



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 February 2003

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

February Events

- 12..... BUSINESS MEETING, Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall; 7:30 p.m.
- 12..... Lincoln's Birthday.
- 14..... St. Valentine's Day.
- 22..... Washington's Birthday.
- 23..... Mass for deceased members, Holy Cross Church, 11:00 a.m.
- 26..... MONTHLY SOCIAL - Filipino Night. *See below and inside this issue.*
- 28..... Start of the annual closed retreat for the Knights of Columbus, Northern California District. *Read more about it in this issue.*

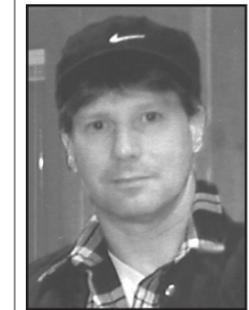
Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights and Families:

My heart is saddened for our Council...

...it seems that lately we have lost so many of our beloved brothers and family members. They are in our prayers and memories always. The need for new members is now even more of a concern, but how should we go about attracting and retaining new members? I've been talking to some of our senior members and listening to how much productive fun they used to have in the old days—tales of adventure and service, and what drives them to keep being Knights after all these years. It seems they have the "service gene!!" You know, it's always the same Knights and their family members

working on our projects—and we



thank you. But the Lord, over these recent years, has called some of our best, and our ranks are getting thin. The workload is taxing those of us who are still here. So

let's think about how to best address this. Bring your ideas, old and new, to the next meeting.

Yours in Christ,

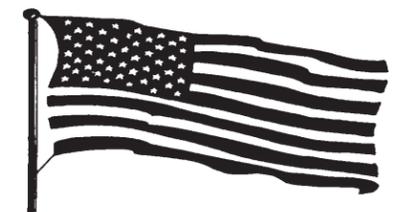
Ernest Clement McCoy II
Grand Knight

Prayers!

UPDATE ON JOHN HYMAN. Our Past Grand Knight, John Hyman, who for several weeks had been hospitalized at the Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital in Grass Valley, has finally been moved to the Sunbridge Care Center Watsonville WEST, Rm. 30B, 525 Auto Center Dr., Watsonville. Tel. (831) 724-7505. He is still in very serious condition and let us all keep praying for his recovery.

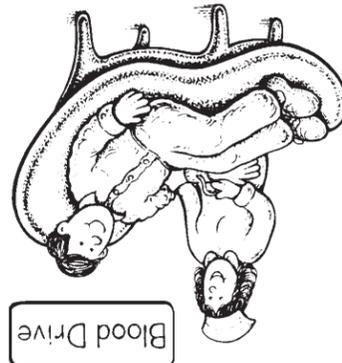
Additionally, our Incumbent Chancellor, DENNIS HEIMER, suffered a

heart attack a couple of weeks ago and briefly hospitalized at the Dominican Hospital. As of last information he has been moved to Stanford Hospital and is also in serious condition.



WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU SOMEBODY TO JOIN?

GIVE BLOOD!
Mention you are a Knight!
First Presbyterian Church
350 Mission St., Santa Cruz
12:30 - 5:30 p.m.
February 27
Or call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE to schedule an appointment.



- Simon Dangzalan—5th
- Patrick Kretsch—7th
- Andrew T. Lenz—9th
- Richard Turner—10th
- Narciso de Leon—14th
- John Hyman—17th
- David Lizardo—17th
- Frederick Gugat—18th
- Robert Hougardy—24th
- George Stagl, Jr.—28th

Happy Birthday!

Birthdays



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Monthly Social Filipino Nite

Wednesday, Feb. 26
Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall
See inside for details.

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World

A BEAUTIFUL PRAYER.

Your editor just received this beautiful prayer by email recently is being published for all to enjoy:

I asked God to take away my habit. God said, No. It is not for me to take away, but for you to give it up.

I asked God to make my handicapped child whole again. God said, No. His spirit is whole, his body is only temporary.

I asked God to grant my patience. God said, No. Patience is a by-product of tribulations, it is not granted.

I asked God to give me happiness. God said, No. I give you blessings.

I asked God to spare me pain. God said, No. Suffering drives your spirit from worldly cares and brings you closer to me.

I asked God to make my spirit grow. God said, No. You must grow on your own, but I will prune you to make you fruitful.

I asked God for all things that I might enjoy life. God said, No. I will give you life so that you may enjoy all things.

I asked God to help me LOVE others as much as HE loves me. God said, ...Ahhhh, finally you have the idea.

This day is yours, don't throw it away. GOD BLESS YOU! "To the world you might be one person, but to one person you just might be the world."

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Join!

KNIGHTS OF CHARITY, INC.

Another organization of which you would be proud of joining is the Knights of Charity, Inc. It is an entirely separate and distinct corporate entity organized under the laws of California and its primary aim and purpose is to donate to worthy religious, civic and charitable causes, both locally and worldwide. Membership is confined to members of Council #971 in good standing.

For the last 20 years (1982 to November, 2002), it has disbursed \$154,510.00 to various organizations, projects and causes. such as the Red Cross, Santa Cruz Fire Dept., Poor Clares, Catholic Relief Services, Project Scout, Sienna House, St. Francis High School, Shrine of the Unborn, N. Y. Fire Department, renovation of the Star of the Sea Church, and numerous other projects.

Incumbent President is our Financial Secretary, Rudy Quijance. Contact him if you wish to join.

Retreat

ANNUAL RETREAT. Is there a better way to prepare for Lent than to attend a closed retreat? There is this golden opportunity right here—the annual closed retreat for the Knights of Columbus, Northern California District. It starts on Friday, February 28 and ends on Sunday, March 2nd. Place: El Retiro House in Los Altos. And just 3 days later, is Ash Wednesday, March 5.

For complete details you may call Tom Davis, 336-5703.

Illness & Prayers

Prayer for the sick: Lord, our God, you sent your Son into the world to bear our infirmities and to endure our sufferings. For your servants who are sick, we ask that your blessing will give them strength to overcome their weakness through the power of patience and the comfort of hope and that with your aid they will soon be restored to health. We pray and ask this for these brother Knights and members of their families, including those who provide for their care: *Matt and Florence De Luna, Bill Dohrer, Dennis Heimer, John Hyman, Vince Quartararo, John Ludd Shea, Simon Terronez, Robert Walter, Bro. Anthony Young, S.M., Sharrom Fernandez, Mary Ann June, Mary Martin, Gail Penniman, and Chris Silva.*

Thank you!

THANK YOU. Another highly successful and well attended social last month hosted by TONY LE BOURVEAU and his family, serving us with his award-winning recipe of Clam Chowder, a delicious shrimp salad and his famous home baked bread. Thank you Brother Tony.

And this gratitude and thanks likewise is extended to his family and those who helped make the affair a success: Gary & Joan Phariss, Rudy & Virginia Quijance, Les Cuneo, Tim Hanifin, Ernie McCoy, and Mike & Diana Seixas.

4th Degree

GO FOR THE FOURTH! (Reprint from "Knightline" Dec. 31, 2002, Vol. 19, No. 18).

Now more than ever the true spirit of patriotism is needed and there is no better way of expressing it than through membership in the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus.

Why should you join the Fourth Degree?

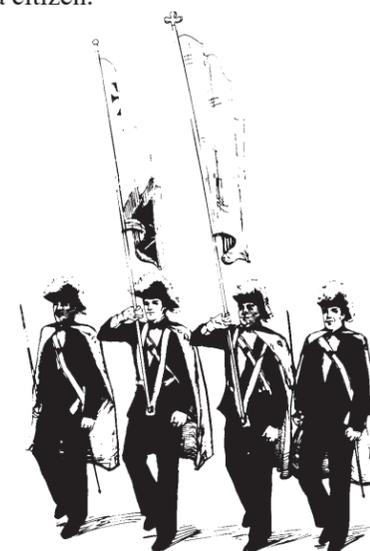
- You'll earn the prestige as a member of an elite group of men committed to promoting patriotism and upholding the Catholic faith.

- You'll have the right to wear the regalia and participate in color corps and honor guards at special events. You'll have the honor to serve at the wakes and funerals of fellow Knights as a special way of paying homage to a deceased member.

- You'll get the opportunity to share in patriotic programs. You'll be a member of the Order's patriotic arm and its most visible embodiments.

- You'll gain a great knowledge and appreciation for our Catholic heritage and a deeper commitment to the Order based on love of country.

To join the Fourth Degree you have to be at least 18 years old, have belonged to the Order for at least a year, be a Third Degree member and be a citizen.



Memoriam

IN MEMORIAM - We pray for the eternal repose of the soul of our departed brother, FRED WEAR, who passed away last month. We send our deepest condolence and sympathy to his wife, Margy, and his family and friends.

Social

FILIPINO NIGHT. Twelve years ago our Council held a benefit dinner to raise funds to help the studies of poor but deserving seminarians in Legaspi City, Philippines. Many of these seminarians have been ordained and some are now serving in various parishes in this country and even in other parts of the world.

We are now appealing for your continued support and generosity by attending our dinner on Wednesday, February 26 at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall.

Menu for the evening:

- Filipino chicken salad
 - chicken and pork adobo (Filipino stew)
 - shrimp cake (ukoy)
 - glass noodles (sotanghon)
 - vegetables in coconut milk (gulay)
- Dessert:* leche flan, sweet rice and fried bananas (if available).
Coffee, tea and ginger tea.

Bring your family, invite friends and prospective members. We will appreciate your donation of appetizers. Please furnish your own table service.

Raffle prizes are products of the Philippines such as capiz shells, table cloths and napkins, place mats, handbags, etc. etc. etc.