

# The Knightly News

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## GUIDANCE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

Brothers,

Thank you for having the confidence in me to lead you as your Grand Knight. I am truly honored. The responsibility is always easier knowing I can count on the wealth of experience we have in the council to advise and assist.

I would also like to thank all the brothers who have so graciously accepted my offer to serve as officers and committee chairman. I look forward to working with all of you once again.

As usual we have a busy year ahead of us. I hope to see some new faces step forward and get involved in some of the many activities we do throughout the year. Remember, why we are Knights and what we stand for as Catholic gentleman. I challenge all of you to reaffirm the Vision of our founding Father, Michael J. McGivney, to embody knightly ideals of spirituality and service to Church, country and fellowman.

I would like to thank Jack O'Rourke for the great job he has done this past year. In spite of the personal hardship of losing his home to the fire last October he still managed to do an outstanding job.

*Vivat Jesus,*  
*Dennis Bammann, GK*

## COUNSEL FROM OUR CHAPLAIN



Dear Brother Knights,

As we enter the summer months there are three more key social events to spark community life here at St. Michael's. I hope you will mark your calendars:

**Tuesday, July 27<sup>th</sup>**

Padre Game at Petco Park  
(Tickets available in early July.)

**Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup>**

Bring your picnic to our parish field.  
Watch fireworks at 8:15 p.m.  
Knights serving ice-cream.

**Sunday, August 15<sup>th</sup>**

12:30 p.m. Mass on the School patio.  
Celebrant Singers will be here.  
Bring your own picnic.  
Games on the field.  
Short concert by Celebrant Singers.

We need help to set up and take down the  
chairs!

See you there!  
Msgr. Neal

## **Congratulations Deacon Ralph**

Yes, Brother **Ralph Skiano's** four years of intense study and work within the Parish and community are finally over. Well at least the studying is.

Ralph was ordained a permanent Deaconate on Friday June 11, 2004 at San Rafael Church in Rancho Bernardo along with seven other candidates.

It was truly a blessed event. Two Auxiliary Bishops, approximately forty priests and thirty deacons accompanied Bishop Brom, who presided at the Ordination. Ralph must have either been the teacher's pet or received the highest grades, because after the ordination, Deacon Ralph joined the Bishop at the Altar and assisted with the Mass. The other newly ordained deacons joined their fellow Deacons in the reserved sits of honor.

This is a great event in the life of Deacon Ralph, his family and the Parish. It is also a great event for the council. Now that the studies are over, Deacon Ralph will have more time to join us at our meetings and social functions. We need to encourage him to hone his homily skills, by bringing a more religious tone to our meeting.

Be sure to congratulate Deacon Ralph when you see him and also thank him for his service to our parish.

*John Giltner, PGK, DD*

## **KNIGHTS OF THE MONTH**

### *April Knight of the Month*

**THE** driving force behind our council's vocation efforts is Brother Ron Goins. He has successfully held several dinners with religious and has a solid plan for at least four more. First we had a Priest, than two Deacons, than a Priest, than two Sisters, than a Priest. He gets the speakers, arranges and sets up the hall, sells the tickets on the Church patio and organizes the food preparations. Yes, he has help, but he personally solicits the help and makes every team member feel that they are an important part of the event. After his recent success on April 17, 2004, the choice for April Knight was extremely easy. Congratulation

Brother Ron.

### **May Knight of the Month**

Starting his fourth year as Financial Secretary, Dieter Kemp has been a constant contributor to our council. Dieter also chaired the Christmas card sales for three years spending 6 Sundays each year on the Church patio after all masses. He shows up at our First Degree ceremonies to explain the entry procedures and the dues structure to new members. By the way, he runs the bingo games at Good Shepherd, his home parish every Thursday evening. He is an advisor to each Grand Knight he served and he keeps very accurate records. The council depends on Dieter for a strong commitment to the council and he has lived up to the council expectations. Thank you Brother Dieter for all your hard work.

### **June Knight of the Month**

Even while studying with a full college load at a really tough school, Brother Greg Koepke manages to keep our Council web site current. It always shows updated information on council's degrees and functions. If you need to know the names of new members, just check the web site. Brother Greg has been a contributor to the council for about seven years. While not being able to make meetings because of school (a reported A student), he still finds time to support the council, and that is why Brother Greg Koepke was chosen as June Knight of the month.

*John Giltner, PGK*

### **Chapter Chatter**

**Friday June 18, 2004**

**Recorded by PGK John Giltner**

Prior to the meeting Ms. Elisa Davey spoke on the Garden of Innocence. She asked Knights to help bury the 13 cremated babies. Need 39 knights. One to carry and two too escorts each baby on July 17, 2004. Show time 9:30 a.m., services starts at 10:00 a.m.

Meeting called to order at 7:15 by Chapter President Larry Campitiello. John Moore was recognized as California Knight of the Year. Bob Danzl was recognized as California Volunteer of the Year.

Jack O'Rourke's missing luggage was returned by all present. (You had to be there.)

Roll call of officers was conducted.

Treasurer's report – closing balance of \$6,405.71

Retirement home/Adoration Chairman – Al Koenig – San Diego Chapter came in first in the state with \$17,265.00 contributions for the Knights of Columbus retirement Home. Divine Mercy Hour of Prayer runs through August in the San Diego Diocese Chapter. Keep scheduling events and pass the Icon and prayer books on.

Parades and Christmas Card Chairman – John Moore – Independence Day Parade, Monday, July 5, 2004. We need 43 Knights in tuxedos and 17 Third Degree Knights in council uniforms. State Deputy Bob Rodriguez will be in attendance. Best thing to do is car pool. Assemble at 9:15 in the vicinity of First Avenue and H Street Coronado. Bud Foster's backyard. It is not too early to order Christmas Cards. Also, I have Knights to Christ meditation books available.

Ceremonial Chairman – John Tuscano: The Chapter held seven 3<sup>rd</sup> Degrees this Columbian Year. If you are interested in joining the team, let me know.

MR Drive – Larry Campitiello – The Fund Drive to Help People With Mental Retardation was disappointing this year. Will Fellows, DD110 and John Giltner, DD104 were recognized with a plaque at the State Convention for having all councils participate in the MR Drive with all monies and paper work turned in on time. We need a stronger effort next year by all of us.

Scholarship Chairman – Joe Valdez – the Chapter received two scholarship award, Greg Koepke, St. Michael's Council 11632, Poway and Joe Bonewell, Valley of the Angles Council 9710 Rancho Bernardo. Both are from District 104.

Chapter Charities – Bill Moore – Play at Lyceum Theatre in Horton Plaza. Get the council to include Chapter Charities in their budgets. Rick

Zampone from Fr. Pryri Assembly donated \$1,000.00 to Chapter Charities.

Supreme Director - Joe Schultz – Supreme Charitable contributions this year were \$130M and 61M volunteer hours. If you use the standard value of a donated hour of volunteer work \$16.00, that equates to \$976M. California had the highest average contribution of \$6,485. 131 councils participated in RSVP, 400 did not or did not report. 2% of American Catholics are Knights of Columbus. We can do a lot better. Theme for next year is "THE EXPERIENCE OF A LIFE TIME". California State council started the membership blitz, the Shinning Armor Program and the Free Throw Basketball contest. Supreme is now using them all. We started a 5-year membership plan. Supreme wants all jurisdictions to prepare one. Bad News – San Diego has slipped in its performance. District Duties – you perform or you will be removed. You must do what you signed up for. We have councils that did not bring in one new member. This is not a social club; it is a serious commitment. All councils need to make a serious effort to recruit new members. All State Officers, State Committeemen, Chapter Officers, District Deputies, Grand Knights and Membership Directors are asked to bring in two new members. Supreme wants to start a soccer program for the youth. Details of the program will be published soon. Let's be positive and give it a try. 100,000 Knights of Columbus Prayer Books have been distributed to military overseas, second edition of 100,000 is ready for shipping. The prayer books contain Daily Prayers, Guide to Confession and the proper way to say the Rosary. The prayer books were very well received by military Chaplains.

The Election of Officers was conducted: The officers for the San Diego Diocese Chapter for Columbian year 2004-2005 are:

President – Abe Doliente  
Vice President – Frank Contreras  
Secretary – John Giltner  
Treasurer – Jack O'Rourke

The installation of the San Diego Diocese Chapter will take place at Good Shepherd Parish, 8200 Gold Coast Road, San Diego CA 92126 following the

5:00 PM Mass. No Host Cocktails is at 6:00 PM and dinner is at 7:00 PM. Cost of the Dinner is \$15.00.

Insurance report: I never get tired of talking about the Insurance Benefits because someday we are all going to need them. Help spread the word, we are a worthy organization. Insurance helps fund all our charitable projects.

**Next meeting will be July 23, 2004 at St. Michael's Council 11632 in Poway.**

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

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### **If I Were The Devil...**

by Paul Harvey

If I were the Prince of Darkness I would want to engulf the whole earth in darkness.

I'd have a third of its real estate and four-fifths of its population, but I would not be happy until I had seized the ripest apple on the tree.

So I should set about, however necessary, to take over the United States. I would begin with a campaign of whispers.

With the wisdom of a serpent, I would whisper to you as I whispered to Eve; "Do as you please."

To the young I would whisper, "The Bible is a myth." I would convince them that "man created God", instead of the other way around, I'd confide that, "what is bad is good and what is good is square."

In the ears of the young married I would whisper that work is debasing, that cocktail parties are good for you. I would caution them not to be "extreme" in religion, in patriotism, in moral conduct.

And the old I would teach to pray—to say after me—"Our father which are in Washington..."

Then I'd get organized.

I'd educate authors in how to make lurid literature exciting so that anything else would appear dull, uninteresting.

I'd threaten TV with dirtier movies, and visa-versa.

I'd infiltrate unions and urge more loafing, less work. Idle hands usually work for me.

I'd peddle narcotics to whom I could, I'd sell alcohol to ladies and gentlemen of distinction, I'd tranquilize the rest with pills.

If I were the Devil I would encourage schools to refine young intellects, but neglect to discipline emotions; let those run wild.

I'd designate an atheist to front for me before the Highest Courts and I'd get preachers to say, "She's right."

With flattery and promises of power I would get the courts to rule what I construe as against God and in favor of pornography.

Thus I would evict God from the courthouse, then the schoolhouse, then from the Houses of Congress.

Then in His own churches I'd substitute

psychology for religion and diefy science.

That way men would become smart enough to create super weapons but not wise enough to control them.

If I were Satan I'd make the symbol of Easter an egg...

And the symbol of Christmas a bottle.

If I were the Devil I'd take from those who have and give to those who wanted until I had killed the incentive of the ambitious. Then my police state would force everybody back to work.

Then I could separate families, putting children in uniform, women in coal mines and objectors in slave-labor camps.

If I were Satan I'd just keep on doing what he's doing.

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NOTE: There are other versions of this item on the Internet. Some are unauthorized revisions of Mr. Harvey's original script. Some are forgeries. The above script was provided by June A. Westgaard, Mr. Harvey's Secretary, and is used by permission of Paul Harvey News.

***Vern Snyder, SK***

If anyone spots an officer or chairman on Page 7 that needs updating please let me know.

***Vivat Jesus***

***Vern Snyder, SK, Editor***



The statue above was made by an Iraqi artist named Kalat, who for years was forced by Saddam Hussein to make the many hundreds of bronze busts of Saddam that dotted Baghdad. This artist was so grateful that the Americans liberated his country, he melted 3 of the fallen Saddam heads and made a memorial statue dedicated to the American soldiers and their fallen comrades. Kalat worked on this night and day for several months.

To the left of the kneeling soldier is a small Iraqi girl giving the soldier comfort as he mourns the loss of his comrade in arms. It is currently on display outside the palace that is now home to the 4th Infantry division. It will eventually be shipped and shown at the memorial museum in Fort Hood, Texas.

Try and find it in the mainstream media.

# July 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b> B.Y.O. picnic, Parish Field. Watch fireworks at 8:15 p.m. Knights serving ice-cream.	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Council Meeting 7 P.M. Knights Room	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> First Degree 7:00 (6:30 Reg.) Knight's Room	<b>13</b> Assembly Meeting, San Rafael's,	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Officer's Meeting 7 P.M., Knight's Room	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <b>** Newsletter Articles Due **</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Padre Game at Petco Park (Tickets available in early July.)	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>

Supreme Knight	Carl Anderson
State Deputy	William Przybyla
Chapter President	Abe Doliente
District Deputy	John Giltner
Insurance Agent	Jason Ward

**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

Grand Knight	Dennis Bammann
Chaplain	Msgr. Neal Dolan
Deputy Grand Knight	Skip Sharp
Financial Secretary	Dieter Kemp
Chancellor	Vern Snyder
Recorder	Jesse Miranda
Treasurer	John Woll
Advocate	Michael Burr, PGK
Warden	Ben Polis
Inner Guard	Tom Drzewiecki
Outer Guard	Robert Pratt
Trustee, 1 <sup>st</sup> Year	John O'Rourke
Trustee, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year	Hugh Largey
Trustee, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Year	Nick Herbka, PGK
Lecturer	Michael Burr, PGK

**COMMITTEE DIRECTORS AND CHAIRMEN**

Blood Drive	Mike Dunalp
Christmas Card Drive	Dieter Kemp

Church Activities	Phil Sibayan
Columbian Retirement Home Council Activities	Michael Galasso
Council Admissions Committee	John Pumper Ken Herbenar Jack O'Rourke
Council Directory	Dieter Kemp
Council Yearbook	OPEN
Electro-Communications	Sam Miller
Entertainment Books	Hugh Largey
Community Activities	Vern Snyder
Family Activities	Nick Herbka
Golf Committee	Terry Ford
Golf Committee	Skip Sharp
Membership Director	John Giltner
MR Drive	Peter Bagood
Newsletter Editor	Vern Snyder
Photographer	Bruce Koepke
Photographer	Sal Cafiero
Pro Life Activities	Hugh Largey
Program Director	Dennis Bammann
Public Relations	Bruce Koepke
Vocations Committee	Ron Goins
Web Master	Greg Koepke
Youth Activities	Kevin Basarab



# Support for Wounded Marines



My company has joined other Defense Contractors in requesting support for wounded Marines returning from Iraq and Afghanistan that are admitted to Bethesda Hospital. They need specific health and comfort items as well as visits from fellow Marines in that area.

When Marines are wounded their clothes are destroyed and they are evacuated to Germany and then back to the states with nothing. The Red Cross and Marine Liaison said that Walter Reed gets flooded with donations and Bethesda periodically gets their overflow. I think our Marines deserve better than that.

Of special note is their request for weight lifting gloves. Many are amputees that need the gloves to protect their hands on the wheelchair tires. Like all Marines, they are working hard on rehabilitation. Another request was for **lap quilts** since so many of the amputation wounds have not yet healed.

They will not allow just anyone near these wounded Marines so there's a few hoops to jump through in order to visit. Only active duty and retired Marines will be allowed up on the wards. In light of that, they have asked for Points-Of-Contact (POC) across the country to funnel donations to a local representative there. I have volunteered to be a POC in my area so I will send any donations to her. She will make runs to Bethesda and drop off the items and periodically send out a message to tell us what items are needed. At this time she is concentrating on **weight-lifting gloves** and **phone cards** (in small increments to give to individual Marines.) Additional items include:



**Shorts, all sizes;  
NEW, with tags on  
Stamps & other stationary items  
Luggage items  
for returning home  
Disposable cameras  
Weightlifting gloves**

CD's

**DO NOT SEND MONEY!!!**



I will have a box in the vestibule at St Michael's designated to collect the items or I will be glad to pick them up. If any of you have ever been in a similar situation I'm sure you may have other suggestions. For questions or information you can contact me at (760) 577-6064 or (571) 232-4542.

Thanks to each of you for supporting this important effort! We're giving a little to help those that have given us so much!

Vern Snyder