



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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Fr. Heslin Council #2557

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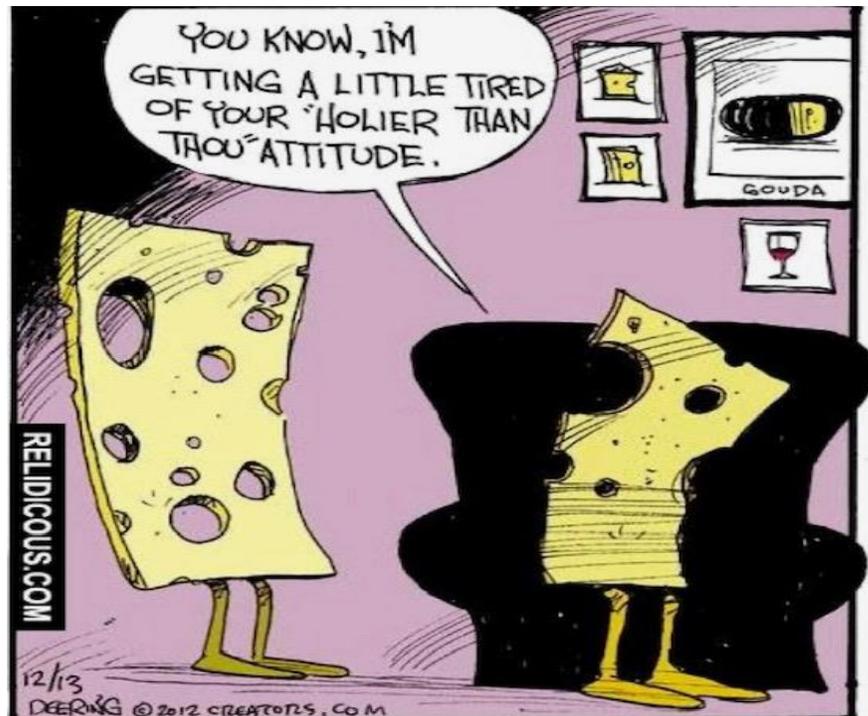
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<p>Meetings and events</p>	<p>Our Insurance Agent</p>
<p>Fr. Heslin Council Tuesday October 6th at 7pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall</p> <p>Monsignor Alvernaz Assembly Meetings have been move to virtual on line. Contact Faithful Navigator Steve Reyes for more information and link to virtual meeting for October 1st.</p> <p>Father Giles Assembly is currently hosting virtual Zoom meeting. 4th Thursday of the month.</p>	<p>A few (3 Brother Knights) had a privilege to meet with Andres Contreras online meeting that was held on May 28th at 7pm. He had a treasure trove of information on Life Insurance and Annuities and other services that the Knights of Columbus prides. He is very friendly and easy to talk to, and very knowledgeable and didn't skip a beat in answering all of our questions. Please give him a call for any insurance questions.</p> 
<p>Mass TV Schedule</p>	<p>Council News</p>
<p>Mass on TV For the Brother Knights that are unable to physically make it to church for Mass because of injury or illness, here is a schedule for Sunday from two channels on TV that I know of. I would like to add more from other TV services by asking my Brother Knights if they would send me the information with the Name of</p>	<p>A LOOK INTO COUNCIL HISTORY:</p> <p>I thought it would be helpful information to Council members on how we thru Columbian Properties acquired property and eventually ending up owning a meeting hall. I feel it timely as the Council will be launching a debt retirement campaign shortly on the current hall.</p> <p>Thanks to Dennis Serpa, a history report written by Dennis's Father, Manuel Serpa, in his own handwriting in 2004 was forwarded to me. Mr. Serpa was a key player in the endeavor to have a Council Hall. I retyped the report to make it more readable.</p> <p><i>We started a Columbian Properties Corporation so that one day, the Knights could have their own hall. Knowing that the Knights of Columbus can't have property in their name, so we had to start a corporation.</i></p>

provider, Channel, and Mass times.

Sunday Mass TV

Schedule

Local Channel

Channel 40 KTXL at

5:50am-6:00am

On DirecTV

Channel 370 EWTN at

5:00am-6:10am

Channel 370 EWTN at

9:00am-10:10am

You Tube

Go to the search box and type in "Sacred Heart Church, Turlock" and hit enter and you will see the dates of the Masses as well as images. Just select the Mass you want to see and enjoy Mass with Father Pat.

A corporation will have a group of 12 members as Directors, which will have all the say in the operation of the corporation. The Directors will all be elected from the Council membership.

In 1983 the Council appointed a building committee composed of Dennis Serpa (chairman), Juan Orosco, Edward Kearley, Frank Garcia, Manuel Serpa, and Harry Stone. Immediately I contacted the Supreme Advocate for more information. He was very cooperating. Supreme Advocate, Pat Donlin, and I became very good friends. He came to Calif. 3 times during my year as State Deputy (1980) to help me with some State legal business. I learned a lot from him about K. of C. business. He was a real friend. I asked him a lot of questions, especially about By-Laws. Here is one of his letters (read) Note: letter missing.

The Supreme Council became eager to help me with this new Council adventure, especially knowing me from my year as State Deputy, (1980) being one of the top 4 State Deputies receiving the Membership Award in USA. All of us got a free 2- week Caribbean cruise all paid for.

Back to By-Laws: After revising the Supreme By-Laws the committee wrote a new set of By-Laws which were approved by Supreme Advocate W. Patrick Donlin and by State of Calif. March Fong Eu, and by the IRS in 1984.

Later 1984 we were ready to shop for a lot which we could build a hall later. We had \$16,500 saved from 10% dues building fund. We soon found a lot on Lander Ave. with a house which was rented for \$300 per mo. which would give more income. The price was \$69,500. We purchased it, we paid \$16,500 down and got a bank loan on the balance.

We went on for 8 years, by 1992 we were getting help from the Fair Booth on the building fund.

In 1992 we started thinking of building a hall on our lot. We got 2 bids but could not financially make a deal, so we started looking for a used hall. The committee saw 2 halls one was not accepted, the other was too high. In the meantime, we saw this hall for \$80,000 needed some work but very good (Old Jehovah Witness Hall on 220 S. Broadway) We immediately put our lot for sale for \$120,000. The party next door showed some interest. After negotiating a few days, we sold the lot. The committee was very pleased, everything was going our way. We soon got bids on the work and completed the job on the hall as it is today. (some remodeling done)

In 1994 after all pros and cons we paid all bills and had a balance of \$60,000 cash which we invested in American Funds paying \$347 per

mo. Since then the value of the Funds has dropped but stall pay over \$300 per mo. In later years we accumulated another \$14,000 which we invested with Franklin Funds paying \$72 per mo.

This being our 20th anniversary Columbian Properties have shown a tremendous progress. We can continue by having the cooperation of the Council and Officers. Mr. Serpa reports that rules have been broken and chair and tables have been removed from the hall. The report finishes with the accounting of the 2003/2004 year for Columbian Properties showing a net gain of \$704.89 with income being \$7712.00 and expenses \$7007.11

I will research the Council minutes of this time period to answer questions like: Who guaranteed the original loan? What bank? How long was it at 10% put into the building fund, etc., etc.

Richard Fantazia

Our Council continues to assist with Confessions

The Church has asked Fr. Heslin Council to assist with confessions. We were also were tasked with creating a plastic with PVC tubing frame "Divider" to provide protection for our priests. We assist with making sure 6 feet of space is always respected and providing a one way in thru the church and one way out thru the chapel.

Our council continues to show its presence in the church and show that we are here to support the church's needs.

Outdoor Masses

As we continue our outdoor Masses for the last couple of months, and the majority of the Knights are Ushers and have been tasked with setting up stage and ensuring that everyone keeps their distance when receiving the Holy Eucharist.

The last Mass is on Sunday at 10:30 am which at the end of that Mass we need help covering altar, and putting away lights as well as depositing the donations in the church. Please consider assisting the rest of the Brother Knights after Mass.

We need to continue to help our Church and priests during these challenging times.

Jesse Acevedo

Please continue supporting Sacred Heart School. If you are interested and are considering sending your child to Sacred Heart School, please contact the Principal. Her contact information is down below.

Mrs. Sara Michelena

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Sacred Heart School Turlock
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From Newsletter Staff

Your Newsletter Staff consists of Brother Knights; Richard Fantazi, Gil Esquer, Don Grishaw, Paul Lecioni, Patrick Germann, Angel Delgadillo, Steve Reyes, Randy Altheide and Jesse Acevedo.

If you enjoyed an article they did or would like to make suggestions, please let them know because our newsletter wouldn't be possible without them.

Churches from Around The World

Parroquia Nuestra Señora de la Merced, San José, Costa Rica.





Don Grishaw

Know Your Brother- LEROY CATANIA



Leroy has been a Knight of Columbus for 40 years. Besides being a member of Fr. Heslin Council, he is a 4th Degree Knight and a member of Father Giles Assembly. He lives in Turlock on his ranch with his beautiful wife Dolores. He has one daughter and four grandchildren. Leroy attended Mountain View Grammar School and Turlock High School. He continued his education at MJC and then at CSU Stanislaus where he majored in Business and Music. He

remembers attending CSUS classes at "Turkey Tech" on the county fairgrounds in the '60s when Stanislaus State was first formed. During his career, Leroy worked for 21 years as Assistant Vice President of First Interstate Bank. Next, he worked for 18 years as an insurance agent for All State Insurance, and for the past 15 years he has been a real estate agent for Century 21. He has a vast amount of knowledge to share with future homeowners thanks to his experience in banking, insurance, and real estate.

Leroy loves getting together with his Brother Knights whether it be for an event, a fundraiser, a meeting, helping at church, or just helping a brother out. He really appreciates the good that we do, the camaraderie with his Brother Knights, and the spirituality we share as Brother Knights.

Outside of the Knights, Leroy enjoys playing his baritone in local bands including MoBand, Hilmar Community Band, Music Cadets Marching Band, CSUS Concert Band, and Gottschalk's Music Band. During his junior and senior years of high school, Leroy was named California's Top Baritone Player by the California Music Teachers Association. Leroy's other hobbies include visiting local estate and yard sales with his wife Dolores on Fridays and Saturdays. He enjoys collecting antiques, restoring furniture, and all kinds of collectibles. He has plenty of room in his garage and his barn on the ranch for his collection, some of which he keeps and some of which he restores and sells. He has been a member of American Pickers, a group of collectors who like to frequent estate sales, for over 20 years.

Leroy looks forward to Saturday 5:00 PM Mass at Sacred Heart each week where has been the Head Usher for the last 20 years. It's one more chance to see his Brother Knights and lend a helping hand to his church. Leroy's advice to his Brother Knights is, "Join when you're young. Get involved and get your family involved. Remember that behind every good man is a good woman. Our wives support us by holding down the fort when we are at KC meetings and KC events. Be sure to include your wife and children at the KC family events!"

Don Grishaw

Fr. Heslin History

With the passing of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, the United States Supreme Court is once again at the forefront of the national news. President Trump's pick will have a difficult time getting confirmed, a state mate is sure to arise, but unlike no other time, the new justice will face crucial cases, cases that may impact religious liberties. But what is the history of the United States Supreme Court and religious liberties. The core of the Knights of Columbus is to defend religious liberties. In the following cases the Knights have stood side by side, and supported in many ways to defend our religious rights.

Espinoza V. Montana Department of Revenue.

The case involved the State Department of Revenue of Montana who determined that under Montana Law, the small tax credit to taxpayers could not be awarded in the form of scholarships to anyone attending religious school. The Montana Court agreed, but in 2015 the United States Supreme Court reversed the decision in a 5-4 ruling as unfairly targeting people for their faith.

Little Sisters of the Poor V. Pennsylvania

The Affordable Care Act's requires that employers fund contraceptives, sterilization and abortifacients for employees. In 2016 the United States Supreme Court ruled unanimously in their favor, forcing the government to create an exemption to the health plan requirement for religious ministries.

Our Lady of Guadalupe School V. Morrissey-Berru

The Court ruled 7-2 in favor of two Catholic Schools who were sued by two ex-employees for failing to renew their contracts. The Court

cited the “ministerial exception,” which allows faith community to determine who is responsible for conveying its message and carrying out its mission.

May God help us on the next judicial Supreme Court Justice, may he/she defend Religious Rights with much fervor and faith.



Steve Reyes

AN EDITORIAL-THE WAY WE SEE IT

“THE SHADOW KNOWS” When I was a kid maybe 6-7 years old, there was a radio program that came on Sunday afternoons called the Shadow. The show always opened up with the narrator in an eerie voice announcing “what evil lurks in the hearts of men? The Shadow knows.” I was afraid of the Shadow, especially listening to the show with my two older brothers and them making up more creepy things about him and scaring me even more. Example. Making me believe that the Shadow could read my mind and heart and directly tell my Mom and Dad that I misbehaved. They also had me do things for them or else the Shadow would go after me if I didn’t do what they wanted. It took me a long time to figure out that was not true until I got older and realized, my brothers were being mean.

The Shadow was a crime fighter who was invisible to criminals by having the power to cloud men’s minds, thus undoubtedly, he caught criminals in the act. His other powers were to speak in any language, tremendous strength, defy gravity, and be a figure never seen only heard.

Fastrack to now, you don’t have to be the Shadow to see the evil that lurks in the hearts of men. You see it all around us and on TV, the destruction of property, the looting, the murders, the foul and vial language before your eyes and ears. The complete civil disobedience and protests veiled in so called peaceful protests.

Now knowing better and contrary to the Shadow, only God knows what is in our hearts, minds and our very soul and essence. Rather than the Shadow, the person that can most help us in our society's ills is the Blessed Mother thru the recital of the Rosary. The Rosary is a great gift to us and probably the best tool in our spiritual toolbox to equip us to face evil and keep us spiritually healthy. For you see, the Blessed Mother also possesses the power to speak any language, have tremendous strength, defy gravity, and be a figure only heard.

There is another classification of people that could fit the description of the Shadow. I confess that I was one of them, a Knights of Columbus member far removed from the activities of the Council, and thus only a shadow of myself to the Council. I took my Admission Degree in November of 1969 and was fairly active until the late seventies. In those days, as I recall, meetings bounced around and were held in the Sacred Heart Gym basement and the American Legion Hall. (we had no meeting hall) I worked the Scholarship Breakfast but was not a steady participant. At that time, it was hard to join the day teams of the Linquica Booth at the Stanislaus County Fair as it seemed that everyone wanted to work as it was fun. Some of the Knights were shut out of working because there were no slots available. Al Souza (recently deceased) finally invited my wife and I into his work crew. The eighty's and nineties were spotty for me and I was what some would say...a knife and fork member. I have Daniel Orosco, Gil Contreras, and Joe Ballas to thank for bringing me back to the Council.

We for some time have had a major problem with shadow members. (lost and not to be found) They number from seventy to eighty members and are shadows because we never see them physically, can't reach them by phone or email, can't knock on their door because they have moved with no forwarding address. Some of this may be faulty record keeping by us or by design not wanting to communicate or respond. For a healthy and vibrant Council to exist, the whereabouts of these members must be found out and vetted as it clutters up the roster and makes us a larger Council than what we really are. It also makes it more difficult to win awards that we are deserving of because of members in paper only. The Council does not force anyone to become members or to remain members (though it is recommended that you remain a member for life), but as a member, there are certain responsibilities that is expected of you. I know we are again preaching to the choir, as most of you receiving this Newsletter are active in one way or another and we are not reaching the main core of those absent from our ranks.

We are initiating the following action to reduce the number of Shadows: 1. A committee will attempt to make one last effort to contact an inactive member or one in arrears. 2. Those members that can't be found or contacted will be turned over to the State Council where a Bird Dog (Lost & Found Expert) will track the member down. (It is said that this expert has an almost 100% tracking record). 3. Once the member is contacted, every effort shall be made to retain him, and if that fails, the member will be required to submit a letter of resignation.(those refusing will be dropped as hostile and unreasonable) Let us all cooperate and get this task done. Let us strive to eliminate all the shadows that have become a burden on the Council. Remember, shadows prevent the full light of the Council to shine.

Richard Fantazia

Past Grand Knights

Elections...It seems like for the second half of the year 2020, we are experiencing election fever. We elected a new slate of officers for the council, as well as a few for Columbian properties. There was also, elections on the 4th degree as well. Shortly, we will have to elect a president for our country and all the other offices, including members for city council.

But, why is it important that we do?

In politics, it's all over the spectrum, and we can have discussions until the end of time. But, my focus will be on change in our council. By having elections, you can make changes to the "status quo" or everything being the same, every time. This can be difficult for organizations that want to keep everything the same. But, having elections can bring in new candidates that can bring new ideas and new energy to the council. That's the beauty of having a new Grand Knight every year, and I know some councils don't have that luxury, but it's what I enjoy see from our council. I am ecstatic that our current Grand Knight is bring back the Rosary before the meetings. That happened because we had elections and a change was a result. A change in thinking. That's exciting.

This is one of the reasons why I am concerned with myself as a past Grand Knight, to allow the current Grand Knight lead in their own way. And my fellow past Grand Knights should let the current Grand Knight do the same as long as he is within the by-laws.

As you may have heard, our by-laws are currently being update. These are in place to keep organization and guidance so that our council can function.

Another change that could have a huge impact in our council is “Burn the Mortgage” where the goal is to pay off the building’s mortgage, completely. The result would be FREEDOM!!!!

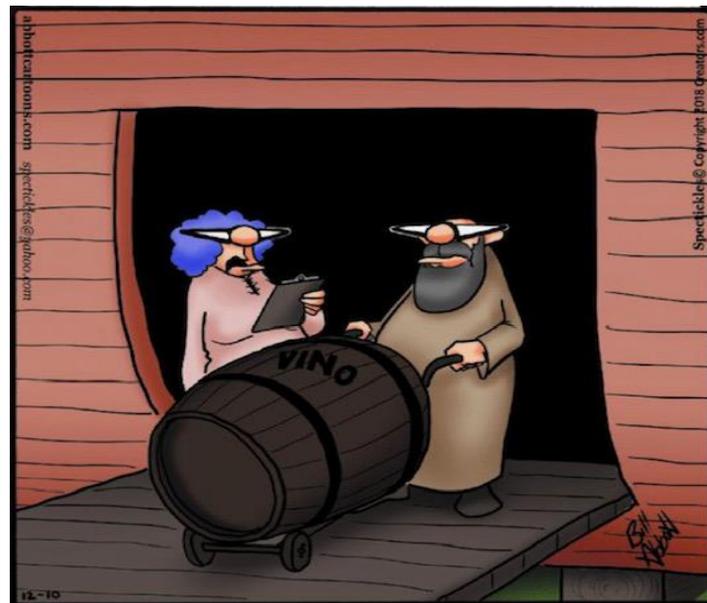
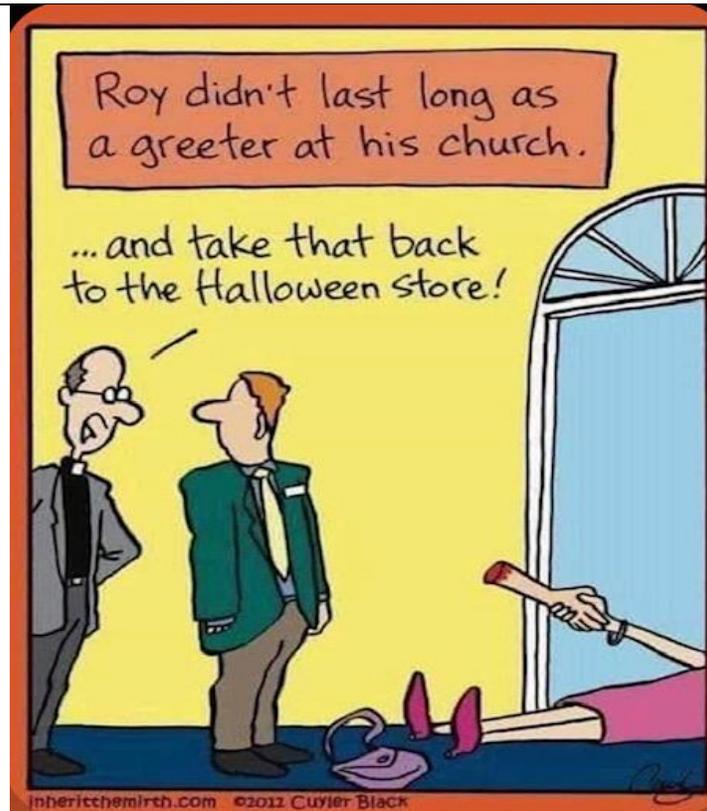
Freedom from always having to forfeit, at almost every event, 50% funds to the “building fund.” You can do this, our council can do this and together we can abolish the debt. We can have our investments match our donations, and put an end to the mortgage. We can recover our investment account once the mortgage has been paid at a lower percentage.

We need to get back to charity and like Supreme Knight Carl Anderson said, “Charity is our Order’s first principle and the basis for all we do as brother Knights.”

Our council has been very blessed and has had “more than enough” to operate. Covid-19 has made these times challenging and we need to continue to stand supporting our church, our school, and community. By embracing change, and new ideas, we could continue to make a better council.

Jesse Acevedo

Humor



"It's either another barrel of wine or the unicorns, Noah. There isn't enough room for both, so choose wisely."

Source: Pinterest