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Newsletter of The Knights of Columbus ~ Council 971

July 2012

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. *Fly the flag!*
11..... **BUSINESS MEETING**, Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall, 7:30 pm.
25..... **INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS and DINNER**. Starts with Mass offered by Fr. James Catalano, OSJ at 5 p.m. Immediately followed by the installation. Dinner at the Parish Hall to follow. See below and on page 3 for details and menu.

Future Events

- Aug. 6-9..... Supreme Convention held in Anaheim.



Monthly Social
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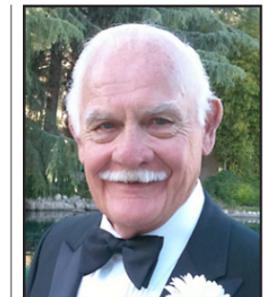
Wednesday, July 25
Star of the Sea Parish Hall

Grand Knight's Message

Dear Knights and Families,

It seems like yesterday that I wrote the message for June. The Stanford operation lasted a full four weeks. Now I am back at home and on the mend.

I would like to invite all of you to come support me at the Relay For Life at Cabrillo College on July 14, 2012. I plan to be there from 1-2 pm as a participant. For more information about this event for cancer survivors, please go to the website www.relayforlife.org. You may donate in my name or



come by Saturday, July 14.

My hope is to be back to some good health for our Installation Mass and Dinner on July 25th 2012.

We wish all the Knights and their families' good health.
Sincerely,
Doug Gallagher

Chaplain's Message

RUNNING THE RACE

St. Paul, in speaking to the Corinthians in his first letter in chapter nine makes the statement about running the race. He says that all run, but only one gets the crown. He does not lose sight of the finish line, he does not shadow box, but brings his body into shape with discipline so that having preached to others, he himself will not be rejected. In the first letter of Paul to Timothy, in chapter four, the Apostle Paul in his old age, near the end of his life, speaks about having completed his work as evangelist and fulfilling his ministry. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have kept the faith. Now a crown awaits me, not only for me, but also

for all who await his appearing with eager longing. To Timothy he states: be steady and self possessed: put up with hardship, perform your work as evangelist, fulfill your ministry. The work of salvation is incumbent upon all. Faithfulness and trust, struggle and effort, hardships and action are part of the following of Christ. There is not shadow boxing with the air.

We are not spectators in life. We are in the arena. We are in the mix and the struggles of what is happening. We do not stay passively by while others run the race and make the sacrifices. We must put ourselves out in our day and time to make the difference, to change ourselves and

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help others to change. The stadium of life calls us to participate, to share, to activate, to do and contribute so that the Kingdom of Christ may be established and confirmed with our lives with the lives and efforts of all. We do not bury our talents, our gifts and our life. We make a difference. We leave the world a better place, our Christian faith more enriched and our spiritual environment better confirmed. We run to win the imperishable crown. We run with the baton of faith and love for Christ and our brothers and sisters. Then we pass the baton to those who follow. May we hear the words of Christ: well done good and faithful servant, come now to share the joy of your Lord.

God bless,
Fr. James Catalano, OSJ



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Thank you!

A big "Thank You!" to those who helped make our June social a success!

Host: Jason Nielsen

Kitchen: Jason Nielse, Edwin Tonkin,
John Fernandes, and Stephanie Nielsen.

Bar: Ken Lazier, Jr., Carlos de Lara
Centerpieces (flowers): Stephanie Nielsen

Appetizers/Desserts: Jack Kemerling
Raffle: Ken Lazier, Jr., Carlos de Lara
Thanks to those others who also donated to our raffle.

On the evening, our council officially presented our chaplain with Fr. James Catalano with the Juan Perez award. Fr. James was selected by the State Council to receive this award for 2012. Quite an honor. We thank Fr. James for his dedication and support of the Knights of Columbus.

It was announced that Fr. James will celebrate the 50th anniversary of his ordination will be Tuesday, March 19, 2013. Look forward to that!
Thanks to all!

Membership

Dear Brother Knights,

This is my last report on membership and new member recruitment for this Columbian year. We have had some success this year, due to the hard work of a few members of the council. What's very important is that our new members have dived right in and played a big role in the health of the council.

We will be announcing some new initiatives for the upcoming Columbian year, but I will leave that news as an introduction to my successor. Thanks again for all of the hard work in spreading the word and helping to grow our council.

Fraternally yours,
Jason Nielsen

Illness & Prayers

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

Barry Earl, Doug Gallagher, Francisco Garza, Frank Giaimo, Timothy Hanifin, Gary Phariss, Robert Walter, Gerald Zieber, Arline D'Sabato, Maryann June, 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.

Election

Our officers have been voted by their peers as the leaders of Council 971 for the 2012-2013 Columbian year. The new slate of officers is listed in the first column on Page 2.

Congratulations to these gentlemen. Let's give all these officers our full and unwavering support.



Fr. Roland Bunda celebrated a mass at Holy Cross on July 7 where he was honored for his 50th anniversary as a priest. He currently serves in a parish on Maui, after running our local UCSC Newman Center for years. A 4th Degree Color Corps added some flourish. Left to right: Andrew Lenz Jr., Rudy Quijance, Fr. Bunda, Ken Lazier Jr. and Carlos de Lara.

Social

INSTALLATION DINNER - The evening will begin with Mass offered by Rev. James Catalano, OSJ at 5:00 p.m. at Our Lady Star of the Sea, immediately followed by the installation in the church. (Coat and tie is requested for all officers to be installed.) After Mass, dinner will be served in the parish hall.

At press time for this bulletin, due to our Grand Knight recovering from surgery, we don't have our menu finalized. The menu should be available at least by a week before the installation from our Deputy Grand Knight, Ken Lazier, Sr.

Bring your family and invite prospective members and friends. Table service will be provided.

Donations of raffle prizes and appetizers will be greatly appreciated.

We are asking for special prayers for our Grand Knight Doug Gallagher during his recovery. Doug had part of his esophagus and stomach removed at Stanford. It was a difficult surgery and, understandably, recovery will take some time. God bless Doug!

Insurance

Cover two people with one policy

In this month's article, I want to discuss a type of life insurance product with which you might not be familiar. This product offers a way for you to help your heirs meet estate settlement costs without subtracting from the total value of your estate. After all, you've worked hard to accumulate wealth or build a business over the years and you want to pass along that value to your family, charity or church in its entirety.

To this end, the Knights of Columbus designed a Survivorship Universal Life (SUL) product. SUL is a second to die, or survivorship, life insurance program

that covers two people, (usually husband and wife) and the death benefit is paid upon the death of the surviving second person — which is normally when an estate would be taxed. This can be an important part of an estate plan.

Keep in mind, an SUL policy is one policy that covers two people. This has advantages, including a lower cost than two individual life insurance policies. It is a great option for a married couple with children. It can provide funds for the legal guardians chosen to care for children in the event both parents die, which is especially attractive to parents of a special needs child.

If you have a child or children, you need life insurance. If you intend to pass on any property or wealth, you need life insurance. A SUL policy is one option that we can discuss when we meet for an insurance review.

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