



# BISHOP ODIN NEWS

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## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Oscar Ochoa, Grand Knight

My brother knights, thank you for electing me as your grand knight for 2004, 2005. I will do my best to serve you. July 4th, 2004 our country will celebrate its 228th birthday. March 29th 2004, council 2917 celebrated its 59th birthday. We're catching up. We had a lot of great men as grand knights, I will be just part of that team.

I will need a lot of help from my brother knights and the ladies to keep 2917 where it needs to be.

I want to thank the outgoing grand knight for his good job that he did for 3 years. I also want to thank brother Ed Okonski Sr. for his 31 years of service to the home association. Please attend all the meetings you can, so you can be aware of what's going on.

May God keep you in the palm of His hands. May God bless council 2917, and may God bless America.

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## SPECIAL OPEN MEETING

On Monday, August 23rd, there will be a special meeting open to members, non-members, and spouses in the Council 2917 Hall. Door prizes will be awarded. A meal will be provided at 7:00pm, followed at 7:30pm by presentations on membership in the Knights and Long Term Care. Learn about what Long Term Care Treatment medicare will and will not cover. Then there will be a special guest speaker, attorney Steven Marget, with information on wills and trusts. Find out how planning in advance can reduce or eliminate probate expenses and estate taxes at death... more \$'s for your wife and children and less for the IRS. You are invited to bring your spouses and Catholic friends and neighbors who have not yet joined our Society.

### RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR THIS EVENT!!!

To reserve your place at this special event call with your name and number of persons attending to:

Don Kindall at 281-999-7451 or Mark Deaton at 281-894-2814. Deadline for Reservations is Wednesday, August 18th (Adults only please, age 18 or over).

## NCC REPORT JULY 2004

Joe Pavlik, President NCC

The election is over and the membership has spoken. Your board members are as follows: J. Pavlik, Pres., D. Psencik, VP, F. Rekieta, Recorder, B. Bronikowski, Treasurer, T. Lewandowski, M. Lewandowki, R. Miller, A. Kainer, J. Darboone, J. Buck, K. Boudny, F. Supercinski. Plus, your Grand Knight.

These men represent you on the board. As the new year unfolds, many new challenges will be presented before the board, and it is these men who will make the tough decisions on how to solve some of our most pressing challenges. Your input and support to these men will be greatly appreciated.

We are still having the help of the Texas House men, which is a great help on clean up days. These men do many chores which release our working members to concentrate on more pressing duties. Your donations of clothing, books, utensils, and other useful items are greatly appreciated by these men. Thank you all.

Want to thank Sonny Kainer and Floyd Rekieta for their help in installing the wall units and modifying the return air duct in the Old Hall. Also, the outside cooler in the old Bar-B-Que Pit had a fan motor go out. S. Kainer jumped in and got it repaired.

## OFFICERS ELECTED ON JUNE 14TH

- Grand Knight - Oscar Ochoa
- Deputy Grand Knight - Dominic Psencik
- Chancellor - Floyd Supercinski
- Recorder - Tony Saenz
- Treasurer - Edmund Brossman, Re Elected
- Warden - Ken Boudny, Re Elected
- Advocate - Judge William Hatten, Re Elected
- Trustee - Al Alvarez, Re Elected to a 3 year term
- Inside Guard - Monserato Rivera
- Outside Guard - Robert Miller

We appreciate the services of past Grand Knight Sam Okonski and past recorder, Larry Tobias. You will be greatly missed! We hope you will remain active.

## SENIOR GET TOGETHER

Our get together will be July 13th starting at around 9:30 with games as usual. Brother Kainer wouldn't tell us what we will have for lunch. Probably road kill or something. He said to bring desserts and he will furnish the rest. What a guy.

## PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND ILL

Have a safe and happy 4th of July. Let's pray for our ill and shut in members. God bless all of you and keep you in His care.

## MOON TOURNAMENT WINNERS

June 7th Moon tournament winners were: 1st place P.J. Jozwiak "who dat?" 2nd place Royce Harper 3rd place Ron Wendt. Wait til next time.

## IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO PLAN FOR THE FUTURE.

Traditionally, this is the month for two important life events, graduations and weddings. These two events are also opportunities to review your life insurance coverage - particularly if you're young and in good health.

It's a simple fact that when you're young and healthy, your rates for coverage will be lower than when you're older and your health might not be as good. Even if you're in excellent health, there's no way to predict when your death will occur. It's unavoidable that your family will suffer emotionally if you should die. However, financial hardship is something that you can prevent.

Owning sufficient life insurance ensures that your family will always have enough money, come what may. As your Knights of Columbus agent, I can help you determine how much is "sufficient" for your family. I can also discuss with you the relative merits of different types of life insurance.

It's become fashionable to focus almost exclusively on planning for a prosperous retirement. Yet even in this age of improved health and longevity, some families must still endure the premature loss of a breadwinner. The fact is, none of us can be assured that retirement will happen until we actually get there. By taking steps now, you protect your loved ones against the possibility of your death. What's more, the sooner you act, the greater the benefits will be for your family - and possibly, for you as well.

- Don Kindall (A-F) ..... 281-999-7451
- Daryl Van Keulen (G-K) ..... 281-615-2618
- Mark Deaton (L-P) ..... 281-381-1366
- Dick Janda (Q-Z) ..... 281-463-7896

There will be a special open meeting on August 23rd featuring speakers on Wills, Trusts, and Long Term Care Insurance. Put the date on your calendar. Look for more information in the next Bishop Odin News.

## IN MEMORIAM

Bennie W. Vann 6-7-04

Our deepest sympathy to the family

## VA VISITATION

Anton Swiech, Chairman

The following brothers participated on May 30th 2004.  
Council 2917, Anton Swiech  
Council 3700, Tony Mirenda  
Council 6826, Alvin Brown and Abner Brown Jr.

I want to assure you that your participation and help is greatly appreciated. A friendly reminder: in order to get the patients to the 10:00am mass, you need to report at 9:00am.

Our next visitation will be August 8, 2004. As you can see, we need more brothers from council 2917. Don't forget the date. Mark it on your calendar.

God bless and a shower of blessings.

## KNIGHT of the MONTH

Albin Meschwitz

## FAMILY of the MONTH

Leo & Betty Landry

## LADIES AUXILIARY

Rita Rekieta, President

The months are going by quickly - July is already upon us. Our end of the year dinner was very well attended with 130 members and guests present. As usual the drinks, appetizers, dinner and desserts were delicious. Thanks to Gladys and Lee Roy Tobias for the beautiful decorations. Their helpers were Angie Heinrich, Rosalie and Leo Lobpries, Mary Palasota, Elizabeth Meschwitz, Angie Januszewski, Paul Rekieta and myself. A big thank you to Christine Swiech and some of the members for the many door prizes. Our special guests were Grand Knight Sam Okonski and wife Deborah.

Our next function for the council will be the June Bug Jamboree on July 11th. The Ladies Auxilliary will be providing the desserts so please bring preferably a home baked dessert when you are called. We will also need some volunteers to help in the dessert booth.

We have had a few new volunteers for Friday Night Bingo but still need a few more good "women". Times are 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

Congratulations to the newly elected Grand Knight Oscar Ochoa. We will cooperate and support the newly elected officers as we have in the past.

TRIP TO COUSHATTA — WEDNESDAY, JULY 14 @ 9:00 AM

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERS, FAMILIES & FRIENDS WELCOME!

YOU MUST BE 21

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY!!

RITA REKIETA - 281-448-6623

WE HAD A LADY ON ONE OF OUR BUSES

WHO WON \$25,000.00 IN JUNE!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

PLEASE PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO THESE DATES ALL MEETINGS START AT 7:30 PM (except where noted)

July 5 Moon Tournament	7:00 pm	July 13 Senior Get Together	9:30 am	Aug. 4 Council Officers Meeting	7:30 pm
July 7 Council Officers Meeting	7:30 pm	July 21 North Columbus Club Meeting	7:30 pm	Aug. 8 VA Visitation	9:00 am
July 11 June Bug Jamboree	3:00 pm	July 26 Open Rosary Get Together	7:30 pm	Aug. 9 Regular Council Meeting	7:30 pm
July 12 Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Aug. 2 Moon Tournament	7:00 pm	Aug. 23 Special Open Meeting	