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Grand Knights Message



Greetings All,

As December comes to a close, Joanna & I want to wish you and your families the Merriest of Christmas and the happiest of holidays. We hope that you have the most blessed and the happiest of New Years. We know how bad things are with the economy and everything that is going on

around us, but we feel blessed to have each one of you in our lives.

We would like to thank all that attended and helped at our Christmas party on the 6th in Maher Hall. We had a great time. There are pictures on the website. We had a good turnout for Tom and his Past Grand Knight's dinner at Vince's Spaghetti house on the 13th.

We had a good "Old Fashioned" Pancake breakfast on the 14th, and had a great turnout of Knights to work the event. We didn't sell as many breakfasts as burritos, but look forward to giving it one more try before we decide on its future.

This past year our fundraising has been through the roof. PGK Manuel Padilla has led us on two Casino trips, with half of the proceeds from the second trip going to the Wheelchair Foundation. I know Manny is in the planning stages of setting a date for another fun trip. We are also in the planning stages of setting up 2, yes, 2, more camping trips in the near future. Keep an eye out for the details as these are something that you do not want to miss.

In case you haven't heard, I would like to extend our congratulations to Mike & Nancy Leeming on the birth of their 6th, yes 6th, child on December 19th at Pomona Valley Hospital. They had a little girl, 5 weeks early, but Mom and daughter are doing well. That makes the score now 5 to 1 and as I

relayed to Mike earlier, anymore and we could have the Knights sponsor a girl's softball team.

Thank you all for everything you do. This is a great organization and each one of you should be proud. We had an excellent year and for myself and all the officers, we have you to thank for it. We look forward to keeping it going into 2009.

Vivat Jesus.

Paul Diaz
Grand Knight

Phone Messaging System Initiated

A major goal of Grand Knight Paul Diaz is to establish better communications with the members of our council. To do this our council is replacing the Phone Tree system of communicating with an automated calling system.

Using the old system required each officer to call 7 or 8 members. Often the initial message was changed or not all members were contacted. It took each officer 30 minutes to an hour or more to make the calls and it was not a reliable form of communicating.

Last month, using the automated system, Grand Knight Paul Diaz sent calls to our members to inform them of the monthly breakfast and the annual Christmas Party. Each call took less than 2 minutes to make and reached more members than we would normally contact using the old system.

If you did not receive these calls we may not have your correct phone number. If that is the case, contact Paul at (909) 591-2411 and give him the correct number.



General Meeting

Jan. 8, 2009

Dinner: 6:00 pm
Rosary: 7:15 pm
Meeting: 7:30 pm

St. Paul the Apostle
Annex
(behind the church)

The Church
Needs
Priests
&
Religious
Vocations

You can help

Pray for
Vocations

Insurance Agents Message



Gerry Cacnio,
Insurance Field
Agent

Tempus fugit. Time flies. The older we get, the more that statement seems to ring true. Especially as we prepare to ring in another new year. I hope that 2009 will be a healthy, prosperous year for you and your family.

If you're like most people, you've made some resolutions for the new year. If I may, I'd like to add to your list of resolutions by two. First, write them down. A resolution is really a goal for the year and, until you commit a goal to writing, it's nothing more than a wish. So write your resolutions down. Whether they be to lose weight, contribute more time and money to charity, read more or watch less television, you're more likely to stick to them if you write them down.

Second, schedule some time to visit with me, your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent. The "insurance check-up" that I'll provide (free of charge, by the way!) will quickly identify any gaps in your family's life insurance program. And you'll want to fill those gaps now, not later. Because unlike many other products, you need more than money to obtain life insurance. You also need good health, and no one will ring a bell warning you when your health is about to change.

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I'm at 909-606-0262 or gerry.cacnio@kofc.org.
Call me – let's talk.

Vivat Jesus!
Gerry Cacnio
Field Agent

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our annual Christmas party was held on Saturday December 6th at St. Paul the Apostle Church in Maher Hall. The event was a huge success. It was well attended by many of the newer knights of the council as well as many of our long term brothers.

Santa arrived early and handed out presents to all the good boys and girls. Santa declared that there were no naughty children at the event so all the children were given a gift.

There was a gift exchange for the adults. All those who participated had a good time selecting a gift and then stealing each others selection.

There was plenty of delicious food with the council providing the turkey, ham and desserts as well as soft drinks, coffee and snacks. Each family brought a side dish.

Many knights also brought toys to donate to the California National Guard Reserve Toy Drive for the children of our military serving overseas.

The evening was topped off with Karaoke singing, much laughter and warm conversation with our brothers and their families.

To all those who worked at putting on this event we wish to thank you for a job well done. The council provided the turkey, ham and dessert as well as soft drinks, coffee and snacks.



Santa was busy at the Knights Christmas Party giving gifts to all the boys & girls.

QUOTE FROM MOTHER TERESA

On Joy

If you are joyful, it will shine in your eyes and in your look, in your conversation and in your contentment. You will not be able to hide it because joy overflows.

Joy is very contagious. Try, therefore, to be always overflowing with joy wherever you go.

Joy according to St. Bonaventure, has been given to man so that he can rejoice in God because of the hope of the eternal good and all the benefits he receives from God. Thus he will know how to rejoice at his neighbor's prosperity, how to feel discontent concerning empty things.

Joy must be one of the pivots of our life. It is the token of a generous personality. Sometimes it is also a mantle that clothes a life of sacrifice and self-giving. A person who has this gift often reaches high summits. He or she is like a sun in a community.

We should ask ourselves, "Have I really experienced the joy of loving?" True love is love that causes us pain, that hurts, and yet brings us joy. That is why we must pray and ask for the courage to love.

Newsletter Articles deadlines

Do you have an article of interest or other information you would like to share with your brother Knights through our newsletter?

All submissions should answer 5 basic questions. Who is responsible or the sponsor? What is the event or topic? Where is it being held? When is it happening? Why is it being held?

Items for the newsletter should be **submitted by the 15th of the month** to be in the next newsletter. Contact Jose Lopez at (909) 591-6811 or by E-mail at: jlopez646@aol.com.



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You can contact Jose Lopez at (909) 591-6811, jlopez646@aol.com or Denny Stump at (909) 597-3741, dennisstumpy@verizon.net

JOKE OF THE MONTH

The Catholic Dictionary

JESUITS: An order of priests known for their ability to found colleges with good basketball teams.

JONAH: The original "Jaws" story.

JUSTICE: When kids have kids of their own.

KYRIE ELEISON: The only Greek words that most Catholics can recognize besides gyros and baklava.

PROCESSION: The ceremonial formation at the beginning of Mass consisting of altar servers, the celebrant, and late parishioners looking for seats.

RECESSIONAL: The ceremonial procession at the conclusion of Mass led by parishioners trying to beat the crowd to the parking lot.

RELICS: People who have been going to Mass for so long, they actually know when to sit, kneel, and stand.

SERMON: A religious lullaby.

TEN COMMANDMENTS: The most important Top Ten list not given by David Letterman.

USHERS: The only people in the parish who don't know the seating capacity of a pew.

“A whats a matter you? You no like a da Pizza”?

Knights of Columbus Night at JoJo's Pizza Kitchen

Support the Knights of Columbus charities Wed., January 14th from 5:00pm to 8:00pm at Jojo's Pizza Kitchen at 2923 Chino Ave. H1, Chino Hills, Cal. (909) 464-2222

JoJo's has designated this date to help us raise funds for charity. They will donate 25% of the cost of your meal to our council. . There food is always made fresh. When ordering just mention the Knights of Columbus.



Invite your family, friends and neighbors to dine in, take out or have it delivered. Fund raisers exclude all discounts and coupons.

This event will repeat the second Wednesday of every month so mark your calendar.

Pray for our Deceased Brothers and Wives

Remember our Deceased brother Knights and spouses:

Robert Kline
Willie Williams
Patrick O'Curran
Manuel Buyson
Ernie Vestri
Case Spolstra
James O'Reiley
Julie Uehlin
John Palmowski
Paul Taylor

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Knight of the Month & Family of the Month

Robert Johnson is the December the Knight of the Month. Robert has been the council membership director this year. He has dedicated much time and effort to getting the candidates to their 1st Degrees. This position requires coordinating the available 1st Degree ceremonies with the schedules of the candidates. The council thanks you Robert for a job well done.



Family of the Month

This months family is Richard and Flory Contreras. Richard and Flory coordinated the November camping trip to Vail Lake. They have chaired all the annual Cinco de Mayo events for our council. They are also Eucharistic ministers and active in the Marriage Enrichment program at St. Paul the Apostle Church. They work together on many projects and it is a rare time when they are not seen together. Richard and Flory are a true example of a Christian Marriage.

Be a friend



Ask a friend to join the
Knights of Columbus

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Brother's Birthday

Ray Gaglio	1/3
Tom Hughes, PGK	1/3
Santi Gorospe, PGK	1/10
Eli Nueva	1/10
Richard Jones	1/12
Denny Stump, PGK	1/12
Joe Caronia	1/12
Jesus Lopez	1/15
Luiz Pereira	1/15
Daniel Sapien	1/15
David French	1/17
Keith Atkinson	1/18
Mauricio Reynoso	1/20
Don Gonzalez	1/21
George Muse, Jr.	1/21
Shawn Travers	1/22
Frederick Huicochea	1/24
Keith Richardson	1/26
Koji Takemura	1/26

Wife's Birthday

Corrina French	1/3
Mary Ceas	1/7
Tacie Adams	1/7
Samantha Gonzalez	1/9
Patricia Brunett	1/11
Donna Randazzo	1/19
Phoebe Fregoso	1/20
Roseann Gracza	1/21
Diane Muse	1/22
Ana Maria Guerrero	1/25
Faith Peraza	1/26

Wedding Anniversaries

Koji and Tina Takemura	1/3	
22 nd		
Avelino and Arsenia Ortiz	1/10	???
Russell and Elaine Pantleo	1/11	4 th
Howard and Lucy Chrisman	1/17	13 th
Anthony and Kathleen Kathol	1/23	21 st



Coming Events

- Jan. 3.** Hour of Power Rosary Montclair Abortion Clinic, every 1st Saturday of the month.
- Jan. 7.** 1st Degree Team Meeting, 7:00 pm, St. Paul the Apostle Annex
- Jan. 8.** General Meeting 7:30 pm, St. Paul the Apostle Annex
- Jan. 8.** Bingo Night, 5:00pm to 6:00 pm, Pope John Paul Ctr.
- Jan. 11.** Pancake Breakfast, St. Paul the Apostle, 6:30 to Noon.
- Jan. 14.** JoJo's Fundraiser, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
- Jan. 15.** Officers Meeting, 7:00 pm, St. Paul the Apostle Annex
- Jan. 19.** 4th Degree Meeting, John Paul Center, Yorba Linda
- Jan. 21.** 1st Degree Team Meeting, 7:00 pm, St. Paul the Apostle Annex
- Feb. 4.** 1st Degree Team Meeting, 7:00 pm, St. Paul the Apostle Annex
- Feb. 5.** General Meeting 7:30 pm, St. Paul the Apostle Annex
- Feb. 7.** Hour of Power Rosary Montclair Abortion Clinic, every 1st Saturday of the month
- Feb 8.** Pancake Breakfast, St. Paul the Apostle, 6:30 to Noon.
- Feb. 11.** JoJo's Fundraiser, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
- Feb. 12.** Bingo Night, 5:00pm to 6:00 pm, Pope John Paul Ctr. Brea, Volunteers don't have to be 4th Degree Knights.
- Feb. 16** 4th Degree Meeting, John Paul Center, Yorba Linda
- Feb. 18.** 1st Degree Team Meeting, 7:00 pm, St. Paul the Apostle Annex
- Feb 19.** Officers Meeting, 7:00 pm, St. Paul the Apostle Annex
- Feb. 27.** Fish Fry, St. Paul the Apostle, 6:00 pm

First Degree Exemplifications

- Jan. 14.** Father McGuire Council #3871, at 7:00pm
- Jan. 25.** Sts. Falicitas & Perpetua Council #14026, at 2:00pm
- Jan. 27.** St. Cathrine of Alexandra Temecula Council #9964, at 7:00pm
- Jan. 26.** Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha San Gorgonio Council #6028, at 7:00pm
- Jan. 28.** Sheppard of Ars Council #6028, at 7:00pm
- Jan. 28.** Victor Valley Council #4228, at 6:00pm
- Feb. 11.** Fr. Maguire Council, #3851 at 2PM,
- Feb. 26.** La Puente, Council #4436 at 7PM

Second Degree Exemplifications

- Feb. 18.** Fr. Maguire Council, #3851 at 7PM,

Lenten Fish Fry's are Just Around the Corner

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you and your family. As the new year begins our council is getting ready for our annual Lenten Fish Fry's in Maher Hall at St. Paul the Apostle Church

Lent starts on February 25th and our council will hold 6 Friday Fish Fry's beginning on February 27th with the final one on April 3rd. As usual we will not have a Fish Fry on Good Friday.

The Fish Frys help raise money for the council and St. Paul the Apostle Church. We hope you will consider coming out to help with one or more these events. We begin setting up about 3:30 pm. Invite your family and friends to enjoy a fish dinner.



For more information contact Paul Diaz at (909) 591-2411.

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Brother Leeming has 1st Manly Shower

Brother Leeming's shower has nothing to do with his hygiene. The Officers meeting on December 18th was shortened so that the council could celebrate the arrival of Mike's 5th child. As the meeting ended the doors were opened and Mike was truly surprised to see more of the knights and their wives there to celebrate with him. Refreshments and sandwiches were served. He received a number of gifts including a baby bottle to wear around his neck and a Dads Care Package

The following day Mike's wife, Nancy presented him with their 5th child. Shaylynn Sierra was born on Dec. 19th at 4:01pm. The score is now Girls 5, Boys 1. Congratulations Nancy and Mike.



Two proud and happy Leeming girls with new sister Shaylynn

E-Mail Newsletter *Coming Soon*

The size of this newsletter has been increased from 2 pages to the current 7 pages. We anticipate that it will grow even larger in the future with more articles and color photos. This expansion has increased the cost of printing and mailing our newsletter considerably. In addition, the time it takes to print the monthly newsletter has more than doubled. To alleviate this situation the council has decided to send it out to as many Knights as possible via E-mail.

We will soon be sending the newsletter via E-mail. We currently have the E-mail address for approximately 75% of the membership. If we do not have an E-mail address for you the newsletters will be printed and sent via U. S. mail.

If you are currently receiving your copy via U. S Mail and wish to continue that method contact Jose Lopez at (909) 591-6811 or E-mail him at jlopez646@aol.com.

Those members that currently receive the newsletter via E-mail need not do anything.

Once the new process starts you may not receive the printed version if we already have your E-mail address so check online.

We will have a reminder about this newsletter change before the new process begins. We hope that those of you that are getting the newsletter via U. S. mail will consider changing to E-mail.

WHAT A YEAR!

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

By JOSE LOPEZ

As I thought about the year 2008 coming to an end I thought I would reflect on the events of the past year. At first I thought the past year had been an average year for our council until I reviewed the past newsletters. The first half of the year the Grand Knight was Tom Hughes. Paul Diaz took the helm in July. In my opinion, I think their efforts have produced an outstanding year.

In the past year many new advances have been made by our council. We have added over 20 new members this year. Attendance at the general meetings has increased by over 35%. The Corporate Communion has been reintroduced. We had our first two Harrah's Casino Trips. We started our own 1st Degree Team. The newsletter started going out to some members via E-mail. Two camping trips were held, one at Calico Ghost Town and the other at Vail Lake. An electronic Phone Tree system has been introduced. Our Web page was updated. The Annex Clean-up Project was initiated. The Memorial to the Unborn maintenance committee was formed. Our council received the Star Council Award.



All of the above are in addition to our regular events or functions such as the annual pool party, Family Night at the Quakes game, the Lenten Fish Frys, the monthly Burrito Breakfasts. We also conducted the annual Cinco de Mayo Event, four Blood Drives, the annual Tootsie Roll Drive, running the Pizza Booth at the Harvest Festival. I know I have not included all of the happenings of the past year.

During the past year the number of brother knights that have come out to help at the various functions and events has increased dramatically. Many of our brother knights are also involved in numerous other church and community ministries.

On top of all this, we had fun working together and socializing at the many events and gatherings.

To the Grand Knights, Tom Hughes and Paul Diaz, to our officers, to our members and to the wives and families, Thank you is not enough to express the gratitude and pride I feel in being a part of this great family, the Knights of Columbus.

Past Grand Knight Tom Hughes Honored

Past Grand Knight, Tom Hughes was honored at Vince's Spaghetti Restaurant in Ontario on December 13th. A group of about 25 which included brother knights and their wives met at the restaurant to celebrate with Tom and his wife Marilyn.



Tom was the Grand Knight from July 2007 through June 2008. During this time our council saw a dramatic increase in the attendance at our monthly meetings. At the same time membership in the council showed a large increase. He also reestablished the Corporate Communion Mass in our council as well as leading many other endeavors.

The council is stronger and growing in part because of Tom's work and great efforts. The officers and membership thank him for a job well done.



**Past Grand Knight Tom Hughes and his wife Marilyn.
Thank you for a great year!**

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Past Grand Knights

Joe Bok	Jan. 1990 thru July 1990
Lou Cartwright	July 1990 thru June 1991
Jim LaPolla	July 1991 thru June 1992
Ken Passler	July 1992 thru June 1993
Richard Contreras	July 1993 thru June 1994
Joe Bok	July 1994 thru June 1995
Santi Gorospe	July 1995 thru June 1996
David Vezzetti	July 1996 thru June 1997
Doug Loucks	July 1997 thru June 1998
Richard Garrido	July 1998 thru June 1999
Dennis Stump	July 1999 thru June 2000
Jeff Runtz	July 2000 thru June 2002
Art Kirby	July 2002 thru June 2004
Rudy Castro	July 2004 thru June 2005
Manuel Padilla	July 2005 thru June 2006
Steve Gomez	July 2006 thru June 2007
Tom Hughes	July 2007 thru June 2008