



St. Paul's Knights of Columbus for 2015

Fellow parishioners, the St. Paul's Knights would like to thank you for the tremendous support that you have given us in the past, and especially for 2015. With your support of our activities and fundraisers, we have been able to contribute to our parish and community needs in many ways. Overall, in 2015, SPA Knights had charitable contributions worth \$17,500, 200 visits to sick or bereaved, volunteer works totaling 8,800 hours, and "brown bag" collections worth \$8,100.

The "brown bag" collections are wonderful examples of our parish supporting the needs of the community in which we live, without regard to religious affiliation. We had 3 collections of food for the Helping Center, and 3 collections of goods for the Crisis Center, both located in Marble Falls. St. Paul's donations to these services are consistently among the largest that they receive from a single organization in the area. Their gratitude is heartfelt and heartwarming.

In support of our parish specifically, the Knights paid for certain capital expenditures like materials for the added parking areas and shelves in the Family Life Center in 2015. Moreover, we are proactive in all of the parish's ministries, and personally perform many hours of volunteer services, such as hospitality on first Sundays, maintenance of SPA's facilities, setup of the FLC, and parish workdays. Further, we awarded scholarships to parish members and donated to the Catholic Center at Texas State University. We helped support two Paulist seminarians.

Other community contributions included disaster relief donations to the victims of the terrible floods in Wimberley and San Marcos last year. Each year, the Knights of SPA give money to buy wheelchairs for veterans and the needy. Our "unadvertised" driver service provided 20 rides for non-parishioners and parishioners in getting to/from doctor appointments or hospital stays.

These contributions are made possible by your generous support of our fundraisers and activities. Everything from Tamale Sales, to Pancake Breakfasts, to the 200 Club, to the Brown Bag collections, and others. Your generosity and the personal, faith-filled commitments of our Brother Knights make this possible. Together, we will continue to make St. Paul's the kind of charitable community that we all want to be a part of. Thank You, Join Us, and God Bless!

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