



Knightly News

December 2011

Knights Of Columbus

Michael J. Costello Council 6043
The Catholic Community Of Pleasanton
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Grand Knight's Message

Brothers,

As we round the corner to the halfway point of my year as the Grand Knight of your council (not that I'm counting!), I think I have finally come to realize what being a Knight of Columbus is all about.. "fraternity". I'm sure you all have heard by now that our Brother, SK Jerry Annicchero died suddenly from a heart attack at his home the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Jerry was only 69 years old and leaves behind his wife Eileen, three children and three grand children. This has been my first experience of the death of a brother knight, and I am so amazed at the outpouring of help from our entire council. What a great showing of Knights at his service where the family was presented with the resolution of condolence from our council and 4th Degree team, as well as the challis. I am pleased to say that we were also able to help the family financially from our "knights helping knights" fund. They were truly grateful for all aspects of the knights' help and have asked me to pass on their sincere thanks to our council. I was absolutely amazed when Pat Bosma, a woman whose lawn Jerry had volunteered to mow after her husband was disabled in an accident, came all the way to his service to pay her respects to the family.

Jerry was a fine example of someone who gave his time and talent selflessly so that our council could serve the needs of others. Who would have ever thought we'd be doing the same for him and his family? I am proud to be able to say that I worked alongside Jerry, and so pleased to see firsthand how we can help our fellow brothers, as well as our parish and community.

I am especially excited to see all the new knights and their families participate in our recent events. So many came out to help deliver the Thanksgiving Food Baskets, we delivered to over 80 families in need this year. Many have signed up to help at the events we have coming up in the next few months as well. My hope is that they too, will be able to someday experience true fraternity through their efforts.

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Grand Knight's Message continued

I look forward to seeing you all in the next few weeks at our various events, especially at the Christmas Party on December 10th at the Hewitt's. This is a perfect opportunity to get to know our fellow knights and their partners, while enjoying some good food, wine and song! If not, I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy and Blessed Holiday. I pray that this Christmas and coming New Year are full of good times and many good memories. Lastly, I remind you to Keep Christ in Christmas.

God Bless,
Tim

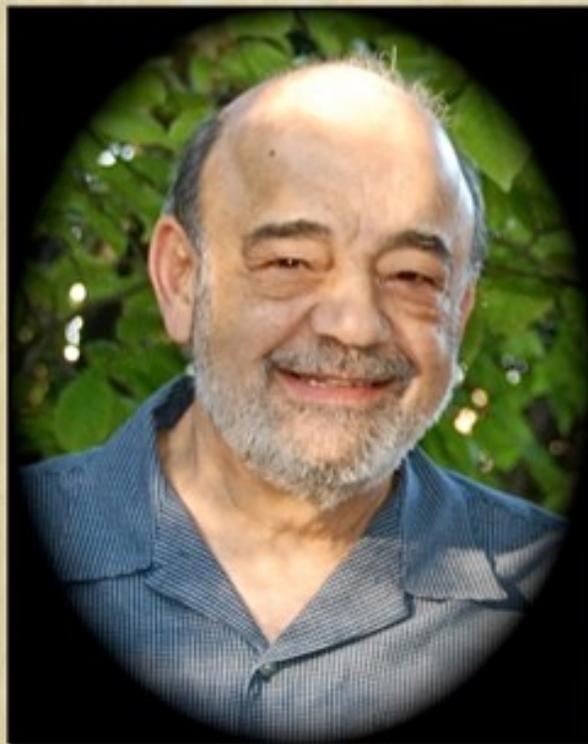
Coming events

01 December	Officer's Meeting, 7:00 PM; St. Augustine's Hall; RM 5
04 December	Christmas Breakfast with Santa; St. Augustine's Hall
08 December	Business Meeting, 7:30 PM; St. Augustine's Hall; RMS 4-5
10 December	Council Christmas Party; Mike Hewitt's home
01 January	Donut Social, All AM Masses; Both Churches
05 January	Officer's Meeting, 7:00 PM; St. Augustine's Hall; RM 5
12 January	Business Meeting, 7:30 PM; St. Augustine's Hall; RMS 4-5
21 January	Crab Feed; St. Augustine's Hall
21 January	Walk for Life; San Francisco
25 January	Second Degree Exemplification; St. Augustine's Hall

Jerry Annicchero died Sunday, November 20, 2011. He was our council's 15th Grand Knight during the '82-'83 Columbian year.

Jerry was an extremely active member chairing many activities, including our largest fundraiser, the Crab Feed, when it first became a Knights event. He spearheaded the initiative and process that changed our council's name to the present one out of respect and to honor our 1st Grand Knight, Michael J. Costello who passed in 1986. He was an Honorary Member 3rd and 4th Degree.

*In Loving Memory
Past Grand Knight
Jerome Annicchero*



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Jerry had a major operation (heart by-pass) in 1993. As a result of his medical condition he was denied access to increasing his life insurance. In January of this year Jerry had another medical procedure performed involving this condition creating an untimely and unexpected expense. Now they shoulder the burden of funeral costs without the benefit of Jerry's monthly Social Security check.

In an effort to relieve some of these burdens, our council has established The Jerry Annicchero Memorial Fund. There are two ways in which you can help:

#1 Mail a donation directly to his spouse and payable to Eileen Annicchero at 3330 Harpers Ferry Court, Pleasanton, CA 94588

Or Anonymously By

#2 Make a check payable to Knights of Columbus #6043, and please reference, "Memorial Fund #8710282909" Bring to any branch or mail to: Wells Fargo Bank, 1701 Santa Rita Road, Pleasanton, CA 94566

One of Father Michael J. McGivney's visions for the order was to provide for the widows and orphans of deceased members. As a brother and perhaps friend to Jerry, we hope you can help no matter how small.

Thank you for your generosity and support.

A Note About the Ron Silva Memorial Coat Drive

Brothers,

I would like to share a portion of my experience at the "Ron Silva Coat Drive" outreach. First of all, I never met Ron or any member of the family prior to the event. However, providing warm coats for the homeless as we approach winter has always been something I've wanted to help with. Like the food basket deliveries, this is something that is at the core of what we do as Knights – provide care for the poor and vulnerable.

I was blown away by the entire process, particularly with how much these men, women, and children showed their appreciation for a hot meal (probably their only free hot meal for the week), and the opportunity to literally prevent themselves from freezing to death. Outside of seeing 3 generations of the Silva family present (yes, Ron's daughter and granddaughter participated), put their heart and soul into this tradition; I was most moved by two interactions with the homeless. First was a single Mom, her sister, toddler son, and 5 year old son. While this event is geared for adults, these 2 kids were present. I asked Ron's daughter and granddaughter if they would like to help me go through the kids stuff we put in the basement for use down the road. They quickly jumped at the opportunity; we got the kids sizes from Mom and started the search. After finding nice warm jackets for these children, I asked Ron's granddaughter "would you like to give these to the boys yourself, and her face lit up". Kid's helping kids was simply beautiful to witness, and the look on Mom's face was priceless. Last but not least, Brother Dave Melander made a special trip to our business meeting last month to make sure his fantastic military issue jacket was donated for someone in need. As I separated out the jackets by size, I kept looking for someone to fit that jacket. Several tried, but failed. Then just as the event was finishing up, and jackets were getting packed away; a man walked into the line that I knew was the perfect fit. I told him not to leave as I went down to the basement, thinking it was already packed away. After 10 minutes, I gave up and went back upstairs for one last look, and sure enough I found it. When he took off his beat up coat, and tried it on – it fit like a glove! He was so thankful to have something that would keep him warm and dry while he rode his bike. It made the hair stand on the back of my neck. Once again, it is experiences like these that make me proud to be a Knight and member of this council. It was the best 2 hours I spent that day. I would encourage each of you to consider volunteering your time next year.

Paul Unpingco

Breakfast With Santa

"HELP NEEDED"

Breakfast with Santa

Setup: 7:30 - 9:30

Food Prep: 8:00 - 9:00

Cooking: 8:30 - 12:00

Pictures with Santa: 9:00 - 1:00

Crafts/Toy Collection: 9:00 - 1:00

CLEAN UP: 12:30 - 2:00

Please call or email me to let me know when you can help.

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Recent Activities

Thanksgiving Basket Delivery—November 2011



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



Knights of Columbus
43rd Annual Crab Feed
at St. Augustine Church Hall
Saturday January 21, 2012
\$40.00 per person

New this year:

Silent Auction &
Limited Raffle

Now Accepting
Credit Cards

Menu
Crab*
Pasta
Green Salad
Rolls



No Host Cocktails
6:00 - 7:30 PM

Dinner
7:00 - 8:30 PM

Crab Served
7:30 - 8:30 PM

Dancing
9:00 - 12:00 AM

For Tickets Contact Brad Schieferstein

Phone: 846-7181

E-mail: crabfeed@comcast.net

Tickets must be purchased by January 15th

No tickets will be sold at the door

* Prawns will be served if crab is unavailable

* Steak available upon request when tickets are purchased

SILENT AUCTION

An important change is going to take place within our Crab Feed social next January. Our First Silent Auction will be implemented and will virtually replace the Raffle. Only three big prizes will be in the raffle. Silent Auctions can be a lot of fun, raise a significant amount of revenue if done properly and fill the working team with a strong sense of satisfaction! Of the many facets needed for a successful Silent Auction, the acquisition of prizes is paramount. Since contacting firms often require months of advance notice, it is not too early to begin.

I am currently assembling a team to solicit prizes via mail as well as in person. If you have the perseverance to face rejection often and not take it personally, you are the type of individual that I'm looking for.

The six charities that will receive all the money we raise are:

St. Mary's Interfaith	Stockton
Alameda Food Bank	Oakland
Open Heart Kitchen	Livermore
Tri Valley Haven	Livermore
Rachel's Vineyard	Boulder
Hope Hospice	Dublin

Two Brothers have stepped forward to help with the acquisition of prizes...Brothers Dave Melander and Ron Hansen. I could use a few more!

The first phase of our Silent Auction will be completed very shortly (Nov. 3). By this time 75 letters will have been mailed to firms inviting them to support the six charities.

We will begin the second and more important phase very shortly by personally calling on the merchants in Dublin, Pleasanton and Livermore. Four knights have signed up so far....but I'm still in need of a few good men. If you're breathing you're qualified! Give me 2-3 hours of your time, when it is convenient for you. I'll supply you with a letter that the merchants will need for a tax deduction and give you a few pointers if you need them.

Another way to help.....Do you have anything of value lying in your closets that you will not be using? A business service you could donate? The use of a summer home that you could offer? Please consider donating it to our Silent Auction and receive a tax deduction. More important, think of how appreciative those six charities will feel when they receive the net proceeds.

Call me and I will pick up your gift at your home or if you're attending one of our meetings please dropped it off there.

If you can help, please contact me - lousantero@yahoo.com or 925.846.5124

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 1st and 3rd Wednesday 3:30 PM - 5 PM each month at St Elizabeth Seton - Room A

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

6th Annual Livermore Council 4588 Retreat



Date: April 20,21,22, 2012

Where: St. Clare's Retreat, Soquel, Ca.

Retreat-Master: Fr. Dominic Briese, O.P.

Theme: "Living In God's Presence, Evangelizing Those Around Us"

OPEN TO ALL

Contact: John Beebe at (925) 216-2639

Notes from the Newsletter Editor

Your comments on the Council website are solicited. Take a look at www.kofc6043.org

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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 District 36. See the District 36 web site at

<https://sites.google.com/site/district36website/>

Prayer List

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

Domenic Natale– Brother of Brother Stephen Natale
Kevin Gooley- Brother-in-Law of Brother Dan Hughes
Gavin McFate– Brother-in-Law of PGK Joseph Balestreri
Nina Balestreri– Daughter of PGK Joe Balestreri
Margarita Dickinson– Friend of Brother Charles Grimes
Zoe Inciong– Friend of Brother Chris Sigua
Theresa Rodriguez– Friend of Brother Jack Barbaccia
William Kim– Father-in-Law of Brother Joseph Hong
Carlo Nardone– Brother-in-Law of Brother Stan Skrzypczak
Travyn Rasiah– Son of Brother Pravin Rasiah
Benjamin Cruz– Son of Brother Anthony Cruz
Jennifer Bettencourt– Daughter of Brother Jim Carpenter
Robert J. Fredette, SR– Father of Brother Rick Fredette
Robert Moore– Father of Brother John Moore
Yrene Guerrero– Friend of Brother Michael Byrns
John Hansen– Brother of Brother Ron Hansen
Stephanie Staufenberg– Niece of Brother Ron Hansen
Rich Mohun– Friend of Brother Ron Hansen
Matt Rossi– Friend of Brother Tom Smith
Sherrie Littlejohn– Friend of Brother Mark Worrell
Gwen Lamb– Friend of Brother Mark Worrell
Susan Usher– Cousin of Brother Mark Worrell
Sgt. Collin Raaz– Friend of Brother John Rabada
Jack Ryan– Friend of Brother John Rabada
Debbie Parker– Friend of Brother John Rabada
Marie Andal– Mother of Dennis Andal
Kevin Ngwanyia– Son of Brother George Ngwanyia
Carole Anderson– Wife of a Brother Knight
Angel Echallas– Cousin of Brother Junior Estrada
Pedio A. Estrada– Father of Brother Junior Estrada
Cecilia Treyes- Aunt of Brother Junior Estrada
Norma Rodriguez– Aunt of Brother Junior Estrada's wife
Allen Fox– Friend of PGK Lou Santero
Winnie Mortenson– Cousin of Brother Dennis Mortenson
Margret Jones—Daughter of PKG Joe Jones
Bell Blanks-Cousin of PGK Joe Jones
Earl Hudson– Friend of PGK Joe Jones
Valerie Jones– Mother of PGK Greg Jones
Lorreta Nnoli– Sister-in-Law of Brother Andy Atuegbu
Rose Nnoli– Sister-in-Law of Brother Andy Atuegbu

John Marcoux– Father of a Friend of John Quinanal
Chris Moe's Father– Friend of Brother John Quintanal
Abby Gabel– Daughter of a Brother Knight
Evelyn Valencia– Dear friend of Brother Alfredo Gatchalian
Mila Bigornia– Dear friend of Brother Alfredo Gatchalian
Jessica Nett– Granddaughter of Brother Tom Egan
Mike Kotch– Son of PGK Mark Kotch
Patricia Jorgensen– Wife of Brother Bill Jorgensen
Joshua Studendorff– Son of Brother Michael Studendorff
Hestor Oliva– Father of Brother Hestor Oliva Jr.
Paul Malino– Father-in-Law of Brother Mike Hewitt
Shirley Hintz– Mother-in-Law of Brother Paul Unpingco
Dave Hintz– Father-in-Law of Brother Paul Unpingco
Segundo Unpingco– Father of Brother Paul Unpingco
Choe Madigan– Friend of Brother Marco Garzon
Dotty Bartelson– Aunt of Brother Tim Tuttle
Julie Steeves– Sister of Brother Tim Tuttle
Kelli Machi– Wife of PGK Mike Machi, sr
Katie Machi- Granddaughter of PGK Mike Machi, sr
PGK Greg Jones' **Mother-in-Law**
PGK Dave Melander
Brother Stephen Howard
Brother Paul Hill
PGK Joe Jones
The Father of Brother Jeff Tichenor
PGK George Leja
Brother Larry Bell– Field Agent
Jesse Stansberry–Past Field Agent
Brian Olivier– Field Agent
Rita Wilson—Sister of Chaplain Fr. Jerry Kennedy

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

SK Jerry Annicchero– Past Grand Knight, Council 6043, 1982-1983 Columbian year
SK Jerry Gandara

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.
For peace throughout the world. (Especially In The Middle East)

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