# **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Bishop William R. Johnson Council # 9487 Division 5 www.kofc9487.com Santiago de Compostela Catholic Church, Lake Forest, Calif. 92630 January 2014



Brother Mario Leguizamo brought his family to help out prepare turkey boxes. Next to Mario is wife Fabiola; and children Adriana, 8; Janet, 12; and Alex, 7.

### Annual Roosters Drive

## Another successful effort

#### by John Piccolo, Event Chair

The Roosters Food Drive, which provided our Council with 55 food boxes, was a smashing success.

We had a great time of fellowship and doing something good for our community. For details, see November's Rooster's Food Drive article.

The entire event only lasted about 3-1/2 hours and included coffee, cakes, and catered lunch. It seems that anyone who attends is hooked and comes back each year. It was not just the Knights, but is a great family event. Charity is what we are all about and this is just one program in which our great Council is involved. (Full page of Roosters pictures, page 4).

## **Grand Knight's Report** We all share in the joy of the holidays

#### by John Blaney, Grand Knight

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

It's a beautiful thing how Christ was born among us and

became man in body and flesh all on Christmas day.

Christmas has become the biggest day of the year to a lot of us. There is nothing better than to celebrate this



very day of giving, love, and joy among one another.

Please take a moment and pray for those people who don't have all that we do and to pray for our Lord Christ who was born on this day and later died for our sins.

The Catholic men with in our council, with the help of their families, put together very joyous and giving moments in the last month or so that we should all be proud of.

One that was completed and shared with our faith community were the Thanksgiving dinners.

It was joyful to see all who attended to be full of laughter and spirit while donating their hard-earned money towards

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## Knight of the Month Mario Leguizano

#### by Ricardo Teano, Retention Committee

Mario has been a member since November 2012 and since then, has been very active. He helps sell living faith booklets, recycling, recruitment, attends meetings, is a sideliner at some of the degrees and his personal favorite, helping the Roosters last year with his niece Janet.

This year he brought his wife and family members. He is an usher at the 10:30 Mass and active within the Spanish community.

He has taken classes from the diocese (theology and pastoral) and the bible studies at the church in Spanish. Outside the church, he is very involved with "Angels for Angel."

Angel Santos is a young man that suffers from Neuroblastoma cancer and has spent all 11 of his years in and out of the hospital. Mario also volunteers as a soccer coach for a local women's league and feels rewarded passing on some of his acquired knowledge.

He thinks Council 9487 is great because we all pull for the same team. He can feel the brotherhood from GK John Blaney to the new guys doing their first degrees.

He wanted to be a part of the Knights because he heard a lady at the church say, "If you want something done here, you got to ask the knights." That planted the seed.

Then he asked his brother about the Knights and was given a brochure. The rest is history. Congratulations to Mario for being chosen as Knight of the month. Vivat Jesus!

### Family of the Month Jay and Joan Donahue

As Knights, we are given opportunities collectively to make a difference. We too, celebrate the strength each one of us possesses for the good of the order. I am happy to introduce Jay and Joan Donahue a couple that was chosen as Family of the month for their strength and dedication to our council.

Jay became a Knight 55 years ago while in college. The council where he lived welcomed teens every Friday night. He was inactive for many years until he became a charter member of Council 9487.

He participated in church activities, put together spiritual messages at Council meetings and made volunteer trips to Tijuana.

He joined the recyclers, where help was needed, and recruited Joan to recycle a few years back. About the time he joined recycling Joan volunteered at Mission Hospital in the maternity ward and now she has recruited Jay.

If Jay misses an event at the church, odds are she has taken him to see their daughter Denyse, grandson Kyle and great-grandson Eli. Or, daughter Kelly and granddaughter Amber, or son John and his daughter McKenna.

Jay and Joan thank Lord for their family's good health and the Knights for their prayers during their health problem.

Our congratulation to Donahues, our Family of the Month. Vivat Jesus! – *Ricardo Teano* 

### **Dist. Deputy's Message Christ's birth should be celebrated all year long**

#### by John Piccolo District Deputy 112

My Brother Knights, by the time you read my message, Christmas Day will be behind us but as Catholics we are celebrating the birth of our Savior throughout the entire Christmas season.

I wish you and your families a belated Merry Christmas

and now, Happy New Year. Where would we be without the birth of Jesus who is God's greatest Christmas gift to us?

What would life be like without the "perfect love" of God in Jesus? We are so fortunate to have this foundation on which to build our lives.

As I reflect back on 2013, I am grateful for many blessings and am especially grateful for your friendship and your example of love for our Catholic faith.

I am truly fortunate that I have four very fine Councils in District 112 that do so much for our Church and community.

Another foundation for which I am blessed is my membership in the Knights of Columbus. It has made me a better Catholic, a better man, father, husband, and the list goes on. We should always be thinking of sharing this "jewel" with other men by asking them to join our great brotherhood.

Penny and I wish you a healthy and prosperous new year.

### Annual report on service hours

#### by John Ojeda, Financial Secretary

I would like to try something better for 2014. The Council needs to submit a report on annual costs of expenses for categories such as youth, church, council, community, etc. We also submit the hours put in by Brothers and their families.

In 2014 I would like anyone who runs an event to help tabulate the hours of charity given to make that event happen. That includes planning, buying, recruiting, and the event itself. I tried to ask you Brothers for that last year and got less than 10 responses. This is necessary for the report.

Please do not let this discourage anyone from taking on an event. It is really easy since I handle some events now. Just take a quick mental note: we do not need exact figures but a good estimate. I will be asking this information at each officers meeting or perhaps work out a method where this information can be turned in to me by email after the event. That always works.

Make sure you are counted as a Charitable Volunteer if you participate in an event.

See you at church.

### December Program Highlights

#### **Outside Communications:**

• Mary's Shelter gives thanks for this year's contributions that help support young mothers in need.

#### **Committees Reports:**

• Recycling raised more than \$3,200 last month.

• First Friday Adoration: Sign-ups welcome for 1 and 4 p.m. time slots

• Michael Klett: Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest open to all Knights families and parishioners. Cost to the council is \$210.

• Free Throw Contest: Will be covered at January Council meeting.

• Thanksgiving Dinner. Raised over \$1,300; \$1,000 for the Roosters.

• Jan. 4 Dinner: Help needed to set up.

• Car Donation: Donate your car and support a charity of your choice.

• Tootsie Roll Drive: The total is just past \$10,000, including all Knights' checks and store collections.

• \$2,500 donations for seminarians this year.

• Venerable Michael J. McGivney on the path to canonization.

• Altar servers: Melissa Wood to take over alter servers ministry for the Anglo community.

• Golf Tournament: Keep schedules open for the annual KofC golf tournament June 29.

• Clergy night is Feb. 27.

• Council Accounts: Savings-\$9,575.90; \$1,\$27,073.53; \$2,

\$6,231.60.

-Pedro David Espinosa, Recorder







**ROOSTERS BOOSTERS**: Pictures taken last month at Council 9487's annual food drive reflect the volunteerism and good spirit of all those involved. At top left, two National Guardsmen organize the food boxes. "We went from 3,000 boxes to zero in about 2-1/2 hours," said organizer John Piccolo; Mike Sofka (top right) getting ready to load the turkeys; Bob Grabot (middle photo at left) with daughter Jennifer; (right photo); Bob Birtja, John Piccolo, Ricardo Teano, GK John Blaney, and Mike and Jean Sofka; and bottom, Pete Kellen, granddaughter Kayla, and daughter Kristen.







#### By George Nothhelfer, Recycle Chair

For December we raised \$1,497, increasing all-time total earnings to \$376,550. The dedication that we have is great, ensuring us of a very successful program. We look forward to seeing all of you Saturday, Jan. 11. I hope all of you had a blessed Christmas.

Our recycling program is successful because of all of you and your efforts. I whole-heartedly thank all of my brothers for the great job in stepping up

last month. We had a pretty good day. There were several changes to our glass and plastics program but everyone adjusted well. Some rules have changed since we are in the process of becoming a certified recycler. That will allow us to process more of our products to the Allen Company. We will also be able to get a return on non-CRV glass. We have a very strong and successful program and it will be for many years to come, thanks to all of you.

If anyone has any leads on businesses to include architectural companies that have excess catalogs that they are willing to donate, please let me know.

Special thanks to our Monday and Tuesday morning crew for the dedication and extra hours they spend. We generate 40 percent or more of our program from this group. We need more of our retirees to help for a couple of hours on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Thanks and "Hats Off" to the following:

Gene Ganley, Dan Ramella, Bob Morgan, Gerry Dubois, George Nothhelfer, Richard Mills, John Teeter, Ricardo Teano, Don Blan-

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## Thanks to Monday, Tuesday Volunteers

Roger and Mo Boivin, Leo Alvarado, Jay and Joan Donahue, Gerry and Vivian Dubois, David Farage, Hector Guzman, Bob Morgan, John Ojeda, Dan Ramella, Ricardo Teano, Otis Givenrod, Joe Schulte, Stewart Imagawa, Mike McCormack, George Nothhelfer, Alfonso Lopez, Chuck Agozino, John Honus, Roger Cazian, Domingo Roldan, Tom Egan. - George Nothhelfer

## Third Degree ceremony 'flawless' at Santiago

#### **Ricardo Teano, Retention Committee**

A combination of teamwork and planning yielded a highly successful and meaningful Third Degree ceremony hosted by our Council Dec. 14 at the parish hall. It was under the able leadership of District Deputy John Piccolo and Grand Knight John Blaney.

Last time this event was held in Santiago was 15 years ago. The ceremony was well attended, with 43 candidates. They came and solemnly attained their Third degree level of Fraternity.

The conferring officers were flawless and maintained the dignity of the occasion. About 70 sideliners from many councils supported advancement of the candidates and recalled their own Third degree. Candidates from our council:

Candidate	Sponsor
1. Anthony Walker	Charlie Young
2. Damian Jiron	Martin Villafuerte
3. Steve Michael Jiron	Ricardo Teano
4. Roger Boivin	Chuck Agozino/Gerry Dubois
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## Help needed with Tootsie Roll Drive

I learned recently that ReCreationcamp.org is in serious need of funds. In the past, these camps funded primarily by the Knights of Orange County, and were held at Marywood.

The Diocese is moving, so the camps are being relocated. The lower cost of using Diocese property is no longer there and costs are seriously increasing.

Many of you have already contributed with your time at the stores and your donations. We need more of us to help these people with Down Syndrome and other Intellectual Disabilities.

No amount is too small, especially now. If you no longer have the envelopes you can send checks made out to the Knights of Columbus and send to John Ojeda, 21802 Ticonderoga Lane, Lake Forest, CA 92630. Call me if needed at (949) 813-4320.

God Bless, and please continue to make these camps a success. – John Ojeda, Program Chair

## THIRD DEGREE:

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- 5. Manuel Rios ..... Ignacio Mena
- 6.Richard Ingrassia .... Patrick Larkin
- 7. John Lane ..... David Atkins
- 8. Philip Tagatac ...... Dante Ramella
- 9. Joseph Genarro ...... Transfer
- 10. Michael Hinshaw ... Ricardo Teano
- 11. Hugo Hinshaw ...... Ricardo Teano
- 12. Juan Orozco ..... Emiliano Leonides
- 13. Enrique Hernandez ... Ricardo Teano
- 14. Charles Armstrong ... Ricardo Teano

The prime rib and veggie dinner served, deserved a special mention. It was praised as an excellent and memorable meal.

The credit belonged to Chef Brother Mike Ulibarri and to the many volunteer Knights. The meal was enjoyed by everybody including some wives.

Father John Grace who has been the Director of Council Chaplains gave a stirring prayer and reminder that the Knights must be fully practicing Catholics, not just in name.

The Honoree of the ceremony was the late Brother Eddie Brown, a charter member of our council and Past Navigator of the Fourth Degree.

May God bless us all. Vivat Jesus.

### Ushers needed for 4 p.m. Mass

Ushers are needed for the 4 p.m. Sunday Mass at Santiago. To help, contact Ken Allen or Ben Niewinski

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the Roosters. This organization turned around and spent the money making full Christmas dinners for families due to hardship from within.

After, we spend a morning filling these boxes and dropping them off to families in need. Santa Claus made an appearance for our children within our faith community.

The event was to make the church feel festive so we can feel and get into the spirit of the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

The Knights and their families went caroling to our neighbors and people in need to spread the spirit of Christmas.

Also, during these last couple of months we spent time getting donations to send our Intellectual Disabled friends to camps though out the coming year.

I thank each and every one who participated in these joyous moments and really hope you felt the love of giving the way I did. It was really a fantastic year.

If you didn't help out in the past, the council will have one more giving, loving and charitable event.

On Jan. 4, the Council will serve a Real Christmas dinner in the hall after 5 p.m. Mass.

There's still time to donate that extra money not spent at Christmas to our ID drive.

The council will accept money at our general meeting that has been moved back two weeks from Jan. 1 to Jan.15.

These events are the charitable things that make up our strength in our council so please come one, come all to our Real Christmas dinner Jan. 4 and feel free to mingle with our community.

This council is the best.

Thanks, God Bless and Happy New Year to all.

Vivat Jesus!

### **PROGRAM CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Save these dates for upcoming noteworthy events and refer to the Council calendar page of the newsletter at www.kofc9487.com for more information.E-mail DGK and Program Chairman, Mike Lynch at michaellynch@catholic.org or call (949) 683-1782 if you have an item to present at the next general business meeting.

#### **January 2014**

1-4 Real Christmas dinner in Parish Hall after 5 p.m. Mass

1-6/7 Mobile home recycling

1-12 Coffee and doughnuts, Church Patio

1-13/14 Mobile home recycling

1-15 Officers meeting at 6:30 p.m., followed immediately by general business meeting.

1-20/21 Mobile home recycling

1-27/28 Mobile home recycling

#### **First Degree**

Jan. 8: St Columban No. 3926, Council Hall, DD, Rudolph Lopez. 7836 Westminster Ave., Westminster. (714) 862-7421. Candidates 7 p.m., Degree 7:30.

Jan. 20: Father Kass, No. 3526, Council Hall, DD, Juan Baca, 8410 Kass Dr., Buena Park. (714) 402 4450. 7, 7:30.

Jan. 22: Bishop Thomas Conaty, No. 5385, St. Cecilia Church Annex. GK Cristopher McCann. 130 W. Main St., Tustin. (949) 769-0148.

#### Second Degree

Jan 7: Holy Spirit Parish Hall, No.111.DD, Jim Brucken, 17270 Ward St. Fountain Valley. (949) 510-7522 jimbrucken@att.net 7, 7:30.

Jan. 26: Fr. Kass Council Hall, No.110. DD Nilo Niccolai, 8410 Kass Dr., Buena Park. (714) 470 3881. nnicolai@fullcol.edu Candidates 1 p.m, Degree,1:30.

Jan. 28: District 108, St. Marys by the Sea, DD Chris Perry, 321 10th St., Huntington Beach, (714) 749-7015.sgtperry@usa.com 7, 7:30.

#### **Ceremonials**

Candidates and observers will dress in a manner fitting the dignity of Formal Knights of Columbus Ceremonials. Collared shirts, dress slacks, socks and shoes are the minimum standard. Shorts, tee

shirts, sandals, jeans and similarly casual attire are considered inappropriate. A jacket and tie are the desired standard for Third Degree Exemplifications.

First degree candidates should arrive with a Council Representative, preferably the Financial Secretary, who has his signed form 100 which has been read and approved by the Candidate's Council.

The representative will provide the candidate's Rosary, Membership card, and copy of "These Men We Call Knights" to the Host Council. He will also certify that the Candidate has signed the gaining

Council's Constitutional Role prior to arriving at the Exemplification

#### 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.

#### 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.

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### Send us birthdays, anniversaries and help us keep you informed

Many things happen in our lives every year. We at Bishop Johnson Council wish to make sure we keep you informed. To do so we have asked many times for information to acknowledge you and your wife. Also we want you to learn about the Knights all over the world.

Are you getting the monthly Columbia magazine from Supreme? It's full of news and religious articles every month. If you moved or are not getting the magazine please let me know. Confirm you address so I can make sure it is on Supreme records correctly.

Did you see your birthday, and your wife's birthday, and your anniversary acknowledged in the monthly Council newsletter this last year? If not send me the information, simply the month and day.

You can email me at john.ojeda@cox.net or call me at 949-813-4320, or leave a message at my home phone 949-595-0990. – *JOhn Ojeda*, *FS* 

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