# knights' News

#### **Knights of Columbus**

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## Council # 7773 Paradise, CA • June 2024

## **DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT**

Congratulations on your many achievements this past Columbian Year. You scheduled and held events, provided funds for charity and scholarships, and systematically supported your Pastor, parish, and its ministries. Let us always remember the foundation of our faith, which is to live and share the Gospels of Our Lord Jesus Christ. With him we can accomplish great things!

There are so many things to talk about this final month of the Columbian Year. Where has the time gone? June is the month for electing new council officers and I am proud of the leadership that is being proposed for the councils in District 2. That being said, the 2023-2024 Columbian Year isn't over yet. In the final weeks of the year please do continue to strive to grow our Order and achieve Star Council. Many of you are close, if not qualified already. The more active Catholic men we have in our churches and councils the more we can do, the more we can serve, and the more we will be a force for good in the world. My congratulations to our new Brother Knights who have joined to date. But don't stop now. Let's make the month of June a powerful finish! Potential members can continue to join for free online through June 30 by entering the code "BlessedMcGivney" in the online application form found at <u>www.kofc.org/joinus</u>.

A featured program for the month of June is the *Building the Domestic Church Kiosk,* which helps strengthen the faith of our members and parish families by providing exceptional religious education materials to all Catholics. The kiosk and related publications are available for a minimal cost of \$150 through the Supreme Council Supply Department. For further information and resources regarding this program click <u>here</u>, or contact the Supreme Council Supply Department at 1-833-591-7770. **(Continued on p.2)** 

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## **GRAND KNIGHT'S NOTATIONS**

I was glad to have May as a break (we went dark). Last weekend in April was Gold Nugget Days which filled my availability into the month of May. The Chocolate Festival, again a great celebration for the Ridge, several days of setup and a week of cleanup and last, Memorial Day Remembrance, Skyway Flags, Paradise Cemetery, Magalia Cemetery Flags made it a very busy month.

I am in the middle of lot clearing and cleanup in Paradise. The first set of penalties to property owners will hit on 15 June 2024. You should have received a notice, warning of the \$200 fine. With the wet March and April and windy May it gave us very little time to do weed abatement in the community. The grasses are still wet and hard to cut. I am still clearing properties, widows first and the other requests are taken in order of them contacting me.

I want to thank the Knights and their families that came out on Memorial Day to setup 58 flags along Skyway. It was a very busy day, starting at 0530am bringing down the main flag on Skyway at the Veterans Hall to half-staff, coordinating the Memorial Day event, we put out 140 flags for Veterans at the Magalia Cemetery, replaced the main flag and Halyard at the Cemetery. The 58 holes were cleaned out a week prior, three inside sleeves were dug out and installed, the remainder of the holes, plugs removed, cleaned out and washed with water. The rest of the town also worked on their flags and holes for Memorial Day.

We are back to our normal schedule, starting with the Planning Meeting on Wednesday, 12 June at 0900am at the STM foyer and the regular Business Meeting will be on Wednesday 19 June at 7:00pm. The rosary starts at 6:30pm. I will be bringing dinner for the Knights, something different. Hope to see you there.

D.J. Lemire, Grand Knight, Council #7773, <u>djlemire7773@gmail.com</u> 530 762-9275 (Text please)

## DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT (CON'T)

Several of the councils in District 2 have yet to hold a fraternal benefits night. If you have not done so already, contact our Field Agents, Dave Moeller and Martin Baker, to arrange a date and time when you and members of your council and parish can attend, or take advantage of one of several fraternal benefit presentations being offered online. The Knights of Columbus provide a wide selection of insurance, annuities, and investment opportunities enabling you to better protect your family. Be sure and take advantage of these exceptional financial products.

As we end the year, let us be ever mindful of The Knights of Columbus' principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. They serve as the basis of the Order's personal **CORE** values expected of every member which are:

> Integrity: Firm adherence to ethics, honesty, and a moral code. Professionalism: Promoting the highest standards in all we do. Excellence: Leading by example and constantly striving to be the best.

**Respect:** Treating each other with the highest regard.

My Brothers, my thoughts are with you as we conclude one year and embark on another. As always, thank you for your charity and service!

Dave Abbott, District Deputy 2 - 530-680-0401 -- <u>dabbott79@gmail.com</u>

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#### **JUNE BIRTHDAYS:**

Kenneth Keesling—1 <sup>st</sup>	Steve Neeley—20 <sup>th</sup>	Tom Kelly—24 <sup>th</sup>
Richard Pompati—24 <sup>th</sup>	Steve Macy—28 <sup>th</sup>	

#### **CHANCELLOR'S REPORT**

Please continue to pray for those on our prayer list: Greg Wright, Leo Benedetti, Ron Martin, John Thomas, Jim and Lani McManus, Richard Reniero, Kathy DeCristofaro, Gina and Duncan Barnard, Israel Garcia, Barbara Brown, Jerry Foster, Jeff Tolly, Barbara Collins, Bob Smith, Jim Daley, Deacon Ray and Donna Helgeson and Pope Francis.

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, firefighters, EMT's and all who are trying to keep us safe. Pray for our brothers and sisters and allies who were left behind in Afghanistan. Pray for Israel 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

- Government's view of the economy could be summed up in a few short phrases: If it moves, tax it. If it keeps moving, regulate it. And if it stops moving, subsidize it. -Ronald Reagan
- If you think health care is expensive now, wait until you see what it costs when it's free! -P. J. O'Rourke
- No man's life, liberty, or property is safe while the legislature is in session. -Mark Twain
- The inherent vice of capitalism is the unequal sharing of the blessings. The inherent blessing of socialism is the equal sharing of misery. -Winston Churchill

## **DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT (CON'T)**

Thank you for your charity and service! May God bless.

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# **KNIGHT'S CORNER**

We all took a breather in May, but we should remind you of all the great things our Brother Knights did starting in April. First of all, thanks to the Knights and our parishioners in helping prepare and serve the luncheon at our Parish Eucharistic Retreat on April 6<sup>th</sup>. We had a lot of help thanks to Greg Kidder, Greg D.C., Kevin Kriebel, Richard Saven, Michael and Laura Krzanich, Gerald Regalia, Jim Cleary, John Thomas, Jim Collins, Dave Young and our Grand Knight Dave Lemire and his daughter Clare in serving a wonderful Tri Tip luncheon for our Parish on April 14<sup>th</sup>.

On the third Sunday of April, Brother Knights Jim Collins, Greg D.C., Kevin Kriebel and Chris Penna led the parish in the Rosary before mass. Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> our Council 7773 had its annual Gold Nugget Days parking fundraiser with the help of Greg Kidder, Greg D.C., Jim Collions, Richard Shaver and Michael and Laura Krzanich.

On Mother's Day, May 12<sup>th</sup>, the Knights presented our mothers in the parish with a beautiful red rose. On May 19<sup>th</sup>, Jim Collins, Greg D.C. and Chris Rehmann led the parish in reciting the Rosary before Mass. On May 27<sup>th</sup>, Memorial Day, Grand Knight Dave Lemire along with Greg Kidder, Greg D.C., Richard Schaver, Henry Martin, Michael and Laura Krzanich, Jim and Barbara Collins and Kevin Kriebel proudly placed our flags on Skyway.

The next Eucharistic Camino will be at Sacred Heart in Gridley on June 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 pm followed next month at the Abbey of Our Lady of New Clairvaux in Vina on Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am to 12 noon.

The Fourth Degree is still looking for a few good men to serve the Patriotic Branch of the Knights of Columbus. We are hoping to find new members to join the Honor Guard. The Honor Guard serves as the bishop's escort when he visits us and when he presides over Confirmation in our area. The Honor Guard also serves as escorts for our fallen Forth Degree Knights at their funeral. They also serve as an escort for the Garden of Innocence ceremonies to give a dignified burial to those abandoned babies. Please prayerfully consider joining us.

If you would like to serve your community, think about joining the many helpers from our parish at the First Baptist Food Pantry. Our parish will also be hosting Kids in the Park on July 10<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. If you would like to help, see Greg DC. For more information. Please call (530)873-4132 or (530) 588-3790.

## **INSURANCE INFO**

We are pleased to have **Jeffrey A. Tolley** (License # OM31427) as our Knights of Columbus Fraternal Insurance Agent. He can be reached at: 530-514-4395 or at: jeff.tolley@kofc.org

#### **Knights News**

#### **Officers' List**

#### 2023 -- 2024

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