



# ROUND TABLE

NEWS AND VIEWS FOR AND FROM KNIGHTS

## 20 Knights Inducted into NHS



*Newly inducted members of Mount Carmel School's Sacred Heart Chapter of the National Honor Society gather with current members and school officials after the 2018 induction ceremony.*

20 high school students were inducted into Mount Carmel School's Sacred Heart Chapter of the National Honor Society in a ceremony held this past week at Mount Carmel Cathedral. The inductees were selected by a faculty council that reviewed applications from Sophomores and upperclassmen who had maintained a grade point average of 3.0 and had demonstrated volunteerism, exemplary behavior, and leadership.

This year's inductees are Jan Bobadilla, Kalea Borja, Amy Rose Cabanting, Rosa Castro, Viveka "Rosie" Castro, Hyo Lim Cho, Quina Flores, Jim Michael Ham, Lleyton Javier, SeoYeon Lee, Dayna Macaranas, Shana Mafnas, Erika Marie Mendiola, Justin Ocampo, Joannie Paraiso, Maria Terlaje, Christian Villacrusis, Jehnifer Villagomez, Jaden Yamagata, and Seok Jun Yun.

The keynote speaker for the ceremony, 2013 AlumKnight and former member of the Sacred Heart Chapter, Victoria Camacho Deleon Guerrero, cautioned students against serving and leading without sincerity. Talking about her own experience in college, Deleon Guerrero shared how she found her passion to help others use their voices to

tell beautiful stories. She said, "Instead of aiming for titles and accomplishments do the things that make you feel like you are part of something bigger, because when you do you'll forget how it benefits you and begin to focus on how your work benefits others." She concluded, "Search for your place my dear Knights and make a meaningful impact."

After the ceremony, the inductees and their families were treated to light refreshments in the Joeten Daidai Social Hall.

According to inductee Seok Jun Yun, being inducted into the prestigious society filled him with pride. He said, "I feel proud because it reflects on how hard I have worked in school." When asked why he sought membership, he said, "I wanted to be a part of something bigger than me."

Established in 1921, the National Honor Society is the nation's premier organization that recognizes outstanding high school students, with more than one million student members who demonstrate the society's trademark values of scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Mount Carmel School's Sacred Heart Chapter of the NHS was opened in 1997.

## Homework Tips for Parents

from the US Department of Education

**Make sure your child has a quiet, well-lit place to do homework.** Avoid having your child do homework with the television on or in places with other distractions, such as people coming and going.

**Make sure the materials your child needs, such as paper, pencils and a dictionary, are available.** Ask your child if special materials will be needed for some projects and get them in advance.

**Help your child with time management.** Establish a set time each day for doing homework. Don't let your child leave homework until just before bedtime. Think about using a weekend morning or afternoon for working on big projects, especially if the project involves getting together with classmates.

**Be positive about homework.** Tell your child how important school is. The attitude you express about homework will be the attitude your child acquires.

**When your child does homework, you do homework.** Show your child that the skills they are learning are related to things you do as an adult. If your child is reading, you read too. If your child is doing math, balance your checkbook.

**When your child asks for help, provide guidance, not answers.** Giving answers means your child will not learn the material. Too much help teaches your child that when the going gets rough, someone will do the work for him or her.

**When the teacher asks that you play a role in homework, do it.** Cooperate with the teacher. It shows your child that the school and home are a team. Follow the directions given by the teacher.

**If homework is meant to be done by your child alone, stay away.** Too much parent involvement can prevent homework from having some positive effects. Homework is a great way for kids to develop independent, lifelong learning skills.

**Stay informed.** Talk with your child's teacher. Make sure you know the purpose of homework and what your child's class rules are.

**Help your child figure out what is hard homework and what is easy homework.** Have your child do the hard work first. This will mean he will be most alert when facing the biggest challenges. Easy material will seem to go fast when fatigue begins to set in.

**Watch your child for signs of failure and frustration.** Let your child take a short break if she is having trouble keeping her mind on an assignment.

**Reward progress in homework.** If your child has been successful in homework completion and is working hard, celebrate that success with a special event (e.g., pizza, a walk, a trip to the park) to reinforce the positive effort.

## Announcements

### Student Safety

To help us continue ensuring the safety of our students, please follow all of our school's policies and procedures for student safety, including:

- ALWAYS CHECK IN WITH THE MAIN OFFICE when visiting the campus during school hours. DO NOT GO STRAIGHT TO YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM.
- BE ON TIME when picking up your children after school or after a supervised school activity. Parents that are consistently late in picking up their child(ren) will be charged additional fees for supervision and may be referred to the Division of Youth Services for further action.
- DO NOT ALLOW YOUR CHILD TO STAY ON CAMPUS AFTER SCHOOL HOURS unless you have given your child written consent to participate in a supervised extra-curricular activity.
- NOTIFY SCHOOL OFFICIALS IMMEDIATELY of any incident that occurs that may endanger our students so that the school can take prompt, decisive action to ensure their safety.

These policies and procedures are in place to keep our students safe, so please follow them.

### 2018-2019 School Year

We are excited to announce that enrollment is now open for the upcoming 2018-2019 school year. We are also excited to announce the continuation of the following enrollment incentives:

- Early Bird Registration Fee: \$200 per child (normally \$400) if registration fee is paid by May 1
- Family Discounts\*: \$600 off for 2nd child • \$1,000 off for 3rd child • \$1,500 off for 4th child (\*Available only to parents and legal guardians of children)
- \$750 (per student) Scholarship & Financial Aid Packages: Application Forms Available May 31st
- \$50 Application Fee Waived (for applications completed online)

To apply online, simply access the admissions link on our school website, mountcarmelsaipan.com. Once there, use the same username and password you used last year. If you forgot your username or password, or need assistance, contact our Information Technology Director, Jonathan "JC" Clark, at jc@saipectech.com.

## Sports Calendar

### All School Track & Field Qualifier Meets

Elementary 60m, 100m, 200m, long jump  
Thursday, April 5, 4:00-6:30 pm, Olei Sports Complex

High School 60m, 100m, 200m, javelin, long jump  
Monday, April 9, 4:00-6:30 pm, Olei Sports Complex

Elementary 400m, 800m, 1500, softball throw  
Wednesday, April 11, 4:00-6:30 pm, Olei Sports complex

High School 400m, 800m, 1500m, 3000m, discus, shotput, HJ  
Friday, April 13, 4:00-6:30 pm, Olei Sports Complex

### ESLR of the Week

#6. Develop continually as an independent lifelong learner.

# CONGRATULATIONS

Over the past couple of weeks, Mount Carmel School Knights have been succeeding across the board in numerous competitions and events. We salute these Knights for all their accomplishments. GO KNIGHTS!!!



*VOX Knights rocked the recent regional competition for the Primary Grade Forensic Competition (PGFC). K-2 Division: Donray Barcinas (4th place, Impromptu), Remiegem Melchor (4th place, Impromptu.), and Jaze Enzo San Nicolas (5th Place, Readers Forum Final). 3-5 Division: Oscar Bien Buenaflo (1st place, Readers forum Quarter Final), Heleyna Dela Santa (3rd place, Readers Forum Quarter Final, 5th place, Readers Forum Semi-Final), Mikahla Paige Mendoza (4th place, Impromptu Final), Sarah Angela Melchor (4th place, Impromptu Semi-Final, 4th place Readers Forum Quarter Final), and Kianna Cecilia Sablan (2nd place, Impromptu Semi-Final).*

*Volleyball Knights fought back in playoffs to make it to the CCOPSSA Middle School Volleyball Championship game against the Grace Christian Academy's undefeated GCA2. The Knights forced three sets and battled to matching game points for a close finish, giving GCA2 a run for their money. Congratulations to GCA and much love for the MCS Knights, their coaches, Seokjun Yun and Francis San Nicolas, and all the families, faculty, staff, administrators, and Knights that supported them.*



*Knight Musicians (left) performed well at the recently concluded Tumon Bay Music Festival, under the guidance of the school's band teacher, Julian Greening. Leyonne Tolentino earned a bronze medal for his clarinet solo, Michelle Kim and Semi Jang earned a bronze medal for their flute duet, and Heechan Kim took home the gold in piano performance. STEM Knights (right) were very successful at the recent CNMI-wide STEM Fair. Out of 144 projects from dozens of schools, the judges picked the top 12 winners, of which 2 were from MCS. Under the leadership and guidance of MCS Science Department head Luz Balazo, Kennani Villagomez who took 3rd place in the K-2 division for her project "Gummy Bear" and Alwin Batusin who took 1st place in the 9-12 division for his project "CasiNO or Yes", which he completed with Ivy Leong, Joanie Paraiso, and Reica Ramirez.*

## In the Future

**Sophomore Game Night**  
TONIGHT

**Junior Hot Lunch**  
TOMORROW, Saturday, March 17

**Senior Cookie-Gram**  
**NJHS Mystery Gram**  
Monday, March 19

**Senior Shaved Ice**  
Tuesday, March 20

**NEHS/NJHS Induction Ceremony**  
Wednesday, March 21, 7:45 am, Cathedral

**CNMI Covenant Day**  
Friday, March 23 (no classes)

**Mini-Courses**  
March 26-28

**Holy Thursday**  
Thursday, March 29 (no classes)

**Good Friday**  
Friday, March 30 (no classes)

**Spring Break**  
March 31-April 8

## Parent Council Corner



**Monday**  
**April 9**