



San Joaquin Chapter & District June 2023 Newsletter

Worthy Brothers,

Our Chapter is holding in 3rd place as reported on May 15, 2023 at 62%. District 55 is in 7th place within the state, led by SK Lolly Gomez, with Council 14247 at 360% and Council 4784 at 180%. District 56 led by Sir Arthur Santiago is in 12th place within the state and has 3 councils at 100% or more. Council 1311 is at 200%, Council 10478 is at 125% and both Councils 10449 & 14431 are at 100%. District 60 led by Nelson Vasquez-Munoz is in 28th place and has 2 Councils at 100% or greater. Council 12780 is at 240% and Council 4178 is at 125%. District 57 led by Sir Jimmy Christensen has two Councils at 100% or greater. Council 10693 is at 108% and Council 16574 is at 100%. Congratulations to all the District Deputies and Officers of those districts and councils. We are proud of each of you. Let us keep up the momentum and continue to be all that we can be. My personal goal for each of us and all that we do is that we continue to evolve to be "ALL THAT WE CAN BE". The finish line is now in sight. Let us finish strong and make it Happen.

On May 18 and 19 and we Co-Hosted a Hospitality Suite with NorCal. Thanks to Sal Di Marco, Lou Salvatore from Chapter 1 and Don Marcetti, Bill Nahorn III, Glen Hollenhorst, Gil Esquer, and all the others that were there and help where they could with our Hospitality. OH! Almost forgot, I was nominated as one of our State Delegate for the upcoming 141st Supreme Convention coming up on Aug. 1, 2, and 3 where I will be honored to attend and represent our Chapter and State.

At our fourth Chapter meeting this year, we had 36 attendees hosted at St. Gertrude in Stockton Council 1311 lead by Richard Valerio. For those that missed this meeting you also missed out on a great dinner. Thanks Council 1311 and GK Richard. Meeting minutes published on our [KC-EPCS](#) app. Did you know that you can publish, post, upload photos, or videos directly from your Smart Phones?

THANKS to all councils that stepped up and hosted one of our Chapter meetings. To our other Councils we ask that you please step up and host one of our upcoming Chapter meetings. Full details can be found on the following link: [Chapter Meeting Schedule](#). If your Council doesn't have the capacity to hold one of our Chapter meetings, please reach out to a neighboring Council and co-host one. All the Councils that have hosted a Chapter meetings have reported that the experience has been overwhelmingly positive and were happy to participate and meeting the officers, learning what and how our Chapter helps and makes a difference. I have been told several times that they were unaware of all that is going on.

Our upcoming meeting on [June 8, 2023](#) hosted by the Msgr. Ken at Our Lady of Fatima, Host Council 1986, GK: Sir Edmundo Arellano. We need each of you at this meeting where you will nominate and vote for our new slate of officers. See our [proposed list](#) as published on our [website](#).

Our upcoming fraternal year starts with our July 13, 2023 meeting. Our meeting schedule is now open and we ready to accept hosting for the rest of 2023 and all of 2024 meetings. Just FYI: No Chapter meetings in May, Aug, Oct, and Dec. We do however have openings for our upcoming July, September, and November meetings to complete 2023. So, please step and select a month that you can and will host or Co-Host one of our upcoming [Chapter meetings](#). Let's keep the momentum going and be all that we can be.

Our Chapter supports all our Assemblies and we recognizes the outstanding job that each have been doing in supporting our Most Rev. Bishop Cotta, our communities, and local events. Have a look at all that they have done: [Call out Schedule](#). Since the beginning of this year we have already supported 54 callouts and will be adding another 13 in June. Thanks to each of you and your Assemblies for all your support of our callouts and stepping up to make a difference. Stepping up supporting one another has made a tremendous impact and we are more visible and this has already resulted in new Honor Guards. [Check us out](#) and don't be bashful, step up and help us as we continue to grow & evolve supporting our Bishop, communities and local events as well as our Councils. We are the Patriotic arm of the Knights of Columbus and are the most publicly visible arm in the Knights of Columbus, our Dioceses of Stockton and our communities.

Our [KC-https://kofcchap6ca.org/kc-digital-app/EPCS](https://kofcchap6ca.org/kc-digital-app/EPCS) App is evolving and will has adopted a new slogan:

"4KofCbyKnights". This app is open to all members and Free. We are being noticed and called upon gaining traction. We

have many new items have been posted along with new Groups established. The success of our [KC-EPCS App](#) is in your hands. Much effort has been invested in both time and money to get this app up and running and we have secured the next year's subscription to keep it going. We have done our part, now it's up to you. Please know that we value AND encourage your feedback. This app supports getting your most current info out to all your members. Remember, it is for Knights only and is private and secure. It support both "Public" groups (Public to ALL members WITHIN THE APP ONLY) and Private Groups that is ONLY AVAILABLE to the Members you allow. All groups support having sub-groups. Your choice, and yes, any member can create a group or sub-group and any and all your content will not be censored by outside sources.

Our State Deputy has challenged all Councils to step up and finis strong. We, the San Joaquin Chapter 6 area has been charged with obtaining another 24 new members. This past Sunday, May 28, 2023 I personally attended an Exemplification at St. Michael's in Stockton where 4 new members were exemplified. Congratulations to our four new members. So, we are now at only 21 more new members to be brought in by June 30. Just a little reminder to all: Sir Isaac Newton said it best: A body that is in motion tends to remain in motion. SO WORTHY BROTHERS ALL, DO NOT APPLY THE BRAKES at the end of June and keep up the great job that each of you have been doing. I am proud to be a Knight and of each of you.

Important: We need and rely on each Council to use our "Council and Sick & Deceased Reports" for each Chapter Meeting. These are due no later than 2 days before that month's meeting and are to be sent to the Chapter Secretary, Don Grishaw (dcgrishaw@gmail.com) with CC: to the current CP (loug@kofcchap6.ca.org). These reports help us to help you and published within our minutes along with each council's attendance. (Note: Meeting minutes are published and available in our [KC-EPCS app](#))

Note: Each Council's GK or his representative are encouraged to attend our Chapter Meetings and get important information and updates to bring back to your Councils. The next Chapter meeting will be on **June 8, 2023** – at the Msgr. Kennedy Council 1896 in Modesto. Details are published on our [Website Homepage](#). Social time at 6:00 pm and dinner around 6:30 pm. All Councils needs to have at least one representative at each of our meeting. Meeting begins at 7:00 pm. We urge you to contact your DD if you are unable to attend and make sure that he has a copy of your [Council's Report](#) and the [Sick and Deceased Report](#) from your Council.

We are energized and look forward in working together to become the best that we can be. We need to continue focusing on "What we can Do" step up and be part of growing and evolving our brotherhood in each of our Assemblies, Councils, Districts and Chapter. The programs that Supreme and our State Council have identified promote doing just that. Remember our Second Degree – "UNITY" as together we can do so much more, so "Be All that We Can Be and Let's Make it Happen". If you need help, please reach out anytime and let me or one of our Chapter officers know. We promise to help or find the resources needed. If you find something that is out of date, needs to added, change, or has something missing, please let me know.

Remember to take the time and check our [Chapter Homepage](#), your [District's Homepage](#), and your local [Assembly's](#) home pages as there you will find the most current information.

Please remember that together **WE DO MAKE A DIFFERENCE** and I am proud of each of you. Let us continue to "Make it Happen and be all that we can be".

Reminder: This is an interactive newsletter where you can simply click on any of the content in **BLUE** that is **underlined** and it will open that content for you. It's all magic.

Blessed Fr. McGivney, Pray of US.

May God bless you and your families, keep you safe, and healthy.



Sincerely Yours in Christ
Lou Gervais, SJC CP, DD-58, +