MESSAGE FROM OUR VICE PRESIDENT

The Heat Isn’t The Only Thing Climbing

Summertime, it’s hot, and it’s here! Granted when you think about it, this really isn’t anything new and dealing with the summer heat is something we’ve come accustom to. Our Texas heat isn’t the only thing on the rise, inflation is climbing faster than the heat and it seems to find higher ground every day. With inflation concerns climbing and the ability to pay for the everyday goods becoming ever more important, we must turn our focus of managing these turbulent times.

I encourage you to monitor and pay close attention to your expenses. Review your daily, weekly and monthly spending. Look for ways you can cut unneeded expenses and when possible, buy in bulk (granted, the goods must be available to do this).

Another thought I’d like to share with you is something that I learned during the two years of juggling Covid. Look for the silver linings and try to think outside the box. There is normally more than one way to get somewhere. Maybe a family vacation in Florida gets adapted to be a vacation closer OR with another family (that allows for some of the expenses to be shared).

Now, if you do find that you have additional funds remaining after making ends meet, the KJT has several ways you can save for the future. The simplest way - a KJT Kapital 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 five years, yet it becomes penalty fee in the 6th year and beyond (not to mention you can withdraw 10% of the balance each year without a penalty during the first five years). We are currently paying 1.50% on account balances of $250 to $749, 2.25% on account balances of $750 to $24,999 and 2.50% on account balances of $25,000 or more. Please note, these rates are subject to change without notice. Lastly, the account has a guaranteed rate of 1.5%, and you can add money to the account at 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 or it may be gone. Remember, you are free to make as many deposits as you wish (because the account becomes penalty-free in the 6th year). In closing, I wish the best to you and your family while we all absorb the financial hit that our country is taking. I encourage you to take the appropriate steps to get a firm grip because we are still in for a bumpy ride.
During May and June, we had some great festivals and events taking place. On Sunday, May 15, the KJT State office sponsored an information booth at the Slavnost Festival. It was held at the TCHCC (Texas Czech Heritage Culture Center in La Grange). President Chris Urban, Kelly Urban, Laney Urban, my wife Melba and myself set up and organized an information table with pamphlets and giveaways. We visited with folks and shared the benefits of the KJT. There was music, food, cold beverages and great fellowship. Thank you TCHCC for inviting us to participate.

On May 23, I had the honor and privilege to present KJT Scholarships to Daniel Eschenburg, Logan Eschenburg, and Hayden Havel all members of Society #29 of Frydek. As I sat in the audience watching the graduates receive the various scholarships and the high honors they earned, I could foresee them having a positive impact on our future. May they continue on the road to great success.

The next journey was to Ennis on May 27, 28, and 29 for the National Polka Festival. The KJT State office is one of the sponsors of the festival. We had a KJT information tent set up and the KJT state office also sponsored the Kolache eating contest. The Kolache eating contest is always a load of fun. This year we added another group of contestants composed of the City of Ennis officials, County officials and the President of the National Polka Festival. It was a fun packed contest with all the participating groups. KJT State President Chris Urban and State Director Tanner Schlottman were on the stage as the MC’s. Music accompanying the contest was by the Texas Sound Czech’s. Helping to set the tables for the contestants were Brandi Schlottman, Lindsay Prasifka, Tyler Prasifka, my wife Melba and myself. Great job everybody and thank you for your help. I like to thank the festival officers, KJT Society #35 officers and members, State Director Tanner Schlottman and wife Brandi for all the super hospitality.

With all the difficulties we face today, with inflation and just trying to make ends meet, it is very gratifying to see so many people and families still coming out to support all these events.

As always thank you for the opportunity to serve as State Director Position 3 and Fraternal Activity Manager.

MICHAEL REZNICEK
KJT Activity Manager

Below are photos of events during May and June.
in 2018, the delegates resolved, among other things, to strongly uphold the principle of right to life, regardless of age and resolved to use whatever means available to influence lawmakers to protect all human life from conception to natural death. Let us strive to promote the sacredness of human life and lessen the culture of death in our society. Through prayer and witness, we will strive to change the hearts and minds of those whose respect for human life has diminished.

The landmark Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization decision of the U.S. Supreme Court, in which the court held that the Constitution of the United States does not confer a right to abortion, and overruled both Roe v. Wade (1973) and Planned Parenthood v. Casey (1992), is a step in the right direction for lessening the culture of death in our society. However, there is still much work to do; for, indeed, among many, the “respect for human life has diminished.”

In his encyclical letter Evangelium Vitæ (The Gospel of Life, 1995), Pope St. John Paul II said:

The Church knows that this Gospel of life, which she has received from her Lord, has a profound and persuasive echo in the heart of every person-believer and non-believer alike—because it marvelously fulfills all the heart’s expectations while infinitely surpassing them. Even in the midst of difficulties and uncertainties, every person sincerely open to truth and goodness can, by the light of reason and the hidden action of grace, come to recognize in the natural law written in the heart (cf. Rom 2:14–15) the sacred value of human life from its very beginning until its end, and can affirm the right of every human being to have this primary good respected to the highest degree. Upon the recognition of this right, every human community and the political community itself are founded.

Therefore, dear brothers and sisters, let us continue our mission to pray and work for a culture of life in our country and throughout the world so that all men and women may come to know “the sacred value of human life from its very beginning until its end.”

Father Bob Knippenberg
State Spiritual Director

Society #72 Donates Tabs to Ronald McDonald House

Charles and Ellen Zdansky delivered 9 lbs. of soda tabs to Ronald McDonald House for a second Join hands day donation. All tabs were collected from Corpus Christi Society #72 members, even members out of town as far as Dallas. This is an ongoing tradition to save the environment and help Ronald McDonald House earn funds. Families stay there at no charge while their child is in the Driscoll Children’s Hospital.

Corpus Christi KJT Society #72 Puts Out Flags for Flag Day at DFW National Cemetery

Daryl Zdansky & Michael Mack, both members of Corpus Christi KJT Society #72, joined hands with the Boy Scouts and others to volunteer putting out flags at DFW National Cemetery. This event is done every year for Flag Day. They also volunteer to pick them up.
TOP PRODUCERS

Tanner Schlottman  
Society #35, Ennis  
First Place May & June  
Top Producer

Brady Alexander  
Society #119, La Marque  
Second Place May & Third Place June  
Top Producer

Deborah Currey  
Society #130, Elgin  
Third Place May & June  
Top Producer  
New Application Producer - 4 months  
New Member Producer - 4 months

Ellen Zdansky  
Society #72, Corpus Christi  
Fourth Place May & June  
Top Producer  
New Application Producer - 210 months  
New Member Producer - 5 months

Robert Nors  
Society #31, West  
Fifth Place May & Sixth Place June  
Top Producer

Linda Gaas  
Society #12, Frenstat  
Sixth Place May & Eighth Place June  
Top Producer  
New Application Producer - 3 months  
New Member Producer - 3 months

Shirley Pokorney  
Society #132, Pflugerville  
Seventh Place May & Fifth Place June  
Top Producer  
New Application Producer - 2 months  
New Member Producer - 2 months

Taylor Ivy  
Society #79, Hungerford  
Eighth Place May & Ninth Place June  
Top Producer

Brenda Fietsam  
Society #3, Hostyn  
Ninth Place May & Tenth Place June  
Top Producer

Albert Sustala  
Society #80, Sealy  
Tenth Place May  
Top Producer

Margaret Holik  
Society #48, Hillje  
Seventh Place June  
Top Producer
KJT Society #4, Ammannsville Observes Flag Day

Ammannsville KJT 4 members along with parishioners and guests observed Flag Day on Sunday, June 12, 2022. Pictured are Fr. Scott J. Hill, Pastor, along with member veterans Michael Bartosh, Air Force Veteran, John Kana, Marine Corps League, Larry Osina, Vietnam Veterans, and Henry Miksch, American Legion.

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Center: Irene Brosch, Joe Pustka, Terry Kubinka.
Front: Donald Dusek

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Society #141 Presents Matching Grant Check

KJT Society #141 Georgetown presented the Matching Grant check of $890 to St. Helen Catholic School Principle Mary Kay Simms by Dan Berto Treasurer Society 141 Georgetown. Society 141 sold desserts and ice cream at the Lenten fish frys at St Helen's for their Matching Grant fund raiser for the St Helen Catholic School's Scholarship program.

KJT Sponsors Kolache Eating Contest

KJT Sponsored the Kolache Eating Contest at the Annual Polka Fest in Ennis Texas. Pictured Left to Right: State President Chris Urban, Winners: Suzie Gardner, Thomas Marshall, Luke Ruether, and Alexandra; State Director Tanner Schlottman; State Director & Activity Manager Mike Reznicek.

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KJT Society #131 Manor Awards Three Scholarships

Society 131 from Manor awarded three scholarships to high school graduates from St Joseph’ parish. The scholarships are for $500 each. They were awarded to Iris Jimenez, Kelly Hernandez and Anna Osorio. Iris will be studying Veterinary Medicine, Kelly will study to become a dental hygentist and Anna will pursue a nursing career. Congratulations to these three young ladies as the begin the next chapter in their lives.

Frydek KJT Society #29 Celebrates Flag Day

Frydek KJT Society #29 celebrated Flag Day with KJZT Society #29 and Boy Scout Troop 548. Prior to Mass at St. Mary’s of Frydek, a patriotic poem was read as the U.S. flag was brought up, and posted at the front of the church, in a procession led by these groups.

75-Year Membership
June & July 2022

Society #6, Dubin
Edward F Janecka

Society #28, Granger
Wesley J Hajda

Society #130 Sponsors Crowning of Mary

Society #38, Moulton
Allen J Vana

Society #40, East Bernard
Dennis J Viktorin

Society #56, Houston
Timothy J Finn

Society #63, Smithville
Edwin F Zimmerhanzel

Society #71, Ganado
Milton J Venglar

Society #139, Bay City
Dennis J Saha

Society #72, Corpus Christi
Robert J Matula
Joe E Levek

Society #84, El Campo
Eugene D Karstedt

Society #87, Jourdanton
Joseph J Vyvlecka

Society #107, Abbott
Milford J Mach

Society #139, Bay City
Dennis J Saha

KJT Society #130 sponsored the Crowning of Mary. The young girl who crowned the Virgin Mary at 9.30am Mass is: Aislinn Hernandez, Granddaughter of Frank and Sylvia Hernandez, parishioners of Sacred Heart, Elgin.
The first CCFT Youth Essay Contest is open and invites 11th or 12th grade students who are members of CCFT, KJZT, or KJT to compete. Membership in the CCFT is not required for an essay submission. CCFT has established $600 in awards, an icon of St. Ludmila, and a one-year CCFT membership. Winning essays will be published in the CCFT newsletter, CCFT website, and the first-place essay will be published in Hlasy Národa (Voices of the Nation). This is a Czech Catholic publication from a Czech mission located in Chicago. Full acknowledgment of authorship will be given.

Please contact Carol Filzer, CCFT Secretary, at cfiler05@aol.com or 512-670-0138 for information on the essay topic, writing guidelines/rules, criteria, and submission details. Deadline for submitting an essay is September 20, 2022. We encourage you to request information early to allow time for completing groundwork, writing, and submission.

The CCFT was established and recognized by the IRS Code under Section 501(c)(3) in 2018 as a non-profit organization.

The mission of the Czech Catholic Foundation of Texas (CCFT) is “to document, study, preserve, celebrate and perpetuate all elements of the Czech Catholic faith transplanted to Texas by immigrants from the Czech lands; and to strengthen ties with Czech Catholics of the ancestral homeland evangelized by SS Cyril and Methodius.”

CESAT Announces Czech Classes at Blinn College

The Czech Ex-Students Association of Texas is pleased to announce the fall schedule of Czech classes at Blinn College at Schulenburg Campus which will be live on-line. All courses transfer as foreign language with a direct transfer to University of Texas.

Dual credit, university credit, and non-credit beginning Czech and intermediate Czech will begin August 24, 2022 and go to December 8, 2022. These classes will be on-line from 7:45 a.m. to 8:50 a.m. Monday through Thursday. To register for credit Czech class, call Shannon Williford at 979-209-8228 or email shannon.williford@blinn.edu. A limited number of scholarships are available for credit Czech. To register for non-credit continuing education classes, call Loraine Orellana at 979-743-5237 or email lorellana@blinn.edu.

Join our continued effort to preserve the rich language and traditions of the Czech community. If you have questions about course delivery please email Thadious.Polasek@blinn.edu.

To register for the Czech class call 979 742 5237 and ask to speak to Mrs. Loraine Orellano, Coordinator of Distance and Community Education at the Blinn College Campus, Schulenburg. Courses are pending The Texas Education Coordinating Board approval.
MEETING MINUTES

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

The meeting of St. Stephen's KJT #112 was held on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at Pok-e-Jo's Restaurant in person and via Zoom. President Michael Hyzak led the opening prayer, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The secretary and treasurer's reports were presented by Lourie O'Leary and Kenneth Klanika. Vice-President Anne Hyzak had no report at this time.

Robert Nors gave the treasurer's report. There were no officer's reports.

The Hamburger Fundraiser was then discussed. It will be held on Saturday, May 7th at the PointWest Bank old drive thru. It was decided to set up before 10:00 a.m. and start serving at 11:00. Signs will need to be put up. It was also decided to have Sausage links with tortilla wraps. It was also decided to see what the price of the meat will be before deciding on the cost. A Bake Sale will also be held. Members were asked to bring baked items for the sale.

Members were reminded of the District Family Day which will be held at Tokyo at the Dulock-Snapka Farm. To get set up, we need to get there around 10:00. Registration will begin at 11:00. The fishing, horse shoe and washer throws events will begin at 12:00 – 3:00. Hamburgers and Hot Dogs will be served all day. Bags of chips and cookies will be bought or donated. Everyone was reminded to bring their lawn chairs and fishing poles. Bait will be available. The District will have signs to put up for directions.

Sherry Pavlas reported that there were three Scholarship applications received. It was discussed that the Scholarship winners need to help with the Fundraisers. The Hamburger Fundraiser is for the Scholarships. A motion was made and seconded to give the scholarships to Sierra Veselka and Lucas Bryant. Any future applicant needs to be encouraged to help with the fundraiser in order to give others a chance for the Scholarships.

Under new business: The swim party is usually held in June, with the meeting and swimming at the Best Western Czech Inn. President Kraemer will be looking into seeing if it could be held then. The Parish Festival will be held be held in August. Our KJT Society usually takes care of the Auction. Last year the Auction was not held. It’s too early to know if it will be held.

New member Holly Pavlas was present with her baby, new member Emily Ann Pavlas as per Robert Nors. Motion was made and seconded to accept Emily as new member. Motion carried.

Door Prizes were drawn and Robert Nors and Louis Pavlas were the winners. Motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Sandy Kidwell led the closing prayer.

The Hostyn KJT Society No. 3, Saints Cyril, Methodius, and George met Sunday, May 22, in the Church Narthex after the 8 a.m. mass. The members enjoyed donuts, which were provided by President Shannon Fietsam. Cookies and coffee were also available to the members.

After fellowship, President Fietsam opened the meeting. Chase Fietsam then led the opening prayer.

Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America. Roll call was done by Patsy Janda, who was acting as the substitute for Secretary Joyce Muras, who was absent. There were fourteen members and one guest present at the meeting.

Patsy Janda read the minutes from the previous meeting; they were approved as read. She then read correspondence, which was a thank you card from the Ted Janda family.

Treasurer Brenda Fietsam gave her report, which was filed as presented.

Old Business: Join Hands Day was held on April 18. Fifteen members came and helped with multiple tasks around the church consisting of planting and fertilizing plants as well as trimming dead limbs. Youth activities, priest vestment donations, and other parish projects were also mentioned.

New Business: Flag Day which will take place on June 14, the tornado relief fund, and KJT camp were also brought up at the meeting.

Announcements: the society is proud to welcome a new member to Hostyn No. 3, Sarah Koehl. Congratulations to her as well as two pin recipients: George Rainosek, who was presented a 75 year KJT pin, and Harold Fietsam Jr., who was recognized with a 25 year pin.

A motion was made by Nick Macik to adjourn the meeting of May 22, and was seconded by Shirley Macik. Steven Kallus led the closing prayer.

The next meeting will be held on Aug. 14. Door prizes were won by Shannon Fietsam and Chase Fietsam.
District V Family Day was held on Sunday, April 24th at the Dulock-Snapka Farm in Tokio and was hosted by West Society #31. Although there was a small turnout this year, fellowship and a wonderful meal was enjoyed by all. Participants enjoyed the Washers, Horseshoes, Fishing and Craft contests. Trophies and Medallions were awarded to our winners, followed by a short meeting. State Director, Tanner Schlottman, spoke to members and guests about the KJT State Family Day this summer, the KJT Youth Camps and the scholarships and grants available to members. District V Officers announced the availability and deadline for the scholarship offered by District V and that elections will be held in 2023 for District V Officers. Dallas Society #111 will host 2023 District V Family Day. The officers of District V would like to thank the West Society and the Dulock-Snapka families for generously hosting our Family Day.
KJT IN ACTION

Fietsam Receives 25-Year Membership Pin

Harold A. Fietsam, Jr. receives his 25-year pin from Hostyn KJT President Shannon Fietsam. The presentation was made at the May 22 meeting of Hostyn KJT Society #3. Pictured from L to R: Patsy Janda (filling in as Secretary), Treasurer Brenda Fietsam, Recipient Harold Fietsam, President Shannon Fietsam, Reporter Dianna Kallus and Vice President Benedict Kallus

Flag Day Proclamation Signing at Kolache Klobase Festival

A Flag Day Proclamation signing at the recent Kolache Klobase Festival in East Bernard featured, sitting from left, front row: KJT Society No. 40 President Edwin C. Marik, East Bernard Mayor Marvin Holub, State KJT Vice President David Wagner. Back row from left: Honor Guard Daniel Svec, State Director Margaret Holik, Joe Prochaska as Uncle Sam, State KJT Fraternal Activity Manager Michael Reznicek, Honor Guard Tim Faltysek, 2022 Miss Texas Czech Slovak Queen Destiny Hollingsworth, KJT Society No. 40 Secretary Mark Dujka, Society Treasurer Kim Tielke, 2022 Miss Texas Czech Slovak Little Sister Giorianna Hollingsworth and Society Vice President Sandy Logan.

Janak Receives 75-Year Pin

State President Chris Urban was honored to present Melvin H. Janak with his 75-Year membership pin. Melvin is a member of KJT Society #43 in Wied. Congratulations Melvin!

KJT Society #119 Hots In God We Trust Dance

On July 2, 2022 Queen of Peace Church in La Marque, Texas hosted a 4th of July Dance to fundraise for the Fall Festival on October 9, 2022. The dance theme was “In God We Trust”. There was music by a DJ, Food, Adult Beverages (donated from Society #119 along with RVOS). They had both a costume contest and a table decorating contest. Monsignor Anderson came dressed as Uncle Sam. Society #119 won third place in the table decorating contest. All the ministries of the church donated baskets for the prizes and there were additional prizes given out as door prizes. All had a great time celebrating and making extra funds for the Fall Festival.
Hillje KJT Participates in Flag Day

Pictured is president Steven Koudela as he hands out flags to Virginia Bartosh at the 10 am Mass in Hillje for Flag Day. Flags were handed out at all Masses by KJT members on Saturday at 6 and Sunday at 8 am.

Society #20 Welcomes New Member

KJT Society #20, Shiner, welcomes their newest member, Landon Paul Machacek. Landon joins his parents, Keith & Megan along with grandparents, Marvin J. & Alice Machacek who are all proud members of the KJT. We welcome Landon to our great organization, and thank the Machacek family for their continued support of the Catholic Union of Texas, the KJT!

Society #92 Holds Flag Day Ceremony After Mass

On Sunday, June 12, 2022, Damon KJT Society #92 held a Flag Day Ceremony after Mass outdoors at Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church’s flagpole to honor our Nation and veterans. KJT Members (left to right): Pat Maroul, Frankie Maroul, Vincent J. Sykowski, Freddy Pavlicek, Eileen Medwedeff, Andrew Sykowski, Carol Buchta, Kathleen Lindemann, Daniel Pavlicek, Susan Pavlicek and Eugene Pavlicek.

Society #100 Participates in Flag Day Event


“On Sunday, June 12, 2022, members of St. Benedict KJT Society #100 of St. Mary’s Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Caldwell put flags on the graves of veterans at the St. Mary’s cemetery in honor of Flag Day. This year, the Gregory Perry family (Gregory, Jennifer, Cecelia, Luke and newest family member, Joseph) again were our team leaders of this project. The flags are being displayed to honor the deceased veterans who bravely served our country.”
State KJT Director Margaret Holik presented 75-year membership pins to Benjamin Michulka and Joseph F. Prochaska. The presentation was made at the May meeting held at Riverside Hall in East Bernard. Congratulations. Pictured from left to right Edwin C. Marik - Society #40 President, Benjamin Michulka - State Director, Margaret Holik, and Joseph F. Prochaska.

Society #40 Presented 75-Year Membership Pins

Society #4 Makes Tornado Relief Donation

KJT State President Chris Urban and State Vice President David Wagner present Mr. Alvin J. Havel of the Schulenburg KJT Society #129 his 75-year membership pin. Congratulations Mr. Havel!

Havel Receives 75-Year Pin

Society #115 Participates in Flag Day Celebration

Society #115 Victoria Members, joined the flag day celebration at the CWV hall in Victoria. Members in attendance were: Back row are: Donald Olsovsky, Rose Pustka and Joe Pustka. Front row are: Donald Dusek, Irene Brosch and Robert Stryk.

KJT Society #4 of Ammannsville donates $500 towards the tornado relief fund. (L to R) President John Kana, Secretary Kevin Kana, Treasurer Michael Bartosh, and Vice-President Frankie Osina.

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## IN MEMORIAM

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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 dearly departed who are listed above. 
May their souls rest in peace.
and could talk about all kinds of subject matters. He was a great story-teller. His Bar-B-Que was fabulous and every Sunday his family would gather together for a feast!

His faith in his Creator, Our Savior, the Holy Spirit, and our Blessed Mother never faltered and he and his wife passed that same faith on to their children. He was a KJT member for over 72 years.

Arnold is survived by his son, Arnold Frank, daughters, Evelyn Boeker (Lee), Eileen Medwedeff (David), Kathleen Lindemann (Tony), Annette Elster, Carolyn Riedel (Randy); grandchildren: Christie Mattos (Luiz), Sharon Boeker (Chase Jennings, fiancé), Paul Boeker, Jacob Elster, Jenna Ferguson (Sean), Ashton and Skyla Riedel; step-grandsons: Michael and Zachary Lindemann; great grandchildren Emmett and Warren Ferguson; step great grandson Zane Lindemann along with numerous nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his loving wife of 64 years, Tillie Pavlicek Svoboda, parents Frank and Agnes Volek Svoboda, brother Henry and sister Martha Dvorak and son-in-law Glen Elster.

Pallbearers will be his son, Arnold E., sons-in-laws, Lee Boeker, David Medwedeff, Tony Lindemann and Randy Riedel; and grandson, Jacob Elster. Honorary pallbearers will be grandsons, Paul Boeker and Ashton Riedel.

The rosary and funeral services were held on Wednesday June 8, 2022, at Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church, 603 Parrott Avenue in Damon with Rev. Marty Pham officiating followed by the burial at Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Cemetery. A lunch followed the burial at Sts. Cyril and Methodius Church Hall for family and friends.

Special thanks to the Fairmont Hospice group especially nurse Lehia, for her professional, compassionate and loving care for our dad.

Also, a special thank you to Rev. Marty Pham, Rev. Preston Quintela and Rev. Gerald Goodrum for their prayers and visits in time of need.

Services are under the direction of Baker Funeral Home in West Columbia, Texas.

Online condolences may be left for the family by visiting our website at www.bakerfuneralhome.net.

### Holy Trinity Catholic Church of Corn Hill

**ANNUAL BAZAAR**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2022**

**Mass at 10:30 a.m. followed by a meal and festivities at our Parish Activity Center**

**BBQ & Corn Hill Fried Chicken Dinner**

w/dressing and all the fixin’s!

| Adults $13 / Children $6 |

| Drive-thru adult plates available |

| 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. |

BBQ by the Pound

(sold at pit from 8 a.m. - noon)

Hamburgers at 2:30 p.m.

**Afternoon of family fun!**

~Live Polka Music~

~Kolache Sale~

~Bingo~

~Cake Walk~

~Silent Auction~

~Children’s Games~

~Homemade Ice Cream~

**RAFFLE**

**GRAND PRIZE: **- $1,000 Visa Cards

(25 great prizes valued over $6,720!)

Tickets only $3 each or 6 for $15

Need not be present to win – drawing held after Live Auction

Visit our website at www.holytrinityofcornhill.org.

For questions, e-mail or call us at holytrinityc@verizon.net or 512-863-3020.
Rosenberg Society #90 Awards Two 8th Grade Graduates

Rosenberg Society #90 awarded two 8th Grade Graduates of Holy Rosary School with gifts for their scholastic achievements. The awards were given to Camila Artigas 3rd Place highest honors & to Steven Aguirre 4th Place highest honors. Holy Rosary continues to provide quality education for the Rosenberg-Richmond area & Fort Bend County, and our society is pleased to show our annual support.

West Society #31 Welcomes New Member

Family members gather to honor little Miss Emily Ann Pavlas, who became a new member of West Soc. #31. Emily was born March 23, 2022 to Brent & Holly Pavlas. Emily is welcomed in a family of KJT members. Her parents and grandparents, Louis and Sherry Pavlas are active members of the West Society. And her mother, Holly became a new member in February. Her great grandparents are Honorary State Director, Robert and Georgie Nors. Also, great grandmother is Lil Pavlas and the late Charlie Pavlas. Lil’s dad was the late Honorary State Vice-President Cyrill Svrcek. Also pictured is proud Uncle, Travis Pavlas. Emily also has grandparents, Henry and Theresa Soukup, and great grandmother, Dorothy Hajek. Pictured L to R: Travis Pavlas, Georgie & Robert Nors, Brent Pavlas, Holly Pavlas, holding Emily Ann, Lil Pavlas, and Sherry & Louis Pavlas. We welcome little Emily into West Society #31.

Kolache Klobase Festival Kolache Eating Contest Winners

KJT State Director Michael Reznicek; Adult Men’s winner, Kenneth Seago (defending past champion); KJT State Director Margaret Holik; Youth winner, Kenzie McDowell; Adult Women’s winner, Della Dujka; KJT State President Christopher Urban; Junior Winner, Charles Bowman and KJT State Vice President David Wagner.
When a graduate builds such an impressive resume while still in high school, you just can’t help cheering him on and watching expectantly to witness the heights he will ascend in the future. That is why Pflugerville’s KJT society chose Reeve Kolinek as the 2022 recipient of their Society 132 Agnes Pokorney Memorial Scholarship.

Reeve is headed to the University of Utah because of their degree in entrepreneurship, but it seems he could probably TEACH the classes. He started his own company at the age of 14, used the earnings to buy his own car at age 16, built partnerships between his business and national businesses, and has already invested in stock trading as well as investing in another local business. During his summer jobs, he proved his business leadership potential by becoming the Team Leader who managed 60 team members at one business while at the other, he specialized in customer/client relations and reorganized the store to prioritize sales and efficiency.

If you are picturing some kind of nerd who has no social life, you would be way off-base with this guy. He is very active in sports and was elected by his teammates as both team captain and Sportsmanship Award winner. He plays in Spikeball tournaments to serve as an Official Spikeball Ambassador and raise funds for charity. He firmly believes in giving back to his community and has volunteered with Meals on Wheels, collected food and toiletries for the homeless, walked door to door delivering water safety packets, and numerous other projects. Leading youth is a passion of his so he has worked with his local church youth camps and vacation bible school programs, volunteered weekly with Sunday services in the youth program, tutored kids in math and science, and coached and refereed youth lacrosse.

Thinking his academics must have suffered from all the time spent in extracurricular activity? Think again. He was a National Honor Society Member and AP Scholar with Honors who exited school with an almost perfect GPA.

He says he loves working with youngsters because “investing in our youth at an early age can put them on the right track for success”. You should know, Reeve. Looks like you were a very successful youth model yourself! We don’t believe we need to WISH you continued success because we can see how determined you are to continue CREATING your own success.

With members such as this one approaching adulthood and getting ready to take over, I would contend that our KJT organization and our world have a very bright future indeed!
KJT IN ACTION

West KJT Society #31 Presents Two Scholarships to Recipients

Pictured is West Soc. #31 Scholarship winner Sierra Veselka. Also pictured are her Parents Curt & Tina Veselka and West Soc. Officers, President Michael Kraemer, and Vice President Sherry Pavlas. Sierra plans to attend either MCC or TSTC in Waco. Congratulations, Sierra.

Pictured is West Soc. #31 Scholarship winner Lucas Bryant. Pictured with Lucas, is his mother, Kristi and on the left is West Soc. President, Michael Kraemer, and far right is Vice President, Sherry Pavlas. Lucas plans to attend Texas A & M University.

West KJT Society #114 Celebrates Flag Day and Presents Check to St. Mary Catholic School

On Tuesday, June 14, 2022, Temple KJT (Catholic Union of Texas) Society # 114 held a Flag Raising Ceremony at Saint Mary Catholic Church, Temple, Texas to honor our Nation's Flag. In 1897 the Governor of New York proclaimed a Flag Day Celebration for the first time as an annual event in that 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 1916.

On May 20, 2022, Temple KJT (Catholic Union of Texas) Society # 114 presented a $ 1100 check to Saint Mary Catholic School, Temple, Texas. The funds will be used by Saint Mary Catholic School to fund catholic education for children in the Central Texas Area. Funds were raised from KJT/Knights of Columbus # 3444 Lenten Fish Fries, KJT Home Office Grant Funds and additional funds contributed by KJT Society # 114.

from left to right: Eugene Pavlat - KJT President, Edwin Vasicek – KJT Vice President, Father Kurtis Wiedenfeld - Pastor Saint Mary Catholic Church, Theresa Wyles - Principal - Saint Mary Catholic School, Estelle Simonton -KJT Treasurer, and Saint Mary Catholic Church Parishioners: Patricia St. Amour, Marissa Giannotti, James Mason, Bernie & Katherine Lenart, Agnes Nowaski, Rachel Oujezdsky & Bruce McAtee.

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Wied KJT Society #43 Celebrates Priest Appreciation Sunday

Wied KJT #43 recently invited their priests out for lunch on Priest Appreciation Sunday. Fr. John Affum, Msgr. John Peters and Fr. Christopher Korang are shown with some of the members in attendance. We also presented each priest with a monentary gift.

President Matthew Motal is presenting Msgr. John Peters with his gift.

KJT Society #133 Participates in Pentecost Sunday Event

Holy Family KJT Society #133 participated in Pentecost Sunday Event. Members and other members of Holy Family Catholic Church served Kolaches, Klobasniky, Coffee Cake, Cookies. They also brought Czech books, cups, and other Czech items.

Left to Right: Harvey & Linda Koudeika, Danny & Beverly Svoboda, John Paul Valentino, Ben Machalec, Al & Barbara Janda, Lily Valentino, Rusty & Delores Uhyrek and Delores Petru Rivera. (not in photo- Bernice Chaloupka)

Society #43 Makes Donation to St. Mary’s Picnic Meal & Raffle

Wied KJT #43 made a donation towards the St. Mary's picnic meal and raffle. Sec/Tre, Rebecca Till is making the donation to Judy Opela, picnic kitchen chairman.
**KJT IN ACTION**

**Society #130 Presents Check to Retired Religious Fund**

Shirley Pokorney, State Director, attended the May meeting of St. Theresa Society #130, Elgin where the Society made this presentation of $250 to the Retired Religious Fund. Present are Brenda Pina, Rosalinda Escalon, Olga Colmenero, Pokorney, Deborah Currey, Mary Ruiz, Doris Gonzalez and Pat Martin.

**Flag Day Celebrated by St. Augustine Society**

St. Augustine Society, Schulenburg, celebrated Flag Day by attending and providing bottled water at the Memorial Day Ceremony hosted by the American Legion Post 143 at Wolter’s Park in Schulenburg on May 30, 2022. The society youth group handed out the bottled water.

**50-Year Membership**

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**KJT Society #133 Singing Czech Songs**

KJT Society #133 members and Church Members sang Czech songs on Pentecost Sunday Event in Missouri City, Texas. The Czech Group sang “All By Myself” and “At the Spring” Left to right: Rusty Uhyrek, Al Janda, Ben Machalec, Harvey Koudelka, Linda Koudelka, Danny Svoboda, Beverly Svoboda, Delores Uhyrek, Barbara Janda and Delores Petru Rivera.
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