

## Memorial Day Remembrance

As in previous years, Council 4828 remembered our deceased Brethren over Memorial Day weekend by placing special Knights of Columbus flags on the graves of 26 of our deceased brethren who are buried in the local Churchill County Cemetery. Council members met on Friday evening, 28 May, to pray the Rosary and place the flags on the graves. The following individuals were present: Thomas Lukas, Bob Greer, Dennis Kathrein, Brad Jackson, John Matarazza, Alex Scherr, Marlon Clark, Marty Maffi, and Jim Shurtliff. The flags were retrieved on the following Monday evening, 31 May. This is an annual Council event, so please plan to join us next year on the Friday evening of Memorial Day weekend.

## **Adult Steak Social**

Council 4828 held our Adult Steak Social on 22 May at Moiola Hall beginning at 6:00 pm. The Council tries to hold this event at some point during the year on an annual basis. It is an opportunity for Br. Knights and their wives or significant others to get together to visit and get to know one another better. Approximately 40-45 Br. Knights and their spouses were in attendance this year and everyone enjoyed the dinner and opportunity to socialize. Thanks go to Br. Matt Louie and Br. Ben Leynes for chairing the event this year.

## **K of C Emblems and Council Jewels**

Grand Knight, John Foster, of Council 11029 included an article about the Emblem of our Order in their Council's July newsletter. The information came from the "Official Knights of Columbus Emblems and Council Jewels" pamphlet (#1910) that is published by the Supreme Council. I thought GK Foster had a great idea by putting the information in their newsletter, so I have included the same information, below. It is my intention to include similar articles about the various Officer Jewels in future editions of Oasis Knightline. Jim Shurtliff – Financial Secretary

"The emblem of the Order dates from the second Supreme Council meeting May 12, 1883, when it was designed by James T. Mullen, who was then Supreme Knight.

A quick glance at the emblem indicates a shield mounted upon the Formée Cross. The shield is that associated with a medieval Knight. The Formée Cross is the representation of a traditionally artistic design of the Cross of Christ through which all graces of redemption were procured for mankind. This then represents the Catholic spirit of the Order.

Mounted on the shield are three objects: fasces standing vertically, and, crossed behind it, an anchor and a dagger or short sword. The fasces from Roman days is symbolic of authority which must exist in any tightly-bonded and efficiently operating organization. The anchor is the mariner's symbol for Columbus, patron of the Order, while the short sword or dagger was the weapon of the Knight when engaged upon an errand of mercy. Thus, the shield expresses Catholic Knighthood in organized merciful action, and the letters, K. of C., it proclaims this specific form of activity.

The red, white and blue in the background of the shield and the foreground of the Cross of Malta are the colors of our country. As such, red is the symbol of hope, of calm tranquility under God and of confidence in the protection of our country. White is the symbol of nobility of purpose, of purity of aim and of crucible – tried ideals to be carried out.

But there is another symbolism of color in red, white, and blue. This is the ecclesiastical symbolism in which red becomes the reflection of the drips of Christ's redemptive blood, shed upon Calvary, and the martyr's blood, shed in defense of the faith.

Red then is the symbol of Faith, of belief in Christ, in the Redemption and in the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ. White is the color of the Eucharistic Host, pledge of God's Eucharistic presence among men, of the infinite love God has for man and the overwhelming affection which the God-man has for each individual. White then is the symbol of Christ-like Charity. Blue is the color of Our Lady's mantle, in which she wrapped her beloved Son, through whom came salvation to a sinful world. Blue is then the symbol of hope."

## ***A Departing Word***

***(Submitted by Past Grand Knight, Roland Encarnacion)***

First of all, I would like to say thank you to all of my Brother Knights for all of your support and enthusiasm to make my term a wonderful year. I know that without your support, it would have been a big failure and uneventful year for our Council. I am mostly grateful and appreciative to Brother Knight Tom Lucas who worked so well and so hard to keep our pot growing and to make our events more exciting, In line with this are our brother knights John Matarazza, Phil Sabatino, Dennis Kathrein, Pat Laca, Martin and Matt Maffi, Matt Louie, Louie Erquiaga, Doug Lynch, Brad Jackson, Ben Leynes, Richard Gerten, Cliff Cramer, and to everyone else whose names I forget to mention here. I am also grateful and appreciative to Jim Shurtliff, our Financial

Secretary, for keeping our records straight, keeping me out of trouble, and keeping our newsletter going. Also, thank you Jim, for accepting another term as Financial Secretary. The same goes for Doug Lynch for another term as Treasurer. You are worth the title as Worthy Treasurer. Congratulations to our new Grand Knight, Brad Jackson, and I am sure that with you on the helm we will have more excitement and a better year this upcoming year. I am at your service anytime you need some help. Again, thank you Brother Knights and let's all get behind our new Grand Knight!

**Ron Encarnacion,  
Past Grand Knight**