

Knightly News

October 2013



Knights Of Columbus

Michael J. Costello Council 6043

The Catholic Community Of Pleasanton

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Grand Knight's Message

Worthy Brothers, welcome to October.

***** Due to our outstanding membership recruitment drive and in anticipation of having many new brothers joining us on our October 10 Council/First Degree ceremony, the Council meeting will begin at 7:00 PM. Please all remember to join us for this great evening of welcoming our new members, short meeting & great fellowship *****

The enthusiasm that we started this Columbian year continues. In reviewing all the activities that we organized in September, I'm looking forward to October to perhaps slowing down a bit. Wait – the calendar of events shows us handling the Parish census every weekend instead of the occasional September event. We greatly need everyone to help count the number of adults/children at each of the CCOP masses; please refer to Br. Dave Frankenberger's sign-up sheet or just help assist at the mass you're attending to ensure a full count is taken at each & every weekend mass.

We welcome our new District Deputy, SK Chuck Bellavia. Br. Chuck takes over for SK Terry Gotowka whom unfortunately, due to new work travel requirements, had to withdraw from this position. Br. Chuck is very familiar with us having begun his Brotherhood with our Council before transferring to Livermore (please don't hold that against him). One of Br. Chuck's first acts was gathering all 5 Tri-Valley Councils for a District meeting which he honored us by asking our Council to host. It was Pleasanton's first time hosting and I'm proud to note we had the greatest number of attendees from any Council. Br. Chuck brings great leadership to this honorary position after being a PGK, a 4th Degree Sir Knight and recently named the California 'Knight of the Year' for Columbian Year 2012/13. We are in very good hands!

On Saturday, September 7 over 30 members & wives gathered at Cattlemen's to honor PGK John Moore and his wife Lydia for all their contributions. Br. John presented all his Officers & Trustee's with official Knight BBQ aprons which he proudly demonstrated at our Council meeting. Needless to say, the aprons received great reviews and were on display at our recently completed Parish picnic. Br. John also presented two awards: the Knight of the Year (Br. Bob Dompe) and Family of the Year (Br. Chris Sigua). Congratulations to John and Lydia, Bob & Chris for jobs well done.

Our E-waste recycling collection event was once again chaired by PGK Mark Kotch. His efforts help bring in money to our Council and all we had to do is await cars as they drive up to drop off their electronic goods. This year we all witnessed a Harley Davidson motorcycle, driven by none other than PGK Ron Hebron, cruise in and offload a couple electronic components from his storage compartment.

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<u>Officers</u>
Columbian Year 2013 - 2014
Grand Knight
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Fr. 846-4489
Deputy Grand Knight/Program Dir.
Stephen Natale462-4483
Chancellor/Membership Director
Paul Unpingco462-2263
Treasurer
Mark Worrell426-5375
Financial Secretary
PGK Joe Balestreri484-5368
Advocate
PGK Brad Schieferstein846-7181
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Dave Frankenberger. 846-8561
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One Year Trustee

PGK John Moore519-0744

PGK Tim Tuttle......484-4341

PGK Mike Kliment......426-1551

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WGK's Letter, Continued

By the way, if your company is looking to rid itself of e-waste items, the company that handles our event can pick up at job-sites for FREE. They come to my facility 4 times a year and our Council gets credit for their collection (contact me or Br. Mark for more info). Big or small, every bit counts.

The following day we gathered at STA for our annual Parish picnic. Many members came together to help setup (both Sat & Sun) not only our station but all the campus areas. A couple items really made vast impressions on me which made me further realize how grateful and blessed I feel to be around our vibrant membership. It was great seeing Br. John Gorman, having recently moved from Massachusetts & joining our ranks, and his wife Victoria assist with the service line. Br. Paul Unpingco, battling a health issue and on crutches, bravely assumed his position in the ministry room and signed up numerous worthy candidates. Br. Dan Hughes, having fallen the day before and with his forearm highly wrapped, nonetheless honored his earlier commitment to be our cashier. Regardless of hardships, these courageous acts from our unconditional & dedicated members reaffirmed my belief that our Brotherhood is deeply rooted for the greater good of our Council, Church & Community.

These valiant demonstrations were also echoed by a couple of young children. Joy Lui arrived at the snow cone machine and declared she would handle the day operations. She indicated she ran the machine the year before and was poised to repeat. Further review showed her father (Grant) was not a Knight but upon seeing his daughter become actively involved with our group, headed over to see Br. Paul and signed up to join us at our upcoming October 10th First Degree. As the picnic closed down, 5 year old Edward Seeger took over to sweeping the entire inside hall. With (father) Br. Dave manning the dust collector, little Edward took it upon himself to clean the entire hall. Seeing the actions of these youngsters, along with all our other helping brothers, truly fills me with pride and continues to enrich the spirit of our Council.

We were honored to grace the front cover of our September 21/22 bulletin. Br. Paul wrote an excellent profile of our Brotherhood and our outreach programs. The article also pointed to our upcoming membership drive and encouraged worthy candidates to consider joining our ranks. This set the stage for our September 28/29 weekend membership pulpit announcement. Fr. Paul granted us the opportunity to speak at all weekend mass' and Br. Paul, along with Deputy Grand Knight Br. Stephen Natale, each gave heartfelt talks about what the Knights are, how personally each has been impacted and asked for more men to join us. It was a long (church) day but the outcome of all our efforts will be rewarded by the many new worthy members that will forever enhance our ranks.

Finally, I want to again remind you that our membership dues are now past due. Over 100 of us have yet to meet our annual obligation. If you've read the message this far, God Bless you for you're obviously a vested member and I encourage you to please pay the \$36 annual (\$3 dollar a month) amount as, for every member not paying their fair share, the Council still has to pay a per capital amount on your behalf (whether or not your contribution is received). Please know however, whether paying your dues or not, we treasure your endless participation within our organization and truly value your friendship & continued association.

In closing, I again want to express my deep gratitude to all our membership for the great honor you have bestowed on me as our Council's Grand Knight. May all of us continue to stand united in our practice and expressions of faith, link deeply with our Pastor & parish community and service our poor and marginalized neighbors in need.

Yours in Christ, Mario

The Worthy Grand Knight's KUDOS KORNER

September 2013 Kudos Korner Award Winners:

Certificate of Appreciation: Dennis Mortenson for his 1st Wednesday setup/breakdown past 5 months

Knight of the Month: John Moore for leading us past year, monthly STA donut Sundays & chairing parish picnic (3 this month)

Family of the Month:

- Frankenberger Family for chairing Fr. Paul's reception, hosting Progressive dinner and being our worthy Recorder
- Schieferstein Family for hosting Progressive Dessert, monthly SES donut Sundays and being our Advocate
- Martin Family for coordinating and hosting Progressive dinner





The Annual Kevin Gourley Memorial (Tootsie Roll) Drive

Get ready for the Tootsie Roll Drive to support people with disabilities from the local area.

When: The weekend of October 19/20.

Where: After each mass at both churches and a local grocery store.

Please wear your "blue" shirt and nametag on that weekend and after mass pick up a can, vest and some Tootsie rolls in the vestibule and join your brother Knights in manning the doors. Family members welcome to lend a hand! It only takes a few minutes.

Contact Dave Frankenberger at dfranken@comcast.net or 925-846-8561 if you have any questions







Coming events

01 October Cancer Support Group, 7:30 PM, SES Rm A

03 October Officer's Meeting, 7:00 PM, St. Augustine's Hall, Room 4

05-27 October Parish Census

06 October Donut Social; All AM Masses; Both Churches

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

(1st Degree Exemplification) ***NOTE TIME CHANGE***

19 October Blood Drive-St. Elizabeth Seton

19/20 October Kevin Gourley Memorial Drive (Tootsie Roll), All Masses, Both Churches

02/03 November "Keep Christ in Christmas" Card Sales, All Masses 03 November Donut Social; All AM Masses; Both Churches

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07 November Officer's Meeting, 7:00 PM, St. Augustine's Hall, Room 4

12 November Ron Silva Memorial Coat Drive, Hayward

14 November Business Meeting, 7:30 PM, St. Augustine's Hall; Rms 4-5

16/17 November "Keep Christ in Christmas" Card Sales, All Masses

24 November Distribution of Thanksgiving Food Baskets, St. Augustine's Hall

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MedShare Volunteers Needed

MedShare is an organization that reclaims new, unused medical supplies (of all types) that local hospitals would ordinarily discard into local landfills. Through agreements with the hospitals, MedShare collects these supplies and brings them to their warehouse in San Leandro where volunteers sort and package the supplies for shipment to free clinics in the US and hospitals and clinics in third world countries or in areas suffering from natural disasters.

Groups of 20-25 volunteers from CCOP have been helping MedShare for several years, and we would like to invite members of the Knights of Columbus to join us. If you would like to participate, or if you would like more information, please contact Mark Nevins, menevi@sbcglobal.net, or 925-846-1014.

Additional volunteer days for 2013 are scheduled for May 18, July 20, Sept. 21, and Nov 16.



Recent Activities

Parish Picnic, 15 September 2013



See the Council Web Site at www.kofc6043.org for more photos of our recent activities.









Past Grand Knight Dinner Honoring Brother John Moore For His Excellence And Devotion During Columbian Year 2012/2013





Insurance Night Out—Free Dinner

Please join my wife and I at the October 4th Insurance Benefit Night Out that our Field Agent, Jeffrey Carvalho, is hosting. Starting at 6:30pm, at the Dublin Hacienda Crossings 'On the Border' Mexican Restaurant, dinner, door prizes and fun will all be provided (for FREE!).

Whether or not you currently have an Knights of Columbus insurance policy, I invite you and your wife to attend this general dinner & educational meeting. I encourage you to come

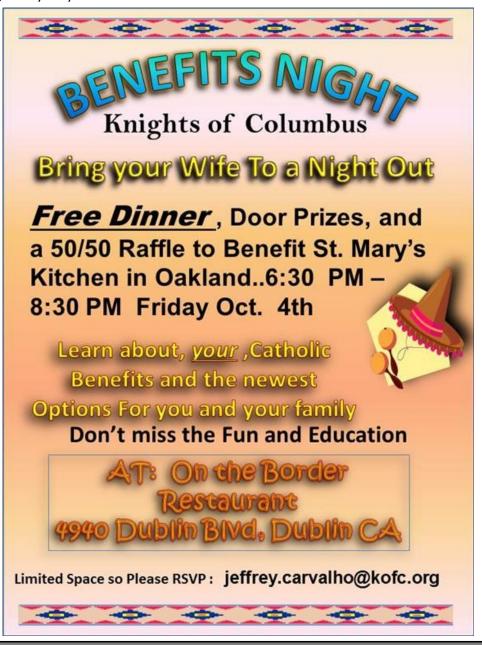
and learn about the wonderful benefits and newest options available to our Brotherhood.

Council members from San Ramon & Livermore will also be in attendance so I urge you save October 4 on your calendars and proudly represent our Council.

Kindly RSVP your availability to Brother Jeffrey and/or myself.

I look forward to seeing many of you on October 4.

Blessings, Mario





Food Basket Deliveries

Thanksgiving Food Baskets - November 24, 2013

"Let Us Not Forget The Poor And The Vulnerable"





Dear Brothers,

Once again we exersize our number one virtue, "Charity." We have been doing the delivery of St.Vincent DePaul food baskets for over 30 years and need your help on the above date. We will start at approx. 10:30 AM, and working in teams of two, we are usually finished in 2 to 3 hours. This is an extremely heartwarming and rewarding experience. If you can volunteer your time please contact Bro. Frank Costa.

E-mail – feaj2@earthlink.net

Phone - (925) 846-4205

Thank You For Your Past Support!



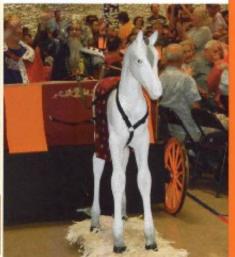
Joan Madsen was the person that loan us the horse used to pull the carriage for Vacation Bible Study. She runs a pumpkin patch in Livermore for the Kids to enjoy. Let's show our graditude by stopping by and saying hello! Also a chance to have some fun with the family that same time.

Enjoy, Mike Kliment PGK















Joan's Farm & Pumpkin Patch will be open October 1, 2013 to October 31, 2013 Daily From 9am to 6pm

"An Unforgettable Family Experience"

Corn Maze, Feed Farm Animals, Western Town, Fort Maze, Gem Panning, Hay Rides, Kidz Blue Train & Games! Face Painting & Pony Rides Weekends Visit Joan's Café for Refreshments & Shave Ice! Shop at Sweets & Treats! Pumpkin's Calore & more!

Contact us Anytime: 925-447-0794 or 925-980-7772 email: JoansFarm9@aol.com www.joansfarm.com



Crab Feed Silent Auction

The Silent Auction team is in need of one more member due to an existing team member being on an extensive vacation. Requirement: A gregarious individual who looks forward to meeting and talking to shop owners and/ or managers. This is not a sales function; more of being a petitioner for Christ!

If interested, please contact Lou Santero, 925-846-5124

or email: Ipsantero@yahoo.com

Parish Census

It is that time again. We are once again doing the census here at CCOP for the four Sundays in October all masses.

Please sign up to help. This is a no brainer! All is required is to count the number of adults and children attending mass. The churches are divided into sections so all is required is to count a single section if we have enough people (this is a good time to have older children or spouses help out). The count takes place during the offertory and only takes a few minutes.

The "captains" then take the individual counts and tallies a summary. At the end of mass he then drops the counts of at the parish office. There is a packet for each mass to make it all easier.

Let me know what mass you can help at and if you would like to be a captain and if you will have a family member(s) indicate that as well. Don't worry if you can't be there for each week, one of the team members can help or I will get someone to fill in for you.

Thanks,

Dave Frankenberger (dfranken@comcast.net)



Knights Red Cross Blood Drive

Mark this date - tell your friends and family!

Saturday October 19th - 9 am - 2 pm

At the St Elizabeth Seton John Paul II Activity Center

Please consider giving the Gift of Life. Spread the word! Every single donation will help, and potentially save the life of up to three patients, in local community hospitals.

Sign up early at www.redcrossblood.org
Enter your zip code / sponsor code "CCOP" or call 1-800-7337-2767



From Mike Machi, PGK and Council Lector

Our Catholic Faith
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What a great way to start your day! On-line by The Jesuit Ministry (Loyola Press).

http://www.loyolapress.com/3-minute-retreats-daily-online-prayer.htm

Receive a daily 3-Minute Retreat year-round and have these peaceful prayer breaks delivered to your inbox every morning.



MANDATORY SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

The Diocese of Oakland requires that all CCOP volunteers complete Safe Environment Training, even if you only work with adults in your ministry. Everyone must complete the Safe Environment Training Course once every three (3) years to be in compliance.

Training will be offered 'free' on the following dates at St. Augustine and St. Michael's (Livermore):

- St. Augustine's Hall Wednesday, October 2 from 6pm to 7:30pm
- St. Michael's Hall Tuesday, October 8 or October 15 from 7pm to 8:30pm

In the event you are unable to attend one of these trainings, you may visit the Diocese of Oakland website for other training sessions or take the course online (\$8 fee). If course completed outside of St. Augustine's, please submit to the Parish Office a copy of the Certificate of Completion.

Thank you for your dedication to ministering in our community and for the support and commitment you give to ensure safe environments in our Parish, Mario



Military Peer Support Group

Mission: This is a mutual self-help non-denominational group for military veterans. The intent is to provide a safe and sterile environment where we can openly discuss the difficulties of coping with the thoughts and feelings associated with past combat operations; along with the difficulties associated with life outside the military back at home by providing emotional, psychological and moral support for each other (we are not associated with any government entity or other veterans' organization).

Dates / Times:

Currently we meet the first and third Wednesday of every month Time - 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Location - St. Elizabeth Seton, Room A

For more information please contact:

Patrick Llamas at (925)818-4370 or pfllamas@gmail.com

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Notes from the Newsletter Editor

If you are receiving a printed copy of this newsletter and can be accessed via email you are missing out! The electronic copy of the Newsletter arrives sooner, is in color and the content is not compressed to fit into the limitations of the printed page. If you want an electronic copy, send your email address to: dompe@pacbell.net

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 District 36. See the District 36 web site at https://sites.google.com/site/district36website/

EMPLOYMENT - Knights helping Knights

Let's keep our unemployed brother knights and their families in our prayers.

Should you need coaching, direction, inspiration or motivation on you job search, I'm available!

I also remind you that our CCOP Job Connections Group meets the 1^{st} and 3^{rd} Wednesday 3:30 PM – 5 PM each month at St Elizabeth Seton – Room A

Mike Machi - 462-8579 - mmachi@mricareers.com

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



Prayer List

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

Sandra Ryan – Wife of Brother Kevin Ryan Bob Straskulic- Friend of Brother Chuck Bellavia Diane Kavookjian - Friend of PGK Frank Costa Steve Ward - Friend of Brother William Sroka Ardys Henson-Mother of Brother Christain Dungo Gusti Witzel—Brother-in-Law of PGK Dave Melander Jessica Nett- Daughter of Brother Tom Egan Keith Nett- Grandson of Brother Tom Egan Jim Kender - Friend of Brother Dave Seeger **Ruth Carpizo** – Friend of Brother Dave Seeger Al Spotorno- Friend of Brother Tom Smith **Lee Dravidzius** – Friend of Brother Tom Smith Alfred Pasquarella- Friend of Brother Stephen Natale **Gary Lerner**- Friend of Brother Stephen Natale Ellyn Kelly- Mother of PGK Ray Kelly **Phil Johnson** – Brother-in-Law of Brother Dave Jones **Yvonne Crawford** – Friend of Brother Dave Jones **Eileen Annicchero-** Wife of deceased PGK Jerry Annicchero

Paul Malino-Father-in-Law of Brother Michael Hewitt
Monroe Strawn, Sr. – Father of Brother Robert Strawn
Veronica Garcia – Sister of Brother Javier Garcia
Terry Dove – Uncle of Brother Gene Dove
Ronnie Dove — Uncle of Brother Gene Dove
Casilda Andrade – Aunt of Brother Savio D'Cruz
Shane D'Cruz – Son of Brother Savio D'Cruz
Rosalie Capri – Sister-in-Law of Brother Jack Barbaccia
Don Pierini — Friend of Brother Jack Barbaccia
Mike Kotch – Son of PGK Mark Kotch
Marge & Bill Martin – Parents of Brother Michael Martin
Mike Santos – Son of Brother John Santos
PGK Vince Kohlbecker – Friend of Brother Paul

Susan Boyle- Sister-in-Law of Eileen Annicchero

Jessie Unpingco- Uncle of Brother Paul Unpingco
Remmy Unpingco- Mother of Brother Paul Unpingco
Shirley Hintz- Mother-in-Law of Brother Paul Unpingco
Segundo Unpingco- Father of Brother Paul Unpingco
Rob Gibbs- Friend of Brother Paul Unpingco
Robert Nazarenus- Friend of Brother Paul Unpingco

Robert Nazarenus - Friend of Brother Paul Unpingco Luke Hoppezar-Friend of Brother Mark Jacops

Jonatan Jacops – Son for Brother Mark Jacops Frank Jacops – Brother of Brother Mark Jacops Eloisa Sots – Sister-in-Law of Brother Mark Jacops

Christine Seishas – Sister-in-Law of Brother Tom Cortez

Teresa Santero – Mother of PGK Lou Santero
Adrienue Wood – Daughter of Brother John Wood
Lou Ella Hepner – Sister of Brother Ellis Shott
Antonio Silva – Uncle of WGK Mario daSilva
Connie Fross – Friend of PGK Mike Kliment
Helen Kliment – Mother of PGK Mike Kliment
Chris Kliment – Son of PGK Mike Kliment
Pat Hughes – Brother of Brother Dan Hughes
Kevin Gooley - Brother-in-Law of Brother Dan Hughes
RaShawna Balestreri – Wife of PGK Joseph Balestreri

Gavin McFate – Brother-in-Law of PGK Joseph Balestreri Nina Balestreri – Daughter of PGK Joe Balestreri Travyn Rasiah - Son of Brother Pravin Rasiah Benjamin Cruz - Son of Brother Anthony Cruz **Stephanie Weld-** Niece of Brother Ron Hansen John Hansen- Brother of Brother Ron Hansen Ken Nahm- Friend of Brother Ron Hansen Tim Shirrer- Brother of Mark Worrell's close friend Christina Gunther - Daughter of Mark Worrell's friend Helen Hirashiki-Wife of Brother Mark Worrell Marie Andal - Mother of Brother Dennis Andal **Kevin Ngwanyia** – Son of Brother George Ngwanyia Christine Estrada-Wife of Brother Junior Estrada Pedrito A. Estrada - Father of Brother Junior Estrada Margret Jones—Daughter of PKG Joe Jones Bell Blanks-Cousin of PGK Joe Jones Joshua Studendorff- Son of Brother Michael Studendorff

Dawn Finamore – Friend of PGK Tim Tuttle
Dorothy McDonald – Grandmother of PGK Tim Tuttle
Dotty Bartelson – Aunt of PGK Tim Tuttle
Julie Steeves – Sister of PGK Tim Tuttle
Mr&Mrs Peter Drummond – Friends of PGK Tim Tuttle

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Tom Lewis Sr & Jr Brother Tim Mullane's Nephew

Brother Michael Auer

Fr. Padraig Greene – Past Pastor and Council Chaplain

PGK Jim Vigus

Brother Ron Johnson Brother Jeff Tichenor Brother Dan Hughes

Brother Richard Fredette Brother Rich Goddu

Brother Paul Unpingco Brother Scott Cumberland

Brother Paul Hill

PGK Joe Jones
PGK George Leja
Brother Terry Gotowka

Brother Larry Bell – Past Field Agent

Jesse Stansberry-Past Field Agent

Ray Fosse— A's Announcer, Friend of this Council, In gratitude for his support

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

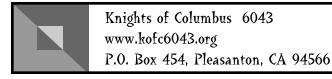
For all who are serving in the military we pray:

That the love of God will be with them. Especially those in harms way.

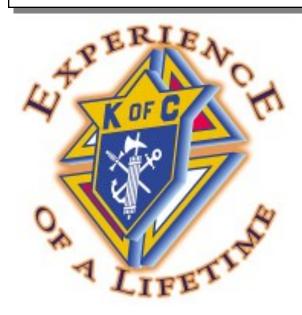
For the following special intentions we pray:

For All The Widows Of Our Brother Knights
For all of Our Religious Orders throughout the world.

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