

Rev. Roland Bunda, SM—28th

Thomas Holdridge—27th

Gerald Zeiber—17th

Celedonio Celebrado—14th

Robert Talter—12th
Happy Birthday!

Andrew James Mekis—4th

Jose A. Barilati—4th

Birthdays

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

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.



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

March 2007

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

March Events

- 11 Daylight Savings time begins.
- 14 **BUSINESS MEETING**, Our Lady Star of the Sea parish hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 17 Feast of St. Patrick of Ireland.
- 19 Feast of St. Joseph, Husband of Mary.
- 25 Mass for deceased members, Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, 10 a.m. mass,
- 26 Feast of the Annunciation of Our Lord,
- 28 **MONTHLY SOCIAL**, see details below and inside.
- 29 **FOUNDER'S DAY**. 125th Anniversary of the founding of the Knights of Columbus.



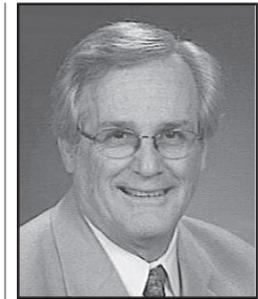
Monthly Social Irish

Weds., March 28
Star of the Sea Parish Hall

Grand Knight's Message

The KEY to success for our council is MEMBERSHIP and recruitment is everybody's business. March Madness Membership Blitz is scheduled Orderwide on March 24-25, 2007, and Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish would be a good choice for that weekend, especially the Spanish Mass. We need to interest the Hispanic community if we are to grow, and Grand Knight Jose Rodriguez of the Watsonville Council is ready and willing to help us.

Our current membership score card for this Columbian year is zero. Who have you asked? All you have to do is ask one man at the Sunday Mass



you attend and you will be surprised at the results. We have had several socials and I know that applications were filled out, but they have not

made it to a business meeting this year. Our goal is four new members and we only have three months left.

In addition to the need for new members, we have over 40 members

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Chaplain's Message

Joseph - The Man. It is true that often times the job finds the man. Providentially God directly or indirectly chooses the people that He wants even though we may think that our choices would have been better. Since God sees and knows everything about everyone there are not the limited understanding of things the persons which we must deal with in an imperfect world. God chose Mary, Simon Peter and He chose Joseph.

Among the choices we have the following: Mary loved Joseph and Mary chose him. Joseph loved Mary and chose her to be his wife. God chose Mary to be the mother of His son, Jesus. Blessed are you among women would be the greeting of Elizabeth, the

cousin of Mary. But God also chose Joseph, the just man, to be consort of Mary, the participant in the mystery of the Incarnation, the head of the Holy Family, foster Father of Jesus who taught Him and nurtured Him in his home and family. Jesus was subject to him. Jesus returned to Nazareth and was subject to him and Jesus grew in age, wisdom and grace before God and men.

What a wonder happened in this event! God chooses the best of women to be His mother ... Blessed are you among women. He also chooses the Man, the Just Man to act as His earthly father for His mission of

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...GK Message

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that are no longer participating in our Council activities, so if you know them, make a call and invite them back. If you are a member that has drifted away, please come back and help, we need you. We currently have 12 to 14 members attending meetings and doing all the work, that is only half as many as needed. We have 14 Officer Positions and 7 Directors that must be filled each year, not counting committee chairmen, and it can not be done with just 14 active members. Our active members have worked hard and have accomplished much, but we could do so much more if we had 30 members and we could become a Star Council once again.

Join Hands Day is Saturday, May 5. This year the Knights will join this national day of volunteering that brings adults and young people together to improve their communities. On this day, volunteer teams of Knights and young people will come together to aid their local Church, community, families and youth. Volunteers will repair playground equipment, help seniors, remove trash from streets and many more projects. The possibilities are limited only by your imagination.

A benefit of the day comes through the friendships that are made across generations. The new partnerships will be an important first step in bringing more young people into leadership roles. It is a perfect opportunity for Knights to volunteer alongside Squires. Is there anyone who would like to step up and chair this approved fraternal service event?

Thanks to all our volunteers who

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hosted such a great Annual Philippine Social event last month. Special appreciation to the Lady Knights; Roberta, Virginia and Joan. It goes without saying that Rudy and Ramon once again outdid themselves with such a delicious menu. Accolades always to our bartender, Gary. Just a reminder that this successful event sponsored our seminarians.

The 105th Annual State Council Convention is coming up May 18-19, 2007 and will be held in Ontario, California. The theme this year is "One Family in Christ". The Convention will be held at the Ontario Doubletree Hotel. Opening Mass - May 18th at 8:00 a.m. - Celebrant Bishop Rutilio Del Riego, Auxiliary Bishop of San Bernardino Diocese. There will be an Adoration Chapel available Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and Saturday 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Closing Mass, Saturday May 19th at 4:00 p.m. in the Empire Ballroom with Bishop Gerald R. Barnes, Bishop of San Bernardino. Ladies Luncheon will be held on Saturday and is only \$28.00. Banquet tickets for Saturday evening are \$40.00 each. Rooms are \$90 a night plus tax for a single, double or family room. Reservations must be made on/or before May 6, 2007. Delegates this year are your Grand Knight, and Carl Koffield, Past Grand Knight.

Yours in Service to Our Lord,
Mike Seixas, GK

Dues!

If you haven't paid your dues, you need to get on it right away. Please contact Rudy Quijance ASAP. at (831) 458-9169 or raquija@pacbell.net. Thank you!

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 ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen:

Bros. Frank Giaimo, Anthony LeBourveau, Timothy Hanifin, Carlos Lopez and Dr. Paul Weiss. Also: Aurora Lopez, Mary Martin, and Arlene DiSabato and all those who provide for their care.

To update the above list, if you are aware of any changes, please contact our Bulletin Editor. Thank you.

...Chaplain

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salvation. Par excellence, we can say that the man fits the job and the job fits the man as God sees it. Lastly Pius the Ninth in 1870 proclaimed Joseph as the Protector of the Church.

Fr. James Catalano, OSJ
Chaplain

On Founder's Day this March 29th, the Knights of Columbus will begin a yearlong commemoration of the 125th anniversary of our founding in 1882.

Social

IRISH DINNER. Our traditional Irish Dinner this year, which we will hold on Wednesday, March 28, will be hosted by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, an organization of Catholic women in the area. FYI this organization was founded in the early 1900's by the Knights of Columbus of Utica, N.Y. and proposed as a ladies auxiliary, as Daughters of Isabella. It has undergone several name changes and in 1978 it adopted its present name, Catholic Daughters of the Americas, reflecting its commitment to Church and country.

Donations of raffle prizes and appetizers will be much appreciated. Bring your families and friends and invite prospective members. Table service is not required.

Insurance

There are many fine life insurance companies in the marketplace today. So why should you entrust your life insurance needs, and those of your family to the Knights of Columbus?

In it's credit rating of the Knights of Columbus, Standard & Poor's stated that it's 'AAA' rating was based upon the following strengths: extremely strong capital, very strong competitive position, extremely strong liquidity and historically strong profitability.

I would suggest that a principal reason that we were able to achieve those accolades, along with what S&P described as 'a distinct competitive advantage, a loyal customer base and a unique rapport with clients' is because we have been steadfastly committed to our motto, 'Protecting Families for Generations' by means of 'life insurance by brother Knights for brother Knights.'

That commitment is an essential core value of the Knights of Columbus, and our core values permeate all levels of our marketing program. Our 'Marketing Code of Ethics'

Thanks!

FILIPINO DINNER. The 15th Anniversary of this annual event last month broke all records - we filled the hall - served a typical Filipino (Bikol) dinner enjoyed by all - prizes won lucky guests; since we started in 1992. Because of your kind response we will be able to send a generous donation to the seminary in the Diocese of Legaspi in the Philippines to finance the study of minor seminarians. Please accept our heartfelt thanks and gratitude.

To these volunteers who gave invaluable assistance to the success of the evening's event, our super "SAL-AMAT PO", (THANK YOU): Our chefs: Fanny Alvarez, Marsha Belleza, Ruperta Belleza, Virginia Quijance and Naeomi Jayme; kitchen crew and servers: Sharon Bystran and Silvia Sanchez; at the bar: Gary Phariss and Rudy Quijance, at the gate: Joan Phariss and selling tickets and conducting the raffle, GK Mike Seixas. Again, our sincerest thanks and gratitude.

is modeled after the Ten Commandments and includes statements such as 'Thou shall present honestly and accurately, all facts necessary to enable a member to make an informed decision.'

Our ethical principles for marketing are summed up by our Golden Rule: 'In all my professional relationships, I pledge myself to the following rule of conduct: I shall, in light of all conditions surrounding those I serve, render that service which, under the same circumstances, I would apply to myself.'

That's what you can expect from me, your Knights of Columbus field agent. Please give me a call. I welcome the opportunity to present to you and your wife, honestly and accurately, all facts necessary for you to make a sound life insurance decision. I will render that service which, under the same circumstances, I would apply to myself.

Fraternally,
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