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Fun with Father Thomas



Santiago de Compostela hosted a special lunch for ts youth volunteers on July including altar servers, children's liturgy servers and kid's choir singers. Brother Mike Ulibarri led a team of Knights preparing the food. Kudos to our Pastor, Fr. Thomas. One might think that a priest would simply pop his head in to say hello at such an event No way! Fr. Thomas was there to greet and personally welcome the young volunteers.

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<u>GK Report</u> Brothers, there's always something to help with

BY PATRICK LARKIN, GRAND KNIGHT

"What can I do?"

That's a common question that I hear often from friends when it comes to volunteer work. Often it's not, "what can i do?" but "what do you want me to do?" The answer might be surprising.

When I was in eighth grade attending Holy Trinity grade school, Fr. O'Connell asked us to pray two things:: "Lord, what do you want me to be?" and "Lord, what do you want me to do?"

I still remember that nearly 40 years later. And I still don't have the answer to either prayer. But I do know as Knights, there is always something to do. And by doing, it helps us become who God wants us to be.



My Brothers, we are 366 strong at Bishop Williams R. Johnson Council 9487. We are Knights, hospitality ministers, eucharistic ministers, parish council members, catechists and lectors just to name a few. Many of our wives are as well. We are great servants of Santiago de Compostela parish.

But we can do so much more and with God's help we will.

Ĥere's some highlights of July and what's coming up for August.

First off, the Camino was a huge success and continues to grow. Many Brother Knights participated in the walk and served as volunteers as well.

I know that my cooking crew the Friday night before provided great fellowship as usual. And with three smokers going all night, it truly was a roundthe-clock effort.

We had Corporate Communion breakfast last week and it would be nice if we could get some more Brothers and their wives to show up.

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TOP MAN - Alberto Lopez was Grand Marshal of the Lake Forest Parade on July 4. He was driven along the parade route by Ricardo Teano.

Knight of the Month Alberto Lopez

By RICARDO TEANO, RETENTION COMMITTEE

Triple congratulations to Brother Alberto Lopez. First he was chosen Volunteer of the Year at the Lake Forest Senior Center. Then, he was Grand Marshall of the Lake Forest July Fourth Parade. And now, our Council Knight of the Month. God is good, Alberto.

Alberto was born and raised in Manila, Philippines. As a child, he

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HONOREES – Angel and Grace Garcia (far left), with daughters Danielle and Samantha.

Family of the Month Angel and Grace Garcia

This deserving family of the month is Angel and Grace Garcia. Angel joined the Council in 2016 and is now a Third Degree Knight. He decided to join after reflecting on the question, "What more can I do to serve God?"

Proposed 2017-18 Budget

A summary of the Budget proposed for the 2017-18 Columbian year for Council 9487. Membership will vote on the Budget at the Sept. 6 general meeting. Please plan to attend.

Funds On Hand as of 6-30-17

Checking	\$5,323.94
Strategic Fund	<u>\$38,411.82</u>
Total Funds On Hand	\$43,735.76

Income

	2016-2017 Prop.Budget	2016-2017 Actual	2017-2018 Prop.Budget
Total Charitable	\$39,200.00	\$30,374.59	\$38,650.00
Total Council	\$12,200.00	\$13,505.52	\$13,900.00
Total Special Events	\$23,900.00	\$26,204.36	\$21,100.00
Total Social Income	<u>\$6,800.00</u>	\$3,152.71	\$6,100.00
Total Income	\$82,100.00	\$73,236.71	\$79,750.00
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Expenses

Income	2016-2017 Prop.Budget	2016-2017 Actual	2017-2018 Prop.Budget
Total Charitable	\$40,100.00	\$32,488.29	\$40,700.00
Total Council	\$3,300.00	\$2,972.26	\$3,200.00
Total Special Events	\$15,100.00	\$20,264.50	\$13,700.00
Total Social Expenses	s \$5,500.00	\$2,271.31	\$4,800.00
Total Administrative	<u>\$18,100.00</u>	\$15,468.69	\$17,350.00
Total Expenses	\$82,100.00	\$73,465.05	\$79,7500.00

Biggest effect on 2016-2017 budget was that we held no Wheelchair Drive. \$10000.00 was allotted for Income and Expenses. – *John Ojeda, Financial Secretary*

Pray for World Peace

To all Third Degree Knights, the fourth is next, on Sept.30

BY RICARDO TEANO, RETENTION COMMITTEE

Our Council invites all Third Degree members to join and complete your KofC Fourth Degree applications.

This exemplification is done only once a year by our District. This year it will be an all-day ceremony on Saturday, Sept. 30.

The main purpose of the Fourth Degree is to foster patriotism.

To learn more, the website is www. kofcassembly2305.org. Our Fourth Degree group is called San-



tiago De Compostela Assembly 2305.

There are about 300 members and about 20 color guards. May our spirit of patriotism grow through our love of Our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Please act early by completing the application because it requires three signatures: Financial Secretary John Ojeda to certify that you are a Third Degree member in good standing, the Faithful Navigator to review your application and the Faithful Comptroller for tickets.

There is a strict requirement to wear a tuxedo to the ceremony.

The \$70 application fee includes first-year dues, badges, baldric, registration and formal banquet dinner. Dinner for spouse is \$48.

Deadline to apply is Sept. 3. My email is ricardo8199@att.net, phone number, (949) 632-1961 and address, 21395 Stonehaven Lane, Lake Forest, CA. 92630.

Vivat Jesu.



BY GEORGE NOTHHELFER, RECYCLE CHAIR

Newsworthy Events: June was a great month (\$1,705.) We had only a few Knights, but they were able to handle the job. We need more Brothers to come since we do not have the kids. Please take some time and bond with the rest of us. The cold beer at the end hits the spot.

In Need of Help: We are in need of several people to help on the Monday morning crew and during the week to continue to keep our



program going. We are seeing an increase in recyclables and need help. I have had one Knight come and we need more. Please talk to me.

Monday mornings: We need some one with a truck that could make pick-ups at El Toro or Lake Forest mobile home parks (your trip will be reimbursed if you use your vehicle for pick-ups). We can also use walkers (it is great exercise) to put the bags of recyclables in the trucks. No heavy lifting involved.

During the week: We need a couple of people to sort the goods that are in the drop-off area. This would be on a rotational basis of one week, one time during the month. You would have to check this area three times a week. We already have an overflow on the glass and we have another week to go. Please contact me for additional information or to sign-up.

High-Grade Paper (ledger paper): If any of you are aware of any local architectural firms 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. It can also be computer paper. A big thanks to Brother Bernie Laituri who dropped off a truck load of architectural drawings (they filled a bin) last month and he has another this month.

Ronald McDonald House: Thanks to Bonnie and Leaf Ranestad, for their dedication and support of the "Ronald McDonald House." It provides for parents, at no cost, to stay with their children being treated. It means a lot to the parents, but especially the kids.

Next recycle weekend. We look forward to seeing all of you Saturday, Aug. 12. We serve coffee and doughnuts and refreshments when we finish up. Come and enjoy your Brother Knights' company. I know I will see a lot more of you there.

Special Thanks: To our Monday morning crew for all the dedication and extra hours they spend making the program a success. Also to those who help dump glass. Without you it would be very difficult. This is not for themselves, but for all the Council.

These guys and gals are there more than Monday to keep up with other recycle projects (picking up books, drawings) that make our program so successful.

We appreciate all those who helped: Bob Morgan, Dan Ramella, Bonnie and Leaf Ranestad, Al Gamarra, David Keele, Ken Breneman, Richard Mills, Mike Wiles, Tom Sixthsmith, Hector Guzman, Joe DeProspero, Joe Merchant, Francis Imagawa, Stewart Imagawa, Mike Sofka, John Huh, Gerry Dubois, Mike Bryne, Don Blankenship, Bob Kupfert, Patrick Nieblas, Pete Kellen.

Monday Volunteers

Roger, Mo Boivin, Jay, Joan Donahue, Gerry Dubois, Hector, 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, Barbara Ciolek, John Ruelas, Doug Culmer, Paul Tran, Alberto Lopez, Kevin Mooney, Dave Carey-Zuniga, John Freeman, Ronnie Almero, Ed Enriquez.

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You can see Angel help with the maintenance of our parish kneelers and at the Monday morning recycling. He donated a flag wood case to the Knights was auctioned off for the KofC Golf Tournament.

Recently at Sunday at Mass, he was asked to help during the collection. He looks forward to future voluntary work that is needed in our parish and community.

Angel was born a Catholic and 26 years ago, married Grace, who strengthened his faith and love of God. They have two daughters, Danielle, 22, and Samantha, 19.

Angel and Grace have been involved in the Marriage Encounter Ministry since 2006 and have given pulpit talks about it.

They also take care of Mass kits, write a monthly newsletter, and are prayer couple coordinators and South Orange County Community coordinators.

Angel is retired from a 15-year career in the Marine Corps and now works in law enforcement for the government.

At the seven-mile Camino Walk from the Abbey, a very successful parish event, Angel and Grace participated and shared the joy of camaraderie with Brother Knight Bob Durham and wife Lisa.

Our congratulation to the couple and Family of the Month, Angel and Grace Garcia.

The Knights of Columbus welcomes inquiries from those who wish to contact Knights of Columbus Headquarters: 1 Columbus Plaza New Haven, CT 06510 (203) 752-4000 Email: info@kofc.org

<u>G.K. REPORT</u>

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Our next big event will be the Ice Cream Social on Saturday, Aug. 26 in the Parish Hall. We'll be doing some food prep on Friday night so if you can help out that would be appreciated.

We're going to hand make the burger patties this year and may even offer bacon cheeseburgers in addition to regular burgers and hot dogs and ice cream sundaes. We'll need all hands-on deck for that event after the 5 p.m. Mass.

Don't forget about helping out Brother Tom Sixsmith with kneeler repairs in the church. He and his crew will be working on Monday night, Aug. 14 at 6 p.m. Show up with a screw gun if you can.

As always, recycling will be on Saturday, Aug. 12 from 8 a.m. to noon.

This is a great event for new Knights to get to know their Brothers. We probably won't have too many of our youth helping out this month, so even if you can only come by for an hour, please do so.

The Recharge Event on Sept. 9 is already taking signups, according to Brother Mike Klett, PGK. This event features Patrick Coffin, who is a very dynamic speaker and this should be a great one-night mission for the entire parish.

Brothers, you can sign up at Patrick Coffin's website: http://www. patrickcoffin.net/recharge-santiago/

Finally, Brother Vince Vasquez has received permission from Fr. Thomas for an Affirmation of Wedding vows event. He'll be planning our first, which will take place on June 16, the night before Father's Day in 2018. If you are interested in helping, please contact Brother Vince.

"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast. For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them."

- Ephesians 2: 8-10

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went to a private Catholic school, where he first started volunteering. The private school had students take food, water and medicine to families in need after typhoons, which are common in the Philippines.

As a Third Degree Knight, his volunteer work includes Monday and Saturday recycling. He's also Hospitality usher at Sunday noon Mass, head of the St. Vincent De Paul Ministry at Santiago, October festival helper at Wal-Mart for the ID Drive, prepares meals with Mike Ulibarri and cleans up after the events.

On his own, Alberto helps at the Age Well Senior Services Meals on Wheels Program in Laguna Woods on Fridays, drives Food Bank recipients to South Country Outreach when called, and volunteers at the Senior Scene Clubhouse on most days Mondays to Thursdays. There isn't anything Alberto hasn't volunteered for.

He has three children and four grandchildren. In college, he earned a BA degree in Administration and BS in Management. He is retired and an avid tennis player.

When he is not with his grandchildren, he is volunteering somewhere. Congratulations to Alberto as our Knight of the Month. (Some parts are reprinted from the Lake Forest July 4 parade newsletter.)

Insurance Report: We care for our own as good Knights

BY MARK YUBETA, KOFC AGENT

The Knights of Columbus isn't just an insurance company. It's a brotherhood, and so we do things differently.

If we were just another insurance company, you'd be nothing more than customers – or potential customers – who only add value based on the products



you purchase. But you're not. You're Brothers, and so are we. After all, Father McGivney founded the Knights so that we could help each other. So we offer you products and

services unique to our industry because we care deeply about you and your families, and your wellbeing.

For starters, we extend to each of our members an Accidental Death benefit for free, just by virtue of their membership in the Knights of Columbus.

The program – which is only available in insurance jurisdictions – provides a benefit of \$1,000 - \$2,500 upon the accidental death of any member or his spouse (subject to certain age restrictions). The program was launched in 1994, and today, provides more than \$12.5 million in benefits.

In addition to the Accidental Death benefit, the Knights offer a number of free services to our members and their families.

We agents are committed to

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VISITORS – Julio Martinez (I) and John Ojeda plant roses during their trip to Santo Jose Maria Esposo Parish in Tijuana, Mexico.

LOVE THY NEIGHBOR MINISTRY

Travelers Ojeda, Mills, Martinez receive warm welcome in Mexico

BY RICHARD MILLS, SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR

The picture above was from our June trip to Santo Jose' Maria Esposo Parish in Tijuana,. Mexico. It was attended by our driver and faithful tour guide, Julio Martinez, John Ojeda and myself.

I'm sure I speak for us all when I say that we had a great trip made additionally rewarding by the warm welcome and appreciation expressed by Sr. Alicia and the entire community.

Upon arrival we stopped off at the local plant farm (nursery) and bought some roses and potting soil, an annual tradition. We spent time at the church with Sr. Alicia and Josefia, the resident caregiver and altar assistant. We gave her the check from the Council and the new Living Faith books.

We planted roses and celebrated Mass with the community, and had an extra bonus of witnessing an infant baptism. She was a beautiful child, in her white baptism outfit and was the perfect little parishioner, until that guy with the long robe took over! Lets just say, I was glad that I had my ear plugs! But I felt empathy for the parents and God parents—each taking turn trying to calm our little celebrant!

At the end of Mass, Sister Alicia acknowledged our presence and the people thanked us for all that we have done for them. But I have to say, the gratitude is an extension for each and every member of our council. Because it is from your endless work and support that truly makes this ministry possible.

Thank you Brothers, and please continue to pray for our ministry.



July 5 Program Minutes

BY KEN BRENEMAN, RECORDER

Meeting called to order by PGK Roger Sonnenfeld. Prayer offered by Fr. Stephen Lesniewski. <u>Unfinished Business</u>

• Dominick Rainone. The council elected Vince Vasquez Inside Guard to fill a vacancy.

• PGK Sonnenfeld officially passed the gavel to incoming GK Pat Larkin and officers for the new Columbian year assumed their stations.

Applications for Membership

• Acting Chancellor Al Gamarra. Application for Robert Claproth Jr. read, accepted.

Grand Knight's Report

• Charity box is for Christian Men's Fellowship.

• The 2017/18 council calendar is available on the council website and mobile app. Thank you PGK Michael Klett.

Chaplain's Report

• Fr. Lesniewski, SDC's new Parochial Vicar, introduced himself to the Council.

Committee Reports

• Ken Allen. Retreat at Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center is Friday-Sunday, Sept. 22-24.

• Recycling. George Nothhelfer. Need permanent volunteers to sort weekday drop-offs, occasional two-to-three hour shifts weekdays. Also need a truck or SUV to drive routes Mondays from 7-8:30 a.m.

• SDC Patio Project. George Nothhelfer. City of Lake Forest returned submitted drawings with corrections. SDC parish will make updates and re-submit, with additional drawings.

• Recharge Event. Michael Klett. Saturday. Sept. 9, after 5 p.m. Mass. Parish retreat will feature speaker Patrick Coffin. Combined parish/council event.

• Golf Tournament.Al Gamarra. Areas to improve: Better promotion and sales of helicopter ball drop, online registration and payments, more space for dinner seating. Food could be better.

• Kneeler Repair. Bro. Tom Sixsmith. Next session is Aug. 14, 6-8 p.m., every second Monday of the month.

• Ice Cream Social. GK Larkin. Saturday, Aug. 26. Co chairs: Pat Bole, Don Blankenship.

• Hospitality. Ben Niewinski taking over as head usher for 10:15 a.m. Mass until permanent replacement steps forward.

• Blood Drive. Brother Vince Vasquez. This year's drive is at 1:30 p.m. on Aug. 1.

Worthy guests, dignitaries present:

• SDC Parochial Vicar, Fr. Lesniewski District Deputy, Mike Sofka, Past Chapter President Dick Petrash, Council Founding GK. Dick Gregg.

District Deputy's Report.

Councils are having officer installations. San Francisco Solano Council of Rancho Santa Margarita will earn Star Council award for 2016/17, first year as a council.

Awards

Congratulations to Alberto Lopez of our council. He was Grand Marshal of the Lake Forest Independence Day Parade after being named the city's 2017 Senior Volunteer of the Year.

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