

GRAND KNIGHT NOTES
FEBRUARY 7, 2008

NOTES:

- **Reading of Correspondence:**

Received a letter from State Warden, Joe Rostowsky, regarding the State Raffle. The goal this year is for each Council to average at least \$15 in ticket sales per member. Each time a member sells a ticket, the proceeds are split 50/50 with the Arizona State Council.

The Raffle ticket drive is a concerted effort by the State and Parish Councils to raise money for Charities. As an example, the State uses their share of the funds to support Arizona Right to Life, St. Vincent de Paul, the Dioceses of Phoenix, Tucson and Gallup, NM. Individual Councils use their share of the proceeds to support their favorite charities. Last year our Council donated our share of the proceeds to St. Joseph's Youth Camp.

Let's beat last year's ticket sales which averaged out to \$2.60 per member and not miss out on a great opportunity to raise money for our Council Charities.

Received a notice from Skip Hopler of Fray Francisco Garces Council 3855 of a 2nd and 3rd Degree ceremony (see schedule below) as well as a benefit dinner dance in support of the 21st Century Evangelization Fund and Catholic Education Scholarships. The event will be held February 23, 2008 at 8066 N. 49th Avenue, Glendale, AZ. A no host bar will open at 6:00PM, dinner starts at 7:00PM and the dance will start at 8:00PM.

Received a thank you card from the Bill and Susan Franke family for the Council's support in their time of sorrow. Bill also thanked the membership for the Mass card in memory of his Mom.

Received a letter from Armand J. Brooks, Arizona District Master, informing Knights of the next 4th Degree Ceremony which will be held at the Holiday Inn Palo Verde, 4550 South Palo Verde Blvd, Tucson, Arizona. Deadline for reservations is March 29th 2008. To be eligible for the Fourth Degree candidates must have been in the Order for at least one year, attained the Third Degree and be at least eighteen years old. Waivers are available for candidates that do not meet the time requirement but have at least six months as a Knight. Waivers must be received ASAP.

Received a thank you letter from Mathew Tucker regarding Council's donation in support of his nomination as a USA People to People Student Ambassador. He was very appreciative and wanted the membership to know he would be happy to help with the fish fries.

- **Schedule of Events:**

February 8, 2008: Fish Fry, volunteers are needed for startup at 3:30PM and clean up at 6:30PM. Please contact Pat Malafronte for scheduling.

February 9, 2008: Volunteers will be needed for the annual FREE THROW. Setup time starts at 10:15AM and the contest will begin at 11:00AM.

February 11, 2008: Fray Francisco Garces Council 3855 located at 8069 N. 49th Ave, Glendale, AZ is holding a 1st Degree Ceremony. Registration begins at 6:45PM and Degree begins at 7PM.

February 12, 2008: St. Anne Council 10540 is holding a 1st Degree at St Thomas Byzantine Church Hall located at 19 Bruce Street, Gilbert, AZ. Registration begins at 6:30PM and the Degree starts at 7PM.

February 15, 2008: Fish Fry, volunteers are needed for startup at 3:30PM and clean up at 6:30PM. Please contact Pat Malafronte for scheduling.

February 20, 2008: Officer's Meeting will be held at the home of Vince Martinez. Vince's address is 1115 E. Redondo Circle, Tempe, AZ 85282.

February 22, 2008: Fish Fry, volunteers are needed for startup at 3:30PM and clean up at 6:30PM. Please contact Pat Malafronte for scheduling.

February 23, 2008: Fray Francisco Garces Council 3855, 8069 N. 49th Ave, Glendale, AZ is hosting 2nd and 3rd Degree Ceremonies. Registration begins at 9AM and the 2nd Degree begins at 10AM follow by the 3rd Degree.

February 29, 2008: Fish Fry, volunteers are needed for startup at 3:30PM and clean up at 6:30PM. Please contact Pat Malafronte for scheduling.

- **Other Business**

1) Membership: Membership quota is 7 new members and 3 new insurance members this fraternal year. To date we have a net gain of 4 new members (57%) and 2 new insurance members (66%).

2) Discuss proceeds to Parish Youth attending World Youth Day.

3) Father Bernie's Mother passed away. Please pray for his Mother and family and for Father Bernie's safe trip home.