

October 2011

Grand Knight's Report This year shaping up as one of the best ever

by Steve Eggert, Grand Knight

Many thanks to all my Brother Knights for your efforts towards making this Columbian Year one of the best ever for our Council.

Under the guidance of Brother Ricardo Teano, recruiting has been strong, and will pick up even more as our Recruiting Blitz scheduled for the weekend of Oct. 8 gets underway.

We have had a very positive reaction to our :"One-Man" retention campaign, having heard from many Brothers who have been unable to attend recent meetings. We also saw several Brothers at our September Business meeting who we have not seen in awhile.

Several Brothers have recently advanced beyond

their 1st Degree and numerous members plan on pursuing their 4th degree next month. Our membership and insurance quotas for the year are well within reach.

As a Council, we share a goal of attaining Star Council status because reaching such lofty standards embodies what we cherish most: service to our Parish, our Council, our families and each other.



Consider the various Church (such as helping with First Friday adoration, Parish

See GK REPORT page 7 Time to step up and help with Tootsie Roll Drive this month

by John Ojeda, PGK, Program Chair

This is time to step up and say yes when you are asked to supervise a shift at a local grocery store.

The Tootsie Roll Drive (ID Drive) is scheduled for seven locations Oct. 21, 22, and 23. One location the Drive will be scheduled Oct. 28, 29, 30.

Each location has 15 two-hour shifts to support. With eight locations, that indeed takes a Council. We do have the Youth Confirmation classes to assist us but adult supervision is required.

You can bring your family and make it an event. This is not a hard sale, we offer free Tootsie Rolls when the store customers go in and we hope they donate on the way out. We wear beautiful yellow and red aprons and have cans to accept the funds collected.

Your help is needed. This is the largest Charitable event our Council

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Volunteers will be on duty at local stores this month to accept contributions.

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Knights of the Month

Joe Lozano, Bob Birtja, Dave Atkins

This family man in serving his family is not only part of what he does, its part of who he is. This introduction is truly appropriate to the co-Knight of the month for September Joe Lozano . He became a worthy knight of Columbus in early 2007 and currently is a 3rd degree. Joe and wife Karen have one son and three daughters who are all in their 20s.

This family uses their belief as Catholics as their foundation. They joggle their busy schedules to try to be able to attend Sunday masses together as a family.

Occasionally, Joe helps at our recycling program. He knows that many other Knights are much more active in our many missions but when Joe is able which is all what we ask from our members, he does his best.

He said that the Knights of Columbus organization particularly the group of Knights from the Santiago council has strenghtened his Catholic faith. Congratulations Joe for having the honor of being the knight of the month. You deserved it.

Late last month saw the culmination of several months of planning and preparation by two Brothers, who took on the very difficult task of staging our very successful Bilingual Outdoor Mass and Potluck Barbecue.

Bob Birtja and Dave Atkins were asked earlier this year by Fr. Dave if they could help run a one-day event that could replace our traditional two-day festival. Little did they know that a parish-wide potluck which required the complete resources of our Council was in store, and they would have to run the whole show.

They did and pulled it off through tremendous effort and service to our Council and Parish. Both are to be commended for all they did and have done as Knights at so many of our functions at which we have come to rely upon them for their service. Thanks again to Dave and Bob.

- Ricardo Teano

Family of the Month

The Ed Chin Family

Writing this article is easy for me because the chosen Family of the month for September is Ed Chin.

Ed is who is visible in a lot of charity events of our Council and with him most of the time is his loving daughter Jessica. Between the two of them, the Knights get a lot of help and fellowship foremost of which are the second Saturday recycling and kitchen preparations on feel-good meals hosted frequently by the council.

Records showed that Ed joined the knights way back on Oct. 1, 1994. That's a good 17 years ago when Charter Member Ed Brown recruited him and Ed Malik was one of the worthy officers.

His 1st degree induction he recalled was at San Nicholas in Laguna Hills.

Our family man Ed feels good being part of the fraternal Knights of Columbus and able to channel some of his time to the church-

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Council Newsletter printed and mailed by Mike Sofka's store

Your Council 9487 Newsletter is printed each month and mailed by The UPS Store in Lake Forest, 25422 Trabuco Rd., Ste. 105, right across the street from Santiago de Compostela Church.

The store is owned and operated by Mike and Jean Sofka, both parishioners.

Mike is our Deputy Grand Knight and has been a member of our Council 9487 of the Knights of Columbus for several years.

Mike's crew of wife Jean, Marissa, Kathryn, Uzzy and Kirsten do a great job of shipping UPS shipping, providing notary services, live scan fingerprint, packaging, mailbox and freight services, copying, finishing and printing services, office supplies, and packaging and moving supplies.

Please support the store.

In an attempt to streamline the process of producing our Council's monthly newsletter, there are guidelines to follow for those who contribute stories and/or photos.

The final deadline to send stories is seven days before the following month's general meeting.

For example, the deadline for this October issue was Sept. 28 since the meeting is Oct. 5.

That allows sufficient time to edit and layout the pages before sending the final version to Mike Sofka, our printer and Deputy Grand Knight who does the printing and mailing.

That seven-day window is the final deadline for last-minute stories, not everything.

The earlier in the month I receive stories the easier it is to avoid the last-minute rush.

If you have a story to contribute, it would help to let me know with a quick e-mail that it is coming.

We are grateful to all who contribute stories and encourage your submissions after first checking with GK Steve Eggert, which is customary Council protocol.

Please submit all stories by e-mail to jimbreen@lwsbnews com.

I can accept only Word attachments but prefer that your stories are typed within the body of your email message.

I am also grateful for photo attachments to go with the stories. Photos should not be out of focus or too dark and as high-resolution as possible, at least 200 to 300 DPI (dots per inch).

Cell phone photos don't qualify.

Thank you.

– Jim Breen, editor

Brothers asked to consider support for remodel work

Brothers: At the most recent Officer's meeting, discussions were held in consideration of a Council donation to the Parish's Remodel work currently underway.

As many of you have received, the Parish has requested donation support to help fund particular items, ranging from Holy Oil/ Holy Oil Vessels (\$1,350) to the Baptismal Font/Boulder (\$15,000).

After careful deliberation, the Officers voted to propose to our Council members a donation of \$3,500 to cover the cost of the Etched Glass, the funds for which will be taken from our reserves account (which currently totals about \$34,000).

Since this expenditure is a nonbudgeted item exceeding \$250, it must be published to the membership no less than 30 days prior to a vote being taken, which will be held at the November Council Business meeting on Nov. 2.

Please consider this measure over this month and be at our next meeting to cast your vote.

– Steve Eggert, GK

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puts on. We raise these funds to allow Intellectually Challenged people to go to camp for a week or weekend.

It allows the caregivers a break and the local Catholic High Schools to learn about volunteering.

This is a win-win situation so please say yes to give of your timeand help us with this great cause.

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Save these dates for upcoming noteworthy events. Also, refer to the Council calendar on page 9 of this Newsletter. Call or e-mail the DGK and Program Chairman, Mike Sofka, (949) 588-83071 or (expk2wn@ earthlink.net), 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.

<u>October</u>

10/3 Monday: Mobile Home Park Recycling

10/5 Wednesday 8 p.m. General Business Meeting, please attend.

- 10/7, Friday: First Friday
- 10/8, Saturday: 4th Degree Exemplification- Irvine Marriott
- 10/8, Saturday: Recycling, 7:00-Noon. Please help out for any
- time you can spare. Contact George Nothhelfer.
- 10/10, Monday: Mobile Home Park Recycling
- 10/17, Monday: Mobile Home Park Recycling
- 10/20, Officers Meeting, all are welcome.
- 10/24 Monday: Mobile Home Park Recycling
- 10/31, Monday: Mobile Home Park Recycling

Scheduled Ceremonials

Oct 8, Saturday, Santa Ana Council 1842 (SPAN), Immaculate Heart of Mary (Bingo hall) GK Roberto Perez, 714 277 6324 1100 S. Center, Santa Ana. Candidates 5:30 p.m, Degree 6 Oct 17, Monday Father Kass 3526, Council Hall GK Patrick Hughes 714-828-1648, Pkhughes1500@att.net 8410 Kass Dr., Buena Park. Candidates 7 p.m., Degree, 7:30. Oct 20, Monday Pope John Paul I 6020 GK Joe Aguilar 714-290-9144 Josephaguilar01@gmail.com St. Bonaventure Parish Hall 16400 Springdale Huntington Beach, 7, 7:30. Oct 26, Thursday Fr. Louis F. Knight Council 12451 GK Paul Sampson 949-463-8037 pauljet@msn.com St.Edwards School (Knight hall) 33926 Calle la Primavera Dana Point. 7, 730.

Standing Ceremonials

First Degrees

St. Columban's Council 3926, Westminster. Second Wednesday of odd months Holy Spirit Council 9667, Fountain Valley, First Tuesday of odd months. Father Kass Council 3526, Buena Park, third Monday of every month. Fr. Louis F. Knight Council 12451, Dana Point, second Thursday of odd months. St. Bonaventure Council 6020, Immaculate Heart of Mary (Spanish). Third Thursday of even months, Second Saturday of every month.

Second Degrees

District 94, Buena Park, fourth Sunday of odd months. District 91 Holy Spirit 9667, First Tuesday in February, June and October. District 92, St Columban 3926, Second Wednesday in even months. District 97, San Clemente, fourth Wednesday of even months.

– Mike Sofka, DGK/Program Chair

September Program Highlights

By Dave Owens, Recorder

Waived reading of August Minutes: Orlowski/Kellen Spirituality in our Life - Tom Murphy

1. GK Report:

a. A new Attendance Recording procedure will be initiated to track the continuing attendance.

b. Thank you for your support of Parish Ice Cream Social, very successful.

c. We have been asked to consider a "special donation" for a designated item within the "re-model" of the Sanctuary.

i. Discussion to continue at the Officer's Meeting

ii. Possible recommendations will be presented at October meeting

iii. Help is needed with the Summer Festival

vii. Need help with First Friday adoration "time-slots"

2. Treasurer's and Financial Secretary's Report

a. Treasurer reported that there is \$11,570 in checking, \$3,310.61 in savings, \$40,564.59 in the Vanguard account, a total of \$55,445.95. Receipts for the month were \$2,760.88.

b. Ice Cream Social receipts: \$397.50.

c. Recycling reported our third best month on record at \$2,359.68 (The all-time total is now: \$319,042).

3. Committee Reports , New Business

a. John Ojeda - ID Drive Oct 21-22-23. Need Youth-Adults to sign up.

b. ID Drive: Continuing issues with Ralphs' Store - Insurance liability/Workman's Comp. issues. TBD

c. Rich Piecuch- Entertainment Books are now available.

d. Bob Birtja - Festival report - "Santiago Summer Celebration" Sept 18

i. Mass at 3 pm on the grass

ii. Raffle @ \$5K, \$2K & \$1K (tickets \$3 each)

iii. Santiago Idol

f. Bill Priester: Fourth Degree is Oct. 8 at Irvine Marriott.

g. Pete Kellen: No American Flag in church...Vote to place our flag in the front of church.

4. Insurance Report

a. Mark Yubetta: Reported on benefits to Brothers..

5. Good of the Order

a. Knight of the Month – Rich Quinn

b. Knight of the Year – Ricardo Teano

c. Attendance drawing winner - no winner

Volunteers are needed for golf tourney Oct. 6

Volunteers are needed to lend assistance in helping Catholic Charities with their first golf tournament Oct. 6 at Arroyo Trabuco Golf Club in Mission Viejo. The website: http://www.wix.com/ catholiccharitiesoc/eventsx.

Volunteers are needed to cook food, help on certain holes on the golf course, deliver refreshments to golfers on the course and various other duties.

If you can help and would like to volunteer please contact either Steve Bolton at 714-222-6880 sbolton293@aol.comor or Paul Thornburg at 714-404-1095 paulthornburg@yahoo.com

Thank you in advance.

Joe Krochmalny, PCP, PGK, FDD, PFN

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related activities in reverence to our Lord and have the fraternal fellowship of the Brother Knights in the process.

Another fringe benefit he said that is incalculable is that his young daughter is learning first hand experience the beauty of being involved in volunteerism and helping out in the right environment, the church.

He just became a 2nd and 3rd degree Knight because he thought that there is a waiting period and qualifications for each stage of the degree.

Congratulations Ed, the selection for Family of the Month was unanimous.

You did mention that Jessica enjoys the doughnut during the recycling as that food is rarely served to her.

– Ricardo Teano

Recycling Report

Teamwork leads to another banner month in September

by George Nothhelfer, Recycling Director

I thank all of you and God Bless you for another great recycling month in September.

Special thanks to the Monday & Tuesday Crew members for their dedicated work of pick-up from the trailer parks. It does not go unnoticed. This group spends a lot of extra time sorting and making additional pick-ups of books and pallet loads of catalogs. All of this has to be unwrapped and binned. This adds up to a lot of additional hours.



Special thanks for Jim Marchetta



for standing in on Monday and Tuesday. We thank all of you for this extra time make our program so successful. Also thanks to all the new Knights that participated. This is the kind of support we need to keep the program rolling.

For September we made \$2,359.68, raising our alltime total earnings to \$319,042. We are blessed with

a group of very dedicated people and we are grateful to all of you.

We continue to see new faces and appreciate their help. This ensures us a very successful program. We appreciate all of the Knights who showed up to work.

Tiffany and her Mother continue to collect the pop-tops for Ronald MacDonald house. If you can assist for a very good cause and collect these bring them to her at recycling. This is a wonderful cause to contribute to.

Thanks and hats off to all listed below and our Monday, Tuesday Group for a terrific job.

We did very well with the aluminum and plastics. Listed below are the people that signed in for recycling and our thanks go out to all of them for their help: Bob Morgan, Ricardo Teano, Stewart Imagawa, John Teeter, Michael Anthony Rojas, Ed Wagner, Pat Walloch, Gene Ganley, Don Blankenship, Claude Makin, Pat Bole, Richard Mills, Jim Breen, Dante Ramella, Joe DeProspero, Jerry Dubois, Marissa Gionet-Gonzales, Anthony Gionet-Gonzales, Ron Fernandez Sean Logomasin, Aleyda Velasco, Kevin Esquivel, Julio Martinez, Ignacio Mena, Steve Dubianski, Pat Larkin, David Balen, Jay Donahue, Robert Birtja, Charles Young.

Entertainment Books will make great holiday gifts

With the year-end holiday season right scant weeks away, what better gift can you give than the new Entertainment Books now available through the Knights of Council 9487. (See flyer, Page 3).

By contacting Rich Piecuch, PGK, at 949-830-1475, or Ricardo Teano, 949-273-8940, you can obtain your 2011-12 Orange County edition for only \$35.

Each book is filled with coupons good for major savings at restaurants and stores throughout Orange County.

Some of the major grocery stores in the book include Ralphs, Kroger, Bristol Farms, plus coupons for discounts at many restaurants in the area including the Black Angus, Carrows, McDonalds, and Chevys.

Fine dining coupons offering two for one specials at many of the fine dining spots throughout Orange county can also be found in the OrangeCounty edition of the Entertainment book for 2012.

Discount coupons for the Ultra Star and Regal Theatres and various sporting events, car rentals and hotels also are included in the 2012 edition of the Entertainment book.

The Knights can obtain extra editions and out of town editions of the discount books.

Just let us know what you want and we will provide the books you want without any shipping costs.

Monday Morning Crew

Roger and Mo Boivan, Richard and Barbara Cliolek, Jay and Joan Donahue, Gerry and Vivian (Viv) Dubois, David Farage, Gene Ganley, Hector Guzman, Bob Morgan, John Ojeda, Dan Ramella, John Ruelas, Str. Agnes Steiner, Otis Givenrod, Joe Schulte, Stewart Imagawa, Jim Marchetta.

- George Nothhelfer



CEREMONY: Brothers Robert Grabot and Calixto Alonso (center) at Second Degree ceremony at St. Edwards Church in Dana Point

Brothers Grabot, Alonso make their Second Degrees at St. Eds

In their search to learn more about the ideals of Founder Fr. Michael J. McGivney, Brothers Robert Grabot and Calixto Alonso advanced their Knighthood to the Second Degree level last month at St. Edwards in Dana Point.

In the Second Degree, we inculcate the lessons of charity toward our fellow men in hopes of building a better world.

One of the team members of the ceremony was our own Joe Schulte, PGK. The sideliners who attended in a show of support were Julio Martinez, Bernie Laituri, PGK; Joe Vincent, Sam Riela, John Teeter who celebrated his birthday that day, and Ricardo Teano. Believe it or not, Dan Benjamin who is on a short leave from his studies in Northern California, was also there.

During his celebration of the Mass that morning, Father Bill introduced Dan as a future priest and chaplain.

Congratulations to our two new Second Degree brothers. Vivat Jesus! – *Ricardo Teano*

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maintenance, or the wheelies), Community (Recycling, Blood Drives, ID Drive or the Valentines Dance), Council (Entertainment Books, Living Faith Books, CIC Christmas Cards, etc.), Family (Ice Cream Social, Sunday doughnuts, Lenten dinners and pancake breakfasts), Youth (scholarships, free-throw challenge and essay contest) and Pro-Life activities (Culture of Life campaign, ultrasound donations, Pennies from Heaven, Mother's Day Roses) planned (or already held) for the year and consider where you fit in and in what program/ event will meet your needs and the needs of those you serve most.

There is so much for each of us to get involved with; perhaps at times it may seem daunting, but try to look at the entire menu and just choose one, or perhaps a few, that you can make your own.

You'll be glad you did.

Two Knights get their 1st Degree at ceremony

by Ricardo Teano Retention Chairman

Aug. 15 was a big day in the lives of Santiago De Compostela parishoners Enrique Hernandez and Roger Banowetz.

It was their first degree welcoming ceremony to join our Knights of Columbus, an organization whose members strive to act on behalf of their faith and religious conscience.

Enrique was sponsored by Brother Jose Lopez and Roger, by Brother George Nothhelfer. These two new members of character will be major assets to our council.

Enrique and his wife have been very active in our Spanish ministries for many years. Roger has already committed to the Council's various events while awaiting exemplification.

Welcome to the council, we promise you will be truly thank-ful you did.

The ceremony was held at Fr. Kass Council Hall in Buena Park.

Sideliners, all of whom can make a difference to the new Knights, were headed by District Deputy 93 Michael Banyacki, along with PGKs Charlie Young and John Ojeda, plus Jose Lopez, Julio Martinez, George Nothhelfer and Ricardo Teano.

Team captain of the ceremony emphasized to the new Knights the spirit of volunteerism in service to the church, serving the community, for the family and most certainly for the good of the council.

The Honoree of first degree exemplication is Pope John Paul 11.



01 Jill Young 16 James Fitzgerald 17 Thelma Sanders 01 Kathleen Elenz 18 David Balen 01 Donna Meeks 20 Donald Leuer 02 John Ojeda 21 Leo Alvarado 04 Richard Ciolek 05 Brian Dobkowski 22 Chris Russell 23 Janeen Blackwelder 05 Sam Ahn 23 Michael Gregg 06 Donn Finn 24 Trevor King 06 Ruth Stevens 25 Virgilio Mauban 08 Jennifer Ross 26 Joan Donahue 10 Sharon Leuer 27 Joan Loos 10 Rhonda Ury 27 Luca Hanus 11 Robyn Belz 28 Mary Lynn Cowan 11 David Atkins 28 Ken Hartzig 11 Ignacio Mena 29 Ronald Lindabury 12 John Marchetta 29 Eugene Ganley 13 Bernie Laituri 30 Carlito Frias 13 Ted Sweere 14 Richard Samaniego 31 David Alves. 31 Rudy Contreras 14 Calixto Alonzo 31 Dina Samaniego - by John Ojeda, FS/PGK

October Anniversaries

02 John/Luca Hanus 04 Frank/Rhonda Ury 06 Stewart/France Imagawa 07 Joseph/Aida Zuniga 07 Joseph/Mrs. Marriley 09 Bernard/Linda Laituri 09 Tom/Naoimi Murphy 10 Clete/Gynjer Menke 11 John/Bonnie Teeter 14 Michael/Lisa Gregg Julio/Anna Martinez 14 Ernie/Elizabeth Ramirez 17 21 Joseph/Mary Papac Christopher/Ann Smith 21 24 Patrick/Robin Bole 24 **Richard/Laurie Mills** 24 Israel/Theresa Conner Gregory/Alice Manning 24 Joseph/Eileen Reinoehl 29 29 James/Kathleen Elenz 29 Sam/Estella Riela 30 Richard/Barnara Ciolek 31 Eric/Carol Schechter

Spouse birthdays, anniversary dates needed

We are still looking for birth dates of Knights' spouses and anniversary dates. We don't need the years, just the month and day. We only have about 30 membership information.

Send the birthday and anniversary information to john.ojeda@ cox.net or call my cell at 949-813-4320,

Do you know that if you attend a meeting on the month you celebrate your birthday or anniversary you could win a prize.

That has been happening for some time. I hope it continues. – John Ojeda, PGK, FS9

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