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San Jose Chapter - Knights of Columbus

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“Faith, Charity, Family”



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

My Brother Knights and Families,

I have the pleasure to announce to all our Chapter members we have our NEW WEB SITE!!!! The Chapter web site: kofcsanjoechapter.com

The web master is Brother Pedro Ybarra, if you have any questions you can contact him at pybarra44@gmail.com, his ph. (408) 929-2368 Cell Phone: (408) 449-9175

The next Chapter Meeting will be April 24, 2009 at John N. Neumann Council 6965 at 386 St. Julie Drive San Jose, CA 95119: Contact GK Tom Schulte @408-202-0381 or Tom Connolly @ 408-629-9411 to make reservations. This also is Nomination of new Officers if interested contact IPCP Carlos Balgos at 408-515-7089.

The other meetings for the rest of the Calendar year are as follows: May 1, 2009 Officers meeting at Our Lady of Peace hall 7:30 PM; May 22, 2009 Chapter meeting (nomination and Election of officers) at 2211 Shamrock Dr Campbell, Bishop O'Dowd council 3474 6:30 PM,, June 5, 2009 Officers meeting at OLOP, 7:30 PM; Chapter Meeting at St. Elizabeth's Council 8747 6:30 PM

The San Jose/St. Francis Testimonial was held on Saturday March 28, 2009. The Mass was held at St. Lawrence the Martyr Church and the delicious dinner at Vahl's in Alviso. I would like to thank Brother PCP Fred Clegg for making all of the arrangements and as Chairman for the event and our Chapter Treasurer Brother Tom Schulte for a great job with reservations and ticket distribution. It was a wonderful evening with our State Officers and our Supreme Director. Thank you for all your support.

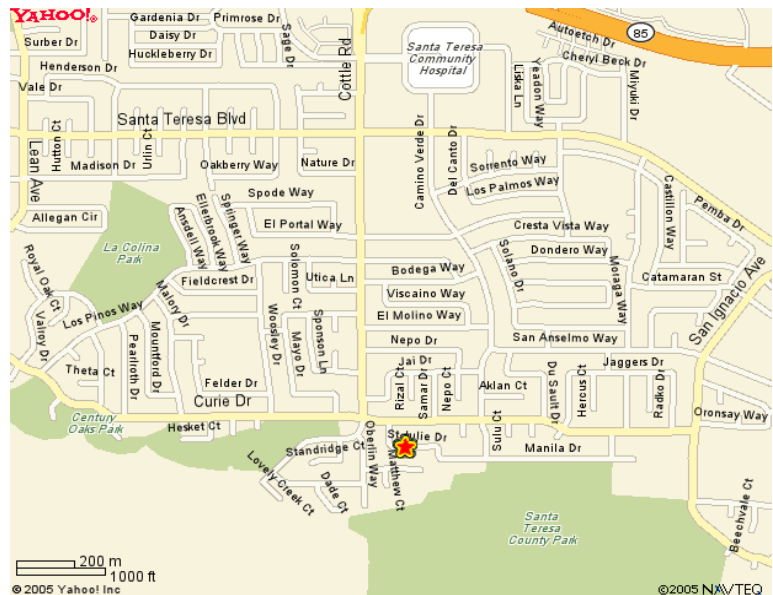
Membership is the life blood of Our Honored Order!!!

The Final State sponsored BLITZ Membership Drive has been held on April 18 – 19th, NOW make sure our PCP & Membership Director Carlos Balgos has the results for each Council and the District Deputies to report their activities in recruiting of possible candidates and form 100's processed. Remember recruiting is very important and NOW you need to get them to the FIRST DEGREE as soon as possible.

DON'T FORGET

The next Chapter meeting is Friday July 25, 2008
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Please call the GK to let him know number coming from your Council



We have a place and a cooking crew for a Third Degree on June 6, 2009 at St. Lawrence the Martyr Parish center, now we are waiting for a team to be announced from the State Committee.

The State Convention is only 4 weeks away in San Diego at the Town & Country Resort. San Jose Chapter will be hosting the hospitality room, I don't have the details of the room number yet.

Please keep Past Chapter President Dave Walker and his wife Joan and family in our prayers. Joan's cancer has returned and she is terminal. Say the Rosary to Fr. Michael McGivney asking for his intercession.

Vivat Jesus,
Bill Glover, FM
Chapter President

The Resurrection of Christ is our Hope!



Easter message from Pope Benedict XVI

The proclamation of the Lord's Resurrection lightens up the dark regions of the world in which we live. I am referring particularly to materialism and nihilism, to a vision of the world that is unable to move beyond what is scientifically verifiable, and retreats cheerlessly into a sense of emptiness which is thought to be the definitive destiny of human life. It is a fact that if Christ had not risen, the "emptiness" would be set to prevail. If we take away Christ and his resurrection, there is no escape for man, and every one of his hopes remains an illusion. Yet today is the day when the proclamation of the Lord's resurrection vigorously bursts forth, and it is the answer to the recurring question of the skeptics, that we also find in the book of Ecclesiastes: "Is there a thing of which it is said, 'See, this is new'?" (Ec 1:10).

Summit on Volunteerism Envisions a Nation of Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson welcomed representatives of 110 nonprofit service organizations to an emergency summit on volunteerism as a response to the economic crisis. "Our presence here today," he said, "is truly a sign of hope. ... Certainly, we are here to address the human cost of this crisis [and] to help find solutions."

For more information on Summit on Volunteerism. See kofc.org



A Message to Recruiters

Time and again, I have stressed that we have nothing less than a moral obligation to offer membership in the Knights of Columbus to every eligible Catholic man. To accomplish this, I am asking dedicated brother Knights like you to be ambassadors, to reach out to Catholic men and their families and invite them to become part of our Order.

The Servant of God Father Michael J. McGivney founded our Order more than 120 years ago, and yet we have only just begun to realize our true potential. New members are essential to our success; the Order's *tomorrow* depends on our recruitment *today*!

We must be creative in our recruitment efforts, and I am pleased to promote an exciting web site feature that we hope will facilitate membership recruitment. Please visit the Why Join? feature and see how it can help in your recruitment efforts. This multimedia presentation offers powerful testimonials from Knights like you about their experiences in the Order.

Please encourage prospective members and their families to visit the "Why Join?" feature at their convenience and in the comfort of their own homes. In so doing, they can see why being a Knight of Columbus truly is an experience of a lifetime.

Duties of a Proposer

Proposing a new member is a commendable achievement and one to be proud of. However, as a proposer, turning over a completed Membership Document (#100) is not the end of the job. You must also take the responsibility to see that your recruit becomes fully accepted by his fellow council members and stays involved in council activities. There are several steps you can take to ensure this.

- Explain to him that the council's Admission Committee will examine his qualifications for membership and accompany him to the Admission Committee meeting. Introduce him to the members present.
- After he has been accepted, escort him to his First Degree and remain with him throughout the event. Following the exemplification, introduce him to his fellow council members.
- Take the newly initiated member and his family "under your wing". See that he learns council procedures, such as meeting times, committee assignments, etc. Introduce him and his family at council events. Encourage him to involve his family in council-sponsored activities.
- Accompany your recruit to his Second Degree and Third Degree exemplifications and stay with him throughout the day.
- Contact him before each council meeting and bring him to the meeting if necessary. If the new member becomes inactive for some reason, try to find out why. Call and ask to visit with him. Explain your concern about his absence and offer support or assistance.
- Encourage him to earn "Shining Armor" status within the council.

If the Knight becomes inactive, his proposer should work with the retention committee to find out the reasons for his lapsed interest and try to converse his membership.

With a little personal effort you can help guarantee that your recruit becomes an active member of the Knights of Columbus.

From the Supreme Knight



Carl A. Anderson

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Degree Schedules and Information

1st. Degree Ceremonials:

Council	Cand/Degree Time	Point of Contact	Date	Degree Location
3473 Bishop O'Dowd	7:00/7:30 pm			
6965 John N. Neumann	3:00/3:30 PM	Tom Schulte 629-5750	5/3/2009.....	St. Julies Hall, 366 St. Julies Dr, San Jose
	 Tom Connolly 629-9411 .		
8265 Morgan Hill	6:30/7:00 pm	Frank S. Maxwell	5/19/2009.....	17400 Peak Ave, Morgan Hill
8747 St. Elizabeth	6:30/7:00 pm			St. Elizabeth, 750 Sequoia Dr, Milpitas
10180 Our Lady of Peace	7:00/7:30 pm	Carlos Balgos		Our Lady of Peace Hall

2nd Degree Ceremonials:

3473 Bishop O'Dowd	6:30/7:00 pm	Tad Olszewski 506-5098	3/29/2009	2211 Shamrock Dr. Campbell
10180 Our Lady of Peace	7:00/7:30 pm	Carlos Balgos		Our Lady of Peace Hall

3rd Degree Ceremonial:

DD #26	1:30/2:00	Fred Clegg 748-1266		St. Lawrence Parish 1971 St. Lawrence Dr, Santa Clara
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Remembering Pope John Paul II

The papacy of John Paul II ended four years ago with his death on April 2, 2005. Several years later, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson was interviewed by *Totus Tuus*, the monthly magazine of the Postulation of the Cause for the Beatification and Canonization of the Servant of God John Paul II, about the Holy Father's life, his theological insights into marital love and family life, and the John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family. It is republished here in commemoration of the anniversary of his death.



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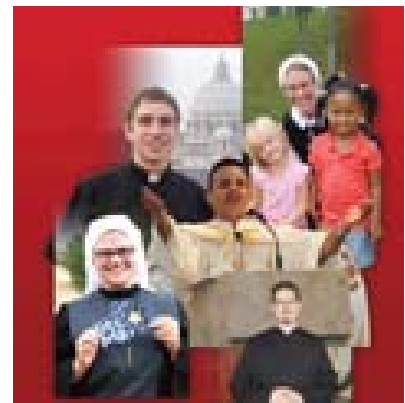
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World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Sunday, May 3, is the Annual World Day of Prayer for Vocations. This day is an opportunity for all Knights to raise awareness of the need for youth to say yes to their vocations, especially if one is called to the priesthood or religious life. With the help of the Knights of Columbus, thousands will hear their calls as a result of our prayers and vocational materials. As Knights, we know the difference that one good priest can make. Raise awareness and get involved. Participate in the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.



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