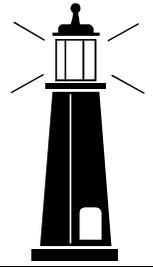


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## Business Meeting Thursday July 8 , 7:00 PM Father O'Hare Hall Don't Come Alone- Bring A Fellow Knight

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## Grand Knight's Message

**A**s I start this Colombian Year as Grand Knight of one of the most active and giving Councils, I am deeply honored by the responsibility given to me. My prayer is only that I am able to serve all of you in some small way. This, by using the example of the two men who I have always strived to imitate. They are the Venerable **Fr. Michael J McGivney** and St Joseph, Guardian of the Redeemer.

Both of these men are excellent examples of the importance we men have in this world as Workers, Fathers, Husbands and Protectors of those less fortunate than us and of all life! We are obligated to follow the example of these two Holy men. In this role we are all called to fight for and protect the role and image of men in our society currently under attack!

On June 13, 2011 we will be celebrating the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our Council. I am truly humbled to take on a role in our Council that so many other very giving and committed men have so successfully filled. It is mind boggling to think of all the time and effort that has been "donated" over the last 19 years. No one but our Lord knows all the good and blessings that have been received by others, and ourselves, in this work.

There is no better description of this Council and its members than in Deuteronomy 15:11 "...therefore I command you, you shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor in the land."

Thank you all for the years you heeded this command of the Lord. May God continue to bless all the current and past Knights and their families and grant us Peace and Happiness.

**John McCave**

# CELEBRATE!

## Chancellor Connection

### New Knights

**S**ean Garcia is a new Brother Knight who just joined our Council two months ago. **Sean** is only 18 years old, and as soon as he turned 18, filled out an application to join the Knights. He just made his First Degree in May. **Sean** has always wanted to be a Knight. He wants to get stronger in his faith, and he knows the Knights will help him do that. He also wants to do what he can for the church. **Sean** also mentioned that he was very impressed by the color corps the first time he saw them. **Sean** was born in Modesto and has lived here his whole life, having done some traveling from time to time. He has been a member of St. Joseph's parish ever since he can remember. In the fall, **Sean** will be attending Modesto Junior College to further his education. In his spare time, he likes to go bike riding and playing cards and games with his friends. He also likes working with his hands and fixing things. Even though he has been a Knight for such a short time, I have already seen him helping out putting chairs and tables away after meetings. It is wonderful to have great young men like **Sean** join our council. His youthful exuberance will help continue the good work our Council does. Congratulations, **Sean**! You have joined the greatest men's organization in the world. It is great to have you!

### Mel Mattos, DGK

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Jerry Oftring	7-9
Mike Pardina	7-11
David Malsom	7-13
Dave Barnes	7-14
Tim Benavidez	7-15
James Towne	7-15
Ray Chavarria	7-18
Peter Espinosa	7-18
Mark Povio	7-18
Aaron Avila	7-19
Mike Nielsen	7-22
Steve Michael	7-23
Abel Moreno	7-24
Eugene Awuah	7-27
Alfred Hinojos	7-27
Steven Junqueiro Jr	7-27
Roy McKenzie	7-28
William Frey	7-29
Kurt Saalfeld	7-31

#### Ladies' Birthdays

Kristin Archuleta	7-1
Ruth Oftring	7-1
Gail Keller	7-4
Sandy Fitzgerald	7-5
Darlene Nielsen	7-5
Anita Racher	7-5
Lori Ramirez	7-10
Linda Black	7-11
Melinda Gordon	7-11
Nina Garcia	7-16
Marietta Kummerle	7-18
Jennifer Avila	7-21
Insa Duke	7-21
Lela Seefeldt	7-21
Lotus Vele	7-22
Sheila Noble	7-23
Jeanie Smith	7-23
Cathy Durando	7-26
Linda Espinosa	7-26
Hilda Sylvia	7-26
Debora McKenzie	7-30

#### Anniversaries

Mary & Joe Miceli	7-1
Sally & Don Cleary	7-6-63
Lori & Ernie Ramirez	7-6-74
Jeannie & Alonzo Castillo	7-7
Cathy & Ted Hartman	7-7-95
Lisa & Tom Lucas III	7-7-84
Barbara & Jim Ortman	7-7-68
Beth & John Gorman	7-9-77
Noemi & Steven Junqueiro Jr	7-10
Grace & Tony DeCaro	7-12-53
Theresa & Steve Junqueiro	7-12
Rosie & Martin Rios	7-15-80
Giovanna & Pino Truncali	7-19-97
Maria & Richard Braun	7-20-85
Karen & Ed Hough	7-22-78
Jane & David Spieker	7-25-87
Norma & Thomas Muise	7-26-58
Darlene & Wayne Bradshaw	7-27-71
Carrie & Steve Loschke	7-27-85
Sheryl & Kurt Wharton	7-27-85
Patricia & Gerald Moon	7-28-60
Joan & Dave Tacchini	7-30-60

# July 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 Independence Day	5	6	7	8 Business Meeting	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

## Calendar Notes

August 3, Officers Meeting  
 August 5, Business Meeting

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**A**t the beginning of the Columbian year, when I received our membership quota from Supreme, I was shocked because it had doubled from last year. I thought that there was no way we were going to add 23 new members plus meet the insurance quota. My Brother Knights, congratulations for the great job you did on bringing in new members. We not only made quotas but exceeded them. Looks like we're headed for a Star Council award.

**Rick Dinubilo PGK, PFN**

## Grodt's Notes

**A**s we start off the new Columbian year with new officers and budgets I look forward to a busy schedule and a profitable year. The more money the Council generates the more we are able to donate to the charitable causes we support. We still have about \$1600 in outstanding dues from members. Please reply if you are unable to pay at this time but still want to remain a member. Almost all of your \$25 dues goes to paying fees imposed by Supreme and State Councils.

Thanks.

**Mike Grodt F/S**  
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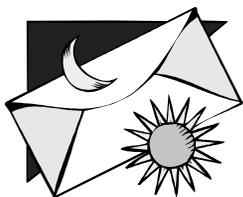


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**W**e need to pray for the following Brothers: **Herb Saska, Tony Lee, John Higby, Don Cleary, Frank Lowry, Robert Hibl, Bob Selover, Joe Smoley, and Steve Loschke**

Continue to pray for **Bishop Stephen E. Blaire, Father Illo's mother, Janice, Lisa Scott, Linda Howard, Matt Iron's mother Sharon, Marie Lewis and Wilma Lee**

Pray for our Pope and our troops wherever they are stationed.

You can reach me at 527-6958 with news of any Brother or family member ill or in distress.

**John Karaz**

## KNIGHT HAPPENINGS

**F**irst, I would like to thank my Brother Knights for accepting me as our new Deputy Grand Knight. It is an honor to hold that office with such a great Council. As we begin a new Columbian year, I assure you I will do the best I can along with our Grand Knight, to insure that we have another great year. However, we cannot do this alone. We will need the help of our Brother Knights. One of the greatest things you can do to feel happy is to serve others. The truly happiest people are those who help others. Prove it to yourself. When you help someone, you experience a joy inside that is very, very fulfilling. We have a wonderful Council with so many great Knights who like to help out. When we have a lot of help at our events, they become so much easier, and we are able to raise needed funds for people in need. Our first event coming up is the fireworks booth which raises money for the World Youth Day kids, as well as our Council. Please contact **Edward Gamboa**, the chairperson, at 238-0843 and ask him what you can do to help. Thank you Brother Knights. We have a great year ahead of us.

**Mel Mattos, DGK**

## John's Jokes

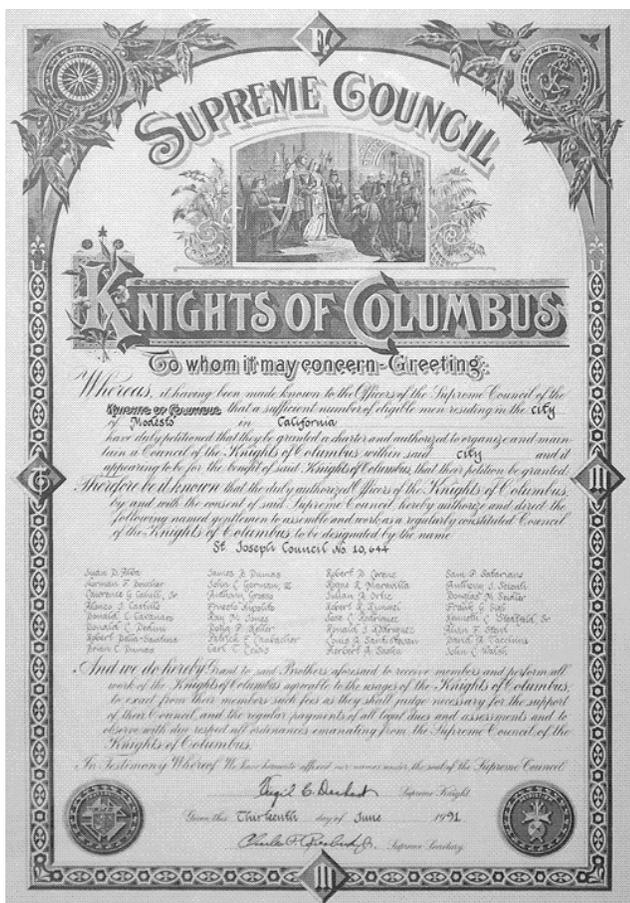
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 Show your friendship  
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 Support our troops  
 Save the ozone, save the seals, save the  
 whales..... (you get the idea!)  
 Make the world any better  
 Or automatically turn the basest drivell into pro-  
 found truth.  
 The converse is also true, but I will let you fig-  
 ure that out for yourself.  
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 and sentence structure  
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 a good way to clutter up my in box  
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 And, it is *not* a bad sign that I forward jokes  
 and not the guilt-laden, religious hyperbole oth-  
 ers send me.  
 God does not care if I read your email.  
 I know, because He said so last time we con-  
 versed.  
 (bet you forward this at least once!)

**John Gorman, PGK**

## New Officers

**T**he following is a list of Officers to serve  
 in the 2010-11 Columbian Year:  
 Grand Knight – **John McCave**  
 Deputy Grand Knight – **Mel Mattos**  
 Chancellor- **Mike Miranda**  
 Warden - **Bill McClure**  
 Treasurer - **Steve Laura**  
 Recorder - **Al Toschi**  
 Advocate – **Robert Hemsley**  
 Inside Guard – **Roy Gordon**  
 Outside Guard – **Carlos Torres**  
 Trustee 3 Years – **Matt Iorns**  
 Trustee 2 years — **Dave Scott**  
 Trustee 1 year – **Pat Ryan**  
 The Lecturer and Chaplain are appointed by  
 the Grand Knight.  
 The Financial Secretary is appointed by the  
 Supreme Knight.

## Dave's Discussion



**W**e have begun another Columbian Year! And a special year it is! 2011 marks our twentieth year as a Council. I joined in 2001 and have witnessed the growth of our Council in both members and charitable activities.

(see charter photo above)

Many thanks to all of our charter members who saw fit to make the commitment to form our Council!

We have lots to look forward to coming right up. Celebrating Independence Day and supporting World Youth Day Pilgrims with the fireworks booth, the heart of St. John Vianney visiting this month and the dedication of the Fr. McGivney window in our church in August.

Galatians 5:16,22-23,25

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence. What the Spirit brings is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

I look forward to seeing you at our events!

**Dave Scott, PGK**

## KNIGHTS KNOWLEDGE

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**A** new fraternal year is upon us. Congratulations to the newly elected Grand Knights and Deputy Grand Knight, as well as the other entire dedicated brother Knights who will serve in either an elected and appointed leadership position in the new Columbian year. I’m sure you have a list of goals and objectives that you intend to accomplish during the coming year. You have my assurance that as your Field Agent I am eager to help. To attain the Star Council status it is a yearlong commitment as well as the most prestigious award the Order offers at the council level. As your Field Agent I am certainly committed to help determine how many Fraternal Benefits Nights you will want to conduct in your council during the fraternal year, and to work hand in hand with your membership committee. As well, I am committed to helping on the insurance side, but will be equally as glad to help on the membership side as well.

If you know an eligible Catholic man who might be interested in joining the Order (and who among us doesn’t), he’s probably just waiting to be asked. We can help you, either by approaching him or by “coaching” you – transferring sales skills that you can use to recruit him and other prospects. As always, I am at your service.

Let’s get an early start to attain your council’s goals and objectives that are so critical to the growth of your council.

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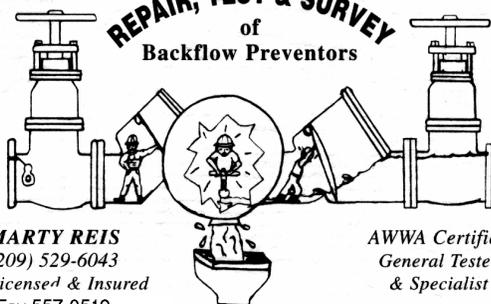
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## A Great Cloud Of Witnesses

I looked again and heard the voices of many angels who surrounded the throne and the living creatures and the elders. They were countless in number, and they cried out in a loud voice: "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, honor and glory and blessing." Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, everything in the universe, cry out: "To the one who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor, glory and might, forever and ever." The four living creatures answered, "Amen," and the elders fell down and worshiped.

Rev 5:11-14

One of the greatest places to go in all of creation is to confession. I know that because I spend a lot of time there. In fact you will find me there two to three times a month, generally on Friday's after work. I am a sinner and knowing it gives me great joy and fills my heart with peace. I don't say that in a snide or dishonest sort of way, I truly feel that way and I thank God for that grace. I didn't always have that interior sense of understanding that I might be offensive to someone. And, truth be told, I didn't much care who I offended. Someone once used the analogy of the confessional as a shower and I thought it was brilliant because it was at once simple and profound and it allowed me to see myself clearly. So I ask you the same questions; How many days do you regularly go without a shower or brushing your teeth? Two, three, five days? One week, one month, six months? One year, five years, twenty years? Do you use soap or care what others think about when they are near you and say when you aren't around? Have you ever been around someone who doesn't practice good hygiene? Did you form any impressions of them? Are they lasting impressions? Are you in a hurry to be near someone with poor hygiene? See, bodily hygiene is really no different then spiritual hygiene, we all need to tend to our own business and we know that. But our spiritual state often gets forgotten or trivialized and people think "I haven't killed anyone" or "I'm a good person", and we forget that gossip can assassinate someone's character or that we forgive ourselves of every infraction when really only God can forgive sin. We are terribly fortunate as Catholics that God allows us to confess to His hand picked representative and we can know that we are forgiven when the priest says the words of absolution. In truth, God knows the internal disposition of our soul, do we keep good spiritual hygiene or is He repulsed by us? Regular frequent confession to a priest helps us to not make God gag when he's near us. I for one want God to feel comfortable when I approach and not look for a quick exit.

Recently, I found myself sitting in line preparing for confession looking at the stained glass windows. It reminded me about the passage I quoted above; Joseph from the old testament who never stopped trusting in God no matter how others treated him, even when his own family sold him into slavery. Consider Gianna Molla, who gave her life for her child. Remember Fr. Miguel Pro, a brother knight, who shouted "Viva Christo Rey" (viva Christ the King) as the firing squad martyred him for ministering to his flock. St. Peter, crucified upside down and St. Paul, beheaded for his faith. Remember too, Pope John Paul II and Mother Teresa, two great exemplars of the faith in our lifetime. What about Fr. McGivney, founder of our order and champion of the family. Or St John Vianney, faithful confessor and patron saint of parish priests. While I never got to see any of them I have the feeling that they are praying for me personally and encouraging me to make a good confession. They feel familiar like old friends who want what's best for me and encourage me to keep going when I feel like giving up and quitting, and frequently I feel like quitting the fight. It's not easy walking away from our favorite sins, some of us have been indulging in them for decades and separation is really hard.

When I first returned to the sacraments I was amazed to learn about the "seal of the confessional". No priest can divulge the substance or the person or anything shared in the confessional with anyone. To do so would be mortal sin and certain excommunication for the priest. Not to mention the potential lawsuits. In two thousand years of Catholicism I don't know of any case of this. Is this an incredible coincidence or the protection of the Holy Spirit? I'd bet on the Holy Spirit.

Even though confession to a priest is one of the most misunderstood expressions of our faith there is substantial Old Testament precedent as well as New Testament practice of this most beautiful sacrament. More on that another time.

Pray for our priests and our families. Pray for the military and law enforcement. Pray for politicians. The harvest is ripe, pray that God calls more workers into the field and that those called will answer.

**Ed Ibarra**