# **Brother Benno's Newsletter**



"Uplifting The Dignity of Those We Serve"

Volunteers Making a Difference
August 2023



#### SILENT AUCTION ONLINE

You don't have to play golf to join the fun at our 5th Annual Charity Golf Tournament as our Silent Auction has gone online! The Silent Auction starts on Friday, August 25, 2023 and ends on Friday, September 1.



You can bid on many fabulous items, including surf & golf gear, celebrity memorabilia, resort vacations, foursomes at exclusive golf clubs, gift baskets, gift cards and more. All these items are generously donated by local and regional businesses that care about our community.

You can see the items and place your bids at any time from August 25 through September 1 at http://www.brotherbenno.org/golf-2023.

Winners can pick it up their items at the Tournament at Goat Hill in Oceanside, or arrange for delivery or shipping. For questions, contact **DinaMarie Ahee**, Silent Auction Coordinator, at dinamarie.ahee@brotherbenno.org. (DinaMarie set up our online bidding system, which is very easy and secure to use.)

This year's Silent Auction is a large part of our biggest fundraiser for Brother Benno's, so please bid generously and often. You will not only get access to some unique items, but also make a

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# UPDATE ON THE JUNE 26<sup>TH</sup> OCEANSIDE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

The June 26<sup>th</sup> Oceanside Planning Commission Meeting reviewed recommendations from the Oceanside Police department and city Staff members for certain proposed conditions to be added to the Conditional use permit applicable to Brother Benno's Oceanside Center facility at the Oceanside Industrial Park. The conditions under consideration primarily address sanitation and security issues in the Industrial Park and the need for Brother Benno's management, the Oceanside Police representatives, City staff members and the Oceanside Industrial Park managers to meet monthly regarding these issues in order to reach a reasonable path forward.

The parties completed their first combined monthly meeting on July 13<sup>th</sup>. From the meeting there are agreed upon actions and it is Brother Benno's intention to continue to work in a collaborative manner to address and resolve each issue.

We are grateful for the large turnout of Brother Benno's supporters at the June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting, and particularly all the supporters who sent in written comments prior to the meeting and the many speakers who offered comments during the meeting in support of Brother Benno's mission.

Due to the large turnout and comments from supporters, our lunch program remains unchanged.

Our efforts to reach a reasonable solution on all issues are not as yet complete but we are encouraged with the strong support voiced in the June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. We will continue to keep you informed of progress and the steps we are taking to ensure a reasonable solution is reached.

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# REGISTRATION ENDS AUGUST 25 FOR OUR ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

Don't miss your chance to participate in Brother Benno's largest fundraiser of the year! The Fifth Annual Charity Golf Tournament is at Goat Hill Park on Friday, September 1st. There are so many ways to get involved even if you are not a golfer. This fundraising event is vital to raising the funds that directly support Brother Benno's services to the most vulnerable in North San Diego County. Donations and sponsorships will be listed on our website and in all tournament materials. Last year was an enormous success and we know this year will be even better with a new location and even better prizes and auction items. Many thanks to our early sponsors, donors, and golfers who are contributing to our event.





A variety of sponsorship, underwriting, and volunteer opportunities are still available. If you didn't participate or donate last year, we really hope you will accept this invite to participate by sponsoring, donating, assisting at the event, or spreading the word to your local businesses and golfers. Registration and more information - brotherbenno.org/golf-2023.

**OPENS AUGUST 25** 

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Please consider contributing to the Brother Benno Foundation by way of your Will, Living Trust, Designated Beneficiary Account, Stocks, Life Insurance, Mutual Funds, or Real Estate. For more information, contact Jim Napier, (760) 802-6884 or jim.napier@cox.net.

#### 40 YEARS OF STORIES

As Brother Benno's approaches its 40th anniversary, the newsletter team is asking our readers to share their memories of the past 40 years. This special request is for your reflections, photos, experiences, or how Brother Benno's has impacted you or your family. Alternatively, please tell us what your hopes are for The Brother Benno Foundation's next 40 years. Email **Kathleen Diehlmann**, Manager of Volunteer Programs, at Kathleen.diehlmann@brotherbenno.org. You can also leave a voicemail message at (760) 231-1613.

The 40th anniversary of the very first meal served at the Brother Benno Soup Kitchen will be on October 21, 2023. However, we plan to celebrate this anniversary throughout the next year, beginning with a celebration at our annual golf tournament on September 1st. Other plans to celebrate 40 years are in the works. In the coming months we will share additional activities we have planned. Thank you as always for your support of The Brother Benno Foundation!

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# **Website Changes Over The Years**

Check out our updated website at brotherbenno.org.



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Letters or emails in support of The Brother Benno Foundation are appreciated. You can write to planningcommission@oceansideca.org at any time. Brother Benno's anticipates being on the planning commission's agenda again 60 days after the meeting in June. Although we do not know the official date, we believe it may be in late August. For any questions or ways you can help, please email info@brotherbenno.org.



Joe McDevitt at Planning Commission Meeting  $\Omega$ 

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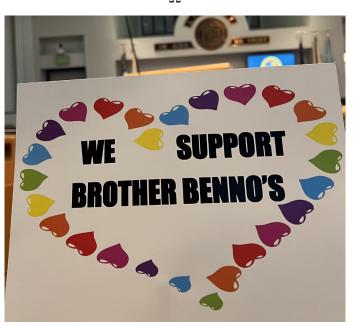
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difference in the lives of the many people who need our help. For more information, please visit brotherbenno.org/golf-2023.

And don't forget about the Live Auction. This year it is open to public as well as all who participated in the tournament. The Live Auction has many incredible prizes, including a Kelly Slater Surf Ranch Experience and an UBCO 2x2 Adventure electric bike that can go anywhere! The Live Auction will be held after the golf game on September 1. We hope to see you there!

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Sign at Planning Commission Meeting

### Brother Benno Amazon Wishlist Online

https://amzn.to/3MHFGSD

#### **ONLINE REVIEWS**

We have received 310 reviews via Google Business and have 4.5 star rating there.



Hope this ministry of God continues to offer personal assistance and food for the poor and hungry regardless of who shows up for help. And may God richly bless the volunteers and the visitors alike.



This brother bennos is a blessing the staff are helpful and don't make you feel like a burden or a problem they are very understanding.

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# Information & Online donations: brotherbenno.org

**Follow Brother Benno's online:** 

<u>Facebook.com/BrotherBenno</u> <u>Twitter.com/brotherbennos</u> <u>Instagram.com/brotherbenno</u>

### Brother Benno Foundation Recovery Program

760 439 1244 ext. 101 recovery@brotherbenno.org Changing people's lives through the 12 Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous.

The Story of	SoupSoapHugsHope: f Brother Benno's Life-Changing Soup Kitchen
This book is offered as a gift to donors who one	o contribute whatever their budget allowsThe important thing is that you have
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#### **Memorials**

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# **In Honor Of:** Aiden Montanez Steve Love

# **Needs**

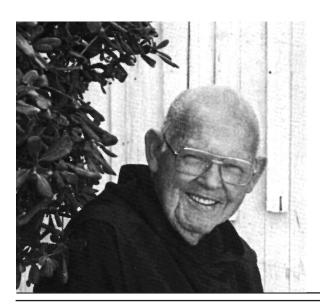
Gently used furniture (Thrift Shop) 1 oz hand sanitizer Baseball caps Men's tennis shoes (size 9-13) Medium-sized adult diapers Q-tips

Ben Osgrove

Boys & girls pullups 3T Towels Insect repellent

Bottled waters, sodas, & juices Sunscreen Women's underwear, sizes 4 & 5

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
August		1 St. John The Evangelist	2 Juanita's Team	3 Oceanside Pacific Kiwanis	4 San Luis Rey Mission	5 St. Thomas More
2023	7 St. Elizabeth Seton #1	8 Riverview Church	9 Carlsbad Hi-Noon Rotary	10 Servers R Us	11 St. Patrick's	12 La Costa Valley Volunteers
Monthly Serving	14 North Coast Methodist	15 Christ The King Church	16 Friends of Brother Benno	17 Ernest Packaging	18 St. Elizabeth Seton #2	19 Girlfriend's Care
Team	21 Sunrise Kiwanis of Vista	22 Rotary Club of Vista	23 San Luis Rey Methodist	24 Open	25 Oceanside Sanctuary	26 NMRTC Camp Pendleton Orthopedics Dept
Schedule	28 Open	29 Brother Benno's Volunteers & Staff	30 Soroptomist International	31 Brother Benno Thrift Shop		



#### **Brother Benno's Thrift Shop**

(Helping the poor, one sale at a time)

Clothing, Household Goods, Furniture

Store Hours: Tues-Sat 10-5; Donation Hours Tues-Fri 10-1, Saturdays 10-Noon We welcome your saleable furniture items. Please call 760-967-7507 for free pick up Stop by to check out our Daily Specials!!

3955 Mission Ave. (East of Albertsons) 760-967-7505

Please use the enclosed envelope to make your tax-deductible donation to the Brother Benno Foundation. If you are viewing this online you can donate by going to <u>brotherbenno.org</u> and click on "Ways You Can Help". We've expanded your donation options to include bank transfers, Venmo, Apple Pay, and Google Pay in addition to PayPal. You can scan this QR code to make an online donation too.



Your donation is used each month at our main center and seven recovery and sober living houses to provide: meals, clothing, personal hygiene items, blankets, showers, bus vouchers, nights of lodging, medical and mental health referrals, ID replacement, mail services, Social Security and veterans' issues, food packs, men's drug and alcohol recovery program, rent and utility assistance when funds are available. We thank you for your continued support.

#### Please Note Our Mailing address:

The Brother Benno Foundation Post Office Box 308 Oceanside, CA 92049-0308 (760) 439-1244

If you wish to drop off donations in person, our physical address is: 3260 Production Avenue, Oceanside, CA 92058

Donations accepted Monday through Friday: 6:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. (no furniture or household items) and Saturday: 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. www.brotherbenno.org

#### **Brother Benno's Services:**

	June 2023	Our 39th Year		June 2023	Our 39th Year
Meals	13,940	4,874,089	Loads of laundry	0	28,628
Nights of lodging	1,196	354,035	Food packs	1,473	384,665
Articles of clothing	3,472	1,520,900	Blankets	107	52,257
Showers	600	287,238	Tarps	63	7,903
Haircuts	0	23,357	ID Vouchers	26	10,757
Bus passes	83	89,108	HUGS	1,000	1,018,244