

St. Denis Knights of Columbus

ST. DENIS COUNCIL 11260

May 2008

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

(SPECIAL – THE BUSINESS MEETING HAS BEEN MOVED TO MAY 22 AT 6:30 PM)

April was another busy month for your Council. A good Council is a busy council, so the officer's of our Council continue to be involved in a variety of activities. More on the activities we are involved in later.

The most important news this month concerns Brother Cecil Perez' brother Ronald Perez who is in Saint Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers, New York. Our Council received an invitation to attend his Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood of Jesus Christ. He will be Ordained at St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York City on May 10th, 2008. Soon to be Father Ron, will be Ordained by His Eminence Edward Cardinal Egan, Archbishop of New York. Congratulations to Father Ron, Cecil and the rest of the Perez family.

The other major activity which took place on April 12 and 13 was our Wheelchair Foundation fundraiser. I am still overwhelmed by the outpouring of generosity of our parishioners. As of this writing, we have received \$33,719.57. The success of this event is directly attributable to the leadership, direction, guidance and support of our Council Chaplin, Monsignor Loughnane. Of course, our speakers, fellow Knights Chris Lewis and Dan Moberg, gave a short, concise presentation, which, I believe, motivated our parishioners to contribute to this worthy cause. The video was very moving. I saw the video at all 8 Masses and every time, I had tears in my eyes, as did Mr. Lewis, who has seen this same video numerous times. Father Lucio, Father Sebastian, Father Dennis and Monsignor Loughnane introduced our guest speakers by linking our purpose with the Gospel of the good Shepherd. The funds raised will provide more than 450 wheelchairs to those in need. We are eternally grateful to Monsignor Loughnane for allowing us to have this fundraiser at St. Denis.

On the following weekend, April 19th our Council participated as a food vendor at our City's 19th birthday. We sold breakfast burritos in the morning and Polish sausages in the afternoon. Thanks to Jess Carbajal, Ron Cox, Greg Dial, Raul Galindo, John Guillory, Alton Martin, Tom Meagher, Jason Neag, Frank Satullo and

2007-2008 Officers

Grand Knight	Art Herrera
Chaplain	Msgr. James Loughnane
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Treasurer	Ron Cox
Warden	Ed Pechy
Advocate	Alton Martin
Recorder	Wolfgang Shane
Lecturer	John Craine
Inside Guard	Julio Alvarado
Outside Guard	Tom Meagher
Trustees	Al Rodriguez
	Archie Miller
	John Guillory

DEGREE CEREMONIES

First Degree

May 12 at 7 pm at Father Maguire

May 21 at 7 pm at Shepard of Ars

June 26 at 7 pm at St. Josephs (La Puente)

Second Degree

May 28 at 7 pm at Father Maguire

Third Degree

June 1 at 12:45pm

Fernando Tecson for all their help. Special thanks to our District Deputy, Manny Hinojosa and Richard Rivas, visiting from St. Madeline Council, Pomona. It was a long day for us but we raised a little money, but had a great time sharing the camaraderie of our Bother Knights. We may have even solved some of the current issues like global warming and high gas prices! The day was not over.....

We had our annual Women's Appreciation dinner at the Kellogg House, Cal Poly Pomona the evening of April 19th. Those of us who worked the City birthday party were really pooped! But, being the Knight's that we are, we sucked it up and took our wives to dinner! There were 50 folks in attendance. The evening began with a tour of the Kellogg House. There is a great deal of history associated with the property. If you older Brothers ate Kellogg's brand cereals when you were young, then you contributed to the purchase and furnishing of this house! We were graced with the presence of five of our "Special Ladies," Dottie Mastrobuono, Eve Pasternak, Gerry Renteria, June Vavasseur and Henrietta Zalewski. Our District Deputy, Manny Hinojosa and his wife were also present for this dinner. Chapter Wheelchair Foundation Chairman, Dan Moberg and his associate Dean Smith and his wife were guests of our Council in appreciation for all their hard work during the Wheelchair Foundation fundraiser. We thank one of our newest members, Brother Greg Dial, who is a catering manager at Cal Poly Pomona, for his creating the menu. All I heard that evening was compliments for the outstanding meal and tour. Our ladies deserved no less! We were happy to have survived the day!

Vivat Jesus
Art Herrera

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

We are looking for people that are willing to serve as officers in our Council. It's really a great opportunity to make a difference at St Denis. We had an event where we collected \$34,000 last month for an organization that provides wheelchairs for people. That happened because several Knights decide to become involved and really pushed to make this fundraiser happen. If they didn't try to make it happen, it wouldn't have happened. I've never understood why some people join a group and don't really participate. What's the use of joining? Just paying your dues helps, but it doesn't make the kind of differences that can really change people's lives. If you feel like you want to do more for St. Denis and our community, just contact our Grand Knight.

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RELAY FOR LIFE

The Diamond Bar "Relay for Life" is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, June 7 and 8. It will be held at Lorbeer Middle School in Diamond Bar. You have to be registered to participate in the walk. You can register at www.events.cancer.org/rfldiamondbarca . We have been asked to help transport tables, tents and chairs on Friday, June 6, beginning at 3pm. More information will be available as we near the actual date. At this event, you can light a candle in honor of a cancer survivor or in memory of a loved one. I plan on walking in this relay, hope you and your family will too.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 1 - Officers Meeting, Potthoff Hall, 7:30 PM

May 2 - Cinco de Mayo Mexican Dinner, Potthoff Hall, 5:00 – 8:00 PM Come support the Women's Council.

May 15 -18 State Convention – San Jose. Ron Cox and I are our Council's delegates and will be attending.

May 16 – Chapter meeting, Fa. MaGuire Council, Covina

May 21 – Fa. Felix Penna Assembly meeting, 7:30 PM Dolan Hall, St. John Vianney. Any 4th degree member is invited to attend.

May 22 – Business Meeting, Potthoff Hall, 6:30 PM.

Don't forget to go to www.stdenisknights.org for information about our Council and Parish.

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Treasurer Report

The Treasurer reported the following

MR	\$25
Checking	\$10,287.87
TOTAL	\$10,312.87

Unfinished Business

Golf Tournament - for the Mentally Disabled. It is on June 6 at the California Country Club. It's \$120 if you are interested.

New Business

Blood Drive - June 22 from 9am - 3pm.

Veterans Day Recognition – The City of Diamond Bar honors veterans every year. We are working on getting all the Knights in our Council that have served to come forth to get them recognized.

Cecil Perez's brother Ronald will graduate from Seminary school. He is one of the Seminarians that we supported over the years.

FIELD AGENT'S REPORT

Gerry Cacnio gave us some information on new programs that the Knights offer. The Knights have a strong program for long-term care. He passed out some information and spoke about it. His phone number is 909-606-0262 and his email is gerry.cacnio@kofc.org if you have any questions.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 1 – Officer's Meeting

May 22 – Business Meeting with Msgr. Loughnane

June 5 – Officer's Meeting

June 19 - Business Meeting with Msgr. Loughnane

June 22 – Blood Drive