you. All of our break-out sessions will be recorded, and access to them will be available after the convention.

As for KJT Summer Camp, I’m ready to polka around the dance floor! This will be my FIRST family day I get to enjoy for the entire day! Can you tell I’m excited? As a reminder, I will be out of the office until July 30th.

God Bless,
Stephanie Prihoda

Up Next...

Where you can find me hanging out...

- July 19th-July 21st: State Convention
- July 22nd-26th: KJT Youth Summer Camp
- July 26th-29th: KJT Teen Summer Camp
- July 29th: KJT State Family Day

Check us out on these other Social Media Connections:

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August Stories:

Catch Up on Convention and Camp

KJT
Catholic Union of Texas
MICHAEL REZNICEK  
**KJT Fraternal Activity Manager**

**Wrapping Up July with Convention**

Happy Summer everyone! I was able to kick off June with another great Kolache Klobase Festival hosted by Society #40 in East Bernard on June 9th. Society President Big Ed Marik and all the society members worked very hard, as always, to make this a success. KJT President Chris Urban, Vice President David Wagner, State Director Margaret Holik and husband Charles, State Media Director Stephanie Prihoda and her three children and myself had a great time. It took all of us since the home office hosted the second annual kolache eating contest. Oh what fun it was. Thank you, Society #40, for your wonderful hospitality.

For the 4th of July my family and I worked the celebration in Round Top. The Round Top Rifle Association hosted the annual 4th of July celebration. The proceeds are used to maintain the historic hall and grounds. It was a great day even with the rain. There were over a hundred parade entries, music, bar-b-que beef, pork and sausage with all the trimmings and plenty of cold beverages.

As this article is being written our sites are on the 42nd KJT General Convention. This is always a great convention taking care of business and having some fun in between. I ask each and every one to continue to recruit new members and keep several of your member benefit flyers handy.

As always thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Fraternal Activity Manager.

Michael Reznicek  
Fraternal Activity Manager  
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Would you or members of your family be interested in learning Czech from the comfort of your home? The Schulenburg Campus of Blinn College is offering Czech language classes via synchronous learning - in a live, on line classroom. Students are able to join the class from any location where they have access to high-speed internet. Our instructor, Thadious Polasek, has been teaching Czech for 35 years at both high school and college level. Elements of Moravian dialects will also be covered in class.

Please let your friends know that the following classes will be offered:

- Czech Beginner class starting on September 12 and ending December 5, 2018;
- Czech Intermediate Starting on September 11 and ending on December 4, 2018;
- Advanced Czech beginning on October 2 and ending on November 20, 2018.

For more information visit [http://www.blinn.edu/schulenburg/czech.html](http://www.blinn.edu/schulenburg/czech.html)  
To register for the Czech class call Loraine Orellana, Coordinator of Distance and Community Education, Blinn College, Schulenburg, at 979.743.5237.
MESSAGE FROM OUR SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR

“A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon beneath her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.” (Rev 12:1)

August 15 is the Catholic Church’s celebration of when “the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.” This is the dogma of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary as infallibly defined by Pope Pius XII in his papal bull, Munificentissimus Deus, on November 1, 1950.

How does the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary apply to our daily lives? According to Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI:

By contemplating Mary in heavenly glory, we understand that the earth is not the definitive homeland for us either, and that if we live with our gaze fixed on eternal goods we will one day share in this same glory and the earth will become more beautiful.

Consequently, we must not lose our serenity and peace even amid the thousands of daily difficulties. The luminous sign of Our Lady taken up into Heaven shines out even more brightly when sad shadows of suffering and violence seem to loom on the horizon.

We may be sure of it: from on high, Mary follows our footsteps with gentle concern, dispels the gloom in moments of darkness and distress, reassures us with her motherly hand.

Supported by awareness of this, let us continue confidently on our path of Christian commitment wherever Providence may lead us. Let us forge ahead in our lives under Mary’s guidance [General Audience, August 16, 2006].

This is why, with Holy Mother Church, on August 15 we pray: “Almighty ever-living God, who assumed the Immaculate Virgin Mary, the Mother of your Son, body and soul into heavenly glory, grant, we pray, that always attentive to the things that are above we may merit to be sharers of her glory.”

Father Bob Knippenberg
State Spiritual Director

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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Ronnie Hostas
Society #59, Seymour
- Third Place June Top Producer

Ted Vitek
Society #112, Austin
- Fourth Place June Top Producer

Daniel Lev
Society #90, Rosenberg
- Fifth Place June Top Producer

Stephanie Prihoda
Society #46, La Grange
- Sixth Place June Top Producer

Tanner Schlottman
Society #35, Ennis
- Seventh Place June Top Producer
- New Application Producer- 4 months
- New Member Application- 4 months

Albert Sustala
Society #80, Sealy
- Eighth Place June Top Producer
- New Application Producer- 4 months
- New Member Application- 4 months

Eugene Maroul
Society #107, Abbott
- Ninth Place June Top Producer

Ernest Bezdek, Sr.
Society #31, West
- Tenth Place June Top Producer

Ellen Zdansky
Society #72, Corpus Christi
- New Application Producer – 162 months
- New Members Application- 159 months

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WELCOME TO OUR SALES FORCE

Taylor Ivy Joins the KJT Team

DAVID WAGNER
STATE VICE PRESIDENT

The Catholic Union of Texas, the KJT, is excited to announce our newest agent, Taylor D. Ivy. Taylor was born and raised in Hungerford, Texas where he graduated from Boling High School. After graduation, Taylor attended Wharton County Junior College and graduated with an Associate of Arts degree with a concentration in Agriculture. He is the general manager at the Hungerford CO-OP Farm and Ranch Store and a local volunteer fireman. Taylor married Ashley (Pietzsch) and currently lives in Hungerford. They have just welcomed a little boy, Jaxton, into this world. Taylor is excited and looks forward to this new endeavor of being an insurance representative for the KJT. He is currently a member of Hungerford Society #79. Welcome aboard Taylor!

Flag Day Celebration

KJT Society #114, Temple

On Thursday, June 14, 2018, KJT Society #114, Temple held a Flag Day ceremony at Saint Mary’s Catholic Church in Temple to honor our Nation’s flag. In 1897, the governor of New York proclaimed a Flag Day ceremony for the first time as an annual event in the state. President Woodrow Wilson established Flag Day as an annual national celebration in his proclamation issued on May 30, 1916, and a Flag Day celebration to honor our nation’s flag has been held on June 14 of each year since that date.

Pictured left to right: KJT Society #114 President, Eugene Pavlat; Society Secretary, James Hosch; Father Steve Sauser; St. Mary’s Catholic School Principal, Theresa Wyles; St. Mary’s School Faculty Member, Deanna Cayce; Society Treasurer, Estelle Simonton; St. Mary’s Faculty Member, Dr. Lucie Menivar; Society Vice-President, Edwin Vasicek.
KJT IN ACTION

District V Family Fun Day

Joseph Block
Society #35, Ennis President

We would like say thank you to Robert Slovak for the use of his farm for the days activities of the annual District V Family Fun Day and meeting. Everyone had a great time with a great turn out of the members. Competition was tough in the fishing contest, but the fun was exciting for the winners. Thank you Dallas Society for the preparations for the day of cooking and making sure everyone was well fed. Thank you Mike Landsfeld for all that you have done for District V, hope you have room for the plaque to hang on your wall. Thanks to all that participated and the opportunity for everyone to visit with one another. As always, thank you for another successful year.
KJT IN ACTION

Flags for Veterans

Sealy KJT Society #80 paid homage to the American flag on Saturday, June 9, and Sunday, June 10, in honor of Flag Day with a special program at all three Masses at the Sealy Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. The society placed a patriotic floral arrangement on the altar, and the Sunday 9 a.m. Mass was for living and deceased society members.

KJT Society #80, Sealy

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

KJT Society #80 wishes to extend an extra special thank you to Fourth Degree KC’s: Joe Lemos, Dustin Konesheck, Randy Cernosek, Darrin Koym, Joe Marusik, Abraham Carrillo, Raul Rosas, Third Degree, Samuel Acosta, Jr., Isidro Garcia, and lectors, Mark Stolarski, Carolyn Bilski, and Elsa Sanchez, as well as the music and song leaders.
KJT IN ACTION

Flag Day Celebration

KJT Society #141, Georgetown

On June 14, 2018, we celebrated Flag Day. Members of KJT Society #141, Georgetown and KJZT Society #130 gathered around the bell that on May 3, 1931, which was located on top of the original St. Helen Catholic Church in Georgetown. It now sits outside the east entrance of our current church on Highway 29 in Georgetown. Afterward, we met at the Sirloin Stockade in Taylor Tx.

Pictured below (front Row L-R) Dan Berto, Treasurer; Rick Nemec, Vice President; Jeanette Nemec, Secretary; Virginia Berto, Gary Gentz, President; Daphne Gentz, Pat Gregoire, and Lillian Naizer, (Back Row L-R) Pat Ermis, Larry Gregoire, Mary K Marusak and George Marusak.

KJT Society #129 Participates in Flag Day

KJT Society #129, Schulenburg

St. Augustine Society #129 in Schulenburg participated in the annual Schulenburg Memorial Day celebration held on May 28 for their Flag Day activity. Society members handed out bottled water to the attendees.

(l-r) Matthew, Nickolas and Shantelle Prihoda and Paul Rogers, (not pictured) Joanna Rogers.
A few short years ago, Army Veteran Leon Meismer, husband of Anita Meismer of Nada, spent countless hours watching over and maintaining the Veteran memorial that stands at the entrance of Nada, Texas. This memorial marks the honor and memory of Veterans in the surrounding area. One might ask themselves why such manpower is put into a project this small. Time spent maintaining proper lighting and manicuring the lawn around it seems like a lot of work for a small statue, but for most, there is a much deeper meaning behind that memorial, and I had the honor to sit among some of these men and women to hear their stories.

June 14, 2018, I visited with a few of the Veteran’s of Nada and Garwood at their annual Veteran’s luncheon that is hosted by the Nada-Garwood “Gadabouts.” The “Gababouts,” a small, local organization that was organized to raise funds for the Nada-Garwood Memorial site. What once stood as an eyesore to town visitors soon became full of life honoring the Veterans of the surrounding area.

Sitting among these heroes, a few of these men were happy to tell me a small part of their adventures serving time in the military. I spoke with members of all the military branches, and while their stories were different, the love for their country and the pride they carried with their duties remained the same.

Anita Meismer shares her story of her husband, USA Army Veteran Leon Meismer and the story behind the Nada-Garwood Veterans Memorial.

My late husband, Leon Meismer, was a US ARMY Staff Sergeant, January 1951 - 1952. Leon served in the Army and was attached to the Army Corp Engineers. He was later assigned to serve with the Special Category Army Personnel with Air Force (SCARWAF). This unit was a trained group of Aviation Engineers to provide operational control for construction of the single largest airfield in Osan, Korea. After the group was there less than a month the North Korean tanks crossed the 38th Parallel. Company A, 802 Engineer Aviation Battalion found only two airfields in all of Korea that were suited for high-performance aircraft. The SCARWAF units immediately began adding extensions to the Korean airfields to accommodate air crafts, such as the F-86 C-124’s. In a very short time, the North Korean’s advancement forced the SCARWAF units to fight. The SCARWAF units forced the North Korean’s to retreat. The 9,000-foot concrete runway project was resumed and could support aircraft at 17 tons loaded. During one of the battle conflicts, Leon was wounded. He didn’t remember much from this time, but he did remember that he resumed back to his unit without taking any time off. However, he carried his battle scar wounds for the rest of his life.

Leon was discharged from the Army in December 1952 with the rank of Staff Sergeant. He returned to his hometown of Nada and was married to his wife, Anita by his uncle, Right Reverend A.A. Leopold of San Antonio.

They celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on March 1, 2014. They had four children: Michael, deceased, Patrick,
Alvin Faichtinger, US Navy Veteran and 75-year member of KJT. Mr. Faichtinger took a selfie with me, Stephanie Prihoda, while he shared his Navy stories with me. His job in the Navy was to work on aircrafts. (pictured left)

Mr. Lawrence Berger, US Army Veteran.
Mr. Berger served 16 months in Korea. (Pictured below)

Bruce, and a daughter Gi, several grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

Leon was a lifelong Catholic, member of the Knights of Columbus, KJT Society #34, Nada, and many community projects, including the building the Veteran's Memorial Park at the entrance to Garwood.

The Memorial was funded by the late Alfred Prihoda, a WWII veteran, and monetary donations by Leon and his family. Many of the community agreed that the park was in real need of cleaning and repairs. The efforts of these men and businesses, volunteers were able to secure the needed manual labor to bring an unsightly area to a wonderful and beautiful tribute to these two men, Alfred Prihoda and Leon Meismer, along with other area Veterans.

The efforts of the Nada Garwood "Gadabouts" help to maintain the area by securing funds from some community members to keep the area beautifully maintained. Leon Meismer's wife, Anita, serves as president of the organization and makes sure that the United States Flag is erected and well lit at all times with the help of Wharton County Electric Cooperative, Veteran Frank Jason Wessellski, and longtime supporters, Mike Kunz, his son Rowdy and Leon's son Pat Meismer and son Jody.

If anyone is in or passing through the Garwood area, please take a moment to say Thank You to some valued United States Veterans and those who served and paid the ultimate sacrifice.

Pictured above, Anita Meismer and members and volunteers of the Nada-Garwood "Gadabouts"

KJT Members and "Gadabout" volunteers Leona and Jim Brzozowski and Clem Korenek (pictured left)
Dear Mr. Urban,

As a recipient of the 2018 KJT scholarship, I wanted to thank you for funding this scholarship, and for selecting me to be a recipient. I have decided to attend A&M University at College Station this fall. I have a student scheduling conference scheduled for early July, and am very excited to begin my college career. I will go to Germany for the month of June as an exchange student, and then come home ready to begin at the university. I look forward to keeping you updated on my progress! Thanks to this scholarship, I will be able to focus more on my studies, as well as be able to reduce my hours for my part-time job.

Thank you again for investing in students like me, and I know one day I’ll be able to give back to the community and my church because of it.

Sincerely,

Erin Risinger
Round Rock High School Senior ‘18

Dear KJT,

Thank you for awarding me a $600 KJT Memorial Scholarship. As I start this new phase of my life, I am excited about attending TSTC-Waco. Your generosity and assistance is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Devin Sombera
Society No. 60, Tours

P. O. Box 297
La Grange, TX 78945

Dear Mr. Urban:

I would like to thank The KJT for offering a scholarship program to its members, and for recently selecting me as a recipient. I would also like to thank Mr. Larry Kuciembia for presenting the scholarship certificate to me.

My plans for the 2018-2019 school year are to attend the Texas A&M Engineering Academy at Blinn College in Brenham, Texas. I am very excited about starting college, and sincerely appreciate all the support and opportunities The KJT has given me, both as a child and now as an adult.

Yours truly,

Justin Redding

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am writing to thank you for your generous $1500 scholarship. I was very excited and greatly appreciative to learn that I was selected as one of the recipients of the KJT state scholarship.

I will be attending Wharton County Junior College in the fall, focusing on basic courses. Once I have completed the basic courses, I plan to transfer to Texas State University in San Marcos and pursue a career in physical therapy.

By awarding me this scholarship, you have lightened my financial burden which allows me to focus more on the most important aspect of school, learning. Your generosity has inspired me to help others and give back to the community. I hope one day I will be able to help students achieve their goals just as you have helped me.

Sincerely,

William Bohsoapk

KJT Catholic Union of Texas

I was excited to hear my name called to receive your scholarship at Louise USDA awards banquet. It will be an honor to pursue my goal of becoming an X-Ray Technician with the scholarship I received. I am so very bound and will use the money for all my expenses. I need here. Thank you so much for selecting me as one of your scholarship recipients.

with much appreciation,

Sarae Bransford
Louise High School Senior
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Chicken Casserole

Anna Pesek
KJT Society #72, Corpus Christi

6-10 Chicken thighs, boneless & skinless
1 lg or 2 sm. onions, chopped
6 - 8 potatoes, peeled and cut up
salt and pepper, to taste
2 cans of cream of chicken soup
Water, 1 soup can
Vegetables of your choice, optional

Layer chicken, onions and potatoes in baking pan. Mix soup and water and pour over chicken, onions and potatoes. Bake at 350 degrees until chicken is done (about 2 hours).

Texas Tavern Burgers

Carolyn L. King
KJT Society #16, Wallis

2 lbs. ground chuck
1 med. onion, chopped
10 1/2 oz can of tomato soup
1 tsp. salt
1/4 c. catsup
1 tsp. chili powder
1/2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
1 tsp. black pepper

**SOCIETY MINUTES**

**KJT Society #129, Schuenburg**

James Prihoda, Treasurer

St. Augustine KJT Society #129, Schuenburg held their quarterly meeting May 20, 2018 at James and Carolyn Prihoda’s residence. Society Vice President Patrick Prihoda opened the meeting in absence of the President with prayer. The register showed eight members were present. The minutes of the March 20th meeting and financial reports were given. Under communication the Home Office sent society #129 results for the Level 1 recognition and award, growth incentive award, 2% refund on 2017 premiums and a $100.00 award for the youth having two or more activities during the year. The Home Office also sent the $500 Matching Grant check based on our Matching Grant Turkey Shoot held on April 8, 2018. St. Augustine #129 Catholic Education Grant request from St. Rose School was approved and the $500 check was enclosed. St. Rose School sent a Thank You letter for the $500 Catholic Education Grant, and St. Michael’s School sent a Thank You letter for the $700 Matching Grant given to the school.

Under old business, the matching grant turkey shoot report was given with a net result of $900.00 plus the $500.00 Home Office match with a total benefit of $1,400 being split 50/50 between the two Catholic schools in our area.

The Society Tea and Lemonade stand at the Schuenburg Sausage Fest netted $370.00 for the treasury.

**KJZT Society #80, Sealy**

Bernice Stolarski, Secretary

Society #80 officers met at 6 p.m. to go over the agenda. The regular meeting started with the prayer before the meal served by Rita and Fred Patek. State Vice President David Wagner was recognized as a guest by President Larry Kucieba. David later spoke on what KJT had available as far as insurance, annuities, and perks.

The secretary’s minutes and treasurer’s report were read. Both were approved. Letters were received from President Janda welcomed all officers were present. Vice President Bernard Kallus led the opening prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The roll call of officers was done by Secretary Joyce Muras, all officers were present. President Janda welcomed nine members and there were no guest present.

Minutes were read from the February meeting, as well as the treasurer’s report by Treasurer Brenda Pietsam.

Join Hand’s Day, KJT along with KIZT and YNIA was held at the Hostyn Parish grounds. Trimming and fertilizing roses and other plants along with other cleanup was the work for the day.

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Two new members joined our society, Janice Johnson and Sylvia Bookout. Welcome!

Two members passed away, Bernard Muras and Vit B. Janda.

The cost being no more than $3,000. After some discussion, a motion was made by Mark Stolarski and seconded by Bennie Stolarski, to spend up to $3,000 on this project. The motion was approved.

The meeting adjourned with a prayer, and some members then enjoyed playing dominos and Rummikub.

**KJZT Society #3, Hostyn**

Dianna Kallas, Reporter

The Hostyn KJT Society #3, Sts. Cyril, Methodius and George met Sunday, May 20, 2018 after the scholarship breakfast in the parish hall. President Patrick Janda opened the meeting. Vice President Benedict Kallas led the opening prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The roll call of officers was done by Secretary Joyce Muras, all officers were present. President Janda welcomed nine members and there were no guest present.

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At the meeting, a discussion was brought before the members to have a local family fun day for the youth. A Few ideas were brought up. As soon as we find a day, deciding at our next meeting in August. Games and pizza were suggested.

Next meeting is Sunday, August 5, 2018 at 9:30 am at the Hostyn Parish Hall. Bring a friend.

**KJZT Society #31, West**

George Nors, Reporter

West Society #31 held a meeting on June 10th, at 2:00 p.m. at the Best Western Czech Inn.

President Michael Kraemer called the meeting to order and led the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice President Sherry Pavlas reported that she sent a thank you card to PointWest Bank for the use of the drive through for our hamburger fundraiser and a get-well card to Marie Snider. She will send get-well cards to Lisa Webre, Father David Trahan and Ed Sykora.

Under Officer’s reports, Treasurer and State Director Robert Nors reported that last Tuesday was the funeral for State Director Ray Pokorney. He also reminded everyone about the KJT Kapital Accounts & IRA’s.

Under old business: The District Family Day was held in Ennis on April 22nd. Robert Nors reported that it went well and was well attended. He also stated that our Society will have to help host next year and we need to see if we can all get all of the area active societies involved.

Also, under old business was the Scholarships: President Kraemer noted that we awarded scholarships to Ann Chapple and Gabby Veselka and after the meeting, pictures will be taken for the KJT and West News.

Treasurer Robert Nors presented his report on the Hamburger fundraiser. This was a matching grant fundraiser and a profit of $574.14 was made. Under new business: Westfest Mass fans. Westfest has asked if we will again pay for half the cost of the fans for mass. It gives us advertising. Last year’s cost was $270. Robert Nors also stated that the KJT Home Office donated $1000 toward the Westfest brochures.

President Kraemer stated that the KJT Convention is coming up on July 19-21st in Houston. The delegates should have all received their packets and are responsible for making their own hotel and travel arrangements. If a delegate can’t go, we will need to know as soon as possible.

The State Family Day will be on July 29th, which is a week after the Convention.

Robert Nors stated that he and Ray Pokorney have done the cooking in the past. Due to Ray’s death, he has talked to State President Chris Urban, about having Michael Kraemer and Louis Pavlas help with the cooking this year. Both have agreed.

The Parish Feast Day Festival is coming up on Sunday, August 12th. KJT Society #31 is in charge of the live Auction and lots of help will be needed. Robert Nors noted that we usually provide an auction item. After discussion, Sandy Kidwell made a motion to spend $125-$150 (max) on an auction prize.

Robert Nors presented for new membership Wyatt Logan Clifton, Claire Elizabeth Kennedy and Oskar Zeus.

These are grandchildren of Margaret Kubala. President Kraemer stated that we have lost 3 members who have passed away so far this year, so we still need more new members. Members were reminded that there will not be meetings in July or August. Our next meeting will be September 9th, with Corporate Communion at the 8:00 a.m. Mass, followed by coffee and kolaches before the meeting.

Bella Kidwell was the only youth to participate in the Flag Day activity and showed off her coloring pages.
In Memoriam of...

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.

Society #90, Rosenberg
Lawrence Kroczek, 72
Passed Away 04/12/2018

Society #121, Katy-Spring Branch
John T. Tupa, 93
Passed Away 03/23/2018

Society #142, Chappell Hill
James E. Vitek, 74
Passed Away 05/10/2018

Society #13, Yoakum
Karen JoAnn Blaschke, 76
Passed Away 04/18/2018

Society #34, Nada
Annie W. Labay, 98
Passed Away 01/29/2018

Society #35, Ennis
Lawrence A. Toth, 82
Passed Away 05/10/2018

Society #119, La Marque
Bevery Swaim, 61
Passed Away 05/11/2018

Society #43, Wied
Henry F. Herman, 82
Passed Away 02/17/2018

Society #72, Corpus Christi
Ida Mae Keller, 90
Passed Away 05/08/2018

Society #20, Shiner
John J. Hybner, 76
Passed Away 05/22/2018

Society #132, Pflugerville
Raymond J. Pokorney, 71
Passed Away 05/30/2018

Society #39, Marak
Jerry Kostoun, Jr., 76
Passed Away 02/19/2018

Society #16, Wallis
Robert A. Jurek, 69
Passed Away 02/18/2018

Society #14, Bryan
Eugene F. Schulz, 79
Passed Away 03/12/2018

Society #72, Corpus Christi
Jerry J. Mokry, 90
Passed Away 05/28/2018

Society #96, Sinton
Edmund J. Mokry, 82
Passed Away 02/21/2018

Society #13, Yoakum
Anton J. Janak, 80
Passed Away 05/28/2018

Society #117, Waco
Alvin Sykora, 87
Passed Away 05/23/2018

Society #11, Dallas
Elias J. Hrncir, 93
Passed Away 05/18/2018

Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Parish
CHURCH PICNIC
CISTERN, TEXAS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 2018
(4TH SUNDAY IN AUGUST)

Under the SHADY pavilion at Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church in Cistern — off Hwy 95 between Smithville & Flatonia

HOLY MASS: Sunday — 10:00 A.M.
DINNER: 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. (eat-in, plates-to-go, walk up, or drive thru)
Fried chicken and V&V Sausage
Adult & Plates-To-Go: $10.00 Children Plates: $5.00
Auction: 1:00 P.M. - Homemade items, crafts, livestock & more
Hamburgers in the afternoon.
Trail Ride: 8:00 A.M. - Leaving Muldoon Public Park
Contact: Saxon Beck 979-249-6850

KJT Memorial Foundation

For donations of less than $25 an enrollment card is sent to the designated individual and for donations of $25 or more, they will receive a hard-bound book with a beautiful holy picture.

All those enrolled are remembered in daily prayers and monthly Holy Masses.
Express your love and remembrance for special occasions such as birthdays, graduations, weddings, anniversaries and times of illness as well as consolation to a loved one’s family by enrolling them today!

Online Applications For Enrollment
In The KJT Memorial Foundation Are Now Available
www.kjitnet.org
KJT PRESENTATIONS

WEST SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS
KJT SOCIETY #31, WEST

Gabriella Veselka, below, receiving a $500 Scholarship from West Society #31. Gabrielle (Gabby) is the daughter of Sandy Kidwell and Mark Veselka. She graduated from Abbott High School 5th out of 21 students. Gabby was very active as a KJT Youth. She will attend Tarleton State University in the Fall to pursue a degree in Kinesiology to become a physical therapist. Gabby had also received a State KJT Scholarship. Pictured with Gabby are West Society Officers L to R: Georgie Nors, Sherry Pavlas, Scholarship recepient Gabby Veselka, Michael Kraemer, and Robert Nors.

Congratulations, Gabby!!!

Ann Chapple, above, receiving a $500 Scholarship from West Society #31. Ann is the daughter of Darris & Marietta Chapple, and was active in West Soc. #31. She graduated from Giddings High School in the top ten of her class of 141 students. Ann will attend Lamar University to pursue a degree in Computer Science. Pictured with Ann are West Society #31 Officers: Sherry Pavlas, Scholarship recepient Ann Chapple, Michael Kraemer, and Robert Nors.

Congratulations, Ann!!!

ALTAR SERVER RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

KJT Society #55 Cornhill
Fr. Stephen Nesrsta presented Jamie Danek of Corn Hill Society #55 with a $500 altar server scholarship. Holy Trinity Church awards these scholarships to graduating students who have served all 4 years of high school.
KIDS PAGE

Color and Cut Out Bookmarker

Punch out the circle with a pencil and tie a string on the book marker to place in your favorite book!

![Coloring Page]

Brain Riddle

What word begins and ends with an E but only has one letter?

Answer: Envelope
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

KJT State Convention
July 19th-21st

KJT Summer Camp
July 22th-29th

#133, Missouri City-
Society Meeting
Thursday, July 26, 2018,
Room 2 @ 1:30 PM
Holy Family Catholic
Church, 1510 Fifth Street,
Missouri City, TX 77489

KJT STATE
FAMILY DAY
JULY 29, 2018
**See Flyer for Details**

Society #115, Victoria-
Society Meeting
July 29, 2018.
The meeting will be
held at the Holy Family
Catholic Church Bridal
Room following 7:30
Mass

Schulenburg
Festival
August 3rd-5th, 2018

Corpus Christi
Summer Czech Fest
Moravian Hall
August 4, 2018

Smithville
St. Paul’s Parish Bazaar
August 5, 2018

KJT Society #31, West-
Parish Feast Day Festival
Sunday, August 12, 2018
KJT Auction

Weimar
St. Michael’s
Parish Picnic
August 12, 2018

KJT Society #46,
La Grange
Society Meeting
Mon., August 13, 2018
@ 4:30 at the KJT Home
Office

RUTHERFORD POLKA FEST
August 4, 2018

Praha
Prázská’s Pout
Praha’s Annual
Homecoming
August 15, 2018

KJT Society #129,
Schulenburg-
Society Challenge
Turkey Shoot,
August 19, 2018
Location: Tofel’s Place
Ammannsville, Texas
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Hillje
St. Andrew’s
Parish Picnic
August 19, 2018

Cameron
St. Monica’s Parish
Picnic
August 19, 2018

KJT Society #133,
Missouri City-
Society Meeting
Thurs., August 23,
2018,
Room 2 @ 1:30 PM
Holy Family Catholic
Church
1510 Fifth Street,
Missouri City, TX
77489

Society #139, Bay City
Society Meeting
August 27, 2018
Location and Time will
be determined at a later
date

KJT Society #72,
Corpus Christi-
Society Meeting
Thurs., August 30,
2018 @ 7:00
Location: 5318 Bonner
Rd.

KJT Society #31, West
Annual Westfest
Aug. 31-Sept. 2, 2018
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2018 SEP Church Picnics Sept. 2, 2018
High Hill, Boling, Cistern, Fayetteville, Ellinger, Frelsburg, Granger, Hallettsville, Shiner, Nada, Sealy, Yoakum
St. Mary’s Church Picnic
KJT Society #129, Schulenburg
High Hill Picnic Bingo
September 2, 2018

LABOR DAY
September 3, 2018

KJT Society #87, Jourdanton
Wednesday, September 5, 2018
Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
Formation Center of St. Matthew’s Religious Ed. Facility, Classroom No. 5
Caldwell
KOLACHE FEST
Sept. 7-8
KJT Society #34, Nada
Sat., Sept. 8, 2018
3rd qtr. meeting
7 p.m. in St. Mary’s Room
Marak
Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parish Picnic
September 9, 2018
KJT Society #72, Corpus

ANNUAL HOMECOMING PICNIC
Sunday, September 9, 2018
MARAK, TEXAS
Mass 10:15 A.M. Dinner 11:00 A.M. Games 12-Noon
SS Cyril and Methodius Church
Seven Miles N.W. of Cameron, F.M. Rd. 2269
Entertainment By
PRAHA BROTHERS
12:30 — 3:30 P.M.
HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT
Cash payout for 1st thru 3rd places
Play starts at 1 p.m.
AUCTION
3:30 P.M.
Inside the Air-Conditioned Hall
Plates served with all the trimmings
MEAL TICKETS $10.00 EACH
— DRIVE THRU LINE FOR PLATES-TO-GO —
Serving begins at 11:00 A.M.
Continuous Serving While It Lasts

ANNUAL LABOR DAY FEAST
St. John ~ Fayetteville
Sunday, September 2, 2018
10:00 a.m.
MASS with Polka Music
St. John The Baptist Catholic Church

Meal served inside Air-Conditioned Hall 10:30 A.M. ’til 1:30 P.M.
with Music by The Lost Cause Band DJ Services
Plates To Go and Drive Thru Line Served From 10:30 A.M. — 1:00 PM.
BARBECUE DINNER
BEef • PORK • SAUSAGE
MEAL TICKETS
ADULTS — $10.00
CHILDREN (Under 12) — $5.00
Barbecue by the Pound Available
Beef and Sausage Sandwiches Served at 3:30 P.M.

Kolaches and Pastries
Country Store
Silent Auction
Plant Wheel
Cake Walk
Bingo
2:00 P.M.
Kid’s Activities
Hot Dogs
Snow Cones
LIVE MUSIC under the pavilion starting at 11:00 a.m.
by Larry Sodek and local Parish Musicians
FREE DANCE after the Auction with music by
The Lost Cause Band

Christi
Sunday, Sept. 9, 2018
Society Meeting at 2:00 p.m.
Covered Dish Meal at the Moravian Hall
KJT Society #31, West Corporate Communion
Sunday, Sept. 9, 2018
during 7:30 Mass
Breakfast served after 7:30 Mass
Holman
St. Wenceslaus Parish Picnic
September 16, 2018
Moulton
St. Joseph Parish Picnic
September 16, 2018

Church Picnics
September 23, 2018
Bellville, Serbin, Victoria
KJT Society #139, Bay City
September 24, 2018
Quarterly Meeting
KJT Society #133, Missouri City
Society Meeting
Thursday, September 27, 2018
Room 2 @ 1:30 PM
Holy Family Catholic Church, 1510 Fifth Street, Missouri City, TX 77489
Hallettsville
Kolache Fest
September 29, 2018

KJT Society #87, Jourdanton
Join Hand’s Day
Saturday, Sept. 29, 2018
Members to help with clean-up and set up of St. Matthew’s Church Picnic, 9:00 a.m., St. Matthew’s Parish Hall
KJT Society #43, Wied
Sunday, Sept. 30, 2018
Society Meeting & Mass 9:15 Mass at St. Mary’s Catholic Church will be dedicated to all KJT Members, living and deceased
All members are encouraged to attend
KJT State Family Day

at the KJT Activity Center in La Grange, Texas
6116 Hwy 71 East
La Grange, Texas 78945
(6 miles East of La Grange)

July 29, 2018

Registration Begins at 11:00 a.m.  11 a.m.
Holy Mass at 11:30 a.m.    to
Meal to follow  3 p.m.

Music Entertainment by  Chris Rybak, The Accordion Cowboy
Water slide * Washers * Fishing * Dominoes * Tarot * Door Prizes

Please RSVP to the KJT Home Office by July 16, 2018
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