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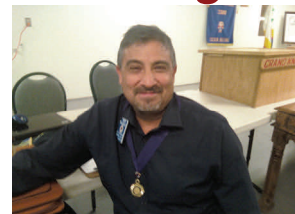
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Grand Knight's Message

Pedro (Pete) Pacheco

Grand Knight

2011/2012



(The following was written for a July Newsletter.)

Dear Brother Knights,

Before we think about the coming year we need to reflect on this past year. The Knights have experienced a highly successful year thanks to our members and the leadership of our Grand Knight Henry Andrade. Our financial success is self evident, our exposure has been increased with the Knight's Corner and we welcomed many new members into our ranks. It will be a challenge to top that this year, but we will try.

I will do my best to help you achieve your goals this coming year, you are not here for me, I am here for you, your success is what matters, not mine; I am willing to do my part so you can thrive and flourish as Knights of Columbus.

The L in leadership to me, means listening, laboring, and learning-- I hope to be that type of leader. Success is not defined solely in terms of money, it is defined by many factors too numerous to delineate but definitely include fraternity, unity and charity.

There are challenges awaiting us this year but I am confident that with faith we will go forward and overcome them. We all need to get onboard and together journey on to a mirific year.
Pedro Pacheco, Incoming GK.

This Newsletter Online

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Faithful Navigator's Message

Gary Gazaille, Faithful Navigator, 2011/2012
Fr. Henry Miller Assembly # 2308

Sir Knights,

I am pleased to be your Faithful Navigator for this fraternal year. You have heard the expression 'It's lonely at the top'. Well that is not the case here at Assy #2308. I am supported by a tremendous line up of fellow officers and of course, You, my fellow Sir Knights.

Let us congratulate William F. Kitt as he has become an Honorary Member of our assembly.

As cooler weather approaches I am getting motivated to 'Do Something'! I have received a few fundraiser ideas and we will be selecting one and setting a date. Please consider helping us as this will be our first VA event this year. Our vets are so deserving of all we can provide for them.

If you know any 3rd degree knights, encourage them to join the 4th degree. Our next exemplification will be held on January 14th here in Tucson. It will be held right here in Tucson with many familiar faces and we always have a grand time. All information is available at the meeting or on the state web site.

Here are some dates to highlight on your calendar;

Oct 13th: a relic of Our Lady of Guadalupe at SEAS church. This relic will stop at Seas and will be honored with a mass at 9am followed by public viewing until 9pm.

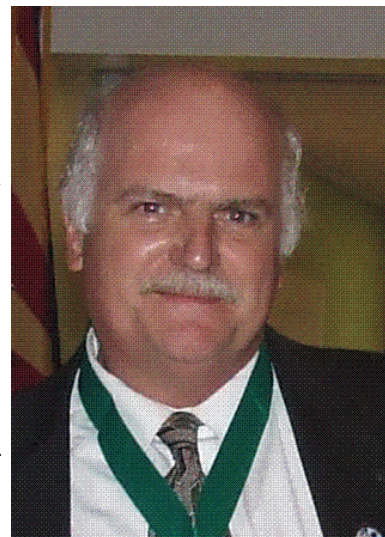
Oct 15th: Rosary Saturday celebration at St Augustine Cathedral, in downtown Tucson.

Oct 16th: Rosary Sunday celebration in Phoenix. See details on the web site.

Oct 22nd: Operation Welcome Home honoring vets from Iraq and Afghanistan. On the U of A mall.

Nov 12th: Flag Retirement and Vets BBQ. Everyone is invited. All vets from WWII, Korea and Viet Nam get a FREE lunch.

Your Faithful Navigator,
Gary Gazaille



Calendar of Events

October, 2011 Regular Meetings

Wed. 10/5, 8077 Officers. Mtg.
Wed. 10/12, 8077 Business Mtg.
Wed. 10/19, 2308 Assembly Mtg.
Wed. 10/26, 8077 Social Mtg. & 1st
Degree Starts @ 6:30PM

Other Events

Thurs. 10/27 — Sat. 10/29, 8077 Rum-
mage Sale

November, 2011 Regular Meetings

Wed. 11/2, 8077 Officers. Mtg.
Wed. 11/9 2308 Assembly Mtg.
Wed. 11/16 8077 Memorial Mass
Wed. 11/23 8077 Social Mtg. CANX
Wed. 11/30 Family Night

Other Events

Fri 11/4 — Sun. 11/6, PID Drive

December, 2011 Regular Meetings

Wed. 12/7, 8077 Officers Mtg.
Wed. 12/14, 8077 Business Mtg.
Wed. 12/21, 2308 Assembly Mtg.
Wed. 12/28, 8077 Social Mtg. CANX

Other Events

Sat. 12/31 New Year's Eve Dinner &
Dance

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Council #8077 Does Bread Run

The Roy Champeau Council #8077 has been doing a Bread Run for several years. This means that volunteers pick up Bread & other items donated by a local store, the Safeway at Sunrise & Swan and deliver it to Casas Adobes where it feeds many homeless people.

Volunteers include:

Scott Lewis	George Scheller
John Corrado	Joe Dragel
Randy Longshore	Terry Klaum
Tony Fotia	Pete Pacheco

Volunteers can contact Scott Lewis @ 982-2025,
Email: satlewis@msn.com if they wish to be included in this project.

Council #8077 Projects:

Rummage Sale:

Contact Ricardo Preciado @ cucmrpd@comcast.net.

Bread Run:

Contact Scott Lewis @ 982-2025, Email: satlewis@msn.com.

Blood Drive November 20th:

Contact GK, DKG, Chancellor.

Hall Setup & Restore:

Contact:

Captain Team # 1, Tony Fotia.

Captain Team #2 To be Elected.

Super Bowl Subs:

Contact Chancellor.

Priest Appreciation Dinner February 21st:

Contact Ray Obral, DD

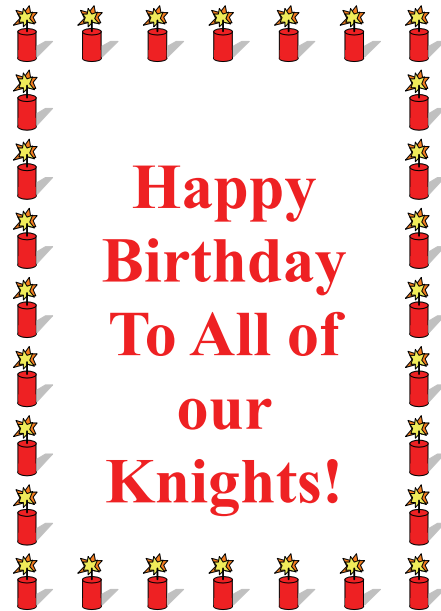
Birthdays

October Birthdays

Deacon Robert P Carlin
 Bill J Higgins
 Francisco T Chavez
 Joseph R Andaloro
 John H Lonien
 Thomas G Ventura
 Charles S Cody
 Henry C Andrade
 Ronald G Reed
 Keven J Birck
 Thomas C Higgins
 Bud J Petrillo
 John J Scanlon
 George L Belock
 Michael A Dinapoli
 Michael J Dinicola
 Kenneth A Haile
 Dr Michael La Corte
 John F Van De Beuken
 Pete Castillo
 Jeffrey D Shields
 Saverio Romeo
 Tim E Weiland
 William R Burk

Assembly October Birthdays

James J Mc Carthy
 Fr. Michael R Bucciarelli
 Lee L Kohs
 Joseph P Paddock



November Birthdays

Merle E Shepler
 Ruben D Aroz
 Dr Randal H Munsen
 Mark A Casey
 Deacon James L Burns
 Fr. Anthony Ross
 Christopher P Chlup
 John H Raymond
 Robert M Carrasco
 Peter R Maher
 Thomas H Rooney
 James A Sweetman
 Kelvin Javier
 John J Barno
 Harry T Contrades
 Albert F Kretschmer
 Leo H Sherlock
 Steven W Vorholzer
 Thomas E Camenisch
 Adolph Kingman
 Ira K Bourguet
 Randolph K Wilder
 Thomas F Mc Gorry
 Gilbert Hernandez
 Joel R Rohlik
 John J Vallinoto
 Scott P Roeder
 Carl S Caulkins
 Steve M Dooley
 Paul K Nzomo
 Timothy J Pearson
 Spencer E Mc Allister
 Jesus M Encinas
 Marc T Snow
 Patrick Mc Guire

Assembly November Birthdays

Fr. Liam Leahy
 James R Lemas
 John E Cieslinski
 Randolph Rodriguez
 Albert L Tucker
 James Louis Maino
 Jeffery D Mansager
 Jerry A Bribiescas

December Birthdays

Paul J Durrant
 Ryan J Kimminau
 Carlos A Sanchez
 David J Jungbluth
 Patrick D Mc Cright
 Chris M Serrano
 George A Horton
 Paul A Miller
 Michael A Vince
 Joseph R Lee
 Thomas A Pintar
 Manuel F Aranda
 Franklin L Robles
 Arthur R Warapius
 David C Madrid
 Father Michael A Martinez
 Stephen P Evans
 Robert B Harrison
 Craig W Piel
 Terrance M Mc Cann
 Guadalupe Zamora
 Ronald E Hess
 Edward D Thomas
 Ralph R Gruit
 Randall L Sheffield
 Robert F Mc Andrew
 William Mc Ewen
 John F Campbell
 Scott A Lewis
 David R Charnetsky
 Jerry M Gonzales
 Pasquale Russo
 John N De Bellis
 Sal P Gentile
 John E Bakke
 Kenneth P Perkins
 Manuel E Velez
 David J Brown
 Thomas E Duenkel
 Joseph Koellisch
 Peter F Garcia
 Paul J Ossowski
 Matthew J Smock
 Terrence P Sullivan
 David C Robillard
 Joseph W Balser
 Larry A Kiser

Assembly December Birthdays

Antonio R Otero
 Roberto J Orfila
 Miguel A Otero

(The following was written for a July Newsletter.)

A Thank You and a Farewell as Your Faithful Navigator

My Worthy Sir Knights it has been a most enjoyable and rewarding year for me serving as your Faithful Navigator in the fraternal year 2010-2011. First off, there was the Hawaiian Luau last fall headed up by Worthy Sir Knight Ricardo Preciado. So many of you and your wives contributed to the successful outcome of this event. Our honored guest at the Luau was Deborah Brookshire from the VA Hospital accompanied by her husband. Ricardo presented her a check for \$2500 from the proceeds. Well done, Sir Knights!

Then there was the Western Hoedown! I've always been a fan of the west and this particular hoedown lived up to my every expectation; music-wise, food-wise and decoration-wise; to say nothing of the enjoyment people had dancing and mingling. Again, none of this would have been possible without your extraordinary contributions. We are, again, giving the VA Hospital a large check from our proceeds. Fr. Lombardo has already received a check from our assembly from this event.

Ah, the fish fry! What can I say to adequately convey my appreciation to all of you and your wives for the tremendous efforts in making this, yet again, another very successful year. Hoo-Rah!

All year, the Honor Guard was busy attending callouts which ran the gamut from presiding at funerals, to attending events such as the Bishop's Catholic Foundation where we presented Colors.

It's always dicey to single out individuals for their contribution. But I'm going to do it anyway. One particular Sir Knight stands out as a "beyond the call of duty" kind of guy. And he is: Ricardo Preciado. He was instrumental in every single event and callout all fraternal year long! Ricardo, thank you! You made my year a lot easier than it would have been without you.

Next year I know you will all give your support to my worthy successor Gary Gazaille. He's a helluva guy! You'll love him!

Thanks for the memories,
Spencer McAllister, Faithful Navigator 2010-2011

Dates to Remember

October 22nd — VA fundraiser Gym, Hall, Kitchen, Yucca, Agave.

October 27 - 29 — Council Rummage Sale. The Council has purchased another 40 foot Storage Container. Contact Mike Connolly @ 579-3335, Art Moylan @ 544-9776 or Al Kingman @ 744-0086. Also Ricardo will be on SEAS Campus each Saturday from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM for drop offs. Contact any of these Knights to volunteer to help.

October 30th — Corporate Communion 9:00AM Mass.

October 30th — Keep Christ in Christmas Card sales Start. 7AM, 9AM & 11 AM Masses.

November — ASSEMBLY MEETING SWITCHED TO 2nd WEDNESDAY! MEMORIAL MASS ON 3rd WEDNESDAY!

November 12th — Veteran's Day, Flag Retirement fundraiser Field, Kitchen Noon to 6pm ceremony/dinner.

November 16th Assembly/Council Memorial Mass SEAS Church.

November 20th — Blood Drive.

November 30th — Family Night Pending.

December 18th — Keep Christ in Christmas Card Sales End.

December 31st — New Year's Eve Party/Dinner/Dance.

January 14th, 2012 — 4th Degree Exemplification in Tucson @ Holiday Inn Palo Verde.

February 5th — Super Bowl Subs.

February 11th — Valentine's Dinner/Dance.

February 21st — Priest Appreciation Dinner @ SEAS.

February 24th — Fish Fry, Gym, Kitchen.

February 29th — Leap Year Family Night.

March — (3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30) Fish Fry, Gym, Kitchen.



This Space Could Be Yours!

Write an Article and send it to the Editor!



Color Corps Commander SK Drew Manager plays "Amazing Grace" in memory of those murdered by Muslim terrorists on September 11, 2001 at the annual Blue Mass sponsored by Council 5542.

Left to right: Sir Knights Drew Manager, Jorge Flores, Roman "Rod" Rodriguez and Jerry Bribiescas join Worthy Marshal Antonio Otero before the Blue Mass, September 11 at Blessed Sacrament Church in Mammoth, home of the best green chili in Arizona, at La Casita restaurant, m.p. 114.5,



Father Wally Balduck, OFM, KC, and the Northern Contingent of Assembly 2308 joined other members of Council 5542 in thanking local first responders last month. Mammoth, San Manuel and Oracle Volunteer Fire Departments, along with Tri-Community Paramedics and the Mammoth Police Department, Pinal County Sheriff's Dept., Arizona Dept. of Public Safety and the Civil Air Patrol received certificates expressing "sincere, deep appreciation for your selfless sacrifice and dedication to public safety. "We honor your membership in the brotherhood of those who sacrificed all on September 11, 2001," the certificates said.



Our Lady of Guadalupe Relic
will be at SEAS
October 13.
Mass @ 9:00 AM
Vigil 11AM to 8:00 PM
Rosary @ 7:00PM



Gary Gazaille, Jim Druener, Stephen Ancell, Ricardo Preciado & Ray Obral in front of the ramp these Knights are building for Jim Druener. Painting is to be done Sunday, October 16th @ 7:00AM.

