



# 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

July 2006

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

## July Events

- 4 ... Independence Day
- 12 ... BUSINESS MEETING, Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 13 ... Devotional Prayers in honor of Our Lady of Fatima, Shrine of Joseph, The Redeemer, Mass at 11:00 a.m. followed by the Recitation of the rosary.
- 19 ... Knights of Charity quarterly meeting, Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 26 ... Installation of Officers and Dinner. Mass officiated by Fr. James Catalano, OSJ at 6:00 p.m. followed by Dinner at the Parish Hall at 7:00 p.m.
- 30 ... Mass for deceased members, 10:00 a.m. Our Lady Star of the Sea Church.  
Breakfast after all masses, jointly with the Catholic Daughters of America, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Star of The Sea Parish Hall.  
BBQ at the Church of St. Vincent de Paul, Davenport, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

## Grand Knight's Message

I want to thank everyone in the council who assisted me through my first year as your Grand Knight, and I express my appreciation to the membership for having the confidence to re-elect me as your Grand Knight for the 2006-2007 Columbian year. If you read last month's bulletin, I listed about everything we accomplished last year. Here are some of my goals for the coming year.

**1. Number one goal – Membership:** Our goal last year was 10 new members, but our three membership blitzes netted us only three (3) new members and a fourth application is pending his 1<sup>st</sup> Degree. The 2006-2007 nominating committee was hard pressed to fill all the officer positions with so few members that have not been Grand Knight already. Last year, I was the membership chairman and could not do it justice being GK too. This year, the membership chairman will be Kelly Robertson, who has some new ideas, and just like last year, everyone in the council is on the membership committee.

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**2. Our Second Goal – Improve our council’s treasury.** The first item is to develop a budget for contributions, and again Kelly Robertson (DGK) will take the lead on this so we all have a better idea of our needs and spending. Last year, I operated without this type of budget and this year should be an improvement. Last year our primary fundraiser source was our socials. All other fundraiser such as the tootsie roll drive and manning the bar at the Newman banquet raises funds for the event, but none of it came in as income for the council. I tried the “Keep Christ in Christmas” card sale, but the set up costs consumed most of the profits for last year which we won’t have this. If someone wants to take on this project, please let me know. Our four breakfasts make us some, but we need to sell it more and get a larger attendance. Based on all this, we need to come up with some new or refine some old fundraising ideas to expand our treasury.

**3. Our Third Goal – Good time had by all:** This goal is to have fun and to build relationships and camaraderie among our membership and families.

Your brother and servant in Christ  
Mike Seixas, GK

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## Chaplain’s Message

### HOPE

Once faith has been established that God exists then we must ask ourselves the question, whether God can be reached. The significance of God being reached we call hope. Hope that God can be reached and wants to be reached and that God created us and want to reach Him. Through revelation we know that God created us and gave us the desire to be with Him and the hope that we can in some way reach Him is our ultimate goal.

We avoid two extremes in our quest: beatific vision thru grace and God’s help. The psalms have the constant refrain of He who hopes in the Lord will never be disappointed. So, my dear friends, let us go forward with confidence and total trust for He who wills in us will also be with us to accomplish in us life everlasting. Scriptures remind us that even if our mothers were to forget us, God would never forget us. Matthew reminds us that God will always be with us until the end of the world. God bless.

Fr. James Catalano, OSJ

# Social

This year's installation of officers followed by a dinner will be held on Wednesday, July 26 starting with a mass officiated by our Chaplain, Rev. James Catalano, OSJ, at 6:00 p.m. at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church. Installing dignitary will be District Deputy Edward Bystran. We ask all officers to be inducted that evening to wear coat and tie.

Immediately following the installation, dinner catered by 5-Star Catering will be served at the hall preceded by "no host" cocktails at 7:00 p.m. Menu for the evening will consist of: *Baby greens with raspberry vinaigrette, Sliced marinade TRI TIP with honey ginger barbecue sauce, Eggplant parmesan, Twice baked potatoes with bacon, Medley of squashes and fresh rolls with butter.*

Table place setting will be provided. We would appreciate your donations of prizes for our raffle. Bring your family and invite prospective members. An accurate head count would be helpful so please call in your reservations to our Grand Knight, who with his spouse, Diane, will be hosting the affair.

## ILLNESS AND PRAYERS

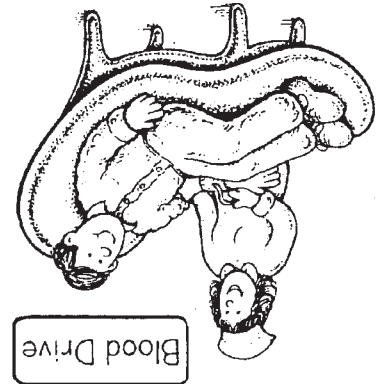
Let us continue to ask the intercession of Our Blessed Mother, Our Lady of Fatima, for the healing of the following ill members: Thomas Davis, Frank Giaimo, Anthony Le Bourveau, Celedonio Salvador, Tim Hanifin, Gary Phariss, Robert Walter and Dr. Paul Weiss. Aurora Lopez, Mary Martin, Arlene DiSabato and Chris Silva. Also include in your intentions those who provide for their care.

If you are aware of any changes to our list above, please call your Bulletin Editor, 426-0618. Thank you.

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CONDOLENCE – Council 971 extends its deepest sympathy and condolence to the family and friends of Gary and Joan Phariss in the recent death of Gary's mother. We offer our prayers for the eternal repose of her soul. May our Lord, In His infinite love and mercy, have compassion on her soul.

**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.



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

- Rev. Dennis Steik, S.M.—2nd
- John M. Murphy—6th
- Ramon N. Belleza—8th
- Kelly Robertson—8th
- Andrew T. Lenz, Jr.—14th
- Larry Rothfuss—17th
- Rudolph Escalante, Sr.—19th
- John Fernandes—24th
- John Martin—28th

**Happy  
 Birthday!**

**Birthdays**

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