

# Marquette Council 1437

September 2012

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# **Grand Knight's Message**

By Eric Snyder, Grand Knight

Due to Hurricane Isaac and the resulting loss of electricity at home, my message will be short and to the point. Thanks to everyone who attended the picnic and helped to organize the event, and thanks to Ike's Caravan for a great meeting last month. I wish everyone a speedy recovery from the effects of the hurricane.

Vivat Jesus!



# Message from State Deputy John Boudreaux regarding Hurricane Isaac:

I would like to let my brother knights know that we are praying for them and are hopeful that they are in a safe place. I humbly ask that our brother knights stay in touch with us so that we can activate resources where they are needed. This storm will be much more intense than we expected, but it is too late to wonder out, so hunker down and hold on. Let our brother knights' and families know that will not abandon them, we will do whatever we can to help them return to normalcy. May God through his Holy Mother protect all of us!



#### STAR COUNCIL

Marquette Council is proud to announce it earned the prestigious Star Council Award for 2011-2012.

The Star Council Award recognizes outstanding achievement in membership, insurance and service program activities.

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Barry Waller

CADILLAC PARTY

Leon Mathes

SPECIAL EVENTS

Tony Grego

# **Upcoming Events**

# **Marquette on Wednesday Night**

Wednesday, September 5

No meeting this night. We just hang out at the Hall, work on the scrapbook, and do a little housekeeping.

## **Home Building and Improvement Association Meeting**

Wednesday, September 12 at 7 p.m.

Three new directors will be elected.

#### **Monthly General Meeting**

Wednesday, September 12

#### **Trivia Night**

Friday, September 14

Competition begins at 7 pm. Teams are limited to a maximum of four players each. Prizes will be awarded to the winners. Drinks will be at Mardi Gras prices, and drink tickets will be accepted. Snack food will be provided. This event is open to everyone. Bring family and friends!

#### Officers' / Planning Meeting

Tuesday, September 25

All members of Marquette are welcome to participate in the discussions.

# TRIVIA NIGHT

Friday, September 14 At Marquette

Doors will open at 6 pm. Competition begins at 7 pm.

Call Tony Grego 504-554-0453 tee142002@yahoo.com Teams are limited to a maximum of four players each.

Prizes!

This event is open to family and friends!

Mardi Gras Drink Prices

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# COMMITTEES & ACTIVITIES (continued)

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# HOME BUILDING AND IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

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TREASURER

Dr. Ken Schott

SECRETARY

Barry Waller

**MEMBERS** 

Stephen Babin Richard Lewis David Grego Phil Jones Shane Collins Eric Snyder



## **Insurance Program**

#### Your Shield For Life

# **Raising Awareness About Life Insurance**

By Terry Kennedy, General Agent

Since 2003, each September has been designated as Life Insurance Awareness Month. Like most awareness-raising campaigns, Life Insurance Awareness Month was created because there is an overwhelming lack of understanding of the product among the general public. Each year, the Life Insurance Market Research Association puts out the results from a recent survey, and unfortunately, the numbers they report continue to be discouraging.

A recent survey found that 76 percent of people polled did not have a personal financial advisor. Sixty-eight percent of that same survey group said their opinion of the current economic conditions was somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable.

In other words, a majority of those surveyed were uncomfortable with the economy and the uncertainty it brings, yet they did not seek professional assistance. Maybe they spoke with their friends and family. Maybe they hoped the instability would go away on its own. Maybe they did not know to whom to turn.

If you fall into this category, please remember that as a member of the Knights of Columbus, you have a full-time, professional agent you can call your own. His primary responsibility is the care and service of your family's life insurance, retirement, disability income and long-term care needs. He will answer your questions because he wants your decisions to be informed ones. He wants to help.

Another LIMRA statistic said 43 percent of people did not buy life insurance because they worry about "making the wrong decision." Talk with your agent, and, afterwards, you'll understand that the only wrong decision was not protecting your family's future sooner.

Terry Kennedy, General Agent 985-649-2703 Terry.kennedy@kofc.org ◆

BECOME AN INSURANCE MEMBER.

# Marquette is giving away \$500.

By Staff Writer

Marquette has \$500 to give away to two deserving students. A 250 word essay could result in a \$250 scholarship for a child's education.

The annual *Rudy Classen Memorial Scholarship* will be awarded once again this Spring. Two \$250.00 scholarships are awarded as a memorial to a great Knight—the late Rudolph "Rudy" Classen.

The criteria for receiving this scholarship are as follows:

- (1) All students going from a Catholic school into a Catholic high school (8th or 9th grade) are eligible.
- (2) A 250 word essay entitled "What my Catholic education means to me" will be reviewed by the committee consisting of the Chaplain, Grand Knight and Chancellor. Should a conflict of interest occur, or at the request of one of the committee members, the Chaplain will appoint a Marquette member in good standing as a substitute.
- (3) Essays are to be presented no later than the September general meeting to the Deputy Grand Knight. In the event of multiple entries, the Deputy Grand Knight will code the entries to assure anonymity, before presenting the essays to the Grand Knight. Should there be a conflict of interest involving the Deputy Grand Knight then a trustee will be appointed to collect the essays.
- (4) The scholarships will be awarded at the Fall Quarterly communion, date and location to be determined by the Church Director and Chaplain.

Deadline: Wednesday, September 12, 2012 •

# **Race Ends In Huge Controversy**

By Mark Carver, Sports Editor

After reviewing the videotapes and consulting the Official Rules and Bylaws of the North American Sack Racing Association, race officials eventually declared Kenny Kee the winner of Marquette's Annual Sack Race Championship.

The controversy surrounded the unorthodox actions of Shane Collins and Jeff Hoerner who dove across the finish line to finish first and second, respectively, and surpass Kenny Kee. Although Collins' and Hoerner's hands crossed the finish line in front of Kee, officials disqualified both racers and ruled Kee was the first racer to properly cross the finish line while still inside his sack.

Eric Snyder, the second competitor to successfully cross the finish line in his sack, was later stripped of his Silver Medal for using performance enhancing drugs, which he can be seen holding in his right hand in the pictures below. •





Kenny Kee, Shane Collins, Eric Snyder, and Jeff Hoerner (pictured left to right)

# **Home and Building Improvement Association**

By Barry Waller, PGK, Secretary

What follows is an explanation of the relationship between the Marquette Council, The Marquette Home Building and Improvement Association Inc., and the Board of Directors of that latter organization.

As the Supreme By-Laws forbid any Knights of Columbus Council to own real estate; the Marquette Home Building and Improvement Association Inc. was incorporated August 1, 1956 for the sole purpose of obtaining and maintaining a permanent home for the Marquette Council 1437. This organization's members consist of all members of the Marquette Council in good standing, while only Third Degree members have the right to vote and hold office. The sole beneficiary for any and all funds received is the Marquette Council.

The Board of Directors for the Home Building and Improvement Association (hereafter referred to as the Board) is an elected board of 11 members – 9 who are elected on a staggered three year term with 3 member terms expiring annually. The other 2 members are on the Board via their elected positions as Grand Knight and Immediate Past Grand Knight.

The Board handles all of the activities in leasing the available space to our tenant, collects rent and handles all structural repairs on the building (312-314 St Charles, New Orleans) and remits any remaining funds less 10% for a major repair fund) to the Council – no individual or organization other than the Marquette Council can benefit from the Boards activities.

The 11 Board members meet twice a year – in January to elect their officers for the term, review all expenses and budget for anticipated maintenance and repairs. In August the, month prior to the annual Corporation meeting, the insurance is reviewed; building value established and another review of all past and anticipated repairs are reviewed.

The Annual Corporation meeting is held in September at the Marquette Council home just prior to the scheduled Marquette monthly business meeting on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. At this meeting all third degree members in good standing are invited to run for the 3 elected positions and to then vote on the members who terms are expiring. The elected members will be elected for a three year term and will be eligible to be considered for an officer position on the Board.

As every Third Degree member in good standing is a voting member of the Marquette Home Building and Improvement Association Inc., they have the right to know whatever business is being conducted on their behalf. The only exception would be the terms of the lease agreement with the tenant as that has privacy issues with our tenant.

If there is any member in good standing desires to know anything about the board, please feel free to contact any board member. The Board is the guiding directors for the corporation duly elected by the membership to conduct business for the betterment of all Marquette members of any degree, as laid out in their by-laws and articles of incorporation. •

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# Marquette Home Building and Improvement Association

**Annual Corporation Meeting** 

#### Wednesday, September 12 at 7 pm

(Immediatly prior to Marquette's General Monthly Meeting)

Three persons will be elected to the Board of the Directors at this meeting to fill the expiring terms of three current Directors. Directors are elected for a three-year term

#### Current Elected Directors are:

Michael Jamison Gerard "Bubby" Keller Harold Vega Dr. Ken Schott Barry Waller Stephen Babin Richard Lewis David Grego Phil Jones The three terms expiring are:

Gerard "Bubby" Keller Harold Vega Dr. Ken Schott

Two Directors are appointed to the Board:
The current Grand Knight
The Immediate Past Grand Knight

- All third degree members in good standing are invited to run for the three expiring positions.
- Any third degree member in good standing may be nominated.
- The three out-going Directors may be re-nominated and re-elected.
- All third degree members in good standing may vote for nominees and candidates.



# Friday, November 16, 2012

Cadillac Party Chairman Leon Mathes wants to emphasis the "party" for this year's Cadillac Party.

A "banquet" does not accurately characterize this annual fundraising event. Typically, a banquet is formal meal or dinner, but our event is, and should be, a "party."

\$10,000 Grand Prize

**Proceeds Benefits Charity** 

Open Bar

Food

Music

This year's Cadillac Party promises to be less "talking" and more "dancing." And somebody could go home with \$10,000!

Tickets are on sale now! The fun will be held at the Alexander Room in Metairie and the caterer will be La Bella's.

Leon Mathes, Chairman - (504) 491-0699

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

## Lark Sowell

Family of the Month

Lark Sowell and his wife Tracie cooked for our Blood Drive/August Meeting. They are active in the council, and we appreciate all they do for Marquette.

# Jerry Vadell

Knight of the Month

Jerry is very active in the council, and he recently help to organize the four-day Marquette Council Retreat (even though it was really a guys only fishing trip at Lake Catherine.)

# Did you know . . .

Did you know that in the history of the Louisiana Knights of Columbus, two members of Marquette Council have served as the State Deputy for Louisiana?

Charles J. Rivet (1931 – 1934)

Mandeville P. Arnoult, Jr. (1938 – 1940)

## **Chefs of the Month**

Thanks to Darryl Vadell for cooking at the August general meeting.

Eric Snyder and Louie Calato for cooking at the picnic.





#### When Does Marquette Meet?

#### **Business Meeting**

2nd Wednesday of the month. Doors open at 6 p.m. Rosary at 7:10 p.m. Meeting at 7:30 p.m. Dinner at 8:30 p.m.

#### Officers' Meeting

4th Tuesday of the month. Doors open at 6 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m.

#### **Marquette on Wednesday**

1st Wednesday of the month. Doors open at 6 p.m. No meeting / Various projects.

The above dates and times are subject to change.

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Be strong and courageous.

Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you.

He will not leave you or forsake you.

~ Deuteronomy 31:6

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