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Quote of the Month

*"Let Today be the
day you give up who
you've been to
become who you
can be."*

-Unknown

STATE VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Once again! It's up to you to save!

Low and behold 2018 is here, and it's already March. Tax Day is right around the corner! Yes, it is tax time, and many of you will be making contributions to their qualified account with the hope of lowering your taxable income. As we have done in previous years, I feel it is important to share some information as per how much you may be able to contribute. Remember, this information is general, and we advise you to contact your tax professional and discuss what is in your best interest. You may or may not qualify to make deductible contributions, you might make too much money, or you might not make enough. So, call your accountant or CPA to verify what you can and can not do...

In finding the following limits, I visited www.irs.gov to acquire the information for each Retirement Plan and Qualified Plan limit. Remember, you have until April 17, 2018, to contribute to your IRA and Roth IRA for 2017 (this is referred to as a "carry back contribution.") The 2017 IRA carry back contribution limit is \$5,500 for age 49 and below, while the 2017 carry back contribution limit for age 50 and above is \$6,500. The good news is, Roth IRA carry back contribution limits are the same. So, for age 49 and below \$5,500 is the 2017 carry back contribution while age 50 and above enjoy a \$6,500 carry back Roth IRA contribution limit for 2017.

In 2018, the IRA & Roth

IRA contribution limits will remain the same as the 2017 limits. For age 49 and below the contribution limit is \$5,500 for 2018 while age 50 and above contribution limit for 2018 is \$6,500.

Moving on, the contribution limits for a 401(k) did change a little. The contribution limit is \$18,500 if you are 49 or below. If you happen to be 50 or above, you may contribute up to \$24,500 into your 401(k) for 2018 (this is known as a "catch up" contribution as well).

Educators, nurses, and doctors may have access to make contributions to a 403(b) account. If so, the contribution limit for 2018 also changed to \$18,500 if you are 49 or younger, while if you are age 50 and above your 2018 contribution limit is



DAVID M. WAGNER
KJT State Vice President

\$24,500.

In summary, we saw some small changes in contribution limits between 2017 and 2018. Before contributing, make sure you have reviewed your contribution plan with your Accountant/CPA. IRA headaches are never fun, and a little homework can go a very long way come tax time.

Happy Savings in 2018!



The Schlottman Family

The Catholic Union of Texas would like to welcome Brandon "Tanner" Schlottman to the family. Tanner has been a KJT member since he was

an infant, and grew up in a family that has always been very active in the KJT. His parents, Mitch and Betty Schlottman, raised 4 boys and taught them the importance of celebrating and protecting their heritage and religion. Growing up Tanner was an altar server, and in Boy Scouts where he made Eagle Scout. He also grew up active in society #111 and #35 where he participated in many activities. In his younger years, Tanner went to KJT camp 4 years in a row, and

Joining the KJT Insurance Team Brandon "Tanner" Schlottman

always enjoyed attending district V family days.

Currently, Tanner is an active member in society #35 in Ennis, serving on the executive board and as a KJT hall representative for the National Polka Festival committee. He has served several terms as secretary/treasurer for district V and is currently serving as the district president since 2009.

Tanner works full time as a firefighter for the city of Red Oak as a driver / operator. He has served as President for the Red Oak Firefighters

Association since 2009 and serves as a director for the Texas State Association of Firefighters Scholarship and Relief board. Tanner married his wife, Brandi in April 1997 and they have three children. The oldest is Lane which attends Tarleton State and was a 2016 recipient of KJT society #35 scholarship. Chase will graduate high school in 2018, and Tandi is in Junior High.

We are very excited to have Tanner Schlottman, and his family, join the KJT team of sales representatives.

EDITOR'S NOTE



STEPHANIE PRIHODA
Director of
Media and Marketing
Happy Valentine's Day
KJT Family.

I know the month of February is about so much more than a commercial holiday, but a blessing it was to have Valentine's Day on Ash Wednesday. What a beautiful day to remember the love we

Repent, Love, Pray, and Cherish.

were given by our Lord and from others, and to give the love we hold in our hearts. This day turned out to be so special in that we were able to show our selflessness by repenting (dying for ourselves) for God. The ultimate sign of love on the day of love.

*Repent, Love,
Pray, and Cherish.*

A Prayer for Daily Repentance

Dear Lord, thank you for your forgiveness. Thank you for not abandoning us to our mistakes, but for reaching out instead to bring us home. Help convict me of sin and help me accept your mercy without shame. Thank you for the love you have poured out for me and all of your children. Help me live out of that love today. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

On another wonderful note. As the days of SDOR meetings passed by, I had the honor and privilege to meet so many amazing members of our organization. It was so nice to finally put faces to all the names that frequently come across my desk, and in doing so, I got to hear so many stories that I can not wait to share in


the upcoming newspapers!! I cannot possibly stress how excited I am about the future of this paper.

Also, I would like to shout out to all the societies that have started a Facebook page: #43, Wied; #115, Victoria; #12, Frenstat; #100, Caldwell; #46, La Grange; and #90 Rosenberg; #35, Ennis; and #129, Schulenburg. If you are a member of one of these societies, go on-line and like your society's page so that your society can receive the Facebook bonus.

As we move into March, a quick reminder that our storyline for next month is about looking back in time and

sharing stories of the butcher houses and living off the land. So, if you have a story to share, you can email it to me or send it in by mail to the home office. My contact information is on the back cover.

I pray all of you remain healthy and free of sickness through the remainder of the winter season. I pray that through the Lenten season our members repent from sin and turn back to God.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Prihoda



Schulenburg Society #129 welcomes newest member
William Prihoda,
son of Mark and Laurie Prihoda of Weimar.

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MARCH STORIES:

Old Fashion Ways: Story of the Butcher House.
Looking back in time when families gathered at the butcher house to split meat and lived off the land.



ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR REPORT



MICHAEL REZNICEK
KJT Fraternal
Activity Manager

W e as society officers and sales representatives have completed our required SDOR meetings for 2018. Our KJT President Chris Urban presented the strong and continuous growth in our financials. What a great feeling that all our KJT members should be proud of. The membership part presented was not as good. We only had 142 new members in 2017, minus claims and policy lapse, we had a negative 194 for the year. It is up to every member

of each society to bring in new membership. Our Media Director, Stephanie Prihoda, has enhanced our benefit brochures to help each of us in promoting the KJT and all of the benefits that are available. Be sure to obtain the new brochures from your society officers. Our state officers and board of directors are continually looking and creating financially sound programs and rewards for our societies on membership growth.

We can all join together and turn our membership to positive growth. All together
WE CAN DO IT!



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

Michael A Reznicek

Michael Reznicek
Fraternal Activity Manager
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FUN IS IN THE FORECAST FOR DISTRICT IV

By DST IV
President Shirley Pokorney

It only happens once a year but that day is almost here! The District IV Family Fun Day is scheduled for Saturday, March 24 and features an Easter Egg Extravaganza for the kids (bring

your basket) and Bingo fun for young and old alike. The meal alone makes it worth the trip to Round Rock. Everything is free so bring the entire family and a few guests along as well.

This year the short business meeting includes election of officers. Please consider

offering your unique talents and fresh ideas by running for a leadership position. The district currently only hosts two activities annually so the job is not difficult or very time consuming. Call Shirley at the number below if you would like to be nominated for an office.

KJT DST. IV ANNUAL MEETING & FAMILY FUN DAY 2018

DATE: Saturday, March 24, 2018
PLACE: Old Settlers Reunion Hall
ADDRESS: 3300 Palm Valley Blvd. E, Round Rock
LOCATION: Midway between IH 35 and 130 on Hwy 79 is Dell Diamond. (RR Express) Palm Valley Blvd. is at the stop light immediately west of the Dell Diamond Parking Lot. Turn north, go 100 yards, then left (west) into the hall parking lot.

AGENDA:
1:30 PM Registration
2:00 PM Welcome and Business Meeting with Elections. Please consider running for an office!
2:30 PM Fun for All – Silent Auction, Raffle, Bingo, Indoor and Outdoor Games for Kids (Bring your own dominoes and tarock cards if you wish)

4:00 PM Complimentary Meal
4:30 PM Silent Auction Ends, Raffle Drawing
5:30 PM Cleanup and Farewell

SOCIETY:

1. Bring 1 raffle item from each Society (Suggested \$25 value)
2. Solicit Silent Auction/Bingo Items from members or local merchants
3. Dessert to share would be appreciated but not necessary.
4. Call Shirley @ 512-251-1185 with questions or to volunteer to help

REMARKS: The meal, tea, and lemonade will be furnished. Beer and Wine may be brought. no hard liquor.

Desserts are completely dependent upon what you choose to bring to share. Bring the kids, grandkids, neighbor kids – it is free, fun, and all are welcome! We are keeping it simple and ending early so all ages and abilities can have fun participating.

MESSAGE FROM OUR KJT STATE ATTORNEY



PHILIP J. HUNDL
KJT State Attorney

Question:
I have been contacted by a pipeline company that says it has the right to “take” my land by eminent domain. What can I do and what are my rights?

Believe it or not many Texans are affected by eminent domain and the condemnation process at

The Legal Corner...

some time in their lives because of a pipeline crossing their property, the expansion of an adjacent road or highway or, now, maybe even a border wall, if you live in South Texas!

“Eminent Domain” refers to the inherent right of the government to take private property for a public use. Private entities also may have the power of eminent domain if allowed by the law and if their project is considered a public use. Sometimes you will hear the term “Condemnation.” “Condemnation” is the legal process and procedure used by public or private entities with the power of eminent domain for the taking of a landowner’s land. The Fifth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution and Article I, Section 17, of the Texas Constitution provide for and guarantee that a property owner will receive just compensation for

the taking. If the government/private company (Condemnor) and Landowner cannot reach an agreement on compensation, then, “just compensation” is determined judicially through the condemnation process established by law. The Condemnor only has the right to take the property for a public use and only the amount needed for that public use. Legitimate public uses include public roads, parks, libraries and utility projects. Many other private projects have also been deemed “for the public use” often include -oil and gas pipelines, high voltage power lines, meter stations, drainage canals and water lines or canals. If your land is going to be taken by the government or private company in condemnation. You are entitled to certain timely notices and information throughout the condemnation


process. The Condemnor must appraise the property it plans to take to determine fair compensation. Further, the Condemnor must provide you with the appraisal and make you an offer. You don’t have to accept the initial offer. If you choose to decline the offer, the Condemnor must continue the process of condemnation which includes the appointment of special commissioners, a commissioners’ hearing and award of compensation and possible trial proceeding, if the commissioners’ award is rejected by either party. However, once an award of compensation is deposited by the Condemnor with the court, typically the Condemnor may access your property and begin the project, even before just and adequate compensation has been determined by the Court.

Although most Landowners would like to stop or avoid an eminent domain project altogether, in most cases that

option is not available. However, if a condemnation project is not for a “legitimate public use” then that project could be stopped or prevented.

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Thank You Letters



Dear KJT,

I thank you for the Spring Scholarship. This money will be used on religious books, I need for theological studies as I get closer to ordination, your prayers and financial support help in my formation to be the best priest I can become.

Please know that I pray for the mission of KJT and all current and deceased members. May we continue the mission of bringing the Gospel message to all those we meet.

may the Sacred Heart of Jesus save us all,

Derek Jurek

President Urban and the KJT Board of Directors,

I thank you once again for the 2017-2018 Scholarship you all have granted me. The award is very much appreciated. As I enter into my final semester of formation, please be aware of my continued support for the KJT in my priestly ministry.

God bless,
Don Paul



Jan. 26, 2018

Mr. Urban,

Please accept and extend my sincere gratitude to the Board of Directors for continuing to support me as I persevere in pursuing ordination to the holy priesthood of Jesus Christ. The Religious Scholarship serves to cover those many expenses of daily life often not thought about. May God continue to bless the KJT and your work.

Very truly yours,
DALTON ERVIN



JANUARY 2018 TOP PRODUCERS



Carly Divin
Society #4,
Ammannsville

- First Place January Top Producer
- January Premium Leader
- January Application Leader
- New Application Producer- 2months
- New Member Application- 2 months



Ronnie Hostas
Society #59,
Seymour

- Second Place January Top Producer
- New Application Producer- 2months
- New Member Application- 2 months
- January Volume Leader



Stephanie Prihoda
Society #46,
La Grange

- New Application Producer- 2months
- New Member Application- 2 months



Ellen Zdansky
Society #72,
Corpus Christi

- New Application Producer – 157months
- New Members Application- 154 months



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What's on my toungue is in my heart.



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SDOR Awards

2017 Award Presentations

KJT State Vice President David Wagner presented plaques to qualifying award sales representatives.

- 1.) Thomas Prasifka, 2017 Star Award: 9th Place
- 2.) Margaret Holik, 2017 \$3,000 Premium Club Award
- 3.) Mildred Machacek, 2017 Star Award: 6th Place
2017 \$3,000 Premium Club Award
- 4.) John Kana, 2017 Star Award, 5th Place
2017 \$3,000 Premium Club Award
- 5.) Cynthia Nemec, 2017 Star Award, 4th Place
- 6.) Ellen Zdansky, 2017 Pacesetter Award
2017 \$3,000 Premium Club Award
- 7.) Carly Divin, 2017 Star Award, 3rd Place
2017 Heavy Hitters
- 8.) Eugene Maroul, 2017 Star Award, 2nd Place
2017 \$3,000 Premium Club Award
2017 Heavy Hitters Award





Ted Vitek

Ted Vitek was enrolled in the KJT by his father, Louis Vitek, at the age of 2 as a member of Sts. Cyril & Methodius Soc. #28 in Granger. In 1970, Ted transferred to St. Stephen's Soc. #112 in Austin, where he served as President and Financial Secretary. He was a camp counselor for 15 years. He was involved with the society on Czech Night at the

Aqua Fest for a number of years. He also participates in Czech and Polka choirs. Ted has been a sales rep for many years. He was a member of the KJT Board of Directors for 8 years. Ted indicated that seventy-five years as a KJT member has been a wonderful and inspirational experience.



thank you
for your commitment to
our organization



Henry Zapalac

KJT Society #14, Bryan awarded Honorary Directory Henry Zapalac with his 75-year pin at the Caldwell SDOR meeting. KJT State President Christopher Urban had the honor of presenting him with his pin.



John B. Vanek

KJT Society #40, East Bernard member John B. Vanek received his 75 year membership pin.



KJT IN ACTION



KJT Society #112, Austin presented Darlene Vitek with a plaque of recognition for her services in the KJT Society.

She helps prepare the food for the hamburger cookout, helps with the silent auctions at both the district level and the joint KJT-KJZT Christmas party. She has served on the Christmas committee, as well as Budget and Finance Committee

KJT Society #112, Austin

and Nominating Committee. Darlene also participates in the annual CROP Walk in Austin. This is an organization that brings awareness of hunger all over the world. She participates in society fund-raisers, junior activities, as well as State Family Days.

She was elected a delegate to the upcoming convention. She has been a member of KJT for many years.

Pictured below, for the KJT #112, Austin society, Honorary State Director Ted Vitek installs St. Stephens society officers for 2018.

They are Secretary - Shirley Macik, President - Michael Hyzak, Vice-Pres. - Anne Hyzak, and Treasurer - Nick Macik

Thank you all for your dedication and service to the KJT.



KJT Society #87, Journdanton

Pictured above, KJT members Henry Netarus and Robert Williams of the Jourdanton society present a check for the St. Jude Children's Hospital Research Fund to KJT Vice President David Wagner and KJT President Christopher Urban



KJT Society #63, Smithville

Smithville members held a pancake breakfast fundraiser for the local CCD Youth Organization. A check for \$400 was presented by members of the KJT Society.

Pictured above left to right are members of the Smithville CCD organization: Bobby Galabeas; Savanna Galabeas; Maria Garza, CCD Coordinator; Cassidy Galabeas; William Psenick, society president; Frank Bohuslav, society secretary; Daniel Drab, society vice president; and Nancy Janecek, society treasurer.

KJT Society #40, East Bernard

East Bernard St. Wenceslaus Society #40 and KJZT St. Anne Society #30 held their annual Christmas party Tuesday, December 12, 2017. Members and guests brought nonperishable items that were given to the Giving Tree, sponsored by CDA Court #1108 and Holy Cross Church. Attending the party were (left to right) back row State KJZT Director Arlene Cloyd; Society #30 Secretary Angleine Grigar, Vice President Gladys Dusek, Treasurer Emilie Svoboda; KJT State Director Margret Holik; Society #40 President Edwin Marik, Treasurer Dennis Viktorin, and society Secretary Mark Dujka.



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KJT SOCIETY #132, PFLUGERVILLE

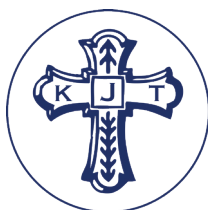
KJT Society 132 in Pflugerville held a Chili Bingo on January 27, 2018 at the St. Elizabeth of Hungary Church Hall. Many parishioners and friends enjoyed an evening of fellowship, Bingo and a Texas tradition – Chili. A variety of family Chili recipes were prepared by KJT members using brisket, venison and turkey as the main ingredient. All the recipes had one thing in common. They were all delicious. Many smiling faces and empty Chili pots proved it.

Father Jesse Martinez, Associate Pastor, and Craig Romick, Society President, are

shown to the left attentively calling a Bingo game. They were very entertaining Bingo callers. Father Jesse Martinez is also a KJT member and Society Chaplain.

To the left, the following picture shows a table of Bingo payers. First two players on the left are Phillip Zendejas and Ben Rios. First two players on the right are Farrell and Camille Desselle

Ninety percent of the proceeds of the Chili Bingo will go to the St. Elizabeth Scholarship Fund and ten percent will go to the Agnes Pokorney Scholarship Fund.



KJT Society #119, LaMarque

November 15th KJT Society #119 held a meeting to discuss several upcoming issues. In discussion was the election of officer, dates for upcoming 2018 events and the KJT/KJZT Christmas party. Officers elected for 2018 was President Mike Reznicek, Vice President Mandy Reznicek, Secretary Janis Wright and Treasurer Melba Reznicek. One of the upcoming events in 2018 is the KJT convention. Delegates and alternatives to attend this event were elected at this time. Dates for 2018 meetings have been set and the dates will be March 11, June 10, September 9 and November 11. KJT/KJZT 2018 Christmas party will be held on

December 9th. The meetings at this time are scheduled to be held at 1:00pm at the Queen of Peace Life Center. All other events will be discussed at our next upcoming meeting in March.

The KJT/KJZT 2017 Christmas party was held on December 10 at the Queen of Peace Life Center. We had the pleasure of having two special guest in attendance, David Wagner, KJT Vice President, and Warren Wenner, CPA Vice President with Galveston County Meals on Wheels. We had a very nice gathering with lots of food and scrumptious desserts and lots of fellowship. David Wagner and Warren

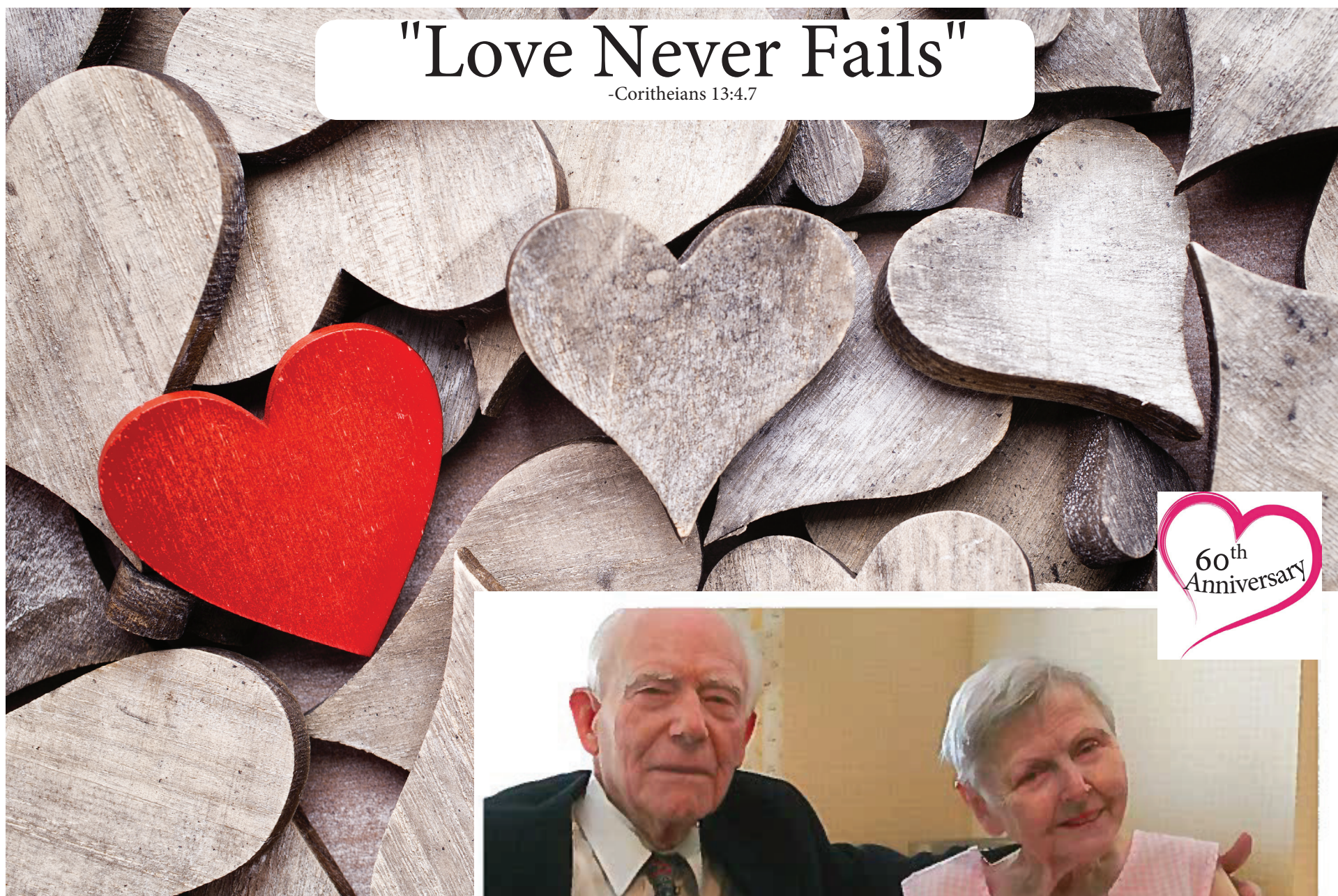
Wenner had the opportunity to introduce themselves and give a quick overview of the organization. Afterwards Society #119 presented David Wagner with the matching grant check of \$1500.00 to go towards St. Jude's Research Hospital and also the checks for state charities. Our Society also presented Warren Wenner a check of \$325.00 towards the Galveston County Meals on Wheels program. We have recently received a letter from the organization thanking us for the donation and to inform us that Shell Oil Company matched our donation dollar for dollar.



Celebrating Love

"Love Never Fails"

-Coritheians 13:4.7



Mr. & Mrs. John & Mary Netardus

Celebrating love allows a couple to pull back from their ordinary lives and take the time to look back over the years that have molded them into the couple they are. It's a time of reflection of the vows that were promised in front of family and friends. It's a reminder that over the year, or years, you two have learned the way of the world with a supporter, with a hand to hold, and someone to turn to for advice.

Being married a long time is a source of pride in today's world of high divorce rates, which is why we decided to celebrate anniversary's this month.

Here are their stories....



John Joseph Netardus was born July 7, 1926, to John and Elizabeth Netardus of Hallettsville, Texas. Mary Lucille Kocian was born to Gerge and Bessie Kocian in the Beasley community in Lavaca County, Texas on December 15, 1933.

The couple was united in marriage in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Panna Maria, Texas by Bishop John Morkovsky, uncle of the bride, on September 28, 1957.

Shortly after graduating high school John was drafted into the U.S. Army, taking his infantry training at Camp Hood, Texas. He served with the 40th Infantry Division in the Philippine Invasion campaign. While training in amphibious landings for the invasion of the Japanese mainland, the war abruptly ended. Five days

after the armistice was signed the Soviet Union invaded the northern portion of the Korean Peninsula. Immediately, the 40th Division was sent to the southern portion, where a military government was established. Army personal supervised selected Korean officials in each province to ensure the smooth formation of the democracy. John stated, "I felt good to have had a part, however small, in creating a

prosperous, productive and peaceful South Korea."

After discharge, John helped run the family farm, then began his career with Humble Oil and Refining Company (now Exxon) in 1952.

Mary grew up in Panna Maria, Texas where her father was principal of the elementary school. After graduation from Karnes City High School, she attended Incarnate Word College in San Antonio and

earned her degree in Elementary Education.

She taught in the Beeville and Karnes City Elementary schools systems prior to marriage.

John and Mary began their married lived in a small home in a company housing campsite in deep South Texas ranch country, fifty miles south of Falfurrias. Mary had opportunities to teach in small community schools within twenty miles of the campsite namely, Encino

Celebrating Love

and San Isidro. Eventually, with better roads, the company elected to close the campsite and the employees moved to Falfurrias on February 6, 1962. Mary then decided to leave teaching and become a devoted homemaker and nurturer of their young son.

In 1965 a transfer and promotion sent the family to a new facility on Grand Isle, Louisiana, where the next ten years were spent in another company campsite.

Mary, with her dedication to bringing out a student's highest learning potential, saw this in John Christopher at a very early age and worked with

him and other children to reach their potential goals. When the family was sent to another new facility in Florida, Mary worked with the schools in Milton, Florida to help students there.

After transferring to Pensacola in 1984, that office eventually closed and John spent the rest of his career in New Orleans and retired August 1, 1986. He and Mary live in Slidell, Louisiana and they celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary on September 28, 2017.

John is a longtime member of K.J.T. and Mary is a longtime member of the K.J.Z.T. John recently received his 75-year pin.



Mr. & Mrs. Leon & Margaret Barta

Who would have thought stopping by the bank to drop off your check from working at the local HEB would have lead to 54 years of a beautiful marriage, 2 handsome boys, 3 great granddaughters and 1 great-great granddaughter. Back in 1964 Mr. Leon Barton caught sight of his cashier at the local bank and asked for her hand in marriage. On February 8, 1964, in Shiner, Texas at the Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church Mr. Barton turned her from Ms. to Mrs.



Mr. & Mrs. Ted & Mary Kallus

Surrounded by family and friends, Theodore (Ted) and Mary Kallus of Georgetown, Texas celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Sunday, October 22, 2017 at their country home east of Georgetown, Texas. The Kallus' were married at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Taylor, Texas on October 19, 1957 with the late Father Arthur Michalka officiating.

They are both active members of Sts. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church in Granger, Texas. Ted is a member of KJT Society #28, Granger.

MEMBERSHIP PINS



25-Year Membership

January 2018

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| Society #3, Hostyn
Brandi E. Hoffmann
Joan M. Hoffmann | Teresa L. Vacek

Society #43, Wied
Jamie R. Vanek |
| Society #16, Wallis
Rose Marie Dirba | Society #46, La Grange
Hannah Laura Posey |
| Society #23, Plum
Zane M Mulholland | Society #49, Needville
Sheila C. Shifferly |
| Society #25, Ellinger
Gabrielle L. Matocha | Society #50, Penelope
Natalie N. Timmons |
| Society #31, West
David W. Dokupil | Society #55, Corn Hill
Celeste E. Schwertner
John E. Schwertner |
| Society #35, Ennis
Seth M. Zhanel | Society #72, Corpus Christi
Ruby M. Herpick |
| Society #39, Marak
John G. Schoppe | Society #78, Rowena
Deborah R. Hajovsky
Emily C. Hajovsky |
| Society #40, East
Bernard | Society #84, El Campo
Amy M. Lezak |
| | Society #87, Jourdanton
Robert A. Williams |
| | Society #90, Rosenberg
Lindsay M. McCafferty |
| | Society #111, Dallas
Kathy Havel |
| | Society #115, Victoria
Kristen G. Valenta |
| | Society #117, Waco
Magain M. Gaidusek |

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. So please, if you have any of the following, let us know:

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75-Year Membership

January 2018

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| Society #1, Praha
Bohumir J. Fajkus
Alfonse Kubenka | Society #68, Weimar
James H. Janak
Thomas J. Janak
Joseph J. Pesl
Rudolph J. Pesl |
| Society #2, Cistern
Gilbert Kouba
John R. Machacek | Society #71, Ganado
Lawrence S. Kaspar |
| Society #6, Dubina
George Janecka
Frank Krecmer
Leroy Lebeda
Wilbert Lebeda | Society #72, Corpus Christi
William Klepac Jr. |
| Society #13, Yoakum
Emil Jiral Jr.
Louis F. Kutac
Joe E. Naiser | Society #73, Wichita Falls
James F. McBride
John V. Pastusek |
| Society #16, Wallis
John J. Prazak
Benjamin Prokop
Richard J. Prokop
Wilfred C. Prokop | Society #80, Sealy
Benjamin L. Stancik |
| Society #20, Shiner
John J. Hybner
Rev. Msgr. Joseph Hybner
Joseph J. Kouba Jr. | Society #81, Poth
Adolph T. Jauer
Harry W. Jauer
Edmund F. Klepac
Daniel J. Swize
James E. Swize
Marion T. Swize |
| Society #23, Plum
Eugene C. Mechura
Roger F. Mechura
Clement Trliceck Jr. | Society #102, San Antonio
Jerome Janecka
Allen E. Swize |
| Society #29, Frydek
Edwin L. Liska | Society #129, Schulenburg
Edwin E. Knesek |
| Society #31, West
Frank L. Ruzicka | |
| Society #34, Nada
Donald D. Naiser | |
| Society #35, Ennis
Lawrence J. Svehlak
Edward V. Vrana
Robert J. Vrana | |
| Society #40, East Bernard
Raymond David
James J. Jalowy
Mark J. Vacek Sr.
John H. Viktorin | |



50-Year Membership

January 2018

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| Society #1, Praha
Darren G. Jasek | Society #14, Bryan
Joseph R. Orsak | Society #46, La Grange
Michael J. Wagner |
| Society #2, Cistern
Russell D. Vinklarek | Society #16, Wallis
Patrick S. King | Society #48, Hillje
Darryl R. Poncik
Kevin W. Poncik |
| Society #3, Hostyn
Brian J. Faldyn | Society #25, Ellinger
Gregory A. Krhovjak | Society #79, Hungerford
Patrick J. Orsak
Ronnie P. Orsak |
| Society #9, Fayetteville
Steven C. Chovanec | Society #29, Frydek
Eugene W. Eschenburg
Jr. | Society #84, El Campo
Richard A. Chomout |
| | Society #31, West
Timothy J. Nors | Society #87, Jourdanton
Timothy J. Dornak
Christopher C. Vylvlecka |
| | Society #35, Ennis
Tony L. Jurica
Stephen E. Petru | Society #109, Hillsboro
Gregory J. Kozlovsky |
| | Society #39, Marak
Philip W. Kostroun | Society #111, Dallas
Stephen E. Janecka
Gregory A. Kowalski |
| | Society #43, Wied
John F. Biehunko | Society #129, Schulenburg
Eugene V. Jurica |

In Memoriam of...

Society #34, Nada
Edward Korenek, 82
Passed Away 11/02/2017

Society #111, Dallas
John W. Wavrusa, 84
Passed Away 11/07/2017

Society #27, Taylor
Edward J. Steffek, 66
Passed Away 11/15/2017

Society #16, Wallis
Henry J. Manna, 73
Passed Away 11/13/2017

Society #28, Killeen
Robert L. Mohel, 79
Passed Away 12/11/2017

Society #107, Abbott
Rev. Frank Miller, 87
Passed Away 11/10/2017

Society #142, Chappell Hill
Paul J. Bilski, 77
Passed Away 11/21/2017

Society #79, Hungerford
Leroy Grigar, 86
Passed Away 12/05/2017

Society #112, Austin
Edward J. Loeve, 85
Passed Away 12/03/2017

Society #35, Ennis
Kenneth R. Trojacek, 57
Passed Away 04/27/2017

Society #40, East Bernard
Joe G. Stasney, 89
Passed Away 11/04/2017

Society #49, Needville
Marion S. Lipinski, 71
Passed Away 11/11/2017

Society #71, Ganado
Patrick H. Sumnera, 81
Passed Away 12/13/2017

Society #80, Sealy
Edmund J. Novicke, 87
Passed Away 11/15/2017

Society #72, Corpus Christi
Mark M. Kaspar, 59
Passed Away 07/22/2017

Society #84, El Campo
Albert C. Gregurek, 81
Passed Away 11/26/2017

Society #114, Temple
Johnny Maruna, 87
Passed Away 12/29/2017

Associate Members

Society #46, La Grange
Betty Baca, 94
Passed Away 01/16/2018

Society #112, Austin
Wanda O' Leary, 81
Passed Away 01/21/2018

Society #112, Austin
Gene D. Syrinek, 89
Passed Away 12/28/2017



*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.*

23rd Annual *Vitáme vás*
Czech SpringFest

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Sunday
April 8, 2018
11 am till 7 pm
Admission—Adults \$8.00 Children under 11 Free

Traditional Czech Sunday Dinner
Served from 11am til 2 pm
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demonstrate her art of dec-
orating eggs with straw and
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BENEFIT DINNER

Sunday, March 4, 2018
Starting at 11 A.M.

BBQ Chicken Dinner Plate-
\$10.00
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Ammannsville KJT Hall
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SOCIETY MINUTES

KJT Society #3, Hostyn Dianna Kallus, Reporter

The Hostyn Society #3, Sts. Cyril and Methodius and George, met on Sunday, November 19, 2017, after the scholarship breakfast in the parish hall.

The secretary and treasurer's reports were presented and filed. Hostyn had three deceased members for the 2017 year. They were Leonard Lidiak, Edward Janda, and Alois Kozel.

Under new business was the elections of officers. There were no nominations from the floor, so the members voted by acclamation to keep the same slate of officers for 2018.

A thank you card was read from Sadie Noska for giving her the opportunity to experience nature as she enjoyed the KJT summer youth camp.

President Janda reported on the Turkey Shoot held in Ammannsville where the society placed first and fourth.

Members voted on a monetary donation to give towards the Repair Fund for the

rebuilding of the La Grange K of C Hall.

Gifts and donations were presented for 2017 to officers, Chaplain Father Dan Kahlich, Deacon John Mc Court, Altar Servers, AMEN Project, Deputy Santa, Scholarship Breakfast fund, Religious Retirement fund, Seminarian and La Grange Volunteer Fire Department. Our society also donated \$500 to the Hurricane Harvey Relief and the Holy Rosary Church Social Ministries Relief Fund.

KJT offers four Masses per year for living and deceased members which Mass is said quarterly before the KJT meetings at 8:00 a.m.

The annual Christmas party was held on December 2, 2017, and was enjoyed by all. Santa came and listened to the children's wish list. Lunch, bingo, and door prizes were the closing of the evening. KJT State President Christopher Urban and his wife were the special guests for the Christmas party.

Next meeting dates for 2018 are as followed: February 11, May 20, August 5 and November 18. Please mark your calendars and join us. Meetings start at 9:30 a.m. in the parish hall after 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Please contact Brenda Fietsam, Hostyn #3 agent for KJT Insurance @ 979-702-0251 for any questions.

St. Stephen's KJT #46, La Grange Linda Templin, Secretary

A meeting of the St. Ignatius, KJT Society #46 was held on Saturday, December 2, 2017 at the Father Harry Mazurkiewicz Center.

Gailynne Zapalac gave the Treasurer's Report. Stephanie Prihoda reported that Society 46 gained 17 new members during 2017 and lost 2 members, Gus Lindeman and Benedict Vitek.

Statewide donations were presented to members & discussed. Priest & Religious Retirement Fund \$250, Seminarian Education Fund \$250, and St. Jude Children's Hospital \$250. Local donations were also presented & discussed. Sacred Heart Church \$200 (donation for use of Center for Fajita & Christmas Social, Holy Rosary Parish – Hostyn \$300 (use of walk-in cooler, kitchen & bbq pits for fajita fundraiser), CCD Educators & Assistants \$250 (donation to religious education Christmas

party, SHOCK Group \$500 (donation for selling tickets to Fajita Dinner), and Memorial Foundation Donation \$10 (2 deceased members).

A motion was made by Doris Lidiak to nominate and elect the following officers - Mike Kaspar, President; David Wagner, Vice President; Gailynne Zapalac, Treasurer and Linda Templin, Secretary.

Mr. Kaspar discussed changing the times and/or place (after 5 pm Saturday mass, after 9 am Sunday mass or keep the same) of the meetings with the members. Doris Lidiak made a motion to publicize the meetings in the Fayette County Record, church bulletin & e-mail reminders to members and keep the meetings at same time and location.

Santa Claus visited the children in attendance and were given a monetary present.

Mr. Kaspar thanked Garland

Polasek for preparing the delicious fried fish & trimmings dinner.



KJT Society #112, Austin Sarah Vitek, Reporter

The meeting of St. Stephen's KJT #112 was held on Thursday, February 8, 2018, at Sacred Heart Church. President Mike Hyzak opened the meeting with a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Hyzak presented a plaque to Darlene Vitek for her service as co-president during 2017. Thank you Darlene for your dedication to the society.

The secretary and treasurer's reports were presented. Vice-President Anne Hyzak sent sympathy cards to Jennifer Klanika on the death of her uncle and to the family of Wanda O'Leary. A memorial was sent to Louri O'Leary, who is a past-president of our society, on the death of her mother Wanda. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful rest in peace.

Delegates elected to the Convention in July are Michael Hyzak, Anne Hyzak, Shirley Macik, Nick Macik and Darlene Vitek. Alternates were also selected. More information to

follow on the convention.

The CROP WALK will be on Sunday, February 25 at 2:00 p.m. at Camp Mabry with registration at 1:30 p.m. KJT #112 is one of the sponsors, so we hope to have a good showing.

The Jr. Hamburger Cookout will be on Thursday, March 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Cafeteria. Any desserts would be appreciated.

Our society will again have a CZECH BAKE SALE at St. Albert the Great Catholic Church on Sunday, May 6. Let's hope this year's sale will be as successful as the last one in order to provide donations to charities the society chooses.

Sunday, July 15 was selected for the family day at Dell Diamond, with a tailgate party and then hopefully see an exciting ballgame. Sarah Vitek will take reservations for tickets and car passes. For information, call her at 512-656-7570. Tickets are \$12, advance car passes are \$8 with \$10 at the gate on the day of

the game.

The District IV meeting will be on March 24, and our society is in charge of the Silent Auction. Please plan to attend and if possible, provide a silent-auction item.

The next society function will be the Jr. Hamburger cookout on THURSDAY, MARCH 8 at 6:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart cafeteria.

KJT Society #129, Schulenburg James Prihoda, Treasurer

St. Augustine KJT Soc. # 129 held its first meeting of 2018 at 2:00 PM.

President Matthew Prihoda called the meeting to order with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The minutes of the Dec. 17th were read and approved. The Financial report was given since last meeting and the Financial Report for the year was presented to the members. Communications were read.

Business started with the

election of Society Officers as follows: President Juliana Prihoda, Vice-President Patrick Prihoda, Secretary Joanna Rogers, Treasurer James Prihoda, and assistant Treasurer Matthew Prihoda.

Officers attending the SDOR meeting in La Grange gave their reports on the programs and plans for the 2018 year. Joanna Rogers set up the District Director Society visit for the March 18th meeting.

The Society then worked on preparing the Annual Report for 2017 due in the Home Office before January 31, 2018.

**KJT Society #80, Sealy
Bernice Stolarski, Secretary**

Since the January 12 meeting was our After Christmas Party and we were also having a raffle drawing, the meeting was kept short. Reports were given by the officers, and Barbara

I also need for you to include an item about our scholarship applications which are due March 15. Could this be blocked off in some way that our members would notice the

article about the scholarships?

The Sealy society is offering academic scholarships to qualifying society #80 graduating seniors. A

scholarship application can be found on our website: www.sealykjt.org. Scholarship applications are due to Larry Kuciemba on or before March 15. You can also call Bernice at

979-885-6786 for an application copy.

**KJT Soiety #141, Georgetown
Daphne Gentz, Reporter**

Georgetown Society #141 held its annual Christmas Meeting with a Dinner and Santa Claus for Children event, preceding the meeting. The party began at 6:00 PM with a dinner. The members attending provided all the food and drinks for a very delicious meal. At 7:00 PM Santa arrived, played by Dean Higginbotham to

pass out gifts to the children attending. Our Society purchased age appropriate gifts for the children, whose ages ranged from 21 months to 11 years old. Santa sat by the Christmas tree and handed out gift bags to each of the eight children attending. They were very happy with the gifts they received and immediately

began playing with them.

After the meal and presentation of the children's gifts, a meeting was held. President Gary Gentz opened the meeting. Our Society Chaplain Monsignor Wozniak said an opening prayer. Then we all recited the Pledge of Allegiance. At our last meeting, President Gary Gentz asked

Pat Ermis, Larry Gregoire, and Clarence Meyer to select officer nominations for 2018. Larry Gregoire called all the present officers to inquire if they would serve another year. They all agreed to stay for another term. There were no other nominations from the floor, so our present officers were elected by acclimation for

the 2019. The officers are Gary Gentz President, Rick Nemec Vice President, Jeannette Nemec Secretary, and Dan Berto Treasurer. A planning meeting was scheduled for Jan 16, 2018.

After the meeting, there was a drawing for the Poinsettias that were decorating the tables.

**KJT Soiety #31, West
Georgie Nors, Secretary**

West Society #31 held a meeting on January 14, 2018, after the 7:30 A.M. Mass, at the Parish Center. Coffee and kolaches were provided for the members.

Robert Nors gave the Treasurer's report. He reported on the Raffle income and expenses for the Society's Christmas Party. The expenses were shared with the KJZT. He also stated that he has the paperwork ready for the Audit Committee members. The Audit Committee members will meet after the meeting. Auditors are

Bill Veselka, Don Urbanovsky, and Albert Charanza.

Vice President Sherry Pavlas reported that Edmond Sykora, Libbie Veselka, and Gabby Veselka were on the sick list.

Under old business, was a report on the new Polo and T-Shirts. Cost of each would be \$10 and will have the KJT Soc. #31 Logo. Members were asked to sign-up with their sizes, so that they can be ordered and received by the Fish Dinner Fundraiser. Sandy Kidwell made a motion for the Society to pay for one shirt per member.

Under old business was the selection of delegates and alternates to the KJT Convention that will be held July 19th -21st. Delegates selected were Michael Kraemer, Cathy Kraemer, Sherry Pavlas, Sandy Kidwell, Bill Veselka, Don Urbanovsky, Ervin Laubert, and Albert Charanza. Alternates are Georgie Nors and Brent Pavlas.

Sherry Pavlas stated that the Scholarship forms will be available. 2 - \$500 scholarships will be given by the society. The deadline will be March 31. For a State Scholarship application,

members can go on-line for an application.

Under new business, was the Fish Fry Fund raiser, which will be held next month, the first Friday of Lent, February 16th, benefitting the Clergy Retirement Fund. The meal will consist of fried fish, tator tots, slaw, beans, and a dessert. Members were asked to bring desserts. There was some discussion on the cost per plate. It was agreed to stay with the price as last year of \$9.00.

A fundraiser for the matching grant for St. Mary's School was

discussed. It was decided to have a Hamburger Fundraiser in the spring and another one in the fall. The spring fundraiser will be held on Saturday, April 28th.

Also, there was some discussion about the Youth meetings. It was brought up to have the regular scheduled swim party in June, and a cookie bake contest. Also, a Flag coloring contest was discussed.

The next meeting will be Sunday, February 11th.

**KJT Society #34, Nada
Anita Meismer, Secretary**

The Nada KJT Society #34 held their December quarterly meeting at the Family Life Center on December 10 following the 10 a.m. Holy Mass. President Sean Korenek opened the meeting with prayer and Vice President Jim Brzozowski led the pledge to the American Flag. President Korenek called for the roll call of Society #34 officers.

Secretary Anita Meismer reported that all officers had answered present.

Organization officers reported the following Secretary Meismer read the minutes of the previous meeting; the minutes were approved as read. Treasurer Kelly Korenek gave the financial report and it was accepted as presented and filed for the end of year report.

The nominating committee reported the following were contacted and had agreed to accept the office of President, Sean Korenek, Vice President, Jim Brzozowski, Secretary,

Anita Meismer, Treasurer, Kelly Korenek and Society #34 Chaplain, Father Peter Yeboah-Amanfo. After discussion the membership agreed that President Sean Korenek will be added to assist the treasurer.

President korenek introduced State KJT District 7 officer Margaret Holik of Hillje as our guest.

It was announced that "Grab-n-Go" a local grocery drive-in in Garwood has been very supportive of our local KJT

Society and has donated funds for area activities and agreed to continue to donate funds to our organization.

President Korenek reported that the KJT State Convention will be held in Houston. Delegates will be Sean Korenek and Jim Brzozowski will attend.

KJT Insurance agent Clem Korenek reminded members that we can call him for insurance information. Following the meeting the KJZT members were invited to join

members of Society 34 for a lunch being served. President Korenek expressed thanks to the members that had donated desserts for the meal. He also expressed his gratitude to the cooks Jim Schoellmann, Ed Lee Schneider, Jim Brzozowski. Michael Korenek and Felix Mica.

The next quarterly meeting will be held on Palm Sunday, March 25, following the 10 a.m. Holy Mass.

KJT Youth

KJT Scholarship Recipient Makes Dean's List & Earns Private Pilot License



Matthew Charles Dorantes, Society #112, Austin, made the Dean's List with 4.0 GPA at Liberty University of Virginia and he earned his private pilot license in his 1st semester Matthew would like to thank KJT for the support!

KJT Society #1142, Chappell Hill Youth



Chappell Hill KJT Soc. #142 Youth members worked on a Project H event collecting books for libraries damaged by Hurricane Harvey. Pictured are Pat Novak, Dane & Weston Novak, and Carys & Coryn Cureton with Henry Wilganowski



Chappell Hill KJT President Patricia Novak and her husband Jerry with members of their youth group at the Christmas Party. Youth are Carys and Chloe Cureton, Dane & Weston Novak and Coral Cureton.

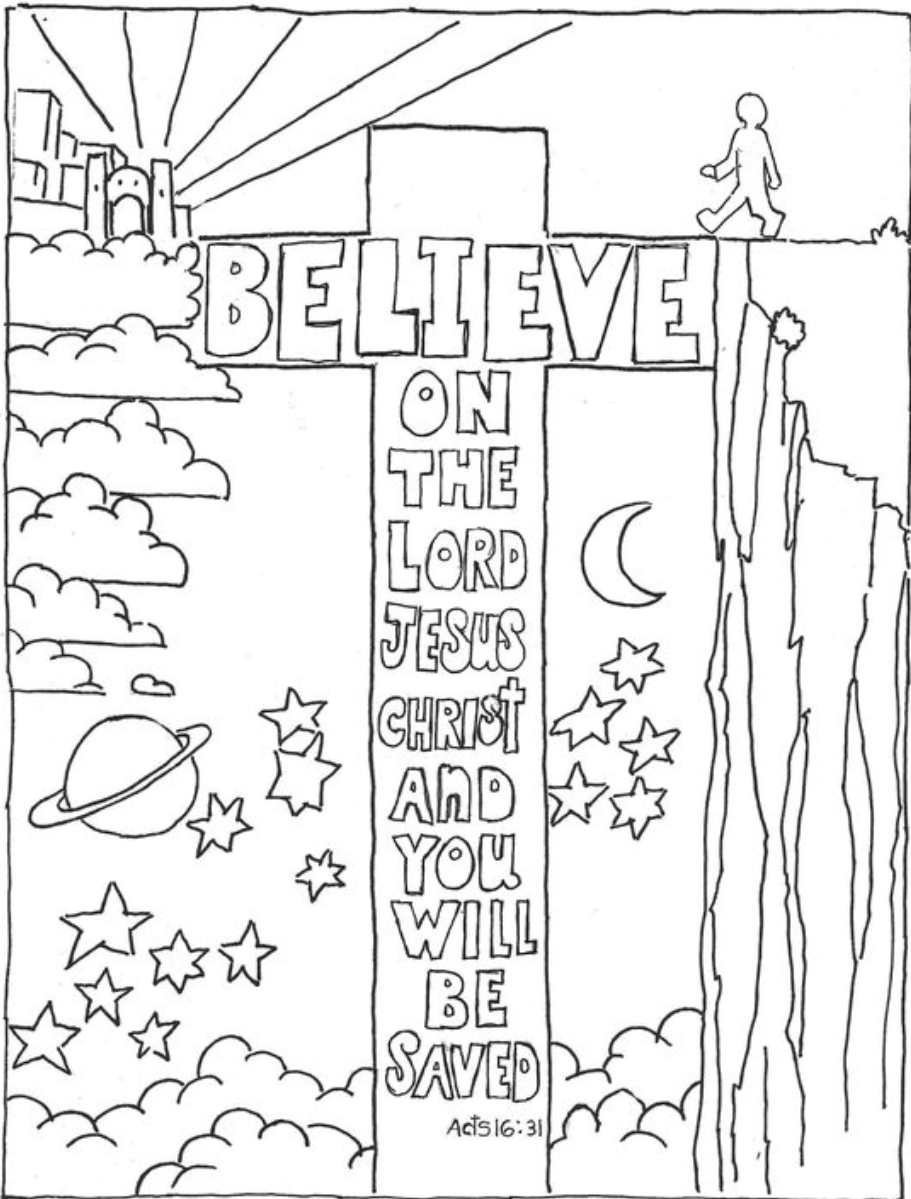
**We Encourage Youth
to Participate
at the Local, District
& State Level. They Are the Future
of This Great Fraternal Family!**

We would like to hear more stories like this about our youth members in action.

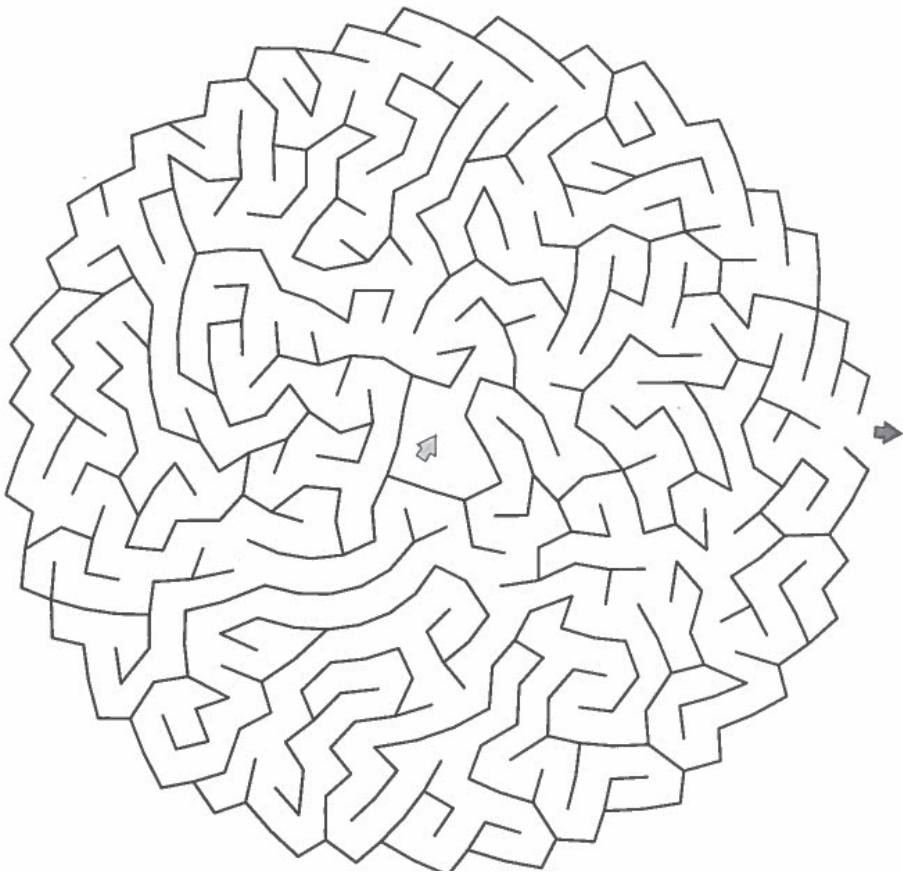
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KIDS PAGE



Can you find your way through the Maze?



Sudoku #4

5				4		6	9	7
8					2		4	
		9	5		3	1		8
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1		3	2		4	7		
	2		9					4
6	9	4		1				5

!?!?!?!?!? Brain Riddle !?!?!?!?!?

In a one-story pink house,
there was a pink person, a pink
cat, a pink fish, a pink computer,
a pink chair, a pink table, a
pink telephone, a pink shower—
everything was pink!
What color were the stairs?

The answer will be in the March issue!

February's Brain Riddle answer: In Washington D.C.

Cooking with KJT



Anytime Snacks

Johnnie Polasek
KJT Society #3, Hostyn

- 1 c. margarine, softened
- 1/2 c. confectioners sugar
- 3/4 c. nuts, chopped
- 2 1/4 c. flour
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- Powdered sugar

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Stir all ingredients together, roll into balls and place on ungreased cookie sheets and cook about 10 minutes. When cooled, roll in powdered sugar.

Chili

Dianne Viktorin
KJT Society #40, East Bernard

- 1 lb. ground beef
- 1 lb. chili meat
- 1 c. onion, chopped
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 29 oz. can tomato sauce
- 2 T. chili powder
- 2 T. cumin
- 1 tsp. salt
- Dash of oregano
- Dash of paprika

Brown meat and drain off fat. Add all the remaining ingredients, bring to a boil, turn heat down and simmer for 20 mintues.

Crock Pickles

Johnny R. Marek
KJT Society #39, Marak

- 1 gal. cucumbers, washed
- 1 gal. water
- 3 T. canning salt
- 3 T. vinegar, 90 grain
- 4-5 garlic cloves
- Dill, large, fresh sprigs

Wash cucumbers and place in crock with garlic and dill. Boil water, salt, and vinegar for 3 minutes. Cool and pour over cucumbers in crock. Press cucumbers down with a clean plate and a weight to keep cucumbers covered by the brine. Cover all with a cloth. Check in 5 to 7 days (the warmer the temperature the faster they are ready to eat). Place in closed containers and store in refrigerator.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2018

FEB

**KJT Society #133,
Missouri City
Quarterly Meeting
Thursday,
February 22, 2018**

**33rd Annual Polkafest,
February 24, 2018**
Sokol Hall, Corpus Christi
Admission \$10, Bands start
at 11 a.m.

**KJT Society #43, Wied
Quarterly Meeting
Sunday, February 25, 2018**
the meeting will follow 9:15
Mass at St. Mary's Catholic
Church.

**KJT Society #72,
Corpus Christi
Quarterly Meeting
Wednesday,
February 28, 2018**

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MAR



**KJT Society #134,
Round Rock- Quarterly
Meeting
Saturday, March 3, 2018**

**Bexar County Czech
Heritage Society Dance
March 4, 2018**
Music by Mark Halata
starting at 2:00p.m.
Martinez Social Club, San
Antonio Texas

**KJT Society #72,
Corpus Christi-
Quarterly Meeting
Sunday, March 4, 2018**
2:00 p.m.
Location: Moravian Hall

**KJT Society #112, Austin
Thursday, March 8, 2018**
Hamburger cookout,
Sacred Heart Cafeteria,
6:00 p.m.
Desserts will be appreciated

**KJT Society #31, West-
Quarterly Meeting
Sunday, March 11, 2018**
Breakfast served
after 7:30 Mass



**St. Patrick's Day
March 17, 2018**

**KJT Society #129,
Schulenburg-
Quarterly Meeting
Sunday, March 18, 2018 at
2:00 p.m.**
Location:
James & Carolyn Prihoda's
2421 Fm 2672
Schulenburg, Texas 78956



**KJT Society #133,
Missouri City Thursday,
March 22, 2018,
Room 2 @ 1:30 PM**
Holy Family Catholic
Church, 1510 Fifth Street,
Missouri City, TX 77489



**Palm Sunday,
March 25, 2018**

**KJT District IV Family Day
Saturday, March 24 , 2018**
Old Settlers Reunion Hall
3300 Palm Valley Blvd. E,
Round Rock, Texas
Fun Event and Meal
See AD on page 3

**KJT Society #139,
Bay City-
Quarterly Meeting
March 26, 2018**
Location and Time will be
determined at a later date.

**KJT Society #80,
Sealy- Quarterly Meeting
Tuesday, March 27, 2018**
Officers Meeting at 6 p.m.
meal and Meeting at 7

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**Society #129,
Schulenburg-
Matching Grant
Turkey Shoot**

**Sunday, April 8, 2018
at 2:00 p.m.**
Tofel's Place
Ammannsville, Texas

**KJT Society #31, West
Corporate Communion
Sunday, April 8, 2018 at
7:30 Mass**
Meeting and Breakfast
served after 7:30 Mass

**KJT
BBQ CHICKEN DINNER
SUNDAY MARCH 4, 2018
HUNGERFORD HALL
SERVING BEGINS AT 10:30
DINE IN OR
DRIVE THRU LINE**

**AUCTION & FREE DANCE
MUSIC BY
RED RAVENS
EVERYONE INVITED!
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HUNGERFORD HALL**

**Bexar County
Czech Heritage Society
Sunday, March 4, 2018**

**MUSIC BY:
MARK HALATA (2:00-6:00pm)**

**Martinez Social Club
7791 FM 1346 at FM 1516
San Antonio, TX 78220**

**ADMISSION \$10.00
Children 14 and under – Free**

**Refreshments: Sausage on a Bun,
Sauerkraut, & Kolaches**

28th Annual Czech KOLACHE KLOBASE FESTIVAL



**Saturday, June 9, 2018
10:30 am - 8 pm**

Admission: \$8.00 per person (covers parking & all events) Children 12 and under: Free

Riverside Hall - East Bernard, Texas
Indoor Entertainment - Riverside Hall:

Ennis Czech Boys	10:30 am - 1 pm
Czech & Then Some	1 pm - 2 pm
Dujka Bros.	2 pm - 3 pm
Flag Tribute/Grand March	3 pm - 3:30 pm
Red Ravens	3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Concert (all 3 bands)	4:30 pm - 5 pm
Czech & Then Some	5 pm - 6 pm
Dujka Bros.	6 pm - 7 pm
Red Ravens	7 pm - 8 pm



The Moravians	11 am - 12:30 pm
The Road Company - tributes prime country	12:30 pm - 2 pm
A Time to Dance Dancers	2 pm - 2:30 pm
Kolache Eating Contest Sponsored by KJT State Ofc.	2:30 pm - 3 pm
The Moravians	3 pm - 4:30 pm
The Road Company	4:30 pm - 6 pm

Sausage/BBQ Chicken Plate Lunch Available for Purchase 11 am
Drive Thru Plates & Kolaches To Go - 11am - 1 pm
Sausage Sandwiches & Hamburgers available afternoon

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Please help us find members that no longer have a correct address on file with the KJT. Contact with our members is very

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