

# GREATER ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER OF PARENTS OF

MURDERED CHILDREN

### MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2022

FOR THE FAMLILIES & FRIENDS OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED BY VIOLENCE







This month is the Holiday Raffle Potluck!
Formely known as the Christmas potluck,
This event changed dates due to scheduling
conflict with the church. But! The event goes
on and continues this November the 19th!
It's the perfect way to unite together with
two holidays in one. Bring a Holiday dish
and get ready to win some raffle prizes!
There is still time receive a Christmas
ornament with your loved one's name. Just
email Debra at debraus22@gmail.com. And
You'll receive your ornament at this event.
See you all there! NOVEMBER 19TH AT 6PM
AT THE ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH.

# SEE'S CANDY SALES

See's candy sales begin November 1st. All orders need to be paid and turned in no later than December 1st. Candies will be delivered at the December Chapter meeting which is Wednesday, December 14th.



Don't forget to vote this month! Get your tally's in by Tuesday November 8th at your nearby voting center.



Cal State Fullerton has a Division of Politics, Administration and Justice Department. Their Criminal Justice branch invited a few of Orange County's Chapter to speak on behalf their tragic expierences and their loved ones who were murdered. Among the speakers were Donna Aston, Annette Garay and Paul Paulsen. Paul Paulsen said that the class seemed to be very attentive the whole time and was confident they were good Ambassadors for POMC's OC Chapter. He also complimented on his fellow speakers by saying how poised and excellent speakers both Donna and Annete were. Annette Garay mentioned how they all had the young group of student's attention. And were taken in by their stories. They were very respectful and thanked all three for sharing their experiences. Garay, felt they've gained knowledge on how most homicides aren't just gang related and can happen in other forms.

Adjunct Lecturer, Kristen Muche thanked the speakers in this letter.

I don't know where to start?

Thank you so much for coming to my class today and sharing your stories about your loved ones. It was truly and honor. The students were absolutely blown away, and you gave them an even greater motivation to pursue their goals. I appreciate ech of you so much. Thank you for your courage and generosity.

With gratitude,

Kristen

### Editor's Letter

The holidays are here. And, I know this time of year can be way more tougher than the rest of the year for you all. And, again, I want you all to know that, I see you and I hear you.

Although, I can't and won't compare my losses with yours and can't relate to your pain, please be patient with me. For,I am your student and I would like to think, your voice, as well.

Please stay well, and safe. And I hope to see

you all this November 19th!

Rick Maldonado

### DEBRA'S TWO CENTS!



### NOVEMBER'S ANGEL DEDICATIONS

My son Mike Tovar was murdered November 28th, 2021. He was a blessing-always joking, teasing; loving and giving. Hardworking, strong and a true friend. He had grown to be a man of integrity. He taught me as as much as I taught him to accept and enjoy others as they are, to give freely but with open eyes, to laugh and enjoy the day, To find comfort in the assurance that God has a plan for us (even as we do not understand it). I dry my tears and smile-thinking of him in heaven, sorruonded by his father and grandparents, and others who have loved and preceeded him...and I thank God for my son. Mike.





Jonathan,

Remembering you is easy, it's forgetting what happened to you that haunts me. Talking to you on the phone 3 hours before you were murdered and saying our last words to each other, (I love you), gives me comfort. Your sisters picked out their favorite picture and collected letters from your name that described you.

11/27/2007



0- optimistic

N- nurturing

A- athletic

T- treasured

H-honest

A -achiever

N- never-ending



Bring a Holiday dish and

IF YOU'D LIKE TO RECEIVE AN ORNAMENT FOR CHRISTMAS WITH YOUR LOVED ONES NAME AT THIS EVENT, CONTACT DEBRA AT DEBRAUS22@GMAIL.COM

TOGETHER WE CAN!!

Community Outreach & Fundreising Event

FREE REOURCES | RAFFLES | VENDORS | GAMES | CARSHOW | ENTERTAINMENT



11/04/2000-8/30/2019

### FREE EVENT

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5th, 2022 | 12pm-8pm The Blue Lot - 119 N. Bush St., SA

#### RAFFLE ITEMS INCLUDE:

26" HUFFY BIKE | 26" PORTOFINO BIKE | BOW DOWN APPAREL | THE COUNTY PROJECT SKATEBOARDS & APPAREL | VITAL CAPS MERCHANDISE

SANTA ANA ZOO PASSES | CHARLIE'S TATTOO APPAREL

SHINEBRIGHT AUTODETAIL PACKAGE | STARBUCKS JAPAN CUPS

SAMSUNG EAR PODS | BATH & BODY BASKETS | GIFT CARDS | MORE

Free Paint Class - Students 10-17 yrs old ~~~ Take the Bucket Dunk Challenge ~~~

Attempt to dunk Chief Valentin of the SAPD. Along with other officers and City Officials.

\*\* Students 12-17 receive a free raffle ticket & game play for pre-registration. \*Visit the link on our social media bios to register. Registration is not required, but preferred.



Visit: Justiceforvictoriabarrios.com for more information on Victoria's story & our ongoing efforts.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday \	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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### Forever Remembered Angelversaries

Joshua Steven Rodriguez Anthony Isaiah Prudhomme William (Bill) Zeigler Howard A. Levey Mitchell James Curran Andrew David Bagby Lynn Ann Sapienze Greene Steven Anthony Ramirez Douglas M. Lightfoot Jockla Faye Whitmore Linda Young Park Manuel Joseph Moreno Jennifer Leanne Balber Ramon Franco IV Robert Porter Alexander V Ruben Latios Rene (Rusty) S. Rumberger Mary Susan Estes Michael Christopher MacCallum Marcia Schafer Kendra Tione Parker Kris Holmstedt Michael S. Olvera Jr. Adam J. Rodriguez Roberto (Bobby) Ruiz Jr. Nicole Parker Kimberly Gonsalez Trevor Haw Grizzle Mark Joseph Foss Michael Grimm Ralph William Currier Jonathan Dizon Karl Jeffery Bouvier Bridget Ballas Bryan E. Bensfield

Victor P. Rosa III

Nick F. Frontuto Alan W. Doyle

Mike Tovar

### Always in Our Hearts Happy Heavenly Birthday

Victoria Barrios **David Robinson** Teresa Soto-Del Rio **Andre Laurent Judy Lucia Morales Antonio Torres** Kenneth Peevy Randy Lutz Michael Christopher MacCallum Kris Holmstedt

Michael R. Grossi Denise Huber Gene Neal Debbie Lee Mary Irene Lewis Diana Freeman James Cordero

Jimmy Wayne Atwell Anthony Isaiah Prudhomme Cesar Gutierrez Carl Patrick Chiqnell William (Bill) Zeigler

Melissa Carlson Cesar Gutierrez

Roberto Hernandez



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(In memory of Jonathan)

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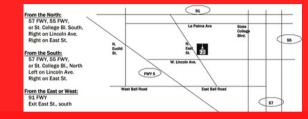
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#### **MONTHLY SUPPORT MEETINGS:**

Every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm. Please come join us. This step in your journey will be one of the toughest. We are here to support you as you go - because we understand. POMC provides the on-going emotional support needed to help families and friends of those who have died by violence facilitate the reconstruction of a "new life" and to promote a healthy resolution. Not only does POMC help survivors deal with their acute grief but also helps with the criminal justice system. Call for Location 714-999-7123 Email: gocpomc@yahoo.com



#### **Need to Talk:**

All are board members and bilingual. Mary Bennet 714-264-2690 Please send text first. Martha Dewar 714- 306-9166 Letty Gutierrez 714-601-9699 Please be mindful of times as these lines go directly to the members above.

### **Support Greater Orange County**

POMC Donations: When seeking a place to donate monetarily this year please consider a donation to Greater Orange County POMC. Help support GOCPOMC with your Amazon purchases: Amazon Supports GOCPOMC Go to: smile.amazon.com. Select: Greater Orange County Parents of Murdered Children Remember a portion of your purchase is donated to our chapter.

## Come join our Facebook Community!

POMC-Greater Orange County
https://www.facebook.com/groups
/gocpomc

Membership is Open to those who have been cruelty bereaved by the murder of a loved one. Professionals who are in frequent contact with grieving families are also welcome to join.

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