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GRAND KNIGHT'S CORNER

Welcome to all our new officers in our council. We had a successful election of new officers in June. We began this new Fraternal year with our **Installation of Officers** on July 23rd. After the installation, I was presented by our District Deputy, Dave Abbott, with a **California State Council Knights of Columbus Certificate of Recognition** for **Sixth Place** for **Life Programs**.

Thanks to all of you who supported my efforts in trying to secure funding for the Garden of Innocence program. This July we honored our **Nation's Holiday, the 4**th **of July**, by placing our **American Flags out along Skyway**. We pitched in to help support our parish at the **Party in the Park** by providing games for the kids on June 25th. We put on a very successful **Pancake Breakfast** for the **Knights** on July 6th. Thanks for all your help. I enjoyed working together with all my brother Knights.

We continue to have a great turnout on the Third Sunday for the reciting of the **Pro-Life Rosary**. If you have not filled out your **monthly hours report**, please do so. There are forms in the vestibule. We have three applications to join our council. If we reach our goal of five new recruits before October 31st, we will join the **membership growth competition for councils** based on our quota.

I would like to remind you that we will not have Knights officers or Business meeting in August. We will have our **Pro-Life rosary in August on the**17th, at 10:00 am. See me to sign up. We will also be putting on our **Pancake Breakfast on September**7th. See me if you didn't sign up on the clip board. We still need more helpers.

Remember to keep 1,2,3,3. At our July business 50/50 drawing, ball # 16 was drawn. Steve Macy was not present, so the pot keeps growing. We welcome all of you to join our **Men's prayer group, Friday** morning at **7:00 am** in the small hall.

In His Service, Greg DeCristofaro Grand Knight, Council #7773

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT

As we begin the month of August, I congratulate the newly installed officers (or soon to be installed officers) of the councils in District 2! To the outgoing officers, I wish to convey my thanks for outstanding leadership during a challenging year. All responded to the needs of your parish communities and accomplished many remarkable things! I look forward to working with all of you in the year ahead.

As I mentioned last month, emphasis continues to be placed by the Supreme Council on "Cor" faith formation meetings. Cor (Latin for heart) is intended to "form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through, prayer, formation, and fraternaty." I urge you look over information on the Cor program and view a short video by clicking here. The program is designed for use in Catholic men's ministry, particularly in a group study. Further information and sample curricula for study are available by clicking here.

_An upcoming major event for this month, the Feast Day of The Blessed Michael McGivney falls on Wednesday, August 13. Not coincidentally, his feast day falls between his birthday on August 12 (1852) and the day of his death due to complications from tuburcolosis on August 14 (1890). Please plan a special event or prayer reflection to honor our Founder on his Feast Day, August 13. If you are not already a Blessed Michael McGivney Guild member, join online for free at www.fathermcgivney.org and begin receiving a monthly newsletter with the latest news on the beatification of our Founder. A third miracle is currently being documented which may advance Blessed McGivney to sainthood. Watch for further information on this remarkable occurrence.

_Another program with a long history of charitable service is the Annual Campaign for People With Intellectual Disabilities. Although not ocurring until October, it is never to soon to start planning. The official dates for the drive this year are October 17, 18 and 19, 2025 (although councils are free to schedule and hold fundraisers benefiting people with intellectual disabilities at any time during the Columbian Year). I'm certain one or more organizations in your local community serving people with intellectual disabilities would benefit from your charitable efforts, including Special Olympics and Feed the Athletes, the ARC (for people with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities), CampRecreation, local schools, work training centers and residential care facilities. Cont' on p. 4)

Calendar of Events

August / September

Aug 13: Officers Meeting 9:30am (CANCELLED)

Aug 17: Rosary before Mass

Aug 20: 6:30pm: Rosary, meal, Business meeting (CANCELLED)

Sep 7 K of C Pancake Breakfast after both Masses.

Sep 10: Officers Meeting 9:30am

Sep 17: 6:30pm: Rosary, meal, Business meeting

Sep 21 Rosary before Mass at 10:00 am Rosary, meal, Business meeting

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS:

Greg Kidder—4th David L Marcus—7th Larry Ussery—7th
Michael Weldon—9th Leo P Benedetti—14th Frank E Salas—16th
David Webster—21st Henry Martin—25th Matthew Poje—27th

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Pl ease continue to pray for those on our prayer list: Greg Wright, Leo Benedetti, Leo Bourgeios, Ron Martin, John Thomas, Jim and Lani McManus, Richard Reniero, Duncan Barnard, Israel Garcia, Barbara Brown, Jerry Foster, Jim Daley, Deacon Ray and Donna Helgeson and their daughter Kimberly and son Kenjon, Dave Porter, Dave Lemire, Dan Young, Carol Daffner, Liz Fierro, Gerald and Joy Regalia, Kendell Rensink, Michael Crowder, Lou Gervais, Abel Holguin, Carolyn Boyd, Chris Rehmann, Frank Ricci, Ron Keys, Deacon Gary, Marissa Li, Marissa Kelly's father, Greg and Kathy DeCristofaro, Debie Gomez, Barbara Jo Navaro, Elizabeth Boher, Frank Nunes, Kathy Keesling and Pope Leo XIV.

Please remember those who are serving our country in the armed forces and those who fell victim to the natural disasters. Pray for all the health professionals, all our police and law enforcement officers, fighters, EMT's and all who are trying to keep us safe. Pray for Israel and Ukraine and all the innocent victims of war. Pray for America which stands for One Nation under God, with Liberty and Justice for ALL.

For additions, deletions, corrections, please call your Chancellor, Greg DeCristofaro at 873-4132.

KNIGHT HUMOR—SENIOR SENSE OF HUMOR

- So, you drive across town to a gym to walk on a treadmill?
- I didn't make it to the gym today. That makes five years in a row.
- I decided to stop calling the bathroom "John" and renamed it the "Jim". I feel so much better saying I went to the Jim this morning.
- Old age is coming at a really bad time.
- If God wanted me to touch my toes, He would've put them on my knees.
- Last year I joined a support group for procrastinators. We haven't met yet.

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT (CON'T)

For further information and resources regarding the Annual Campaign for People With Intellectual Disabilities, click **here**.

Free online membership using the online application found at www.kofc.org/join (or by scanning the QR Code accompanying this article with a smartphone) continues to be available. The promo code is "BlessedMcGivney" and is not case sensitve.

As usual, thank you for your charity and service!

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In His Service, Greg DeCristofaro, Grand Knight, Council #7773

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