

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Bishop William R. Johnson Council #9487 - Division 5 Santiago de Compostela Catholic Church Lake Forest CA 92630



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER - SEPTEMBER 2019



GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Worthy Brothers,

On Wednesday September 11th at 6:00 PM. Our Parish is going be having our 40th anniversary Thanksgiving Mass. Bishop Vann will be presiding over the Mass. The Mass is going to include a banner procession of SDC ministries. Our council is going be represented by our Charter Grand Knight Dick Gregg. Please come out to this Mass in your council greens to represent us. Also, as part of our 40th anniversary the Parish is holding a Thanksgiving dinner on Friday September 13th. Tickets are 25.00

each please try to attend to show your support for our Parish.

Our annual ID drive benefiting persons with intellectual disabilities. Is going to be kicking off soon. As our Council is usually in the top few in the State, we would to continue our efforts in this most worthwhile cause. Brother Tim Sixsmith is our chairperson for this event. I am finalizing the steps needed to get our Council listed as a non profit to use in an online giving campaign to support our work that we do in the community as well. Please keep on the lookout for further information soon.

If you are a 1st or 2nd degree Knight please be sure to save the date of October 26th. Were we will be hosting a second and third degree on Saturday October 26th sponsored by our Worthy District Deputy brother Michael Klett. This is a wonderful opportunity to join the ranks of full Knighthood on the same day. This is going to be a major event for us and we are going to be needing some help.

Upcoming events on the horizon. Our Past Grand Knights Dinner will be on October 6th at Outback Steakhouse. Please see Worthy Deputy Grand Knight Ken Brenneman to RSVP and pay 20.00 for this event to celebrate Past Grand Knight Bob Kupfert and all PGKs.

Vivat Jesus,

Vince Vasquez Worthy Grand Knight

TWO FRESHLY MINTED BROTHER KNIGHTS

By: Ricardo Teano, Retention Committee

The Retention Committee is pleased to announce two freshly minted 2nd degree brother Knights. More so because these two knights already have done so many volunteer hours for the good of our council. They are Brothers Jaimie Baker and German Greppo. Please congratulate them for completing their lesson of Unity.



The solemn proceedings of the degree ceremony was held on August 19, 2019, at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church parish hall in San Clemente. The presence of a good number of sideliners that attended added more dignity and meaning to the 2nd degree rites.

Kudos to PGK Joe Schulte, who as usual did an outstanding job as a member of the Conferring Degree Team. Brother Joe has always set the bar very high all these numerous years. Sideliners, DGK Ken Breneman and Ricardo Teano attended to witness and support the candidates' ascent to their potential.

Congratulations German and Jaimie. We look forward to your 3rd degree Exemplification. It will be held in our own council in Santiago De Compostela very soon.

PAST GRAND KNIGHT'S DINNER

A council tradition is coming up in early in October and you are cordially invited! It is the annual Past Grand Knights Dinner where we gather to honor and thank our brothers who have served as Grand Knights of the council - and especially our newest Past Grand Knight, Brother Bob Kupfert, who lead the council so ably through the 2018-2019 Columbian year. Being Grand Knight is hard work. Let's show our PGK's we appreciate their service.

When: Sunday, October 6th

5 pm cocktails 6 pm dinner

Where: Outback Steakhouse

26652 Portola Pkwy, Foothill Ranch, CA 92610

Cost: \$20/person

Please RSVP ahead of time to me, DGK Ken Breneman <u>kbreneman@cox.net</u> Please also pay your \$20/person to me either ahead of time or at the event -- cash or check made out to "Knights of Columbus 9487".

TWO NEW KNIGHTS START THEIR JOURNEY TO KNIGHTHOOD

By: Ricardo Teano, Membership Committee

Let us congratulate our newest Brother Knights as of August 28,2019. They are Dennis Fung and Ruben Logarta. These 2 Catholic men are ready to start their journey to knighthood. Let us welcome them as their big brothers on this quest. May our soon to be Saint KOFC Founder, Father Michael J. McGivney, pray for us!!!

The solemn, well executed Welcome and 1st Degree Ceremony reflects the dedication of the Council in St Cecilia Catholic Church in Tustin who sponsored this exemplification. If you have not been to one recently please come as a sideliner sometime. It is edifying.

Another worthy note to mention is the presence of 7 sideliners from our council. What an evening. The green shirts are the majority. The sideliners who came to support the new knights and the event are; PGK Bob Kupfert, GK Vince Vasquez, DGK Ken Breneman, Ben Niewinski, Hector Guzman, Alvin Henson and Ricardo Teano. What an amazing bunch and a boast to the neophyte members. The Honoree of the event is State Deputy David Abbott.

Thanks to all!!!



L to R: Hector Guzman, Alvin Henson, DGK Ken Breneman, Ben Niewinski, Ruben Logarta, Dennis Fung, PGK Bob Kupfert, GK Vince Vasquez, Ricardo Teano

AUGUST 2019 BLOOD DRIVE

The following article is a copy of the letter of thanks from the Red Cross regarding the successful blood drive we sponsored at Santiago de Compostella Church on August 13. We want to thank all thos who helped make this event a success including Mike Sofka and Jan Merchant for their time helping at the sign in desk.

The Knights of Columbus at Santiago de Compostella makes vital contribution to patient care!

Thank you for taking the time to host a blood drive on Tuesday August 13, 2019 at Santiago de Compostella Catholic Church. We appreciate it so much. Hosting a blood drive is a selfless act. The effort you and everyone made to allow a donor to give the gift of life can mean a lifetime to a patient with a serious medical need.

Your efforts show your generosity, selflessness and dedication to helping others. Those are remarkable traits. With your help, we collected **54 pints** of blood. Of course, the real winners are the patients in need of blood. As you know each blood donation can help to save up to three lives. Your effort is truly appreciated by the blood recipients, their loved ones and all of us here at the American Red Cross.

Every day, patients throughout the Lake Forest area and across the country rely on volunteer blood donors when receiving healthcare. Cancer patients, trauma victims, organ transplant recipients, premature babies, sickle cell disease patients and others may need blood products.

Blood Drive Summary

Presenting Donors: 56

Deferrals: 5

QNS: 1

Other: 0

Power Red (PR): 12

Total Units Collected = 42 Whole Blood + 12 PR = 54 Pints

Jose and Stephen, you and your team did a fantastic job!! Each pint collected can help to save up to 3 lives. The Knights of Columbus at Santiago de Compostella Catholic Church has helped to save up to 162 patient lives! WOW!! Another fun fact is that the Knights at Santiago de Compostella has helped to collect 97 pints of blood this year that has helped to save up to 291 lives so far this year. FANTIASTIC!! Please also extend a huge thank you to everyone.

We love feedback!! Please let us know how we did.

We truly appreciate and value the Knights of Columbus at Santiago de Compostella Catholic Church's support. We are not able to maintain a stable blood supply without wonderful blood drive sponsors like you booking out your blood drives for the year. **THANK YOU!**

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

GERMAN GREPO

By: Ricardo Teano, Retention Committee

The committee could not be more proud than to present the selected Knight of the Month, German Grepo. He has proven to be as useful as he can to the Council and to the Church. Foremost of his involvements is Audio/Visual A/V Group Ministry. They project the psalms, songs, and church announcements during the celebration of the mass at the altar screen. This group has done much good to the participation of the Liturgy of the Holy Mass. German and wife, Marilou are both Cursil-listas and are current Directors of Formation for The Marriage Enrichment Ministry.

German joined the knights 4 months ago and has since been a great addition to the much needed help for the Monday morning recycling program. He is a 2nd degree knight and so happy to be a knight. To him the KOFC way is a gateway for him to do service for the parish. The charity works of the council impress him the most.

German and Marilou were baptized Catholics as infants, married for 34 years, and have been parishioners of Santiago de Compostela since 1997. They have 4 grown children, 2 girls and 2 boys, and 3 grandchildren. German is a retired Chemical Engineer. Marilou with her melodic voice belongs to the amazing Santiago Minstrel Choir.

Congratulations German as our unanimously chosen Knight of the month.

ANNUAL MENS' RETREAT

The annual Men's Retreat at Mater Dolorosa in Sierra Madre is scheduled for

September 20 - 22.

Arrival time is 3:00pm Friday 9/20,

Dismissal will be after the 11;30 Mass on Sunday 9/22.

The cost is \$250.

It is recommended that online registration be made at

<u> Mater Dolorosa Passionist Retreat Center – Mater Dolorosa Passionist Retreat Center</u>

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Gene Ganley Memorial Recycling Report

News Worthy Events <u>August was an great month (\$1,811)</u>. We had a great showing of Knights and we need a good group this next month. Please take that time to help out especially our new Knights. We welcome all of you and need your help.

We need more Help to assist us on the Monday morning. This consists of sorting of recyclable

materials and walking a park (good morning exercise), to load the trucks. It requires no heavy lifting. We Need MORE HELP!

We deperaately need someone with a truck to step up and help on Monday Mornings: <u>High-Grade Paper & Architectural Drawings</u>: We are doing very well with the architectural drawings and they generate a lot of our revenues. Please let us know if you have a contact with an architectural firm.

Ronald McDonald House: We are grateful to all who helped with the tabs for Ronald Mc-Donald House. Many benefits from this worthy cause.

<u>Next Recycle WEEKEND</u>: Saturday, September 11, <u>come and</u> <u>enjoy your Brother Knights company</u>. See you for a light breakfast of coffee and dough-

nuts; a good time for all. If only for an hour, any help is appreciated.

Special Thanks: A special thanks to our Monday morning crew for all the dedication and extra hours they dedicate in making the program a success. *Also, to those who help dump glass on Thursdays. Without you it would be very difficult.* Remember this is not for themselves, but for **all of the council and those charities we support.**

Those who PARTICIPATED: We appreciate all those that came on Saturday who made the program a success: Gerry Dubois, Richard Mills, Pete Kellen, Bonnie, & Leif Ranestad, Ricardo Teano, John Ojeda, John Osley, Bob Kupfert, Ken Breneman, Joe De Prospero, Wayne Ellis, Pat Boles, Mike Sofka, Patrick Nieblas, France Imagawa, Stewart Imagawa, Glen Seamark, Mike Byrne, Giselle Lin, Emily Breneman, Amanda Breneman, Bob Birtja, Hector Guzman, Patrick Larkin, Dave Atkins, Jean Sofka, Rich Mulhand.

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— George Nothhelfer

September Birthdays

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September Anniversaries

Pat/Barbara Walloch Richard/Rachael Pineros Ron/Barbara Fernandez Alfonzo/Elfa Lopez Ken/Jackie Stashik Kevin/Grettel Irribarren Thomas/Linda Haas Don/Linda Bibona Don/Teresa Pooters John/Virginia Osley Rolland/Teresa Stokes John/Jan Blankenship Arnold/Martha Morales Bill/Sue Stegall Gene/Jeanine Sansone James/Nancy Lamperis Johm/Ann Marie Blaney

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