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 Santa Cruz Council 971
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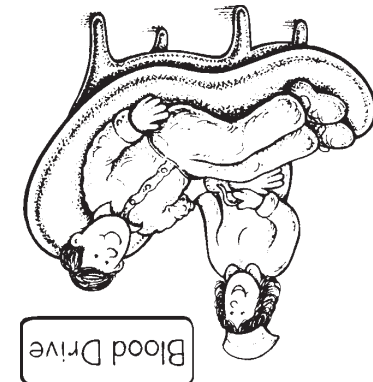
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Happy Birthdays!

- David Hengesbach—1st
- Robert Perkins—1st
- John Collins—6th
- Peter Dunhave—6th
- Harry Frank Ferrari—7th
- Lawrence Perry—7th
- Michael Croghan—7th
- Robert Zoccoli—16th
- Frank Castro—18th
- Marcos Olivas—25th
- Donald Siebir—28th

Birthdays

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.

April 22

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



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.

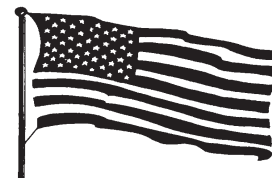
Newsletter of The Knights of Columbus ~ Council 971

April 2004

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

April Events

- 4..... Passion Sunday.
Daylight Savings Time begins.
- 5..... Monday of Holy Week.
Start of the Holy Week.
- 9..... Good Friday
- 11..... **EASTER SUNDAY**
- 14..... **Business Meeting, Star of the Sea Parish Hall, 7:30 p.m.**
- 22..... Padre Palou Assembly, memorial mass, Chalice Presentation and Ladies Night.
- 25..... Mass for deceased members, Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, 10 a.m. mass.
- 28 **Monthly Social, see below.**



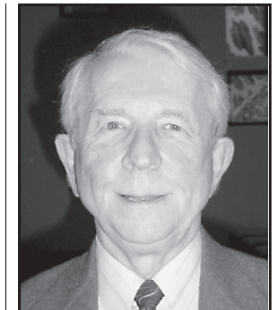
Monthly Social Pot Roast

Weds., April 28
 Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall
See right for details.

Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights & Families:

Our Council is sponsoring the Knights of Columbus Essay Contest at Holy Cross School and St. Francis Central Coast High School. The contest is a great way to strengthen our relationship with our schools and Catholic families. All of the eighth-grade students at Holy Cross and the seniors at St. Francis will be participating. I am requesting anyone interested in celebrating the achievement of students attending our Catholic Schools to volunteer to help read essays during the



Karl Coffield, Grand Knight

month of May. The awards will be presented during the graduation ceremony at each school.

Have a Happy Easter! Keep those who

may be traveling in our prayers!
 Blessings to you and your family.

Chaplain's Message

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE - Our Chaplin, Rev. Brian Crawford, O.S.J., has just checked out of the hospital after a surgical procedure. He is unable to provide us with his Easter Message and Greetings. Please pray for his prompt and complete recovery.

Social

This year our host, Tom Davis, has requested to change the menu he will serve this month to POT ROAST, with carrots, tossed green salad, cake for dessert and coffee. The event will be held at the Parish Hall of Our Lady Star of the Sea on Wednesday, April 28th. with no host bar at 6:00 p.m. and dinner at 7:00 p.m.

As usual we would appreciate donations of hors d'ouvres and prizes for our raffle.

Please bring your family, invite friends and prospective members.

Please furnish your own table service.

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Degrees

INVITATION TO THE 4th DEGREE.

The Fourth Degree, the patriotic degree, is the highest and most prestigious degree within the Knights of Columbus. Our local Fourth Degree, the Padre Palou Assembly #69, invites you to become Fourth Degree Sir Knights. We have many Fourth Degree Knights in our Council. Ask them to tell you more.

To qualify for the Fourth Degree, you need to:

- Be over 18 years of age
- Be a U. S. citizen
- Have been a Knight for at least 6 months
- Be a Third Degree member in good standing.

This year the exemplification will be performed at the DoubleTree Hotel in Modesto on Saturday, June 12.

There will be a one-time charge of \$77.50 which includes an initiation fee, the post ceremony banquet and Assembly dues. Thereafter the dues are only \$25.00 a year. You will need a tuxedo for the ceremony, but not for normal Assembly events.

Information and application forms are available from the Fourth Degree in this Council or from the Faithful Navigator, Ed Bystran, (831) 661-0135; email: bystran@yahoo.com. Please give application to him on May 7, 2004.

Fraternally yours,
Ed Bystran

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Illness & Prayers

We pray to our newly resurrected Lord for a special healing blessing on our ill brother Knights, sick members of the families, and for those who provide for their care:

Frank Gaimo, Lawrence Perry, Dr. Vince Quartararo, John Ludd Shea, Isidore De Rego, Bro. Anthony Young, S.M., Robert Walter, Mary Martin, Chris Silva, Virginia Walz and Rev. Brian Crawford, O.S.J.

Thanks!

Our annual corned beef and cabbage dinner last month which was prepared by TOM HOLDRIDGE and JOHN COLLINS was another well attended event. Thanks are in order to our hosts and to those who assisted that evening: Tom & Peg Davis, Lita Hebert, Mike Holdridge, Gary & John Phariss, Tim Hanifin

E-mail?

If you have an e-mail address and would like timely information (like births and deaths in the council) and reminders for meetings and socials, please send your e-mail address to: knights@kofc971.org.

Happy Easter!

In Memoriam - Matt DeLuna

Friday, April 2, 2004, will forever be etched in the memory of the Knights of Columbus, Council 971. This is the day that a Mass Celebrating the life of our dear friend and Brother Knight MATTHEW "MATT" DeLUNA who, earlier in the week, March 29, was called by his Creator, was held. This celebration, the likes of which may not be duplicated in a long while in Santa Cruz, had a standing room only crowd of his family, relatives, Brother Knights and friends at the church of Our Lady Star of the Sea and at the reception that followed



at the Parish Hall.

Officiating at the eucharistic offering was Rev. Hector Cruz, S.M. and concelebrated by four priests: Rev. Patrick Dooling, Rev. Don Flickenger, Rev. Roland Bunda, S.M. and Rev.

Patrick Scully, S.M. Padre Palou Assembly was represented by a contingent of Honor Guards composed of Sir Knights Rudy Quijance, Color Corps Commander, Ramon N. Belleza, Ed Bystran, Tom Davis, Andrew

Lenz, Jr., Gary Phariss, Clarence Platt, Joe Robbins, Richard Ronzano, Mike Seixas and Don Stoffey. A Chalice

Presentation ceremony was held by S. K. Richard Jufiar, Past State Deputy.

Born on April 21, 1909 in Utica, New York, Matt devoted his entire life to the Knights of Columbus which he joined on February 21, 1945. He loved being a Knight and up to a few days before his death he was still involved in its charitable works. He served in various capacities in the Order, but most importantly his service was most pronounced in helping those who needed help.

We mourn his loss and send our condolences and sympathies to his son, Richard, and daughter, Barbara, his brothers and the rest of his family. We pray for the eternal repose of his soul and ask our Lord, that in His infinite mercy and compassion, he will enjoy the blessings of eternal peace and happiness in heaven, a reward he truly deserves.

This is a reprint of an Council 971 bulletin interview with Matt DeLuna on Friday, August 27, 1999, conducted by Kelly Robertson.

Matt DeLuna, S.K.

Age: "More than ninety."

Occupation: Businessman (ret.) and Familyman (not ret.)

Wife and Children: Wife Florence, for nearly 68 years. They have two living children, Dick and Barbara, and 26 grand, great-, and great-great-grand-children.

Question: Matt, how long have you been a Knight, and what degree do you hold today?

Answer: I've been in the Knights of Columbus for more than 56 years now, and have been in Council 971 for 37 of

those years. I am a Fourth Degree Knight, a member of the Padre Palou Council. Hey, we're installing the Officers for Padre Palou in Watsonville tonight! [Matt has also "sat" all of the chairs, is a PGK, and was Supervisor of the KofC credit union for many years.]

Q: Please name an event that occurred that made you very proud of this council.

A: Well, this goes back a number of years, now, but I recall a time when the Main Station of the Fire Department was in need of a pair of special protective suits. And geez, they were expensive for the day, about \$2,000 apiece I believe. Well, anyway, our Council came up with the money and donated it to the Fire Department for those suits.

Q: What would be a significant accomplishment today for Council 971

A: Boy, wouldn't it be something to

hold a State Convention here? Aw, we probably don't have enough hotel rooms in town, and it sure as heck is a lot of work, but that'd be a very nice thing to do.

Q: What kind of advice would you have for our Council today?

A: Boy, we used to love to get together for Father/Son and Father/Daughter activities, like dances and dinners.

That was always good. I also remember that we used to send Knights on visitations to other Councils in the state. We sure did get a lot out of that.

Q: Do you have anything to add, Sir Knight?

A: God's been good to Florence, and me and Florence and the kids have been good to me. I was told to slow down 21 years ago by my doctor, now I think I'm gonna start to slow down a bit. I've loved my life, and I've loved the Knights. Catholic men should be proud to be a Knight.