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Grand Knight's Report



Worthy Brother Knights,

During this Lenten season, let us follow the commandant that our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ left us;

¹²This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. John 15:12

Keep in prayer always and see the face of Christ in everyone you see, especially your family and our Brother Knights.

Three brothers transferred to our council on Thursday, February 11, 2010. The membership voted to approve the transfers. Congratulations to Brother Jimmy S Elizondo, Brother Alberto M Gauna, and Brother John Godoy.

Free Throw Basketball competition was held at Neil Armstrong Elementary on Saturday February 13, 2010. Present were Andres De La Garza, Mike Kaiser, Fidencio Gomez, Guillermo "Bill" Cano, and your Grand Knight Fernando Herrera.

The Sweetheart Dance on Sunday February 14, 2010 was successful. Gary Hanson and the River City Wranglers were a great hit with those in attendance. Special recognition goes to SK Otis Rankin for chairing the Sweetheart Dance. Although the attendance at the dance was low we managed to break even, special merits to SK Don Hodgson and Lady Mary Hodgson, SK Leo Romanelli and Lady Phyllis Pompei, for their support in helping the Ladies Auxiliary President Lady Odilia Herrera decorate the hall. Cheers to SK Oscar Gutierrez, Lady Pia Gutierrez, SK Don Hodgson, Lady Mary Hodgson, SK Alfredo Pacheco, Lady Margaret Pacheco for their door prizes and liquor bottle raffle donations and a special thanks to SK Joseph Miller and Lady Mar-

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Chaplain's Message



My dear brothers Knights, this month the first call is to conversion, a word that must be taken in its extraordinary seriousness, discovering the amazing novelty it contains.

The call to conversion, in fact, uncovers and denounces the easy superficiality that very often characterizes our way of living. To be converted means to change direction along the way of life -- not for a slight adjustment, but a true and total change of direction. Conversion is to go against the current, where the "current" is a superficial lifestyle, inconsistent and illusory, which often draws us, controls us and makes us slaves of evil, or in any case prisoners of moral mediocrity. With conversion, instead, one aims to the lofty measure of Christian life; we are entrusted to the living and personal Gospel, which is Christ Jesus. His person is the final goal and the profound meaning of conversion; he is the way which we are called to follow in life, allowing ourselves to be illumined by his light and sustained by his strength that moves our steps. In this way conversion manifests its most splendid and fascinating face: It is not a simple moral decision to rectify our conduct of life, but it is a decision of faith, which involves us wholly in profound communion with the living and concrete person of Jesus. To be converted and to believe in the Gospel are not two different things or in some way closely related, but rather, they express the same reality. Conversion is the total "yes" of the one who gives his own existence to the Gospel, responding freely to Christ, who first offered himself to man

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as Way, Truth and Life, as the one who frees and saves him. While we hasten to undertake the austere Lenten journey, we want to invoke with particular confidence the protection and help of the Virgin Mary. May she, the first believer in Christ, be the one who accompanies us in these 40 days of intense prayer and sincere penance, to be able to celebrate, purified and completely renewed in mind and spirit, the great mystery of her Son's Easter ■ Fr. Agustin

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garet "Peggy" Miller for the beautiful St Valentine's Day cake, this was raffled during the dance. A special acknowledgment goes to Brother Mike Kaiser, Brother Fidencio Gomez, Brother Rosenbert Hernandez and his wife Hilda for volunteering their time in serving the customers at the counter. Thanks to SK Sherman Miller and Lady Connie Miller for bring some of the Hors d'oeuvre.

On March 7, 2010 the Council will hold a Bar-B-Q. Plates are \$6.00 ea. serving time is from 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm at the hall. Please contact Mike Kaiser at 210-882-2378, David Ramon at 210-673-1252, or Fernando Herrera at 210-673-0522 for tickets.

On ~~March 21~~ April 18 at 6pm we will be hosting our annual Founder's Day and Workers appreciation dinner. All members and spouses who are actively involved in council, community, and church activities are invited. Plans are to have the meal catered. RSVP Juan Garza at 674-3346 by ~~March 15~~ April 11, 2010.

Financial Secretary's Report



I would like to thank the members for the timely submission of annual surveys of individual activities. The report to Supreme Council indicated a good number of knights live up to our fraternal commitment. Report summary shows 494 visits to the sick and bereaved, 22 blood donors and 8,355 hours of volunteer service in church, community, habitat for humanity, and youth activities. Charitable disbursements to church, community, and youth programs for the year totaled \$9,369.00.

The semi-annual audit was also completed and submitted on February 10. Thanks to GK Fernando Herrera and trustees, Larry Espree, Oscar Gutierrez, Leo Romanelli, and Treasurer, Oscar Valdez for their timely response.

A "not so pleasant note" - as of February 22, we still have 64 brother knights who have not paid their 2010 annual dues. Please keep your membership current.

Juan Garza, FS

Ladies Auxiliary

I personally want to thank you for attendance at our regular meeting on Thursday, February 18th; it was a very productive and positive meeting.

Congratulations to Carol Rankin who officially became a member of the Ladies Auxiliary.

Our membership is getting smaller as each year progresses. Please ask your friends if they want to join our Ladies Auxiliary. Our by-laws state that any Christian lady in good standing that abides by our laws, and Christian teachings can join the Ladies Auxiliary.

The ladies have voted to help the Knights on their March 7th B-B-Q fundraiser by donating monies to help defray the cost of incidentals. Additionally, our Ladies Auxiliary voted to support the 4th Annual Spaghetti Dinner Fundraise on April 11th by donating door prizes and Carol Rankin will donate bottles of wine to be sold with the spaghetti dinner.

Keep in prayer our ladies who are sick or in distress and their husbands who are sick or hospitalized. Pray for Stella Garcia's husband Oscar, Elsie Johnson's husband Ray, and Annabelle Gonzales's husband Richard, and Connie Miller's husband Sherman. Keep our sister Peggy Miller in special prayer.

Odilia E Herrera, President

Wedding Anniversaries

03-07 Richard D & Annabelle Gonzales,
03-10 Andres R & Cynthia De La Garza
03-16 Christopher & Joyce Von Allmen
03-18 Julio B & Mary E Hernandez

Birthdays

03-02 Paul Mendoza	0320 Cruzberto Munoz
03-06 Dieudonne Jaosidy	03-22 Marcelino Acosta Jr.
03-08 Joseph Shields	03-24 Tony Santacroce
03-09 Wayne A Sheppard	03-25 Henry Karpf
03-09 Rosenbert A. Hernandez	03-26 Harry P Klein
03-12 Fernando Herrera Jr.	03-28 Bonifacio Hernandez III
03-13 Kirby C Whitehead	03-28 Rosinaldo Cruz
03-13 Andres R DeLaGarza	03-30 Frank G Reyna
03-14 William A Ramos	03-31 Reynaldo Rios
03-19 George L Stout	

If we have failed to mention your name it is because our records are not up to date. Please call Juan Garza at 674-3346 to update your records and to report telephone number and address changes.



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MARCH 2010

*Together
 Everyone
 Achieves
 More*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5 7pm Game Night Kitchen Team 4 Bake Team 1	6
7	8	9	10 7pm Mass 7:30 Assembly 2040 Meeting	11 6:30pm Confessions 7pm Mass 7:30 Council 5262 General Meeting	12 7pm Game Night Kitchen Team 3 Bake Team 2	13
14 Daylight Saving Time Begins	15	16 7pm Game Night Kitchen Team	17 7pm Chapter Meeting	18 7pm Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	19 7pm Game Night Kitchen Team 4 Bake Team 3	20
21 6pm Founder's Day Workers Apprecia- tion Dinner Moved to April 18th	22 Articles for April issue of Knight Beat are due	23	24	25 PACE	26 7pm Game Night Kitchen Team 3 Bake Team 4	27 Major Degree at Ho- ly Trinity
28 <i>Palm Sunday</i>	29 6pm Charities Cmte Meeting Nominations for Knight/ Family are due	30	31 7pm Columbus Club Meeting; 8:15pm Officers Meeting	1 <i>Holy Thursday</i>	2 <i>Good Friday</i>	3 <i>Holy Saturday</i>

Pray the Rosary



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On April 11, 2010 we are holding a Spaghetti

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Dinner Fundraiser, dine-in or take-out, with an all you can eat salad bar. Glass of wine will be \$2.00 and a standard (75 ml) bottle of wine – \$10.00. Plates are \$6.00 ea. serving time is from 12:00 noon to 3:00 or 4:00 pm, depending on attendance. Your support is needed. Please contact our chairman, Leo Romanelli at 210-618-1500 or co-chairman Don Hodgson at 210-674-0489 for tickets.

Brothers, I am asking for your support in chairing, promoting, and selling tickets for these events.

The monies collected go towards various projects, like the Religious Appreciation Banquet, sponsoring a seminarian, church charities (St Vincent De Paul, Divine Providence, Our Lady Queen of Peace), St Peter's/St Joseph's Children's Home, council scholarship awards, chapter support, Habitat for Humanity, Deaf Charity, Right to Life and other worthwhile and charitable organizations.

The San Antonio Archdioceses Chapter is sponsoring a fundraiser for Bishop Thomas Flanagan Habitat

for Humanity at Council #4140, Camp Bullis Rd, on Friday, June 25, 2010. It's a reverse raffle where you could win \$5,000.00, \$1000.00 or \$500.00; need not be present to win. Also you get a steak dinner for two and free beer and wine all for \$100.00 per couple. Call the Grand Knight for tickets at 210-673-0522.

Forty (40) day pro-life vigil campaign begun on February 17th, make plans to attend at least two vigils.

Tootsie Roll drive is on the 10th of April, this is an easy way to raise charitable funds.

Pray for our Brothers who are sick or in distress especially for Brother Tomas Botello, Brother Richard D Gonzales, Brother Amado Gonzales, Brother Freeman Sattelmaier, Brother Oscar Garcia, Brother Ray Johnson, Felix Aguilar, Pat DeFrees, and Nell Harrison. Keep in special prayer our brothers who are in the military, Brother Rosenbert Hernandez US Coast Guard, Bro William Ramos US Army, Jack Warren US Air Force, Grandson of SK Don & Nancy Smallwood, Amanda Smith US Army, Granddaughter of SK Walt & Lady Hughen, Brother MSgt Omar Hernandez US Air Force, Brother Capt. Daniel Bates US Air Force, and Brother TSgt Reuben Rendon Jr. US Air Force Reserve.