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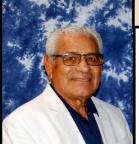
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Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

The month of November was again very busy and no different than most of the months of this year. We have our council meeting every first and third Wednesday of each month. I would like to see more of our brothers attend these meeting so you can see for yourselves how important it is to see what we do.

If you enjoy helping others to fulfill their needs such as the past wheelchair drive and the upcoming ID drive then we need all our brothers in our council's support.

A memorial mass for our fallen brothers was held on November 7, and was presided by Father Anthony. In attendance were two of the widows and a few of our brothers and their wife's. As you can see attendance was very low.

Our council was host in the Degree Ceremonial held on November 6 for two other councils and their incoming new brother knights. Our committee again did a fabulous job in presenting the ceremonial. We got to meet members brothers of other councils together with their respective council officers.

The big weekend for Special Olympics was held on November 16 and 17 at Mile Square park. I was happy to see so many of our council brother Knights in attendance, helping in grilling chicken and hamburgers and also with the distribution of the food to all the Special Olympians. It was a fun weekend meeting other brothers from various councils in Orange County, they were invited to our knights out on the 27th, hope they make it.

Another big weekend of the 23rd and 24th is our ID drive, I know we have been putting out the word for all our brothers to help after every each mass on Saturday and Sunday. In the past years we have been very successful in collecting for the ID drive, again this is not possible without the help of our council brothers.

I am looking forward to this Christmas season and our Christmas party being help at our hall on December 21. Please plan to attend, there will be lots of food decorations and family fun, don't forget to bring an unwrapped new toy.

Thanksgiving is a day we spend with family and friends, I want to send blessing to all our brothers and their families on this glorious Thanksgiving Day.

We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves,

ROMANS 15.1

God.

The earth you have given us is so rich with pleasures and delights that I can forget how not all of your people are able to appreciate it, My gifts and abilities can be used not just for my own enjoyment but that of others. How often so I think about what a friend or family member wants rather than what I want? I ask you to help me think of others, not myself, and to bring the fullness of your creation to everyone. Amen.

Vivat Jesus, SK Arnie Aparicio, GK



Greetings,

My brothers, Advent is here! Yes, that's mean we are talking December once again. As we prepare ourselves for the season of Advent, let us acknowledge that our Brotherhood were bound for the love of Jesus Christ. The Charity bring our heart filled

with Joy. The Fraternity that brings us all together and the Unity that ties us all with love. Let us proclaim the love, the joy, idea of giving and the importance of forgiving. Merry Christmas to all.

We have some events through the end of the year 2024, Let us give attention to our events and programs in-place for our council. Our council have prepared and planned the following event for this month. "1st, 2nd and 3rd degree Exemplication" - Wednesday December 11 at Fennimore Hall; "Poinsettia Sale at Blessed Sacrament Church" – December 14/16; and the family event for this month "KofC 3926 Christmas Party/Toy Drive" Saturday December 21 at Fennimore Hall. Please consider participating with all these events. Also, attend our meeting to get the details of these events.

Aside from these events, our regular meetings, Knights Out, Adoration and other agendas remain in-place with their respective schedule. Again, see our calendar at our website or attend meetings to get more information. Brothers, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to All!....

In Christ, Jess Par DGK, Program Director

Pho Souperbowl



Council 3926 contributed to another successful Faith Formation Pho Souperbowl Fundraiser. Brothers helped the week before, during and the week after the event to setup, operate and clean-up power, electrical, spider boxex, and appliances for the big event. Knights ensured the event went off without a hitch and we were also able to enjoy some great Pho!!!

Knight of the Month

Where there is a need, there is a Knight! This slogan of our Order is exemplified by Brother Chris, who was asked to help with Pulpit talks for ALL 5 of the weekend Vietnamese Masses for our recent ID Drive, Chris responded, "I'll take care of it!" And boy, did he, not only speaking at most, he organized others from the Vietnamese group. Thanks in large to Brother Chris's effort collections at from the Vietnamese Masses were abundant, making for a highly successful ID Drive! Brother Chris is also in the Deaconate formation program, an active leader in the Parish Vietnamese community, and an exemplary Knight. Please join us in thanking and congratulating Chris for this recognition!



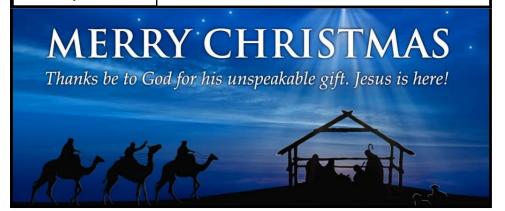
Brother Chris ready to present!

Family of the Month



Brother Daniel and son Hunter are ready to serve!

Council 3926 encourages Families to participate and support all of our events. Our order is family oriented and Brother Knights engaged in Charity, Unity, and Fraternity do so as examples to others and, more importantly, examples to their own family and children. At our biggest event of the month, our annual ID Drive, we were grateful for all the volunteers but was heart-warmed to see family participation! Brother Daniel and his son Hunter were there, Brother Daniel presented the Pulpit talk at the Spanish Mass and Hunter energetically collected donations. The Chavez-Tapia family exemplify our familiar values of Service and Charity. Please join in congratulating this strong service-minded family!





From the Insurance Agent Brother Jose Cisneros

Brothers,

As Knights, we emphasize the importance of keeping Christ in Christmas. In fact, keeping Christ at the center of everything we do is a year-round mission. Whenever we serve our parish or community, we serve Christ. I also see my service to families as a way to honor him. When I sit

down with a family and help them ensure their financial protection, I am serving his Church. I think about this often, and as I look back on the year – reminiscing on all of the relationships I have made with Knights and the security I have helped provide them and their families, I am incredibly grateful.

Now, I ask you – as we close out 2024 and as you spend additional time with your family, consider how any changes from the past year might affect your life insurance portfolio. Even joyous occasions like buying a new house or sending a kid to college this fall can impact your insurance needs. Are you certain your current coverage is adequate and up to date? What would your family's financial situation be this time next year if the unimaginable happened to you or your spouse?

If your answers to these questions are not certain, I encourage you to set up time to meet with me. Let's work together to create a plan that would not only help protect your family but give you the peace of mind and security you all deserve.

Meanwhile, may you each have a holy and peaceful Christmas season with your loved ones. Let's continue to focus on Jesus through the end of this year.

And let's pray for one another — especially for those who may be struggling in any way during the holidays.

If there is any way I can offer help, please reach out to me.

Thank you. Merry Christmas!

Jose Cisneros

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Knights Fraternal Benefits

Aside from the numerous personal rewards that come from being a Knight, there are many substantial rewards. See the link for a list of updated member benefits available to all Knights, including no cost insurance coverage.

https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/for-members/2773-member-benefits.pdf



Financial Secretary

My Brother Knights of Council 3926, just a reminder that invoices for your annual dues have been sent. Please let me know if you didn't receive yours. Do take advantage of our Early Bird Drawing by paying your dues before the end of the year — you may just win your dues back!

I wish to thank the Council, you all, and our officers for a financially good year, with our Fireworks and having conducted several fundraising events the Council finances are healthy and in great shape. Being financially sound allows the Council to conduct all of the activities and events that foster our core values of Charity, Unity and Fraternity!

As we end the year I want to wish you all a Blessed and Joyous Christ-mas celebrating the Birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ with your friends, family and loved ones! May the New Year bring you great joy, happiness and prosperity! In Christ and Service, Brother Kien, FS, PGK



Compass Club Annual Meeting/Elections

Brothers,

On Dec. 18th 2024, 2nd Wed. of the Month, the Compass Club will hold its Annual Meeting after the Council Business Meeting. In addition to discussing recent activities, Election for 2025 will be held. The recommended slate of Directors and Officers are:

<u>Directors</u>		<u>O1</u>	fficers
Jose Marquez	(1-Year)		
Adam Nguyen	(1-Year)	President:	Chris Langness
Al Morales	(1-Year)	Vice Pres:	Arnold Aparicio
Arnold Aparicio	(1-Year)	Treasurer:	Kien Le
Tom Nguyen	(2-Year)	Secretary:	Ben Holokai
Erasmo Yanez	(2-Year)	COO/Hall Mgr:	Al Morales
Herman Godinez	(2-Year)	Bar Manager:	Al Morales
David Subia	(2-Year)		
Kien Le	(3-Year)		
Ben Holokai	(3-Year)		
Chris Langness	(3-Year)		
Mario Martinez	(3-Year)		



Council 3926 Annual Christmas Party Pot Luck

Saturday, December 21, 2024
Fennimore Hall
7836 Westminster Ave.

and have an evening of Christmas Cheer at the Council hall! Pot Luck Dinner at 7:00 Holiday Entrée will be provided Suggested Dishes to Share

Bring the whole family

A—J: Salad K—R: Dessert

S—Z: Vegetable Side

Santa will arrive after dinner with a small favor Don't forget an unwrapped new toy Toys will be given to local children in need.



Poinsettias

Beautiful 6.5" Poinsettia Plants December 14 and 15, 2024



At Blessed Sacrament Church after all Masses For your Christmas Decorations or for the Church

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Serving the Intellectually Disabled



Successful ID Drive



Knights out in Numbers

Brother Daniel eloquent at the Pulpit

Council 3926 hosted our annual ID Drive (aka Tootsie Roll Drive) the weekend of Nov. 23 & 24. Thanks to the many Brother and volunteers and family who came out and supported our annual drive, especially those who delivered pulpit talks, those who labored the entire weekend. We would also like to acknowledge the love and support of our Fr. Anthony, our Clergy and the generosity of the Parish Community! All funds will support ID programs right here in Orange County and our Diocese, like the Special Olympics Fall Games at Miles Square Park last weekend, Day of Sharing and many other programs. A worthwhile cause helping those who cannot help themselves.

Catholic Daughters, family, friends, and many Volunteers made for a successful fundraiser



Know Your Faith

- Q: The Magi brought baby Jesus in the manger gifts of Gold, Frankincense, and
 - A. Pampers
 - B. Myrrh
 - C. Nard
 - D. Bitter herbs
 - E. Hyssop



(Answer on page 10)

SICK AND DISTRESS LIST





Elmar Bonifacio, RIP	Caroline Kampmann	Tre Le
Peter Debrincat, RIP	Joan Langness	Maria Marquez
Ka Lai Chung-Niino, RIP	Chris Langness	Kathy Adamson

An Tran, RIP Pat Murach
Dave Maurer, RIP John Belise

Rebecca Nguyen Mai Vu

Ada Rodriguez

Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney Pray for us



*** Happy Birthday! ***



December

Rev. Rudolph Preciado Phong V. Le Ed A. Yanez

Mario A. Martinez Hai Tran Enrico R. Estrella

James A. Miller Joseph M. Landeis Gerhard Neyenhuizen

Federico F. Rodriguez Jesus M. Par Hector Herrera



In observance of the New Year falling on the 1st Wednesday of Jan, our regular Dinner and General Meeting is cancelled.



Council 3926 wishes All a Happy and Prosperous New Year

Special Olympics Fall Games



Council 3926 was pleased to be invited this year to support the Special Olympics Fall games at Mile Square Park (thank you to Worthy District Warden Andy). It was a griller's paradise as our event grill was certainly put to good use! A District Event led by PSD Steve Bolton, along with several local councils we grill 2300 chicken sandwiches (Sat) and 2300 burgers (Sun) feeding the all the athletes, their sponsors, family and the many volunteers all weekend long. We also enjoyed tremendous brotherhood with Knights from local councils (Shout-Out to GK Jason from Holy Spirit Council!). Special thank to Brother Jose for providing a coffee bar for all the volunteers! A truly inspiring weekend and we've been invited to support the Spring Games in May!

Brothers Jes, Chris, Jose and GK Arnie grilling away, with Brother AI supervising!



Background and History Q&A

- Q: The Magi brought baby Jesus in the manger gifts of Gold, Frankincense, and
- A: The correct answer is:
 - B. Myrrh



Myrrh is mentioned 11 times in the Old Testament. Its Hebrew roots word, mor, is "bitter." It was often used as one of the spices for embalming the dead, which is why it contributes to the mystery of the gifts to the infant Jesus – gold for a king, frankincense for the holy sacrifice, and myrrh for the burial.

(from Inquizion by Patrick Madrid)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Refer to kofc3926.org/calendar/ for changes and updates.

December 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4 Dinner & Bus Mtg/ Frat. Bene- fits Night	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Degree Ceremonial	12	13	14 Poinsettia Sales/Hall Dec.
15 Poinset- tia Sales	16	17 Adoration	18 Officer & Bus Mtg/ Compass Club Elect.	19	20	21 KoC Christmas Party
22	23	24	25 Merry Christmas	26	27	28
29 Corporate Communion	30	31				

January 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 HAPPL NEW YEAR	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 Degree Ceremonial	9	10	11 Hall Maintenance
12	13	14	15 Officer & Bus Mtg	16	17 Adora- tion	18
19	20	21	22 Knight's Night Out	23	24	25
26 Pancake Breakfast	27	28	29 Family Rosary	30	31	