

The Knightly News

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COUNSEL FROM OUR CHAPLAIN



Dear Brother Knights,

As I prepare to celebrate my 40th anniversary of priesthood on March 19th, my thoughts center on the blessings of God. What a privilege God has given me. Serving here in the Diocese these 40 years has been a great gift. I have learned so much about the journey of faith with God and others. Along with the many challenges of the world and church, I have experienced the blessings of proclaiming Christ to all God's people. I encourage each Knight to reflect on

God's gifts. Your efforts will only lead to more appreciation and service.

Please do me a favor. Consider joining me and our Retreat Team for a **Lenten Retreat with the Saints**. It will take place for men on **February 27 and 28**. Just an evening and a day to study the Saints and their example of living the faith. Your attendance would be a gift to me in my 40th year, March 19th. Then, don't forget to encourage your wives to attend on **March 5 & 6**. Ask Dennis Bammann for details.

God's blessings always,
Msgr. Neal Dolan

MEN'S RETREAT

Brothers, I am challenging each and everyone of you to prove that this organization is founded on the principles of the Catholic Church and not one of symbolism over substance. I want to see us prove to our families, friends and congregation that we are the leaders of the church in our faith as well as in our commitment to support those in need. This is our opportunity to prove to one and all that we are truly Catholic Gentleman! There are many reasons for attending a men's retreat, but I can't think of a better one than to be able to look your loved ones in the eye as you share your spiritual conversion with them. This is not just a meeting. It is a calling! Are you a disciple of Jesus Christ or an admirer?

When:

Fri, February 27, 6:30pm - 9:30 pm
Sat, February 28, 8:00 am - 6:30 pm

Cost:

\$25.00 per person. (includes all materials and dinner on Saturday evening.)

Please contact me for more information and registration forms at (858) 675-3072.

Dennis Bammann, DGK
Program Director

A MINUTE WITH THE **MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR**

Your council First-Degree team brought in two new members to our Order on January 12, 2004. One from Valley of the Angles council at San Rafael Parish and one from Santa Maria Valley Council at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Ramona. None for our council.

Our council needs your help. We would like to bring in at least six new members before June 1, 2004. We are an organization of dedicated individuals – 1.6 million strong, and growing. An organization that, since 1882, has embodied the selflessness of man as it has helped overcome the problems of the world. Poverty. Ignorance. Apathy. Things which imperil not only a single individual but the whole humanity.

We are men of faith, comprising over 12,000 Knights of Columbus councils at home and overseas. Guided not only by our belief in God and the Catholic Church, but by our belief in each other, and in ourselves. We are Knights of Columbus. Believing that a man is defined by his action as a follower of God, and as a leader in his community. Believing that a man is not simply a man when he bears the title Knight. Do you know someone who would benefit by joining our order? All you have to do is ask.

John Giltner, PGK

It's Your Money

A motion was made and seconded to allow funds not to exceed \$1,000.00 earmarked for the building fund to be used to purchase tables, chairs and other furniture items for our meeting room. After limited discussion, the issue was set aside. In accordance with our by-laws, a motion of

this amount must first be publicized for the information of all members and voted on at the following business meeting. Since February will be an open meeting, this motion will be voted on at the March meeting. If you have input to this discussion and wish to express your views, you must be at the March meeting to be heard.

John Giltner, PGK

Dinner with Sister

Dear Brother Knights,

Please join me in supporting the good sisters in the next "**Dinner with. . . Series**" at St. Michael's.

If you thought Whoopi Goldberg had *her* "Sister Act" together, just wait 'til you see the "*Real Deal!*" Join us for a *fabulous Mesquite Chicken Dinner* at **The Monsignor Finnerty Parish Center, Saturday, February 21st after the 5:30 p.m. Mass.** Hear Sisters Finnarr and Celestine reminisce about their callings to the sisterhood. Whoopi only *portrayed* a nun. Sisters Finnarr and Celestine are the *real "Sister Act II!"*

Since vocations are critical to the life of the Church, discovering where your vocation fits into the Divine Plan is a *first* step in deepening your relationship with Christ. So, come, listen to Sisters Finnarr and Celestine! Let the stories of their lives stir your heart, or that of someone you know! "**Dinner with Sister**" is sponsored jointly by St. Michael's Parish Vocation Council and the Knights of Columbus Council 11632. Tickets will be on sale the weekends of February 7th and 14th. The Knights are selling dinner tickets on the church patio after each Mass, except for the 5:30 Masses after which tickets will be sold in the Church vestibule. Tickets are also available in the Parish Office.

Due to limited available seating, tickets will be sold in advance on a first come -first served basis. To avoid the possibility of disappointments, attendees are urged to obtain their tickets *early*.

As Knights and several of us on the Parish Vocation Council, this is an easy way to stimulate latent vocational interest and have a great family dinner out too!

For further information, please call **Hugh Largey at (858) 689-9595.**

**Fraternally,
-Hugh Largey, PGK/Trustee**

Direct From the District Deputy

At the Chapter meeting on Friday January 22, 2004 it was announced Brother Robert Villalobos from San Marcos has been nominated for State Warden. We need delegates to attend the convention and vote their conscience. Brother Bob is a strong supporter of our chapter and the Order. When he was chapter membership chairman, San Diego was number one in the state. The three years he was chairman of the Fund Drive to Help People With Mental Retardation he has been in the top five. He is a Past Grand Knight, a Former District Deputy, a Past Faithful Navigator and a Past Chapter President. He has been State Membership Chairman and is currently California State Operations Director. He works hard, he works smart and he gets results.

A representative from the "Get On The Bus Program" will make a presentation at the next chapter meeting. The program provides transportation to children to visit their parents who are incarcerated.

Recruitment this year is currently very low in the chapter. Chapter recruitment chairman, Joe Proctor wants all councils to hold a membership drive. The last drive brought in 300 new members even though 15 councils did not participate. We must do better. New members are the lifeblood of the order.

PSD Frank Nigro is still looking for help with this year's MR efforts. (This does not apply to any of you unless you want to donate more money.) No program gives the Knights of Columbus more visibility the Fund Drive to Help People With Mental

Retardation. It lets the community see we are Catholic, but we do not discriminate when it comes to helping other. I realize the strike hurt our efforts this year, but there are other stores and other ways to raise funds. Hold a pancake breakfast and send in the proceeds or use council funds to send in some money. We (The state) are trying to reach the \$1 million mark. That is the figure that gets peoples attention. You need to make time to help these people.

The Knights of Columbus, San Diego Chapter 22nd Annual Religious Appreciation Dinner will be held Thursday April 22, 2004. There will be no speakers, no dancers, no singers, and no magicians, just excellent company and a good meal. No host bar at 6:00 PM and dinner will be served at 7:00 PM. The menu consists of chicken cordon bleu, baked potato and all the trimmings. Cost is \$16.00 per person. Tell your religious to leave their wallets at home. This is not just for your favorite Priest or your Chaplain. It is for all religious. Do not just invite them, pick them up and bring them to the dinner. You might consider reserving a table of eight. It is a great way to not only express our appreciation, but also a chance to build a stronger relationship with those who serve. For reservations please call John Moore at 858-278-5392.

Our general agent Jerry Pitzer says our Long-term care Program is the best available and priced right. See your Insurance Field Agent. If you are not insured you are missing something. If you are insured with another company, check if they are funding abortions. Insurance Agents are asked to help set up and participate in membership drives. We want to build momentum on membership.

The next chapter meeting will be at Holy Spirit Parish on Friday February 13, 2004.

John Giltner, DD-104

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MID-YEAR STATE COUNCIL MEETING

January 10 and 11, 2004

Recorded by: John Giltner DD – 104

Fr. Newman, State Chaplain conducted the invocation.

Knights to Christ Steven Hesprich from Colorado - Promoting the Knights to Christ pamphlet of meditation. Retail \$9.95 per copy. It addresses spirituality. Theme for the day is focused on the principles of the Order. It helps membership by demonstrating that Knights are about strengthening our faith. See pricing chart for volume sales. You can save money if we order as a district. You may want to give a copy to your Parish Priests and Deacons as well as a gift to new members.

Supreme Director Joe Schultz – Order is alive and prospering. Insurance this year set all time record. \$50B of insurance in effect. Proceeds from insurance support our charities. In a recent audience with the Holy Father he said, “On this occasion I wish to express once more my deep gratitude for the unfailing support which your Order has given to the Church’s mission. This support is shown in a special way in the Vicarious Christi Fund, which is a sign of the solidarity of the Knights of Columbus with the Successor of Peter in his concern for a universal church, but it is also seen in the daily prayers, sacrifices and apostolic works

of so many Knights in their local Council, their parishes and their communities.” The latest Columbia Magazine discusses artifacts from the Vatican that are currently on display until August 31, 2004 at the Knights of Columbus Museum. Included are a Replica of the Dome of St. Peters Basilica by Michelangelo as well as additional writings and sketches by the artist. Most have rarely been seen by the public. The display is expected to bring thousands of Catholics as well as non-Catholics to the museum.

The words “UNDER GOD” were included in the Pledge of Allegiance because of efforts of the Knight of Columbus. We will ensure it remains there. Efforts by some are still trying to have the words removed. Our Supreme Knight, who is licensed to argue before the Supreme Court of the United States, as well as several other interested parties have filled a brief before the court fighting to keep The Pledge intact.

State Deputy Message Bill Przybyla – Membership doing well – Keep recruiting. I need to know how many knights are involved in Habitat for the Humanity, either through your council or assembly or as an individual through another organization. Respond directly to the State Deputy.

Membership Ed Huestis – The next membership blitz is scheduled for February 7 and 8, 2004. The dates are not as important as holding the membership drive. You can adjust them if necessary. Obtain permission of your Pastor. Have plenty of Knights and informational material available. Your Chapter and State strike teams are available to help. Need your support to offer opportunity to join, to all Catholic gentlemen. Strive for Star Council Award.

Shinning Armor Award – Reviewed criteria. Need to push. Recognition acts as a motivator.

Recruitment – Gerald Fong – Need new members to sustain council programs.

Get Fourth Degree members in Colors to assist with your membership drive. The theme for the remainder of the Columbian year to “3,000 more in 2004”.

Retention – James Stephenson - Be aware of the condition of the members who do not attend the meetings. Pay dues for disabled members if necessary.

New Council Development – Abe Doliente – Last year 13 new councils,

This year - 2 new councils,
14 notice of intent to form a new council

Ceremonials – PSD James Scroggin - Gary Nolan is new Supreme ceremonial director. A six months waiver as a Knight to qualify for the 4th Degree has been approved this year.

Protocol – PSD Young Stewart

Grand Knight should run the council meeting in accordance with the constitution, Rules of the Order.

Do not let the meeting get out of hand. Rise to speak. Always use title of officers. Dress properly for the meeting.. GK and Officers should mingle before and after the meeting with new members and members who have not attended a meeting or a function in a while.

Fr. McGivney Guild PSD Ross Willour – all members should belong to the McGivney Guild. Admission is free.

Insurance - Field Agent - Ron Nowak – Top rated program in America

Goal: Every Knight should be an insurance member. #1 rationale for forming the K of C was care for families of deceased Knights (See constitution). The K of C has largest percentage of associated members of any major fraternal organization. If you ask 10 men to join even the worst salesman will get 3 to join.

The Burial policy – Accidental Death Benefit has been extended to Military in Iraq and Afghanistan. Per Capita from each member raises \$4M, the Columbia Magazine costs \$5M to distribute. Accidental death insurance and other charitable efforts are covered by insurance proceeds. The Knights of Columbus funded the televising of the Celebration of Christmas Mass by Pope John Paul II.

Juan Perez Award - PSD Frank Simon — April 2 deadline – review letter Each year, your State Council is pleased to honor three priests or bishops at the closing Mass of the State Convention in May – One from the Northern Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction; one from Central Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and one from the Southern Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction. The priests or bishops we honor have demonstrated that they are outstanding and loyal supporters of the Knights of Columbus and the Orders Program. Last year there were only eight nominations. We need to do better.

Columbian Charities - Ray Warriner — 17 Knights and family who lost their homes – Total \$78,600. Council 2372 – donated \$10,000 to Columbian Charities to help with their work. Reminded about 365 club – Need to promote.

Supreme Consultant - Frank Pulice – Last Fraternal Year, 60 million volunteer hours were recorded and \$125 million was donated to charitable needs. Get Fraternal Activities Report to Supreme. It is the basis for keeping our non profit status.

Chaplain's message – Rev. Michael J. Newman - Many Councils lack Chaplains, if priest is not available, ask a Deacon or Religious Brother to be the Spiritual Advisor. Chaplain talked about “Matters of Faith” we need to support the Church. “Common Ground Project” is an ongoing program of dialogues with other Christians.

Convention – Melvin Picanco and PSD

Richard Cutting – The 102nd California State Council Convention will be held in Sacramento on Friday, May 21 and Saturday, May 22, 2004 at the Radisson Hotel. Reservation must be made before April 20, 2004 to guarantee the \$103.00 plus tax room rate. Delegate registration will be open at 10:00am on Thursday, May 20, 2004.

Family Activities: Bob Byrne – Recognize Families. Submit Scholarship applications.

Community Activities: Floyd Wells – Be involved – Vote

Wheelchair Program – Don Gentleman – It is estimated that at least 100M children and adult worldwide need a wheelchair and can not afford one. The wheelchair Foundation can purchase and deliver a wheelchair to our distribution partner worldwide for \$150.00. This type of wheelchair will normally cost \$375 - \$500 in the U.S., but the large quantities that are purchased allowed them to deliver one for \$150.00. The wheelchair Foundation has been gifted a specific amount of fund, to combine with each new \$75.00 donation to deliver a wheelchair, until this combinable gifted fund had been exhausted. The organization distributes wheelchair worldwide through a network of a non-government organization. 2,000 wheelchairs to Afganistan – 10% of need. Request \$75 from each council

Roundtables – Don Keegan – currently 81 roundtables in the state. If your council is serving more than one Parish you should have a round table. It is Grand Knights responsibility to appoint a roundtable chairman. Procedures are in the Grand Knights Handbook.

Council Activities – Mike Wilson – wear Council badges to Mass. It will help with recruiting. Be sure the Council conducts a Knight of the Month Program. It is a great way to acknowledge participation in a Council function.

Youth activities – Poster Contest – Know Chapter point of contact

The State Free Throw contest will be held March 20th at Fresno, CA

Youth activities award applications will receive 25pts for Councils who support a family to the family retreat.

Pro-Life – Dr. Robert Lynch - Parental notification of abortion. The California bishops are encouraging Catholics to support signature gathering to qualify the Parent Notification Prior to Termination of Minor's Pregnancy initiative for the November 2004 ballot. It may be moved to 2005 due to wording of the initiative.

In 1987 the California Legislature passed and the Governor signed a statute that required consent before a minor's abortion. Abortion advocates immediately filed suit and the law was never implemented. After 10 years of working its way through California's legal system, in July 1997, the California Supreme Court ruled the abortion consent law unconstitutional because it conflicted with young women's privacy rights.

This initiative, which the proponents are calling the Parental Communication and Responsibility Act, would amend the California Constitution and place in law the mandate that parents receive notice at least 48 hours before the minor daughter undergoes an abortion. A suitable judicial bypass is provided for those minors who needs protection. "Notification" rather than "consent" was chosen because recent statistics indicate that both teenage pregnancies and abortions show more of a decrease on states with a requirement for notification rather than consent for a minor's abortion.

Awards – Vince Pacis – There are six award categories. You must submit one form per activity.

Mater Dolorosa Passionist Retreat Center - Patrick Brown - Located at Sierra Madre.

The goal is to raise \$25,000 to have the Statue of the Sacred Heart dedicated by the Knights of Columbus. All councils are asked to hold a fundraiser. Make checks payable to Mater Dolorosa fund and send to: Dietrich Rubelius, PCP, 36204 Golden Gate Dr., Yucaipa, CA 92399. Include council and district numbers on your checks

4th Degree – Jim Scroggin - PSD Volunteer at Veterans Hospital, proper attire at all ceremonies and meetings

MR Drive - Frank Nigro – \$600K received to date. We are still waiting for Council to report. Please turn in your funds immediately. They are public funds, not Council funds and you are jeopardizing the tax-free status of the Columbian Foundation for People with Mental Retardation, Inc.

Columbian Properties Inc.- Fred Pelletier - Hemet property was purchased for \$312 and sold for \$700K. Could not build retirement home because of zoning restrictions. Columbian Properties Inc had in escrow, 1½ acre in Fontana, CA. Ivan Reek was elected to the position of Columbian Properties Inc. President. A fundraiser is being conducted to offset the cost of the new office building. March Madness – Money and tickets due by March 15, 2004. Turn in funds monthly. Cost of tickets are \$10.00, council keeps \$1.50. \$10,000 of prizes will be given out.

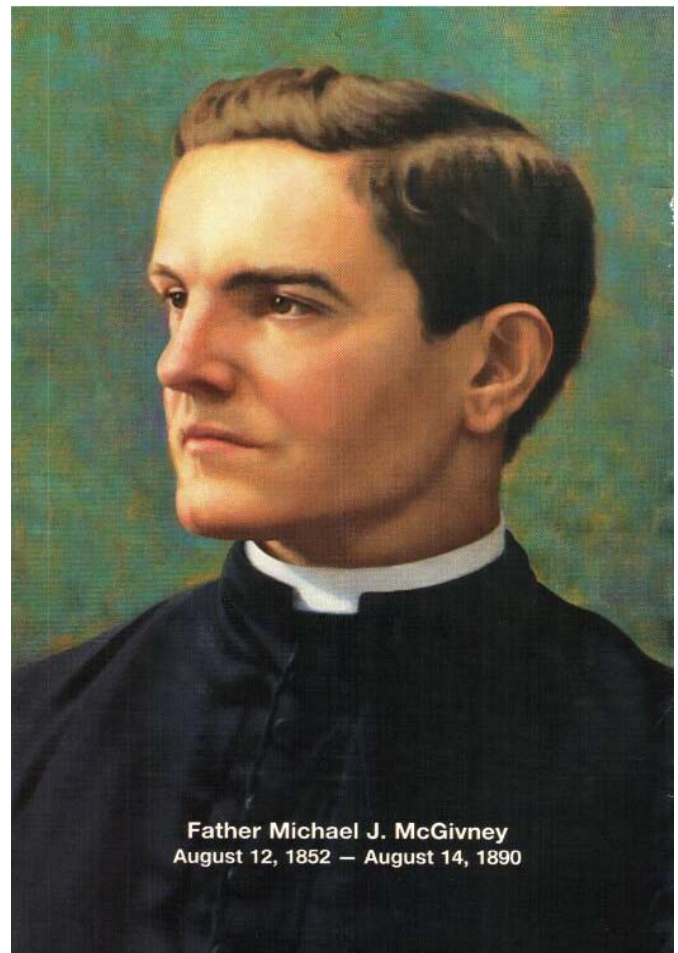
John Giltner, DD-104

**Prayer for Our
Founder
Father Michael J.
McGivney**

**0 Great and glorious God, You imbued
Your holy priest, Father Michael J.
McGivney, with deep priestly virtue and**

**especially with pastoral concern for the
poor, the orphan, the widow, for the
Christian education of youth, for the
protection of the faith of the working man
of his day.**

**Now that his priestly ministry continues
to spread to countless millions throughout
the world, through the efforts and
influence of the Order of the Knights of
Columbus, which Father Michael J.
McGivney founded, we beseech You,
Heavenly Father, to raise Your faithful
servant, Michael, to the honors of the
altar. We ask this favor through our Lord
Jesus Christ and His Holy Mother, Mary
and our Mother, Amen**



Feb 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Color Corps Parctice 7 P.M. Parish Hall	3	4 Council Meeting 7 P.M. Knights Room	5	6 First Friday	7
8	9 First Degree 7:00 (6:30 Reg.) Knight's Room <hr/> Color Corps Parctice 7 P.M. Parish Hall	10 Assembly Meeting, San Rafael's,	11	12	13	14
15	16 Color Corps Parctice 7 P.M. Parish Hall	17	18 Officer's Meeting 7 P.M., Knight's Room	19	20 4 th Degree Doubletree in Ontario	21 ** Newsletter Articles Due ** <hr/> 4 th Degree
22	23 Color Corps Parctice 7 P.M. Parish Hall	24	25	26	27	28
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