



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

**Bishop William R. Johnson Council  
August 2019**

*Brothers, our newsletter editor Brother Jim Breen is battling lung cancer and is now recovering from an emergency surgery last week. Below you will see some notable articles regarding our council. Please continue to pray for Brother Jim.*

## **Grand Knight's Report**

Worthy Brothers,

In my last Grand Knights report I mentioned that we will be putting Faith into Action. One change you are going to see is we are going to start our council meetings with a prayer just before we say a decade of the Rosary. From time to time I will be calling on Brothers to lead us in prayer as well.

On July 4<sup>th</sup> We were well represented at the Lake Forest Parade. We had 21 Brothers who marched in our Lake Forest Parade. Was a wonderful event and turnout. If you missed it this year, please make plans to join us next year as this brings great exposure. Special thanks to the 6 Sir Knights who joined us looking stellar in the new regalia. Including our very own. SK Mike Sofka, SK John Ojeda and SK Ricardo Teano.



We held our annual pasta dinner for Free the Kids in Pwoje Espwa Sud, Haiti. Special thanks to Diane and Tom Sixsmith and all the volunteers who helped with the event. Unfortunately, there was a very poor turnout for the dinner. For this reason, I have decided that we are going to redirect this month's black box to go to Free the Kids. If you were there you would have heard from Frank Irr the Executive Director telling a story of a young boy who was begging on the streets for food because it was not his turn to eat that day. Let us all pray for the children of Haiti and all of those that go hungry around the world.

Our Camino was a huge success again this year! As you know this event is arranged and ran by the Parish. But many of our Knights and their families worked hard to help put on this event -- again showing how Saint Paul John II stated, "The Knights of Columbus are the strong right arm of the Church."

Summer is in full swing, so it is time for our annual Burger Bash and Ice Cream Social. PGK Pat Larkin will be leading the event again this year which is always well-attended. Brother Pat will be needing help with this major even and more details will be sent as we get closer via e-blasts on how you can help. I will be out of town for the event so have a burger and ice cream for me.

We will be needing extra help for recycling on Saturday 8/10 as we still have the youth unavailable. Our Past Grand Knights Dinner will be on August 6<sup>th</sup> at Outback Steakhouse. Lastly, we will be hosting a second and third degree on Saturday August 26<sup>th</sup> sponsored by our Worthy District Deputy, Brother Michael Klett. This is going to be a major event and planning is already well underway. I am aware that last time our council hosted a degree such as this we lost money. Steps are going to be in place to ensure this does not happen again and in fact will actually make us some profit.

Vivat Jesus!

- Vince Vasquez, Worthy Grand Knight

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## **Knight of the Month – Roy Reyes**

Our council is witnessing an array of amazing new members. Roy Reyes is certainly one of them. He has already put in an incredible number of volunteer hours besides becoming a 3rd degree in 6 months as a Knight. Roy is a steady help at recycling, helps hand out Dynamic Catholic books, Living Faith Booklets, and Church bulletins before and after masses, does clean up, helps in the kitchen with the Knights, volunteers on the very successful and well-run Golf Tournament fund raiser, attends Degree ceremonial and Council meetings.

Roy, a Civil Engineer and wife Cynthia, a retired RN, have been parishioners for 32 years. They have a talented family. Son Chris (46) married to Beverly, graduated from UCSD (Biomedical Engineering) and UCI (MBA). Chris volunteers at Santiago preparing income taxes for free thru the Vista program. Daughter Rochelle (41) graduated from George Washington University (Psychology) and State University of New York (Physician Assistant Program). Rochelle is employed as a Physician Assistant doing cancer research at Stanford University Health Clinic and is also as a professor at Stanford University Medical School. Both siblings were considered gifted students during high school and had several awards. Roy's grandson Xavier will be a sophomore at Trabuco Hills High.

Did you know that Roy walked the Walk in Santiago de Compostela, Spain with his children? They did 113 km of the Camino De Frances from Sarria, Spain to the St. James Cathedral in 6 days. They had sooo much fun and the pilgrimage walk hit them spiritually that their 2nd Camino trip will be very soon. God willing, he said.

Roy thinks KofC is great. You can socialize without fear of discrimination. He is still trying to get used to calling his fellow Knights, "Brothers". Congratulations Roy for this well-deserved recognition!

- Ricardo Teano, Membership Director

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## **Family of the Month – Ojeda Family**

It is my pleasure to announce the Family of the Month for July 2019 is the Ojeda Family. Mary and John Ojeda can be seen in countless activities around our Parish. They serve as counters, eucharistic ministers, and basically are there where help is needed. Brother John is always at Recycling and helping with wheelies at Mass etc. As you are aware, Brother John has completed his 3-year duties as our Financial Secretary in just under 10 years. Yet he continues to be there for our council to call on when needed and mentoring our current FS. On behalf of our entire Council we would like to say thank you to Mary and John Ojeda for all that they do for our Parish community.

- Vince Vasquez, Worthy Grand Knight

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## **2019 KofC Charity Golf Tournament**

The 2019 Bishop Johnson Council Charity Golf Tournament was a great success on Sunday, June 30th. This year we had 85 golfers play at Tijeras Creek. Brother John Ojeda and Mary were the lucky winners of the Helicopter Ball Drop and received a check for \$300.

The following registration volunteers did a terrific job checking everyone in and helping with the putting contest:

- Joe and Lana Merchant
- Ricardo Teano
- Pat Walloch
- Stuart and France Imagawa
- Janet, Nicole and Karen Gamarra
- Bob Birtja
- Roy Reyes
- Israel Lopez

The following generous sponsors supported our tournament this year:

- O'Connor Mortuary
- Pearl Breen
- The Magnificent Seven
- Jean and Dick Gregg, Charter Grand Knight
- Steven P. Kirsch, D.D.S. and Pershin Moradi, D.M.D
- Frank and Lupe Kloer
- Sam "The Man" Riela
- John and Mary Ojeda
- Peter and Beau Kellen & Jim and Nancy Lamperis
- Assembly 2305

The Awards dinner began with an invocation from Father Bill Barman. PGK Ken Allen was this year's Honoree for his past charitable works and was presented with a plaque and a gift card for dinner.

Here are this year's tournament and hole challenge winners:

1 <sup>st</sup> Place Gross (score of 54):	Rick Yanez, Roman Yanez, Ryam Mitchell, Dave Myzoko
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Gross (score of 58):	Dave Atkins, Steve Harris, Bret Taylor, Norm Thorlakson
1 <sup>st</sup> Place Net (score of 64):	John Lerner, William Lafave, Jeff Lerner, Scott Lafave
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Net (score of 65):	Jim Brown, Milena Brown, Rick Trager, Steve Winders
Closest to Pin #5:	Rich Mulhaupt
Straightest Drive #18:	Daniel Walloch
Longest Drive #8 (Men):	Nick Wilcox
Longest Drive #8 (Women):	Courtney Bustamante
Putting Contest Winner:	Alonzo Maldonado
Closest to Pin #14:	Tony Cardillo
Longest Putt #11:	Jim Brown

The raffle is always a wonderful way to close the event. The gifts are donated by various Brothers along with the Friends of the Tournament dinner held specifically to raise funds for the raffle prizes.

Thank you again to the all the brothers and parishioners for their wonderful support of this year's tournament. Between the golf dinner and tournament, we raised approximately \$9,800 after expenses. We look forward to seeing everyone on June 28<sup>th</sup> 2020 for our next annual charity golf tournament!

- Al Gamarra, Golf Tournament Chair