



The Knights of Columbus
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Over 113 Years of Local Service!

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Birthdays

Dennis Steik—2nd

James Somerville—12th

Andrew Lenz Jr.—14th

Larry Rothfuss—17th

Dan Robbins—23rd

Steve Crovo—26th

Happy Birthday!



The 1962 installation of officers for Council 971. At center is new Grand Knight Gary Phariss, receiving the honorary gavel. Gary served as Grand Knight again in 1997-98, a quarter century later.



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, St. Vincent de Paul.

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July 2018

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

July

- 4..... Independence Day
- 8..... Coffee/Donuts at HC
- 11..... **BUSINESS MEETING**,
Star of the Sea, 7:30 pm.
- 21..... **INSTALLATION OF
OFFICERS & SO-
CIAL**, Shrine of St.
Joseph, 11:00 a.m.

August

- 2..... Homeless Dinner
- 4..... Habitat Build
- 8..... Business Meeting
- 11..... Chapter Meeting (Salinas)
- 12..... Coffee/Donuts at HC
- 22..... Monthly Social (TBD)

September

- 3..... Labor Day
- 8..... Habitat Build
- 9..... Coffee/Donuts at HC
- 12..... Business Meeting
- 26..... Monthly Social (TBD)

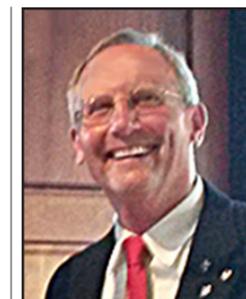
Grand Knight's Message

My brother Knights,

As this is my first letter to you as Grand Knight, I felt strongly about emphasizing a couple of points.

First of all, I am humbled to have been selected as your Grand Knight for this coming Colombian Year. I have been nothing but impressed with the dedication, devotion, and support from all of the previous Grand Knights as well as so many of my brother Knights. To think that we are a 113-year-old council with continuous service to our church and community is awe-inspiring! I have hope that we will continue this tradition and build upon the already high esteem which I know we have within our churches and community!

Secondly, I wanted to put emphasis on what appears to be a bit of a refocus from our Supreme on four key ar-



reas; that is, faith, family, community and pro-life. I hope that we will continue to support these very important focus areas moving forward as priorities in our council. I eagerly anticipate continuing our proud tradition and building on the already vibrant council with associated activities over this next Colombian year.

Thank you all so much for your continued support, your involvement and your prayers!

Vivat Jesus
Frank Benko
Grand Knight

Chaplain's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

The Church was recently given a beautiful gift from Pope Francis with his latest Apostolic Exhortation: "Gaudete et Exsultate"—"Rejoice and Be Glad", issued on the Feast of St. Joseph, March 19, 2018. I wish to share with you this month some of the poignant reflections from our Holy Father.

"To be holy does not require being a bishop, a priest or a religious. We are frequently tempted to think

that holiness is only for those who can withdraw from ordinary affairs to spend much time in prayer. That is not the case. We are all called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do, wherever we find ourselves. Are you called to the consecrated life? Be holy by living out your commitment with joy. Are you married? Be holy by loving and caring for your husband or wife, as Christ does for the Church.

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Monthly Social Installation

Saturday, July 21 (11AM)
Oblates (West Cliff)

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...Chaplain

Do you work for a living? Be holy by labouring with integrity and skill in the service of your brothers and sisters.

Are you a parent or grandparent? Be holy by patiently teaching the little ones how to follow Jesus. Are you in a position of authority?

Be holy by working for the common good and renouncing personal gain." (N. 14).

"The common life, whether in the family, the parish, the religious community or any other, is made up of small everyday things. This was true of the holy community formed by Jesus, Mary and Joseph, which reflected in an exemplary way the beauty of the Trinitarian communion. It was also true of the life that Jesus shared with his disciples and with ordinary people." (N. 143).

"Let us not forget that Jesus asked his disciples to pay attention to details. The little detail that wine was running out at a party. The little detail that one sheep was missing. The little detail of noticing the widow who offered her two small coins. The little detail of having spare oil for the lamps, should the bridegroom delay. The little detail of asking the disciples how many loaves of bread they had. The little detail of having a fire burning and a fish



cooking as he waited for the disciples at daybreak." (N. 144).

These profound thoughts help us in our Christian journey and daily commitment to our discipleship. Hoping you're enjoying the summer season and finding God's magnificent presence in the beauty of nature and in your relationships among family and friends.

Vivat Jesus!
Fr. Paul A. McDonnell, OSJ
Chaplain

Thanks

Thanks to all those who helped make our June social a success!

Primary Cooks: Todd Acker, Robin Lazier, Bridgette Felder, Cyndy La-Font, Jeff Knapp, Frank Benko;

Set-Up Assistants: Rudy & Virginia Quijance, Robert Castro, Ken Lazier Jr., Brandon Lazier;

Door: Virginia & Robin;

Bar: Ken Lazier Sr., Edwin Tonkin;

Appetizers & Dessert: Jack Kemmerling (assisted by Aaron Clark & Robert Castro);

Clean up: Hiro and Chalie Tani, Richard Marshall, Fr. Paul.

Thanks to those who we failed to mention here—it was a true group effort!

Chapter

Saturday, August 11 is a Chapter Meeting in Salinas. (Our KofC chapter territory matches our diocese.) It will be hosted by Council 5140 w with BBQ Tri Tip French Dip Sandwiches for lunch—yummy! All 3rd Degree Knights are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

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Illness & Prayers

Let us continue with our prayers for our sick list of brother knights and families and their caregivers.

Ken (Sr.) & Kathy Lazier, Dave Scargill, Francisco Garza, Lynnette de Lara and Arline D'Sabato.

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

Social

Per our new Grand Knight Frank Benko, our monthly social, in lieu of a dinner, will be a lunch which will be held in conjunction with our officer installation on Saturday, July 21 at The Shrine of St. Joseph, Guardian of the Redeemer (544 West Cliff Drive). The ceremonies will begin with a mass at 11 a.m. and the installation will immediately follow. Afterward, a lunch (\$10) will be hosted by Council 971. Please RSVP to GK Frank Benko by calling 428-4494 or via email fmbenko@comcast.net by Thursday, July 19.

Election

Congratulations to our newly-elected council officers! These Knights will lead us for the next 12 months. (A complete list is found in the column to the left.) Please pray for a very successful Columbian Year for these fine selfless Catholic gentlemen. Perhaps you'll join their ranks someday yourself!

Membership

Brother Knights,

Our Knights have been working on a big retention project as we labor to activate more of the men whom we have not seen participate for some time. Plans are in the works to be encouraging to those men. Through the summer and into the fall, we plan on meeting our objectives with new men coming into our council. We welcome our incoming slate of officers as they set the goals for the next Columbian year. Let us all be supportive to the Knights who lead us on this journey with enthusiasm and dedicated effort. Keep up the good deeds!

Doug Gallagher
Membership Chair

PRAYER FOR THE UNBORN

Heavenly Father, You created us in Your own image, and You desire that not even the least among us should perish. In Your love for us, You entrusted Your only Son to the Holy Virgin Mary. Now, in Your love, protect against the wickedness of the devil, those little ones to whom You have given the gift of life.

Insurance

Please give our dedicated insurance agent, Jim Misa, a call for a free review of your existing plans or chat about long term care and annuities: 663-9232, james.misa@kofc.org.

Condolences



Gary at a western-themed 971 social in 2006. (Photo by editor Andrew Lenz.)

Gary Phariss (1930-2018), who twice served as a Grand Knight for Council 971, passed away locally on June 19 at 87. Gary was a long-time parishioner of St. Joseph in Capitola.

Gary was an Honorary Life Member of 60 years with our council. He was also a 4th Degree member and served in the Color Corps and as the Faithful Navigator of the Padre Palou Assembly.

A funeral mass was celebrated on June 28 at St. Joseph's and a number of Knights were in attendance including a full complement of our Color Corps honoring Gary's memory.

Rest in peace, Gary. We'll miss your easy smile and humility.

