

Knights of Columbus

Goleta Valley Council 5300

St. Raphael's Church, Goleta, California

Newsletter

April 2018 – May 2018

Date	Event	Time/Place
April 2, 2018	Officer's Meeting	8:00 pm, Admn Conf Rm
April 8, 2018	Pancake Breakfast/Blood Drive	8:00 – 11:00 Parish Hall
April 9, 2018	Business Meeting	7:30 pm – 9:00 pm P/H
April 16, 2018	4 th Degree Dinner/Business Mtg.	7:00 pm – 9:00 pm P/H
April 24, 2018	New Officer Training, St. Joseph	7:00 pm- 9:00 pm Carp.
May 7, 2018	Officer's Meeting	8:00 pm, Admn Conf Rm
May 13, 2018	Business Meeting	7:30 pm – 9:00 pm P/H
May 21, 2018	4 th Degree Dinner/Business Mtg.	7:00 pm – 9:00 pm P/H
May 26, 2018	Memorial Day Picnic-Tucker's	1:30 pm – 5:00 pm #1

Tribute to Walter Swiacki – Rich Scholl – 3/19/2018

The Lord's blessings and greetings to the Swiacki family, clergy of St. Peter Claver parish, parishoners and fellow Knights of Columbus. I am representing Goleta Valley Council 5300 of the Knights of Columbus and Junipero Serra Assembly no. 44, the 4th degree branch of the Santa Barbara area Knights of Columbus.

Walter was widely known to be untiring in support of his family, his church, his community, our order, and his nation. He was considered by our Knights to be an exemplar of our Order's values of fraternity, unity, charity and patriotism. I can personally say that his work lives on in Boy Scout Troop 105 of which I am the Assistant Scoutmaster. Where would we be today if men in the past did not get involved and start good programs for youth?

Therefore in gratitude and celebration of his years of knightly service, the Junipero Serra Assembly has commissioned this chalice and paten memorialized in his name. It will be used to hold the precious body and blood of our Lord, Jesus, in the holy sacrifice of the Mass. It will be sent to St. John's Seminary in Camarillo of our diocese and presented soon to a new deacon in formation for the priesthood.

The Knights of our Council and Assembly salute Walter as a prime example of a Catholic gentleman and we are proud to have had him among us.

Editor's Note – Walter was one of the Charter Members for Council 5300. While he had transferred his membership to Simi Valley, he was still a member of Junipero Serra Assembly 44, 4th Degree.

Clergy Appreciation Dinner Thank You – Rich Scholl

On Friday, January 31 Council 5300 hosted the annual Clergy and Religious Appreciation Dinner. There were 43 clergy and religious in attendance to appreciate, which made the occasion very memorable. Msgr. Jon Majarucon gave the invocation. Msgr. Michael Jennett from San Roque and Fr. John Hardin from the Old Mission each gave brilliant talks on the meaning of our faith, and Jim Harrison and Elli from the Fellowship of Catholic University Students gave a presentation on their missionary work at UCSB. During the social time it was discovered that one Franciscan brother is a 3rd degree Knight and a novice is 3rd degree plus 3 times a Past Grand Knight. Also one of the FOCUS missionaries is a Past Grand Knight. A total of 125 dinner attendees partook of the elegant roast pork loin meal prepared by Dan Feeney and his crew of Jim Bradbury, Dave Wright, and Mike Mc Donald. Attendees also appreciated the hall hospitality of Evelina Curzan and her crew of Mary Spear, Mary Faria, Judy McCartney, and Melinda Torres. Additional thanks to Maria Cabrera and Mary Arnoult for decorations, Bill Fuhrer and Chris Arnoult for ticket sales and hall setup, Felix and Julie Sanchez for bar duty, Maria Lopez and 6 St. Raphael's youth group students for dinner service, Bob Marks and Mario Cervantes for welcoming guests, and Rich Scholl for emcee duty and clergy and religious invitations. Capable hands working all the aspects of the evening's production made for a fitting tribute for our clergy and religious.

Lenten Fish Fries – A big **THANK YOU** to all that have helped make this year's Lenten Fish Fries a big success. As this is being written, attendance has been no less than 200 people and the compliments we have been getting have been very effusive. Without all your help we would not have been able to make this a success. We are looking to repeating the October Fish Fry this year, so stay tuned.

District Deputy Message

There will be a new officer training session at St. Joseph's Church, in Carpinteria, on April 24th at 7:00 pm. This session is for the new officers coming in to office for the next Columbian Year, excluding the Financial Secretary whose training will be done separately, date and time unknown as of this writing.

The “On-line Membership” has started in an effort to reach out to the “Millennials” and draw them in to the Knights of Columbus. Details on how this will work out with regard to having them take part in meetings without having completed the “Admissions Degree”, and other things are a bit sketchy at the moment.

St. Joseph Church in Carpinteria will have a recruitment drive in May in an effort to revive the Hispanic Council there.

Visit with Seminarian Louie Reyes – For the last couple of years we have been providing some support to our Brother Knight Louie Reyes and some of the Knights recently visited him at Mission San Buenaventura to see how he is getting along. DD Ed Barrier, Rich Scholl and Jack Turney spent about an hour with him and he mentioned that he has 2 more years to go before being ordained. Louie also expressed his appreciation for the monies that he has been receiving from the Knights, both the Council and Assembly. Without these monies he would not have very much to live on. He will be returning to St. John’s Seminary in July and remain there until ordination.

Trustee Report:

In May the Trustees have to come up with a slate of officers for the next Columbian Year and we are looking for candidates to back up Brother Bob Marks, who is slated to be the next Grand Knight. The key positions needed are Deputy Grand Knight and Chancellor. If you have filled those positions previously, please prayerfully consider “re-upping” for another term and help bring newer members up through the ranks so that they can fill these important positions.

Up Coming Birthdays:

April		May	
Raymond Hussey	2	Thomas Hanson	2
Rev. Juan Ruiz	4	Rev Lucio Juarez	6
Nicholas Vitalari	4	Isidro Muro	6
Frank Castelo	12	Albert Moriarty	8
Richard Bilski	19	Paul Christiansen	9
James Bradbury	21	Ricardo Roberto	12
John McLafferty	22	Paul Strittmatter	12
David De Ponce	28	Frank Pineda	13
Augusto Pravia	28	Bradford Gosney	17
		Frank Donohoe	18
		Juan Navarro	24
		Artemio Garcia	25

Please keep in your prayers the following:

Teresa Barrier, wife of SK Ed Barrier

Lee Alfano

Ken Kuether

Sharon Donohoe daughter of Frank Donohoe and sister of Patrick Donohoe

Fr. Lucio's mother, Rosa

SK Al Meckelborg

Julie Mooy

Rueben Sanchez

Christian Franzen, nephew of Deacon Wayne

Terry Pugh, wife of SK Earl Pugh

Sr. Teresa Meza, sister of SK Jose Meza

SK Jose Meza's wife, Maria

Enrique Franco, nephew of Jose Meza

Hannah Fay R Salupen

Larry Torres

Livia Dordero

Anita Pullens, sister-in-law of SK Feliz Sanchez

Manual Cabrera and his spouse, brother and sister-in-law of Francisco Cabrera

Fr. Frank Colburn

John Bravo

Mario Huerto Cervantes – son of GK Mario Cervantes

Julian Cervantes, brother of GK Mario Cervantes

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