



# Today's Knights

*"Lady of Victory, Pray for Us."*

Serving Star of the Sea, St. Joseph's Parish, Holy Cross, The Shrine of St. Joseph, San Agustin, St. John's, St. Michael's.

**Newsletter of The Knights of Columbus ~ Council 971**

**June 2007**

*Business Meetings are normally held the second Wednesday and Socials the fourth Wednesday at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall*

## June Events

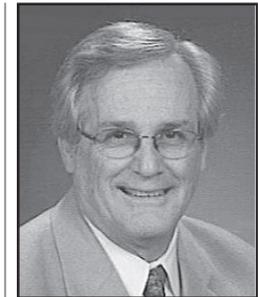
- 3..... Most Holy Trinity Sunday
- 10..... Most Holy Body & Blood Sunday
- 13..... Devotional prayers to Our Lady of Fatima at the Shrine of St. Joseph, The Redeemer church, Sta. Cruz. after the 11 a.m. mass.
- 13..... **BUSINESS MEETING**, 7:30 pm. at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall. Nomination and election of officers for the Columbian Year 2007-2008.
- 15..... Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.
- 16..... Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.
- 17..... Father's Day
- 27..... **MONTHLY SOCIAL** - *(See below and inside for details.)*

## Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights,

This month the council will be electing your officers for the 2007-2008 Columbian year as I step down as your Grand Knight of the past two years. I have learned more of what the Knights of Columbus are truly all about in the last two years than in the 17 years since I took my 1st degree. The number one thing I have learned, is that our council is a family that works together as a team to accomplish our goals. I would like to thank my K of C family for all the help I was given in my two years as your Grand Knight.

My only regret was that I was not able to bring in more new Knights to add to our council family. We accomplished a lot with 16 actively involved members, but I think of what we could have done if we had more new workers and were able to lighten the load of our faithful. I hope this remains the council's number



one goal in the future and that you reach out to the bi-lingual Hispanic community.

For my two years as Grand Knight, the council has

given our parishes, our community and our council a lot of our time and council treasury, too numerous to mention in my allotted space, but I would like to highlight just a few:

First of all, I would to thank all the members and their wives who hosted our socials, which is our council's primary fund raiser. It takes a lot of time and effort to coordinate everything, especially if you prepare the dinner in the hall. I must also thank our one true

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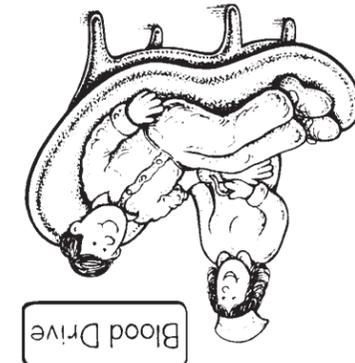
## Chaplain's Message

**Dad.** I met a gentleman here at the Shrine of Saint Joseph who frequently came to see me with his bicycle and to request for hand out. When I introduced myself to him and said that I was Father James, he responded with the refrain that the Bible says not to call anyone on earth "Father." Inspired at that very moment, I answered: then call me "dad." I smiled and so did he. From that time forward, he never brought it

up again. I am simply repeating what Jesus confirmed when he used the term "abbi, daddy, in the Our Father when He taught us to pray: our Father who art in heaven ... Our Father in heaven does not want too much formality such as Jesus taught us. We are His children and He is our dad. The "old man" indicates ancient and old. Better familiarity and intimately call Him as He wishes, "dad".

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**WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU GAVE BLOOD TO SOMEONE TO JOIN?**



Blood Drive

**GIVE BLOOD!**

*Mention you are a Knight!*

First Presbyterian Church  
350 Mission St., Santa Cruz

12:30 - 5:30 p.m.

**(Please call for date.)**

Or call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE to schedule an appointment.

- Joseph J. Castro—1st
- George Oriarte—3rd
- Michael Watson—6th
- Richard D. Simon—th
- Leroy V. Pera—9th
- Otmar (Joe) Kremer—11th
- Sean Conley—12th
- Clarence Platt—12th
- REv. Brian Crawford, OSJ—15th
- Frank Gialmo—18th
- Bud Leutza—19th
- John Christensen—19th
- Rev. David Musso, SM—20th
- Rudy Quijance—23rd
- Ralph Bogner—23rd
- Adrian Cabanban—28th

**Happy Birthday!**

**Birthdays**



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**Monthly Social  
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Weds., June 27  
Star of the Sea Parish Hall

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# ...GK

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constant for most all of the socials and that is Gary Phariss our own long time barkeeper. One of the highlights for me and my wife, Diana was hosting the last two Christmas Parties, especially the last one at Peachwood's Steakhouse. For this one I had four local contractors sponsoring the band, the children's gifts and to supplement the dinner cost. With their help, we had a great party and we even made some money for our treasury.

This year we finally got a start on one of Supreme's main objectives which is to have Parish Round Tables made up of one to five members in each of the churches within the 971 community. This is a great way to get K of C representation at churches that do not host the council. I hope this program is expanded in the coming years.

I would like to thank all my fellow officers, especially Ramon, our long time treasurer, and Rudy Quigance, who again took on the Financial Secretary position which requires the most time to complete all the paper work. Accolades to Karl Coffield who has dedicated so much of his time on the K of C Essay contests. Karl also gave of his time to be a delegate, with me to the State Convention again this year.

I truly appreciate and thank every one for the years I have been a member and officer in this council. Because I am now living in Los Gatos, I will be transferring to a council in that area in July. Diana and I will keep you in our prayers and we will miss you all.

Yours in His Service,  
Mike Seixas, Grand Knight

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# Insurance

First of all, I'd like to thank all those officers who are stepping down from their annual efforts and congratulate those men stepping up in their place. Your responsibilities are numerous and I am here to help. Let's have a great year.

## WORRY:

Worry often gives a small thing a big shadow. Our families must live in our shadows when we leave. Our families must either, worry or rejoice in our parting. As we age we tend to worry about the things we should have fixed, modified or created. Commonly called "I should'a, would'a, could'a."

Worry doesn't help tomorrow's troubles. Stop worrying about what you should have done and do something now while you still can. A worry weakens the mind, a worry takes and does not give. Worry steals your energy, enthusiasm, your health and sometimes personality.

You are the key to reducing worry, and Knights of Columbus protection products are the conduits to worry solutions, and all it takes is a phone call. Acting now can remove a troublesome time in the future. What you fix now can eliminate severe worry and disappointment later. Let me show you how you can eliminate worry about family protection with your own Brotherhood, and how to stop worrying about the ups and downs of the market, especially, how to stop worrying about your future medical care. Properly placed protective plans reduce your worry and boost your conscience. Life gives us enough to worry about. Please let me help you reduce future worry. Many of your answers have been here all the while. A few minutes and you will be enlightened. We have the finest of Catholic plans that solve a variety of problems.

Fraternally,  
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# Illness & Prayers

In our devotional prayers this month to Our Blessed Mother, Lady of Fatima, let us include the intentions of healing to these long suffering sick members and their family members, including those who provide for their care:

Thomas Davis, Frank Gaimo, Anthony Le Bourveau, Tim Hanifin, Carlos Lopez, David Scargill, Dr. Paul Weiss, and Robert Walter; also Aurora Lopez, Mary Martin, Arlene D'Sabato, and Sue Rebro.

Please inform our bulletin editor of any changes.

# 971 Elections

Following list of officer candidates was submitted by Chairman Karl Coffield at the May meeting:

Grand Knight .....	Larry Rothfuss
Deputy GK .....	Gary Phariss
Chancellor .....	Jason Nielsen
Warden .....	Kevin Gugat
Inside Guard.....	(needed)
Outside Guard .....	Herbert Schuchard
Recording Secretary.....	Andrew Lenz, Jr.
Treasurer .....	Ramon Belleza
Advocate.....	Karl Coffield

We need to complete the above list at the forthcoming business meeting and elections on Wednesday, June 13th.

# Condolence

We mourn the death of RUTH GALLAGHER, widow of the late Fraternal Bro. Frank Gallagher. Her funeral was June 6th. May God have mercy on her soul.

# Thanks!

Monthly Social Chairman for last month. Herbert Schuchard, has to be thanked and congratulated for a successful dinner. He almost did it single-handedly with very few help from volunteers, Mike and Diana Seixas, Patrick Eastman, Karl Coffield, Larry Rothfuss. Food was delicious and plentiful, an encouraging attendance with participants from neighboring parishes, and in spite of the absence of a large number of regular attendees who could not be present.

# Essay Contest!

Chairman Karl Coffield has announced that the winner of this statewide essay contest, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, *Responsibilities of a Catholic Citizen in a Free Society*, is a student from the Holy Cross School in Santa Cruz. A large number of contestants participated—thanks to the untiring efforts of its chairman who has handled this project successfully for the past few years. The winner is Chloe Brezsnay, and we wanted to honor her at our social on June 27, but unfortunately she will be out of town on that date. The awards were presented eloquently by our own Herb Schuchard at the Holy Cross Bachelorette Mass on May 31st. Congratulations, Chloe!

# Fatima

This month this devotion falls on the same day as our Business Meeting, the 13th. But because of a big difference in time (Fatima at 11:30 in the morning) and Business Meeting at 7:30 p.m. we hope we should get a large participation at both occasions.

# Social

Our monthly social will be Wednesday, June 27th, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall. Social hour begins at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m.

Menu: *Pasta Salad, Mixed Green Salad, Meatloaf, potatoes and cake for dessert.*

We would like to have a fairly accurate count of attendance, so please RSVP by calling host Jason Nielsen, 831-621-6281 or e-mailing him at: jasonanielsen@gmail.com.

Bring your family, invite prospective members and friends. Attendance to our monthly socials have improved these past few months, so let us continue that trend!

Donations of prizes for our raffle and appetizers will be gratefully appreciated.

# ...Chaplain

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This month we celebrate in a special way Fathers' Day. We remember the "old man," but especially "daddy" or "dad." We also take the opportunity to honor in a special way our dad in heaven, who gave us life, sustains us and loves us with an undying love. We come to Him with confidence and security. He sent His only Son, Jesus, to save and rescue us, His children as well. If I may be so bold as to change and better interpret the Lord's Prayer so as to indicate the closeness and confident intimacy that the Father wishes to have with us, I make bold to say: "Our Dad who is in heaven, hallowed be your name, your love becomes on earth as it is in heaven..." We love you, dad.

Father James Catalano, OSJ  
Chaplain.