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Newsletter for August 2023

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<u>Our last meeting:</u> There was no actual meeting held at the American Legion Hall on the 15th of August. It was combined with our annual BBQ celebration on the 15th. It was at the Vasona Lake Park in Los Gatos, CA.

Everyone had a very nice time. Some special guests attended the celebration. Grand Council President Steve Cresci and District Deputy Alex Schmitt (Council #8), 3or4 seminarians of San Jose Diocese including their vocational counselor Fr. Roberto, and Sister Rosario of the Diocese. Plus the Council's #2 essay winners in total 14, but not all showed up.

GCP Steve Cresci stated a few words to the group and wished everyone well. Fr. Roberto gave a blessing before our meal. Everyone enjoyed their meal from Sam's BBQ.

After everyone had their fill, the scholarships were presented to the seminarians and the students. For the no shows, the student's scholarships will be mailed and for the seminarians gave those to Sister Rosario.

The Pacheco Pass 4-H presented a recognition award to Council #2 for Council #2 contribution to their organization. Council #2 President Alex Preciado gladly accepted the award and thanked the young gentleman that presented the award.

I received a financial report from Treasurer John Diaz who wasn't able to attend. The B of A account received a total of \$200.13. B of A's total disbursements were \$1,789.56. Total ending balance as of 7/31/2023 was \$13,980.90. For the Merrill Lynch account the ending balance as of 7/31/2023 was \$681,862.06. The combined totals of both accounts were \$695,842.96.

NDTE: I hope by now you have received the Grand Council's Journal "Under the Lamp Post". A lot of good reading and information especially page 11. It is





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regarding the Grand Council's essay contest. You can copy that page and pass it out to Catholic students public or private.

Our next meeting: it will be on September 19, 2023. Doors open at 11am and the meeting will start at 11:30am.u8