

# Knightly News

September 2014



Knights Of Columbus

Michael J. Costello Council 6043

The Catholic Community Of Pleasanton

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# Grand Knight's Message

My Dear Brothers in Christ,

We started off last month with another big bang! Family Movie Night! It was our second annual and it took place on Thursday, August 7th and participation was at an all time high. We had a total of 82.... Knights, your spouses and your children in attendance. It was fun to see all the kids and I took great joy in seeing our brothers share in fraternal friendship. There was plenty of food to share, great potluck dishes as well as wonderful desserts. I wanted to extend a very special "Thank You!" to Paul Unpingco for setting up all 3 movies using his own audio/ visual equipment, Chris Sigua for ordering pizza, beverage setup and food prep, Pedrito Estrada for handling the Evite distribution and updates, Bronco for table setup, Jeff Brent for making the ice run, Bod Dompe for communication via email, Dave Seeger and his little son for clean up, my wife Fran for manning the popcorn machine, my daughter Maria for creating the flyer and all the Knights and your wives for bringing the desserts, salads, cookies and favorite dishes to share. Beautiful!

Our Progressive Dinner took place on Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup>. It is always a wonderful and enjoyable event. Host dinners were provided by Kim and Mike Martin and Cindy and Tim Tuttle. The chicken piccata and tri-tip were absolutely delicious. Thank you so very much for the gourmet meals and all the hard work. Also, thank you Dave and Ruth Frankenberger for hosting the appetizers and cocktails and to Gina and Brad Schieferstein for hosting the dessert. And thank you very much to all of you who brought the side dishes. And once again, thank you very much Michael Martin for co-coordinating this delicious event.

We will be very busy this month with upcoming events. The East Bay Stand Down will be held at the Alameda Fairgrounds, Wednesday, 9/11 through Sunday, 9/14. It is an extensive and well planned program put together to provide humanitarian services to homeless veterans and veterans in need and their families throughout Alameda County. We as a council are committed to helping serve lunch on Friday, 9/12. If you are somehow connected to a veteran or have relatives who have served or are currently serving in the military, then this event would make a great deal of sense for you to participate. Sign up sheets were available last business meeting and will be at the next meeting on September 11 as well.

The past Grand Knight's Dinner in honor of our Triple Star Sir Knight, Past Grand Knight Mario daSilva will be held on Saturday, September 20th at Cattleman's Restaurant, Livermore. Tim Tuttle and Mike Kliment are hosting. Please make your reservations early as I am sure this event will be sold out. Mario, get ready for the roasting! The coals will be very hot!

The Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 21st at St. Augustine's Church, backyard area. We are committed to providing food for lunch (hot dogs, hamburgers, condiments, chips, cookies and beverage). We need many Knights to help with food procurement, setup, cook, prep food, serve, clean up, etc., etc., etc. This is a wonderful event to see our brother Knights in action. (continued on next page)

#### **Officers**

Columbian Year 2014 - 2015

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#### WGK's Letter, Continued

And.... it gives us a great opportunity to talk to anyone who might be thinking about joining the Knights of Columbus! Also, Roxanne, picnic chair, will need help with setup on Saturday and Sunday mornings as well. Look for the sign up sheets at our next business meeting.

The annual Knights of Columbus Benefits Night hosted by our Worthy Field Agent Jeffrey Carvalho will be held on Friday, September 26 th at Massimo's Fine Italian Restaurant, Fremont. One flyer has already been sent out but if you missed it, it will be emailed to you once again soon. If you have not met with Jeff and would like more information about the Knights of Columbus insurance programs in a relaxed environment, I would strongly suggest that you attend this dinner. You will get a lot of important information about benefits and dinner will be excellent. RSVP Brother Jeff to confirm reservations at 510-754-1057 or via email: jeffrey.carvalho@kofc.org. See the flyer in this newsletter.

Also this month, our Knights of Columbus Membership Drive will be Saturday and Sunday, September 27th and 28th. Father Paul has graciously agreed to let us speak after all 8 Masses on both days. Beautiful! We will need support in the vestibule after each Mass to answer questions, hand out information sheets, announce the date and time of the next First Degree welcoming ceremony and to qualify interested candidates. More information will be provided on this at our next business meeting. Please mark your calendars.

Also, I wanted to inform you that annual dues are under review. Discussions revolve around increasing dues from \$36.00 to \$48.00. That's only \$4.00 per month vs. \$3.00 per month last year. This very small increase would help defray some of the cost relative to an ever increasing operating budget. Furthermore, there's been no increase in dues at this council since Moses came down from Mount Sinai. So this adjustment would be very helpful. You can voice your opinion at the next meeting.

An finally, once again, I must report to you that another one of our beloved brothers, Sir Knight Joseph Languemi passed away on August 1st. Brother Joseph was a long time member of our council and had been retired in Las Vegas for the past several years. The Vigil was held on August 7th with memorial Mass at St Augustine's on Friday, August 8th. PGK Mario daSilva coached Joseph's son Bill in track at Amador High School and graciously agreed to read the Fourth Degree Resolution of Condolence from our Assembly at the Vigil and then presented it to the family after speaking. Please pray for the repose of his soul and for his family that they find peace of mind, spirit, heart and soul during this very sorrowful time. May he rest in peace. Amen.

God Bless,

Stephen

## Chancellor's Note for September 2014

#### **Brothers**

Our First Degree exemplification will be held on Thursday October 16, 2014, This is the Thursday after our October general meeting. Please be there to welcome our new fellow Brothers. We are hoping that there would be strong bonding of new and old brothers without the distraction of the general meeting.

If you know of any Church members who are interested in becoming Knights, Please have them contact me or other members of the council to help them fill out the form 100 for membership. Our membership drive will be held after Mass's on Saturday Sept. 27th and Sunday Sept. 28th. Wear your Blue council shirts to mass, show your support for the Knights and future Knights.

"Becoming a Knight of Columbus can transform your life. As a Knight, you have the opportunity to support your parish, give back to your community, grow in your faith and gain exclusive access to our top-rated insurance program to protect your family. From insurance to scholarships to service and social activities and programs, all are open to the whole family."

Thank you for your support

And God Bless

SK Jeff Brent



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# Coming events

04 September Officer's Meeting, 7:00 PM, St. Augustine's Hall, Room 4

07 September Donut Social; All AM Masses; Both Churches

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

12 September East Bay Stand Down, Lunch time; Alameda County Fairgrounds

17 September Military Peer Support Group, 7:00 PM, SES Room A 20 September Past Grand Knight's Dinner, Cattleman's Restaurant

21 September Parish Picnic, St. Augustine's Campus

26 September Benefits Dinner, 6:00 PM, Massimo's, Fremont 27/28 September Membership Drive—Both Churches, All Masses

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

04/26 October Parish Census, All Masses, Both Churches
05 October Donut Social; All AM Masses; Both Churches

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

15 October Military Peer Support Group, 7:00 PM, SES Room A 16 October 1st Degree Exemplification, St. Augustine's Hall, 7PM

18/19 October Kevin Gourley Memorial Drive (Tootsie Roll), Both Churches, All Masses

25 October Fiesta Italiano Dinner & Social, St. Augustine's Hall

# A Movie Note from KofC Supreme

**When the Game Stands Tall** is a film currently in theaters nationwide. It stars Jim Caviezel and is based on a true story of the incredible winning streak of a Catholic high school football team. It is both an amazing story and one with a strong moral message.

Supreme Knight Carl Anderson's says of this film: "When the Game Stands Tall is a wonderful film to watch together as a family. It is a story of hope and triumph based on a winning strategy that is inseparable from solid values and character formation. There is a lesson for all of us in the deep insights of this film into the importance of keeping successes and setbacks in the proper perspective - and growing from both."

Should your plans this weekend include a trip to the movies, **When the Game Stands Tall** would be an excellent choice.

# PAST GRAND KNIGHT DINNER HONORING MARIO DASILVA



# Saturday Evening, September 20th, 2014 Cattlemen's Restaurant 2882 Kitty Hawk Rd., Livermore, CA

#### Choice of one Entrée:

Teriyaki Chicken, Top Sirloin Steak, Grilled Salmon or Spinach & Cheese Ravioli Entrées Include a Baked Potato, Seasonal Vegetables, All You Can Eat Salad, Sourdough Bread, Ranch Style Beans & Coffee or Tea

6:30 PM No Host Cocktails
7:30 PM Dinner
8:30 PM Awards and Desert
Cost is \$30.00 per person

Make payment and Entrée selection by <u>September 10th</u> to PGK Tim Tuttle, Phone 925-487-5645

Email: timbtuttle@gmail.com

3935 Redwood Ct., Pleasanton, CA 94588





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# Benefits Night

A Free Dinner Date Night

#### FRIDAY | 26 SEPTEMBER 2014

6:00-6:55pm No Host Cocktail Social Hour



7:00pm Event Starts

#### **Event Includes:**

- Great Door Prizes
- Informative Presentation
  - Council Contest

**Located At** 

### massimo's

A Fine Italian Restaurant 5200 Mowry Avenue Fremont, CA 94538 P: (510) 792-2000 RSVP Brother Jeff Carval

Brother Jeff Carvalho Jeffrey.Carvalho@kofc.org or

(510) 754-1057



# Notice of the Intent to Change the Council's By-Laws to Effect a Change in the Council Dues

A copy of the Councils By-Laws is available via a hyperlinks on the home page of the Council's Web Site

(http://www.kofc6043.org/Knights\_of\_Columbus\_6043/HOME.html).

Current Council 6043 By-Laws, as adopted September 11, 2008:

#### ARTICLE I

Section 3. Each member shall pay annual dues. The dues shall be payable quarterly in advance at the first regular meetings in January, April, July and October. The annual dues of members shall be 36.00, except insured members less than 26 years of age who shall pay one-half that sum, honorary members who shall pay \$10.00, and honorary life members who shall pay nothing. Except as stated above, the dues of associate and insurance members shall be the same.

#### Proposed change to Article I, Section 3:

Each member shall pay annual dues. The dues shall be payable yearly quarterly in advance at the first regular meetings in January, April, July and October. The annual dues of members shall be \$48.00 36.00, except insured members less than 26 years of age who shall pay one-half that sum, honorary members who shall pay \$10.00, and honorary life members who shall pay nothing. Except as stated above, the dues of associate and insurance members shall be the same.

The above change to take effect with the Columbian Year 2015/2016.

#### A Note from the Financial Secretary

We have had many new brothers join our council in the last two years. For those of you that might not be aware there are levels to the Knights of Columbus. We belong to Council 6043. The Council belongs to the District made up of five local councils. The District belongs to the Oakland Chapter. The Chapter belongs to the State and that belongs to The Knights of Columbus Supreme Council headquartered back in New Haven CT where we were founded by Fr. McGivney.

The council pays per-member fees to the Chapter, State and Supreme regardless of the amount we collect in

Approximately two thirds of our brothers have not paid their dues of \$36; almost half of which needs to be paid in fees to higher levels of the organization. Because of the missing dues payments, covering the fees takes almost \$2000 a year away from the charity donations we would otherwise make. A third notice will be going out shorty followed in the next few weeks by a phone call from the membership committee.

There are many reasons that a brother might not have paid his dues. Oversight, hardship, medical. This is not a collection call. It is an attempt to reach out to our Brothers and offer our help to them. I ask that you take your Brothers phone call so we can gain a better understanding of the reason.

Thank you for your cooperation, God Bless







# Recent Activities

At the A's Game in the Suite Secured for the Council Brothers (and friends) at the Crab Feed Silent Auction



Enjoying A Buffet Dinner After Our Business Meeting On 08-14-2014











Brothers Dave Seeger, Chris Sigua, PGK Mike Machi Sr., John Clauser Awards Of Appreciation From Ins. Agent Jeff Carvalho PGK Chuck Berardi (1995/96) Receiving His Honorary Life Membership Card

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# 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 third Wednesday of every month Time - 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Location – St. Augustine, Rectory Conference room

#### For more information please contact:

Dominick Pietro at (925) 462-4665 or pietr11@comcast.net

#### Catholic Community of Pleasanton

3999 Bernal Ave, Pleasanton, CA. 94566 (925)846-4489



# Protecting Widows - A Founding Goal

As a member of this council, you know how important spouses can be to the charitable works of the Order. If you're married, your wife is probably involved in a few of the many events that happen each fraternal year. This support adds great value and impact to what a council can achieve.

When the Order was founded in 1882, Father Michael J. McGivney and the other brave men were setting out to protect Catholic families, but especially wives and children. Today, we remain committed to this mission by offering insurance products and fraternal benefits designed with that goal in mind. One specific policy rider that you may not know about is called Spousal Waiver of Premium. This rider is unique to the Knights of Columbus philosophy of helping our widows.

This rider is available on most permanent and Discoverer plans purchased at standard rates by a member and his wife on the same day. When both spouses apply, the rider provides for waiver of premiums on the spouse's contract in the event of the insured's death. Best of all, for members and spouses ages 18 to 60, this waiver can be added for no charge. The rider stays in effect until the spouse attains age 65 or certain other triggering events occur.

Our products are designed with your needs and budget in mind. With a solid portfolio of life insurance, long-term care, disability income and retirement products, the Knights of Columbus can help you meet all of your financial goals.

To learn more about these solutions, contact me today.

We can meet at your home or my office.





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# RAFFLE / SILENT AUCTION — January 15, 2015

Brothers,

Our council has been very successful in bringing this event up to professional standings. We saw a smooth and rapid transition in the payments aspect of the Silent Auction and the largest return in proceeds since we began three years ago. If we hope to match our previous results of acquiring 175 gifts from firms and generous individuals, including over a dozen from our council members, we need to start early and September is not soon enough.

Approximately one dozen charities and ministries have or will soon receive all of the \$18,000 raised. These are organizations which provide food, clothing, medical, spiritual and emotional healing to the homeless, to battered women, to disabled and foster kids and women and men who have suffered from past abortion experiences. Imagine, if you will, how these recipients feel once they have been relieved of their demons (real or imagined) and begin to feel their confidence and hope growing.

I know that the vast majority of us became Knights in order to "give back". Please consider joining this effort. We need a few more "canvassers". People who politely ask firms and individuals to support this fund raiser. I don't consider this "selling" but an opportunity for those approached to be charitable. Not all will respond positively but 175 did last year. We don't take any credit (nor blame) because we believe the Holy Spirit was present long before we arrived preparing their hearts to be receptive!

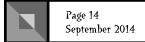
I also need a person to assist me now that I'm starting to slow down and becoming more forgettable in my senior years. This person should be capable with computer skills.

Please contact Lou Santero, 925-846-5124 or lpsantero@yahoo.com



### Raffle/Silent Auction Activities 2014 Crab Feed





# 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 - Knights helping Knights

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

Should you need Job Search guidance, resource information, networking direction, or motivation support in your search for employment we are here to help!

Linkedin Group - Employment Connections CCOP

Mike\_Machi@yahoo.com

### Notes from the Newsletter Editor

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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 39.



# Prayer List

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

Karen Mortenson-Wife of Brother Dennis Mortenson Diana Bonnano-Friend of Brother Chuck Deckert Dan Schuchardt-Extended Family of Brother Richard Fredette

**Dean DeRanieri** – Brother-in-Law of Brother Bill Rinetti Jennifer Robinson - Friend of Brother Mike Clauser Barbara Carvalho - Mother of Field Agent Jeff Carvalho Ronnie Dove- Uncle of Brother Gene Dove Stewart McMullen- Friend of Brother David Lamont Scarlett Nguyen-Baby Niece of Brother Mike Beltran Clar Hohlmdahl- Friend of Brother Laird Malley David Rodriguez-Dad of Brother Darren Medeiros' Son-in-

Erica & Colton Ghiorso-Wife & expected offspring of **Brother Nick Ghiorso** 

Ken Najm- Parish Friend of Brother Mike Guerra Ralph Ruocco - Brother of Brother Lou Ruocco Pat Bellavia - Wife of DD Chuck Bellavia Serra LaVo- Granddaughter of DD Chuck Bellavia's Friend Paul Maurice - Father of Brother Dennis Maurice Carmella Goddard - Aunt of Brother Mike Burns Elizabeth Burns - Mother of Brother Mike Burns Michael McGillivray - Brother of Brother Dan McGillivray Norm Zabbalos - Boss of Brother Dean Brodnick Marvel Brodnick - Mother of Brother Dean Brodnick William Langenhuizen – Father of Brother Bob Lange Wenkwei Liu- Father of Brother Grant Liu Kathy Seits - Mother of Brother Timothy Seits Gloria Victoria - Sister-in-Law of Brother Bo Patron **Gary Vandevanter** – Friend of Br. Sal DeTrane Mary Beth Brown- Sister of Brother Bill Beston Dale Paul Federighi – Son of Brother Robert Federighi Barbara Federighi - Wife of Brother Robert Federighi Julie Young - Daughter of Brother Robert Federighi Philip San Filippo - Brother-in-Law of Brother Kevin Ryan Sandra Ryan - Wife of Brother Kevin Ryan Liz Sroka - Sister of Brother William Sroka J J Remos- Friend of Brother William Sroka Ardys Henson-Mother of Brother Christian Dungo David Kroepfl- Brother-in-Law of Brother Tom Egan Jessica Nett- Daughter of Brother Tom Egan Keith Nett- Grandson of Brother Tom Egan Lynne Crittendon - Sister of Brother Tom Smith Tony Penny- Friend of GK Stephen Natale Domenic Natale- Brother of GK Stephen Natale Ellyn Kelly- Mother of PGK Ray Kelly Doug Hewitt- Father of Brother Michael Hewitt Patricia Guzman - Mother of Brother Robert Strawn David Strawn - Brother of Brother Robert Strawn Monroe Strawn, Sr. - Father of Brother Robert Strawn Veronica Garcia - Sister of Brother Javier Garcia Shannon D'Cruz- Son of Brother Savio D'Cruz Delicosa Pergira-Aunt of Brother Savio D'Cruz

Dino Pecoraro - Friend of Brother Jack Barbaccia

Florence Barbaccia - Wife of Brother Jack Barbaccia

Jim Barbaccia - Son of Brother Jack Barbaccia

Mike Kotch- Son of PGK Mark Kotch Bill Martin - Son of Brother Michael Martin Frederick Martin - Father of Brother Michael Martin Mike Santos - Son of Brother John Santos **Remmy Unpingco** – Mother of Brother Paul Unpingco Shirley Hintz- Mother-in-Law of Brother Paul Unpingco Segundo Unpingco - Father of Brother Paul Unpingco Jonathan Jacops - Son of Brother Mark Jacops **Frank Jacops** – Brother of Brother Mark Jacops Phillip Reilly - Son of PGK Joe Reilly **Teresa Santero** – Mother of PGK Lou Santero Adrienue Wood- Daughter of Brother John Wood Helen Kliment- Mother of PGK Mike Kliment Chris Kliment - Son of PGK Mike Kliment Barbara Hughes- Wife of Brother Dan Hughes Pat Hughes - Brother of Brother Dan Hughes RaShawna Balestreri - Wife 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 Jennifer Hansen – Daughter of Brother Ron Hansen Judy Weld- Sister of Brother Ron Hansen John Hansen- Brother of Brother Ron Hansen Loring Brown- Friend of Brother Mark Worrell 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 Joshua Studendorff- Son of Brother Mike Studendorff **Dorothy McDonald-** Grandmother of PGK Tim Tuttle Julie Steeves - Sister of PGK Tim Tuttle Frank Machi - Brother of PGK Mike Machi, sr Kelli Machi-Wife of PGK Mike Machi, sr **Brother Ellis Schott Brother Robert Federighi Brother Mike Yocham Brother Michael Auer Brother Ron Johnson Brother Rich Goddu Brother Paul Unpingco Brother Paul Hill PGK Joe Jones** PGK George Leja **PGK Jim Vigus** 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:

SK Joseph Languermi

Liz Portolan-Close friend of Brother Paul Unpingco Gloria Villegas-Mother-in-Law of Brother Paul Unpingco

#### 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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