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Grand Knight's Report Fr. Thomas officially our pastor; big month ahead

BY ROGER SONNENFELD, GRAND KNIGHT

Congratulations Fr. Thomas! We as parishioners are so fortunate to have Fr. Thomas as our Spiritual Leader here at Santiago de Compostela.

In January, after three years of serving our parish, it was official, he became our Pastor here at Santiago. Both Fr. Thomas and Fr. Greg have been so supportive of our Council with their time and words of guidance.

I for one am humbled and so pleased with their input and participation within our Council. We as brothers had the opportunity to once again, thank our priests on Jan. 27 at Clergy Night at St. Joachim Parish Hall. I hope many of you, my brothers were able to attend. Be sure and read Fr. Thomas's "Thoughts from Fr. Thomas" on the parish web site. A very cool story.

We had a very busy January with recycling, free throw competition, Fr. Thomas becoming our

Pastor, Clergy Night, another successful BRIZIO



brothers had the opportunity to once again, thank See GK REPORT, page11 Brother Gene Ganley and our recycling program

(Editor's Note: Gene Ganley, one of the co-founding fathers of Council 9487, began the successful recycling program in 1990 with the help of Patty, his daughter. In the story below, she tells her own story about her beloved father and how he launched the program with her help.)



Brother Gene in 2007

BY DAUGHTER PATTY BALEN AS TOLD TO RICARDO TEANO

I went to a Council 9487 meeting in 1990. The question came up as to if the Council could make money by gathering old newspapers and selling them to a recycler

I had been working with my homeowner's associa-

tion on their recycling efforts and that program had

just been in discontinued. I asked the Grand Knight, John Ruelas, that if the council wanted to recycle newspapers, would he like it for me to set up with a recycler. John said go with it!

I set it up with a recycler to furnish large and small bins in the church parking lot. It was decided that we would have a parish wide drop off of recyclables on the second Saturday of the month, as is still the schedule. We had about a half-dozen Knights who worked that Saturday (no students yet). Our first collection netted \$200. We began putting monthly reminders in the bulletin. Our pastor, Fr. Bill Krekelberg supported the program from the beginning until 1991. He was followed by Fr. Ken Schmidt by granting us the use of the church facilities to run and grow the program.

I started to include a column in each Knights newsletter with a summary of the months' progress and acknowledging Knights and other friends who worked with the program, still led today by George Nothhelfer.

The original Knights who were involved were Ruelas, Eddie Brown, Robert Ramos, Jerry Gau, and yours truly. We were soon joined by Pete Kellen, John Ojeda, Hector Guzman, Jim Lamperis, E.O. Plauche, Bob Morgan, Dick Petrash, Pat Walloch, Dan Ramella, Joe Schulte and Nothhelfer. (Gene: please forgive my omissions.)

Our recycler has always been the Allan Company. The Manager, Rob Allen has always been a long time supporter of our program.

Soon after, I was approached by a friend, not a parishioner, who was the president of the Homeowners' Association at Forest Gardens Mobile Home Park. He offered me an opportunity to recycle with them.

He set it up with the residents so that we were able to go through on Monday mornings and pick See GANLEY, page 3

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Knight of the Month James Glenn

BY RICARDO TEANO, RETENTION COMMITTEE

James Glenn has been with KofC for a year and a First Degree Knight. He knew he wanted to be a knight 10 years ago when he began to take notice of the impact we all have on the parish and the community. He recently began looking for a way to develop a closer relationship with his parish and give back to the community.

That's when he knew it was time to join. Since doing so, James and his son,Tytan, 9, have been working with recycling. James cooked and served at the Council pancake breakfast, donated supplies and beverages to the church festival and the Handog birthday celebration for Fr. Thomas. On most Sundays, he takes collection with 4-year-old daughter Trinity at his side.

In 2016, James and wife Janine and family walked the 4.5-mile Camino de Santiago trail. Last year, the children were in the Vacation Bible School and Tytan made his First Reconciliation and Holy Communion. Oldest daughter, Tiara received the Sacrament of Confirmation, a big year for the Glenns.

Tiara, 16, has been a member of the FNL Youth Leadership Program for three years and has been a Confirmation Prep Youth Leader for two years. She has taken part in the Nation Summit for Youth Leaders and has helped plan and lead several youth retreats.

She serves in the Hospitality Ministry most every Sunday helping with collection and ushering and has donated over 300 hours of her time. James joined RCIA and was confirmed in 2006.

James appreciates the traditions that the Knights keep with meetings, rankings, and the council commitment to uphold with the many organizations they help.

Family of the Month

Ed and Carmen Enriquez

Ed and Carmen's family could be the most in number. They have five married children, 13 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Ed joined the Knights to give back to the community and church. Since he joined three months ago, he has been on a tear. He is on the most needed at Monday morning recycling and Saturday recycling. He and his wife Carmen joined two of the Santiago Choirs, the Santiago Minstrels and the Santiago Chorale.

Ed and Carmen sing every Sunday and attend choir practice two nights a week. And they say that singing praises to the Lord is two times powerful. Wednesday nights, they are Rosary Ministry praying group.

Last Christmas Éd answered the call of John Ojeda to help put up the Christmas decorations in the church, then storing them after the celebration of Advent. At the Wheelchair Drive, he joined his brother Knights helping in the assembly and distribution with great admiration to the veteran recipients.

Ed is retired and so proud of his professional children, which includes three accountants, a nurse practitioner and engineer. Carmen is a retired accountant.

Congratulations to the family for earning this recognition, you deserve it. – *Ricardo Teano*

Council helps fund room furnishings at veterans facility

BY JOHN TEETER

Council 9487 made an initial donation of \$500 to furnish one room of thePotters Lane Veterans Housing facility that is nearing completion

It has been in the works for the past two years.

Past Parochial Vicker Father Bill Barman is one of the chief fund-raisers for this project and is working in conjunction with American Family Housing. Brothers David Atkins, Patrick Larking, Rich Ingrassia, Stewart Imagawa and myself are working to put together a fund raising effort to reach a goal of \$5,000 to do a complete furnishing of one of the units. More information will follow shortly.

The facility is unique in its development and design. The 16 apartments are being constructed from shipping containers. The units are constructed from three steel containers welded together to create a modern, functional apartment.

Grand Knight Roger Sonnenfeld took time to visit the construction site in Midway City, and was



Council 9487 donated \$500 to furnish a room at the Potters Lane Housing facility located in Midway City.

amazed at the progress, and functional design of the units. To learn more, go to http://www.ocregister. com/articles/potter-720498-housing-lane.html

<u>GANLEY</u>

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up the recyclables that they set out at the curbside, followed by an opportunity to recycle in El Toro Mobile Home Park on Tuesdays.

Contacts were also made that contributed additional newspapers, surplus brochures, church missals, blueprints, books, and newspaper overruns.

Some of the contributors were Madera Elementary School, Silverado High School, Serra Catholic School, L.A. Times Distribution Center, San Francisco Solano Church and Pennysaver Co.

Many organizations have been interested in the structure, implementation, and success of our recycling. One that contacted me directly were the nuns at St. Columban's Church. I supplied them with blueprints and provided help overseeing the implementation.

To the best of my knowledge, it is still a successful program. The sisters were always gracious in expressing their appreciation for the help. (Bro. Gene Ganley answered the call of our Lord last Jan. 2.Let us pray.)



BROTHER GENE – In addition to recycling, Gene Ganley, seen with wife Ida, devoted many of his Sundays to counting donations in the rectory.

First dues notice for 2017 calendar year

Brothers, the first notice for this calendar year's dues will be completed this weekend. If you have an email listed with us please check this to make sure it was received. Brothers with no email account will get a notice the first of next week. Please make any check payable to Knights of Columbus only. PayPal is still available if you wish to pay by credit card.

Send checks to John Ojeda, 21802 Ticonderoga Lane, Lake Forest CA 92630. Your current membership card is good until March 31, 2017. If you need special arrangements for dues please contact meat cell (949) 813-4320 orjohn.ojeda@cox.net.

Thank you for continuing to support all our charitable efforts.

– John Ojeda



Gene Ganley Memorial Recycling Report Last effort raised \$1,723; high-grade paper needed

BY GEORGE NOTHHELFER, RECYCLE CHAIR

Newsworthy Events: December was a good month (\$1,723). **High-Grade Paper:** If any of you are aware of any architectural firms in the area we would like to contact them to pick-up their drawings. This paper is of great value since it falls into the category of high grade paper. Thanks to all who contributed.

Ronald McDonald House: Thanks to Bonnie and Leaf Ranestad, for their dedication and support of the "Ronald McDonald House."

That provides assets for parents to stay with their children while going through treatments. Bonnie and Leaf have done a tremendous job with this program. I am confident they have supported a lot of parents to be with their children while going through treatments. This means a lot to the parents but especially the children. This is "God's Work."

Next recycle weekend. We look forward to seeing all of you Saturday, Feb. 11. Come and enjoy your Brother Knights' company. I know I will see a lot more of you there. We look forward to seeing our new Knights and enjoying the fun.

Special Thanks to our Monday morning crew for all the dedication and extra hours they put in to make the program a success. Also to those who help dump glass the day before recycling and those who went to pick up architectural drawings. Without you it would be very difficult. Remember this is not for themselves, but for all the Council. These guys and gals are there more than Monday to keep with other recycle projects (picking up books, and drawings) that make our program so successful.

We are in need of more retirees to step up for a couple of hours on Mondays.

Everyone is welcome and all have a good time. We are in need of more walkers and trucks on Monday mornings.

We also need volunteers to stop by and help sort the drop offs during the week. This area was full even after our Saturday recycle day. Contact Gerry Dubois or myself to help.

Thanks to all the following who gave of their time:

Ricardo Teano, Bob Morgan, Dan Ramella, Bonnie Ranestad, Leaf Ranestad, Gerry Dubois, Domingo Roland, Al Garmera, Ken Breneman, Stewart Imagawa, Mike Sofka, Richard Mills, John Ojeda, Stephanie De Leon, Jordan Farmer, Kimberly Weingartner, Mike Wiles, Pat Bole, Sean Collins, Alondra Maiz, Kimberly Aldama, Annika Del Rosario, Megan Hussey, Christian Obitz, Joe DeProspero, Anusha Sinna, Anika Hussain, Kelly Zhang, Tom Sixthsmith, Joe Lozano, Emily Breneman, Nicole Herrera, Hector Guzman, Shawn Garcia, Gabe Fernandez, Bob Kupfert, Lanely Mojica, Albert Lopez, Carlos D. Figueiras, Oawer Cedomio, Gabriel Malik, Daniel Zabartusko, Danie Hipolito, John Huh, Jose Lopez, and Ed Chin, and Jessica Chin.

Thanks to Monday Volunteers

Roger and Mo Boivin, Jay and Joan Donahue, Gerry Dubois, Hector and Cindy Guzman. Bob Morgan, John Ojeda, Dan Ramella. Ricardo Teano, Otis Givenrod. Glenn Seamark, Joe Schulte, Garrett Gardner. Stewart Imagawa, John Boegeman, Mike McCormack, George Nothhelfer, Alfonso Lopez, Chuck Agozino, Julio Martinez, Ronnie Almero, Nancy Tremaine, Domingo Roldan, Manny Rios, Bob Birtja, Richard and Barbara Ciolek, John Ruelas, Doug Culmer, Paul Tran, Alberto Lopez, Kevin Mooney, Dave Carey-Zuniga, John Freeman, Ronnie Almero, Ed Enriquez.

– George Nothhelfer



Free throw winners at Council level advance to Chapter championships

BY KEN BRENEMAN, EVENT COORDINATOR

Our council-level competition of the 2017 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship was held Jan. 15 in the church parking lot.

In a month of wet, rainy days, we were blessed with a clear and beautiful morning.

The parish children happily escaped the confines of their homes to shoot some hoops outside in the sun. Many came just to enjoy the event, but we also registered 21 official contestants who competed for the council championships.

Here are the 2017 champions:

Age	Girls	Boys
9	none	Timothy Mason
10	Amanda Breneman	Shea Galindo
11	none	Lloyd Evanculla
12	Kathryn O'Brien	Andrea D'Amato
13	Emilia Settle	Isaac Babin
14	none	Martin Nibungco

Special thanks go to Worthy GK Roger Sonnenfeld, PGK Michael Klett; and Brothers Robert Kupfert and Al Gamarra.

Without the efforts of these fine Knights, this event would not have happened.

Congratulations to our council champions They now advance to the KofC Orange County Chapter championships

They will be held Saturday, Feb. 25, from 8 a.m. to noon at St. Norbert Catholic Church, 300 E Taft Ave., Orange, CA.

All brothers from our council are also welcome to come and congratulate our council champions and cheer them on.



- Photos by Roger Sonnenfeld and Giselle Lin.

CASTOFFS – One young man takes his best shot at the hoop in the Council Free Throw Championships held last month in the church parking lot. In the picture at left, above, Fr. Thomas takes a shot while Brothers Ken Breneman, Ricardo Teano and others look on. Winners in six age divisions, boys and girls, now move on to the Chapter championships on Saturday, Feb. 25, at St. Norbert Catholic Church in Orange.



FOUR OF A KIND – Pictured at ceremony are (I-r) Ed Hipolito, Hector Guzman, Ben Niewinski, John Nuqui, GK Roger Sonnenfeld, John Huh, Ken Breneman, Ricardo, and Mark Yubeta.

Four new Knights brave rain, join the fold

RICARDO TEANO, MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The membership committee is proud to present three new Knights to Council 9487. No torrential rain could deter their determination to obtain Knighthood.

They are Ed Hipolito, John Huh, and John Nuqui. The First Degree and welcome ceremony was nicely celebrated Jan.12 in Dana Point at St. Edwards' Knight Hall These new Knights bring down the average age, if you know what I mean, and are ready for recycling.

Our congratulations to Ed and the two Johns for obtaining the first step to learn the ideals of our founder, the venerable Father Michael J. Mcgivney. And that first lesson is Charity. Let us always remember in our prayers that the more we give, the more we receive.

Also, Michael Turpin joined

our council in another ceremony with sponsor Mark Yubeta. Congratulations Michael.

Equally determined are the sideliners who came to support their new brothers, all of whom braved the rain. They include Ben Niewinski, Hector Guzman, GK Roger Sonnenfeld, Ken Breneman, Mark Yubeta, and Ricardo. Thanks Hector and Roger for the safe carpool drive.

Let us serve our Church and God the KofC way.

Insurance Report Ask eligible men to join our Council

BY MARK YUBETA, KOFC AGENT

Today, I want to address the growth of the Order.

Membership growth is the fuel that keeps this great fraternal engine running. All of our charitable works at the council, state, national and international levels are due to our hard-working members. And more members equals more charity.

We know that the membership blitz is a tried and true way for councils to get more men to join.

We see these pushes often in March, in celebration of Founder's Day, and again in October. These drives are successful because brother Knights have increased visibility speaking or presenting during and after Masses and at special events.

Remember that we have a duty to ask every Catholic gentleman to join our ranks for the good of the church, community and Order.

During the rest of the year, we often "forget" to ask men to join and to bring their families into our family. You probably know an eligible Catholic man you could ask today. What if the only reason he hasn't joined is because no one has asked him?

When telling a prospect about the strengths of the Order,

remember our greatest fraternal benefit: our insurance program, a "selling point" to a prospect on the fence.

Many members become Knights just to be able to buy coverage. Soon

after, they realize the good our charitable works do for their community, and they are proud to be members. As your professional KofC agent, I look forward to helping us grow in any way I can.



Jan. 4 Program Highlights

BY ROBERT KUPFERT, RECORDER

Grand Knight's Report: WGK

Worthy Dignitaries present:

District Deputy Bro. Mike Sofka, Bro. John Ruelas, Bro. Dick Gregg, Bro. John Piccolo, former Dist. Deputy, Bro. Blake Maher, Bro. Mark Yubeta, Insurance Representative, John Gabriel, ID Drive Chairman

Committee Reports:

• Brother George Nothhelfer. Recycling glass, aluminum, high end paper is picking up. Volunteers needed to dump glass at 3 p.m. on Friday, Jan.13. Saturday, Jan.14 is Recycle Day. Monday mornings are pick up days. A roof will be constructed to cover the recycle barn area. Seven more wheelchairs were donated to veterans. The patio demolition will tentatively begin Jan. 9.

• Bro. Tom Sixsmith. Church kneeler repair scheduled from 6-8 p.m. on Feb. 6.

• Brother Mike Ulibarri. Corporate Communion scheduled Feb.19 after the 8:30 Mass, followed by breakfast at Yolandas.

• Brother John Ojeda. ID Drive collections continue through April.

• Brother Ben Niewinski. Thanks to all who helped out Christmas Eve and Christmas Day masses with usher and hospitality.

• Insurance Rep. Bro. Mark Yubeta. Get your 2017 calendar and visit with Mark about your insurance needs.

<u>New Business</u>

John Gabriel, District ID chair said there are 44 active councils in OC. We are looking for ideas to implement the ID Drive in OC. We are urged to have someone present who directly relates to the ID Drive with someone who has intellectual disabilities. Bro. John presented the benefits of the camps recreation and giving caretakers a break.

<u>Awards</u>

January Knight of the Month: Bro. Angel Garcia January Family of the Month: Bro. David Zuniga.

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fund-raiser, and much more. Thank you my Brothers for all you do.

February is dedicated to the Holy Family, Mary, Joseph and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. This year the entire month of February falls within the liturgical season of Ordinary Time which is represented by the liturgical color green.

Green, the symbol of hope, is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection.

I can only hope and pray that this liturgical season will truly bring hope, a new beginning and a sense of togetherness in our community and country.

Let us all remember to pray the Rosary daily, to thank our Father for all he has given each of us and for our leaders to have the wisdom and guidance of our Lord Jesus Christ.