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Newsletter of The Knights of Columbus ~ Council 971

March 2010

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

March Events

- 10..... **BUSINESS MEETING**,
Our Lady Star of the Sea
Parish Hall, 7:30 pm.
- 14..... Daylight Savings. (Get up
an hour earlier!)
- 24 **MONTHLY SOCIAL**
(See below and inside for
details.)
- 25..... The Annunciation of the
Lord.
- 27..... 2nd/3rd Degree Exempla-
fication. (See inside.)
- 28 **Passion Sunday**, first day
of Lent. Fast and absti-
nence day.



Monthly Social Corned Beef

Wednesday, Mar. 24
Star of the Sea Parish Hall

Grand Knight's Message

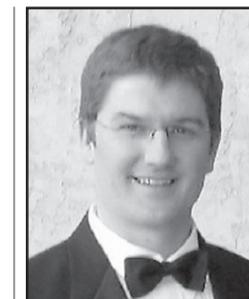
Dear Brother Knights and Families,

In this season of Lent, we take the time to reflect on our spiritual lives and strive to improve ourselves through our meditation and our works. A common theme I have heard this year is to focus not on giving up old habits, but rather forging strong new ones.

Several members of our Council recently attended a testimonial dinner in Watsonville with Bishop Richard Garcia, State Deputy Vincent Pacis, and Chapter President Ed Bystran. Bishop Garcia was encouraged by our work and urged the Knights of Columbus to stay involved in church and community activities. We were pleased to offer our support as a council to the bishop.

I would like to congratulate our Brother Knight Fredy Calvario, who was consecrated as a Deacon in Hollister on February 27. Fredy continues his preparation for the priesthood with the prayerful support of his Brothers in Council #971.

It is the season of many exemplifi-



cations in our chapter and region. Please contact one of the Council officers if you are interested in advancing in degree. I urge each of you to

consider deepening your involvement through these exemplifications.

Many thanks to all who served and attended our February social. Brother Knight Tony LeBourveau and his family orchestrated a great dinner amidst a convivial atmosphere. Please see the full list of volunteers and contributors inside this issue.

Finally, please join me in praying for our fellow Brother Knights and family members who are in poor health.

Faternally yours,
Jason Nielsen
Grand Knight

Chaplain's Message

Growth in Christ

There is another way of looking at Lent which we would like to consider during this month of March. The idea of growth or maturity in Christ. That is, we must mature into Christ, so that Christ may become fully grown in each and every one of us. St. Paul refers

to this in his writings as bringing Christ to full stature. Though He is perfect in Himself, there is lacking in His Body, the Church, which we the members of His body, something imperfect and lacking in grace. This lack of maturity can and necessarily be rectified during the season of

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Degrees

ATTENTION: First and Second Degree Members! You can now advance to Full Knighthood of our Order. These combined degree exemplifications are going to be held on Saturday, March 27th, at the Fort Ord Chapel. The costs of the degree teams and excellent lunch (usually Tri-Tip) will be paid by our Council. This is a full day affair. Contact Financial Secretary Rudy Quijance at 831-458-9169, email; raquija@pacbell.net or Membership Chairman Doug Gallagher at 831-425-0764, email; DouglasKay@comcast.net for details.

Dues

Please send in your 2010 dues to the Financial Secretary soon, preferably before the second notice is mailed. We save the council some stamp money when you do, money that can go to charitable purposes instead of to the U.S. Postal Service!



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Lent. We attack those things which keep us spiritually immature: pride, materialism, and individualism. We will consider each of these in turn so as to find out how Lent can be, this year, a spiritual growth experience.

The first, counter pride with prayer which reminds us of our need for divine assistance and help since we are limited in our capacities to live without God and His grace. Like Peter, we sink in the water of turbulence unless we say, "save me Lord for I am sinking." We learn quickly that man is not an island. Secondly, we confront materialism with almsgiving, realizing that man does not live on bread alone, but on every word which comes from the mouth of God. We need bread for our bodies and the Bread of Life, the Eucharist for our souls and bodies. The Bread of Life leads to resurrection. Lastly, we present an alternative to individualism which sees only self and not the other with charity. You shall love the Lord your God and you shall love your neighbor as yourself. Charity towards others helps us to develop and maintain our relationships with others and in so doing we grow with others. Let us grow to maturity during Lent with prayer, almsgiving, and charity. Let us continue our quest during this Lent.

God bless,
Fr. James Catalano, SOJ

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.

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, Carlos Lopez, Timothy Hanifin, Roy & Maryann June, Andrew Mekis, Gary Phariss, Tony Salciccia, Robert Walter, Dr. Paul Weiss, Gerald Zieber, 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.

Remember

Six years ago this month, Council 971 lost one of our very long time core members. Matthew De Luna, "Mr. Knights of Columbus" will be remembered fondly by the many members who were touched by his life.

Matt was a member of the Knights for nearly 60 years and a member of our Council for over 40 of those years, serving in every officer position, including Grand Knight. May God continue to rest his soul and that of his wife Florence. Matt is surely watching us!



Social

Our March Social will consist of the traditional St. Patrick's Irish Corned Beef and Cabbage and whole menu is: *Hors d'oeuvre:*

- Cheese & Fruit Platter
- Petit Monte Cristo &
- Petit Reuben sandwich

Main course:

- Corned Beef & Cabbage

Dessert:

- Irish Cheese cake with Bayle's sauce
- Alternatively, chicken will be available for those who do not prefer beef.

Dinner is catered by "K's Catering" and hosted by Rudy Quijance and Ramon Belleza.

We would sincerely appreciate donation of raffle prizes. No host bar at 6:00 p.m. and dinner served at 7:00 p.m. Table service will be provided.

Thank you!

Thank you to award-winning head chef Tony LeBourveau for his fantastic and packed house Clam Chowder dinner last month!

Jack Kemerling provided appetizers. Thanks are also extended to Gary Phariss and Rudy Quijance for tending the bar. Virginia Quijance sold tickets at the door and GK Jason Nielsen served as M.C. for the evening.

Ramon Belleza lead our dinner prayer. Selling raffle tickets were sold by new knights Ken Lazier, Carlos de Lara, and Andrew Lenz's daughter Charlotte (11).

The industrious kitchen assisting Tony was rounded out by the rest of the LeBourveau Family, Doug Gallagher, Patrick Eastman, Helen Dowling and Barbara (sorry Barbara, your last name was not provided to the Editor!).

The evening was made possible by those who donated other raffle prizes and participated in the raffle. Thank you! A great time was had by all!

Haiti News

Knights of Columbus Aid to Haiti Earthquake Victims Now Over \$500,000

Knights of Columbus donations to benefit Haiti earthquake victims has climbed to more than \$500,000, including nearly \$100,000 from 34 state councils, and more than \$150,000 from 512 local councils. As of the end of February, individual Knights had donated more than \$216,000. The Supreme Council had made an immediate donation of \$50,000 to Catholic Relief Services for Haiti relief within days of the earthquake.

Approximately \$380,000 of the donations have come from the United States and over \$80,000 came from Canada.

At its quarterly meeting in early February, the Supreme Board of Directors voted to purchase 1,000 wheelchairs for Haitians whose limbs have been amputated or have otherwise become disabled in Haiti. Many councils are also arranging to donate canes and crutches to victims.

The period during which on-line donations to the United in Charity Fund will be earmarked for Haiti relief has been extended and continues to be available to those who prefer to make their donations electronically. Donors may also send checks, which should include the words "Haiti earthquake relief" on the memo line.

http://www.kofc.org/un/eb/en/about/charities/UIC_donate.html

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