

Knights of Columbus, Council 4444  
P.O. Box 448  
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**INDEPENDENCE DAY**

July 4, 2009

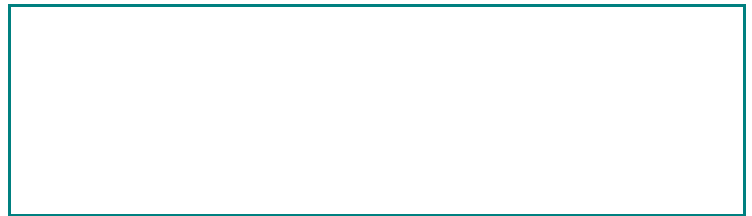
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**MASS**

Daily.....6:30 AM - 8:15 AM  
Saturday: Vigil Mass.....5:30 PM  
Sunday..... 7:30 - 9:30 - 11:30 AM  
Holy Days: Vigil Mass.....5:30 PM  
Holy Days..... 6:30 AM - 8:15 AM - 5:30PM

**CONFESSIONS**

Saturday.....4:00 to 5:00 PM  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday.....discontinued during summer

**EGLIN AFB CHAPEL- Phone: 882-2111**

**MASS**

Mon. - Thur.....Chapel Center.....1130  
Saturday.....West Gate Chapel.....1700  
Sunday.....West Gate Chapel.....1115  
Sunday.....Chapel Center.....0745  
Tuesday.....Hospital Chapel.....1130

**CONFESSIONS**

Saturday.....West Gate Chapel.....1600  
or by appointment

**HURLBURT FIELD CHAPEL**

**MASS**

Daily.....1130  
Saturday.....1700  
Sunday.....0930

**CONFESSIONS**

Saturday.....1600 to 1640  
or by appointment  
Phone: 884-7795

**SAINT PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH**

100 Francis Street  
Mary Esther, Florida  
Phone: 581- 2556

**MASS**

Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri.....8:00 AM  
Tuesday/Communion Service.....8:00 AM  
Saturday.....5:00 PM  
Sunday.....8:00 - 10:30 AM

**CONFESSIONS:**

Saturday 4:00 to 4:45 and by appointments

# MEETING AGENDA

- 1<sup>st</sup> WEDNESDAY** of each month is the Executive Board meeting. Members of this board, Council Officers and Directors are expected to attend. Members are encouraged to attend. The meeting will be called to order promptly at 7:00 pm
- 2<sup>nd</sup> WEDNESDAY** of each month is the General Business meeting. All members are encouraged to attend. The meeting starts promptly at 7:00 pm. A 1<sup>ST</sup> degree exemplification will be held when there is enough candidates to warrant one.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> THURSDAY** of each month is the 4<sup>TH</sup> Degree Assembly meeting. All 4<sup>TH</sup> Degree members are encouraged to attend. The meeting starts promptly at 7:00 pm.
- 4<sup>th</sup> WEDNESDAY** of each month is our Business meeting and the Auxiliary meeting. Both meetings start promptly at 7:00 pm.
- 5<sup>th</sup> WEDNESDAY** of the month is designated as “**Family Night**” for all Knights and their Court. See the bulletin for more information regarding these events.
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# GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

## MY BROTHERS ALL:

We have completed the elections for 2009-2010. You can see a listing of the elected officers in this newsletter (Page 11).

I am honored to serve another term as Grand Knight. I am most honored to have a great group of officers. Some new faces and some that are back for a second term. Please keep us in your prayers to accomplish our duties and help the council to another very productive year.

If anyone is interested in getting involved with our Programs as a Director or just offering to help with one or more Programs, PLEASE contact me by email [ed@kofc4444.com](mailto:ed@kofc4444.com) or call me 850-685-9608 and let me know. Or if you just want information on any of our Programs let me know.

Don't forget as the **"PRIDE OF THE PANHANDLE"** gets geared up for another great year and move forward I ask that everyone at least make our General Meetings which are at the hall, 205 Carol Ave, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month beginning at 7:00 pm. Where lots of good things are discussed as we always look for ideas and direction of our Council. After the meeting is a good time to visit with your Brother Knights. As we continue to grow you will always see some new faces and of course some faces that have been around for a long time.

One more item, I would personally love to invite all our Brother Knights to the Installation of Officers on July 22, beginning at 7:00 pm. It is a great way to thank last year's Officers for all their hard work and meet our newly elected Officers. If you have not been to an Installation of Officers it is an honored tradition and it is great to see Brother Knights and their families gather together supporting Council #4444 for all the work they have done and will continue to do in Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

Your Brother In Christ  
Ed Villarreal, Grand Knight  
St. Mary's Council #4444



# From The Vault Of The Financial Secretary

My Brothers, I wish you all a Happy New (fiscal) Year! I congratulate our new officers and know they will continue to make this next year at least as successful as last.

Our budget is now being drawn up, and I find we have revenues topping \$100K for the past year and even more income projected to be earned this year. With that comes staggering increases in expenses. However, we are still barely in the black, and should be able to survive for years to come. With everyone's help. Pay your dues on time. Respond cheerfully to our fund raising appeals. Volunteer your time at Bingo and other activities. Rent our hall. Recommend renting our hall to others. Show up at parties and other functions. **BECOME INVOLVED**

Please make a "New Year's Resolution" to continue to support your council in all that it does.  
Vivat Jesus, D I C k

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# WHY YOU SHOULD ATTEND THE MEETING SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 8

Be sure to attend this meeting and participate in the presentation of \$17,389.53 being distributed to 5 deserving recipients.

This money is what so many of you helped to accumulate for charitable purposes by being involved in the programs designed by the council to accomplish this goal.

The recipients are as follows:

- 1 \$1,366.65 To St. Mary's School for the "Murtha Scholarship"
- 2 \$1,510.88 To St. Mary's Parish Life Center for Furnishing
- 3 \$3,628.00 FWB Developmental Center
- 4 \$3,628.00 Horizons of Okaloosa County
- 5 \$3,628.00 Pyramid, Inc.
- 6 \$3,628.01 Silver Sands School

Items numbered 3 - 4 - 5 & 6, totaling \$14,512.00, was for the benefit of our LOCAL disadvantaged citizens. This, along with 1 check presented to St. Mary's School and the other to St Mary's Parish, totaled \$17, 389.53.

May this outstanding event be an incentive for all "Brother Knights & Families of the Council" to unite and strive for at least \$20,000.00 next year.

This years programs in need of help will be the upcoming BINGO GAMES held every Friday evening starting at 5 PM with the quarter games. The starting date will be about October 23rd. You do not have to be in attendance for the entire program but a couple of hours will be greatly appreciated. Let the BINGO chairman know the time frame in which you can participate.

Another challenge will be the "TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE" as we are slowly being deprived of street corners due to city and county ordinances. A way to overcome this obstacle is to participate in our \$1.00 a week program. If you are unable to do this it is suggested that you try saving either your pennies, nickels, dimes or quarters. Whatever denomination you decide on adds up very quickly and you will find that you will exceed a dollar a week. This excess can be used at the end of the year to take the family out for a gourmet dinner. Give it a try.

# INVITATION

This is an open invitation to ALL female family members (18 years or older) of Council 4444 Knights to join the “Ladies Auxiliary”. A special invitation is extended to the families of brother knights recently accepted into the council.

The auxiliary makes it possible for this council to really be a family oriented organization. They usually are the ones who decorate the hall for various events, man the snack bar during the bingo season and in general help the council to achieve it's goals of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

The meetings are usually held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month and is highlighted every year (4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday in June) with a “FREE’ luncheon at the Olive Garden at which time they elect the officers for the following year. Those elected last month are posted on page 11 and any one of them may be contacted if you wish to join this very important part of the council..

The Knights are very appreciative of all their assistance during the last year and are looking forward to the continuous efforts of the auxiliary to enhance the council in this upcoming year.

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**HAVE A SAFE 4<sup>th</sup> OF JULY (INDEPENDENCE Day).  
REMEMBER ALL THOSE WHO ARE STILL SERVING THIS  
COUNTRY TO RETAIN OUR FREEDOM AND DO NOT FORGET  
THOSE WHO FOUGHT AND DIED TO ESTABLISH OUR FREEDOM  
AND INDEPENDENCE.**

## SOUP KITCHEN

Brother Hal Griffin is getting great response to starting a Soup Kitchen run by the Knights of Columbus. He is looking for volunteers to help make this project get off the ground.

Please contact Hal at [thegriffinfamily@cox.net](mailto:thegriffinfamily@cox.net) if you are interested. He can fill you in as to where the soup kitchen will be located and what the hours of operation will be.

I personally thank Bro. Hal for taking on a worthwhile project and hope to see Bro. Knights rally to help him.

Ed Villarreal, Grand Knight



Here are the Texas Workforce Yungsters who spent the night at our hall recently. They are enjoying their breakfast prior to departing for Savannah, GA. May the Lord bless them and protect them as they continue their journey into adulthood and the responsibility that comes with it..

# JULY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 1 Executive Board Meeting...7 PM
- 4 Independence Day
- 8 General Business Meeting...7 PM
- 8 Presentation of checks-See article on page 5
- 16 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting...7 PM
- 22 General Business Meeting... 7 PM
- 22 Installation of Officers-(3rd Degree)
- 29 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month activity

## COMING ATTRACTIONS FOR AUGUST

- 2 Installation of Officers (4<sup>th</sup> Degree)...4 PM at our hall
- 5 Executive Board Meeting...7 PM
- 12 General business Meeting...7 PM
- 20 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting...7 PM
- 26 General Business Meeting...7 PM

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## INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

3rd Degree installation will be on Wednesday the 22nd of July  
4th Degree Installation will be at Council 4444's hall starting at 4 P.M.  
on Sunday the 2nd of August. More info in the August issue.



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**FIELD AGENT**

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# COUNCIL 4444 BOOSTER MEMBERS

Gene & Ginny Poschel	12 / 20	Voncylle Doherty	6 / 10
Ed & Marianne Yazinski	11 / 17	Stan Reither	6 / 10
Fred Hodgins	4 / 17	Charles Wheelahan	4 / 10
George & Irene Sabol PGK'PFN	2 / 17	Will Lagadon	3 / 10
Joe Proscia	1 / 17	Dick & Rose Olson FDD/PFN/PGK	3 / 10
John & Kitty Connors	1 / 14	Chuck & Juilene Schaefer PFN/PGK	2 / 10
Marvin & Caria Brigman	9 / 13	Bill & Regina Nadicksbernd	2 / 10
Leslie H. Quinn	1 / 13	Henry Steidl	1 / 10
George & Barbara Bowers	12 / 12	Ray Vanadore	12 / 09
George & Jackie Tisza	4 / 11	Fred & Rae Scarcella	10 / 09
Jim & Gloria Welsh	11 / 10	Gil & Inge Halliday PFN/PGK	0 / 09
Betty Horvath	10 / 10	Frank & JoAnn Maher	10 / 09
Gerald Might	9 / 10	Fred & Shirley Ziki	10 / 09
Joe & Nancy Cherniga	8 / 10	Neal Jokela	10 / 09
George Krull	8 / 10	Don & Mary Gates	8 / 09
Tony DeArco	7 / 10	Don Charles Hartman	8 / 09
Bart Koepke	7-10	Tom & Margie Riley PFN	7 / 09
Bill Coleman	7-10	Lucky Bronder	6 / 09
Tom & Alice Davis PGK	7-10	Your name should be here	
Karl & Louise VanEtten PGK PFN	6 / 10		

Special thanks goes to Council 4444 Booster Club Members. Their donations help defray the cost of publishing and mailing our newsletter. You can join this group by mailing a donation of \$6.00 or more (\$6.00 per year) to the Financial Secretary, Knights of Columbus, Council 4444, P.O. Box 448, Ft. Walton Beach, FL. 32549

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## Happy Birthday

to our Brothers born in

# JULY



Bro. James B. Castelin	1	Bro. Gary P. Colsch	18
Bro. Tim J. Mastromonico	2	Bro. Michael L. Jacobs	20
Bro. Paul L. Violette	6	Bro. Daniel R. Vicker	23
Bro. Gary M. McMorrow	10	Bro. Ray R. Pickard	25
Bro. John M. Graziano	14	Bro. Charles A. Kelly	26
Bro. Thomas M. Leechin	14	Bro. Roger G. Clark	26
PGK Thomas E. Davis	16	PSD Frank X. Scandone	30
Bro. Richard Norton	17		



# SUNSHINE



Illness:

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Walter Richardson  
"Terry" Parker  
Danny O'Brien  
Gene Korleski  
Tom Davis  
Fred Scarcella  
Frank Caruso  
Rose Reyes

Eugene Poschel  
Jay Arnold  
Tom Riley  
Charles Bonadonna  
Tom Stewart  
Deacon Charles Wolf  
Ginny Poschel  
Margie Riley

Nell Madere  
Alice Davis  
Nancy Scandone  
Carolyn Herbstreit  
Pauline Parker  
Richard Kopf  
Trina Shelley  
Judy Sheppard

**And all others in need of our prayers "PLEASE  
REMEMBER OUR CLERGY IN YOUR PRAYERS"**

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## SCHOLARSHIP HONORING "MIKE" MANCINI

Plan now to attend a fund raiser on Saturday, August 1, 2009, that will help create a Northwest Florida State College music scholarship in honor of the late Mike Mancini.

The benefit, "Puttin' On The Ritz," featuring the Twilight Jazz Band and another local favorite, Sandra Daggs, will perform. It will be held at the SONS OF ITALY LODGE from 7:30 P.M. to 10:30 P.M.

Decadent Desserts will be served and a cash bar will be available. Tickets are on sale now for \$20.00 each (contact Mary Mancini at 689-1115).

If you want to contribute to the scholarship fund please send your donation to the Northwest Florida State College Foundation, 100 College Blvd., Niceville, FL 32578, and indicate it is for the Michael A. Mancini, Sr., Gifted Musician Scholarship fund.

NOTE: Mike was a fourth degree knight and performed at many KofC functions (He was the mainstay at all Pro-Life Dinners.) His musical career started many years before many of our readers were born and he was known to have had a personal relationship with many musicians from the "Big Band" era

# COUNCIL & DISTRICT OFFICERS

## COUNCIL HALL (850) 243-4444

CHAPLAIN Rev.	Craig Smith	243-3742
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