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GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE, MICHAEL CORCORAN....

Brothers, families and friends, As usual I am so proud of this council. We only have five months left in this Columbian year. Time does fly. Recent thanks go out to Loren Wallin and his crew for the Free Throw contest and to John Mizerak for all his work coordinating the Walk for Life transportation to San Francisco and to all that participated.

We are half way to our quota of new members. February is good month to invite a fellow Catholic gentleman to share in our ministry. If you are still a 1st degree brother consider receiving your 2nd and 3rd degree on February 10th since we are hosting this degree at St John the Evangelist. If you are a 3rd degree member consider attending as an observer or to help.

The Lenten season is just around the corner with Ash Wednesday on February 21st. Many of us knights will be participating in various programs at our parishes. Let us be the shining light of good catholic gentlemen.

Upcoming events are elsewhere in our Paladin. Please consider supporting these events by your attendance. Vivat Jesus



PROGRAM DIRECTOR, DGK ELDON HANCOCK, LAST CALL...WE NEED YOUR RESERVATIONS, MSGR PATRICK NOLAN RELIGIOUS APPRECIATION DINNER, FRIDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 16TH

Last year we had a reasonable attendance at our Religious Appreciation Dinner, but because of a number of no-shows, our treasury had to be tapped to cover all expenses. If you plan to attend (and what better way to show our appreciation to our religious), Chairman Tom Robbins will need your reservations and "firm" commitment if not the actual check by February 13th. As noted last month the event will forever more be called the Msgr. Patrick Nolan Religious Appreciation Dinner. We honor our Priests, our Sisters, our Brothers, and our Deacons on Friday evening, February 16th, starting at 6:30 PM at St. Ignatius Parish Center. Please call our Chairman, Tom Robbins at 971-9389 or email Robbins@tonysinefoods.com with your reservation. Checks for \$25 per person can be mailed to him at 5916 Adana Cir. Carmichael, CA 95608-1739 or bring to our February 13th meeting.



I was very proud of the effort by all as our Council presented a check for \$750 at the Chapter meeting to Chairman Floyd Wells to continue the good works of the Wheelchair Foundation. This check allows 10 more victims to get off the ground and obtain the freedom of mobility. My first hand experience last year will be a lasting memory of the need. Your generosity helped make this possible. So I

thank my Brother Knights of our Council and others for this support. Please contact me at 723-3986 for further information or to make additional contributions.



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2nd/3rd Degree Exemplifications - Membership Director, Larry Rositani

Here are the details of the day's activities:

- Date: Saturday February 10th at St. John the Evangelist Parish, Carmichael
- Registration (2nd/3rd) at 10 AM (2nd Degree Registration closes at 10:45 AM) - 2nd Degree Ceremony at 11 AM
- Lunch at 12 noon.
- Registration closes for 3rd Degree at 1 PM - 3rd Degree Ceremony at 1:30 PM.
- Refreshments following the 3rd Degree Ceremony (approximately 4:30 PM)

The following Brothers are on my list of 1st or 2nd degree Brothers from our Council. I believe I may have one or two of you who did advance and I did not update my list. So I request all of the following to contact me at 486-4377 or email at rositani@pacbell.net.

- Andrews, Bourez, Cuny (Richard), Derdowski, Harlan, Hebner, Heiman, Holeman, (Kevin), Johnson (Keith), Kahren, Kelly, Mangold, Maysee, Nelson, Pantalone, Profumo, Peszynski, Read, Rillera, Rothschilder, Tabarez, and Toner.



PS: 3rd and 4th degree members: we could use your help setting up, serving, etc. Call me at 486-4377 if you can help. Thank you in advance.

Christ the King 4th Degree Assembly

Hoe-Down Is A-Comin' - April 13, 2007 - 5:30 PM
 DOUBLETREE HOTEL - Cost: \$20.00 per person - Dress casual
 TRI-TIP/CHICKENLIVE MUSIC BY "COUNTRY ROAD"
 For further information, please call: S.K. Eldon Hancock at 723-3986
 or Frank Nava at 359-6282

ALSO - GOLF ANYONE? The Northern California Chapter meeting and Testimonial Dinner on May 5th will be held in Auburn. One possible event that is being considered is a golf tournament to be held on Friday the 4th. The hosting council plans to hold it at The Ridge golf course in Auburn, a fabulous course, nice

enough to host the LPGA Longs Drugs Challenge in 2004 and 2005. If you are interested please contact our Program Director, Eldon Hancock, at 723-3986 for further information.

YOUTH PROGRAMS - Director, Loren Wallin

We had another great Free Throw program last month. I thank all those that participated and especially those that helped. I just got word that we have the honor of sponsoring the District Free Throw advancement at St Ignatius Loyola Parish Hall on Sunday Feb 18th. I again ask for your help, 5 pm for setup with registration starting at 6 pm. I guess we're just too good.

FILIPINO DINNER-DANCE

Our annual Filipino Dinner-Dance will be held on Saturday evening, March 10th at St. Ignatius Parish Center. Chairman Ponce Marquez' letter and tickets are enclosed with this edition of the Paladin. Since the March Paladin may not arrive prior to the event, you are urged to make your reservations during February. Ponce's letter goes into detail. If for some reason you cannot attend, please consider buying the raffle tickets and return them and your donation to Ponce. This is one of our Council's fund raisers. Thank you.

DID NOAH FISH? A Sunday school teacher asked, "Johnny, do you think Noah did a lot of fishing when he was on the Ark?" "No," replied David. "How could he, with just two worms?"

GOOD OF THE ORDER
PRAYERS NEEDED
SICK AND/OR
IN DISTRESS

Sister Dorothea
 Deacon Floyd Shields
 Rosemarie Anderson
 Jennifer Arnold
 DeeAnn (Arnold)
 Tony Biggi
 Gloria De Crescenzo
 (wife of Brother De)
 Frank Cuny
 (Brother of Bro Chuck)
 Evelyn DeLuna
 Peg DePiazza
 Helen Donaldson
 Jacintha Eseudoye
 (Christian Okoye's
 mother in law)
 Angela Gianattasio
 John Gianattasio
 Dorothy Hellmer
 Michelle Kregelo
 (daughter of Bro. John)
 George Lukoskie
 Barbara Marenich
 Brian McQuirk (Afgan)
 Joseph Paredes (Iraq)
 Luis Paredes
 Sara Paredes
 Vince Pacis (St Advocate)
 Dorothy Picanco
 Ethelyn Rivard
 Miquel Sabral (Afgan)
 Mary Schmidt
 Lori Mondonsa (Schwartz)
 (widow of Herb)
 Bill Verdugo
 Aurora Wallin
 Liz Weeks
 Aborted Children

DECEASED

Marilou Ilustrisimo

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INSURANCE MESSAGE - Dennis Ware, Field Agent

"Protecting families for generations" Father Michael J. McGivney understood that the first duty of a Catholic husband and father is to his family — to care for their needs while alive and, to the best of his ability, to provide for their care in the event of his death. He also knew well the tragic needs of Catholic families of the deceased men in his community. Central to Father McGivney's founding vision for the Knights of Columbus was providing for the financial security of Catholic families, particularly the widows and orphans of deceased members.

As Catholics, our new year begins at Advent. We have our own special start then. However, as citizens, we celebrated the year on January 1st and the safest to start either new year is to protect all we own. It is accepted practice to protect our houses, cars, property, health, and even our employment. We need to protect ourselves too, because it is our income that keeps in force the entire family's protection. Our loved ones cling to our support and love, and when we leave, they may lose them both. We can show them the responsibility we have by leaving them with Catholic Protection...and I might add the finest Catholic protection through the Order. Through your love and the intelligent management of your assets, they will be able to weather the storms of survival.

Our annuities can be started, or added to, in 2007, for the tax obligations of 2006, but you must act quickly. This is a time sensitive decision. Our Long Term Care is budget friendly and you can modify the plan, to create you own affordable premium. Of course, the finest of Life Insurance is available and this is the time to look at the safety of a Protection Plan from your Brotherhood. I am here for you my Brothers, you and you only. Please call me for a quick review and some tax saving ideas for 2006. Your Brother and Field Agent, Dennis Ware (530-885-9091 or 916-203-9091).



MAY SHE REST IN PEACE.



Brother Gil Ilustrisimo and his family send their appreciation for Council coordination and attendance at services for Lady Knight Marilou. In particular, Gil offers his sincere thanks for attendance at the visitation for his wife by our Acting Chaplain Fr. Ted Wroblicky. As we await the Bishops approval of Fr. Ted, this was his first of, we know, many Chaplain works for our Council. Marilou will be missed by all. She was only 47 years old and leaves her two sons and many family members and countless friends. She was very active until respiratory illness felled her in early November. She passed on January 15th. May she rest in Peace, Amen.

Keeper

I grew up in the 40's/50's with practical parents. A Mother, God love her, who washed aluminum foil after she cooked in it, then reused it. She was the original recycle queen, before they had a name for it... A Father who was happier getting old shoes fixed than buying new ones.

Their marriage was good, their dreams focused. Their best friends lived barely a wave away. I can see them now, Dad in trousers, tee shirt and a hat and Mom in a house dress, lawn mower in one hand, and dish-towel in the other. It was the time for fixing things. A curtain rod, the kitchen radio, screen door, the oven door, the hem in a dress Things we keep. It was a way of life, and sometimes it made me crazy. All that re-fixing, eating, renewing. I wanted just once to be wasteful. Waste meant affluence. Throwing things away meant you knew there'd always be more.

But then my mother died, and on that clear summer's night, in the warmth of the hospital room, I was struck with the pain of learning that sometimes there isn't any more. Sometimes, what we care about most gets all used up and goes away...never to return. So... While we have it, it's best we love it... And care for it... And fix it when it's broken.... And heal it when it's sick. This is true... For marriage.... And old cars... And children with bad report cards..... Dogs and cats with bad hips.... And aging parents.... And grandparents. We keep them because they are worth it, because we are worth it.

ADVOCACY OF THE CULTURE OF LIFE, JOHN MIZERAK, CHAIRMAN

The national debate over abortion came to San Francisco's waterfront last month on January 20th, as over 20,000 abortion opponents marched peacefully along the Embarcadero with many busloads and private cars from Sacramento. This 3rd "Walk for Life - San Francisco" march began at noon after a rally at Justin Herman Plaza. By the time the last batch of marchers entered the Embarcadero 35 minutes later, the marchers in front had reached Pier 27 -- half a mile to the north. Speakers at the rally -- which filled most of Justin Herman Plaza -- urged the crowd to do more than simply try to impose new restrictions on abortion. "All you young people out there need to promise: Forget about making abortion illegal," said Dolores Meehan, one of the founders of the event, now in its third year. "Make it extinct -- how about that?"



As usual for San Francisco, there were pro-abortionist as well; however, they had to march along side the Pro-Lifers to assure that there was sufficient number protesting along the route to heckle and chant. There were no arrests during the hours of marching and speeches. Although many from Sacramento area attended (five more busses than last year), I pray that next year more of us from this area fill twice as many busses. I am proud to have been counted as a marcher and thank all that supported this show for the advocacy of the culture of life. *For further details on Culture of Life questions contact me at 332-5511 (cell at 916-505-5513) or Engrjiz1@cs.com*

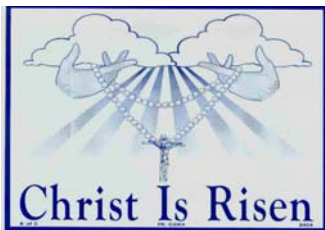
OUR CORPORATION ARDEN-CARMICHAEL, INC WORKING FOR US

On January 16th our Corporation met for the purpose of electing officers, certain Director positions, our annual budget, committee reports and items from the membership. Officers re-elected for 2007 were myself as your President, Herb Holeman, Vice President, Steve Millner, Treasurer, and Michael Langer, Secretary. Director Larry Rositani was re-elected to a 3 year term and Michael Corcoran was elected for the first time for a 3-year Director position. The Corporation membership thanked Chuck Cuny outgoing Director for his service and prayers for his speedy recovery. We need his talents for the Corporation as well as the Council. The budget for 2007 was approved for \$15,000 to include Scholarships, donations to our four primary parishes and miscellaneous charities/programs.
JIM LEET, PRESIDENT

MORE ON SCHOLARSHIPS - In an outpouring of admiration for the late Rev Leo McAllister, a Brother in our Council, and pastor of our host parish, OLA, nearly \$1 million has been raised in his memory for the Fr. Leo McAllister Scholarship Fund. The program helps deserving students attending local Catholic high schools. If you would like more information on this program, call 871-9044.

RESOLUTIONS TO HONOR OUR BROTHERS WITH 50 OR MORE CONSECUTIVE YEARS OF SERVICE.

A resolution (see our website) for each of the following Brothers will be voted on and adopted at our February business meeting to honor these Brothers. The resolutions will be further presented and adopted at the State Convention in May. Congratulations to: Eugene Bertolucci - 52 years, Nick Doiron - 52 years, John Gemma - 56 years, Vince LaBate - 50 years; Marvin Maher - 68 years, John Matthews, Jr.- 50 years and Max Schwarz - 65 years. Copies of the Resolutions will be available at the business meeting.



CHRIST IS RISEN MAGNETS FOR YOUR CAR OR REFRIG are now available for a donation of \$3. This is a beautiful way of expressing our Christianity and to assist the new Council at St. Philomene's Parish continue the long standing scholarship program that our Council started for 8th graders who plan to attend one of the area's Catholic High Schools. We will have them at our February meeting, and if we get a large supply from Council 8424, we will try to have them available at our parishes during the Lenten season.

HEADS UP: Anyone interested in bowling in the Chapter Tournament in Reno for the Council Team on April 28th, contact Brother Eldon Hancock at 723-3986.



FAMILY OF THE MOHNTH

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TODD WILSON/JERRY MARENICH, CO-CHAIRS FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Each month, Arden-Carmichael Council 4970 honors a Brother member and his family who exemplify the values taught by our Church and our Order. Congratulations to the Keith and Elvira Lawrence Family, our December 2006 Family of the Month.

Keith and Elvira have been married for more than 23 years. They have a daughter Keisha, and a son Augustus. The family attend St John the Evangelist Parish. The family has been very supportive of their parish, their community, and the Knights of Columbus.

Brother Keith serves as Co-Captain of the Ushers for the noon mass at St John's, while Elvira also serves as an Usher. Besides his normal duties as an usher, Keith has taken on the responsibility to insure that the church is secured, following the noon mass. Keisha is a member of the Youth Ministry at St John's and assists the CCD Program at St John's. Augustus graduated from Mira Loma HS and went to and played football at American River College. He then went on to Iowa Wesleyan where he also played football, was a volunteer firefighter for the Mount Pleasant Fire Department in Iowa and is currently working at US Bank in Sacramento



Keith joined the Knights of Columbus and Council 4970 on April 7, 2005 at an Exemplification held at St Mel's Parish. On June 12, 2005, he received his 2nd and 3rd Degrees at St Joseph's Parish, in Marysville, California. On April 29, 2006, at a 4th Degree Exemplification held at the Doubletree Inn in Sacramento, Brother Keith received his 4th Degree and became Sir Knight Keith and is a member of the Christ the King Assembly. Upon joining the Knights of Columbus, he has been very active in both council and assembly activities. Last year, when approached about being placed in nomination for the position of Recorder Council 4970, he graciously and willingly accepted the nomination and is serving in that position for the current Columbian Year. Keith quickly and often volunteers to help at many of the council's activities; setting up for breakfasts and dinners, and most importantly, helping to clean up after the activities.

Keith is employed by the Department of Water Quality for the County of Sacramento. Elvira is active in community affairs, as she spends her Saturdays as a volunteer at the Sacramento Juvenile Hall, assisting the troubled youth of the community. Keisha is a straight "A" student at Del Campo High School, and a member of the Honors Program, where she has been designated a member of the "Most Valued Student Group". She has also been designated one of the "100 Best Students" within the United States.

The members of the Arden-Carmichael Council are proud and indeed fortunate to list the Keith and Elvira Lawrence Family as members of its council.

FOURTH DEGREE ACTIVITIES - Michael Langer

Attention Council Color Corps members! It's confirmation time again and I have the dates and times for our Council's four parishes below. I would like to staff four Color Corps members for all four parish confirmations:

- Presentation - Tuesday, February 27th, 5:30 PM (arrive by 5:00 PM) - Bishop Madera
- St. John Evangelist - Saturday, April 14th, 10:00 AM (arrive by 9:30 AM) - Bishop Weigand
- St. Ignatius - Sunday - April 15th, 11:30 AM (arrive by 11:00 AM) - Bishop Weigand
- St. Philomene, TBA

At this time the dates and times are subject to change primarily due to the departure of Bishop Garcia to the Monterey Diocese. I will update any changes in future articles. Please advise me of your availability for any of these confirmation dates. Any questions, please contact me by email (mlanger@iwon.com) or telephone (916-348-3343). Thank you for your help in volunteering to participate in this very important annual activity for our bishops.

THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD....A Sunday School teacher decided to have her young class memorize one of the most quoted passages in the Bible; Psalm 23. She gave the youngsters a month to learn the verse. Little Rick was excited about the task -- but, he just couldn't remember the Psalm. After much practice, he could barely get past the first line. On the day that the kids were scheduled to recite Psalm 23 in front of the congregation, Rickey was so nervous. When it was his turn, he stepped up to the microphone and said proudly, "The Lord is my Shepherd, and that's all I need to know."

CHUCK'S CORNER

REFORMING THE REFORMS

CHUCK CUNY, PGK

The liberal leaning John XXIII stunned the world with the call for an ecumenical council, not for any heresy, but to 'modernize' the Roman Church. The Council was unprecedented in many ways including its purpose, scope, participants, diversity, documents and even confusion. While it was not considered a 'dogmatic council' it provided major change in Catholic direction and interpretations, particularly in ecumenical areas like "no salvation outside the (Roman) Catholic Church".

It was ecumenical in that, beside the largest number ever attending, it included many Protestant representatives and even women. Concessions were made such as the Church's overreaction to Martin Luther and Catholic use of indulgences was modified. The most noticeable change was in the Mass and the use of the vernacular. The Council allowed that the Mass could be said in the vernacular. After the Council, Pope Paul VI oversaw the issuance of the vernacular Novus Ordo and determined that the new Mass would replace the Latin Rite, which was expected to fade away. While the Latin Mass could be said with a special indult (permission) of the local bishop, most bishops disallowed it. Some conservatives felt the new Mass was not valid, particularly with the substitution from "Christ died for many" to "Christ dies for all men".

Bishop Lefebvre refused to use the new Mass and eventually established a dissident group called Pius X. Efforts were made to resolve the split. The pope ordered the Bishop not install any new bishops. Contrary to the order, he installed a number of new bishops. Vatican declared that while the Pius X Latin Mass was valid; it was not licit for Sunday obligation. Pope John Paul II tried to accommodate older conservative Catholics by issuing the encyclical "Ecclesia Dei" which allowed orders such as Saints Peter and Paul to celebrate the 1963 version of the Latin Mass.

The election of Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger as pope raised many questions. As Prefect for the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, he was perceived as conservative but his support for John Paul II indicated a liberal trend. While he followed John Paul II in ecumenical activities, he has been reining back the liberal rush of the earlier Council. Recently the Vatican has acknowledged that attendance at Pius X Mass does fulfill the Sunday obligation. The Latin Mass can be said without an indult from the bishop. The revised English instruction for the Mass will change 'all' to 'many'. The revised instruction also provides other limitations on the use of lay ministers.

While the Latin congregation was expected to fade, it has flourished and there have been many more vocations coming from the conservative orders such as Ecclesia Dei than liberal bent groups. In fact, most of the liberal countries have had a serious decline in active Catholics and a dearth of vocations such that they find it necessary to recruit from third world countries. Sacramento has not experienced a serious church attendance diminution, due in part to the influx of Catholic immigrants, but does have a serious priest shortage. In many European countries churches are almost vacant. In eastern United States, dioceses are selling Church property in part due to the clergy sexual abuse but also because of a serious decrease in practicing Catholics.



Dear Lord, So far today, I'm doing all right...I have not gossiped, lost my temper, been greedy, grumpy, nasty, selfish, or self-indulgent. I have not whined, complained, cursed, or eaten any chocolate. I have charged nothing on my credit card.... But, I will be getting out of bed in a minute, and I think that I will really need your help then.

Last month Brother Chuck Cuny reported on Brother Jose Salazar's upcoming trip to the Philippines to lend physical and financial assistance to residents of Legazpi, one of the unfortunate towns devastated by floods that followed the eruption of Mt. Mayon. Collections to date amount to nearly \$1000. If you would like to add to that amount, please mail any contribution to Chuck at 4310 Berrendo Drive, Sacramento, CA 95864. You can contact him at 971-1751 or ccuny@comcast.net

MOSES & THE RED SEA Nine-year-old Joey, was asked by his mother what he had learned in Sunday school. "Well, Mom, our teacher told us how God sent Moses behind enemy lines on a rescue mission to lead the Israelites out of Egypt. When he got to the Red Sea, he had his army build a pontoon bridge and all the people walked across safely. Then, he radioed headquarters for reinforcements. They sent bombers to blow up the bridge and all the Israelites were saved."

"Now, Joey, is that really what your teacher taught you?" his mother asked.

"Well, no, Mom. But, if I told it the way the teacher did, you'd never believe it!"

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<u>CALENDAR OF EVENTS</u>	
<u>FEBRUARY 2007</u>	
10	2 nd /3 rd Degree Exemplification - St. Johns Parish
13	Business Meeting – St. John Hall, OLA - 7:30 PM
14	Valentine's Day
16	Religious Appreciation Night - SI - 6:30 PM
18	District Free Throw Contest - SI - 5 PM
19	President's Day
20	Mardi Gras
21	Ash Wednesday - Beginning of Lent
23	Soup and Stations (every Fri during Lent) SJE
25	Pancake Breakfast - Presentation - morning masses
27	Planning Meeting -Seton Hall, OLA- 8 PM (note change to 8 pm meeting time this month only)
A decade of the Rosary precedes the Business Meeting - 7:15 PM	

<u>CALENDAR OF EVENTS</u>	
<u>MARCH 2007</u>	
11	Daylight Saving Time begins
10	Filipino Dinner-Dance - SI Parish Cntr - 6:30 PM
13	Business Meeting – St. John Hall, OLA - 7:30 PM
17	St. Patrick's Day
21	Spring Begins
27	Planning Meeting -Seton Hall, OLA- 7:30 PM
A decade of the Rosary precedes the Business Meeting - 7:15 PM	
Chapter Bowling Tournament, April 28 th in Reno	