

Special Dates and Activities

May 3 11:00 PM Hour of Adoration of Blessed Sacrament, Chapel of Poor Clares.

May 13 3:00 PM Prayer Vigil to End Abortion, front of Planned Parenthood office, 518 Garden St.

May 25 5:30 PM Prepare Meal at Transition House

May 31 11:00 PM Hour of Adoration of Blessed Sacrament, Chapel of Poor Clares.

June 10 3:00 PM Prayer Vigil to End Abortion, in Front of Planned Parenthood office, 518 Garden St.

June 22 5:30 PM Prepare Meal at Transition House

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MAY - JUNE 2018

May 9 Business Meetings:

Officer's 6:30 PM Council 7:30 PM

First Degree Ceremony. Location: Serra Hall

May 23 Council 1684 Scholarship Dinner

Social Hour 6:30 PM Dinner 7:00 PM

Location: Serra Hall

Council 1684 presents scholarships to students attending Bishop

Diego, Notre Dame and Mt. Carmel School.

June 6 Business Meetings:

Officer's 6:30 PM Council 7:30 PM

Location: Serra Hall

June 23 District Warden Installation & Installation of Officers of both

Installation Councils 1684 & 5300 Time: 9:00 AM Pancake Breakfast Time: 10:00 AM

Location: Serra Hall, 2210 Garden Street (Corner of Garden and East Los Olivos Street)

Wives, children, close relatives are welcome to attend.

Financial Secretary's Report

t the last Officer's Meeting, I announced my retirement from serving as Financial Secretary for Council 1684. It has been my honor and pleasure serving the council for the past twenty years, as Grand Knight and Financial Secretary. My love for the council and brothers will always remain with me. I know my successor, Steve Romofsky, will do a fantastic job, and remain confident with his ability. He is a true Knight and brother. I will continue as a brother knight supporting our council in its many functions, and in any way I can.

As for Council business, our monthly Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday May 9. On May 23 we will celebrate our annual scholarship dinner presenting scholarships to students attending Bishop Diego, Notre Dame and Mount Carmel School. On Wednesday June 6 we have our last Council meeting for the last half of Columbian Year July 2017 - June 2018, and on Saturday, June 23 at 9:00 AM we will celebrate with Council 5300 the installation of officers for the Columbian Year July 2018 - June 2019. Following the installation ceremony, a pancake breakfast will be served at 10:00 AM. Both the installation ceremony and breakfast will take place in Serra Hall. The installation ceremony and breakfast is open to family members.

We also extend a warm welcome to a new member that transferred into our Council, Brian Klinge. In the past he has served as a Grand Knight and District Deputy. Brother Brian lives in Carpinteria.

Ray Charpentier

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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Prother Knights,

Mark Wietstock

As we rapidly approach the end of another Columbian year, I find myself a little overcome with

the sense of great change coming to our Council. The impending retirement of our long-time Worthy Financial Secretary, Ray Charpentier, truly signals the end of an era. Ray has served as Financial Secretary for Council 1684 for the entire time that I've been a member ... over 25 years. If you were unable to make it to our last social, I hope you will take whatever chance you get, whenever and wherever it may come, to personally thank Ray for his many years of devoted and honorable service at this critically important post in our Council. We simply could not have enjoyed all the success we've had over the past two to three decades without Ray's steadfast support and service. Again, Ray, I thank you, and I thank Henriette for sharing you with us all these years.

As so many of our elder Brothers like Ray

continue to move on, up, and out, we find ourselves having to adapt to a world that's gotten a lot faster and more complex than the simpler years when our elder Brothers first joined our Order. In a few short months, I will be succeeded by Hank Peterson, who will assume the mantle of Grand Knight for the first time. He will need plenty of love, encouragement and support from all the rest of us, as we all work together to ensure that Santa Barbara Knights of Columbus Council 1684 not only survives another 100 years, but thrives. Under the leadership of our incoming Grand Knight, let's redouble our efforts to make our Council responsive to the fraternal needs of a new generation of "practical Catholic" men of our region, and help them to experience the pride and happiness we've so often felt in serving our parishes and larger community as Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesu, Brothers! Mark R. Wietstock

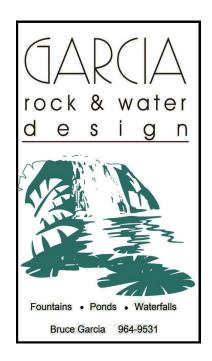
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Deacon's Corner:

50 YEARS OF SERVICE

atican II refocused the Church on its core mission, a call to evangelize by serving the world, by diakonia. In order to sacramentalize this call to diakonia the bishops restored the Order of the **Permanent Diaconate** after a hiatus of more than 700 years. Pope Francis in a recent speech to the Roman Curia reminded the Church to live and serve with a "diaconal conscience," that is, to have hearts of service to the world. Deacons are ordained to be ministers of charity and service, and so serve as sacramental reminders of the Church's mission to bring the healing love and mercy of Christ into the world. We are called, as well, to bring their stories back

to the Church so that the Church herself may become a more perfect instrument of mercy in the world. Deacons are also meant to be a beacon -- reminding each one of us that we are all called by baptism to live out this same mission of service to our broken world.

In 2018 we mark the 50th anniversary of the restoration of the Permanent Diaconate in the United States. Since that time the diaconate has grown to more than 19,000 deacons in the U.S.

We are taught not so much to worry about those sitting in the pews as those who aren't

Deacon Randy

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FOR MAY AND JUNE HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO BROTHER KNIGHTS

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Mike Engler

CALIFORNIA LAWMAKERS SEEK TO LEGALIZE PRESSURING PEOPLE, INCLUDING MENTALLY ILL PEOPLE, COMMIT SUICIDE

Pemember in 2015 when Gov. Jerry Brown signed the bill that made it legal for doctors to give people poison to kill themselves ("assisted suicide")? Our lawmakers promised that the bill, the "End of Life Option Act," would bar people from pressuring others to commit suicide.

But now the pro-life Life Legal Defense Foundation (LLDF), which fights for patients' rights, reports that "California has gone so far as to require state-run mental hospitals to provide assisted suicide drugs to any patient who requests them—including patients who are hospitalized because of a suicide threat or attempt." And AB 282, a proposed new law that the Assembly has already passed, would go even farther.

LLDF says that "AB 282 (Jones-Sawyer) expressly exempts from criminal prosecution 'aiding, advising, or encouraging' physician-assisted suicide. The bill's authors allege that the bill is merely a 'technical clean-up' to the Penal Code after the implementation of the 'End of Life Option Act' in 2016. In reality, AB 282 allows actions that the authors of the End of Life Option Act promised the public would not be permitted—namely, placing pressure on vulnerable patients to prematurely end their lives."

"Medical literature," LLDF explains, "indicates that up to 77 percent of people diagnosed with a terminal illness suffer from major depression. ... Under ABA 282, terminally ill patients—many of whom are suffering from depression, anxiety, and other mental health conditions—will be aided, advised or encouraged to request and ingest a lethal prescription. ... "

Chillingly, "The End of Life Option Act also permits a person who stands to benefit from the patient's death (such as a health care facility owner or beneficiary) to sign a patient's request for aid-in-dying drugs. AB 282 would allow an 'interested witness' to legally aid, advise and encourage a patient to commit suicide—and sign off on the method of suicide—while gaining financially from the patient's death."

If AB 282 becomes law, adult children lusting for inheritances will pressure their sick, depressed parents to commit suicide. "Friends" of childless patients will pressure them, too. Moral: either never get seriously ill, or make sure AB 282 goes no farther.

Mike Engler, Pro-Life Chairman





Life Insurance Message

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MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT: ON LINE MEMBERSHIP NOW IN CALIFORNIA

April 2018

Dear Brothers and Families,

The Supreme Council has conducted numerous listening sessions and surveys with both members and non-members over the last few years. Among the many findings was a strong indication that the Supreme Council should develop a new, online way to recruit potential members and form those men for committed, lifelong membership in the Knights of Columbus.

This new fraternal program seeks to help the Order maintain sustainable long-term membership growth by providing the opportunity for membership throughout the modern man's life cycle. This streamlined alternative helps acclimate men to the Order. Once a man has joined online, we will then work to incorporate him into a council and get him fully integrated with its activities.

This initiative is an important step for our Order, and presents a tremendous opportunity for membership growth and engagement. The initiative allows for:

- A Faster Way to Join One of the most common objections to joining the Knights of Columbus is "I don't have time." Through Online Membership, a join process that can take as many as two months now takes five minutes.
- A Digital Experience –This initiative provides a new membership experience that is tailored to younger men and busier men who may not yet be ready for council-based membership. This low-pressure, low-commitment and digital experience meets men where they are, helps to form them as Catholic men, and enables us to bring more men into the fold.
- An Amplified Message The Online Membership initiative is backed by a substantial marketing campaign that will find and work to convert prospective members.

The Online Membership Initiative:

- Does not change requirements for membership. Membership in the Knights of Columbus remains open to practical Catholic men.
- Does not eliminate degrees. Men who join online are non-degreed members. Once they are ready to convert to a local council, they are required to take the first degree.
- Does not eliminate councils. The goal of online membership is to form men for committed, lifelong and council- based membership in the Knights of Columbus. In fact, Online Membership creates a pool of recruits for local councils to engage with.
- Does not eliminate dues. Online Members are required to pay \$30 annual dues.
- Does not create a new class or type of member. Online Members are members of the Knights of Columbus. They are non-degreed members, and they do not belong to local councils, but they are not provisional or partial members.

To learn more about this new initiative, go to www.kofc.org and left click on the New Member tab.

Fraternally Yours,

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Life Insurance Message



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May 2018

Dear Brothers and Families,

The following information can play a significant part in your estate and tax planning.

Exclusions:

The annual exclusion for gifts is \$11,000 (2004-2005), \$12,000 (2006-2008), \$13,000 (2009-2012) and \$14,000 (2013-2017). **In 2018, the annual exclusion is \$15,000**.

The basic exclusion amount (or applicable exclusion amount in years prior to 2011) for gifts is \$1,000,000 (2010), \$5,000,000 (2011), \$5,120,000 (2012), \$5,250,000 (2013), \$5,340,000 (2014), \$5,430,000 (2015), \$5,450,000 (2016), \$5,490,000 (2017), and \$11,180,000 (2018).

Tax Cut and Jobs Act, Pub. L. No. 115-97:

Under this law, the basic exclusion amount for an estate tax return for a 2018 date of death increases to \$10,000,000, before taking into account the necessary inflation adjustment. The 2018 amount that includes the inflation adjustment ha snot yet been released. This information will be updated on IRS.gov as soon as it becomes available. See

www.irs.gov/businesses/small-businesses-self-employed/whats-new-estate-and-gift-tax

This information is important to note when you are looking at options to lowering your tax liabilities. Making annual gifts up to the exclusion (\$15,000 in 2018) is a good way to reduce your taxable estate without any negative side effects.

Consider the following scenario. You and your wife want to gift monies (or property – fair market value) to your children and grandchildren in order to take advantage of the Annual Exclusion for Gifts. If your son is a member of the Knights of Columbus, he can make an application for a Single Premium Whole Life (SPWL) policy for himself, his wife and his children under the age of 18. While he is the applicant, you and/or your wife can be the owners and payors of the single premium. This single premium will generate a remarkable insurance face amount. Here are three actual examples I ran for young children of grandparents.

Grandchild #1 is a male 3 years of age. A SPWL policy would generate \$161,982 in immediate face value. The policy does not expire until the child reaches 120 years of age. The death benefit increases annually if dividends earned remain in the policy. Not only does the policy create a remarkable death benefit, it builds up cash value which may be used as collateral for student loans, mortgages, etc.

Grandchild #2 is a male of 6 years of age. Following the same scenario as for Grandchild #1, the face value would be \$145,917. And, grandchild #3 is a male of 8 years of age. With a \$15,000 SPWL the face value would be \$135,343. These are outstanding avenues of leveraging your money utilizing the Annual Gift Tax Exclusion.

Peeked your interest? Give me a call to discuss this further.

NOTE: Always consult your financial planner or tax accountant in matters pertaining to taxes.

Fraternally yours,

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PASSING OF BROTHER KNIGHT PAUL MARTIN JARCHOW

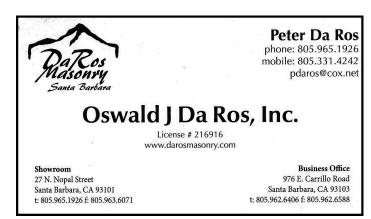
Beloved Husband of Maribel, devoted Father of Paul J. (Angela), Martin R. (Mimi), Mary C. (Israel Gutierrez) Died peacefully, surrounded by his Family at the age of 84 on December 3, 2017. Paul was born in Chicago on April 28, 1933 to Ethel and William Jarchow. Raised in

Chicago, IL, Paul moved to Santa Barbara where he raised his family.

He graduated from Loyal Academy, John Carrol University and Northwestern University with a Master's Degree in Hospital Administration. Paul was a faithful Catholic and Knight of the Holy Sepulcher. He is survived by his grandchildren, Peter, Shelby, Max, and Mason Jarchow; and Makoa and Malia Gutierrez. He is also survived by his older brother, Dr. Brian Jarchow and his wife Terry. Paul was the proud Uncle of Therese Brown, Nancy Beckstrom, Craig Jarchow, Brian Jarchow, Anne Vejvoda, Patti Thurston, Julie Mann, John Lesch and Thomas Lesch. Mass of the Resurrection was held at our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church in Montecito on Thursday, December 7th, followed by interment at Santa Barbara Cemetery. Monetary donations can be made to Mt. Carmel Church or Catholic Charities of Santa Barbara. To leave an online memory or condolence, visit www.wrhsb.com. Arrangements entrusted to Welch-Ryce-Haider Funeral Chapels.

For our brother knights of Council 1684, Paul will be missed.





In Memory of our Brother Knight John Connolly

John was surrounded by his loving family when he went to be with the Lord after having fought complications of Leukemia. He was the son of Peter and Mary Connolly of County Cavan and County Monaghan, Ireland.

John was raised in Manchester, England and was very proud of his Irish heritage. At 28, he immigrated to New York with his brother Peter. The two of them worked their way west until they found Santa Barbara. In 1965 John returned to England to marry the love of his life and wife of 52 years - Yvonne. They came back to Santa Barbara where they created a life together.

As a painting contractor, his first job was painting the Cold Springs bridge, known to the family as the, "John Connolly bridge." He was also known for painting rocket launch towers at Vandenberg AFB. Having an entrepreneurial spirit, John went into Real Estate Development and Acquisition. After many successful years he retired and turned the business over to his wife and eldest son, Sean. John valued hard work and often worked long hours. His life epitomized the American Dream; a true rags to riches legacy. He was known to all as a true gentleman, kind, smart, funny and gracious. There wasn't anything he wouldn't do to help others, especially family, to get their start here in SB. He enjoyed traveling with his wife and visiting family "back home" in England and Ireland as often as possible. He was known for his infamous wink, thumbs up, and saying, "Just keep on plugging!"

John will be lovingly remembered by his wife, Yvonne, and his siblings: Kevin, Mary (UK) and Tony; his 4 children: Sean (Karin) Connolly, Joanne Curley (Dallas, TX), Kathleen Connolly McKinney, Brendan (Antonia) Connolly. The pride and joy of his life were his 9 grandchildren: Nicholas, Kennedy (Dallas, TX), Robert, Katherine, John, Zoey, Ashley, Brady and Jude.

Special thanks to his wonderful doctors: Mukul Gupta MD, Julie Taguchi MD, Dr. Nguyen, and the absolutely amazing ICU nurses who cared for him in Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital MICU. The Connolly family would also like to thank family and friends who prayed for John and continue to do so.

A Rosary was said at McDermott-Crocket Mortuary on Friday evening of April 13 and on Saturday April 14 members of our Council attended a Mass honoring John at San Roque Church.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to either of the following: Gary Sinise Foundation for Wounded Veterans, or Ridley Tree Cancer Center (http://www.cfsb.org).



HISTORY OF KNIGHT'S OF COLUMBUS - ONE CHRISTIAN FAMILY 1979 - 1999

In his 1981 apostolic exhortation *On the Role of the Christian*Family in the Modern World, Pope John Paul II wrote, "The future of humanity passes by way of the family" (Familiaris Consortio, 86). The pope's emphasis on the central importance of the family for the health of the Church and society reinforced the Knights' mission. Likewise, when John Paul II published an apostolic exhortation on the role of the laity in 1988 and an encyclical on the Gospel of Life in 1995, the Order urged Catholics everywhere to embrace these teachings and even published study guides to accompany the documents.

During John Paul II's pontificate, the Knights also strengthened their ties to the universal Church through increased support of the Vatican. In 1981, the Order established the Vicarius Christi Fund, annual earnings of which are presented to the pope for his personal charities. The Knights then underwrote a series of major restorations at St. Peter's Basilica in anticipation of the Jubilee Year.

In Evangelium Vitae, the pope called the Church "a people of life and for life," a description that the Knights sought to live up to through personal witness and efforts to build a pro-life culture. The Order also furthered the work of re-evangelization within the Church through several initiatives in Catholic education: support of Catholic schools, scholarship funds for Catholic seminaries and universities, and the establishment of a North American campus of the Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family

In addition to celebrating the fifth centenary of the evangelization of the New World, the Order also honored contemporary models of holiness. Supreme Knight Virgil C. Dechant presented Mother Teresa with the inaugural Gaudium et Spes Award in 1992, and the Archdiocese of Hartford officially opened the cause for Father McGivney's canonization, with the Knights' support, in 1997.

- 1979: The Order holds its first Marian Hour of Prayer program. Images of Our Lady of Guadalupe circulate among the Order's councils.
- 1979: In cooperation with the U.S. bishops, the Order underwrites the filming of Pope John Paul II's first pastoral visit to the United States.
- 1979: The Knights establishes a \$1 million Father Michael J. McGivney Fund for New Initiatives in Catholic Education to be administered by the National Catholic Educational Association. Annual proceeds are used to this day to finance programs that advance Catholic schools.
- 1981: The Order establishes the Vicarius Christi Fund, with annual earnings used for the pope's personal charities. The initial fund of \$10 million is increased to \$20 million in 1988.
- 1981: The Order begins a four-year restoration of St. Mary's Church, the birthplace of the Knights. The renovations include work on the organ, floors, pews, ceilings, statues and more. The project is capped by the placement of a 179-foot steeple atop the church.

- 1982: The Knights of Columbus celebrates its centennial. President Ronald Reagan attends the Order's 100th annual convention. Also in attendance is Cardinal Agostino Casaroli, who is sent by Pope John Paul II as the pope's personal envoy.
- 1982: The Order establishes several funds to help finance studies for priests and seminarians in Rome at pontifical colleges. These funds have been increased over the years to support seminarians and priests from the United States, Canada, Mexico and the Philippines.
- 1984: In recognition of the Order's volunteer service, President Ronald Reagan awards the Knights a President's Volunteer Action Award at White House ceremonies.
- 1985: The Order presents a mobile television production unit to the Vatican Television Center for the taping, recording and transmission of papal ceremonies. It is used during Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev's historic visit with Pope John Paul II that same year.
- 1985: The Order agrees to underwrite the restoration of the 65,000-square-foot facade of St. Peter's Basilica, the first time it has been cleaned in more than 350 years. Several subsequent projects have taken place at St. Peter's, including the restoration of chapels and of the Holy Year Door.
- 1988: Mother Teresa visits the Supreme Council office. The Order agrees to print copies of her Constitutions of the Missionaries of Charity, prayer cards and other religious items, a project that continues to this day.
- 1988: The Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family opens a North American branch in Washington, D.C., with funding from the Knights. Carl A. Anderson is the institute's first vice president and dean.
- 1989: The Bicentennial of the U.S. Hierarchy Fund is established in the amount of \$2 million to benefit The Catholic University of America. Earnings from the fund pay for projects at the university each year.
- 1992: The Knights celebrates the fifth centenary of evangelization in the Americas. Replicas of the Cross of the New World presented to Pope John Paul II on his pastoral visit to Santo Domingo in 1984 are distributed by the Knights and used in dioceses throughout the Order in prayer services highlighting the theme of evangelization.
- 1992: Mother Teresa is presented with the Order's first Gaudium et Spes Award at the 110th Supreme Convention in New York. The "Joy and Hope" award acknowledges her contributions to the Church and the world.
- 1995: The Order co-sponsors with the Diocese of Brooklyn, N.Y., Pope John Paul II's Mass at Aqueduct Racetrack during the pope's pastoral visit to the United States.
- 1997: The Archdiocese of Hartford officially opens the cause for canonization of Father Michael J. McGivney with support from the Knights of Columbus. The Father McGivney Guild is established to promote the cause.

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