

Grand Knight's Report Council involved in red-hot recruitment contest

by Charlie Young, Grand Knight

I have been inundated with e-mails about recruiting. We won the February contest and this month are in a contest with Southern California to see who can recruit the most members.

We are currently behind, but can close fast and overtake Southern California.

If you have any candidates,

try to get them to a first degree by March 31. When attending Mass or any other church event, keep in mind the person next to you as a potential Brother. All you have to do is ask.

If they are not a Knight of Columbus, ask them why. Tell them all the wonderful things the Knights do for the church and community. Remember to bring them to their degrees and become a sideliner. It is a terrific way to reinforce the lessons we all learned while going through our degrees.



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– John Piccolo photo

PLEASE HELP US: A few of Fr. Marc's kids are pictured during a previous trip to Haiti. Dee Orlowoski and Penny Piccolo, wives of Brothers Chip and John, will leave for the island country April 20 for a special post-Easter celebration party. Help is needed in the form of donations of Easter plastic eggs and candy. The country continues to recover from the devastating earthquake that struck earlier this year.

Help needed for Easter donations to Fr. Marc's kids

The spouses of two of our Brother Knights are traveling to Haiti April 20. Dee Orlowski (pictured below) and Penny Piccolo want to give Fr. Marc's kids an Easter

celebration party. Times are tough and these children need some cheer.

A post-Easter egg hunt for over 800 children will be held and your help is needed!

Weneedplasticeggs, nonchocolate candy, (Tootsie Rolls are OK because they do not melt), jelly beans, and other small items that might fit into plastic eggs. The boys and girls also like sheets of stickers.



There will be a box labeled Haiti inside the front door of the Parish Hall the two weekends following Easter (April 11 and 18). If you have questions or would like to donate money so we can purchase these items, call Penny Piccolo at 951-1550 or 770-7316. – John Piccolo

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<u>Knight of the Month</u> Michael Ulibarri

In April 2010 we honor Mike Ulibarri as our Knight of the Month. Mike has been instrumental in the spaghetti dinners put on by our Council, attaining the title "Seus Chef."

His assistance in preparing the spaghetti and the sauce is invaluable. He is willing to spend hours in the kitchen helping prepare the meals and also help with the clean up afterwards.

Mike participates in the recycling program, helping where needed. Mike recently volunteered to assist Brothers Joe Schulte and John Blaney with Sunday doughnuts and coffee. I'm sure he would appreciate other Brothers helping.

Mike and his wife, Erin are very busy with a young daughter and another child on the way. Erin is due in early July. We are truly grateful for all the help Mike gives to our Council.

Congratulations to Mike Ulibarri, Knight of the Month. - Charlie Young, GK

<u>Family of the Month</u> Dave and Jean Owens

We are very pleased to honor Dave and Jean Owens as our Family of the Month. Brother Dave is an active member of the Council. Most recently he has been part of our team in preparing and serving Lenten Dinners. Dave and Jean are both members of our music ministry singing with the adult choir. Dave was instrumental in the formation of Santiago's Parish Council serving as President for three years.

Dave and Jean also serve our community working at South County Outreach. He collects donations from local churches and stores. Dave is a retired US Marine Corps pilot whose career spans the spectrum of military aircraft and is qualified in helicopters, transports, and jets.

Dave and Jean are proud parents of a son (USAF officer), daughter, three grandchildren with a fourth on the way. Please offer your hearty congratulations to this fine example of a family totally committed to our Council and Church. - John Piccolo, PGK

Alert: Third dues notice sent

I recently sent out a Third Notice also known as Knight Alert. This is a reminder that dues have not been paid. This is not meant to try and remove you from your membership but paying your dues is important to your Council.

I have asked those members who may need more time to contact your Grand Knight, Charlie Young at 949-699-0929 or cell 949-422-9814, or myself, John Ojeda at 949-595-0990 or cell 949-813-4320, if more time is needed or if an installment plan would fit your budget.

I know we have a tough economy. Many of our members are on a fixed income. If you wish to no longer be a member write me a letter and return it in the self-addressed envelope to my address.

Many of you have started this Council and made it one of the strongest in the State. We want you to remain with us but we need to hear from you if you are unable to pay your dues now.

– John Ojeda, PGK Financial Secretary

March Meeting Highlights

by John Blaney, Recorder

1) GK's Report:

a) Special Olympics, Wahoo's will donate 20 percent of all customers' bills to the Special Olympics.

b) Food for Families: Please support this program and donate canned foods.

c) No Orange County priests were submitted for the Father McGivney award.

d) The Knights cooked dinner for the Confirmation kids.

e) Nine Brothers from Council 9487 made their third degrees and OC Councils had 136 overall.

f) Third Degree will be held in April or June.

2) Treasurer's Report:

Checking Account: \$4,775.87; savings: \$793.31, CD: \$2,952.48. Vanguard: \$37,171.39. Account balances: \$45.693.05.

New members voted on and approved were Brian Ranahan, Peter Paul Archinger and Mike Bongirono.

3) Committee Reports:

1. Day of Sharing: On April 17, John Blaney will direct this effort, taking over for John Piccolo. A group is needed to set up. If interested, contact John @ 949-837-4403 or email him @ jcblaney@ att.net.

2. Scholarship Program: Letter applications for children in Catholic Schools, all grades, is due to Brother Ken Allen in early May.

3. More help is needed with recycling, especially Monday mornings. The program has now raised more than \$278,000 over the last 20 years.

4. Coffee and doughnuts are sold on the second Sunday of every month, except when it rains. New help is needed.

5. Golf Tournament: May be held the last Sunday in June. The Knights are looking for people to help.

6. Pro-life, 40 days of Vigil will be held in front of Abortion Clinics.

4) Good of the Order:

Ricardo Teano was honored with the VIPClub Award by Supreme for his great recruitment efforts.

Council insurance agent Mark Yubeta said no major changes are planned this year.

Old Business:

Revised budget was discussed, voted on and passed.

6) 50/50 raffle winners: Charlie Young, \$30; Ben Newinski, \$25; Mike Sofka, \$20.

Paul Coulter won \$80 in the attendance drawing. He was not present, so it will be \$100 next month

Program Chairman's <u>Report</u>

Save these dates for upcoming noteworthy events. Also, refer to the Council calendar on the last page of this Newsletter. Call or e-mail the DGK and Program Chairman Bernie Laituri, if you have an item(s) to present at the next Council meeting. You may also e-mail the Program Chairman with any articles or announcements that you request be included in the Council Newsletter.

4-2, Tuesday: 2nd Degree, Holy Spirit Parish Hall Fountain Candidates 7 p.m., Degree 7:30.

4-7, Wednesday: 8 p.m., Council business meeting, please attend.Parish Hall.

4-7, Wednesday: 1st Degree, St. Martins Parish Hall Yorba Linda, 7 p.m., 7:30.

4-9, Friday: First Friday Adoration.

4-14, Wednesday: 2nd Degree, St. Columban Council Hall Westminster, Candidates, 7, 7:30.

4-17, Saturday: Day of Sharing, Marywood Center Villa Park.

4-19, Monday: 1st Degree, Fr. Kass Council Hall Buena Park. Candidates, 7 p.m, 7:30.

4-21, Wednesday: Officer's Meeting, all are welcome.

4-24, Saturday: 3rd Degree, St. Joachims, Costa Mesa. Candidates 2 p.m., 3.

4-28, Wednesday: 2nd Degree, Our Lady of Fatima Church San Clemente, 7, 7:30.

4-29, Thursday: Buisness Meeting, St. John Neumann, Irvine.

– Bernie Laituri, DGK

Recycling Report

Program raises \$1,600 for a sixth consecutive month

by Gene Ganley, George Nothhelfer

The recycling program enjoyed another banner month in March, raising \$1,600. That raised the all-time total over the last 20 years to \$278,000 -- and counting.

If \$1,600 sounds familiar, well it is. We have now collected at least that much six months in a row.

In March, we were able to do it with the help of our Santiago parishoners, Council members and of course the teens from local high schools that also pitched in.

Now is the time to thank the following people who helped last month: George Nothhelfer, John Ojeda, Jim Breen, Mario Soto, Michael Ulibarri, Richardo Teano, Dan Ramella, Bob Morgan, Gene Ganley, Edith Farias, Jennifer Romero, Nolan Connair, Jim Gilbert, Vincent Gilbert, Rosalee Salas, Everett Harper, Jon Newsom, Oscar Vargas, Stacy Munoz, Deanna Munoz, Connor Mikahan, Bob Kupfert, Jacob Kupfert, Blake Cox, Daniel Benjamin, Joseph Vincent, Joseph Vincent, Jr., John Cruz, Don Leuer, Ken Carpenter, Charles Young, Claude Makin, Rich Mulhaupt, Don Blankenship and Ed Wagner.

Scholarship Report Knights offering tuition help

byKen Allen, Scholarship Chairman

If your child attended a Catholic pre-school, grammar/middle school, high school or college/university this past school year Council 9487 wants to help you with the tuition.

To do so, please provide a letter to the council from each student



expressing in their own words what a Catholic education means to them. Also provide a letter from the Knight parent indicating a willingness to accept tuition assistance.

The checks for assistance will be distributed at the general business meeting Wednesday, June 2. Letters must be received by the May 19 officers meeting to be approved for payment.

Letters can be e-mailed to

kenallenfh@hotmail.com or zitalyn1@cox.net or mailed to Knights of Columbus, c/o Santiago de Compostela, 21682 Lake Forest Dr., Lake Forest, CA 92630

You may also deliver the letters to any officer of the council prior to deadline.



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There is a Third Degree on Saturday, April 24, at St. Joachim's Catholic Church, 1964 Orange Ave., Costa Mesa, CA. Let's try to get the 1st Degree Brothers to a 2nd Degree prior to April 24 so that they can make their 3rd Degree on that date, thus becoming a full Knight.

By the time you read this, we will have prepared our famous fish Lenten dinner on Friday, March 26. A pre-event thank you to Brothers Jay Donahue and Mike Sofka, along with the Mortons, Brother Robert and wife Judy for hosting the dinner. Also, thank you to Theo's Works for providing dessert.

In addition to the fish dinner, the Knights will serve soup and salad on Good Friday. Please e-mail Grand Knight Charles Young at zitalyn1@cox.net or telephone number (949)422-9814 to volunteer for duty.





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John Ojeda, PGK, FS

Let us know about your birthdays, anniversaries

We wish to acknowledge all Birthdays and Anniversaries of our Knights and their spouses. We may not have the information or perhaps what is presented is incorrect. If you would like to have these listed please send an email to john.ojeda@cox.net or call and leave the information at 949-595-0990.

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