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Newsletter of The Knights of Columbus ~ Council 971

January 2010

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

January Events

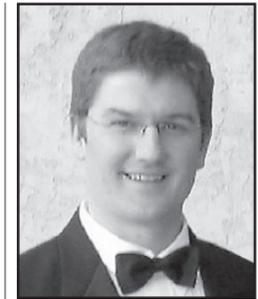
- 1..... New Year's Day. Feast of Mary, Mother of God.
- 3..... Feast of the Epiphany.
- 11-17. National Vocations Awareness Week.
- 13..... **BUSINESS MEETING.**
Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 18..... Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday observed.
- 22..... Day of Penance for the violation of the dignity of the human person.
- 22..... March of Life, Washington, D.C. (See details inside.)
- 23..... March of Life, San Francisco (See details inside.)
- 23..... Newman Club Fundraising Dinner. (See inside.)
- 25..... Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul.
- 25-31. Catholic Schools Week.
- 27..... **MONTHLY SOCIAL,**
see below and inside.

Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights and families,
Happy New Year to all! I hope that you have been able to share the Christmas season with family and friends. My very best wishes go out to all of you.

I attended the Junipero Serra Chapter meeting on December 12 in Aptos, along with Rudy Quijance and John Collins. We were proud to present a report on the accomplishments of the council over the past few months. In particular, I salute all of you for the fraternal activity you have contributed to make our Council strong.

We have scheduled a first degree exemplification for Wednesday January 13. Please plan to attend the exemplification, which will precede our regular business meeting. Our candidates will surely appreciate your support.



For the month of January, we have also scheduled a social event that we hope will attract your families. Our "winter picnic" on January 27

will be co-hosted by Patrick Eastman and Ernie McCoy. If your family has not been able to come to the recent social events in the past, this will be a great opportunity to (re)introduce them to the rest of the Council.

I thank all of you for your continued support and remember you in prayer.

Fraternally yours,
Jason Nielsen
Grand Knight

Chaplain's Message

New Musings

New thoughts come to my mind as we enter a new year. The year of 2009 as come to an end and the new year has begun. It is also the beginning of a new decade of 2010. The river of forgetfulness has begun with Lethe* and the haze of past year has set in. Like every January, we have high hopes for the coming year, yet the residue of the past year hangs on and on leaving a taste in our mouth and in our soul. When Janu-

ary 1st has past, the past returns with a vengeance, slowly at first and then more rapidly. the year chronologically has come but the past remains. We see things as before and we continue to make the same mistakes. Our non-Christisan attitudes and principles still dedicate our future. Our seeking and self-centeredness persist and grow. The magnet of our lives is the ego and our attractions worldly enclosed with self-absorbtion. Our

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Monthly Social Family Nite

Wednesday, Jan. 27
Star of the Sea Parish Hall

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March for Life

MARCH For LIFE - This is the 37th Annual March for Life that will be held in Washington, D.C., January 22nd. This march commemorates the anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's infamous Roe v. Wade decision that legalized abortion on January 22nd 1973. Another demonstration will be held nearer to us in San Francisco on January 23.

All Knights and their families, particularly those in these areas are urged to join these events.

Visit the marchforlife.org (East) and www.walkforlifewc.com (West) websites for more information.

Thank you

Thank you to all who made the December Christmas social a success! This event attended by our members, their families and friend. It was a catered delicious dinner.

Thanks are in order for those who donated prizes for the raffle, those who helped served, tendered the bar, sold raffle tickets and participated in the raffle.

GIVE BLOOD!

Mention you are a Knight!
The Red Cross Blood Drive is now being held at the Church of the Latter-Day Saints at 220 Elk St., SC. The entrance to the parking lot is off Pacheco between Rooney St. and Prospect Heights. The hours are from noon until 5:00 p.m. Call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE for info.

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...Chaplain

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faith often is marginalized and secular philosophy dictate our present thought processes. We grow old with the past and the passing of years. There is no rejuvenation, youthfulness and freshness. Time goes inexorably on and we with it. Where is the new hope, the new life and the new world? New mus-ing indeed!

The Apocalypse in Chapter 21 speaks of the new heavens, new earth and the new city Jerusalem which comes down from heaven. This city has no temple, for God is its temple. Its gates are always open and there is never darkness, but always light. The glory of God is its light and the Lamb is its lamp. God is the creator and sustainer of this newness. He gives Joy to my youth. He renews my faltering step. He renews the world and my life. Christ centered and vivified by His Spirit reverse the spiritual aging process. The new heavens, the new earth and the new me happen. The truly New Year has finally come, rejuvenation. Truly new musings indeed!! May this New Year come. Fr. James Catalano, OSJ.

**Editor note: "Lethe" - a river in Hades whose water when drunk made the souls of the dead forget their life on earth.*

Please help us keep current with your address and telephone number. This information is vital to allow your council provide you important service that is consistent with K of C.

Illness & Prayers

Our sick list of brother knights and families has not changed from last month. Let us continue with our prayers for them and their caregivers.

Barry Earl, Frank Giaimo, Anthony LeBourvelau, Carlos Lopez, Timothy Hanifin, Andrew Mekis, Gary Phariss, David Scargill, Robert Walter, Dr. Paul Weiss, Gerald Zieber, Zizi Rothfuss, Mary Martin, Arlen D'Sabato, Irene Tracy and Joan Phariss.

Your call or e-mail to the Bulletin Editor (Andrew) if you know of any changes to the above list will be appreciated.

Happy New Year!

Social

FAMILY NIGHT! We kick off our 2010 socials with a family night with a special menu and lower pricing. \$8 adults, \$5 kids, \$25 family. The menu is:

- Burgers and hot dogs
- Potato salad
- Green Salad
- Dessert

We ask you to bring your family, children in particular, friends, prospective members. Donations of prizes for our raffle and appetizers are always welcome and appreciated.

Your help!

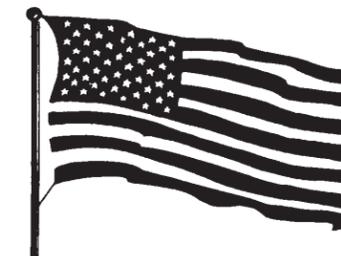
Our Financial Secretary, Rudy Quijance, has asked all members to complete the Annual Survey (see below). We must send compiled survey results to the Supreme Council by January 31st.

Rudy is sending out membership dues bills. Please submit your payment as soon as possibly.

Newman

Newman Catholic Center for years has been the beneficiary of our charitable donations and labor so we ask you again this time to put your efforts for a successful annual fund raising dinner. The date is Saturday, January 23, 2009 at the Parish Hall of St. Joseph's Church, 435 Monterey Ave., Capitola. Dinner will consist of prime rib with all the trimmings. Special Guest: Most Reverend Bishop Richard Garcia, Bishop of Monterey. No host cocktails begin at 6 p.m., followed by dinner served at 7 p.m.

\$35 tickets and more information may be obtained from the following: Newman Center, 423-9400; Rudy/Virginian Quijance, 458-9169.



We're asking each member to please fill out the survey below and get it to Rudy Quijance soon! Either e-mail him with your figures (raquija@pacbell.net), or mail it to 108 McMillan Court, Santa Cruz, CA 95060, or give it to him personally at one of KofC events. Thanks!

Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity Individual Member Worksheet

Last year, the Knights of Columbus donated more than \$135 million to charitable and benevolent causes and 60 million hours of volunteer community service to aid the less fortunate. To help prepare our Fraternal Survey for the Supreme Council office, please complete the information request below. This information will assistus in determining the total number of hours of community service volunteered by our members during this past calendar year.

- 1. Number of visits you made during this past year to:**
Sick—caring for the sick/nursing homes/hospitals.....
Bereaved—visits of condolence.....
- 2. Number of time you served as a blood donor during this past year.**
- 3. Estimated hours of community volunteer service during this past year:**
Church Activities—service in all Church related activities
Community Activities—service in all community related activities
Youth Activities—service in all youth related activities
Miscellaneous Activities—service in areas not outlined above
- 4. Number of hours of fraternal service during this past year:**
Sick/disabled members and their families—household chores, transportation, tutoring, counseling, etc.