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Message from the Commander

Dear Members of the Commandery of St. Joseph:

This is our first-ever newsletter! We believe it will serve a couple of purposes- a warm welcome to our new Dames and Knights and to our Damoselles and Squires who joined us at Investiture 2003 plus fun photographic remembrances of our fabulous Summer Garden Party we celebrated only a few weeks ago.

Our Commandery now numbers a total of 92, made up of 86 Dames and Knights and 6 junior Members. The Members of our Commandery sponsored 12 outstanding new people into our Order last March, and we already have several in line for Investiture 2004 next March 13th.



With many thanks to each of you, our treasury contains over \$200,000 which we are saving toward the construction of the Infirmary for the San Juan Bautista Child Development Center. We made a 5-year, quarter million dollar pledge toward this

much-needed facility for the sick children of low-income working parents. Because of you, our target for this deserving charity is within sight. We will also be attempting to help the Center to obtain the necessary state, county and city government funds for their overall structure.

We hope you will enjoy this little newsletter, and our thanks to Dennise Carter and Larry Hernandez for a super job of producing it.

Yours in St. John,

Bill

Commander William E. Peacock

XIV Christmas Ball

An Invitation from the San Francisco Commandery

Plans are being finalized for the XIV Christmas Ball at the Mark Hopkins Hotel in San Francisco, on Saturday, December 6, 2003. The San Francisco Commandery goes all out to insure that it will be an elegant evening of romance and enjoyment.

Cocktails at the Mark will be in the Room of the Dons; dinner and dancing will follow in the Grand Ballroom. There will be a live auction and a silent auction-co-chaired by Walter Joyce and Larry Chew. Complimentary parking will be available at the Crocker Garage on California Street, a few steps from the Mark; reservations must be made in advance and your garage entrance pass will be mailed to you.

Attendance will be limited; thus, it is important to reserve early. Tickets are \$350 per person. The proceeds are divided proportionately based on attendance among the three Commanderies, San Francisco, St. Joseph (Silicon Valley) and St. Francis (Military), to contribute to their respective Bay Area charities. The primary charity of the San Francisco Commandery is Clausen House, a facility dedicated to helping mildly challenged people learn basic skills with which to cope in society.

We in the St. Joseph Commandery always offer our overwhelming support for the San Francisco Commandery's efforts and attend in great numbers. And San Jose will do so again this year. We look forward to seeing all of you there!

For more information and tickets, please contact Janice M. Stein, Chair of the Christmas Ball, at 415.346-6620.

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Summer Garden Party

*September 6, 2003 at the home of
Chevalier Jack and Nancy Horton in the Los Altos Hills*



The Organizing Committee: John DuBois, John Jerrehian, La Donn DuBois, Jill Jerrehian, Dan Breeding, Sheila Breeding, Barbara Combellick, Tom Combellick, Nancy Finan, Bill Peacock, Ellen McLaughlin, Linda Sarles, Brookes Brown, Colin Macnab (holding Calvin), Robert Fenwick, Caroline Macnab, Evan Baker, Shelly Barsanti, Linda Floyd. Absent: Barbara Shukov, Rochelle McLaughlin

The Sovereign Order of St. John kicked off the Bay Area season's fundraising galas with a roaring start on Saturday, September 6. Under the late summer skies at Mont du Paix, the Los Altos estate of Chevalier Jack and Nancy Horton, the Sovereign Order of St. John's 225 guests reveled in the theme "A Champagne Festival". Caviar, oysters, champagne, Clos La Chance wines, accordion player, brass bands, violins, numerologist, magician, a marvelous dinner created by Le Papillion and a lively auction added to the enjoyment of the guests.

Between underwriting contributions from members and auction proceeds, the Summer Garden Party netted \$100,000. The proceeds will be donated for the construction of an infirmary at the San Juan Bautista Child Development Center in San Jose. The funds will extend the day care center's ability to care for sick infants and children of low-income working parents.

The Sovereign Order of St. John is a worldwide ecumenical Christian organization whose charter is to raise money to serve the sick and the poor. Said Ellen McLaughlin, the Chair of the Summer Garden Party, "We were so fortunate to have such an outstanding group of community leaders join our party, have a great time, and contribute to a better community for all."

The following 4-page color inset of this newsletter is a collection of photos from this event.

San Juan Bautista Child Development Center

The Order Of St. John Charity 2003 and 2004

San Juan Bautista Child Development Center is a non-profit social service agency providing child care, job training and other social services to more than 1,000 clients in the San Jose, Milpitas and Cupertino areas of the Silicon Valley. Incorporated 31 years ago, the agency was created by the AME Church in partnership with the City of San Jose, Charles Davidson and the parents in the areas they serve.

The name of the organization originated with the San Juan Bautista Apartments, a notorious magnet for drug and gang activity in the 1970's. Through inverse condemnation, the City of San Jose acquired the property and ultimately sold it to Charles Davidson, a well regarded local developer. Davidson encouraged the AME Church to start a child care facility and to provide job training to residents of the complex. SJBCDC was separately incorporated and Bill Williams, a small local builder, became the first executive director. Bill is still in this position after more than thirty years.

It became clear immediately that one of the most needed services the agency could provide was sick child care. Care not just for children to five years of age but for infants and children ill with cold, flu or measles etc. A major challenge for parents (especially single mothers) is to acquire dependable, affordable child care. A welfare mother, newly employed, needs to show up for work, even if her child is sick. Child care facilities banish sick kids until they get better, so the newly employed mom is in a real catch-22; she is forced to choose between child and job.

SJBCDC is currently the only provider of child care for ill children. The agency maintains nine social service facilities, using one to provide a minimal infirmary serving a maximum of six youngsters. With the right facility, the Agency will serve up to twenty clients, since most of the requirements (licensed nurse, LVN, etc.) are already in place.

The Order of St. John is assisting SJBCDC to construct an infirmary facility to increase their capacity dramatically. Cost will be in the range of \$250,000. Through the building of this facility, the Order Of St. John continues to fulfill its' centuries-old mission of caring for the suffering and needy among us.

For information about charity of the
St. Joseph Commandery:

**San Juan Bautista
Child Development Center**

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We Welcome Our Newest Members!



The tallest person in the very back on the left is Jamie Williams, next to him are Susan Black, Bill Murphy, Jim Cunneen, Bob Fenwick and Larry Stone. In front of Jamie from the left are Bill Gisvold, Evan Baker, Agnieska Winkler, Mike Hackworth, George Moore, Ann Atkinson, Sheri Sobrato and Paul Huber. In the front row are Violet (Sue) Bruns, the Reverend Labib Kobti, Jennifer DerTorossian Constantino, and Fernando Zazueta.

Order of St. John Investiture Ceremony

At Grace Cathedral on Saturday, March 15, 2003

Eighteen Dames and Knights and one Damoiselle were invested into The Order at ceremonies presided over by Grand Commander Owen Brown and Prior Glen McLaughlin, Saturday evening at The Grace Cathedral atop Nob Hill in San Francisco. The Commanderies of St. Joseph, San Francisco and The Palm Beaches all brought new members into The Order.

Visiting guests from the Commanderies of the Palm Beaches and Vancouver, Canada were welcomed to town on Friday night at a get together at the home of the former San Francisco Commander, Lynn White. Saturday the Aspirants attended an

introductory luncheon at The Big Four restaurant in the Huntington Hotel and from there proceeded to a rehearsal for the Investiture Ceremony at Grace Cathedral. After the new Knights, Dames and Damoiselle had been invested, festivities commenced with cocktails, then dinner and dancing in the Crown Room of the Fairmont Hotel.

The Priory of the Western United States is proud to welcome its newest Members.

Profiles of the new Members begin on page 4.

New Member Profiles

Ann Atkinson

Mrs. Atkinson has been deeply involved in community and non-profit organizations for over thirty years. Ann has served on the following Boards of Directors: San Jose Repertory Theatre American Musical Theatre, History San Jose, Childrens' Discovery Museum, Junior League of San Jose, The Summit League, Bellarmine College Prep, Presentation High School, Art Docents of Los Gatos, and the Lincoln High School Foundation. Ann has served as Event Coordinator for several major community events in San Jose whose goal was to raise funds to support local charities.

Among these are: San Jose Arts Roundtable: Opening of Nordstrom and the opening of the Fairmont Hotel, San Jose; coordinating the first fundraising event for The Tech Museum and the opening of the Childrens' Discovery Museum; conceiving the idea of and chairing the first Junior League of San Jose Fashion Show; and chairing the Bellarmine College Prep Fashion Show and Summit Leagues' bi-annual fundraising event, "Homes for the Holidays". Ann is currently involved with Silicon Valley Reads: One Book One Community.

Before participating in community organizations Ann was an English, Public Speaking and Theatre teacher at the high school level for nine years.

Evan S. Baker

Evan Baker graduated from Tufts University in 1956. After a five year career with the United States Navy, Evan Baker took positions with the Hughes Aircraft Company, Field Marketing Representative (1962-1969), GTE Sylvania Inc., Field Marketing Manager (1969-1977), and the GTE Government Systems Corporation (1977-1995) where he served as Director of Business Development, Acquisition and Planning for Electronic Defense.

Evan Baker has also been active in the civic activity of his community, Saratoga, serving as Member of the City Council (1998-2002), serving as Vice Mayor in 2002. Baker has also served on the West Valley Sanitation District Board of Directors (1999-2002, Chairman 2001), County Emergency Preparedness Council (1999-2001), West Valley Solid Waste Joint Powers Authority (2001-2002), Santa Clara County Cities Assoc. (1999-2000, Alternate 2001-2002), Hakone Gardens Board of Trustees (2002), Santa Clara Water District Advisory Commission (1999-2000), and Santa Clara County Housing & Community Development Advisory Council (2001).

Baker has also served the Navy League of the United States, holding the offices of National Vice President (1989-1993) and National President and Chief Executive Officer (1993-1995).

Baker is also a member of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, the Scottish Rite Masons, 32nd degree KCCH, the Sovereign Military Order of the Temple of Jerusalem, KCTJ and the Queen's Club.

Susan K. Black

Susan Black was President of the Community Banking Group of Greater Bay Bancorp. Susan also continues as President and Chief Executive Officer of Mid-Peninsula Bank, one of the two original banks forming Greater Bay Bancorp. She was one of the founders of Mid-Peninsula Bank in 1987 and was the banks' original marketing director. She was promoted to Executive Vice President in 1996, and President and CEO in 1998 and Regional President of Greater Bay Bancorp. In 2000. Prior to joining Mid-Peninsula Bank, Susan was a Vice President with Wells Fargo Bank/Crocker Bank from 1984-1987.

Ms. Black has served in numerous community organizations including Lenders for Community Development (initial organizer and Chairman of the Board). Ms. Black serves on the Boards of Directors of The Bay Area Council, The Silicon Valley Manufacturing Group, and the Sustainable Silicon Valley Foundation. She serves on the Advisory Boards of WAGES (Women's Action to Gain Economic Security), Peninsula Volunteers, the YWCA Women Entrepreneurs Program, KB Home Community Advisory Board and the Bay Area Smart Growth Council. She is a past director of Peninsula Children's Center, Mid-Peninsula YWCA, Center for Community Change, United Way and Professional and Business Women on California.

Ms. Black is the recipient of the 1998 Palo Alto Chamber of Commerce Women in Business Athena Award, Distinguished Citizen of the Year 2000 Award by the Skyline Council for the Boy Scouts of America. She was named one of the fifty most influential business women in the Bay Area in 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002 by the San Francisco Business Times.

Violet (Sue) Bruns

Much of Sue's adult life has been spent in the voluntary support of a variety of worthy causes. These were most often in working assignments, not just organization membership, and, as a reflection of commitment, that lasted from 5 to 40 years.

They include support of the Mt. Diablo Therapy Center when it was established as the first rehabilitation facility in Contra Costa County, and subsequently Concord Hospital (now Mt. Diablo) when it was a three-story white farmhouse in the Town of Concord, California.

Sue was a docent at Oakland Museum for more than 15 years and conducted tours for school children from disadvantaged areas of that city, providing them with their first introduction to Art and California Artists.

For 35 years Sue worked with and for the Alexander Lindsay Jr. Museum, which provides young people access to living examples of a broad range of California's animal and bird life as well as an Animal Hospital treating many wounded creatures brought to it.

Beyond volunteerism, Sue has provided material support for many local institutions including Las Trampas Home for the Mentally Retarded, Clausen House, Matilda Brown Ladies Home, The Wellness Community and others. Sue was a full partner in the establishment of a substantial charitable foundation in perpetuity to serve these and other needs well into the future.

James F. Cunneen

A Santa Clara county native, Jim Cunneen grew up in Palo Alto, California where he attended Gunn High School, graduating in 1980, and earned the rank of Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America in 1976. Mr. Cunneen graduated from UCLA in 1984 with a degree in Political Science and began his career as legislative aide to congressman Ed Zschau in 1985. In 1987 he moved back to Silicon Valley to work with State Senator Becky Morgan and later became top District Aide for Congressman Tom Campbell.

Prior to his election to the Assembly in 1994, Cunneen was the Global Corporate Affairs Manager for Applied Materials. For seven years, Jim has also assisted his father-in-law with marketing and sales of a family-owned furniture retail business.

Jim served in the California Assembly from 1994-2000. He was appointed President and CEO of the San Jose Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce in March 2001. Jim is also a member of Pacific Research Institute Center for Technology Studies Advisory Board, member of Bay Area Sports Organizing Committee for 2012 Olympics, Advisory Council for the Commonwealth Club of Silicon Valley, the San Jose State University President's Advisory Board and the Mexican Heritage Corporation Advisory Board.

Jim also served as a volunteer Corporate Campaign Coordinator for the United Way and Second Harvest Food Bank. In addition, Cunneen served on the Working Council of the Santa Clara Valley Manufacturing Group. Cunneen was an early, active volunteer for the The Tech Museum of Innovation during its start-up phase.

Jennifer DerTorossian Constantino

Jennifer Constantino, a lyric soprano from Northern California, began her voice studies with Maestro Salvatore D'aura of Italy, who has trained Mrs. Constantino in the bel canto style for thirteen years. Most recently the Metro Newspaper called her "La Coloratura Assoluta" in her portrayal of Lucia in the opera Lucia di Lammermoor. She has been seen as Mimi in La Boheme and Cio Cio San in Madama Butterfly at the Mountain Winery Summer Concert Series, Saratoga. Most noteworthy was her portrayal of Puccini's heroine Cio Cio San under the direction of Mada Licia Albanese

As one of the winners of the Licia Albanese-Puccini Competition, Jennifer performs annually as a guest artist at the Alice Tully Hall at the Lincoln Center, New York. Mrs. Constantino was a finalist in the Classical Singer Productions Competition where she performed at Carnegie Hall. She has also been featured soloist in Kingston, Jamaica with Season of Excellence '97 & '98 Concert Series at the Ward Theater. Most recently Mrs. Constantino was the soprano soloist during the Cabrillo Music Festival's Conductors Workshop under the direction of Maestro Gustav Meier.

Jennifer Constantino made her professional career debut at age 18 as Gretel in Humperdink's Hansel und Gretel, performed at DeAnza Flint Center in Cupertino. In 1990 she performed Miss Rowan in Britten's The Little Sweep at the Flint Center. She made her 1996 debut in Rome, Italy with the New Opera Festival di Roma where she portrayed the role of Susanna in Mozart's Le Nozze di Figaro.

Mrs. Constantino's repertoire also includes Mimi in La Boheme, Rosina in The Barber of Seville, the Countess in The Marriage of Figaro, Rosalinda in Die Fliedermaus, Gilda in Rigoletto, Violetta in La Traviata, and Fiordiligi in Cosi fan Tutte, Micaela in Bizet's Carmen, Lucia in Lucia di Lammermoor, and Rosalinda in Stauss's Die Fliedermaus.

Robert B. Fenwick, PhD.

Bob was born an identical triplet on April 13, 1936 in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dr. Fenwick received his B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering from Purdue University in 1958 and PhD. in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University in 1963.

Dr. Fenwick was a founder of BR Communication in 1966. A manufacturer of unique, proprietary military and diplomatic equipment, the success of BR Communications was significantly enhanced by the war between the United Kingdom and Argentina over the Falkland Islands. Following a highly successful deployment in this conflict, BR Communications' equipment was adopted by all U. K. and U. S. military services.

As an entrepreneur/inventor and holder of five U. S. patents, Dr. Fenwick founded a consumer-oriented electronics company in 1986. This company, On Command Video Corporation, designs, manufactures, installs and operates unique video distribution systems in hotels. AT OCV, Dr. Fenwick was Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer.

Dr. Fenwick also serves on the Board of Interactual Technologies, is a member of the DeAnza College Art on Campus Committee, is co-chair of the Capital Leadership Committee of the Community School of Music and Arts, is a member of the Los Altos Rotary Club, founded the Los Altos Community Foundation, was the recipient in 2000 of the Duveneck Humanitarian Award, and serves as Mayor of the Town of Los Altos Hills 2002-2003.

William A. Gisvold

A fourth generation Californian born in Lindsay in 1944, Mr. Gisvold served in the United States Army as 1st Lieutenant, Infantry 1966-1969 as company commander with the 1st and 47th Infantry at Fort Wainwright, Alaska. He received the National Defense Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal and the Expert Infantry Badge.

After completing his military service Bill completed his Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting at Fresno State University in 1970. Bill worked as a Certified Public Accountant with Arthur Andersen & Co. from 1970 through 1990, working in various tax staff and managerial positions until his promotion to partner in 1982. Bill served as a tax partner in the San Jose office from 1982 to 1990. He was the worldwide tax coordinator for agriculture and agribusiness operations from 1985 to 1990. Bill joined Ireland San Fillippo, LLP in 1991 and is the Senior Partner, serving today as Tax Committee Chair.

Bill is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the California Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Bill's community involvement includes: Treasurer and Board Member, Santa Clara County Children's Center Association, Former President of University of Santa Clara Graduate School of Business, Agribusiness Institute Advisory Board, Former President of the Parent Board of Presentation High School, former Treasurer of the San Jose Symphony.

Michael L. Hackworth

Michael L. Hackworth is a Co-founder and current Chairman of the Board of Cirrus Logic, Inc. He serves as "Advisor to Entrepreneurs" for a number of semiconductor and electronic design automation based start-ups. Hackworth serves on the Board of Directors of Virage Logic Corp. and several privately owned companies. Prior to becoming Chairman of Cirrus Logic in April, 1999, Hackworth served as President and CEO of the company since January, 1985.

Before joining Cirrus Logic, Hackworth spent 14 years at Signetics Corp. an subsidiary of N.V. Phillips where he held various management positions, his last being Senior Vice President of MOS and Linear Products Group, overseeing several divisions and manufacturing plants. Prior to joining Signetics he held a number of management positions at Motorola and Fairchild Semiconductor.

Hackworth is personally active in several community activities, including University of Santa Clara Engineering Advisory Board, The Markula Center for Applied Ethics at the University of Santa Clara, The Tech Museum of Innovation, Junior Achievement Santa Clara County, The Montalvo Association, PACT, and Cultural Initiatives Silicon Valley. He has also led Cirrus Logic to sponsor such programs as the San Jose Children's Shelter, the Second Harvest Food Bank, and Joint Venture Silicon Valley. Hackworth was honored as a Business Hall of Fame Laureate by Junior Achievement Santa Clara County in 2002 and is being honored this year by the NCCJ at their annual event. In recognition of his philanthropic efforts, Santa Clara University awarded him an honorary degree of Doctor of Public Service.

Paul H. Huber

Paul Huber graduated from Harvard Business School in 1963 after receiving his BS in Electrical Engineering from the New Jersey Institute of Technology in 1960. Mr. Huber financed his Harvard education from the proceeds of the sale of Communications Associates Inc., a company that he founded while in high school.

Since leaving Harvard, Mr. Huber has served as President, CEO or both of a number of companies in the computer and automation field with a later emphasis on companies focused on graphic input peripherals, terminals and software.

Since 1988, Mr. Huber has been President and CEO of A&D Company. This company manufactures electronic blood pressure monitoring equipment, laboratory balances, and industrial weighing equipment. Mr. Huber has consistently grown the businesses that he has led.

Mr. Huber has served as Director and Chairman of the Laboratory Products Association since 1994, Director and Chairman of the Scientific Apparatus Manufacturers Assoc. (1999-2000), Director of the SMA (2000-Present), Director of the American Electronics

Assoc, San Diego Chapter, (1985-1988), Vice President and Director of the National Computer Graphics Assoc. (1983-1987), President and Member of the Board of Trustees, Monmouth Hills Corp., (1968-1975), and President and director of Forbes Mill Homeowners Assoc., (1994-2001).

Father Labib Kobti

Born in Beirut, Lebanon in 1950 Fr. Kobti studied at the Latin Patriarchate Seminary of Jerusalem from 1963-1975. Fr. Kobti taught at Terra Santa College 1973-1974 (Franciscan Fathers of the Custody of the Holy Land) in Bethlehem and was director of the Youth Groups at FRERES School in Bethlehem. Fr. Kobti was ordained as a priest on July 6, 1975 at the Capuchin Cathedral of Beirut, Lebanon.

In 1982 he was sent to Rome to study Canon Law where he received his Ph.D. in Canon Law in 1985 from the Lateran University. He served as Secretary to the Apostolic Vicariate of Ecclesiastical Tribunals in Beirut, Lebanon. He returned to Rome in 1987 to continue his studies in theology and got an MA in Theology (Ecclesiology).

After numerous positions in the Middle East, Fr. Kobti was sent to serve the Arab-American Catholic Community in California in 1992. Here he has created a magazine, Al Bushra, published in English and Arabic as a platform used to speak about the Christian Arab Heritage, the challenges of the Christians in the Middle East and the human rights of the Arab People. In recent years Fr. Kobti has founded the San Francisco Committee for Justice and Peace at St. John of God, has worked for justice and peace for Guatemala and San Salvador with the Sanctuary Committee and worked for the lifting of sanctions against Iraq.

William J. Murphy

Bill Murphy holds a bachelors degree in electrical engineering from Tufts University and an MBA from San Diego State University.

Bill joined General Electric in 1967 as an electronics engineer and began his career with Hewlett Packard in 1969. Bill was made Marketing Manager for the Boise Division of HP in 1975. A long career directing various marketing divisions with HP followed in which he established the Hewlett-Packard dealer distribution network and the brand "LaserJet". In 1996 Bill was appointed Director of Internet Marketing with worldwide marketing responsibilities for all HP internet activities.

Bill founded, and is currently the Chairman and CEO of Clos LaChance Wines, Inc. a fast growing premium California winery. Located in San Martin, California, Clos LaChance recently completed the construction of a new 60,000 case winery, a 100 acre vineyard as well as extensive wine-tasting and hospitality facilities.

Murphy has served as chairman of the Boise and Santa Clara Valley chapters of the American Red Cross. He is currently on the Board of Governors of the Silicon Valley Capital Club as well as the Board of Visitors and Fellows at the University of California at Davis. He is currently on the Board of Directors of Etherlinx Inc. and AltaMaxx, Inc. Bill is a past president of the Board of Trustees of Villa Montalvo.

Sheri Sobrato

Ms. Sobrato is a trustee of the Sobrato Family Foundation. She is responsible for promoting philanthropy in the Silicon Valley, making grant decisions and overseeing grantee relations. Ms. Sobrato has extensive experience in the children's health field. Sheri is a co-creator of a national conference for children with brain tumors and is founding board member of BraveKids.org a web site that helps families find health resources for their children.

Sheri recently completed her first book, *Journey to Myself*, a journal-writing book to comfort children with health challenges. Sheri has served on many health related boards over the past fifteen years including the American Cancer Society, the Okizu Foundation, Parents Helping Parents, Cancer Support Committee and the Creighton Health Institute. She has been a long time active volunteer with the Packard Children's Hospital, Ronald MacDonald House Charities, the National Brain Tumor Foundation, and the Children's Health Council.

Sheri is on the board of directors of Paintbrush Diplomacy, a program which exchanges art and writing among the world's children and Dance Repertory San Francisco. Sheri actively supports the San Francisco Symphony.

Lawrence E. Stone

With more than thirty years of leadership experience in both public and private sectors, Larry Stone has been successfully applying principles of effective government management to Santa Clara County since he was first elected County Assessor in 1994 and re-elected in 1998.

Stone has been a financial manager on Wall Street and was the founder of a successful real estate investment and development firm. He also served 16 years as a council member and mayor of Sunnyvale during the period the City earned an international reputation for effectiveness and became a model for President Clinton's efforts to reform the federal bureaucracy. President Clinton said, "the National Performance Review was modeled in part upon the remarkable reinvention efforts pioneered by the City of Sunnyvale, where Larry Stone served as Mayor."

As County Assessor, Stone has overseen improvements to streamline office operations. The State Board of Equalization acknowledged his office as one of the best-managed assessors' operations in California. Stone was elected President of the California Assessors' Association in 2002.

A native of Seattle, he has an MBA from the University of Washington, and has studied at the Institute of Politics at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government.

Dr. Jamie Williams

Dr. Jamie Williams is founder and CEO of Ymotion Media, Inc. a San Francisco based media company focused on the development and production of engaging sports-related entertainment content for broadcast television, cable, satellite, theatrical and internet platforms.

Dr. Williams is in charge of developing feature film projects from the in-house and independent creative pool available. Currently, he is consultant/producer of an ABC pilot, a one-hour weekly drama about pro football.

Dr. Williams concluded a very successful professional football career with the San Francisco Forty Niners in 1995. While winning a Super Bowl championship with the Forty Niners, Dr. Williams completed a Masters in Mass Communication degree with an emphasis on film in 1993. He completed two documentaries during this time period: *Aids and Society* (1992) and *The Black Quarterback and the Media* (1993). Dr. Williams participated in numerous network and affiliate features, including HBO's *Inside the NFL* and ABC's *Nightline*. Dr. Williams has also served as host and panelist for various forums on screen writing and film. He also holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Broadcast Journalism from the University of Nebraska.

Dr. Williams has also served as management consultant for various Silicon Valley companies, and sits on the boards of the University of San Francisco-School of Education and Notre Dame de Namur University

Fernando R. Zazueta

Fernando Zazueta was born in Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico and was raised as a migrant farm worker in California. He attended sixteen separate schools before graduating for San Jose High School in 1957 after which he enrolled at San Jose State University where he receive his BS in business and industrial management. He worked as a stock broker, banker and accountant until 1972 when he enrolled in law school at UC Davis, graduating in 1975. During law school Zazueta was president of the Ralph Bunche Society of International Law, founder of the UC Davis Law School Students Opera Association and the Law Student Foreign Language Court Interpreter Program.

Zazueta is a member of local, county, state and national Hispanic bar associations. He has served on the State Bar Commission on Judicial Nominees Evaluation, and was treasurer and then president of La Raza National Lawyers Association of California.

Fernando has held numerous directorships including the International Hospitality Center of San Francisco, San Jose Museum of Art, San Jose Convention and Visitors Bureau. He incorporated and was founding chairman of the Mexican Heritage Corporation. Zazueta was the key-note speaker for the December 2001 graduating class SJSU College of Business.

2003 Investiture Ceremony



Officers Bill Peacock, Owen Brown, Glen McLaughlin and Jan Stein



Commander Bill Peacock and Nancy Finan



Promotions were awarded to Colleen Wilcox, Larry Hernandez, Joy Barnsdale, Larry Chew and Don Watson



Sheri Sobrato with her father John Sobrato, who received the Humanitarian Award.

Events Calendar of Upcoming Events

2003

- October 25** Wine County Lunch at Sonoma-Cutrer Winery
– San Francisco Commandery
- November 13** Priory Council Meeting at Olympic Club
(Lakeside)
- December 6** Christmas Ball at Mark Hopkins Hotel
– San Francisco Commandery

2004

- March 13** Investiture 2004 at Grace Cathedral
– Priory of the Western United States
- April** Investiture Ceremony
– Vancouver Commandery
- September 24–29** Meeting and Investiture in Malta and Rhodes
– The Sovereign Council
- October 8–10** Investiture and Meetings in U.K.
– Grand Priory of Europe

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