

# Acknowledgement

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## Our Founder: Father Michael J. McGivney



Through the Knights of Columbus, Father McGivney gave Catholic laymen a new opportunity – the chance to grow in holiness while contributing to their parishes, communities and security of their families. Today, more and more Church leaders are recognizing his spiritual genius in animating the laity.

## Who are the Knights of Columbus?

The Knights of Columbus were founded in February of 1882 in New Haven, Connecticut by Father Michael J. McGivney. The first meeting consisted of 75 men who met in the church basement. At that time, Catholics in the United States were considered “second class citizens”. Father McGivney’s intent was to establish an organization whose purpose was to promote the dignity of all men (and women). He desired that this group would be based on solid catholic faith, help carry out the social teachings of the Church, care for the widows and orphans of its members, and provide opportunities for Catholics to demonstrate that they were equals in society.

The original principles of the Order were Charity and Fraternity. Several years later, these were expanded to the current four principles: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. These four principles have been the guide by which the Order and its Councils have carried out the works of charity. The Knights support the catholic faith by engaging in activities to enhance the interaction between members, and also all human beings regardless of their religious beliefs. They are characterized by strong patriotic citizens of the countries in which the Knights’ Councils are established.

Charity is the first principle of the Order. St. James reminds us that “faith without works is dead”. Thus, as Knights, we are committed to easing the plight of those less fortunate.

Unity is the second principle of the Order. In 1882, at a time hostile to Catholics, the founders relied on Unity to remain steadfast in their faith in order to claim their rightful place in society.

Fraternity is the third principle. Since poor Catholics were unable to buy insurance in the 1800’s, the Knights banded together to help one another in times of sickness, distress and death. This is why they formed an insurance program.

Patriotism is the fourth principle. It shows that Catholics are proud citizens of their respective country.

Where did the name “Knights of Columbus” come from? One should recall that the United States was founded by the English Pilgrims who were Protestants. During the early 1800’s, there was a very large immigration from Ireland. These immigrants were primarily Catholic. Many of the Protestants believed that these Catholics had more loyalty to the Catholic Church than to the United States. So during the Civil War, a group from Connecticut joined the Union Army and called themselves “The Red Knights”. When Father McGivney formed the Knights, he took the “Knights” part and added “Columbus” to honor the discoverer of the United States. The name illustrates that a Catholic discovered this country. Today, the Knights of Columbus has 1.7 million members in nearly 12,000 local councils in 13 countries.

## Prayer for the Canonization of Father Michael J. McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request).

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## The Founding of the Knights of Columbus

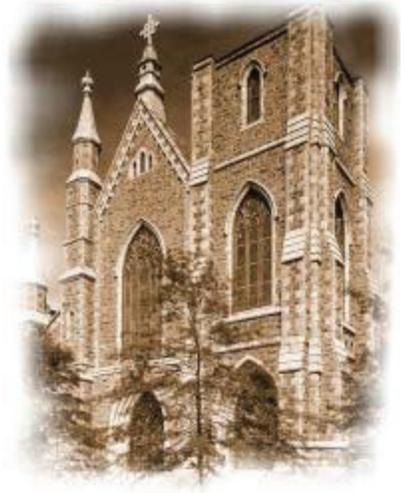
People who knew Father McGivney in the period of the 1880's were impressed by his energy and intensity. Father Gordian Daley later recalled, "I saw him but once, and yet I remember this pale, beautiful face as if I saw it only yesterday. It was a 'priest's face' and that explains everything. It was a face of wonderful repose. There was nothing harsh in that countenance although there was everything that was strong."

William Geary, one of the Order's charter members, said that at the first council meeting in 1882, he was "acclaimed as founder by 24 men with hearts full of joy and thanksgiving, recognizing that without his optimism, his will to succeed, his counsel and advice they would have failed."

Father McGivney had suggested Sons of Columbus as a name for the Order. This would bind Catholicism and Americanism together through the faith and bold vision of the New World's discoverer.

The word "Knights" replaced "Sons" because key members of the organizing group who were Irish-born Civil War veterans felt it would help to apply a noble ritual in support of the emerging cause of Catholic civil liberty.

In the first public reference to the Order on February 8, 1882, the New Haven Morning Journal and Courier said the Knights of Columbus' initial meeting had been held the night before.



On March 29, the Connecticut legislature granted a charter to the Knights of Columbus, formally establishing it as a legal corporation. The Order's principles in 1882 were "Unity" and "Charity." The concepts of "Fraternity" and "Patriotism" were added later. Each of these ideals played a major role in ceremonials from the beginning. The Columbus-linked themes, says historian Christopher J. Kauffman, "reverberated with pride in the American promise of liberty, equality and opportunity."



## Father Patrick Power Becomes Pastor

On March 4, 1879, Father Patrick Power was transferred to St. Michael's from a mining district in Northern California. Father Power was born near Waterford, Ireland. He was educated in Paris, France and was graduated from Carlow College in Ireland. He came to San Francisco in 1872, and was briefly assigned to St. Patrick Church on Mission Street before being assigned to the mining district.

The 6-foot tall Father Power was a man of action, possessed of both great physical strength and moral courage who was known never to have backed down from a challenge. In the nearly 36 years he served St. Michael's as pastor, Father Power did his best to make the entire community a more law-abiding, God-loving place in which to live. He did this by meeting both the material and spiritual needs of his people head-on. Father Power's new parishioners soon saw that hesitation was not in his vocabulary. By 1881, he had built a parish house so he would no longer have to impose on the Connolly family who lived near the church. And for \$310.00, he had purchased from Mr. M. McCollier ten acres out on East Avenue to establish a church cemetery.



Our Namesake, Father Patrick Power

## Father Power's Influence

By 1904, in his twenty-fifth year as pastor, Father Power had quite a list of accomplishments. The physical beauty of the church and the financial well being of his parish were visible signs. But he felt that strengthening the moral character of his parishioners, and, indeed, the entire community was his principle work. A newspaper of the time called him, "The greatest factor in the moral growth of Livermore. He never hesitated to use the pulpit to denounce any parishioner whose behavior had become notorious."

When a verbal reproof was inadequate, he could use physical persuasion. In his youth Father Power had taken boxing lessons to defend himself against unkind remarks about the Irish. He always kept himself in good physical condition. Once, when threatened with a stick by one of two brothers, incorrigible sons of a widow who asked for the Father's help, Father Power wrested the stick from the young man and gave the two of them the drubbing of a lifetime. We can imagine that they were duly impressed by the disciplinary prowess of Father Power, and were at Mass the following Sunday.

Livermore had a "hoodlum bell" that at 8:00 p.m. in the winter and 8:30 p.m. in the summer signaled the minors to be off the street. Father Power would walk around town with a stick enforcing the hoodlum bell ordinance.

He would oppose the city council or any politician on those occasions when their actions did not confirm to his standards. His outspokenness and forceful conduct endeared him to many, regardless of their religion or political affiliation. Father Power owned racehorses and was an authority on the pedigrees and performance records of trotters and pacers. He enjoyed hunting deer and pheasant. He owned several purebred greyhounds that he sometimes entered in dog trials.

As the city of Livermore grew, so did the frequency of the running of the Southern Pacific Railroad trains. The tracks ran between the church and the cemetery on East Avenue. Often the trains would interrupt the funeral procession. Once Father Power had enough, and when a train again approached the procession, he stood in the middle of the railroad tracks with his arms outstretched and stopped the train so the procession could proceed uninterrupted to the cemetery.

When trying to stop the Western Pacific Railroad from building railroad tracks that would cut through church property if a pending lawsuit were successful, Father Power had to be personally escorted from the site by Sheriff Barnet.

## Father Power's Greatest Accomplishment

From the start of his pastorate here, Father Power was very concerned that the children of the parish be well schooled in their religion. With the help of the ladies of the parish, Father Power taught Sunday school classes between the 9 and 11 o'clock Masses. A pupil of Father Power told that "While examining any class for First Communion, if anybody answered (by rote from the Old Baltimore Catechism) correctly, Father Power's next question was always, 'why so?' to check if we understood it." Sometimes he would go to the home of a child who played hooky and missed Catechism class to make sure they would be there the next week.

For a long time, Father Power had been concerned that there was no Catholic school for the children to attend. In 1910, he was finally able to start making arrangements for the construction of St. Michael's Academy. The school was completed in time for the 1913 school year. When Father Power turned his energies to building the parochial school, he was in failing health. Of all his accomplishments, Father Power personally considered the school to be his greatest. As he lay dying of pneumonia in 1915, he asked to be lifted up so he could look in the direction of the school and said: "Thank God, I got that finished."

## Father Power's Funeral

Father Power died on February 11, 1915. His passing was deeply felt, not just in the community, but also throughout the archdiocese. Besides the Rt. Reverend Edward Hanna, 119 priests attended the funeral service, Hundreds of people stood outside the church that was filled to capacity. Schools, businesses and even the saloons in Livermore closed during the time his funeral was being held.

In his eulogy, Father R.P. Lynch of San Francisco said of Father Power: "He was admired for his straightforwardness and manliness, his hatred of sham, and fearlessness in exposing it regardless of the consequences. He was uncompromising when it was a question of duty. He was loved for his undiplomatic frankness."

The Livermore Herald reported that the ceremonies were: "...a greater demonstration by members of his parish and his friends than was ever before accorded to a parish priest in the Diocese of California...". It was said that the funeral procession was one mile long and, "The people of the parish witnessed the sepulchre with eyes suffused with tears."



## The Chaplains of Council No. 4588



### The Lord's Prayer – The Our Father

Our Father Who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into  
temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**Amen**

### The Angelic Salutation – The Hail Mary

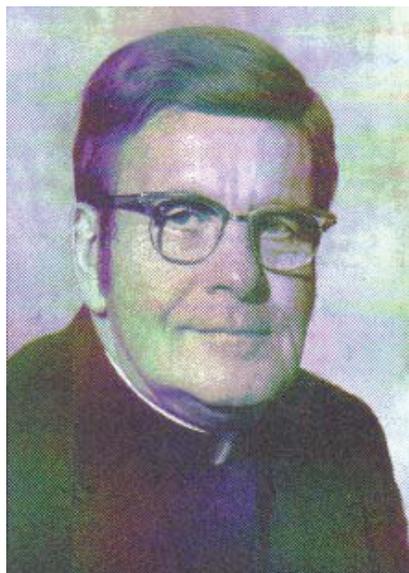
Hail Mary, full of grace! The Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners  
now and at the hour of our death.

**Amen**



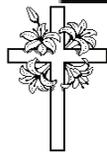
**Father Edward Higgins**  
1958



**Father Edmond Cloutier**  
1958 - 1959

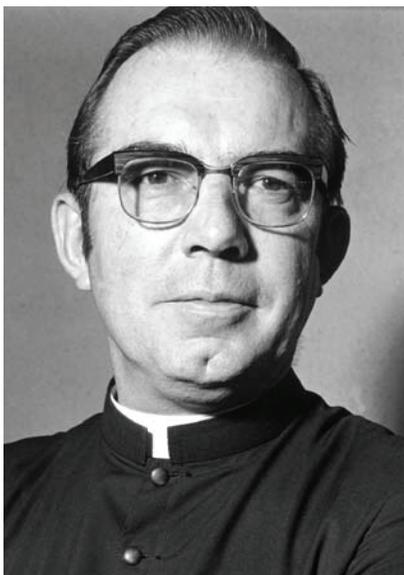


**Father  
William Hennessy**  
1959 - 1961

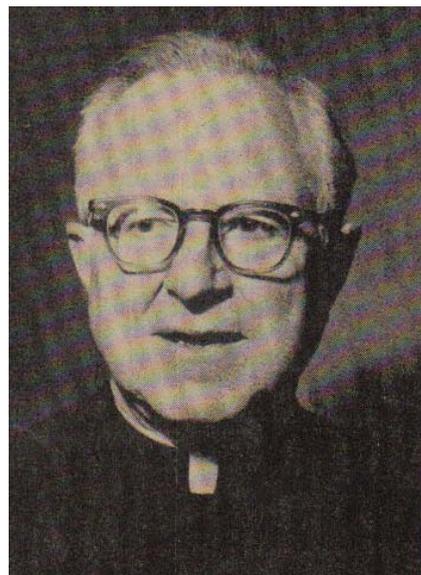


**Father Joseph Pier**  
1961 - 1965

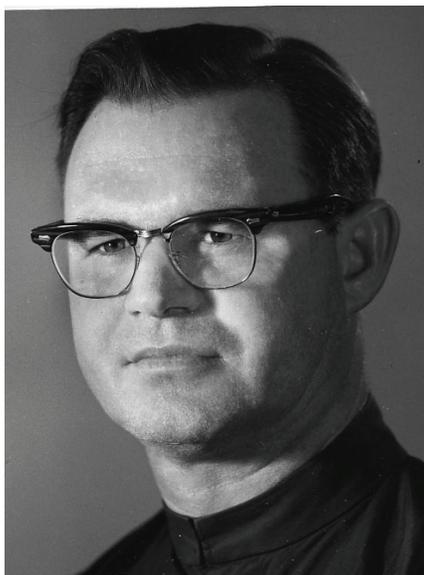
**Lord, open our eyes that we may see you  
in our brothers and sisters.**



**Father John Williams**  
1965 - 1968



**Monsignor Robert Quinn**  
1972 - 1979



**Father Edward Bratton**  
1979



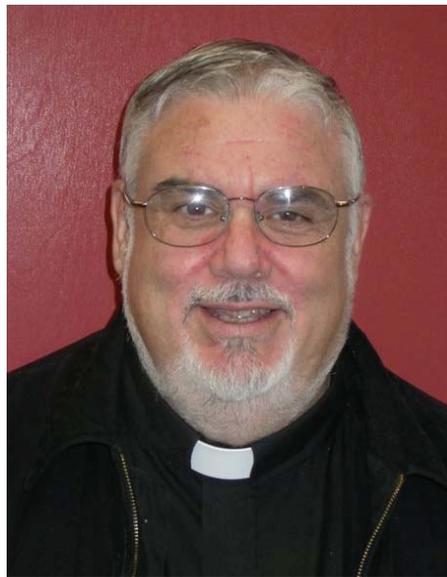
**Father Thomas Shadeg**  
1980 - 1985

**Lord, open our ears that we may hear  
the cries of the hungry, the cold,  
the frightened, the oppressed.**



**Father John R. Kenny**  
1985 - 1986

**Father Stanislaus Poon**  
1986 - 2006



**Father Robert Mendonca**  
2006 to Present

**Lord, open our hearts that we may  
love each other as you love us.  
May the Lord bless these great men for their many years  
of wisdom and guidance to our Council!**

# Father Stanislaus Poon

Father Stanislaus Poon was born in 1927 to a prominent Catholic Chinese family in Shanghai that traces its Catholic roots to the time of Marco Polo. He received his unique Polish first name since he was born on the feast day of Saint Stanislaus. His father named all his children after their Saint's feast day.

Young Stan grew up in Shanghai attending various Catholic schools culminating in his graduation from the Shanghai College of Law with a Law Degree. As a young lawyer learning the family business, he would translate Papal documents from Latin to Chinese in his spare time for Bishop Walsh of the Maryknoll Missionaries. Ultimately, this forced young Stan to leave China for Macao as a refugee when the Communists took over China in 1949.

Now, Stanislaus Poon found himself a refugee in a Portuguese colony without the support of his family. Not to be deterred, he began working with the Salesian Fathers in the refugee camp. During that time, he founded a trade school for the Salesian Fathers, which is still going strong today.

The Salesian Fathers knew they had a good prospect for the priesthood, but it took ten years before they convinced Stan to become a priest. Finally, he agreed, and was sent to Rome for his theological studies. He was ordained a Catholic Priest at the age of 35.

The Salesians then sent their new priest to Hong Kong to work with the local high school. This downtown Hong Kong Catholic School is still going strong today, educating grades K through 12.

Father Poon arrived in Los Angeles in 1971, and worked with Cardinal Manning for a couple of years as an associate pastor. He then transferred to the Oakland Diocese where he became associate pastor at the Assumption Parish in San Leandro. While there, he started a Knights of Columbus council, and personally recruited 85 new Knights.

In 1985, Father Poon became an associate pastor at the request of Bishop Cummins, under Monsignor Adams at Saint Michael Church in Livermore. He served twenty years as Chaplain to our council, retiring in 2006.

Father Poon is still active today, and at age 80 provides Catholic ministry to several Catholic Chinese communities throughout the Bay Area!

# Council No. 4588 Chaplain Background:

San Antonio and San Ramon, Calif.  
Saturday, December 22, 1979

## St. Mike's associate departs

LIVERMORE — The Rev. Edward Bratton, M.M., associate pastor at St. Michael's Catholic Church, has been reassigned and will be returning to the Maryknoll field Jan. 2.

Bratton, who came to Livermore in June 1977, was raised in Philadelphia and was ordained as a Maryknoll Missionary priest in 1947.

He worked in Africa for 14 years and was then transferred to Hawaii, where he remained 12 years. In 1973, he joined the Diocese of Oakland and served at St. Joseph's and St. Leander's before coming to St. Michael's.

As associate pastor here, Bratton has been active in many parochial activities in addition to his priestly duties, church representatives report. He served as an honorary chairman of the centennial celebration in 1978, and has taught several courses in the adult education program, including inquiry classes for Catholics and non-Catholics, adult religious discussion classes and teachings of the church.

Representatives report that while in Livermore, Bratton has made many friends and is well known for his perceptive speaking style. He has been affiliated with and worked with Monsignor Robert Adams, pastor, Monsignor Robert Quinn, associate pastor (now in San Diego), and Benedictine Father Kenneth Russell.



The Rev. Edward Bratton  
Back to missionary work

## St. Michael's new priest spent 14 years as a missionary in Tanzania, East Africa

By CHARAN K. WOLLARD

LIVERMORE — After 14 years in East Africa and a few more years in Hawaii, Father Edward Bratton calls the atmosphere of Livermore "very nice — I like being out in the open."

Father Bratton was recently assigned to St. Michael's Catholic Church to take the place of Father Denis Araujo, who was sent to St. John's parish in El Cerrito.

Originally from Philadelphia, Pa., Father Bratton was ordained as a priest in the Maryknoll Society in 1947.

Maryknoll is a missionary order, and the priest has spent time in Tanzania, Africa, as well as the Hawaiian Islands, ministering to the natives of those regions.

When he first arrived in Tanzania, it was to a mission of mud and grass which had been built by earlier missionaries. He and the other five priests and the nuns who were with them replaced the mission with a more substantial shelter.

Later, he was assigned to a tribe that had never had a priest before. He was well-received, however, because the natives have a lot of respect for the "white fathers."

The country is located on the equator, but according to the former missionary, only the low-lying areas are very hot. In the higher altitudes, the climate is warm, but pleasant with plenty of rainfall and excellent soil.

"It's basically an agricultural society, but it's all subsistence farming. The Americans and the Europeans try to

teach them our methods of farming, but they say 'why should we grow more than we need?' Then a drought comes and they have a famine," he said.

Cotton and a hemp-like plant used for rope-making are the primary crops, but sale and manufacture is strictly controlled by the government.

When the British first occupied the country, they imported Indians to build railroads, and encouraged the African natives to grow cotton. The Indians settled and now own most of the stores in the country, he said.

The Africans were taught to grow cotton and sell it to the British at fixed rates.

During his years in Tanzania, Father Bratton helped establish elementary schools for the native children. Boys and girls would attend classes taught by natives who had been taught by the missionaries and would learn to read, write and do simple arithmetic.

By the time they finished fourth grade, the students would be better educated than fourth grade American children, and would be fluent in three languages, including English.

Only the top 20 per cent of the students are allowed to continue their education, he said. Students from five primary schools would send their top graduates to a middle school, grades five through eight, where they would study history, reading and writing.

On completion of eighth grade, students would be allowed to teach the younger children, or return to their

villages.

Only the brightest students were allowed to attend high school.

There is only one university in the section of East Africa that includes Tanzania, Uganda and Kenya, so most students who want to attend college have to try for scholarships in England or the United States.

Most of the African children either never attend school or return to their villages after fourth grade.

The villages are actually just extended families belonging to one tribe. The more people in each village, the more land the tribe distributes to them, so there is a high premium on children.

The natives marry young, usually 15 or 16, using a dowry system in which a bride might cost as much as 40 cows.

"The reasoning is, the parents raised her for 15 years for the village of her husband, and they should be repaid for their care."

All of the villagers — men, women and children — work in the fields.

Occasionally, a young man from one of the villages will travel to a city to work, usually as a houseboy or a brick layer. But eventually, most of them return to their villages, he said.

"They save up enough to get a few shillings ahead, then buy a bicycle or maybe even a motorcycle — that's the real prize."

The area is not highly populated, roads are poor and even the missionaries traveled by bicycle or motorcycle.

Besides education, the missionaries have brought medical help to an area where malaria is an ever-present danger and the mortality rate for infants is close to six out of 10.

They also have brought Christianity. Father Bratton estimated that more than half of the missionaries in Tanzania are Catholic, and noted that the prime minister of the country is a well-educated Catholic "and a good man."

After leaving Africa, the priest spent a few years in Hawaii, which he called "a

land of contrasts." He described January days when the coastal areas would be warm and sunny, but snow could be seen on top of a nearby mountain.

He left Hawaii because that mission is slowly being phased out and will be turned over entirely to native priests within the next 20 years.

Most recently, he served at St. Joseph's Parish in Alameda and at St. Leander's Parish in San Leandro. He has come to St. Michael's as assistant pastor.

## Church of Scientology defends family unit

SAN FRANCISCO — The Church of Scientology recently released an audio cassette designed to directly communicate with relatives and family of younger members of the church.

The 45-minute taped sermon by a Scientology minister was released July 9 at PSA Hotel San Francisco.

According to the Rev. Jeff Quiroz of the San Francisco church, the tape "shows that the church is very concerned about the survival of the family unit. We want to ensure that friends and family of Scientologists fully understand the church and its activities, and thereby increase mutual understanding."

Also released is a 63-page booklet containing references, press articles, affidavits and other supportive documents showing the religious nature of the Church of Scientology, as well as how the staff works and how the ministry is operated, he said.

Brainwashing, torture by "deprogramming," the failure of educational systems and psychiatric brutality are among the issues attacked in the tape and booklet.

Apologizing for the occasional misunderstandings generated by the younger, new Scientologists attempting to impress or startle parents and relatives, the Scientology minister leveled sharp criticism upon the "increasing number of drifting, homeless children flocking into cities, cutting themselves off from the family. These kids become destitute and involved in crime and drugs — not a very pleasant picture."

Scientology is an applied religious philosophy, founded by writer and explorer L. Ron Hubbard. The church has nearly four million members worldwide, with more than 200 churches on six continents.

The Church of Scientology of San Francisco is about to celebrate its 10th year in this city.

## Council No. 4588 Chaplain Background:

Father Thomas Shadeg's brother passed away in 2006. Discovery of his obituary led to contact with his sister, Esther, who provided a photo for our yearbook. This generation of the Shadeg family is of particular interest:

Divine Word Missionary Father Werner Shadeg, 86, died April 5, 2006

A native of Union Hill, MN, Fr. Shadeg was one of fourteen children born to Rose and Henry Shadeg. Fr. Shadeg had two brothers who became priests and five sisters who became nuns. Surviving brothers and sisters are: Mildred Shadeg of St. Paul, MN; Sr. Clare Shadeg, OSB, of St. Joseph, MN; Esther Turbak, of St. Cloud, MN; Sr. Mary Rose Shadeg, OSC, of Sauk Rapids, MN; Sr. Anne Marie of the Eucharist, OCD, of Iron Mountain, MI; and, Divine Word Missionary Fr. Norbert Shadeg, working in Indonesia.



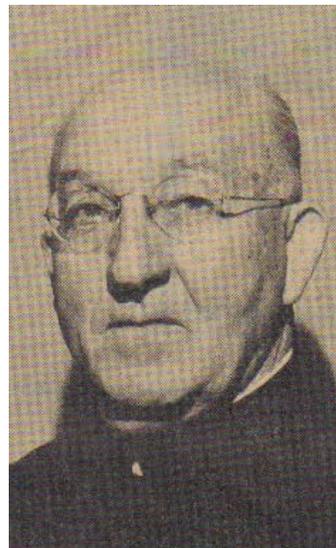
The Shadeg Brothers January 1967  
Werner – Norbert – Thomas



Father Shadeg at the time  
of his ordination

### Monsignor Quinn accepts new post in San Diego

New beginnings are around the corner for Monsignor Robert Quinn, who is retiring from the U.S. Veterans' Hospital as chaplain and transferring from St. Michael's parish in Livermore to St. Charles' parish in San Diego soon. A reception will be held for Quinn Jan. 14 at St. Michael's parish hall, Third and Maple streets, at 1 p.m. All are invited to attend. Quinn plans to attend the University of San Diego for a semester, then assume full-time duties at the San Diego parish. He came to St. Michael's in 1972 after serving 25 years in the U.S. Navy as a chaplain.



FR. WILLIAM HENNESSY  
... died Sunday

### Requiem for Livermore Pastor

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in Thurles and at St. Patrick's Seminary, Menlo Park. He was ordained June 14, 1924 in San Francisco.

As assistant pastor he served in parishes in San Francisco, Oakland, Burlingame, Petaluma, Lodi, and Richmond. He was chaplain at Laguna Honda home in San Francisco from 1939 to 1941.

Father Hennessy is survived by two brothers, Father Laurence Hennessy, pastor of Queen of All Saints parish, Concord, who was the celebrant of the funeral Mass, and Father Robert Hennessy, pastor of St. Robert's parish, San Bruno.

Burial was at St. Joseph's cemetery, Eugene, Stanislaus county.

## The Grand Knights of Council No. 4588



### The Prayer of Saint Francis of Assisi

Lord, Make me an instrument of your Peace  
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
Where there is injury, pardon;  
Where there is doubt, faith;  
Where there is despair, hope;  
Where there is darkness, light;  
And where there is sadness, joy.

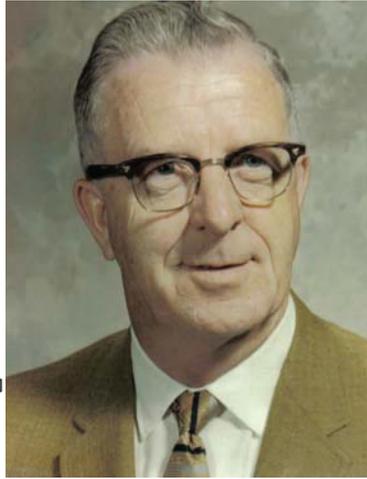
O Divine Master,  
Grant that I may not so much seek to be  
Consoled as to console;  
To be understood as to understand;;  
To be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
And it is in dying that we are born to  
Eternal life.

Amen



**Tony J. Nirschl**  
1958



**Thomas F. Giblin**  
1958 - 1959



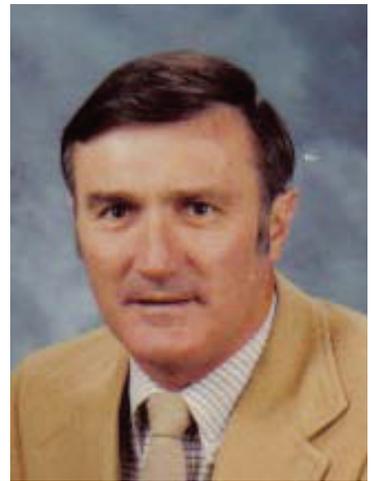
**Charles E. Cunnif, Jr.**  
1959 - 1960



**William E. Nolan**  
1960 - 1961



**James J. Grady**  
1961 - 1962



**Edward Lafranchi**  
1962 - 1963



**Raymond A. Hahn**  
1963 - 1964

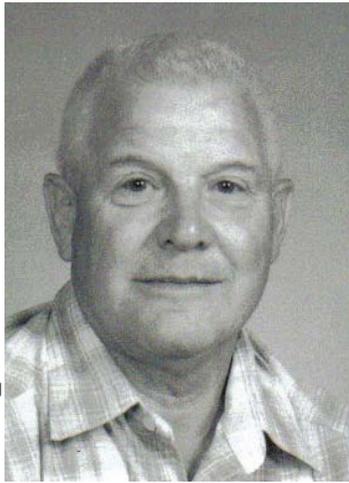


**Thomas B. Silvey**  
1964 - 1965



**Paul L. Phelps, Jr.**  
1965 - 1966

**Come after me and I will make you fishers of men!**



**Jay J. Jost**  
1966 - 1967 - 1968



**Howard T. Webb**  
1968 - 1969



**Kenneth A. Mitchell**  
1969 - 1970



**Dale Swadley**  
1970 - 1971



**Edward Daly**  
1971 - 1972



**Manuel Mello, Jr.**  
1972 - 1973



**Kenneth Dolan**  
1973 - 1974

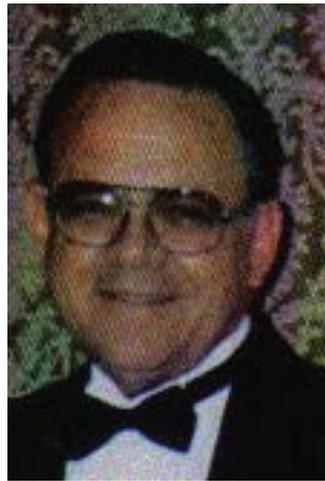


**Pierre Du Bois**  
1974 - 1975



**John Pachuca**  
1975 - 1976

**Your faith has saved you; go in peace.**



**Tom Shaw**  
1976 - 1977

**Robert Pasch**  
1977 - 1978

**Henry Yatsko**  
1978 - 1979



**George Piroshko**  
1979 - 1980

**Jim Tejada**  
1980 - 1981

**Joe Henriques**  
1981 - 1982



**Jack Pons, Jr.**  
1982 - 1983

**Kenneth Gels**  
1983 - 1984

**Jack Kennedy**  
1984 - 1985

**You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you  
to go and bear fruit – fruit that will last.**



**Ruben G. Ortiz**  
1985 - 1986



**Ronald A. Pasch**  
1986 - 1987



**Dominic P. Nardy**  
1987 - 1988



**Edgar Eichhorn**  
1988 - 1989



**Robert J. Bachmeier**  
1989 - 1990



**Tom Moore**  
1990 - 1991 / 1995 - 1996



**Robert Costa**  
1991 - 1992



**Ronald A. Nims**  
1992 - 1993



**Edward Orham**  
1993 - 1994

**Let your light shine before men, that they may  
see your good deeds and praise your Father in Heaven.**



**Manuel Figueiredo**  
1994 - 1995



**Melvin Medeiros**  
1996 - 1997



**Jake Raposa**  
1997 - 1998



**Tom Nugent**  
1998 - 1999



**Tony Mariscal**  
1999 - 2000



**Gary Meyer**  
2000 - 2001



**Patrick Keifer**  
2001 - 2002



**Aaron J. Wiley**  
2002 - 2003



**Brian Littrell**  
2003 - 2004

**Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.**



**John Burkart**  
2004 - 2005



**Christopher Conley**  
2005 - 2006



**Silvino Cruz**  
2006



**Tom McCaffrey**  
2006 - 2007 - 2008

## **The Knights of Columbus Prayer:**

Almighty and Eternal God, Lord of the Universe, sustain us, we beseech Thee, o'er the course of "life's tempestuous sea." Keep us, we pray Thee, secure within the Bark of Peter, ever trustful of Christ and his Vicars to guide us along the ways of peace and prosperity. May Jesus, Our Savior, preserve us in the unity of the Holy Faith and confirm our hopes of sharing its treasures with America. Send forth the power and love of the Holy Spirit, that we may be blessed in our efforts to set forth Thy glory in this land under the patronage of Mary's Immaculate Conception. Let our Fraternity flourish in justice and charity and give eternal praise and glory to the Most Holy Trinity. Be mindful of each of our brothers, departed, and receive them into the haven of eternal peace.

**Amen.**

## Honorable Mention

To take upon the mantle of the Grand Knight would be a futile endeavor if it were not for all of the active and participating members that make the Council such a vibrant hub of activity.

Through the constant efforts of these men, Council No. 4588 has enjoyed 50 years of prosperous growth.

Shown in the following pages are just a few of those Knights who have contributed to the success of countless service programs, and charities over our 50-year history.

We apologize that not all contributing members could be shown here due to publication deadlines.



Joe Lennon



Mike Bartels



Andre Miron

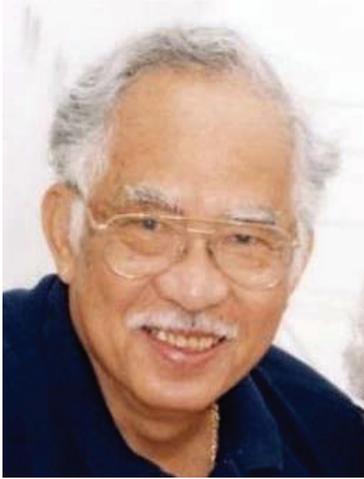


Dennis Lundbom



Luke Logsdon

The Lord is my strength and my song;  
he has become my salvation.



**Carlos Santos**



**Charles Harding**



**Donald Perry**



**Edward Foust**



**Edwin Henriques**



**Joseph Espinosa**



**Joseph Ott**



**Joseph Picardi**



**Joseph Revolinsky**

**Give thanks to the Lord, invoke his name;  
make known among the nations his deeds.**



**John Beebe**



**John Gutierrez**



**John Kupski**



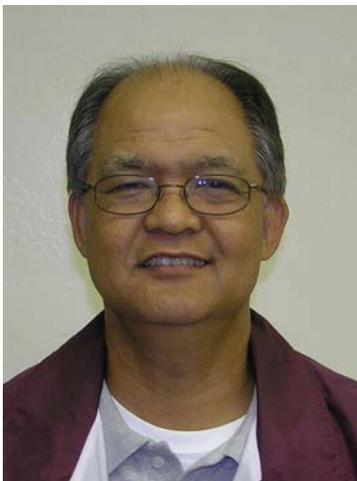
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**Kenneth Rief**



**Leroy Gazzaway**



**Manuel Estacio**

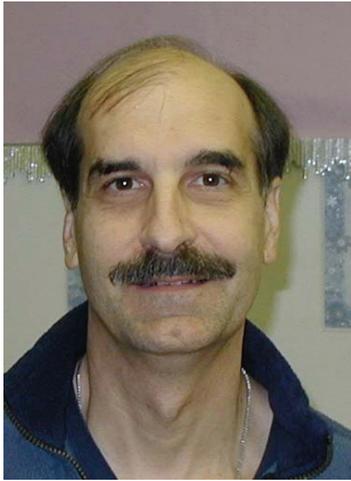


**Michael Valent**



**Paul Klauser**

**He is my God, and I will praise him,  
my father's God, and I will exalt him.**



**Raymond Miranda**



**Timothy Logsdon**



**Tony Lucero**



**Vaughn Brugman**



**Christopher Carrano**



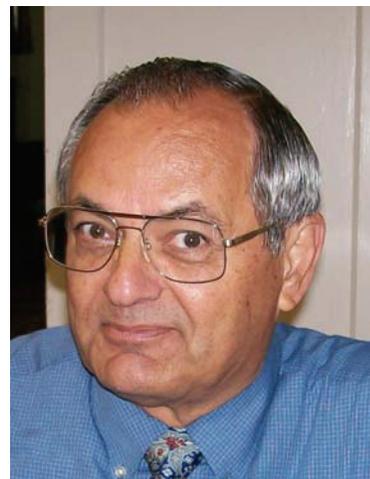
**Robert Vavuris**



**William Henderson**



**Brian Lucid**



**William Beiriger**

**He is your praise; he is your God, who performed for you those great and awesome wonders you saw with your own eyes.**



**Robert Vieira**



**Greg Hester**



**Anthony Kliss**



**Frank Cambra**



**Edward Holzwarth**



**Kenneth Logsdon**



**William MacLean**



**Harry Kraft**



**Fernando Morais**

**But let all who take refuge in you be glad;  
let them ever sing for joy.  
Spread your protection over them,  
that those who love your name may rejoice in you.**

# MOTHER TERESA OF CALCUTTA COLUMBIAN SQUIRES CIRCLE 4413



Our Squires Circle was founded in the 1997-1998 term under the leadership of Grand Knight Jake Raposa. In addition to Jake Raposa, founders of the Squires Circle included the following Knights: Chief Counselor Dennis Lundbom, Father Prior Scott Chavez, Counselors Mike Bartels, Manuel Figueiredo, Chris Bahr, and Jeff Painter. Our Circle is part of an organization of more than 20,000 young men who have fun and share their Catholic faith, help people in need, and enjoy the company of friends in social, family, athletic, cultural, civic and spiritual activities. Every Circle is sponsored by a Knights of Columbus Council, and Knights serve as adult counselors to the group.

A Squires Circle is designed to be run both by and for young men. Through their local Circle, Squires work and socialize as a group of friends, gradually developing into Catholic leaders.

If you are a Catholic young man, 10 to 18 years old, you should be a member of the Columbian Squires!

# MOTHER TERESA OF CALCUTTA CIRCLE MILESTONES

First Squires Circle Business Meeting: December 22, 1997  
First Chief Squire: Frederick Zamora  
First Chief Counselor: Dennis Lundbom 1997-2000  
Current Chief Counselor: Tony Lucero 2000-Present  
Squires that became Knights: Luke Logsdon, Anthony Lucero

## STATE OF CALIFORNIA CIRCLE OF THE YEAR 2004-2005



At Notre Dame De Namur University  
the Circle Celebrates Its  
10-Year Anniversary 2007-2008



Civics Class



Ten Commandments – Apostle Tile Project

## CIRCLE ACTIVITIES 2007



Soccer Challenge Squires



Soccer Challenge Goalie



Soccer Challenge Champions



Putting Your Shoe Into Your Kick



Soccer Challenge Knights

## CIRCLE ACTIVITIES 2005



Zac Conley - Pole Captain 2005



## CIRCLE ACTIVITIES 1998 to 2000



## CIRCLE ACTIVITIES 1998 to 2000



Father Scott Chavez  
Our First Father Prior



# CIRCLE ACTIVITIES 1998 to 2000



Mike Bartels and Son



Our First Chief Squire, Fred Zamora, Receiving an Award From Father Scott Chavez

## CIRCLE ACTIVITIES 1998 to 2000



The Crab Feed Crew - 2008



“Like Jesus we belong to the world living not for ourselves but for others.”

# The Columbian Women Formation

The Women's Auxiliary of Father Patrick Power Council No. 4588, known as the Columbian Women, was founded in November of 1968. This Auxiliary was formed primarily to be of assistance to the Knights in their endeavors, for spiritual betterment, and for social enrichment.

There were fourteen members present at the first meeting, together with visitors from the Father Walter O'Brien Council of San Lorenzo. The initial meeting was held on November 25, 1968. The volunteer Officers were:

President - Sandy Gallagher  
Vice President - Naomi Klauser  
Secretary - Toni Tejada  
Treasurer - Mary Mitchell

Mrs. Betty Glasky completed the term of office vacated by Sandy Gallagher, and was President from March 1969 until elections in June.

The very first social function was a pot-luck dinner. It was very well attended and truly enjoyed by all. Not only was the evening a social success, but a financial one as well.

Other functions of the Columbian Women included: assisting the Knights by cooking the corned beef and cabbage dinner for their St. Patrick's Day function; bringing refreshments for an open house; and preparing the food for the Recognition Night festivities.

It was truly a busy, delightful, and successful first year!



Saint Patrick's Day Dinner – March 1970



**Angel Raposa**



**Christine Figueiredo**



**Barbara Kennedy**



**Maclyn Pons**



**Betty Glasky**



**Anita Pasch**



**Bess Jost**



**Naomi Klauser**



**Ruth Eichhorn**

**The work of God is this:  
to believe in the one he has sent.**



**Dottie Beebe**



**June Yatsko**



**Joyce Gels**



**Tracy Bachmeier**



**Marina Nims**



**Belle Henriques**



**Lori Pruner**



**Maxine Mello**



**Marie Ott**

**Love the Lord your God with all your heart  
and with all your soul and with all your mind.**



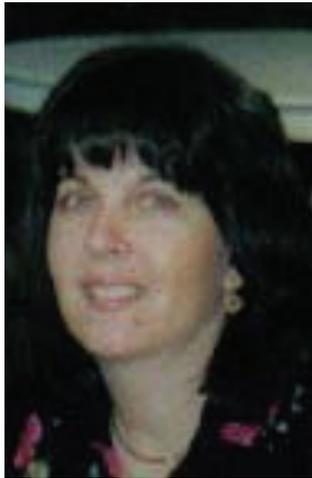
**Toni Tejada**



**Nadine Fawver**



**Carolyn Perry**



**Lynn Wiley**



**Mary Mitchell**



**Melinda Miron**



**Rita Ortiz**



**Suzanne Gutierrez**



**Linda Nardy**

**Whatever you ask for in prayer,  
believe that you have received it,  
and it will be yours.**



**Katie Harding**



**Tami Vieira**



**Rosemary Foust**



**Cyndi Keifer**



**Karen McCaffrey**



**Donna Kraft**



**Patricia Conley**

**Know therefore that the Lord your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commands.**

## The Columbian Women



October 23, 1988 Anniversary Celebration for the Columbian Women



November 21, 1982 Bake Sale

### *Columbian Women elect officers*

LIVERMORE — Gloria Conover has been installed as the new president of the Columbian Women, Auxiliary to the Livermore Knights of Columbus.

New officers also installed were: Maxine Mello, vice-president; Maria Chapman, secretary; and June Yatsko, treasurer. Past president is Anita Pasch, who served as installer.

Mrs. Conover is a first grade teacher at Arroyo Seco School. She is married to Richard Conover and has four young children. She is a former vice-president of the Columbian Women and is an officer in the Mothers of Twins Club.

The Columbian Women, who are wives or widows of a Knight of Columbus, work on community projects alone and jointly with the Knights.

The club is currently raising funds for the Centennial Celebration with a cookbook project. For more information on the organization call Mrs. Conover at 443-2195.



**GLORIA CONOVER**  
President of Columbian Women

## The Columbian Women



At the Parish Picnic-September 1982



At the Awards Night-June 1982

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### Cookbook sales donated

Toni Tejada, center, and Gloria Conover, president of Columbian Women, present Monsignor Robert Adams with a donation of \$600 towards St. Michael's Centennial projects. The money was earned by the sale of cookbooks which the club compiled and

distributed with Mrs. Tejada as chairwoman of the committee. The presentation was made Sunday during the reception following the Jubilee mass held at the church.

## The Columbian Women



At the Past Grand Knight's Dinner – September 1987



The First Installation for the 1969 – 1970 Year



1985

## The Columbian Women



At the 2005 Crab Feed



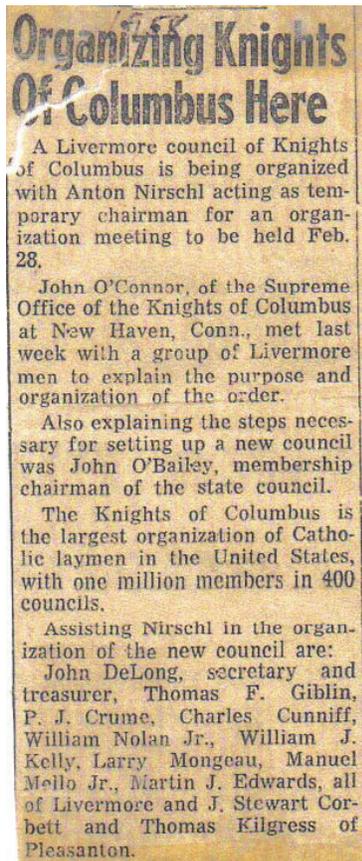
At the 1999 Christmas Party

# Father Patrick Power Council No. 4588

## How Did It Start?

In the middle of the 1950's, the only Catholic men's organization at St. Michael Church was the Young Men's Institute (YMI). The YMI had been in existence for many years. Men who were "old time" parishioners led the group. The prime focus of the YMI was to organize and conduct the annual Parish Festival, which they did very successfully. There were other activities such as a monthly Mass, but few functions not directly related to Parish needs.

By the mid-50's, many new parishioners joined St. Michael Church. These new men came from the East Coast - primarily the New England area. They wanted the YMI to expand its activities to more than Parish functions and needs. The leadership of the YMI thought that it was inappropriate to do so, and rejected the request to expand into other activities. These new men to the Parish were still members of the Knights of Columbus Councils from their home areas. They soon began to discuss the possibility of forming a Council in Livermore. Some of these men were: John DeLong, Charlie Cunniff, Tom Giblin, Bill Nolan, Tony Nirschl, Marty Edwards, Tom Kilgress, Stew Corbett, Manny Mello, Al Borelli, Larry Mangeau, and P.J. Crume.



This group, lead primarily by Cunniff and Giblin, contacted the local Knights of Columbus District Deputy, Frank Todaro, whose District was in the Modesto area. Another long time Knights of Columbus member, John Banducci from the Hayward Council, provided assistance in starting Council No. 4588. Finally, with sufficient existing 3rd degree members and many new recruits, Fr. Patrick Power Council was issued a charter on March 30, 1958. They started with a total of 86 old and new members.

## The Knights Of Columbus Council No. 4588 The Early Years

The Father Patrick Power Council No. 4588 was instituted on March 30, 1958. It was named after a former Pastor of St. Michael Parish. Father Patrick Power was born in Ireland on March 17, 1842. He was ordained a priest in June 1871 for the Archdiocese of San Francisco. In 1879, Archbishop Alameny named him Pastor of St. Michael, Livermore. He served as Pastor until his death on February 11, 1915, a period of thirty-six years. In naming the Council after Father Power, they paid him a high and well-deserved honor.

The first official meeting was held on April 9, 1958. Grand Knight Anton Nirschl opened the meeting at 8:25 p.m. in Saint Michael Hall, Livermore, California. The Council received a letter of congratulations from the Young Men's Institute (YMI) and the principal speaker was the founding District Deputy, Todaro. Much of the meeting was spent discussing early organizational items including approving the first delegates to the State Convention. State Officers attended the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting, and Financial Secretary John DeLong requested approval for a permanent Post Office Box. On May 14, a 2<sup>nd</sup> degree was conferred on all new members that had received their 1<sup>st</sup> Degree on March 30<sup>th</sup>. Plans were made for the first social function - a dance in June, which had a profit of \$7.12. Grand Knight Nirschl announced that he would not be able to serve for the next Columbian year, as he was being transferred to a new location.

At the June election, Tom Giblin was elected Grand Knight. He immediately set forth his plans for the coming year. He included new six-point chairmen, and activities in all six-point areas. He encouraged all new members to participate in at least one area, and more if possible. Tom believed that it was very important for the Council to be active. Becoming publicly known and living up to the principles of the Order was encouraged. To do this, all members needed to be active members.

The remainder of the year progressed smoothly. Suggestions were made that Council No. 4588 look into acquiring its own meeting hall, start publishing a monthly bulletin, attend Saint Francis Chapter meetings, and look into youth activities. As there were no deceased members of the Council, the November memorial service was for deceased State Deputies. In December, there was a communion breakfast for members and their families, a children's Christmas party, Tom and Jerry party for members at which a case of whiskey was to be raffled – in which funds were used as a Council fundraiser. The Christmas Party for kids was attended by 109 people. It was a very successful start.

In the next six months, the Council sponsored a baseball team for grade school boys (Catholic Youth Organization), communion breakfast, a ladies night to honor member's wives, a membership drive, hosting a 2<sup>nd</sup> degree, and accepting the transfer of Michael B. Morris, a prominent judge from Chicago. It was in his honor that a scholastic award would be named several years later. On April 22<sup>nd</sup>, the State Deputy formally presented the Charter to the Council. Charles Cunnif, Jr. was elected Grand Knight in June 1959.

During the next six months, the Council formed a bowling team, assisted in a CYO Basketball league, worked in the annual Parish Festival, decided to sell Christmas trees to raise funds, and set up a Christmas scene somewhere in a public place. In addition, membership recruiting, communion breakfast, 1<sup>st</sup> degree, support for CCD, children's Christmas party, whiskey raffle, Columbus Day dance, Christmas tree sales, all took place.

## Knights of Columbus Council No. 4588 in the 1960's

Early 1960 was a very difficult time for Council No. 4588. In February, the Saint Michael Parish Pastor and Council Chaplin, Father Hennessy, told the Council that he expected them to conduct a Parish census, because they were a "Parish Organization" and under his control and direction. The Grand Knight, Charles Cunnif, Jr., disagreed with this definition and took the position that the Council was affiliated with the Parish, but was an independent organization. He further took the position that the Knights of Columbus were under the control and direction of the Supreme Council. While the Council was here to support the work of the Parish, it had responsibilities and activities that encompassed the entire Livermore community. The Council did not object to working on the census, but only with the issue of control and direction.

This confrontation led to a severing of the relationship between the Pastor and the Council. Attempts were made to achieve reconciliation, but Father Hennessy would not change his position. One consequence was that the Council moved its meeting place from the Parish Hall to Dania Hall. This situation remained until a new pastor, Father Robert Adams, arrived in early 1964. However, even with this issue between Father Hennessy unresolved, the Council continued to support Parish activities, and conduct functions in the Parish Hall. The Council was very active in support of youth activities. They conducted hayrides, snow trips to Squaw Valley, sponsored sports teams, organized trips to Giants games, and provided teachers for CCD. In September 1964, we returned to the Parish Hall for our meetings.

In 1963, the Council established the “Michael B. Morris Scholastic Award”. It was to be given to a graduating eighth grader from St. Michael School, and St. Augustine School in Pleasanton. It was terminated in 1969. Also that year, the Council entered a float in the annual Livermore Parade. This project was led by Brother Tom Silvey, and continued for several years.

Highlighted in 1964, was the attendance of Abe Woodson from the San Francisco 49ers. He showed a film and held an open discussion with the members and their families. Each year brought some new activities. The Knights of Columbus landscaped the grounds for the new convent led by rose grower and landscaper, Jimmy Tejada. Members wired the new convent for intercom and fire alarm systems under the direction of Paul Phelps. Members also helped with a fund drive for the addition to Valley Memorial Hospital. The Knights of Columbus were also active with the election of Roger Silva to the Livermore City Council.

Council No. 4588 continued to have the usual fundraisers - Christmas tree sales, whiskey raffle, Luau (organized by Brother Ken Mitchell). In 1968, at the suggestion of District Deputy Ed Lafranchi and Grand Knight Jay Jost (after attending a crab feed at the Centerville Council), our Council started the annual crab feed at Saint Michael Parish. The year 1968 also saw the formation of the Knights of Columbus Women’s Auxiliary, The Columbian Women. Their first president was Sandy Gallagher, and their monthly dues were twenty-five cents. Their goal was one major charity project per year. The Columbian Women have always been a tremendous help to the Council in all its activities in addition to their own functions.

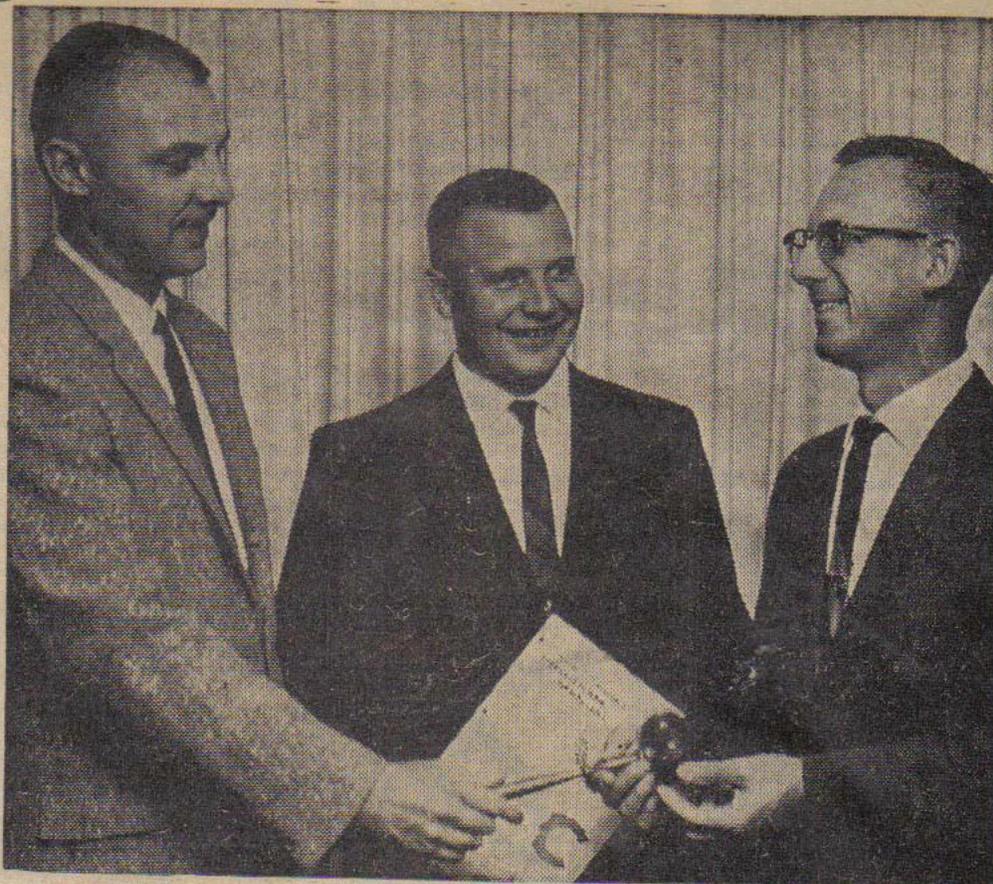
The December 1969 Children's Christmas Party was a big success with 125 children attending. St. Vincent de Paul and the Emergency Fund Center were very helpful in identifying children from needy families to attend the party.

Throughout the 1960's, the Council continued Clergy Appreciation Night, communion breakfast, children's Christmas party, dances and other charitable and fraternal activities. During these years, we were blessed with two fine Chaplains: Father Pier from Pleasanton, and Father Williams from St. Michael Church.



# Council No. 4588 In The 1960's

6—Livermore Herald & News Monday, Sept. 20, 1965



## Knights Install Officers

Newly-elected officers of the Livermore Knights of Columbus Council recently were installed in office by District Deputy Ceasar Gomes of Hayward. The ceremonies took place at St. Michael's Hall, Livermore.

Leading the Council for the New Year will be Grand Knight Paul Phelps, who took the gavel from Tom Silvey. Other officers assuming their new duties were; Jay Jost, deputy grand knight; Jim Shindelar, chancellor; Thomas Nugent, warden; Gerald Rohwein, treasurer; Thomas C. Giblin, recorder; Jim Happe, advocate; Gene Modrich, outside guard; Miles Nelson, inside guard; Thomas Silvey, Dick Morrow, Lou Fisher, trustees, and Thomas Silvey, lecturer.

**REFRESHMENTS SERVED**

Knights of Columbus outgoing Grand Knight Thomas Silvey, right, hands the gavel of office to Incoming Grand Knight Paul

Phelps, left, while Jay Jost, incoming Deputy Grand Knight watches.

—Herald and News Photo.



July 28, 1968 Picnic

Left to right Paul Phelps, Howard Webb & Ed Daly



July 28, 1968 Picnic

The Gang's All Here

# Council No. 4588 In The 1960's

←Livermore Herald & News Wednesday, Sept. 15, 1965



Steaks like this will be served at the St. Michael's parish picnic to be held Sunday, October 3, at Linda Vista Park from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Kent Hansen, center, general chairman, is getting a preview from two of the chefs, Paul Phelps, left, and Manuel Mello.

—Herald and News Photo.

## Steaks to Sizzle October 3 For St. Michael's Picnic

Barbequed steaks headline the menu for the St. Michael's Parish picnic on Sunday, October 3, at Linda Vista Park in Mission San Jose.

Combining their cooking talents will be Jerry Rohwein, Carlos Laguer, Dutch Thompson, Manuel Mello, George Besent, Paul Phelps, Bob Hoben, and Jay Jost.

Along with the steak, the menu will include baked beans, rolls, tossed green salad, and home-baked cakes.

Kent Hansen is general chairman of the picnic.

Dinner tickets are \$4 per family and are available from Mr. and Mrs. Hansen, 447-7033, and Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Avila, 447-1609.

All members of St. Michael's and St. Charles' parishes and their friends are invited to attend.

The picnic is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and dinner will be served beginning at 1 p.m. Entertainment for the whole family will feature games, ferris wheel rides, and swimming. The Ken Logsdon Trio will provide music for dancing.

Parishioners have donated blue chip stamp books for prizes. Winners will be selected by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roberts.

## Beta Sigma Phi Chapter Plans for New Club Year

Gamma Alpha Kappa Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met for the first time this fall on Monday at the home of Mrs. Charles Hooker with Mrs. Ramal Jones as co-hostess.

Mrs. Ben Murray, social chairman, presented the calendar for the year which includes a Halloween party October 30, a Christmas party on December 20, an open house on January 2, and a valentine party on February 12.



Father Adams and the Knights

# Council No. 4588 In The 1960's



Ladies Night - August 1965

# Council No. 4588 In The 1960's



The 1969 New Years Eve Party



Judge Morris Award 1966

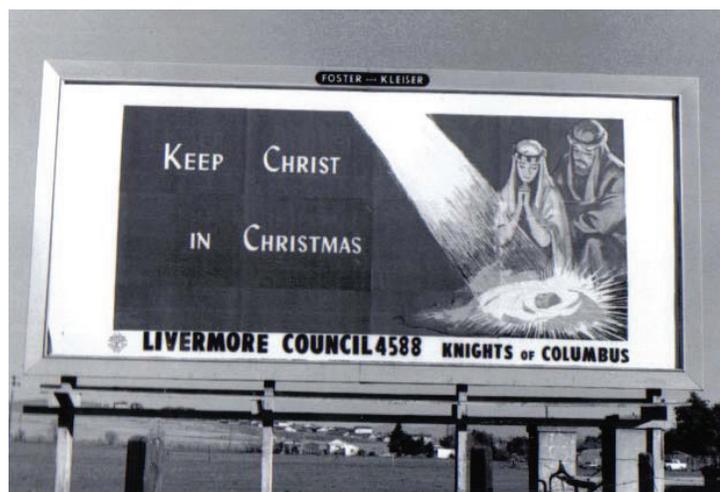
Left to right – Jim Grady, Father Williams, and Tom Bicknell



The Council Bowling Team circa 1968



No Further Discussion Required!



Getting the Good Word on the Streets!

# Council No. 4588 In The 1960's



October 19, 1968 Luau Party



Paul & Lucille Phelps at the Annual Poor Man's Dinner

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**PLANS** - Committee members of the pre-Mother's Day dinner-dance of Livermore Knights of Columbus look over plans for the May 6 affair. They are (from left) standing - Mr. and Mrs. Barbara Otto; seated - Mr. and Mrs. Jay Jost.

**K C's Plan Mother's Day Dinner-Dance**

On the evening before Mother's Day, May 7, the Livermore Council of the Knights of Columbus will present a program at St. Michael's Church for their wives.

Beginning at 7:30 p.m., St. Michael's assistant pastor and council chaplain, Rev. John Williams, will officiate as the Knights and their ladies renew their nuptial vows.

A social hour in the Parish Hall will follow, after which the group will sit down to a banquet dinner of green salad, beef burgundy, baked potato, wine, hot dinner rolls, coffee, and dessert. An orchestra will provide dance music to complete the evening.

Committee chairman planning the event is Grand Knight Paul Phelps.



Now that the Knights of Columbus are ready to dance at their annual ball tomorrow night, it's time for their ladies to get into the act, and Mrs. J. J. Jost, wife of the decorations chairman, lends a hand to Miles Nelson, co-chairman. Knights and ladies and guests will dance from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. to a nine-piece band, and pizza may be special-ordered from midnight on. Proceeds will benefit the K. of C. scholarship fund. Tickets at \$2 each, are still available from [unclear] chairman, 447-4489, or Paul Phelps, 447-1479.

## Council No. 4588 In The 1960's



Grand Knight Howard Webb Nails Up The Welcome Sign For All Who Drive Into Livermore



# Council No. 4588 In The 1960's



## Knights of Columbus Council No. 4588 in the 1970's

Early in 1970, the Council established a "Building Fund". The goal was to acquire sufficient funds to purchase a facility suitable as a permanent home for the Council. Details of the operation of the Fund were to be worked out by an Ad Hoc Committee named by the Grand Knight. Getting all the details in place took quite a long time (over one year), but the funding began as soon as everything was approved by the Council. Some members actively sought potential properties. Unfortunately, there was no money to pursue any kind of purchase.

Brother Paul Klauser started a new members activity, called the Poor Man's party. It was to be held the first Saturday after April 15, to signify that the IRS took all our money. It was a very successful and fun time. A one-time gift of USA flag tie tacks were given to all policemen in Livermore. Remember that this was at the height of the Vietnam War, and the gesture was to inspire "Love of Country" to all who would see these tie tacks.

In February 1971, Thomas F. Giblin, a major force in the establishment of Fr. Patrick Power Council, dies. The Council sorely missed him.

Attendance at meetings becomes a problem, but recruitment of new members continues. Although new members came in ones and twos, the membership remained steady. Council activities continued at an accelerated pace to the extent that the Council received a trophy from the Oakland Chapter for "Our Outstanding Performance".

When Monsignor Quinn became Chaplin, he wanted more Catholic activities, i.e., Mass attendance, support for Veterans Administration Hospital Mass, and rosary participation. He believed that the Council was placing too much emphasis on fraternal and community, and neglecting the spiritual side. With the help of Brother George Pirosko, Monsignor got his wish.

The Year 1973 saw the Maroon Blazer become the “approved” coat of this Council. They could be purchased at Sig Henne’s for \$35. The next year, a softball team was organized and went on an eight-game winning streak, only to lose game nine. That same year, a prayer for vocations was added to the opening prayers. The building fund reached \$1,000.00, and another try to establish a Squires group failed. A Leader could not be found.

Father Williams, our early Chaplin, dies in April of 1977. He was Pastor of Saint Joseph Church in Mission San Jose. The Council continues to be very active with social and church activities, under the leadership and efforts of Brothers Ken Dolan and George Pirosko. We took on large roles for the Parish Picnics at the Pleasanton Fairgrounds, and the Saint Michael Centennial celebration. We put up new outdoor signs at the churches, added the display case in Saint Michael Hall, and began the Free Throw contest. We continued to support Jimmy Tejada as he prepared palms for Palm Sunday services at Saint Michael and Saint Charles.

In 1978, Monsignor Quinn retires as an Associate Pastor at Saint Michael, Chaplin at the Veterans Administration, and our Chaplin. He retired in San Diego. Father Bratton becomes the Council Chaplin.



**KNIGHTS**  
**OF COLUMBUS**  
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.



## Council No. 4588 In The 1970's



BROTHER MANUEL & MRS. MELLO  
WINNERS! of the "Worst  
dressed couple" award.



BROTHER PAUL KLAUSER,  
Chairman,  
Hard Times Party



THE COLUMBIAN WOMEN  
present additional  
instruments to  
THE GENERATION GAP

### The Hard Times Party – circa April 1970



The Council Soccer Team  
The Saint Michael Knights

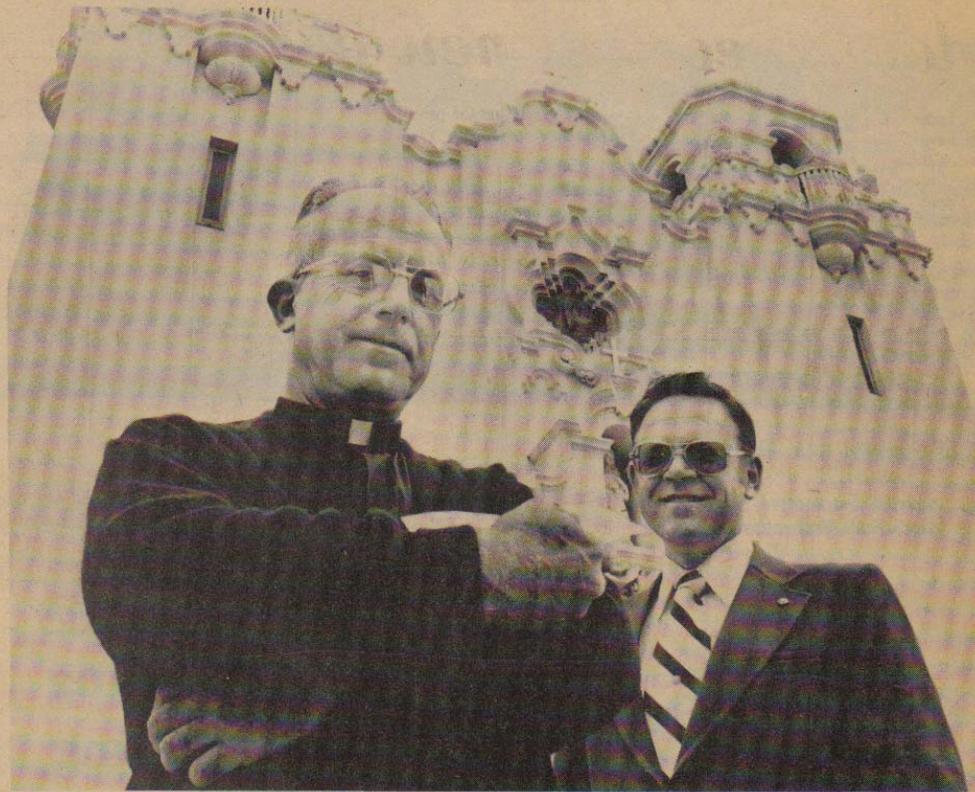


The Western Dinner Dance  
of October 7, 1978

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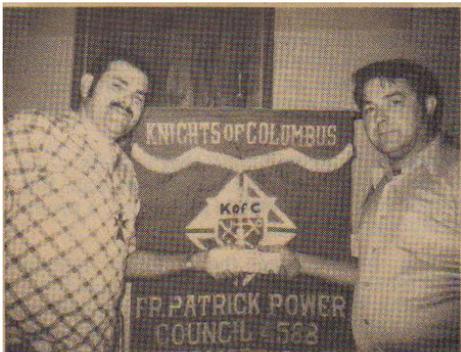
Dublin, Livermore, Pleasanton and San Ramon, Calif.  
Saturday, July 1, 1978



## Centennial sign given

Grand Knight Bob Pasch, right, of the Livermore Council, Knights of Columbus, brings Msgr. Robert Adams, pastor of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Livermore, the money for installation of the Centennial sign at the front of the church. The sign project, which cost \$797, includes installation of wrought-iron lettering above the main entrance to the church, and replacement of the current schedule of services

placard with one complementing the design of the church. The sign was designed by Joe McCarthy and Donald Gerigh, with fabrication and installation by Donald Scullion. This gift by the Livermore Knights symbolizes their involvement with the parish since their establishment 20 years ago, when the chapter, the Father Patrick Power Council, was named in of the first pastor of St. Michael's.



## Oktoberfest

The Livermore Knights of Columbus are planning an Oktoberfest for Saturday, Oct. 29 at St. Michael's Parish Hall in Livermore. The sauerbrauten dinner will begin at 7:30 p.m. followed by dancing to the Al Stevens Band until 1 a.m. Tickets for the evening are \$7.50 per person. For tickets call Ron Pasch, 443-0899 or Tom Mills, 455-9689. Shown here are Ron Pasch and George Parker.

## Livermore Knight's Of Columbus Receive Most Awards

Livermore's Father Patrick Power Council, Knights of Columbus, received eight state and national awards at the recent California Knights of Columbus State Convention at Santa Maria.

This is the most awards presented to the council in a single year since its establishment in Livermore 20 years ago.

Highlighting the awards presentations as the best continuing community-church activity of the more than 250 councils in the state both special state and national awards were presented to the Fr. Power Council for its continuing involvement with the Livermore Veterans Hospital.

This "best-in-the-state" award for 1978 reflects continuing efforts ove the

past several years by Livermore knights in hospital visits and service.

As one of the 57 councils in California Division II, additional awards presented to the Council included best monthly bulletin, second place awards in the three areas of community activities, church activities and public relations, fifth place overall annual council activities, and seventh place youth activities.

Completing the 1977-78 year, Fr. Power Council Grand Knight Robert Pasch has announced the Livermore Knights of Columbus Family of the Year — the Ronald Pasch Family, and Knight of the year — Thomas Mills.

The Ron Pasch family has been active in all

Knights of Columbus activities during the year. Ron was a council officer, director of family life activities, and both he and his wife Anita have been involved in numerous community and church activities.

Ron was organizer of Oktoberfest '77 and co-chairman of the 1977 Christmas Basket program. Anita served as president of the Columbian Women, and editor of the monthly bulletin in addition to her active involvement in the Christmas Basket program.

Tom Mills was a council officer, and was actively involved in the many aspects of church, community, council and youth activities during the year.

# Council No. 4588 In The 1970's

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Dublin, Livermore, Pleasanton and San Ramon, Calif.  
Friday, January 5, 1979



Photo by Gordon Clark

## Knights slate crab feed

Jim Graves, left, Many Mello and Henry Yatsko of the Father Patrick Power Council, Knights of Columbus, have a hand in the second annual benefit crab feed to be held at 8 p.m., Jan. 13 at St. Michael's parish hall, Third and Maple streets, Livermore. Also pictured are Jane and Joseph Picardi, parents of the Rev. Joseph Picardi Jr, the priest to whom all proceeds of the crab feed will go, in support of to support the work of his mission in Bolivia. The

evening is to begin with a social hour at 6:30 p.m., followed by the dinner. Dancing to the music of the "Country Flavors" will be available from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tickets, at a donation of \$8 per person, for "all you can eat" are available from Henry Yatsuko, 455-4969, George Pirosko, 443-2943, or Tom Mills, 455-9689. Reservations are requested to be made as soon as possible.



Monsignor Robert Quinn examines the newly mounted statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe recently placed in a grotto in the St. Michael Church courtyard garden. The statue was acquired in Mexico by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Tejada, and then painted by Fela Gutierrez and her son Raof the statue is a project performed in honor of the hundredth birthday of the Parish.

by Arline Butterfield

## Council No. 4588 In The 1970's



### Foul shooters

Last weekend the annual Knights of Columbus foul shooting contest was conducted. Winners, pictured with Grand Knight Bob Pasch, are Brian Petoletti, Tom Braun, Debbie Disbrow, Debbie Alviso, Tom Olsen, Mike Bruan, Allison Norell and Stephanie Grzbicki. Early next year, these winners will compete in the District 23 finals.



Father Quinn Shepherds His Council

## Knights of Columbus Council No 4588 in the 1980's

The 1980-81 Columbian year began with Jimmy Tejada elected as Grand Knight. Brother Jimmy had been a very active member on many of the Council projects. He led the effort to landscape the new convent in the 1960's, chaired the work to prepare palms for Saint Michael and Saint Charles, pushed strongly for Council support at the Veterans Administration Hospital, and worked at all the social functions. During this year, the Council donated \$1,000 to the Maryknoll Order for the use by Father Picardi, son of Brother Joe Picardi, at Father Picardi's Mission in Central America.

Many of the usual Council activities: crab feed, free throw contest, poor man's party, Fall dance, Christmas Basket project, Reno trips, pancake breakfast, support at the Parish picnic, monthly Family Mass at Saint Michael or Saint Charles and at the VA Hospital, all continued and were very successful. Many of the same members could always be counted on to work and participate in these activities.

In the early 1980's, Brother Bob Krenik was the leader of the Saint Michael youth group, PRISM. He tried to bring attention to the needs of the Parish youth. It was likely through his efforts that two PRISM members became Knights, Brother Tom Silvey, Jr., and Brother Paul Kennedy.

In May 1983, this Council's first Life Membership was awarded to Brother Ray Centoni, a Charter Member. In 1988, the Council suggested that "windbreakers" might be something that members wanted. Obviously, that stuck. The "Tootsie Roll Drive" to benefit mentally retarded children was started by Brother Ron Nims. During its first year, the drive generated \$1686.37. In 1985, Manny Figueiredo joined the Council - what an addition! But, perhaps the biggest event occurred in 1986, when Father Stanislaus Poon became our Chaplin. He had an immense influence throughout the many years he served the Council. His efforts will always be remembered.

Unfortunately, in 1981, Jimmy Tejada died. In 1982, P.J. Crume, a charter member died. And, in 1985 Father Shadeg also died.

Although some members are named herein, there were many, many more who were the leaders of all the activities. Even more worked tirelessly for the "Good of the Order".

# Council No. 4588 In The 1980's



Officer's Installation - 1981



Good Turnout for Veteran's Mass



Palm Cutting Day



Goofing-off at the Convention



Not Goofing-off at the Convention May 1982



Officer's Meeting at the Grand Knight's Home

## Council No. 4588 In The 1980's



Veterans Mass



Veterans Mass



The Tom and Jerry Party



The Christmas Basket Project of December 1981

## Council No. 4588 In The 1980's



The 25th Jubilee Party - 1983



The Past Grand Knight's Dinner - 1982



Palm Cutting - 1985



The Knights Turn Out to Honor our Most Worthy Chaplain, Father Thomas Shadeg, at his Funeral Mass in July of 1985

# Council No. 4588 In The 1980's



The Officer's Installation in October 1985



Men With a Cause!



Yuckin' It Up at the Parish Picnic - 1985



...and at the Poor Man's Party - 1986



The Pruners Make an Entrance!



Never Poor in Spirit Among the Knights!

# Council No. 4588 In The 1980's



Passing the Gavel



Knights en Mass



Honoring Father Poon at the Occasion of His 60th Birthday, and 25th Jubilee



Officer's Installation - 1986

## Council No. 4588 In The 1980's



The Breakfast Crew



Jim Graves



The Crab Feed Crew - 1987



Recognition Night - 1987

# Council No. 4588 In The 1980's

## Grand Knight

Ronald Pasch Sr. will be installed as grand knight of the Livermore Knights of Columbus, No. 4588, during a 4 p.m. Mass Sept. 14 at St. Michael's Church chapel. Dinner will follow in the Smorga Bob's banquet room. Joining him on the board will be Dominic Nardy, deputy grand knight; Ed Eichhorn, chancellor; Robert Bachmeier, warden; The Rev. Stan Poon, chaplain; John Pruner, treasurer; Joe Ott, secretary; and Jay Jost, financial secretary. Pasch joined the Knights in 1973, is a past chancellor and deputy grand knight and says he enjoys helping with the Christmas baskets. His goal as president is to increase membership from the present 62, during this, the group's 28th anniversary year. Membership information is available from Pasch at 443-4543.

Neil Hanshaw — staff photo



Ed  
Ron



Nancy and I would like to extend our sincere appreciation for your participation in Operation Care and Share. Your dedication and generosity is an outstanding example that will serve as an inspiration to others. Thank you and God bless you.

Ronald Reagan

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON



MR. RON PASCH  
1160 APACHE ST.  
LIVERMORE, CA. 94550

The Council Gets Mail From Out of Town Once in a While

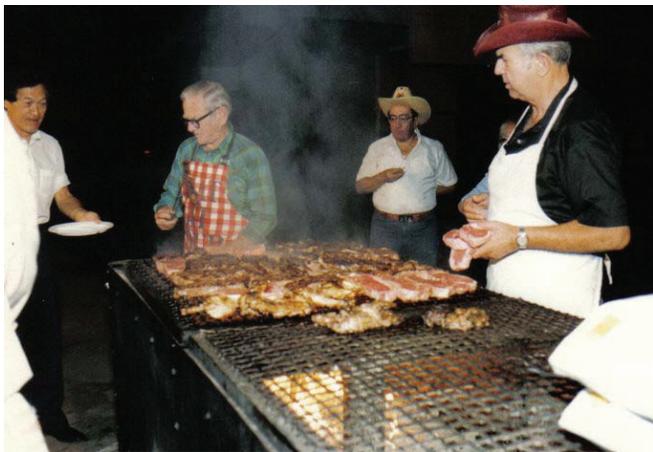
## Council No. 4588 In The 1980's



Christmas at the Veteran's Hospital – 1986



The Bar Crew from the Western Dinner Dance  
October 1987



The Barbecue Team from the  
Western Dinner Dance of October 1987



The Poor Man's Party of March 1988

## Council No. 4588 In The 1980's



In 1986 the Council was Honored With a Strong New Chaplain!



The Officer's Installation of 1989

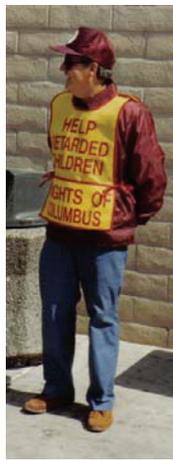
**GRAPEVINE** Thursday, September 22, 1988

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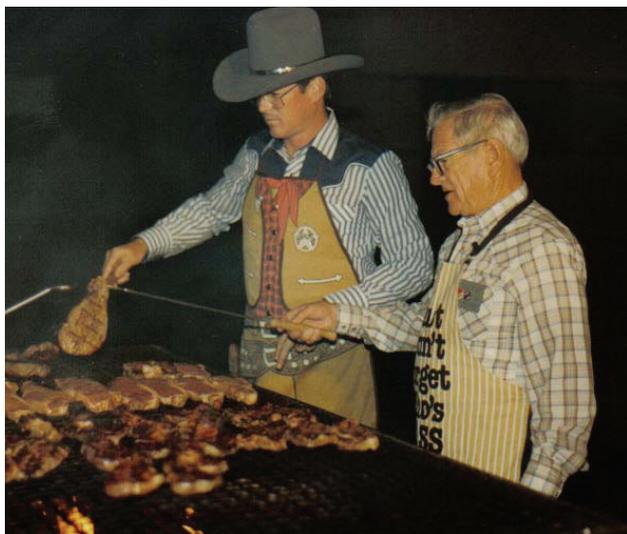
**Roll models**

Ron Nims, left, Ed Eichhorn, center, and Joe Ott are ready for the Livermore Knights of Columbus' Tootsie Roll candy drive, to be held Friday through Sunday outside banks and businesses in Livermore. Each contributor to the fund will receive a Tootsie Roll and all proceeds will benefit the Kaleidoscope Activity Center for the developmentally disabled.

## Council No. 4588 In The 1980's



**Knights In Action!!**



**Western Dinner - September 1988**



**The Christmas Basket Project - 1988**

## Council No. 4588 In The 1980's



The Christmas Basket Project of 1988 – Truly a Family Event!



Palm Cutting - 1989

## Knights of Columbus Council No. 4588 in the 1990's and 2000's

Many of the usual activities continued, but with increased vigor and profitability. The Council was actively involved in the "Tootsie Roll Drive" for retarded children, which almost always generated well over \$1,500 each year. The Christmas Basket project in conjunction with St. Vincent de Paul always served 35 to 40 families, with 120 to 145 children receiving gifts. It continues to this day as one of the most charitable efforts by Council 4588.

A new effort was the starting of the "Knights helping Knights" program. This is to help other members of this Council who may be in need of short term or one-time financial help. It was set up to be administered by a subset of the Council Officers, having discretion to use their best judgment in determining the aid necessary.

Two more new activities began in the 1990's. An essay contest for eighth graders with a \$1,000 savings bond for the best essay, and the formation of a new Squires Circle. Dennis Lundbom put significant effort into getting the Squires started, and the Council provided the needed support. The Squires, who later took the name "Saint Teresa of Calcutta", continue to be very successful with all their activities. Not only do they have their Circle functions, but also they are called on to assist with the pancake breakfasts, Lenten meals, and Fishfrys for the Council. They are also asked for many Ad Hoc efforts during the year. Father Scott Chavez was the first "Father Prior" for them.

Somewhere in the mid-1990's, the Council began to identify the profits from some specific function for specific recipients, e.g. some pancake breakfast profits are earmarked for the Saint Michael School sixth grade Science Lab, and some other function profits may go to Birthright. This practice continues to this day.

Through all of these years, the Spiritual activities continued. The monthly Family Masses at Saint Michael and Saint Charles were always well attended. Support for Father Gus at the VA Masses continued, and was supplemented with help from the Squires. Public praying of the rosary became more regular. Retreats were restarted, and carrying of the rosary all the time, especially to Council meetings was encouraged. More emphasis was placed on Memorial Masses for deceased members. Two members deserve special mention for their efforts in these works. John Kupski for his work in the Pro-life movement, and Pat Keifer for all his work encouraging Brother Knights to attend the spiritual activities, which he started.

Council social activities continued unabated. Dances, dinners, recognition nights for our Clergy, Luau's, support for Parish activities and special functions such as Msgr. Adams' Jubilee and retirement, and Father Sacca's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

During the 1990's, the Council received two "Star Council Awards" from the State Council for "outstanding achievement in all activities". It had not received this award for many years. And all the while, new activities were started. Bishop Cummins started a "Vocations" fund, and Council No. 4588 immediately supported it with such a sizeable donation that Bishop Cummins referred to it at the Bishops Vocations Dinner. In September 2002, the Friday Fishfry's started. Prior to that, however, the Ash Wednesday meal began and it later expanded into the Lenten Friday meals.

In these years, Honorary Life Memberships were awarded to Jay Jost, Ed Lafranchi, George Pirosko, Ken Mitchell, and Ed Eichhorn.

Unfortunately many hard working, dedicated, and some Charter Members died: Brothers Joe Henriques, Joe Ott, Jack Kennedy, Ron Nims, John Pachuca, Chet Tarne and Manny Mello.

For many years there has been a dedicated group of women that have been a major support to all Council activities. The Columbian Women have been a significant help to the Council, but every wife of every Council member must be recognized for her firm and continued support to her husband in his work for the Council. Without this dedication on the part of the wives of members to the work of their husbands, the Council could never have achieved the success it has enjoyed. Our thanks to all of you.

This part of the Council history would be incomplete without recognizing the outstanding effort from Manny Figueiredo in the recruitment of new members. Everyone knows that new members are essential for continued success for the Council. Although Manny had help with recruiting, he was the principal motivating force in finding new members and then sheparding them through their Degrees. Good Work Manny!!!

Finally, we owe many thanks and appreciation to our long time Chaplin, Father Poon, for always reminding us that there are spiritual, charitable and fraternal reasons for being a "Knights of Columbus". He always reminded us that these principles were necessary to be a successful Knight in a successful organization. He was not only our spiritual leader, but also a dedicated member of the Knights of Columbus.

# Council No. 4588 In The 1990's



The 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification – April 1996



The Human Race Walk-A-Thon - May 10, 1997



The 4th of July Barbeque Run by the K of C in 1997



The K of C and Doughnuts – a Powerful Combination



The Inception of the Squires Circle

## Council No. 4588 In The 1990's



Exemplification of Leadership!



Time, Talent, and Treasure Needed!



The 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree of May 3, 1998



The Officer's Installation of July 8, 1999

# Council No. 4588 In The 1990's

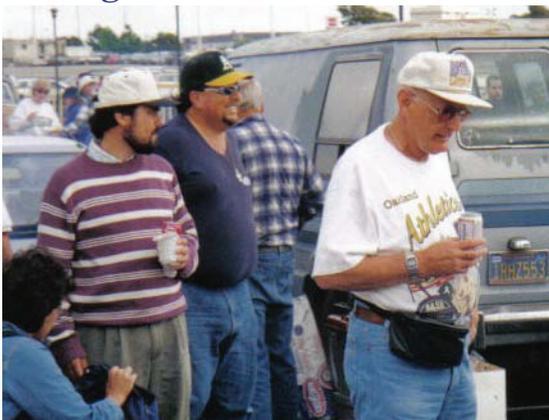


**Good Times, and Good Friends Can be Found in the Knights!**



**Our New Pastor – Father Sacca  
Having a Blast at the Ball Game**

**Yuckin' It Up at the A's Game**



**Tailgating With the K of C**



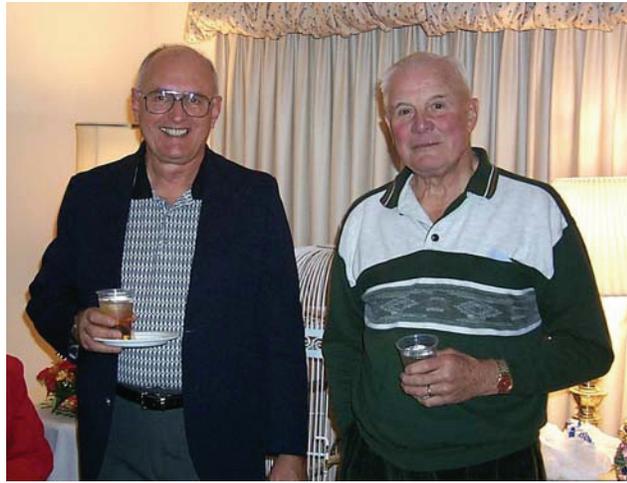
**Mike Bartels**

# Council No. 4588 In The 1990's



**Father Poon Receives the Father Juan Perez Award  
at the 1996 State Convention!**

## Council No. 4588 In The 1990's



The 1999 Tom and Jerry Party Hosted by the MacLean Family



The 1994 Luau

## Council No. 4588 In The 1990's



Where Else Can You Have This Much Fun at 7 a.m.?



The Past Grand Knight's Dinner of November 21, 1998

# Council No. 4588 In The 2000's



The Past Grand Knight's Dinner - 2002



The Gang's All Here!

## Council No. 4588 In The 2000's



The Children's Fair BBQ Manned by Tony Mariscal and Gary Meyer



The Sock Hop 2003 Chairpersons The Burkart Family Help  
Make the 2002 Clergy Appreciation  
Dinner a Class Act!



And Don't Forget the Kitchen Crew!

## Council No. 4588 In The 2000's



The Officer's Installation - 2002



Delivering the Check to Kaleidoscope for the 2002 Tootsie Roll Drive



The Bishops Vocation Dinner - 2002

## Council No. 4588 In The 2000's Knights In Action!



The "Die-Hards" of the Buffet Breakfast Crew!

# Council No. 4588 In The 2000's



**Father Poon Blesses Our New Equipment On the Occasion of Our Very First Council Fish and Fries Dinner**



**Christmas Baskets Ready To Go!**

# Council No. 4588 In The 2000's



2000



2003



Passing the Gavel - 2004

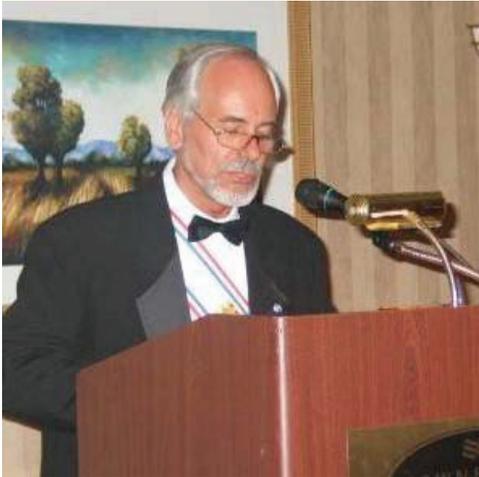


Awarding the Family of the Year – 2002



Carlos Santos Receives a Special Service Award for His Dedicated Service to Our Council

## Council No. 4588 In The 2000's



Honoring our Civil Servants With the Red Blue and Gold Dinner



Divine Leadership!



Pious Prayer!

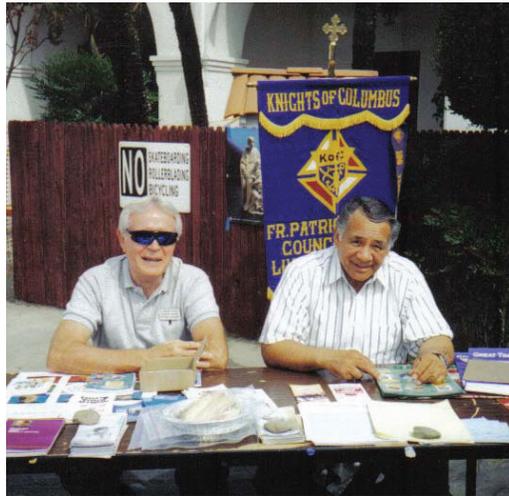


Christmas - 2002

## Council No. 4588 In The 2000's



The Color Corps – L to R – Figueiredo, Gels, Raposa, Mederios



Time Talent & Treasure Needed!



The Grand Knight Oversees  
The 2001 4th of July



The 4th of July - 2002

## Council No. 4588 In The 2000's



From the 2006 Christmas Basket Project



The 2007 Knights of the Month Awards en Mass

# Council No. 4588 In The 2000's



**The 2007 Families of the Month**



**Tony Lucero Practices His Usual Mastery of the Squires Circle**



**We Couldn't Do It Without the Squires Help!**



**A Good Time Was Had By All!**

# Council No. 4588 In The 2000's



25th Jubilee Celebration for Deacon Dave



Saint Michael Feast Day Celebration



The Christmas Baskets of 2007



Deanery Dinner Kitchen Crew



Clergy Appreciation Dinner Chairpersons



In 2007, We Have Inducted  
Over 45 New Members

# Council No. 4588 In The 2000's



Clergy Appreciation - 2007



Membership Blitz - 2007

# Council No. 4588 In The 2000's



We started off the Jubilee Year with a retreat at St. Clare's Retreat center in Soquel, Ca on April 20<sup>th</sup> thru April 22<sup>nd</sup> 07.

John and Dottie Beebe made all of the arrangements and we are grateful for all their efforts.

We all had a great time. Our retreat speaker was Franciscan Priest Father Allen Ramirez. Father Stahl came up on Saturday afternoon to speak to us. The weather was great and the whole weekend was enjoyed by all Knights and their wives who attended. Those that attended were: John and Dottie Beebe, Don and Carolyn Perry, Manny and Chris, Figueredo, Charles and Catherine Harding, John and Stacey Kupski, Paul and Lucille Phelps, Jack and Maclyn Pons, Gerald and Violet Stratman, Jim and Thea Shirley, Joe and Nadine Espenosa, Gil Cruz, Michael Valent, Jake and Angel Raposa and Betty Puulei all from Council 4588, and Scott and Nanette Speaker, Peter and Linda Ryza, Ron and Lorna Ziller, John and Lorraine Avela from Tracy Council # 4041



**The 2007 Honorary Life Ceremony for Paul Phelps, Dominick Sacullo, and Jack Pons**

# The Knights of Columbus IS Family!



The Aufderheidi Family



The Capuccio Family



The Carrano Family



The Costa Family

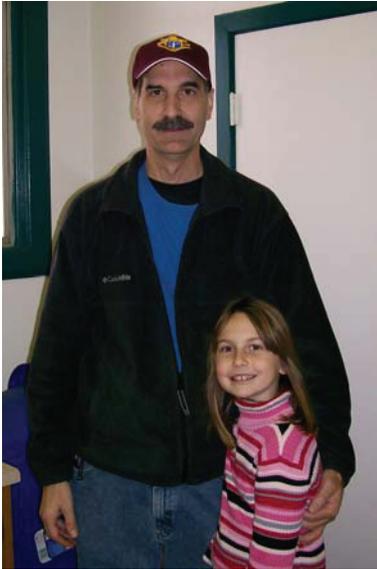


The Gazzaway Family



The Lucid Family

# The Knights of Columbus IS Family!



The Miranda Family



The Nardy Family



The Pasch Family



The Eichhorn Family



The Vieira Family



The Conley Family



The Gutierrez Family

# The Knights of Columbus IS Family!



The Mariscal Family



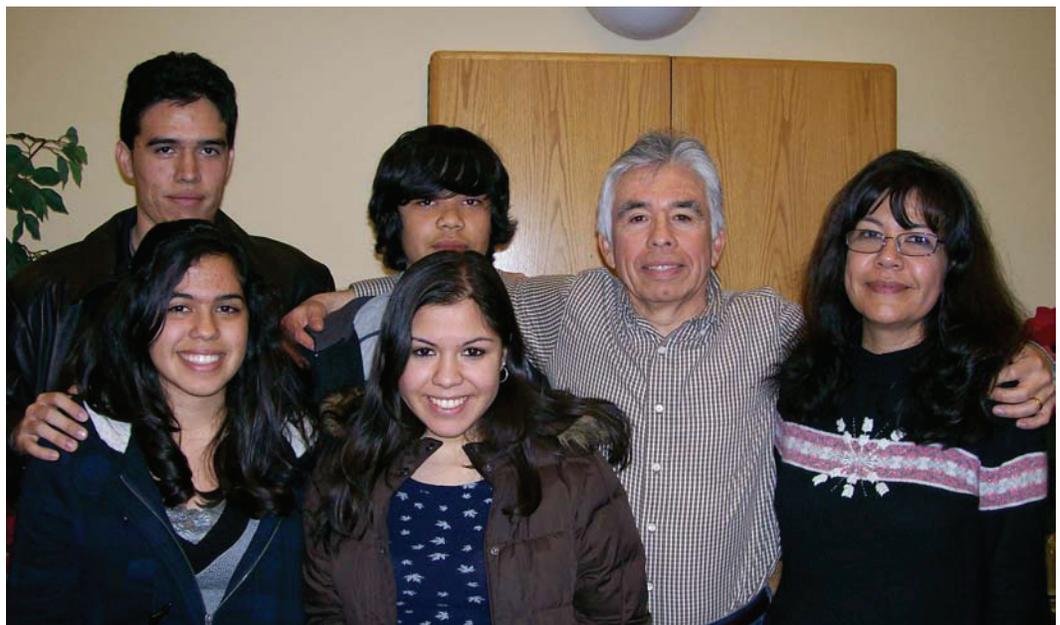
The Valent Family



The Mello Family



The Cambra Family



The Lucero Family

# The Knights of Columbus IS Family!



**The Klauser Family**



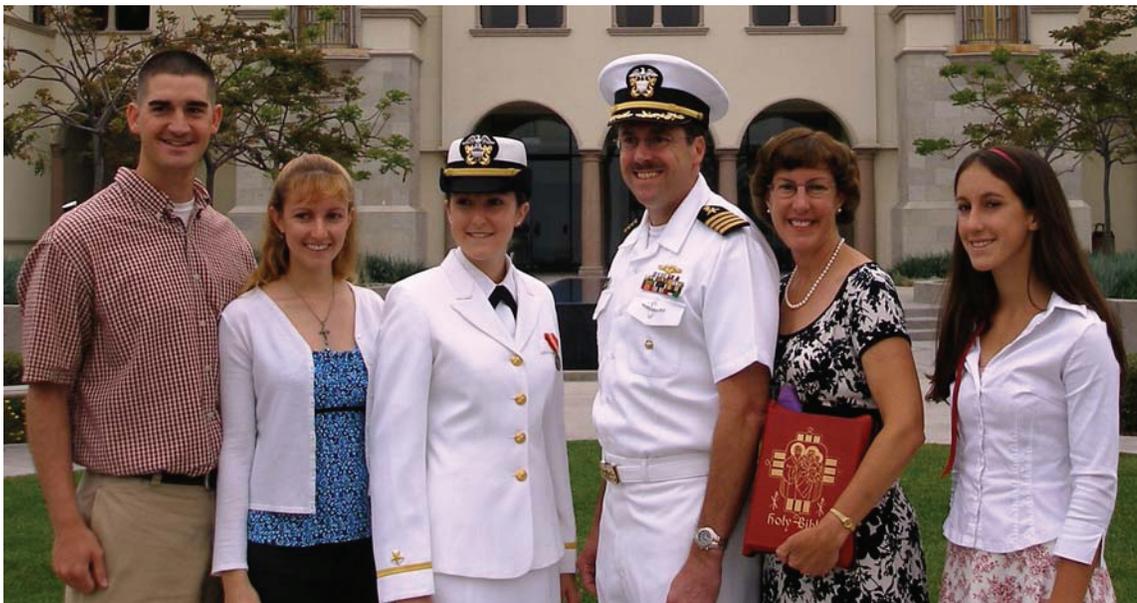
**The Kliss Family**



**The Jost Family**



**The Wiley Family**



**The McCaffrey Family**

# The Knights of Columbus IS Family!



The Logsdon, Harding, Miron Family



The Bachmeier Family



The Kraft Family

# Knights Memoirs

Paul and Lucille Phelps

Grand Knight 1965 - 1966

The first thing that comes to mind is that the new Chapter was very energetic. There were many young men from the Lab and Sandia. We were fortunate to have “old-timers” who belonged to the Knights, and who guided us along. Our Council, from the very beginning was enthusiastic. The meetings were conducted with regular business, and then we would break and play cards or just visit after the meetings. The Knights sponsored many socials not only for the Knights but also for the Church community. We had dance parties, dinner parties, costume parties, etc. I recall one large dinner beef burgundy dinner party during my tenure, which many Knights and Ladies attended. Once a month we received communion as a group.

When our son, Chris, and one of Dick Epps’ boys knocked the piano off of the stage at a St. Michael School event – boy did we hear from Father Hennessy! Ed Lafranchi was our meeting Parliamentary Officer and kept us on the proper course of Roberts Rules. I remember he always had the answers! Many of us volunteered to help on different projects for St. Michael Church. As evidence of the Vatican II ecumenical movement, we invited an engineer from the Lab – who was a protestant going to serve in the mission fields of Africa – to give us a presentation. The Knights gave him a few hundred dollars to support his time in Africa. His name was Ron Borgers. He was an electrical engineer at the Lab.

Manuel and Chris Figueiredo

Grand Knight 1994 - 1995

Being Grand Knight for Council No. 4588 was a great honor for us, and a wonderful lesson in humility. Serving that year, we were blessed by a super group of volunteers. As a Council, we received honors of 4<sup>th</sup> place in State for recruitment in 1994 – 1995, bringing in 24 new members and re-instatements.

The council became more involved with our parish activities such as managing the Coffee, and Doughnut Social, Parish Festival facilities, entertainment, and beer and soda booths.

With the direction of Sir Knight William Martz, we started the Children's Amateur Show, followed by the "Family Dinner/Dance". That pair of events continued on for seven years, providing much camaraderie for Knights, parishioners, and their families. We began that year using Explorer Scouts, and Scouts to serve the meals at our Western Dinner/Dance, Crab Feed, and Family Dinner/Dance. Three years later, nearly half of this group (excluding the girls) joined the first Circle of Squires in our Council under the leadership of Sir Knight Jake, and Angel Raposa, and brother Dennis Lundbom.

Thank you Father Patrick Power Council for the honor of serving you!

Jake and Angel Raposa

Grand Knight 1997 - 1998

What an incredible experience! My year as Grand Knight was a busy, and rewarding one. I learned the true meaning of brotherhood and the wonder of dedicated men and women. I especially want to thank my wife, Angel, who helped me so much then as now.

If I had to choose one event that I was most proud of during my term, it was my part in forming our Squire Circle. There were many people who helped get this group off the ground – Brother Manuel Figueiredo, Dennis Lundbom (the first Counselor), Mike Bartels, and Father Scott Chavez, our first Prior.

There were many activities – fundraiser, charitable, and just plain fun to name a few.

The Western Dinner Dance held in the fall, and the Crab Feed held in January, were our two big fundraisers that year.

The Spring Family Dinner and Dance was in full swing, and that day was begun with the Saint Michael Talent Show that we held in honor of our Brother Bill Martz. This was an entire day dedicated to the family - and what a sweet day it was.

There were nine buffet breakfasts during my term, and although we Knights gained much, we also helped fund the Sixth Grade Science Camp Project, Cub and Boy Scouts, Birthright, Squires, and a number of other groups within the Parish.

The Christmas Basket Program kept us busy during December under the terrific example of Brother Ed Eichhorn, and his wife, Ruth.

Attending the VA Mass on the third Sunday of each month, kept us centered, and reminded us all of our debt to our Veterans.

The Knight's Family Mass – held the first Sunday of each month, alternating between Saint Michael and Saint Charles, was a time of worship, and fellowship. Meeting for breakfast after Mass, usually at Emil Villas, brought more smiles.

The Tom and Jerry Party was a relaxing evening; full of fun and great munchies provided by the troops. Angel and I can still remember our first taste of Brother Jack Pons' Tom and Jerry batter. This gathering was always held as a special thank you for the Grand Knight.

The Poor Man's Dinner, held as close to April 15<sup>th</sup> as we could get, kept us all laughing at the costumes . . . was that the year Brother John Pruner came in a barrel?

I am sure I am forgetting so many events, so many moments, and yet I hope this has given you a little taste of my year. I want to once again thank all my Brother Knights for the honor and help they gave me during my year as Grand Knight. I would also like to send out a special thanks to the wives of my Brother Knights. Without their hard work and never ending smiles, it would have been a much different year.

Tom and Karen McCaffrey      Grand Knight 2006, 2007, 2008

I write this, as I am half way through my second stint as Grand Knight. It truly has been the experience of a lifetime for me. I wouldn't trade it for anything.

When I unexpectedly became Grand Knight in December of 2006, our Council was experiencing a number of serious problems. Our Officers were burned out, we didn't have directors for most of the programs, communications were broken, financial data were incomplete, and our recruitment prospects were grim.

Council leadership's low morale was characterized by one Officer's belief that the most desired name badge of all was the one that said "Past Grand Knight". In short, it wasn't a pretty picture.

No one knew that I thrived on situations like that. I spent a Navy career fixing broken crews and broken ships. It's what I do best! Frankly, I love it when there is nowhere to go but up.

I'm sure I surprised everyone by declaring that I, as Grand Knight, would not personally manage any events for the Council. If someone below me wasn't running it, then the event would be cancelled. I called it the belly-button principle. If I couldn't put my finger on the belly button of the man in charge, then no one was really in charge. No belly button meant there would be no event. It was that simple. This was a radical change from the days when the Grand Knight was expected to do everything himself. At my first business meeting, I told everyone that my job was to run the Council, not to run the Council's events.

I knew that my leadership style would not sit well with everyone. Truthfully, I expected and received some outright rebellion over it. But, I held a steady course. Fortunately, I found many like-minded Knights who were willing to take on the hard jobs of fixing the Council's problems. We quickly put these men in the right leadership positions, and then set off for greener pastures.

We started off by improving communications within the Council. Brian Lucid started up the Council's first communications program. Chuck Harding took over a few months later, and we never looked back. It will always be a work in progress, but these two Knights should be proud of giving us this vital capability; for without it, we couldn't have gotten anything done.

We then did a bottom-up overhaul of financial records and processes. Chris Carrano and Manny Estacio spent countless hours getting our monetary house in order. With help from the Trustees, especially Brian Littrell, these men gave us the ability to properly manage all Council activities and accurately forecast future budgetary needs. This job took almost an entire year. The improvements will make Council management much easier for future leadership teams.

In parallel with the above initiatives, we set an aggressive goal to bring 50 new men to our Council in the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Jubilee year. Brian Lucid took over as Membership Director and got us off to an awesome start by recruiting over 20 new candidates from St. Michael Parish during a blitz in May.

This blitz was a huge production that rivaled the most complex military campaigns of WW II. But, it was very successful. Brian got us on the right path and turned over a solid program to Chuck Lewandowski in the Fall. Chuck made it even better. By December, we were up by 46 new members, within spitting distance of reaching our goal with several months to spare.

The new Knights brought a wealth of talent and unbounded energy to our Council. Indeed, within six months, I was able to fill all of our Officer and Director positions, many with men who were brand new Knights. Most notable among them is our Deputy Grand Knight, Ken Rief, who took on the extremely challenging job of Programs Director. I could not have asked for a better Right Hand Man.

I found my inspiration in the Officers and Directors who did the hard work of revitalizing the Council. Without exception, they kept their noses to the grindstones and they got the jobs done. They got the business processes of the Council in order. They restarted all of our programs and they built strong teams to share the heavy lifting. I am in awe of their dedication and commitment. Frankly, we have reached the point where I can walk away and everything will continue running smoothly without me. That's how an enduring organization is supposed to run. It should always be that way.

Maybe that Officer was right about the "Past Grand Knight" badge being the best. I'm certainly looking forward to getting mine; but not for the reasons he had in mind. I want to wear it as a testament to the fact that I was privileged to serve in the best job of all, a job that all Knights should strive to attain. I will gladly turn over the reins; not with a sigh of relief, but with eager anticipation to watch how the new leaders will take this superb Council and make it even better. I will be proud to see my successors accomplish great and wonderful things.

In summary, I am very thankful for having this opportunity to serve my God and my Parish community. My Brothers taught me valuable lessons in leadership, fraternity, and faith. Because of them, I am a better Catholic, husband, father, and Knight.

Vivat Jesus!  
Tom McCaffrey, CFA  
Captain, USN (Ret)

# In Memoriam

I was standing on the shore, watching a beautiful ship sail away into the sunset. I stood there until I could see the ship on the horizon no more. A feeling of sadness came over me, that beautiful ship was gone; I was not able to see it anymore. What I didn't know, was that far away on another shore, bands were playing, people were shouting and rejoicing, there was a mass celebration, and you could hear them cry "HERE IT COMES!" That my friends is dying.

## The Deceased Members of Council No. 4588



Ruben Alire	Raymond A. Hahn	Joseph Ott
John Baggio	Fr. William Hennessy	John Pachuca
George Bickert	Joseph Henriques	Robert Pasch
Fr. Edward Bratton	Fr. Edward Higgins	Glenn Pereira
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Francis Callaghan	Jay Jost	Fr. Joseph Pier
Leo Callaghan	Charles Kelly	Msgr. John Quinn
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Fr. Edward Cloutier	Frank Kennedy	Robert Remillard
Pliny Crume	Jack Kennedy	John Rodrigues
Leopold Daniel	Fr. John Kenny	Fr. Thomas Shadeg
Alfred De Clercq, Jr.	Paul Klauser	Thomas B. Silvey
Raymond Drury, Sr.	Clecent Leif	Theodore Strelka
Edgar Eichhorn	Thomas Madden	Chester Tarne
John Elward	William Martz	Jimmy Tejada
Shumway Fawver	Edward McGurn	Russel Tompkins
Louis Fisher	Edward McGlaughlin	William Twomey
John Fleming	Manuel Medeiros	Leo Wabs
Charles Fracisco	Manuel Mello	Howard Webb
Thomas Giblin	Emanuel Mingoia	Mason Wetherell
Edward Gilmore	Michael Morris	Charles White
Stanley Glasky	Ronald Nims	Fr. John Williams
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