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## **FIRST DEGREE**

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On Monday, February 11, 2 new Brother Knights joined our Council: Brothers Jorge Haro and Richard Temple. Congratulations to both Knights! It is an honor to have you as part of the Knights.

## **GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

*By Francisco Cabrera, Grand Knight*



### **Food for Thought**

Dear fellow Brother Knights of Columbus,

Lent is a call to conversion. One way the church proposes this conversion is by Fasting. Here are some reasons why Fast & Abstinence is followed during Lent. Throughout the Old and New Testaments, God clearly reveals to His people the need for fasting. Jesus, Our Lord, in the Gospel, taught that after He would ascend into heaven, His disciples must fast. The Holy Apostles clearly kept every Wednesday and Friday as days of fast and abstinence, as mentioned in the book of Acts. Fasting is not extraordinary - for the Christian it is a regular aspect of the spiritual life.

Fasting is depriving the body of food from midnight till noon. For the Christian, the hunger that results is a real call to be mindful of our thirst for God. It is a call to identify with the poor, whom God loves especially. It is a way for us, as mature men and women to rule our

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**Program Director's Report**  
*By Dan Knauss, Deputy Grand Knight*

Someone once said that to recognize the signs of God, pay attention to your stirrings. Look closely when you feel the swell of joy within, or the tightness as your throat closes up in sorrow. Live in that moment, poke around in its corners, and feel the texture of its walls. Sit with it for awhile, long enough to sense the presence of God sitting with you.

For many of us, this attention falls in the realm of discipline. We are so consumed with the goings-on around us that slowing down and looking inward requires a determined act of will. For Christians, Lent is a time to do exactly that.

Beginning 40 days before Easter, Lent has traditionally been a time of looking inward, a time of self-evaluation and self-examination in order to identify one's sins and go through a process of repentance and renewal. Many Christians have fasted during portions of Lent, others have found ways to mark the days by "giving up" something that is particularly delightful to them, even if not sinful. For some, it's giving up sweets or red meat, for others cigarettes or alcohol, habits which oftentimes are picked up again when Easter rolls around.

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**March, 2008**

- 03/03/08 Monday K of C Officers' Meeting, 8:00 PM
- 03/07/08 Friday Lenten Fish Fry, 6 to 8 PM-St. Raphael's Hall
- 03/07/08 Friday 24-Hour Adoration
- 03/09/08 Sunday Pancake Breakfast after 7:30 and 9:30 AM Masses/Blood Drive
- 03/10/08 Monday K of C 5300 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
- 03/14/08 Friday Lenten Fish Fry, 6 to 8 PM-St. Raphael's Hall
- 03/21/08 Friday Good Friday
- 03/23/08 Sunday Easter Sunday/Easter Parking
- 03/29/08 Saturday Founder's Day
- 03/30/08 Sunday Corporate Communion

**April, 2008**

- 04/04/08 Friday 24-Hour Adoration
- 04/07/08 Monday K of C Officers' Meeting, 8:00 PM
- 04/14/08 Monday K of C 5300 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
- 04/28/08 Monday Past Grand Knights' Party

**May, 2008**

- 05/02/08 Friday 24-Hour Adoration
- 05/05/08 Monday K of C Officers' Meeting, 8:00 PM
- 05/11/08 Sunday Pancake Breakfast after 7:30 and 9:30 AM Masses/Mother's Day Orchids
- 05/12/08 Monday K of C 5300 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
- 05/26/08 Monday Memorial Day Picnic – Tucker's Grove



**District Deputy's Report**  
*Stephen Schlesselmann, District 61*

**A Spiritual Thought**

We will be celebrating the Easter Triduum this year from Holy Thursday, March 20 to Easter Sunday, March 23. We will be focused on Christ's suffering and death just as we should be every day of our lives. As **St. Josemaria de Balaguer** states in the Way: "Jesus came to the Cross, after having prepared himself for thirty-three years, all his life! His disciples, if they really want to imitate him, have to convert their existence into a co-redemption of Love, with their own active and passive self-denial." (page 340 of the **Way/Furrow/the Forge by St. Josemaria de Balaguer**).

As I am writing this report, I have just returned from the annual Chapter Dinner in Ventura. The dinner was a low key affair but very nice. Our State Deputy, Jim Scroggin, was the keynote speaker and spoke about a variety of issues. Brother Jim stated that he wants the Knights to focus on three main goals: membership, fraternal protection (insurance) and charitable projects such as the MR drive, wheelchair distribution, Special Olympics, etc. Brother Jim also asked that we make every effort to support Columbian Charities. Columbian Charities' funds are depleted right now since \$140,000 was given to the victims of last year's wildfires. Our immediate PCP, John Bravo, was the honoree at the dinner and was given a nice plaque in appreciation for all his hard work as last year's Chapter President.

**Degrees:**

A few degrees took place over the last month (as of this writing there are none planned for the next month):

- 1) Council 5300 hosted a 1<sup>st</sup> Degree on Monday, February 11, 2008. Two new Brother Knights joined our Order that evening: Brothers Jorge Haro and Dick Temple.

- 2) Council 1684 hosted a 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree on Wednesday, February 20, 2008. 3 Brother Knights took the degree: Brothers Mat Najera and Paul Maxwell of Council 1684 and Brother Alex Rodriguez of Council 5300.
- 3) There was a 1<sup>st</sup> degree at Council 10067 in Saticoy on Wednesday, February 27. 3 new Brother Knights joined our Order that night.
- 4) The 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree that was scheduled for February at Mary Star of the Sea was cancelled.

Congratulations to all of our Brother Knights who took their 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> in February!

**Programs:**

Council 1684 hosted a very nice Valentine's dinner on February 13. The dinner was prepared by Brother Renato Moiso (Council 5300) and his helpers from Via Maestra restaurant. The food was delicious. After the meal, DGK Mark Wietstock asked several married Knights in attendance to share their stories about their first date. Some of the stories and some of the comments were hilarious. All of you Brother Knights who didn't attend, should make your plans to do so next year. Council 1684 is also hosting various blitz drives at the Churches in Santa Barbara from whom they draw their members.

Council 5300 has been very busy during the month of February with their fish fries (every Friday during Lent). From what I have been told, the dinners have been very popular and are doing very well. The fish fries will continue in March until Lent is over (except for Good Friday). Also, on March 9, Council 5300 will have a Blood Drive, Pancake Breakfast and, in conjunction with Los Guadalupanos, will prepare a Barbeque in order to raise funds to assist several youth from the parish who are planning on attending World Youth Day in Sydney, Australia.

Council 10067 (Saticoy) also held their Valentine's Dinner/Dance on February 16. The event was sold out. The food was delicious and the band (House Arrest) was very good. It was one of the liveliest KC events I've ever attended. Earlier in the month, Council 10067 held a Tri-Tip Barbeque sale after all the Masses on Super Bowl Sunday.

Finally, Council 13756 (Carpinteria) continues to be busy with projects around the church. The council also is hosting a weekly soup and meditation event on all the Fridays of Lent.

**Other Notes:**

- 1) Right now, the district is at 59% of membership and 75% of insurance. We have a long way to go with membership and already 2/3 of the fraternal year is over. Brothers, we can do better! Let's get those candidates who have filled out Form 100s into a first degree. Let's step up our efforts to invite our fellow Catholics into our Order. Remember, it is every Knight's responsibility to recruit.
- 2) The next Chapter meeting is on Wednesday, March 5 in Ventura. Every Brother Knight is more than welcome to attend. The Grand Knights and Deputy Grand Knights are especially encouraged to do so.
- 3) I recently received a letter from the State asking if I would be interested in continuing as the District Deputy for the 2008-2009 Columbian Year. I answered in the affirmative. The state still has to make their final decision in April so I'll keep you posted. Ultimately, it is up to you Brother Knights if you want me to continue serving you as your District Deputy for another year. Please let me know.
- 4) The discussion regarding Bishop Lori's article in the Columbia will be fully implemented in March (it has gotten off to a slow start). Every member who attends the meetings is expected to have read the article. There are discussion questions at the end of each article and we will be discussing those questions for about 10 minutes.
- 5) As stated for the last few months, from December 1 to April 20, 2008, all new first degree Brother Knights will be listed in a special book that Supreme Knight Carl Anderson will present to Pope Benedict XVI when the Pope visits the United States in April. All new first degree Brother Knights who take their first degree between December 1 and June 30, 2008 will be presented with a limited edition certificate acknowledging their joining the Knights during the 125<sup>th</sup> year of our Order.

Finally, the Knight's recruiter will receive a minted medallion acknowledging their efforts.

- 6) Please be sure to visit the K of C's website ([www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)) when you get a chance for up to date information about what the Order is doing at the national level. You will find a link to our Supreme Knight's new book "A Civilization of Love". Orders are being taken for it right now.
- 7) Just a reminder: the State Convention is coming up from May 15 to May 18. Make your plans now to attend. All Grand Knights and Deputy Grand Knights should be there. It is a great chance to meet fellow Brother Knights, build friendships and witness how the State works. It is also a great chance to meet some of the Supreme officers such as Emilio Moure. Last May, we had the privilege of hearing and meeting Carl Anderson!
- 8) We have been asked by the State to get behind the "California One Man, One Woman Marriage Initiative" by collecting signatures for the initiative on petition forms that can be obtained by filling out a request form at [www.onemanonewoman08.org](http://www.onemanonewoman08.org). The deadline for submitting signatures is April 1, 2008.
- 9) Please make sure to continue praying for the repose of the soul of Ernie Guzman's (Council 10067) sister who died recently.

If you have any questions or need any assistance, you can contact me at (805) 968-9440 or by email at [sjschlesselmann@cox.net](mailto:sjschlesselmann@cox.net).



***Report of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree***  
*SK Cherif Khoury, Faithful Navigator*

Worthy Sirs,

I would like to express my gratitude and thanks to all who volunteered at the polling places we adopted in the February primary elections. Your volunteering demonstrated your true citizenship and patriotism by loyally serving God and our beloved nation indivisible Under God. It is in unity that we

demonstrate our patriotic values. Please make yourselves available for the June 3, 2008 state and county wide election as your valuable services will be definitely needed again.

I would like to thank all of the businesses who donated refreshments for all our precincts workers. To name just a few: Starbucks, Anna's and Jeanine bakeries, Woodstock's, Rusty's, McDonalds, Trader Joes, Ralph's, Vons and Albertson's. We certainly appreciate their support for our mission of charity.

At our February dinner meeting, we honored all our past Faithful Navigators and recognized their leadership and continuing support to the Assembly through the years. It was very appropriate as our nation celebrated Presidents Day as well. With all humility put aside and to the best of his memory, with a few jokes added, every PFN had a chance to recap the Assembly accomplishment during his year at the helm. It is due to their devoted servitude that our Assembly has flourished to the point of being labeled the best one in the State. Thank you Past Faithful Navigators for all you have done and continue to do to glorify God and the nation.

Richard Temple, a retired engineer and manager at Delco, who just joined our order, was our guest speaker. He quizzed the audience about famous presidents' sayings. It was a thrill especially when we all passed with an A+. Dick pointed out the similarity between the Rotary Club, which he served as District President, and the Knights of Columbus. It was an honor to be compared to such a reputable international organization in regard to the scope of charitable projects both organizations entertain. We look forward to seeing Richard joining the Assembly and taking a leadership role by next year.

Frank Mackey, PFN presented a certificate of appreciation on behalf of the Marine Corps League to the Assembly for "Loyalty and Patriotism to Our Country." That loyalty and patriotism were both exemplified by providing monetary assistance to the Marine Corps League project for sending needed articles to troops in the war zone.

The central district at the February 16 meeting has nominated 3 candidates for the position of Master. Supreme will nominate one of these candidates for the Master position which will be vacated by our outgoing Master Manuel Lima.

Please keep our hope and dream that the new Master will hold an Exemplification on the central coast in the future.

Saint Patrick's, patron saint of Ireland, Feast Day is always celebrated on March 17. This year, it falls on the day of our regular Assembly Monday dinner meeting. Our ladies are invited and will be treated to a nice catered Irish dinner and entertainment at the Santa Barbara Old Mission Friars dining room. The cost is \$20 per person. Please RSVP no later than Thursday, March 13 to Cherif at phone # 569-2149 or by email to [cherifkhoury@hotmail.com](mailto:cherifkhoury@hotmail.com) and make the check payable to the Assembly. Bring an Irish saying, joke and song you would like to share with all. We will pay tribute to a Saint who evangelized a whole country that has produced our beloved Chaplain and Bishop Thomas Curry as well as many priests who, God willing, will continue serving our communities for many years to come.

**Upcoming schedule of events:**

- 1) Monday, March 3 at 7 PM: Officers meeting at Saint Raphael's Church.
- 2) Sunday, March 16: Palm Sunday. Everlasting live the king of kings.
- 3) Easter Monday, March 17 at 6:30 PM: St Patrick's social at SB Old Mission. Please RSVP to 569-2149 ASAP.
- 4) Easter Sunday, March 23: God is risen. Indeed He is risen.
- 5) Monday, April 7 at 7 PM: Officers' meeting at Saint Raphael's Church.
- 6) Monday, April 21 at 7 PM: Assembly dinner meeting at St. Raphael's Parish Hall.

Jesus is alive and is the Lord of life. May the risen Christ help you grow in wisdom and grace. May the resurrection fill your heart with peace and joy. May your life be holy and an example to all people. May your heart be filled with truth and be guided to holiness.

Vivat Jesus.

Cherif Khoury, Faithful Navigator



**Chancellor's Report**  
*SK Bill McLafferty, Chancellor*

Fritz Cahill revealed that, after nearly six years of going to doctors and undergoing medical tests of all kinds, his wife, Eleanor, was told by her doctor that she was suffering with Lupus. They are trying new medications, but she suffers on. This has taken a toll on the family, and Fritz has been dedicating all of his time to her care. The Cahills need our continued prayers, Brother Knights, so that now with a diagnosis, help will be forthcoming. All Knights are aware of the long hours and dedication Fritz has invested in the collection of food for the less-advantaged over many years. He has been an example of unselfish love and giving for all of us, and now he needs our prayers.

Jose Meza's wife, Maria, has been seeing doctors for a foot ailment that had Jose quite concerned, but she seems to be on the mend. Remember them both in your prayers.

The flu season seems to be abating, but stay on your guard and remember to wash your hands often, particularly when you've been out socializing at one of our Knight functions. Apparently, the medical profession and the drug companies failed to provide the correct vaccine for this year's flu du jour, and a lot of us had a nasty case of the "plague."

The attendance at the Friday fish fries has been growing every week and we almost broke the all time record on Leap Year night. We served over 206 dinners that night and the dinners were delicious! Many thanks to the legion of workers who make these dinners a huge success every Friday in Lent.

The recent Mission at the church was also well-attended by many of the brothers and their wives. Bill McNamara gave a spontaneous and heart-felt recommendation to the men at their break-out session to join the Knights and be part of the best male-bonding organization in the parish! Kudos. Bill! And thank you.



**Membership Director's Report**  
*Sam Alfano, Membership Director*

The Membership Committee has taken to heart Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson's call to make this Columbian year one of the greatest recruitment years in concert with our 125 celebration. As a result of committee members calls, two new brother Knights were exemplified at our February 11th business meeting. Brothers Jorge (George) Haro and Dick Temple took their first degree. Their induction in our Council has automatically made us achieve 50% of our 10 member recruitment goal. We are planning to have a follow-up first degree on April 14, 2008 at our regular business meeting.

Numerous incentives are being offered by Supreme for members to take part in the recruitment drive for this Columbian year. Members who sponsor 2 to 5 Knights will be given a pin and a certificate. Their names, and those of new members, will be included in a special book given to the Pope on his visit to the United States in April 2008. The names of Grand Knights who earn the Father McGivney Star Council Award will receive the plaques with their names engraved on behalf of the Council.

We all agree that these incentives will spur each of us as Knights to achieve the goal of 10 new members in this Columbian year. Yet let us not lose sight of the fundamental goal: to increase our membership. By increasing our membership, we add diversity and expertise in all areas in which our Council endeavors to do the works that Father McGivney entrusted us to accomplish. In this regard, we would be shirking our duty leaving the recruitment of new members exclusively to the Admission Committee. Each of us has a friend or an acquaintance we can approach to become a member of our Council. I had been approached a year or so before I decided to become a member. Timing is a big factor in approaching candidates. Another key is to have a Form 100 readily available.

GK Cabrera has started us out on another family

dedicated Columbian year. As members of the Council, let us give him all the support we can in the area of recruitment of new Brother Knights.



On February 20<sup>th</sup>, the Sociable Seniors and Council 5300 hosted a special luncheon for widows and widowers. This event was held at St. Raphael's Parish Hall.

The group attended the Wednesday 12:05 PM Mass celebrated by Fr. Frank Coburn at St. Raphael's church. Afterwards, Fr. Frank and the group met in the hall to take part in a special turkey soup luncheon prepared by members of Council 5300. Basic preparation of the soup was done on Tuesday with primary chef PFN Paul Coyne with assistance by Brothers Joe Lima and Sam Alfano. The soup was served to the eighty attendees on Wednesday by Brothers Joe Lima, Paul Coyne, Jack Turney, Hal Thompson and Raphael Cardenas. This luncheon may be the start of an annual tradition wherein a special effort is made to invite widows and widowers to a Sociable Senior meeting.

The tables were beautifully decorated by Sociable Senior Gladys Brown. Eight seniors were recognized for their birthdays and given their own cupcake with a candle. In addition, to the widows who normally attend the monthly meeting, eight widows were able to participate in the luncheon. They were notified by PGK Don Aubrey and PFN Jim Abels.

Prior to serving the soup, a special story was read by Lee Alfano, titled "Stone Soup." Coincidentally, Fr. Frank just happened to find a stone in his soup along with all of the other delicious ingredients. After the main course, a tasty carrot cake dessert was served. Following dessert, guest speaker Fr. Frank related to the audience about his early childhood experiences and the

strong influence his Irish mother had on his feelings for the Church. He elaborated on how those experiences and emotional bonds led to his calling to the priesthood. He also spoke of his early training in the seminary and his subsequent assignments to Rome where he received his Doctorate in Moral Theology. When he returned to the States, he taught at the seminary for a period of time. Then he went on to parish duties as an associate pastor and then a pastorship in churches in the Los Angeles/Pasadena areas. During this period of time, Fr. Frank frequently visited his two sisters living in Santa Barbara. He enjoyed the surroundings and the climate and decided someday he would like to retire here. We are very fortunate that retirement from pastoral duties came about recently and that he has been able to preside at our Masses. He has become well-known for his thoughtful and well-delivered homilies. We are very fortunate to have Father Frank in our parish community.

Master- of -ceremonies at the luncheon, Fred Orr, mentioned that, of the many programs he has scheduled, Father's presentation was a most significant highlight.

The St Raphael's Sociable Seniors has been active since it was started in 1993 by Deacon Tony Varesio and his wife Rosemary (both deceased). Besides their bimonthly meetings, the seniors take land and cruise trips arranged by travel agent, Joan Magenheimer. There is always some activity in which to take part. They welcome new members.

We hope this recent cooperative luncheon will continue on an annual basis. There are always more stones to put in the soup!



***Insurance Agent's Report***  
*David Farebrother, Field Agent*

**ADVERTISING OUR PRODUCTS DOES NOT  
JEOPARDIZE NON-PROFIT MAILING RATE**

The attached material is taken from the on-line Domestic Mail Manual published by the United States Postal Service.

Note that section 2-2.1.8 specifically identifies the Knights of Columbus as an organization that is eligible for non-profit mailing rates. Section 6-3.4.2 states that, while mailings which include advertisements of insurance are normally not eligible for non-profit rates, such mailings are eligible if (1) the organization making the mailing is eligible, (2) the policy being advertised is designed for and primarily promoted to members, and (3) the coverage provided by the policy is "not generally otherwise commercially available". With regard to the definition of what insurance is not considered to be generally otherwise commercially available, section 6-3.4.2 states that such insurance includes insurance where "the coverage is provided by the non-profit itself (e.g. a non-profit fraternal benefit society exempt from the payment of federal income tax under section 501(c) (8) that offers life insurance to its members and is also the insurer).

Thus the Domestic Mail Manual makes it clear that a Knights of Columbus non-profit postage mailing can include an advertisement for Knights of Columbus insurance or for agents offering Knights of Columbus insurance.

To contact me with regards to this, please email me at [dlfarebrother@aol.com](mailto:dlfarebrother@aol.com) or call me at either of the numbers listed below. I look forward to hearing from you.

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**Church Director's Report**  
Chris Arnoult, Church Director

**USCB Catholic Studies Update**

A couple of Knightline issues back, this space opened a window on the UCSB Catholic Studies Program which was founded in part by a generous gift from Brother Chuck Burke (PGK, deceased) and his wife Harriet Burke. This time, I hope to

give you a quick look at the Catholic Studies Program at UCSB. An introduction to the program could be this quote from the UCSB Religious Studies webpage, "...Catholic Studies draws upon the resources of the university as a whole in order to understand Catholicism as a global religious tradition that has taken different cultural forms in various times and places. We encourage the study of Catholicism as it has engaged with, shaped, and been shaped by other traditions, cultures, and intellectual systems."

Phheww! I'm glad I'm not taking a class in interpretation of what those last sentences mean. It sounds like typical university course catalog double-speak. Maybe a better approach is to look at what course studies are available, what are the levels of instruction and the estimated student enrollment. The following is an abbreviated course listing for Winter & Spring 2008 quarters:

Winter 2008

RS 24: Teachings of Jesus in Comparative Perspective (Thomas)

Lower division course – 100+ students in lecture with multiple sections

RS 137: Gnosticism and Manichaeism (Thomas)

Upper division - usually 30-50 students in lecture or seminar format

RS 138A: Church, State, and the Construction of Orthodoxy (Taves)

Upper division -- 40 students in lecture format

RS 238: Seminar in Catholic Studies (Taves)

Doctoral seminar -- six students

Spring 2008

RS 116A: The New Testament and Early Christianity (Thomas)

Upper division -- usually 30-50 students in lecture or seminar format

RS 138B: Catholic Practices and Global Cultures (Taves)

Upper division -- approx. 30 students in seminar format

RS 190WC: Material Catholicisms (Christian)

Upper division -- approx. 25 students in seminar format

RS 252B: Asceticism and the Construction of Self (Thomas)

Doctoral seminar -- probably 4-10 students  
RS 292: Visions in Spain and the New World  
(Christian)

Doctoral seminar -- probably 4-10 students

In addition to the academic courses, the Religious Studies Department offers various lectures and seminars which are often free to the public. This past month, February, an invited speaker, Father Thomas Michel was a guest lecturer in classes and also gave a public lecture titled "At the Convergence of Two Oceans: Issues of Catholic-Muslim Relations." Father Thomas Michel is the, Secretary of the Jesuit Secretariat for Interreligious Dialogue in Rome since 1996 and Ecumenical Secretary for the Federation of Asian Bishops' Conferences since 1994. The lecture, held at Victoria Hall, Santa Barbara, presented developments in Christian-Muslim relations from a Catholic point of view.

So maybe you are like me, not really ready to sign up for Catholic Studies at UCSB. First of all, I already did my stint at the university and secondly I struggle in Fr. Bruce's 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians Bible Study group. The UCSB Catholic Studies program is not a Catholic catechism or dogma training, nor is it a bible study. The program is intended to look at Catholicism from a historical, secular point of view to help understand how Catholicism has influenced our world and has been influenced and shaped by the world. Fr. Virgil Cordano has been an advocate of better understanding among all peoples; the big picture look at Catholicism that the UCSB program has should help reach that goal.

If you are interested, you can learn more about the UCSB Catholic Studies Program at <http://www.religion.ucsb.edu/catholicstudies/about.php>.



**Pro-Life Director's Report**

*Bob & Cecilia Marks  
Pro-Life Couple*

**LifeSiteNews.com (Friday February 22, 2008)**  
**Pro-Homosexual Booklet to Be Distributed to All**  
**16,000 U.S. School Districts:**

**Book specifically instructs teacher to "avoid"**

***discussing the idea that homosexual inclinations can be changed***

*By Hillary White*

U.S.- At the same time that news has come out that the Toronto Catholic School board has refused to participate in pro-homosexual activities, homosexual activists are making significant inroads in U.S. schools, as a booklet titled, "Just the Facts about Sexual Orientation and Youth," is set to be distributed to all 16,000 school districts in the country.

The 24-page booklet by the National Education Association and the American Psychological Association, tells students that homosexuality is a "normal expression of human sexuality".

"What's so scary and dogmatic about this report is that it communicates that religious-based viewpoints are harmful, and even dangerous," said Candi Cushman, education analyst for Focus on the Family Action.

The booklet particularly targets the idea that homosexuality is a condition that can be changed. It instructs educators, "Schools should be careful to avoid discussions of transformational ministry in their curriculum." Brian Raum, senior legal counsel for the Alliance Defense Fund, said that the talk of "inclusivity" in schools by homosexual groups is a veiled threat.

"What they're trying to do is create a fear factor here," he said. "There's nothing in the Constitution that would prohibit a teacher from presenting to a student all of the programs that are available, without endorsing or promoting any particular one."

The National Association for Research and Therapy of Homosexuality, (NARTH) says that although "the aim of gay-affirmative counseling programs is humanitarian", the problem is that they do "much more" than discouraging scapegoating.

"In reality, they promote a particular worldview," present students with a set of "truth-claims that students are expected to adopt," and insist on conformity to these.

"These programs promote the value systems of a particular social group and denigrate the views of another, while at the same time, distorting science."

URL:  
<http://www.lifesite.net/ldn/2008/feb/08022106.html>

**Parish Landscaping-Gardening Crew  
Produces Colorful Sea of Flowers, Plants**

*By Joe T. Kovach, 3rd Degree Knight*



*Some of the members of the Garden crew are shown in this photo which appeared in the 1996 St. Raphael Centennial Yearbook. Left to right: Luis Nungaray, Paul Coyne, Suzie Sichi, George Hopping, John Giordano, Teo Nungaray. Photo by Lorraine Taylor.*

The faithful St. Raphael garden and landscape crew has been going strong for the past 20+ years with a number of parishioners performing exemplary work around the church and rectory.

Led by Suzie Sichi, resident landscape artist and avid gardener, she has had a helping hand from volunteers Larry Torres, George Hopping, Paul Coyne, Matt Mayer, Pia Picotte, Mike and Mirtha Donovan, John Giordano, Andy Zeko, Joe Kovach and Teo and Luis Nungaray, parish staff workers.

Putting their superb efforts together each week, the 'team volunteers' have 148-years of tender and loving care for the many colorful flowers, plants, shrubs dotting the grounds surrounding the church and rectory.

Suzie descriptively elaborated, "Each week is really a gift and a memory.

Seeing the plants go through their cycles with the seasons is so very special - from noticing when the yellow and purple Bearded Iris and Daffodils come back in the spring and the red Amaryllis at Christmas and the California Poppies with their warm orange all summer long, to the Alyssum with its generous carpet of white petals being scraped away when it gets too scruffy to bounce back in a matter of weeks with perky new seedlings. I think that we all are constantly thinking as we work of what might need to be done and all of us give input as to what should be done and when."

Suzie explained, "I was confirmed at St.

Raphael's in 1988 at Easter Vigil after completing RCIA with Msgr. Steve Downes. I had been raised Episcopalian but found myself drawn to Catholicism and had actually attended Mass at St. Raphael's for several years before beginning RCIA.

During those years, I had thought it was a bit sad that there was this great big sunny piece of property around the church but the landscaping consisted of juniper bushes and white gravel with about six roses. As an artist and avid gardener at my home, I saw the possibilities of a garden surrounding the church to really welcome parishioners - a way for them to change channels by contemplating some of God's beautiful gifts to us of color and flowers on their way from the car to the sanctuary. I also saw that Teo and Luis had their hands completely full with keeping up the property as it was."

The full-time teacher at Anacapa School continued, "Right after my Confirmation, I noticed an announcement in the Sunday Bulletin requesting volunteers to help clean up the gardens and so one Saturday I dropped my sons off at the beach and I went off to see what I could do with this group.

Larry Torres was there with a few other men and we swept a lot and trimmed a little and over the next few weeks the place started looking neater. I told Larry about my vision and he bought me some California poppy seeds. That was the beginning, and ever since then I have been working, gradually removing almost all of the junipers and replacing them with flowering plants."

A resident of Santa Barbara since 1967, Suzie recollected, "At the beginning after a year or two of just cleaning and sometimes planting a few border plants, George Hopping got some men to completely tear out the ivy that was in one planter and asked me to figure out what to plant there. I was like a kid in a candy store! I chose yellow flowered ground cover and yellow roses to be complemented in color by purple Mexican Sage and False Heather, the colors of Pope John Paul II and it was so very pretty when it was done."

Her recollection continued, "Then when the parish was going to celebrate its Centennial celebrations, they took out most of the juniper and put in the pretty gathering area patio on the side of St. Joseph's Street. Sam Alfano and George told me to get some plants and there was a certain amount of

rush to finish. Unfortunately, I had a problem with my back then but I bought the plants and then my teenage son Cielo and George did all the digging and planting - I really felt like the boss then! But the best part was not right after it was planted but Mother's Day that year because the area had filled in to be this bounty of color, as beautiful as any garden magazine photo you ever saw. After Mass, I noticed that people were drawn to the area, pausing and sitting and just immersing themselves in the wonder of it, just like the vision I had imagined before I converted."

Another of Suzie's vivid reminders, "I think that just how the garden has been so generous in so many ways is something that really stands out for me. When we did the Centennial Garden was the first time that I planted any Shasta Daisies. I bought two pony packs, 12 little plants and they have flourished beyond belief, in fact, the hundreds of them we have now are all related to the originals! We move them wherever we want to have bright, white sparkles (the artist Monet was emphatic on the importance of some white in the garden) and they are so hardy and consistently blooming that they have become, after the fantastic roses, probably the signature flower of the gardens. And whenever someone comes by when we are working and says that they like a particular plant, we almost always have been able to give them either the seeds, or a cutting, or dig up a clump for them to take away with them, so in a way the garden boundaries reach way beyond our streets."

Another memory that is very poignant, she added, "Is that after Matt Mayer died on August 30, 2006, his widow Virginia brought us a red rose called 'Love's Desire' which we planted in one of the sunniest spots. We scattered Cosmos seeds all around it (which were one of Matt's favorite flowers) and now it is like he is still making us smile in the garden, even though we don't get to hear his jokes."

Paul Coyne is the rosarian and has been for the past 17-years. He lavishes the TLC of over 75 roses on the church grounds which he prunes once a year and once a month he fertilizes them, gratis. With the gopher problems, he now uses a gopher cage when he plants a new rose. These are circled around the base, a foot down, so that protects the

roots.

Suzie's chronological record denotes, "In the early years it was Larry, John, George and me, and of course, Teo and Luis. Larry had to devote more time to his business, then John and George had some health issues. Paul started taking care of the roses and it is all due to his work that the gardens have so many beautiful roses. Matt began to work and Mike as well and then came Pia Picotte, who has been an incredibly hard worker and with a wonderful eye and talent for creating fantastic gardens. Her touches and skills are everywhere in the garden today. When Mike married Mirtha, she happily joined in. Andy and Joe have been doing the middle of the week watering for the past eight years. Also Father Hipp Goossens, C.J., contributed his help while serving as Associate Pastor. Others have helped for a short time and their work was appreciated."

Responding to what kind of work the volunteers do each week, Suzie explained, "We weed, dig, trim, prune, sweep, water, plan and plant. We pick some flowers and arrange the bouquet for the St. Raphael statue in front. We also talk a lot. There is a great camaraderie that has been built over the years, working regularly with people who are so kind and generous and don't mind getting their hands dirty. We rarely need to plant new flowers these days (except in the pots) because we have used mostly perennials and plants that reseed themselves."

Suzie acknowledged, "One other person that I would really like to gratefully remember as inspirational to our success is Msgr. Steve Downes, who was so, so supportive and appreciative of our efforts all of the years he was here. He complimented and thanked us for our efforts any time he saw us and made sure we were acknowledged at the volunteer dinner each year. It's not that we needed thanks - we were never doing it for that - it just really made us feel good to hear how much he enjoyed the beauty that we had been working so hard on each week."

A few interesting bits of information on:

- **George Hopping** - He brought the red Amaryllis from home to plant by the St. Raphael statue. His wife, Mary reported that

George really liked working with Suzie each Saturday. He chuckled, "Trying to keep up with the weeds was a challenge each week."

- **Matt Mayer** - His wife, Virginia pointed out, "Matt would tell me. 'It's Saturday, time to work on the flowers and plant new ones.'" He did this right to the end - he enjoyed going and working with his 'team.'"
- **Mike Donovan** - One of his hobbies is gardening at his home so he jumped in to help Suzie for the past 12-years. His favorites are pink and white flowers and the wild flowers too. He would like to see more roses planted. He and his wife Mirtha enjoy the bright colors of the many flowers. Mirtha's take on working in the garden, "Nature: one of God's miracles. I enjoy helping Him working at St. Raphael's. Mike added, "It's so peaceful when we are working - no other worries."
- **Pia Picotte** - A native of Lucerne, Switzerland, she has lived in the area for the past 33 years. Her husband Wes and Pia who were married at Our Lady of Sorrows Church on August 27, 1980, have two sons Sam and Andy. They are in the wind chimes manufacturing business and have their chimes sold in stores and via catalogs mostly in the U.S. and Japan. Pia enjoys working on the parish grounds and loves the people, Suzie has had and the current workers - it's like a big happy family. A member of St. Raphael's since 1986, Pia reflected, "It's been a most satisfying experience doing it for the church and meeting so many people. Father Bruce Correio and Noel Fuentes have expressed their happiness to the crew for what they have done and continue to do. Teo has been very cooperative." She added, "The landscaping is very beautiful most of the time but it needs lot of work to make it look so colorful and professionally maintained."
- **Suzie Sichi** - She teaches full time, Italian, Geometry and Studio Art at The Anacapa School, an independent college preparatory school for grades 7 through 12 in downtown Santa Barbara. Suzie and her husband Gordon have lived in Santa Barbara since 1967. They

have two sons, Tom and Cielo and a grandson Meison. Gordon and Suzie love to backpack in the Sierras and travel often to Italy where they lived for one year.

Sam Alfano, Larry Torres and the Knights of Columbus hope to install a sprinkler system in the near future. A good system would certainly be a time saver.

In the early years this garden crew had a staff motto: "You ain't seen nothin' yet!" Yes, they certainly have made it possible to make the church grounds a showpiece of beauty. A few years ago, the Goleta Beautiful Award was given to St. Raphael's for their outstanding professional garden appearance acclaimed Sam Alfano. It was Sam with Jesse Garcia, Roberto Najera and the members of the Parish Gardening Team who also had a dedicatory Centennial Plaque located on a heart shaped rock in the Centennial Garden commemorating 100-years of service by St. Raphael's Church in the Goleta Valley.

Suzie, Pia, Mike and Mirtha will be working only on the first Saturdays of the month starting in March so more volunteers are needed for the other weeks.

If you are interested, please leave your names at the Rectory and they will contact you.

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bodies rather than letting needs and passions rule over it.

Abstinence refers to the practice of foregoing all foods that come from animals (meats, poultry, dairy products, eggs). Thus, we fast to experience hunger and, realizing our emptiness and dependence, to seek the One who alone satisfies our needs.

We abstain in order to strive for peace, to cleanse ourselves body and soul to worthily receive Our Lord. Remember: the Church does not impose, rather, as a loving Mother, She proposes.

Brother Knights, the month of February has been a busy one; the Pancake breakfast on Feb 10 and the Fish Fries. Brother Mike Donovan has chaired the Fish Fries and so far, we have had three of them. All have been a hit. People have enjoyed the meal and the feedback I have received has been very

positive. Thank you to Mike and the list of volunteers (Mirtha Donovan, Jim Balter- not a Knight member, Carlos Valenzuela, Esteban-Valenzuela, Chris and Mary Arnoult, Joe Bauer, Rafael Cardenas, John Vogel, John Vogel's daughter, John Kestel, Vince Filippello, Paul and Evelina Curzan, Mark Vampola, Tim Hogan, John and Cindy Peyton, Jim Bradbury and Felix Sanchez, Richard Schiada and Walt McCartney- you have all done a great job.

I would also like to recognize Rich Scholl for being the immediate past chairperson for the Fish Fries. He was in charge of this responsibility for several years. Rich built a team of volunteers for this event and he had it down to a science. It is due to his leadership that this event ran and continues to run smoothly. Thank you to Rich for all your valuable contributions to the Council. As mentioned in the previous paragraph, our current Fish Fry chair Mike Donovan and his team of volunteers have taken the ball from Rich and scored.

I welcome our two Brother Knights George Haro and Richard Temple who joined our Council on February 11, 2008. Congratulations and we are looking forward working with you.

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### **KNIGHTS OF THE MONTH**

***Mike Donovan, Jim Bradbury, Rafael Cardenas,  
John Kestel, Carlos Valenzuela, John Vogel,  
Vince Filippello, Jim Balster, Walt McCartney,  
Esteban Valenzuela, Mark Vampola, Tim Hogan,  
Jim Bonsell, Jose Meza, Richard Schiada, Paul  
Curzan and John Peyton***

*By Francisco Cabrera, Grand Knight*



This month, I would like to name the several Knights noted above as Knights of the Month.

They are being recognized because two of the major events the Council participates in are: the pancake breakfast and the Fish Fries. The Fish Fries are a six week commitment from Ash Wednesday to Easter and the pancake breakfast is an 11 month commitment every second Sunday of the month except for the Sunday near Easter. For these events, we need consistency and dependability and for that reason I have selected the following Knights as the Knights of the Month:

Mike Donovan, Jim Bradbury, Rafael Cardenas, John Kestel, Carlos Valenzuela, John Vogel, Vince Filippello, Jim Balster, Walt McCartney, Esteban Valenzuela, Mark Vampola, Tim Hogan, Jim Bonsell, Jose Meza, Richard Schiada, Paul Curzan and John Peyton.

Special recognition goes to the following Knight's wives and friends who are always there working hand in hand with the Knights at the pancake breakfast and at the Fish Fries: Mirtha Donovan, Evelina Curzan, Mary Arnoult and Cindy Bennett.

Thank you to the group "Blest and Broken" for the great musical entertainment during the Fish Fry dinner on Friday, February 22, 2008. The religious themed songs they played added an additional dimension to all of us as we reflect and celebrate the Lenten season. Brother Knights, the group Blessed and Broken is coming up with their second music CD. I encourage you to support them and purchase it.

Parishioners count on the pancake breakfast and the Fish Fry events and look forward to participating in them. In fact, I have people asking me for the calendar dates. The Fish is so delicious that I have heard Gloria Merrigan and my wife Maria become fish lovers. In the past, they were not fond of fish.

I am very proud of this month's **Knights of the Month** for all they do for the Council but above all I thank their families for all the love and support they give to our Brothers. **As you know "Behind every great Knight there is a great wife or Family supporting them"**. It is a great honor to name all the above Brother Knights as the KNIGHT OF THE MONTH.

There is a lot of work that goes behind the scenes and all of you do it with a smile. I appreciate

everyone for all you do. Thanks for your great work!

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**FAMILY OF THE MONTH**

***Felix & Julie Sanchez***

*By Francisco Cabrera, Grand Knight*



The “Family of the Month” title for March, 2008 goes to our Felix Sanchez and his wife Julie.

Brother Felix joined the Council in 1979. He has held many leadership positions. Felix moved up the officer’s ranks and became the Grand Knight in 1999-2000. He has made a positive difference in our council and the time he and his wife, Julie have spent coordinating many events has been very valuable to the community and the sponsored charities.

Felix has been chairing the Labor Day Picnic and the Memorial Day Picnic for several years. These events are a handful. Felix knows how to do these events with his eyes closed. His leadership is evident by noticing how successful the events are. He forms a team of volunteers and magically everything works without a hitch. He has been our bartender for many years. Being a bartender is not an easy job as there is a lot that goes with that task. He has to have ample supplies for the events so that we can enjoy a cold beer or a chilled glass of wine. He comes to every business meeting and gets there early to open the Hall. He is not the Warden, but does a lot to keep and set the equipment for the meeting. After a business meeting, he is the one that stays late to lock the Hall. As you know, these responsibilities belong to the Grand Knight and the Warden but Felix does these tasks with a smile.

Julie, on the other hand, is always there for Felix supporting him with anything that is needed. Julie

has been one of the core members of the decorating committee for all of my socials and special events. Her knowledge of what needs to be done is valuable. She has been instrumental in these events: the August Family dinner social, the October 50’s, 60’s and 70’s social, the December Christmas Party and the last event in January, the Clergy Appreciation Dinner. In all these events, it was a joy to see Julie in action. She has formed a team of volunteers with Chawa Ramirez, Evelina Curzan, Gloria Merrigan and Mary Arnoult. Then Julie and her team roll up their sleeves and become part of the serving team. They make sure that everything runs smoothly. This kind of support is invaluable to the members and guests Julie; Thank you for your understanding, your patience and your love for Felix that permits him to be a GREAT KNIGHT.

Congratulations to Felix and Julie for being chosen the Family of the Month. Brother Felix and his wife Julie are great examples and role models for all. We recognize your unconditional support to the Council.

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**Knights of Columbus Protocol**

*By Grand Knight Francisco Cabrera*

**Protocol Part III**

Continuing with more training material for all the members, here is the Part III Protocol published by Brother Don Aubrey in the November, 2004 Knightline.

This is the third and last of the articles on Protocol. Here are a few issues not requiring any lengthy explanation. That does not make them any less important! The Grand Knight should address all members who are not officers as “Brother.....” All officers should be addressed by the proper title, e.g. Worthy Chancellor, Worthy Financial Secretary, etc.

When the District Deputy attends a meeting at his own Council he need not be specifically recognized unless he has been invited or requested to be so recognized. This will allow him to engage in the regular business of his home council without involving the position he holds.

The District Deputy should notify the Grand

Knight of a Council in writing and in advance (one week to ten days) when making an official visit so that all officers will be present with their books and records.

The Grand Knight, in keeping with the dignity of his office, should be neatly and properly dressed. He should request his officers to do likewise. Thus he will have set the proper dress code for the membership to follow. (Members are not expected to wear jackets and ties to all meeting but they should be neatly dressed in clean clothes and wearing shoes).

Our nation's flag should be displayed flat, above and behind the speaker. When the flag is displayed horizontally or vertically against the wall, the stars should always be at the observer's left. If the flag is on a staff it should always be at the right side of the speaker as he faces the audience.

All officers should wear their current jewel of office at all council meetings. At council functions and socials, it is proper and fitting that Grand Knights, District Deputies, etc. wear their jewel of office.

I am not addressing the protocol involved in correspondence or invitations to and the seating arrangements for dignitaries for social functions. These are addressed at length in the PROTOCOL handbook published by the Knights of Columbus. The Grand Knight and the Advocate should always have a copy at hand. When you are involved in inviting guest to a social function or planning their seating arrangements, this hand book is absolutely necessary. It is impossible to cite a rule for every situation. Under difficult circumstances not specifically covered by the handbook, simply use good judgment and apply common courtesy, Mark Twain summed up the situation when he said, "Always do right. You will please some people and astonish the rest."

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I'm suggesting less emphasis on *giving up* and more emphasis on *taking on*. Seek the opportunity to look outward as well so those who need you can find you. Maybe you will go to church more often or be more disciplined in prayer. Maybe you'll find

time for the commitment to family, friends, church and community.

Lent need not be a time to live in guilt and shame. Instead it may be a time when we find ourselves in the place where we pay attention to our stirrings—in that place of deep stillness where the hunger of our souls and the heart of God meet.

### **Past Events**

- 1) **February 8, 15, 22, 29, 2008:** Lenten Fish Fries at St. Raphael's Hall have taken place and all who have come are raving about the wonderful company and food.
- 2) **February 10, 2008:** The Knights of Columbus Pancake breakfast took place after the 7:30 AM and 9:30 AM Masses. This is always a great breakfast and a great way to start your Sunday.
- 3) **February 11, 2008:** The Knights of Columbus Business Meeting took place.

### **Upcoming Events**

- 1) **March 3, 2008:** The Knights of Columbus Officers Meeting will take place.
- 2) **March 7, 2008:** Lenten Fish Fries, 24 Hour Adoration.
- 3) **March 9, 2008:** Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast will take place after the 7:30 AM and 9:30 AM Masses. This is always a great breakfast and a great way to start your Sunday. There will also be a Blood Drive and Barbeque in the afternoon.
- 4) **March 10, 2008:** The Knights of Columbus Business Meeting will take place on the second Monday as usual. Mark your calendar so you don't miss these meetings to stay abreast of all we are doing.
- 5) **March 14, 2008:** Lenten Fish Fries continue so don't miss out. Make a point to be there for the wonderful food and friends.
- 6) **March 21, 2008:** Good Friday.
- 7) **March 23, 2008:** Easter Sunday - Please volunteer to help direct parking at various Masses. Attendance on Easter Sunday is extensive as you know.



**Fund Raiser BBO for Heidi-Good Swiacki**

Dear Friends and Family,

Steve Swiacki (Class of '77) and his family desperately need our help! His wife, Heidi Good-Swiacki, was diagnosed with ALS/Lou Gehrig's disease just two years ago. Since then, her health has been rapidly declining and she is now under 24 hour care. We are seeking donations to help his family cope during this stressful time.

We will be having a Potluck Barbecue at Bishop Garcia Diego High School on Saturday, March 15, 2008 at 12 noon as a fund-raiser for this cause. Father Tom has graciously donated the use of their facilities for this event. A tri-tip and chicken barbeque will be provided, but we are asking everyone to bring their own beverages along with a salad or dessert to share. We hope you will be able to join us for this gathering of friends and family.

Please RSVP to [sgcoghlan@cox.net](mailto:sgcoghlan@cox.net) by Sunday, March 2.

While it is true that there is much suffering in the world that needs our attention, let us remember that "charity begins at home" and give the Swiacki family a helping hand. There will be a donation table available at this event to make your contribution to Heidi's care.

You will be asked to make your donation to *The John Shaul Memorial Fund*. The fund is a non-profit corporation in memory of John Shaul who passed away from ALS last March. The fund's mission is to provide support for caregivers of terminally ill and permanently disabled people in the Santa Ynez Valley. All donations will receive a tax deductible receipt and 100% of the donations go directly to the Good-Swiacki family.



If you are not able to attend our event, we would appreciate any donation you could make. Ten, fifteen dollar donations add up. No donation is too small ... and every little bit

helps.

Checks should be made payable to:  
*The John Shaul Memorial Fund*  
P.O. Box 1038,  
Buellton, CA 93427

**Wednesday Adoration at Our Lady of Sorrows**

Come participate in Wednesday Adoration at Our Lady of Sorrows Church after the 12:10 PM Mass. Adoration will continue until 6:00 PM. The Stawiecki Family will sing in the evening just before Benediction. For more information, please call the OLS Rectory at 963-1734.

**March Birthdays**

Dennis I. Paulazzo	03/01
Mansfield (Jack) H. Turney	03/01
Thomas L. Cordeiro	03/02
William B. Regis	03/03
David(Tad) T Varesio	03/04
Jack E. Ward	03/05
Lawrence W. Torres	03/14
Frederick W. Brokaski	03/25
William McNamara	03/26

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Articles need to be in by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Thank you.

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## **PHOTO GALLERY**

*Lenten Fish Fry, February 8, 2008*

*Pancake Breakfast, February 10, 2008*



*Jim Balster fries the mouth watering fish on the stove.*



*Brothers Rafael Cardenas, Walt McCartney, Mark Vampola and Tim Hogan pose for their picture with Jim Balster and another helper.*



*Rich Scholl poses for his picture at a 2005 Fish Fry.*



*PGKs John Vogel and Chris Arnoult prepare the fish for cooking. John and Chris are being assisted by John's daughter and Jim Balster.*



*Brothers Rich Schiada and Joe Bauer serve the dinner.*



*Brothers Jim Bonsell, Tim Hogan, John Peyton, Cindy, Paul & Evelina Curzan and Jose Meza take a break at the pancake breakfast.*

Pancake Breakfast, February 10, 2008 (cont)  
Social Seniors Luncheon, February 20, 2008  
Los Padres Chapter Testimonial Dinner, February 24, 2008



*Brothers Jim Bonsell, Jose Meza and Tim Hogan prepare the pancakes along with another helper.*



*Another picture of Brothers Jim Bonsell, Jose Meza, John Peyton's son and Tim Hogan.*



*Brothers Joe Lima, Paul Coyne and Rafael Cardenas prepare the soup at the Sociable Seniors' Luncheon.*



*Lee Alfano reads from the book "Stone Soup" at the luncheon.*



*State Secretary Bob Villalobos (on the left) and State Deputy Jim Scroggin pose with their wives at the Chapter Dinner.*



*PCP John Bravo holds his Past Chapter President's award. Brother John's mother is on the left.*

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