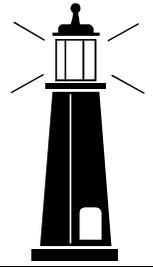


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Business Meeting Thursday January 6 , 7:00 PM Father O'Hare Hall Don't Come Alone— Bring A Fellow Knight

Let us meet in the Church on every Second Friday of the month for the 5:45 P.M. Knights Memorial Mass and a Rosary afterward in memory of the unborn.

Grand Knight's Message

As the new year starts, I took the opportunity to look back over the last six months and think about all the great people I have had the privilege to work with and get to know. Some of them more than I did before and some of them for the first time.

And then I couldn't help but think of the Apostles, that interesting group of men who Jesus personally selected and trained. What an interesting group these men were who changed the world. Those unequipped and unskilled men who took on the task of bringing the news of salvation to everyone. Gathered together with so many different backgrounds and skills and yet with one goal.

We know so little about most of the Apostles and their lives before and after encountering Jesus. Each man so different from the others, and yet all were sent out in the world to spread the Good News. These men seemingly unqualified to take on such a job and yet succeeded! In spite of their lack of skills, the Spirit was with them and they brought the message of eternal life!

I see our Council as such a group of these men. So many and caring and skilled people working outside of their 'comfort zone' trying to do whatever they can to help others in need and help live the life Jesus has shown us.

As we start a new year, let us all strive to take that step of faith. Our nation, our state, our city is hurting. In its finances and morals. We must make the effort and do what we can. This, not only at home, but also in our parish and community!

In 2011 let's "march" ahead always remembering the words of St Ignatius of Loyola,

"Pray as if all depends upon God, for it does. But work as if it all depends upon us, for it does."

A happy and blessed New Year to all my Brothers and their families.

John McCave

Chaplain's Corner



I know of quite a few people who get depressed during the dark, damp, dreary days of January and February. The Valley Fog soaks into our brains and soddens our souls. What to do? Well, we could fly to Hawaii and go snorkeling, but that is expensive. We could escape to the mountains for some skiing, but that is cold and a bit expensive too. I recommend two local and inexpensive solutions: First, read a book, and I have just the one, available in our parish bookstore: Pope Benedict's *Light of the World*. It's a quick read, I'd say, and most profitable to our souls. Second, attend a retreat, and I have just the one, held right here in Fr. O'Hare Hall, February 5. It is our annual Silent Marian Retreat. A good book, and a good retreat, will cure anyone of the winter doldrums.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Joseph Illo

Membership Memo

I hope everybody had a joyful Christmas and that this new year will allow us to find ways to do Gods work through the KOC and that we prosper in it. Our membership numbers are stagnant; we are stuck at 9% of our quota and need to keep trying to recruit quality members. We have the Tri tip in the rain coming up and we will put out membership material. If you would like to man the tables give me a call.

God Bless

Rick Dinubilo, PGK, PFN

CELEBRATE!



Member Birthdays

Troy Cazares	1-1
Rick Mummert	1-2
Bill Goulart	1-6
Frank Garcia	1-7
Nick Wright	1-8
Sam Moraca	1-10
Michael Ringer	1-14
Ralph Curtis	1-16
Pat Ryan	1-16
Vito Baccellieri	1-17
Joe Castagna	1-17
Mike Staud	1-17
Doug Keller	1-19
Greg Manock	1-19
Wayne Sousa	1-19
Charles Valdes	1-20
Jose Padilla	1-21
Nick Cupini	1-22
Rev. Camilo Garcia	1-23
Leo Alvarez	1-24
Monte Bauer	1-24
Joe Lucas	1-24
Tom Hogan	1-26
Brian Archuleta	1-28
Ronald Lamont	1-30
Dave Noble	1-30
Jim McDoal	1-31
Rev. John J M Foster	1-31

Ladies Birthdays

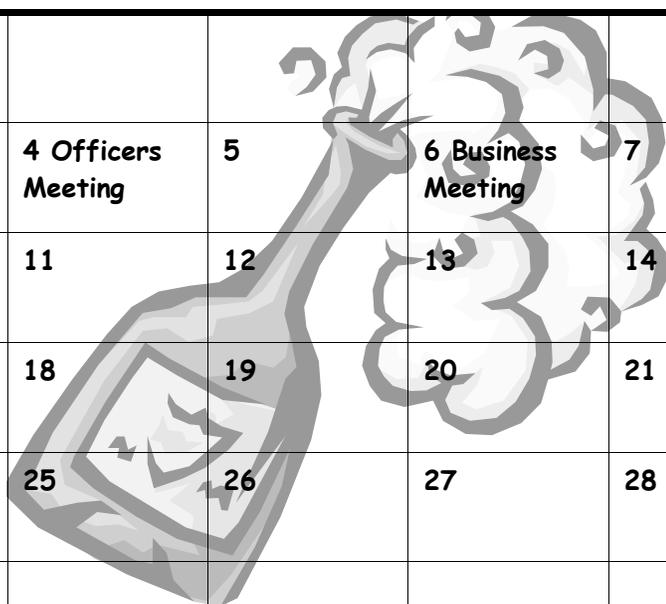
Kathie Lee Vermillion	1-3
Patricia Hinojos	1-4
Linda Lambert	1-4
Joanna Ibarra	1-9
Jill Martinez	1-11
Lupe Perez	1-13
Michelle Nunes	1-14
Joyce de Groot	1-16
Rosalie Gardella	1-18
Heather Hakman	1-18
Shari Mummert	1-18
Rosa Perry	1-19
Rosemary Davison	1-20
Christi Wharton	1-21
Judy Shannon	1-26
Marie Lewis	1-28
Carmen Sablan	1-28
Lisa Scott	1-28
Helen Moya	1-31
Susan Taylor	1-31

Anniversaries

Aylene & John Wee	1-2
Sandra & Javier Nunez	1-4
Toni & Don Burkdall	1-9-82
Theresia & Gary Reggiani	1-15-83
Kim & Jeff McCarthy	1-16-82
Rosemary & Gary Davison	1-18-75
Aninya & Mike Lamanet	1-19-98
Karen & John McCave	1-19-91
Gail & Doug Keller	1-20-68
Lynn & Gene Thiel	1-27
Cathy & Dino Durando	1-31-98

January 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 New Year's Day
2	3	4 Officers Meeting	5	6 Business Meeting	7	8 Blue Mass
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 Martin Luther King day	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					



Dave's Discussion

Calendar Notes

February 1, Officers Meeting
 February 3, Business Meeting

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It is hard to believe another year is upon us! I'm looking forward to all of our upcoming activities like the Mass for First Responders, Walk for Life, Tri Tip Dinner and Fish Frys. January 1st not only marks the beginning of the year but also the Feast of Mary Mother of God.

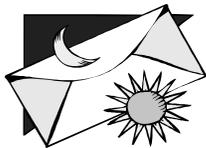
"Mary, the all-holy ever-virgin Mother of God, is the masterwork of the mission of the Son and the Spirit in the fullness of time. For the first time in the plan of salvation and because his Spirit had prepared her, the Father found the dwelling place where his Son and his Spirit could dwell among men. In this sense the Church's Tradition has often read the most beautiful texts on wisdom in relation to Mary. Mary is acclaimed and represented in the liturgy as the "Seat of Wisdom." — *Catechism of the Catholic Church* 721

Let us resolve to pray the rosary often and for the intercession of our Blessed Mother for our country to embrace the culture of life.

In Christ Jesus through Mary Mother of God,

Dave Scott, PGK

Sunshine Chairman



We need to pray for the following Brothers: **Tony Lee, John Higby, Roy Gordon, Frank Lowry, Dave Tacchini, Vito Pixia, Anthony Suza, Matt Henderson, Danny Vele, Myself Dan Dwyer, Richard Dinubilo, and Steve Loschke**

Continue to pray for **Bishop Stephen E. Blaire, Father Illo's mother, Janice, Lisa Scott, Reese Hara, Priscilla Pino, Matt Iorn's mother Sharon, Tim Benavidez daughter, Robert Hemsley's mother in-law, Steve Day's mother Dorothy, Ana Tromica's family, Camille Iorns, Sciabica family, Mike Staud's sister Marie, Sylvia Ficken 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.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

John Karaz

Grodt's Notes

January has approached us very fast this year. You should already have your dues statement for 2011. If you can please include a donation for the 365 club and or Scholarship Fund. The Council donates \$2000. to each of these funds every year. Your added contributions add to this amount. If you are out of work, sick or disabled and have trouble paying the dues for the year, please contact the Grand Knight or myself and we will work something out. This year I am trying to update the phone list and email list, so please return the form with your payment.

Thanks

Mike Grodt
529-3105

John's Jokes



A father passing by his son's bedroom was astonished to see that his bed was nicely made and everything was picked up. Then he saw an envelope, propped up prominently on the pillow that was addressed to 'Dad.' With the worst premonition he opened the envelope with trembling hands and read the letter

Dear Dad:

It is with great regret and sorrow that I'm writing you. I had to elope with my new girlfriend because I wanted to avoid a scene with Mom and you.

I have found real love with Stacy and she is so nice.

But I knew you would not approve of her because of all her piercing, tattoos, tight motorcycle clothes and the fact that she is much older than I am. But it's not only the love..... Dad she's pregnant.

Stacy said that we will be very happy. She owns a trailer in the woods and has a stack of firewood for the whole winter. We share a dream of having many more children. In the meantime we will pray that science will find a cure for flat feet.

So, Stacy can get better. She deserves it. Don't worry Dad. I'm 15 and I know how to take care of myself.

Someday I'm sure that we will be back to visit so that you can get to know your grandchildren.

Love, Your Son

PS. Dad, none of the above is true. I'm over at Tommy's house.

I Just wanted to remind you that there are worse things in life than the bad report card which is in my center desk drawer.

I love you.

Call me when it's safe to come home.

John Gorman,PGK

I'm the Guy

I'm the guy who was asked to join your organization.

I'm the guy who paid his dues to join.

I'm the guy who stood in front of you and promised to be faithful and loyal.

I'm the guy who came to meetings and nobody paid any attention to.

I tried several times to be friends, but all had their own buddies to talk to and sit next to.

I sat down several times, but no one paid me any attention.

I hoped very much someone would have asked me to take part in a fundraising project or something but no one saw my efforts when I volunteered.

I missed a few meetings after joining because I was sick and couldn't be there.

No one asked me at the next meeting where I was.

I guess it didn't matter to others whether I was there or not.

The next meeting I decided to stay home and watch TV.

The following meeting I attended, but no one asked me where I was for the last meeting.

You might say I am a good guy, a good family man, who holds a responsible job, loves his church, his community and his country.

You know who else I am? THE GUY WHO NEVER CAME BACK.

It amuses me to think they spend so much time looking for NEW members when I was there all the time.

All they needed was make me needed, wanted, welcome.

KNIGHTS KNOWLEDGE

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HAPPY NEW YEAR Brother Knights - 2011!

Happy New Year to all my Brothers! As Catholics, our new year begins at Advent. We have our own special start then. As citizens we celebrate the annual festivities of a new calendar year. I want to wish you all the safest of new years and to remind all my Brothers that the safest way to start the New Year is to protect all we own. Our loved ones cling on to our support and love, and when we leave they lose them both. We can show them as a Catholic Gentleman, the responsibility we have by leaving them with Catholic Protection. And I might add the finest of Catholic protection. This will enable them to weather the storms of survival through your love and your intelligent management of your assets.

♦Our annuities can be obtained in 2011 for tax obligations of 2010, 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 your own affordable premium.

♦Of course, the finest of Life Insurance is available and this is the time to look at the safety of a plan from your Brotherhood.

Wishing you and yours a responsible start to the New Year leaves me open to your availability. I am here for you my Brothers and you only.

Please call me for a quick review and some tax saving advice for 2011.

May the Good Lord be with you this new season.

TO CONTACT ME WITH REGARDS TO ANY OF YOUR INSURANCE NEEDS, PLEASE CALL MY OFFICE AT (209-483-1047) OR E-MAIL ME AT (STEVEN.TRUELSEN@KOFK.ORG)

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Steven Truelsen

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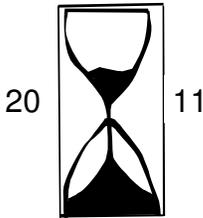
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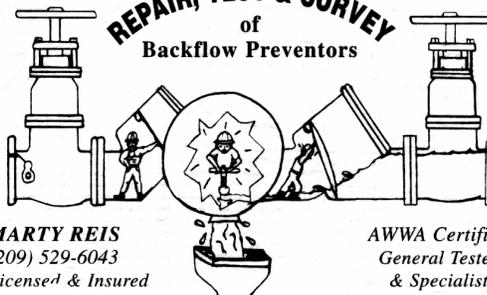
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Lecturer's Notes

"Walk for Life – West Coast" Are you Going?

God made all kinds of wild animals, all kinds of cattle, and all kinds of creeping things of the earth. God saw how good it was. Then God said: "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and the cattle, and over all the wild animals and all the creatures that crawl on the ground." God created man in his image; in the divine image he created him; male and female he created them.

God blessed them, saying: "Be fertile and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it. Have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and all the living things that move on the earth."

God also said: "See, I give you every seed-bearing plant all over the earth and every tree that has seed-bearing fruit on it to be your food; and to all the animals of the land, all the birds of the air, and all the living creatures that crawl on the ground, I give all the green plants for food." And so it happened. God looked at everything he had made, and he found it very good. Evening came, and morning followed--the sixth day. Gen 1: 25-31

Happy New Year!!! May the grace and blessings of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

There is so much to be thankful for as we end 2010 and set out on 2011. In October I wrote that on the surface my garden looked like a failure, yet, in the final analysis the garden spoke to me about the providence of God. In summary, 2010 reminded me of that garden lesson. On the one hand, I lost my job to a Reduction in Force (RIF), then a shuffle and another new job that I like. I learned a lot in my previous position and now I'm challenged to learn some new things in my new position. My wife and I are in good health and enjoying a prolonged (8 years) honeymoon. In late November we adopted two rescue cats and enjoy them to pieces. We aren't wealthy but we certainly are happy. At the center of our happiness are our friends, family, Church and our love of Jesus Christ the King. We have the knowledge that no matter what happens He loves us and wants us to win the battle.

January business meeting is on Thursday January 6th at 7:00pm. Mass for the deceased Knights of this council is on Friday, January 14th at 5:45pm followed by adoration and confession. Pray that God give us the grace to seek Him and to do His will in January and throughout the New Year. Pray for the men and women who serve in the military. Pray that politicians have conversion of heart. The complete version of this article is posted at: www.kofc10644.org - Click on Lecture Notes

Ed Ibarra

We Need Your Help

We have started planning for our Council's 20th Anniversary Celebration on June 18, 2011.

We need your help in gathering photographs of the past 20 years. We need pictures of events, ceremony's and just of all of the fun that we have had over the years.

We would also like to find all the awards/certificates and memorabilia presented to our Council in the past.

If you have anything that we could either take a picture of or make copies of, please let us know.

All items will be used in the "year book" we will be putting together over the next few months and in a slide presentation honoring all those who have put so much into our Council to make it the great success that it is today.

If you can help in any way, please contact **Ron Martorana** at 209-868-6809 / monti000@aol.com or **John McCave** at 209-551-9534 / mccave@yahoo.com.

'ManPower'

"There is nothing better for a man than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil.

This also I say, is from the hand of God." Ecclesiastes 2:24

If you are looking for work or need someone to help out temporarily or full-time, go to kofc10644.org to find a Brother Knight in need and you both win!

Visit our Council website and click on the "Manpower" tab. If you are looking for work, enter your information to post and if you are looking for help, send a request to be contacted.

Chancellor Connection

New Knights

Last month our Lord blessed us with another new member to our Council. Many of you I'm sure have met and known **Alfonso Chavez** through the years here at St. Joseph's, but here's a little more about him. He was born and raised in Mexico City until moving to San Jose, Ca. in 1966. **Alfonso** was just 16 and starting his new life here and going to high school. In 1969 he entered City College, but was only able to attend 1 year because his number came up in the Draft Lottery. It was 1970 and the Cambodia bombing campaign was going on. **Alfonso** said he was lucky he only had a short tour of duty there and finished his time in Germany. When his Military life was over, he came back home and continued College. At this same time **Alfonso** and his Brother were working at a machine shop. As they both worked there, they started to dream of one day owning the shop and in 1990 their prayers were answered. A few years earlier **Alfonso** married his wife, Judy, in 1986 and in 1989 had twins a boy and a girl. With his new family, he began feeling the pressure of his Company not doing as well as he hoped, so he started working at Home Depot. By 1999 after years of struggling with the Company they decided to sell it. A year later he transferred to Modesto's Home Depot. **Alfonso** and his family found St. Joseph's in 2002 after attending Our Lady of Fatima for a short time. Today, he is our Head Usher and his wife, Judy, heads the Greeters. His latest hobby is spending time with his daughter's 2 ½ year old son. He is the designated baby sitter every Friday. **Alfonso's** wife is working right now, but he lost his job at Home Depot about a year ago. As with so many Brother Knights and parishioners I know, in this struggle, **Alfonso** speaks with such a strong faith and trust that God will take care of all his family's needs. He credits this strength to our Parish and especially our Pastor **Joseph Illo**. When I asked him is there anything you would like to add? He said "As you write my biography make sure you tell them that I am very good looking"☺. So when you see **Alfonso** at our meetings or at Mass lets all make him feel welcome that he has become our newest Knight.

Mike Miranda

Chancellor
526-4704

KNIGHT HAPPENINGS

I would like to thank **Kent Harker** for doing such a great job of chairing the parish blood drive again. We were able to garner some much needed blood for our parish. I would also like to thank **Mike Miranda** and his wife, **Nickie**, for putting on another wonderful Adopt-a-Family Dinner. Although I was not able to attend, I heard many great things about it. Thanks are also in order for **Dave Malsom** for selling the "Keep Christ in Christmas" magnets, and for **Ed Fernandes** for managing the Coats for Kids Drive. It is because of great Brother Knights like these men that we are able to help so many people. Our next two events are the Blue Mass and the Tri-tip in the Rain dinner. Please call **Dick Elson** at 522-2425 to offer your help in honoring our first responders at the Blue Mass. Our Tri-tip in the Rain dinner is being chaired by **Robert Hemsley** and **Frank Holmes**. Robert's number is 652-5379, and Frank's number is 874-2127. Please call these Brothers to offer your assistance. Remember, many hands make a light load. We are all here to serve, and a mere 4 hours per year per knight is all it takes to do everything we do. Thank you, Brothers, for all that you do. Happy New Year!

Mel Mattos, DGK

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