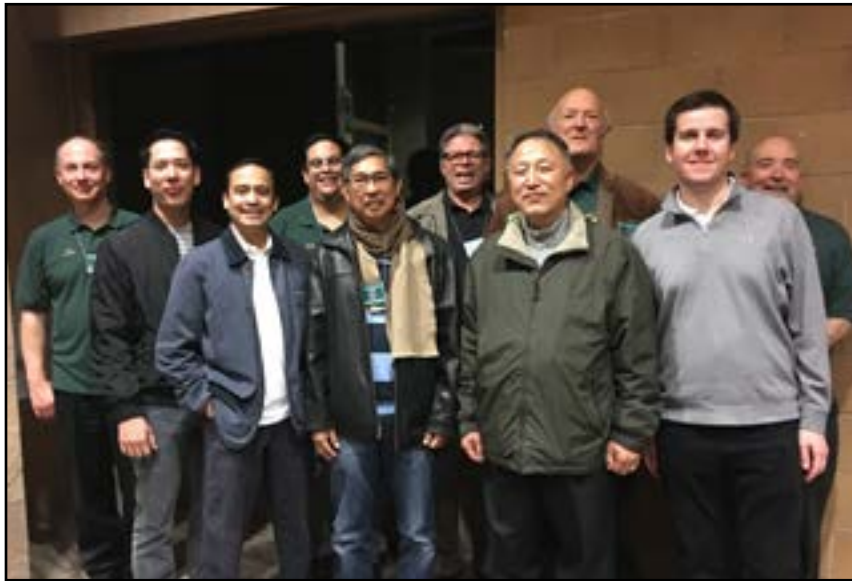


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WE GATHER TOGETHER – New second degree Knights and sideliners gathered for the exemplification ceremony at Our Lady of Fatima Church. They are (l-r) Ken Breneman, Dojie Hipolito, John Nuqui, Vince Vazquez Ed Enriquez, G K Roger Sonnenfeld, John Huh, Stephen Wright, unidentified, and Dominic Rainone.

Five exemplified to Second Degree rank

BY RICARDO TEANO, RETENTION COMMITTEE

A recent Second degree ceremony promoted five of our Knights to this rank called the Degree of Unity. They are Brothers John Nuqui, Stephen Wright, John Huh, Ed Enriquez, and Dojie Hipolito.

The group is so specially blessed. Their exemplification is conducted for the first time in a revised format instituted by the Supreme Council. The addition is tuned in to the knights' need to Unity as Christian Brothers.

One of the team members, our own brother Joe Schulte, is mentioned for his able participation of the revision.

You Second Degree Knights are cordially invited to attend the revised ceremonial sometime as sideliners in Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in San Clemente. To the five new Second Degree Knights, our prayers and congratulations to your efforts.

Equally blessed are the sideliners that attended. They were Ken Breneman, Dominic Rainone, Vince Vazquez, GK Roger Sonnenfeld and me, Ricardo. Thanks to your support to the candidates as you were supported on your degree.

The Honoree of the Exemplification was Passionist Father Mike Huggins of the Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center in Sierra Madre.

Vivat Jesu!

Grand Knight's Report Jesus' ultimate sacrifice was a true inspiration

BY ROGER SONNENFELD, G.K.

Lent is preparing ourselves for the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ by giving up something we enjoy for Lent.

Personally, that helps me remember the ultimate sacrifice Jesus made for all people. The fact that he forgave those who persecuted him and saved one of the thieves who repented on the cross next to him, gives me hope that he will accept my failings to be more Christ like in my daily life.



When I desire the thing that I sacrificed, no matter how small or large, I'm reminded of his sacrifice for me, helping me focus on my faith in Jesus Christ.

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Brothers our general business meeting is scheduled for March 1, which is, of course, Ash Wednesday. The Church schedule for Mass and services can be found on the Santiago de Compostela website.

The other good news is that Fr. Thomas has offered to come to the Hall before our meeting at 7 p.m. and administer ashes to you my Brothers. So, please

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Second Dues Notices Going Out

Brothers, your dues notices were sent out about Jan. 25. If you have not received a notice, please contact me, John Ojeda, at (949) 813-4320 or john.ojeda@cox.net.

The dues remain \$40 and a voluntary \$3.65 to assist Brothers in need.

Simply mail the dues, made out to Knights of Columbus, to me at 21802 Ticonderoga Lane, Lake Forest, CA. PayPal is also available on the kofc9487.com website.

Dues play a vital role in the donations of your Council. Your card will be mailed out after the dues are paid.

If you need corrections to the Degree on your card please let me know. Your current card is good to attend meetings until March 31, but your dues are now payable. - *John Ojeda, Financial Secretary*

Knight of the Month

Sam Riela

BY PATRICK LARKIN, DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT

My Brothers, it gives me great pleasure to announce our Knight of the Month for March, Sam Riela. Sam is a long-time parishioner at Santiago de Compostela Parish and became a Knight in 2007. He and his wife, Estela, live in Lake Forest. He's also a Fourth Degree Knight.

Sam is one of those guys with a big personality. He's quick with a hug and a hearty handshake and always willing to pitch in. But he also likes to keep his generosity under the radar.

Sam is a big supporter of recycling – he says his neighbors drink a lot of wine. But most people don't know that he stays after every Clergy Night Dinner at St. Joachim's in Costa Mesa and helps collect the wine and beer bottles from dinner and brings them to our recycling center. That's just one small example of how Sam operates.

Sam is also a big supporter of Fr. Marc's mission in Haiti. It wouldn't be a spaghetti dinner without Sam making his famous sausage and grapes appetizer and playing plenty of Dean Martin and Louis Prima music on the speakers.

He's also a big donator to the golf tournament and golf dinner. And a few years ago, he sponsored our "Pull the Plane" team at Long Beach Airport. Whether it's helping with time or money for Day of Sharing or giving a brother a ride home after a meeting, Sam is always there.

Thanks for all you do, Sam, and thanks for being a great friend.

Clarification of Gene Ganley story

In last month's story about my Dad and the history of the recycling program, he dictated the story to me several years ago when the Knights expressed an interest in having this information.

The Editor's Note gave the impression that I wrote the article and that I was involved with the founding of the program. Many Knights would know that was not the case. My only contribution was in recording my dad's oral recitation. I feel that it should be clarified in fairness to the men who were the founders and backbone of this program. Thank you very much.

- *Sincerely, Patty Ganley Balen*



Gene Ganley Memorial Recycling Report Last effort raised \$1,685; high-grade paper needed

BY GEORGE NOTHHELPER, RECYCLE CHAIR

Newsworthy Events: January was a good month when \$1,685 was raised. We had a lot of good help, even though some light showers fell. Thanks to all who participated and helped out.

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. We have several accounts that contribute to our program. A big thanks to Dave Atkins for his donation of high grade paper and envelopes.



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, March 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 (working in the rain) and extra hours they put in to make the program a success. Also to those who help dump glass. 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.

Please stop by if you are able to help.

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, Gerry Dubois, Bonnie Ranestad, Leaf Ranestad, Gerry Dubois, Al Gamarra, David Keele, Ken Breneman, Stewart Imagawa, Richard Mills, John Ojeda, Stephanie De Leon, Mike Wiles, Pat Bole, Alondra Maiz, Joe DeProspero, Tom Sixthsmith, Joe Lozano, Emily Shiraishi, Richard Shiraishi, Ed Chin, Jessica Chin, Kristen Castino, Ashley McManus, Nicholas Rios, Dennis De Rosia, William Logomasini, Kevin Mooney, Joe Merchant, John Huh, Garrett Gardner, Emily Valenzuela, Maribel Candelario, Stephanie Figueroa.

Family of the Month

Bernie and Linda Laituri

Our Family of the Month for March is Brother Bernie Laituri and his wife, Linda. They exemplify the idea and definition of a family within the Knights of Columbus through their actions.

They attend Mass together and work as a team to support our parish. When you find one, the other is usually nearby supporting each other in all they do. When you see them together you can feel the love that they have for each other. Their children are grown, but are still very much a part of Bernie's physical and spiritual lives.

Bernie and Linda have been volunteers in the counting ministry and work together for the Right to Life and always support the born and unborn.

Truly Bernie and Linda together have demonstrated what family is.

I look up to them as role models for how to live as a family at home, in the church, and in the community. Please join me in congratulating Brother Bernie and wife Linda.

- Michael Klett, PGK

Monday Volunteers

Roger, Mo Boivin, Jay, Joan Donahue, Gerry Dubois, Hector, Cindy Guzman, Bob Morgan, John Ojeda, Dan Ramella, Ricardo Teano, Otis Givenrod, Glenn Seemark, 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, Barbara Ciolek, John Ruelas, Doug Culmer, Paul Tran, Al Lopez, Kevin Mooney, Dave Carey-Zuniga, John Freeman, Ronnie Almero, Ed Enriquez.

Feb.1 Program Highlights

Grand Knight's Report: WGK

Black Box: Disciples of Mary

WGK is encouraging our Brothers to consider stepping up and becoming an officer of the council. We are asked to consider rotating/occupying the chairs for various officer positions.

ID Drive raised between \$23,000-\$24,000. We are asked to make donations to this worthy cause.

Chaplain's Report: Bishop Kevin Van presided over the Installation Rights for Pastor Ceremonies for Pastor Naval. Please have patience regarding scheduling of meetings in the parish hall. June/July will be a focus on evangelization effort. Fr. Naval made a \$300 donation to the Disciples of Mary.

Worthy Dignitaries present: District Deputy Bro. Mike Sofka

Committee Reports (in the order presented)

Brother George Nothhelfer. Recycling glass, aluminum, high end paper is picking up. March 11 is Recycle Day. Monday mornings are pick up days. We will be constructing a roof to cover the recycle barn area. Some expenses were incurred regarding the scale used to weigh recyclables and replace a tent that collapsed.

Brother Mike Ulibarri. Lenten Dinners are scheduled for March 10, April 7 and April 14. Frozen fish donations are needed for grilling, such as tilapia and cod. Casino Night is scheduled from 7-11 p.m. on March 25. Donations are needed.

Brother Al Gamarra. This year, the annual golf tournament is scheduled June 11 at Tijeras Creek Golf Course in Rancho Santa Margarita, a change of venue. A ball drop from a helicopter for a donation is under consideration. (Whoever gets the ball in the hole is the winner.)

Brother Ken Brenneman. For new basketball free throw contest information, see page 7.

Brother John Ojeda. Dues notices were sent via e-mail blast (238 notices/75 letters) Seven wheelchairs were donated to the VA and we received a \$300 donation. A thank you letter was received by Council from the Capuchin Franciscans for a Memorial Chalice. A letter from Franciscan Friars in New York was also received.

Brother Mike Sofka. Successful January fund-raiser from Brizios Pizza raised \$491 for the ID Drive.

Brother Ken Allen. Catholic scholarship awards will close May 19 with a June distribution scheduled. KofC will accept letters from students or a letter from parents.

Brother Ben Niewinski. Hospitality ministry is planning for Lent. Ash Wednesday is March 1. Help will be needed.

DGK Pat Larkin. Clergy Night was attended by 25 Brothers. Mike Klett ,PGK, is the Second Degree team captain. See him to join the team.

New Business (in the order presented):

The first week of Lent, Council will focus on fund-raising for Fr. Mark's Orphanage in Haiti and a shoebox/underwear drive.

Good of the Order: The Sick and Distressed list was read and prayer was offered by Council.

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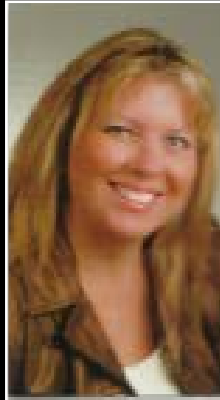
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March Anniversaries



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01 Marcia McCormack	19 Ike Conner	08 Doug/Rose Culmer
02 Matthew Reiter	19 Linda Goold	11 Robert/Sarah Lieske
03 Kathleen Kuri	20 Theresa Carta	19 Ricardo/Belen Teano
05 Robin Bole	20 Michael Hinshaw	20 John/Joanne Cashman
05 Andrew Smith	20 Cipriano Pitines	21 Timothy/Marie Campion
06 Teresa Gallegos	21 Mike Martinez	22 Jim/Amanda Breen
06 Thomas Parrott	22 Steven Goebel	23 Mark/Donna Griffin
07 Randy Meeks	23 Don Blankenship	
09 Thomas Hartline	24 Ruby Roldan	
10 Brian Beach	25 Mike Sofka	
10 Jerome Ernst	25 George Nothhelfer	
10 Richard Shiraishi	25 Joseph Papac	
12 Marty Medina	25 Robert Nguyen	
12 Patty Lopez	26 Dianne Surak	
13 Thomas Keddy	26 James McCarthy	
13 Alison Rainone	26 Tom Thompson	
14 Gloria DeRosia	27 John Garcia	
14 Virginia Osley	27 Laurie Mills	
15 Carol Bender	29 Dora Valenzuela	
15 Raymond Puzio	30 Robert Lieske	
15 Rev. Efrain Flores	30 Mark Rubel	
15 LeAnn Doherty	30 Robert Morgan	
16 Amy Quintilone	30 Douglas Culmer	
16 Margu. Baumgartner	31 Peter Onutrak	
17 John Saita	31 Robert Claproth	
18 Robert Kupfert		

Free Throw Competition

The OC Chapter competition of the 2017 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship was held on Saturday, Feb 25 at St. Norbert Catholic Church in Orange.

Six of our nine council #9487 champions were in attendance and were awarded their District Champion medals by Brother Ken Breneman on behalf of Worthy District Deputy Mike Sofka.

Two of our council champions won trophies by placing in the top three in their groups.

Timothy Mason was third among all boys age 9, and Amanda Breneman was second among all girls age 10.

Only first place finishers advance to the California State competition so the journey ends here for all our council champions.

Competing with grace and good sportsmanship, they represented our council superbly. We are proud of them all. - Ken Breneman

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 General Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday	2	3 First Friday Adoration	4 CMF
5 Wheelies, 8:30 Mass	6 Recycling 7-9:30 a.m Kneeler maintenance.	7	8 CMF	9	10 Lenten Dinner Glass Dumping	11 Recycling, 7 a.m.-noon CMF
12 Wheelies, 8:30 Mass Donuts/coffee Daylight Sav.Time	13 Mobil Park Recycling 7-9:30 a.m.	14	15 Officers Meeting, 7:30, L.Hall	16	17 St.Patrick's Day	18 CMF, 8 a.m.
19 Wheelies, 8:30 Mass	20 MPark Recycling	21	22	23 OC Chapter Meeting, 7:30 a.m.	24	25 CMF, 8 a.m. Casino Nite, 7-11
26 Wheelies, 8:30 Mass	27 MP Recycling 7-9:30 a.m.	28	29	30	31	

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come early to the meeting and join us. Since it is beforehand and not part of the meeting it is open to family as well. The business meeting will start at 7:30 as usual.

The officers meeting was productive, our Lenten dinner schedule is March 10, April 7, and Good Friday, April 14. Signup sheets will be available on line and at the business meeting. This month's Charity Box is for Mary's Shelter, so be as generous as you can.

Put our Casino Night in your schedule for March 25, it will be a great time for all. This is one of our top fundraisers, so please support the event by bringing family and a friend. Brother Sixsmith needs help on March 6 with kneeler maintenance and Brother George will need us on March 11.

My Brother Knights, I hope this Lenten season brings you peace and many opportunities to reflect on your faith and the faith Jesus has in us to follow God's word in our daily lives.

My best wishes to you and your family during this Lenten season as we prepare for the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.