



Knightly News



June 2019 Knights Of Columbus
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 The Catholic Community Of Pleasanton
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Grand Knight's Message

Brothers,

We are at the end of the 2018 – 2019 Columbian Year and I would like to thank all of you for the cooperation you provided me to make our Events and Activities a success for our Council.

May started with the Vocations Dinner, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Oakland Diocese Chapter, was held in Dublin at St. Raymond's. Three of our Parish servers were recognized and had the opportunity to meet Bishop Barber in a very relaxed setting. Five servers were recognized including Mickey Brainard, Danny Bochner, Emily Schuchardt and Issac and Bella Gavino.



DGK Jom Sicat and I attended the State Convention in San Diego from May 17th to 18th. The Grand Knight of the Year was Jim Collins who led his Council 7773 through what is considered the worst disaster in California. Recall that our Council donated \$5000 to and was VERY influential in getting our 4th Degree Assembly to do the same. Jim, Jom and I were on the same shuttle bus and Jim recognized our Council and thanked us several times for the help we gave to the Council. He also acknowledged that he missed a visit that Worthy Treasurer Robert Strawn made to Paradise with the check from the Assembly. Jim had only been a Knight for 3 years prior to becoming the Grand Knight. "The right guy at the right time."



We were given an update on the Columbian Charities 365 Club which donated \$265,770 in 2018 to Brothers in dire financial need. Our Council donated \$500 at the convention. (Continued on next page)

Officers & Directors

Columbian Year 2018 - 2019

Grand Knight

SK Ted Dudziak.....510-912-6370

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Outside Guard

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SK PGK Brad Schieferstein 846-7181

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Church & Family Director

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Three Year Trustee

SK PGK Jeffrey Brent 640-1060

Two Year Trustee

SK PGK Dan Hughes..... 462-0481

One Year Trustee

SK PGK Paul Unpingco 462-2263

Grand Knight's Message Continued

Fr. Paul was cited in Resolution 10 at the Convention. I thanked them for doing this even though the date had passed to submit resolutions for the Convention. I had also had our deceased Knights recognized at the convention having submitted their names for inclusion at the Convention Mass.

The memorial Mass at St. Augustine's was well attended and Cantor/DGK Jom Sicat and Fr. Fili read the names of our deceased Knights included:

- Thomas A. Gleason – 3rd Degree Honorary Life - September 21, 2018
- Ellis Schott – 4th Degree Honorary Life – November 4, 2018
- SK Robert Thomas Federighi – November 21, 2018
- Charles Emmitt Furphy – 3rd Degree Honorary Life – November 22, 2018
- SK Cornelius (Neil) Hickey PGK 6043 and PGK 7467 – January 2019
- H Jay Tofaute – 3rd Degree Honorary Life – January 1, 2019
- John (Jack) R. Greene – 3rd Degree Honorary Life – February 7, 2019
- Reverend Paul D. Minnihan Chaplain Council 6043 – Honorary Life – Past State Chaplain – Pastor Catholic Community of Pleasanton – February 24, 2019

Thank you all who attended this Mass and the other Masses and wore you Knight's apparel to let the Parish know of our special day.

The Memorial Day Mass at St. Augustine's Cemetery was attended by about 90 people. Our Council provided setup, teardown and traffic control for this. Thanks to all of you who helped out with this very special day. Fr. Kwame did a great job of connecting Memorial Day to what Jesus did for us and focused on the soldiers that died during our wars for the Values that we have as a nation.



June will have some events for our Council that you can be part of and these will be reported in the July Newsletter. These were covered during the May Business Meeting.

We will be having our elections and voting on our 2019 donations at the June Business Meeting.

The slate of Officers was sent out in the slide deck for the May Business Meeting. The donation recommendations will be made at the Officer's Meeting to be held on June 6th.

GK Ted Dudziak

Election of Council Officers for the Columbian Year 2019/2020

The proposed slate of Council officers is listed below for your information. Voting for the new officers will take place at the June Business Meeting.

Nominations of other Brothers will be open until the vote is held for each office.

Grand Knight – Jom Sicat
Deputy Grand Knight – Mike Martin
Chancellor – Mike Schibler
Warden – Mike O'Brien
Treasurer – Robert Strawn
Advocate – Brad Schieferstein
Recorder – Bob Wolf
Inside Guard – Dave Seeger
Outside Guard – George Hegarty
Three Year Trustee – Ted Dudziak
Two Year Trustee – Jeff Brent
One Year Trustee – Dan Hughes

If you are interested in running for one of the Council Officer Positions or a Director Position, please contact the Worthy Grand Knight, Ted Dudziak, or the Worthy Deputy Grand Knight, Jom Sicat

Coming Events

05/12/19/26 June

Gateway Safeway Food Pickup, 8am

02 June

Donut Social- Both Churches; Cookies at SES—Evening Masses

06 June

Officer's Meeting, 7PM, St. Augustine's Hall, Room 4

13 June

Dinner, 7:00 PM, Business Meeting, 7:45 PM, St. Augustine's Hall; Rms 4-5

29 June

Fr. Kwame Farewell, 5pm Mass, post-Mass Reception, St. Augustine's Hall

>>>>Tentative<<<<

03/10/17/24/31 July

?? July

Officer's Meeting, 7PM, St. Augustine's Hall, Room 4

07 July

Donut Social- Both Churches; Cookies at SES—Evening Masses

11 July

Dinner, 7:00 PM, Business Meeting, 7:45 PM, St. Augustine's Hall; Rms 4-5

From the Council Lecturer/Historian

God is Faithful

JMJ

June 2019

Pentecost is a part of our liturgical season, a time of renewing our faith in the whole Trinity. The Spirit of God and His faithfulness is to be with us until the end of time and to guide, protect and rejoice in the Good News of Jesus Christ through the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

I personally, through the death of a son (28 years ago) and another death of a person living in my home for a year and a half, cause me to rely on that faithfulness. I look for the everyday miracles that God shares with us, if we have an open eye, heart and soul. Yes, WE HAVE EVERYDAY MIRACLES. Please open your hearts to the witness of these events.

Our Faith community of the Knights of Columbus have experienced the loss of 3 Priests, brother Knights, families and friends. The turnout of the MEMORIAL Mass at Saint Augustine Cemetery on May 25, 2019 allowed us to remember our Military brother Knights who served our country in way too many wars. We grieved, rejoiced and placed hope in our Risen Lord for His mercy on those whom we have lost in this world and to look to OUR Eternity with HIM in our next life in HIS home.

So in this season of **Pentecost** we are to look upward!!!! To look for the Son of man descending from the Heavens from the place that Jesus has prepared for us, who are faithful.

We, as Knights, dedicate our lives to help the poor and those in need . Our service in being the hands, minds and heart of God is the Good News being proclaimed. WE are His faithful servants. Never Forget our Mission!

Your faithful Lecturer and Historian.

PGK Dennis Maurice

From our District Deputy

Brothers,

On June 1st I am moving out of the area to Idaho. Thank you for the support given me as your District Deputy for the past two years. I encourage each of you to continue to grow as a knight of Columbus and to participate in as many activities as possible to help others and our Church. I wish you all the best in your endeavors.

Ken Rief
District Deputy #41

From the Worthy Financial Secretary

Your Council membership dues are due July 1. Your notice should arrive in the middle of June.

You can pay via check or online via credit card. [<https://mkt.com/knights-of-columbus-council-6043/item/membership-dues> or <https://mkt.com/knights-of-columbus-council-6043/item/past-and-current-dues>]

PGK SK Joe Balestreri

Message from the Worthy Chancellor/Membership Director

Dear Brothers,

I am happy to report that we added four new members to our council on Saturday, May 25. We used the DVD presentation from Supreme. This allowed us to hold a First Degree Exemplification on Saturday morning from 8 AM to 9 AM. We were able to bring members into our Council who were unable to attend our usual Exemplifications on Thursday nights. Our new members are:

Michael Bordenave

Mark Claypool

John Arena

Charlie Moran



They are a great group of gentlemen. Please welcome them when you see them. We have added 14 new members this year. To make star council we need to add four more. If you know anyone interested in becoming a Knight please have him reach out to me. We can hold another First Degree Exemplification before June 30.

God bless,

Darren

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Council Scholarship Recipients Receive Their Awards

From Amador High: Kiera Hegarty, Elliott Sicat and Katalina Garger



From Valley Christian High: Joy Liu

From Foothill High: Steven Reimer

From Dublin High: James DaSilva

Knight of the Month for May



PGK Joe Balestrari: Crosswalk Meal PGK Steve Natale; Crosswalk Meal SK Robert Strawn; Easter Food Basket Delivery

Grand Knight Receives Council Awards at State Convention



From our General Agent

NEVER INVEST IN AN ANNUITY!! You've no doubt seen this kind of headline in the financial pages or you've seen pop-up ads on your computer or you've heard some friend repeat what he's heard from his buddy's uncle. Are they serious?

Let's start with the basics: An annuity is a tax-favored savings instrument. The government gives it special tax treatment because it's designed for retirement income. An annuity can be qualified or in other words, funded with money that you have not yet paid taxes on, like an IRA or an RRSP in Canada. Or non-qualified, that is, funded with money you've already paid the tax on. Like money you take from your paycheck or out of your savings account. Either way, the tax on the growth in your Knights of Columbus annuity each year is deferred...you pay no current tax on it and pay only when you withdraw money.

I'll tell you that I think an annuity is a is a great product in the right situation. Especially a Knights of Columbus annuity. In addition to tax deferred growth, here are a few more reasons why I think that way:

1. Your minimum interest rate is guaranteed...for life! There is a floor that the interest rate will never drop below. The good news is that we've always paid a higher current interest rate than the guarantee. This feature means nobody has ever lost a dime in a Knights of Columbus annuity...and never will!
2. Your principal is guaranteed by the Knights. Now that kind of guarantee is only as good as the company backing it...and we've had 40+ years of Superior ratings from A. M. Best for financial strength. (As of January 2019, rated A+ Superior by A. M. Best)
3. You are charged no administrative fees each year...100% of your money goes to work for you earning interest from day one.
4. Even though annuities are designed for long-term growth, after one year you can access 10% of the value without any KofC penalty.
5. Owners of annuities name a beneficiary; this means that at death, the proceeds bypass probate. This saves time and usually money, too.
6. You can enjoy an income that you (and if you wish, your wife) can never outline!

But let's be fair; an annuity is not the answer every time. It's not a short-term product. It's not designed to be a "put and take" account where you stick some money in and then take it out a short time later. There is a reducing early withdrawal penalty over the first seven years if you take out more than the 10% free withdrawal. That feature, in all annuities, not just the KofC, is to encourage people to leave the money alone until retirement age.

So, although there are situations where an annuity is not the proper product, there are many where it is...And we haven't even talked about triple compounding, protection from creditors and other features.

How do you know if an annuity is right for you? Meet with me and let's look at your goals. It might be the perfect fit.

Where do you keep your safe money?

Vivat Jesus!

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Knight's Weekly Monday Morning Coffee Gathering

- ⇒ When: Every Monday Morning; 8:00 AM
- ⇒ Where: Sweet & Savory
5690 Stoneridge Drive—Cross Street, Gibraltar
- ⇒ Why: No Agenda—Just Brother Knights getting together for coffee & conversation

EMPLOYMENT – CONNECTIONS

Our focus is on where you are as an individual in your job search and address those issues where you need immediate direction.

Job Search Guidance, Resource Information, Networking, Inspiration and Support in an open and safe environment.

We welcome anyone in need of help with their job search to join us

We meet on the 1st Monday Evening each month at 7 PM - St Elizabeth Seton Church, 4001 Stoneridge Drive (Room B), Pleasanton

Please join us on LinkedIn; Group - **Employment Connections CCOP**
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If you have submitted an entry to the Prayer Requests on the following page, please review the list to determine if your entry is correct and is still current. Please contact the Newsletter Editor for any corrections, deletions and additions. **Entries older than six months will occasionally be removed.** If you wish to have the prayer request retained, please contact me.

Our Council is located in the Oakland Chapter (oaklandkofc.org), District 41.

Prayer List

For those who are ill we pray that they will find the healing power of God:

Traci Moyot– Daughter of Brother Bill Jorgensen
Goy Jin– Relative of Brother Michael Burns
Maryann Darrenello– Friend of Brother Jim Carpenter
Terrance Ryan– Brother of Brother Kevin Ryan
Athena Andrade– Cousin of Brother Savio D'Cruz
Ernstine Fredette– Aunt of Brother Richard Fredette
Scott Palmer– Relative of Brother Paul Martens
Pete Montini– Friend of Brother Paul Martens
Chuck Mead– Friend of Brother Dave Sanchez
Donald Langham– Father of Brother Brian Langham
Christian Chukulu– Friend of Brother Andy Atuegbyu
Phillp Chukulu– Friend of Brother Andy Atuegbyu
Francis Alnoli– Father-in-Law of Brother Andy Atuegbyu
Gary Wright– Friend of Brother John Rabada
Eliz McKing– Friend of Brother John Rabada
Frank & Luan Spindler's Daughter– Friends of Brother Randy Haykin
Bernard Glendon– Brother of Brother Howard Merrill
Catherine Kowal– Cousin of Brother Mike Martin
Marianne Olladd– Relative of Brother Scott Doruff
Dave Vieuer– Friend of Brother Scott Doruff
Val McGuire– Friend of Brother Scott Doruff
Val Automare– Friend of Brother Scott Doruff
Kathy Smith– Friend of Brother Mike O'Dorney
Melanie Capretta– Friend of Brother Mike O'Dorney
Susan Selna– Wife of Brother Ted Selna
Rose Saidado– Friend of Brother Rolly Bantugan
Ernie Madriaga– Friend of Brother Rolly Bantugan
Sue Fjerstad– Mother of Brother Rob Fjerstad
Conchita Yumul– Friend of Brother Tony Massa
David Massa– Son of Brother Tony Massa
Peter Nico– Son of Brother Bill Nico
Shannon White Greene– Goddaughter of Brother David Seeger
Joe Dell'Aquila– Cousin of PGK Stephen Natale
Mary Anderson– Aunt of Brother Mario Butzner
Greg Anderson– Cousin of Brother Mario Butzner
Benjamin Wolf– Son of Brother Bob Wolf
Irene Dizon– Daughter-in-Law's Mother for Brother Tony Soby
John Soby– Son for Brother Tony Soby
Jeannie Pohorsky– Sister of Brother Michael Schibler
Catherine Pohorsky– Niece of Brother Michael Schibler
Mathew Schibler– Brother of Brother Michael Schibler
Joseph Schibler– Brother of Brother Michael Schibler
James Schibler– Brother of Brother Michael Schibler
Bella Gavino– Daughter of Brother Tobby Gavino
Mary Serrato– Mother of Brother Chris Serrato
George Hegarty Sr.– Father of Brother George Hegarty
Vito D'Albora– Brother of Brother Manny D'Albora
Charlotte Machi– Wife of PGK Mike Machi, Sr.
Linda Junge– Sister of Brother Tom Egan
Conchita Sigua– Mother of Brother Chris Sigua
Bob Grubbs– Son of Brother David Grubbs
Kevin Raja– Son of Brother Paul Raja
Frank Fitzgerald– Friend of Brother Joe Kenny
Chris Kenny– Son of Brother Joe Kenny
Madison Hebron– Daughter of PGK Ron Hebron
Chuck Grandon– Son of Brother David Wellbeloved
Jim/Helen Wellbeloved– Brother of Brother David Wellbeloved
Christine & Lyn McQuilliams– Daughter & Son-in-Law of Brother David Wellbeloved
Renee Hewitt– Mother of Brother Michael Hewitt
Raul Chacon– Father of Brother David Chacon
Theresa Fitzpatrick– Mother of Brother Ed Fitzpatrick
Melanie Brent– Wife of PGK Jeff Brent
Patricia Hanrahan– Sister of Brother Joe Gourley
Shauna Gourley– Daughter of Brother Joe Gourley
Olivia Negrete– Wife of Brother Emet Negrete
Karen Brady– Daughter of Brother Joe Bonnevolke
Deacon Joe Sicut– Father of Brother Jom Sicut

Sarah Miller– Daughter of Brother Pete Miller
Kelly Pietro– Daughter of Brother Dom Pietro
Lyssa Pietro– Daughter of Brother Dom Pietro
Nealda Castillo– Mother of Brother Gabriel Castillo
Paul Fitzgerald– Brother of Brother Frank Fitzgerald
Eddie Fitzgerald– Brother of Brother Frank Fitzgerald
Sandy Warren– Wife of Brother Frank Fitzgerald
Mary Jane Chisholm– Friend of PGK Dan Hughes
Kevin Kelly– Friend of PGK Dan Hughes
Jack Deckert– Son of Brother Chuck Deckert
Barbara Carvalho– Mother of Field Agent Jeff Carvalho
Marvel Brodnick– Mother of Brother Dean Brodnick
William Langenhuizen– Father of Brother Bob Lange
Wenkwei Liu– Father of Brother Grant Liu
Ardys Henson– Mother of Brother Christian Dungo
Marty Smith– Mother of Brother Tom Smith
Ellyn Kelly– Mother of PGK Ray Kelly
Patricia Guzman– Mother of Brother Robert Strawn
Jim Barbaccia– Son of Brother Jack Barbaccia
Florence Barbaccia– Wife of Brother Jack Barbaccia
Mike Kotch– Son of PGK Mark Kotch
Mike Santos– Son of Brother John Santos
Bob Robichaud– Friend of PGK Paul Unpingco
Remmy Unpingco– Mother of PGK Paul Unpingco
Jonathan Jacops– Son of Brother Mark Jacops
Frank Jacops– Brother of Brother Mark Jacops
Phillip Reilly– Son of PGK Joe Reilly
Ed Santero– Son of PGK Lou Santero
Adrienne Wood– Daughter of Brother John Wood
Michael Paul Kliment– Grandson of PGK Mike Kliment
Travyn Rasiah– Son of Brother Pravin Rasiah
Benjamin Cruz– Son of Brother Anthony Cruz
John Hansen– Brother of Brother Ron Hansen
Jennifer Hansen– Daughter of Brother Ron Hansen
Susan Uster– Cousin of Brother Mark Worrell
Helen Hirashiki– Wife of Brother Mark Worrell
Marie Andal– Mother of Brother Dennis Andal
Kevin Ngwanya– Son of Brother George Ngwanya
Christine Estrada– Wife of Brother Junior Estrada
Joshua Studendorff– Son of Brother Mike Studendorff
Kelli Machi– Wife of PGK Mike Machi, Jr.
Marie Minnihan– Mother of Pastor Paul Minnihan
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PGK Mike Machi, Sr.
PGK Dennis Maurice
PGK Dave Melander
PGK John Moore
PGK Stephen Natale
PGK Paul Unpingco
Rob Gibbs– Friend of the Council
Ray Fosse– A's Announcer, Friend of this Council

For those who are deceased we pray that they will join in the love of God:

For all who are serving in the military we pray:
 That the love of God will be with them. Especially those in harms way.

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