



knightly news

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grand knight's message



Brothers,

It is February 2010 and we are in a middle of a winter that is dropping rain storm after rain storm upon us. The rivers are flooding and reservoirs are getting full. So, where do we get relief from this cabin fever that is setting in? Six of our Brothers whom possess a Third Degree have decided to shake this mid-winter blues by advancing themselves to the Fourth Degree. Deputy Grand Knight Mike Kliment, Chancellor Alan Schulze, Warden Jeff Tichenor, Brother Mario DaSilva, Brother Tim Mullane and Brother Carlos Vecchiarelli have all made the commitment to be present at this once a year ceremony in Rohnert Park, CA on February 6th to become Sir Knights.

Becoming a Fourth Degree is the highest level of membership in the Knights of Columbus. When you become a Fourth Degree Member you join the Assembly that is made up from several Councils. Now we all have heard the story of how Fr. McGivney started the Knights of Columbus in March of 1882, but it only had three Degrees of membership. The Fourth Degree did not come into existence until 1899 and was added to our fraternity with its

first Exemplification which took place in 1900. This Patriotic Degree, as it is often referred to, was added to promote patriotism and encourage Catholics to become U.S. citizens. Its triad emblem is that of a Globe, a Cross and a Dove; symbolizing the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Each of these six gentlemen has their own reason for becoming a Sir Knight and I can not speak for them, but for me it was a way to get closer to my late Grandfather. What I found upon becoming a member was a brotherhood that stretched beyond the borders of my council. A brotherhood that is a little more 'civically' minded in their service, i.e. focused on the veterans, firefighters and police personnel for example. Although I did not need to be a veteran to join the Assembly, my Grandfather did. In the early days of the Assembly one had to be veteran to join. Perhaps it is through association with these Catholic Veterans that I strive to be a better Catholic and a better U.S. Citizen? Care to join us?

Fraternally,

Ron Hebron
GK 6043

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coming events

04 February	Officer's Meeting, 7:00 PM; St. Augustine's Hall, RM 5
07 February	Donut Social; Both Churches, after Morning Masses
11 February	Business Meeting; 7:30 PM; St. Augustine's Hall, Rms 4-5
27 February	Parish Night Out; Pope John Paul II Activity Center
04 March	Officer's Meeting, 7:00 PM; St. Augustine's Hall, RM 5
07 March	Donut Social; Both Churches, after Morning Masses
11 March	Business Meeting; 7:30 PM; St. Augustine's Hall, Rms 4-5
13 March	St. Patrick's Day Dance; St. Augustine's Hall
21 March	Founders Mass; St. Augustine Church
26 March	Stations of the Cross; St. Augustine Church
28 March	Easter Food Basket Deliveries; St. Augustine's Hall

an invitation from Brother Chris

Hi, all,

As many of you know, I am to be ordained--God willing!--to priesthood in the Catholic Church on 25 June 2010. This is on a Friday and will take place at

11 a.m. at St. Dominic Church in San Francisco.

There are two other significant events on the same weekend. First, there is the celebration of my first Mass of Thanksgiving on Saturday 26 June at St.

Albert Priory in Oakland at about noon (exact time to be determined).

Second, on Sunday 27 June at 10 am, I will serve Divine Liturgy at Our Lady of Fatima Byzantine Catholic Church in San Francisco as a priest for the first time.

If it is possible for you to attend any or all of the events above, you would be most welcome, and it would certainly put a smile on my face to see you. If you are traveling to the Bay Area, the following might be of interest.

A number of my friends and family have expressed an interest in staying in San Francisco. There is a very fine hotel called The Sir Francis Drake that has offered a block of rooms at the rate of \$119 per night for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights. Guests are also free to pay the same rate plus or minus three days. I know that's not inexpensive, but it's a good rate in San Francisco, especially for the location.

There is a Hilton Garden Inn in Emeryville (practically speaking: Oakland) that has offered a block of rooms for \$89 per night. Transportation is more of an issue in this case, but it is significantly less expensive.

Both hotels require a minimum of ten rooms be reserved to obtain the rate.

To help me get organized with the four other men to be ordained who will also have guests, PLEASE LET ME KNOW if you might be interested in taking advantage of one of the hotel opportunities above.

More to come... Thanks!

Peace and grace,

Christopher, OP

veterans administration sponsored outreach

St. Raymond Church, Dublin; Moran Hall

Saturday, February 27, 2010; 10 AM — 3 PM

This event is for all Veterans and Active Duty Service Personnel. The VA Palo Alto,, Livermore Division is inviting Military Veterans, active duty service personnel, and their families to an informational event to enroll eligible personnel

Veterans are encouraged to come and find out which benefits they are eligible for. Among the benefits available are health care, respite care, hospice care, and long term health care. The Disabled American Veteran's organization will also be present to help with service connected benefits. Those wishing to enroll must bring copies of Form DD214 or their discharge papers.

This event is also designed to connect those who are returning from deployment with military families, and to offer information about other services to which veterans and active duty service members are entitled. If you are a Veteran, please come. If you know a Veteran, please let him/her know of this event.

For further information please contact:

- Kate Steverin, Outreach Coordinator
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- Susanne Scott, Dept of Veterans Affairs
925-449-6448 or Susanne.scott@va.gov
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knights of columbus annual blood drive



**American
Red Cross**

From: ZylaAM@usa.redcross.org [mailto:ZylaAM@usa.redcross.org]

Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 2010 9:28 AM

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Subject: Blood Drive Results....

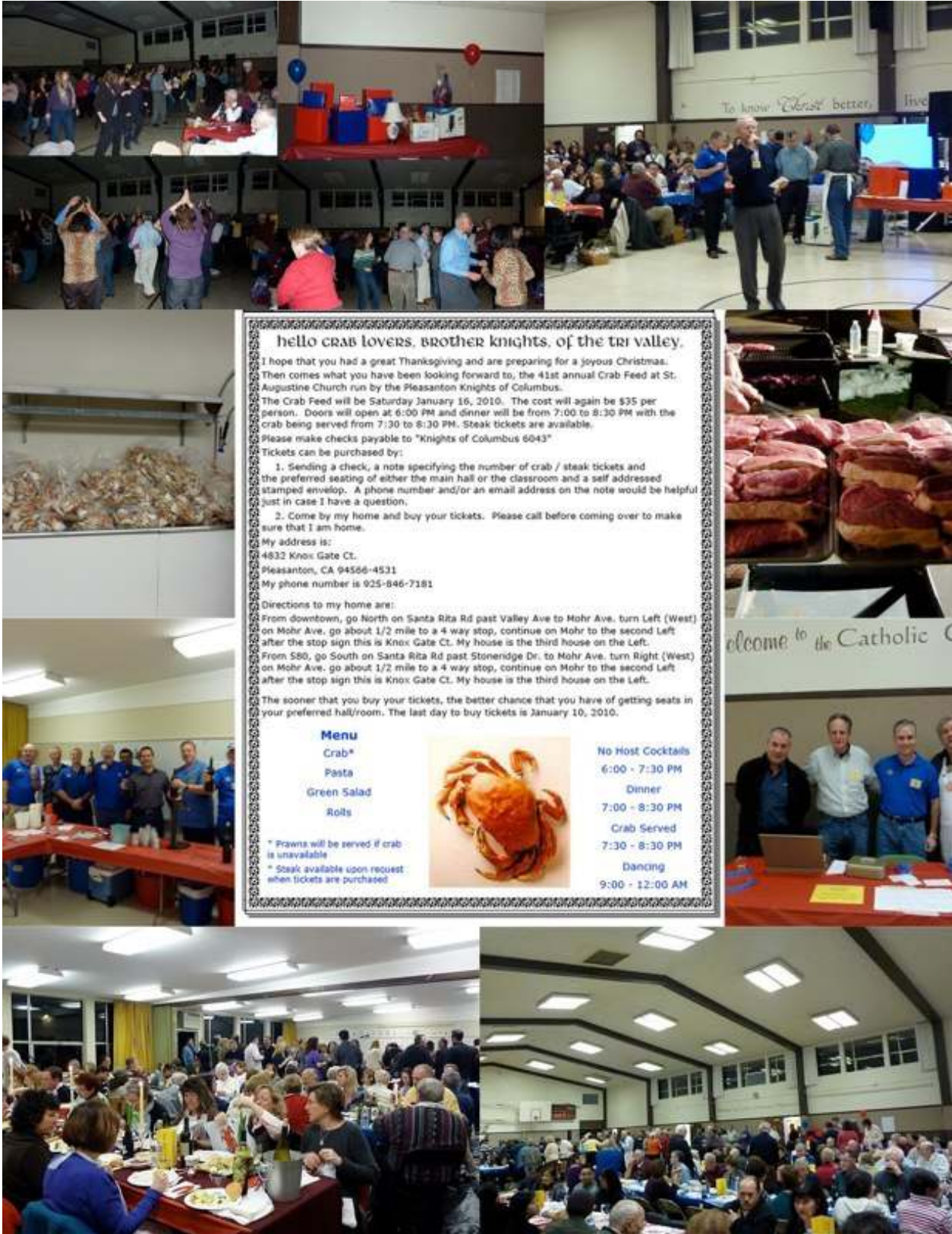
I just wanted to pass along the results of this past Saturdays **St. Augustine Catholic Church Blood Drive**.

We were able to collect a total of **30 units** of blood.

That's up to **90 patients**, in local community hospitals, that will be affected, helped, and potentially saved directly due to the results of this blood drive.

Thank you for your support.

Recent activities: 2010 crab feed



Recent activities: 2010 CRAB feed



a note from Brother Mike Garcia

Good morning Brother Ron,

I just wanted to keep you and the other Brothers on the statues of my employment search.

This morning at 9:30am I was contacted by MV Transportation. I start Monday 7am for training. The pay is not that great, but it gets me able to do three things that I love to do.

- (1) Drive (I will be driving a mini bus)
- (2) Be outdoors
- (3) Help others

MV Transportation provides transportation for the elderly and the physically challenged, getting them to the store or doctor's appointments. Funny how all things work out. I think my mom had something to do with this.

The reason I say I think she had something to do with this, is when ever I went to visit her or saw her. She would always ask me if I had any leads or if I came to visit her dressed u, she would ask me who I interviewed with or how did the interview go. All way saying hand in there some thing will come up.

On Wednesday the 6th of January I was driving to the mortuary to meet my other brothers and sisters. While I was driving a small mini bus drove by.

On the back of it, it had a sign saying hiring drivers. Well paying more attention to what was going to happen at the mortuary, I didn't think about writing down the phone number. So at the last minute I looked for a pen and paper to write phone number, but the bus turned before I could get the phone number, so I searched for the bus and I couldn't find it. The next day a friend of mine daughter was watching my little niece. My sister wasn't supposed to leave her there, because my friend's daughter had plans to go to her friend's house. She gave up a whole week to watch my little niece, so I called my sister to come and get her daughter (my niece), she told me to drive her to my brother's house, where she was at. She could have easily driven to get her. Well I drove my niece to my brothers house, took her inside, as I was putting my key into my car door that ways locked, guess what came driving down his court. If you said a donkey pulling a cart, you're wrong. That mini bus that I was searching for. Well I got in my car, got a piece of paper and found a pen. The bus came to a stop sign. Guess what happen next. The mini bus died, so I was able to get the phone number. When I laid my pen down on my passenger seat, the mini bus started. Well on Thursday 7th I went to put in an application in for a drivers position. Friday 8th I got called to come in for an interview.

Brother Mike

koc council shirts

Our Council has medium to light weight sweat shirts available, in the blue color similar to our polo shirts with the Council emblem embroidered on the chest. They are great to promote our Council and K of C in our fall and winter projects in the public eye.

They can be ordered in sizes from Small to XXXL. If you want one please contact me—email or phone (925) 846-8766. The price is \$20 cash or check payable to **Council**

#6043, K of C.

Hal Wilson

notes from the newsletter editor

Your comments on the Council website are solicited. Take a look at www.kofc6043.org

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prayer list

For those who are ill we pray that they will find the healing power of God:

Joseph Cicerello– Father-in-Law of PGK Brad Schieferstein

Bernice Malino– Mother-in-Law of Brother Mike Hewitt

Alama Tichenor– Daughter of Brother Jeff Tichenor

Dave Hintz– Father-in-Law of Brother Paul Unpingco

Segundo Unpingco– Father of Brother Paul Unpingco

Jerry Johnson– Colleague of Brother Scott Cumberland

Lori Mitchell– Friend of Brother Steven Howard

Cathleen Leja– Wife of PGK George Leja

Choe Madigan– Friend of Brother Marco Garzon

David Cerapa– Friend of Brother Mark Worrell

John Anderson– Father-in-Law of Brother Mike Burns

Anna Shoop– Wife of Brother Mark Shoop

Bob Fredinelli– Friend of Brother Ron Hansen

Margaret Gallagher– Niece of Brother Fred Bustos

Evelyn Valencia– Close Friend of Brother Alfredo Gatchalian

Thelma Caguin– Friend of Brother Alfredo Gatchalian

Carol Rafael– Friend of Brother Alfredo Gatchalian

Tammy Muser's Mother– Friend of Brother Scott Cumberland

Lyssa Pietro– Daughter of Brother Dom Pietro

Susy Cuddy– Friend of Brother John Rabada

Mike Madden– John Madden's son and Friend of Brother John Rabada

Philip Cruz– Father of Brother Sil Cruz

Santos Serrano– Father of Brother Yonson Serrano

Ken & Mei Mei– Friends of Brother Pete Sugiarto

Julie Steeves– Sister of Brother Tim Tuttle

Luele Atuegbu– Cousin of Brother Andy Atuegbu

Al Schulze– Grandfather of Brother Alan Schulze

Simonette Mirande– Daughter of Brother George Mirande

Kellie Machi– Daughter-in-Law of PGK Mike Machi

Katie Machi– Granddaughter of PGK Mike Machi

Lourdes Henson– Grandmother of Brother Christian Dungo

Rashawna Balestreri– Wife of PGK Joe Balestreri

Carolyn Drugman– Wife of Livermore's PGK Drugman

Bro. Tom Gleason's **Niece**

Brother Dan Carleton's **Parents**

Brian Oliver– Livermore's Field Agent

Brother Rick Bruno

Brother Bertrand Lewis

Brother George Mirande

Brother Gabe Kralic, his wife Betty and their new child

Brother John Greene

Brother James Willows

Brother Paul Hill

Brother (Chef) Steven Howard

PGK Joe Jones

Margret Jones—Daughter of PKG Joe Jones

PGK Bob Young

PGK George Leja

Jesse Stansberry—Past Field Agent

Fr. Augustine Joseph's Mother

Rita Wilson—Sister of Chaplain Fr. Jerry Kennedy

Rev. Dan Danielson– Retired CCOP Pastor

Fr. Tony Herrera–Past Chaplain of this Council

Sr. Mary Frances—Saint Clare's Retreat House

For those who are deceased we pray that they will join in the love of God:

Guadalupe Garcia–Wife of PGK Rich Garcia and mother of Brother Mike Garcia

For all who are serving in the military we pray:

That the love of God will be with them. Especially those in harms way.

For the following special intentions we pray:

For All The Widows Of Our Brother Knights

For all of Our Religious Orders throughout the world.

For peace throughout the world. (Especially In The Middle East)

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