

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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Grand Knight's Report

Brothers,

The last couple of months have been a "blur" for me. I was acting Grand Knight for the last two general meetings, and now my first meeting as your newly elected Grand Knight is here!!

I'd like to take this time to thank our outgoing Grand Knight, Brother John Teeter for a stellar year. We were again awarded STAR Council,



Dave & Martie Atkins

something I will work for this year as well. We started a cadence with our Campus Clean Up Days. It's a great time to get together with fellow Knights and beautify our landscape. We had a very successful car wash, and hope to replicate that a few more times throughout the year. We also had a very successful spaghetti dinner and will have more dinners in the upcoming months.

We conducted the Installation of New Officers a couple of weeks ago – presided by Fr. Thomas and Worthy District Deputy Dan Hoffman. Our officers look forward to the opportunities we have coming, and for the challenges that lie ahead. I am publishing the budget for this Columbine year – that's our first challenge Brother Knights. No longer can we rely on recycling and the golf tournament to be our flagship fundraisers. We need to come up with new ways of fundraising – something that will help balance our budget.

We have a couple of events in July that are both fun, and spiritually rewarding. First, is our annual Lake Forest 4th of July parade. Our brother Knights and their wives will walk the 1.5 mike route showing support for our Council and our local community. A very special addition this year is the Knights on Bikes . . . Should be a great time!!!

Second, is our annual Camino on July 22nd. Each year our Brother Knights support this event. I did a write up about our Knights involvement for the 2022 Camino and submitted it for consideration at our recent state convention awards. I noted that over 45 Knights volunteered and performed over 1,000 volunteer hours during planning and overall support of the event. Think about the hundreds of people attending the Camino and what they truly get from it. Makes me so very proud of all our Brothers who participated. We will be looking for this kind of effort again this month. Look for opportunities at the General Meeting and in the next couple of weeks. We need help with registration and logistics again this year. As well as cooking 400 hot dogs for the lunch after mass.

And, on August 4th, we have our annual Golf Dinner fundraiser. By far the best dinner you may ever have at SdC!! Our menu consists of filet mignon, shrimp, chicken, plenty of sides like baked potatoes and salads, and of course lots of cocktails!! We also have tons of prizes we will raffle off that evening. Cost is \$60/person or \$100/couple.

It's just the beginning of what I hope is an active and exciting year ahead.

CAR WASH 2023







FAMILY OF THE MONTH - MONICA & ALFONZO JIMENEZ

by: Dave Atkins - Grand Knight 9487

I would like to award the July Family of the Month to Alfonso Jimenez, his wife Monica, and son Jacob!!

They have been members of our parish since 2016. They have been married for over nine years

and have become more active in our community over the past few years. Jacob is eight now and just made his first communion this year.

We nominated the Jimenez family because our car wash would not have been as successful if they were not there to assist. Both Brother Mike Byrne and I decided that it would be a good idea to start early as the 8am morning Mass was getting out and a few cars were already lining up to be washed. Alfonso and his family arrived right at 8:30am and immediately began drying the first 2-3 cars that Mike and I washed. Had they not been there to start the drying process, I am sure we would not have lasted too much longer doing it all. We had more people to assist in wiping down the cars, but Alfonso and family kept going . . . for 3 more hours!! Jacob finally took a break to get a water and donut around 11:00. Their early participation in our first car wash made it very successful!!

Alfonso said that working the car wash with his family felt very fraternal. He is grateful to be around such great people!!

Congratulations Alfonso, Monica, and Jacob!!



Alfonzo, Jacob and Monica Jimenez

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH - RAFAEL VILLASENOR

My name is Rafa Villasenor, and this is the story of my life — a life filled with faith, family, and a deep commitment to service. It all started on December 1, 2021, when I became a member of the Knights of Columbus; an organization dedicated to charitable works and supporting the Catholic Church. Little did I know that this step would pave the way for a remarkable journey.

Joining the Knights of Columbus was a significant milestone for me. I felt a sense of purpose and belonging within this group of like-minded individuals. Over time, I became more involved and dedicated to the organization's mission. In December 2022, I achieved the prestigious rank of a 4th-degree Knight, further solidifying my commitment to service and faith.

One of the highlights of my journey as a Knight has been the opportunity to volunteer at various events. I vividly remember participating in the Harvest Festival, where I witnessed the power of unity and compassion. The joy of serving others and making a positive impact on the community was truly humbling.

In pursuit of spiritual growth and renewal, I embarked on a transformative journey by living and serving at the Renewal Retreat in Santiago de Compostela Catholic Church. This experience allowed me to deepen my faith, connect with fellow believers, and find solace in the presence of God.

Celebrating our nation's independence on the 4th of July was always a special occasion for me. As a Knight, I had the honor of participating in parades alongside my brother knights. The pride and camaraderie shared during these events were truly unforgettable. Additionally, my involvement with the Knights on Bikes opened doors to new opportunities, such as escorting the "Silver Rose," which demonstrates the unity between Knights of Columbus in Mexico, USA and Canada. These moments symbolized the power of faith and unity, as we proudly showcased our devotion to the Catholic Church, as well as paying tribute to Belen Teano during her funeral.

Amidst my journey as a Knight, I've been blessed with a loving wife, Maribel, who has been my rock and pillar of support for the past 24 years. Together, we have raised three beautiful daughters: Sammy, Lianna, and Abby. They are the source of my joy and inspiration, reminding me of the importance of family, faith, and unconditional love.

Receiving the prestigious "Shining Armor" award was an unexpected honor. This recognition served as a reminder that the work we do as Knights is not about personal accolades but about selflessly serving others and living out our faith. It humbled me and encouraged me to continue my journey of service with even greater zeal.

As I reflect on my life's journey thus far, I am grateful for the path that led me to the Knights of Columbus and the Knights on Bikes. These organizations have given me opportunities to grow spiritually, serve my community, and foster lasting friendships. My hope is to continue this journey, spreading the light of faith and serving those in need, leaving a legacy of love and service for generations to come.



Rafael Villasenor

ARC OF PRAYER MINISTRY

By: Mark Angel



Arc of Prayer Ministry in the Church Plaza

About four years ago, the Arc of Prayer ministry was founded at our parish. Before and after the Saturday evening and all the Sunday Masses, the Arc of Prayer table is manned by a member of the ministry. The purpose of the ministry is to offer prayers with parishioners for their concerns.

Those serving in this ministry put into practice what Jesus said in Matthew Chapter 18 verse 2:

"For where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them."

They remind the parishioners of this, then they lead a prayer thanking God for his many graces, pray for the concerns of the parishioner, and ask for blessings for the parishioner.

This ministry does not offer spiritual guidance. If that is what the person is looking for, they direct the parishioner to our clergy.

Father Thomas has instituted a philosophy that encourages our parish ministries to work together and support each other's ministries. The Emmanuel Ministry has been working together with the Arc of Prayer ministry to pray with parishioners who bring their concerns to the Arc of Prayer table.

Brother Dennis Fung is the primary contact for the Arc of Prayer Ministry. PGK Vince Vasquez, Brothers Dave Stokes, John Freeman, and Ron Fernandez also participate in

this worthy ministry, and our Brother Ricardo Teano leads many of our parishioners to the ministry table.

Thank you, brothers, for leading our parishioners in offering up their concerns to the Lord in prayer. You are exemplifying our principles of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity with your participation in this ministry.

JUNE GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

By: Danny Reyes - Recorder

Decade of the Rosary – Opening Prayers

May Minutes Discussed. To be transmitted to all members via email and published in the Newsletter.

Grand Knights Report. Huge thank you and appreciation for all the Knights participation in our May events including the Spaghetti Dinner on May 6th, Carwash on May 13th and Mother Day Roses on May 14th. We had also hosted a Silver Rose Prayer Services and American Red Cross Blood Drive.

Council 9487 sponsored a \$10,000 award funded by the Columbian **Recorder** Foundation, who support people with Intellectual Disabilities and check was delivered in person by our very own Grand Knight John Teeter at the Tara's Chance Therapeutic Stables.

That brings us up to \$30,000 in charitable donations for Intellectual Disability (ID) organizations.

June Events include:

June 11th – Donuts in the Plaza

June 20th - Brizio Fundraiser

June 24th – Officers Installation Meeting

June 24th-25th – Men's Renewal Retreat

June 24th-25th – Living Faith Books

July Events include:

July 4th – Lake Forest 4th of July Parade

July 7th – Pre-Camino Meeting

July 22nd – Main Camino

Financial Report – Vouchers: \$6,821.14. Receipts: \$6,327.30

Checking Account: \$18,236.72. General Savings: \$20,503.48. Drawdown: \$29,799.29. Ken's Scholarship Fund: \$44,578.77

Blood Drive collected 38 Units – If missed please still consider donating as the donations are down.

Recycling Mondays could still use volunteers especially if you are the owner of a pickup truck.

Fourth of July parade announced - Knights will be in group #51, please email David Atkins <u>david.</u> <u>atkins@aveva.com</u> to register.

Father Gregory Farewell after 5:00pm mass on Saturday June 17th and Father Martin farewell celebration after each mass in the Pavilion on Sunday June 25th.

District Deputy – Dan Hoffman Report:

Recognition of families of the month

New Members meeting attendance

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Danny Reyes Recorder

JUNE GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES (Cont'd)

Next year's ID drive is kicking off on August 9

Congratulations to our new officers for the Colombian year 2023-2024.

New Business: Budget has a \$12,000 deficit that we need to help cut expenses and other fund-raising events to make up. We can not continue to use slush fund/savings account to offset deficit.

Rafa Villasenor is getting our Shining Armor award tonight. To qualify to be a Shining Armor award winner a brother night must come to at least three faith formation programs, attend at least three council meetings, attend an exemplification, meet your Council's insurance representative and attend the fraternal benefits meeting.

Bill and Denise Ramirez is the Family of the Month. Bill joined the Knights of Columbus because of one very good reason. He enjoys serving God through his pro-life work. He joined the bereavement ministry in the adult Alter Server ministry in 2014. From there he volunteered on the Stewardship Council and chaired the welcome table in 2016. He also got involved in our Caminos helping with logistics. He started the rosary ministry distributing brochures in 2017. Over the past 3 years, they've given up more than 45,000 rosaries. His wife Denise became Catholic through the ICA program 31 years ago, they have been parishioners since moving to Lake Forest in 1993 Denise and Bill are co chairs now the apostles of Divine Mercy. And he became a member of the Knights in 2020.

Budget Category	EXPENSE Proposed Budget 2023-2024	INCOME Proposed Budget 2023-2024
Charitable Expenses	\$46,700.00	\$28,350.00
Council Expenses	\$1,650.00	\$0.00
Special Events Expenses	\$15,900.00	\$25,700.00
Pass-thru Events Expenses	\$2,250.00	\$2,250.00
Social Expenses	\$8,050.00	\$13,000.00
Adminstrative Expenses	\$14,700.00	\$9,100.00
TOTALS	\$89,250.00	\$78,400.00

COUNCIL 9487 PROPOSED BUDGET

List of Knight and Family of the Month 2020 - 2023

2020

January February March April May June July August September October November December

2021

January February March April May June July August September October November December

2022

January February March April May June July August September October November December

2023

January February March April May June July Stan Banash John Blaney Norrie Olmo -George Nothhelfer -Pat Bole Dante Ramella Ben Niewinski David Belen

Jerry Clements

Dennis de Rosia

Knight of the Month

Jaime Terriquez Tim Tunila Michael Byrne Deacon Dan Diesel Kenneth Baer Gil Pador Ruben Logarta ______ Mark Angel Jaime Terriquez Domingo Roldan

Philip Parke George Nothhelfer Bob Morgan Vincent Farro Butch Reyes Stewart Imagawa Jim McCarty Paul Tovar Arturo Gonzalez Richard Ingrassia Ruben Logarta Bob Shoemaker

Than Duong Andrew Zumkehr Kiet Wu Ryan Moussavi Mark Angel

Rafa Villasenor

Family of the Month

Barbara & Patrick Walloch Sue & Steve Seastrom Ruby & Domingo Roldan

Cate & Dennis Fung

Therese & Roger Sonnenfeld Martie & Dave Atkins

Barry Lamont Diane & Tom Sixsmith

Weiwei & Tony Quan Cindy & Hector Guzman Teresa & Dave Stokes Father Martin Vu

Elena & John Freeman Francis & Nourry Olmo Erin & Mike Ulibarri Cate & Dennis Fung

Sol & Ovidio Najera Lilly & Wayne Ellis Mary & John Ojeda Judy & Jerry Clements Supporting Wives Knight Alter Servers Marti & Dave Atkins Teresa & Dave Stokes Laura & John Garcia France & Stewart Imagawa Lindsey & Danny Reyes Theresa & Mark Dy-Ragos

David Balen & Family

Dianne & Tom Sixsmith

Alanna & Vincent Farro Denise & Bill Ramires Monica & Alfonzo Jimenez

GENE GANLEY RECYCLING REPORT

News Worthy Events:



June was a great month - **\$2,083.** That amount included a state supplement of \$726 for the month derived from the State Recycle Fund.

We need your help PLEASE!

All of you need to drop off your recyclable aluminum cans, #1 and #2 plastics and your glass. We have a lot of members who can participate in this. They can be dropped off any time in the drop off area, which is labelled. Please spread the word to your friends and neighbors... It is for a charibable cause.

YOU can be a Valuable part of Recycling if you will take some time to answer the needs below:

We are in need of walkers at the Lake Forest Mobile Home Park and sorters at the barn. There is a lot to sort through and anyone who can come to the barn by 7:30 AM will be greatly appreciated. It only takes about one hour or if you can come for 1/2 hour, we can use you. Anyone that can help us out please contact Hector Guzman at (949)301-6686.

Weekly Recycling: "A GREAT THANK YOU"

Without these dedicated people we would not have a program. Thanks to all of you who contribute (We have a great group of dedicated people who offer their time to those in need) your time to make this program a success. We start at 7AM Monday mornings and finish up around 9AM. Any time you can offer us is appreciated. We are always in need of walkers for the mobile home park at Lake Forest. Everyone has a great time and and it is great cameraderie. Several of the group goes to Cocos or Woodys for breakfast after recycling. Please contact Gerry Dubois (949) 500-1064 or Hector Guzman (949) 301-6686 to join the fun. You can learn a lot about recycling.

Recycle Fliers: I have made up two fliers; one for the Lake Forest Mobile Home Park, which has been sent out and one for the church bulletin, which will appear shortly - Be on the lookout!

Vehicle: We are in need of someone who can do pick-ups at the mobile home park from 7AM - 8:30AM on Mondays... Please contact Hector Guzman at (949) 301-6686.

Weekly Recycling - A GREAT THANK YOU: We have a great group of dedicated weekly recyclers and they are doing a tremendous job of clearing out the drop off area. We can always use more help for this important program. Please contact Al if you can give us a few hours during the week. We pair you up with someone to show you the ropes. We have seen some new faces but need more.

God bless, George Nothhelfer

Monday Morning Crew

Hector Guzman, George Nothhelfer, Mike McCormack, Domingo Roldan, Ricardo Teano, Tony Gionet-Gonzalez, Gerry Dubois, Tim Tunila, Ed Adams, Kiet Wu, Jim McCarty, Bert Dubois, Jay Donahue, Bob Morgan, Roy Reyes, John Ojeda, Bud Givenrod, John Ruelas, David Balen, Ronnie Almero, Dennis Derosia, France Imagawa Bernadette Halter, Stuart Imagawa, Jean-Noel Sonsang, German Grepo, George Bull, Cindy Guzman

July Birthdays

- 01 Beatrice Micalizio 02 Debra Ickes
- 03 Daniel Diesel
- 04 James David Owens
- 05 Stephanie Sweeney
- 07 Glenn Seamark
- 08 Joseph Schulte
- 08 Joseph Vincent
- 10 Richard Farina
- 10 Sam Riela
- 11 Virgilio Garcia
- 13 Dennis Derosia 13 Roger Sonnenfeld Roger Boivin 14 Kenneth Breneman 15 15 Ronald Re Joseph Marilley Jr. 16 16 Alberto Espinosa 18 Robert Mortenson 21 Michael Glover
- 21 Richard Gregg
- 22 Linda Haas

- 24 Cletes Menke
- 25 Ana Bohmfalk
- 25 Stanley Banash
- 25 Michael Nader
- 27 Joseph Maahs
- 27 Robert Hauxhurst
- 28 Barry Lamont
- 28 Sudele Arriola
- 30 Rev. William Krekelberg
- 31 Leonard Gribbons

July Anniversaries

Cynthia L Rodolfo Reyes	03
Grace & Alvin Henson	05
Cindy I Hector Guzman	07
Kim L Robert Nguyen	10
Elodia & Dr. Jose Goncalve	es 1.
Gay L Dante Ramella	11
Rosa L Emiliano Leonides	12

Sudele L Eugene Arriola 13 Melaney Grace L Jun Balba 14 Susan L Roger Cuenca 14 Alison L Dominic Rainone 14 Eileen L Mark Angel 20

Jennifer & Michael Jednoralski 22

Juana & Jaimes Baker 24 Melanie & Donald Church 24 Christina & John Huh 24 Jean & Michael Sofka 24 Irma & Ricardo Ruelas 25 Karen & Mark Bustamante 30

FRATERNAL BENEFITS AND YOUR FINANCIAL SECURITY

I always think of July as being the midpoint of the summer. I hope your summer is going well and you're getting to enjoy it. Summer vacations, kids out of school, lots of outdoor sports, tending flowers and vegetable gardens. Seems like there is so much more to keep up with than during the winter. Maybe that's what makes it seem like summer goes so fast and winter drags on. Summer will be gone before you know it!

For this month a couple of thoughts come to mind. A case that came up recently had to do with the ownership of life insurance policies. If you have policies on dependent children, it's wise to have a contingent owner listed. A parent is most often the owner of the child's policy, but often there is no provision made on the policy should that parent pass away. Having a contingent owner listed in this situation makes for a smooth transition of ownership. That is one of the many things I can help with when I review policies for you.

Fraternal benefits come with being a member of the Order. One of these fraternal benefits is known as the Spouse's Right to Apply. This benefit is spelled out in each of our insurance contracts and provides a widow with the right to apply for any of our products for up to one year after her husband's death so long as he was an insured member at the time of his death. It is another good reason to become an insured member with the Order. It gives that right to your spouse. One of the advantages of meeting with me is to review just these kinds of situations. I hope to put your mind at ease.

There are many more fraternal benefits. When I meet with a member and his spouse, I try to make sure I explain all of them that are pertinent. This is all in addition to our financial needs analysis tool that can help determine needs. I think this analysis and the insurance products we offer are two of the most worthwhile benefits the Order provides. This is a robust and cutting-edge platform

that is used throughout the life insurance industry. We used to use a much simpler form called the Family Service Record to help keep track of important household information if the need ever presented itself. Now one of the benefits I provide to you and your family is to go through this financial needs analysis and help determine where you are now and where you want to go. Your financial health is critical to your family's future security. We'll take a look at your dreams, goals and aspirations and help make sure you're on track to make them become a reality. As always, there is never any requirement to purchase any product, but a baseline or periodic check-up is a wise idea.



I appreciate the trust you've placed in me and the opportunity to serve you! Enjoy the summer!

Fraternally,

Mark Yubeta

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