

# Knights of Columbus

**ST. ELIZABETH COUNCIL NO. 8747**

**Milpitas, California**

<http://www.kofc8747.org/>

**DIVISION III**



**SEPTEMBER 2011**

**GRAND KNIGHT**

**CHARLES N. HUDSON**

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**CHAPLAIN**

**REV. LEONARD TRAVERSO**

**392-9282**

**IMPORTANT CALENDAR EVENTS**  
**SEE THE ENCLOSED CALENDAR - POST IT AND SHARE IT!**

**CHAPLAIN'S COLUMN**

**DO YOU LOVE ME? 2011**



When Jesus, was baptized in the Jordan River, a voice came from Heaven, "You are my son, the beloved, with you I am well pleased." Mk 1;11

We too, are beloved, because we share his Divine nature. God is also well pleased with us---not because we proved ourselves or because we did anything at

all. God is well pleased with us because we are part of God. We are God's children---created in his image and likeness. God's unconditional love for us declares: whatever you do, I love you. We've been created by God to answer --- and I love you. God's ways are "mysterious." one incomprehensible truth revealed in the Gospels is that God desires affirmation of his love. Especially for the love he gave on the cross. One moment in the Gospels which reveals God's mysterious desire happened after the Resurrection. The Risen Lord asked Peter, three times: jn.21:15-17 "Peter, do you love me?" When we hear the risen Lord ask us: "do you love me?" Will our answer be as confident as Peter's? "Yes, Lord, you know I love you."

Chaplain,

Rev. Leonard Travers

**GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE**

My Worthy Brother Knights,



As the month of September embarks upon us we have a Golden Opportunity at the forthcoming Ministry Faire to assist our fellow parishioners while at the same time increasing our council membership. I spoke to you before that one of our goals this year is to expand

our council membership and also that I feel it is our obligation as Knights to offer all of our fellow Catholic men an opportunity for membership in the Knight of Columbus hence giving him the opportunity to improve his own life and that of his community.

So again this month, I make an appeal to each and every one of our dedicated Brother Knights to become ambassadors, to reach out to our Catholic men and their families and invite them to become part of our Order. We will have our booth set up at each mass during the Faire on the weekend of September 10 & 11 so please come join us and invite your friends and neighbors to look into our Fraternity. If you have any questions please see me or Brother Andy. Also our Supreme Council has an excellent web page entitled

"Why Join the Knights of Columbus" at <http://www.kofc.org/un/eb/en/about/join/index.html> . Feel free to visit this website and brush-up on "Everything you always wanted to know about joining the Knights of Columbus" but were afraid to ask."

The month of August 2011 was a light month for our council. We held the Semi-Annual audit for our council following the Officer and Programs Meeting on August 3. The books were found to be in great shape by our auditors, the Trustees and Grand Knight. Another great accomplishment by our Treasurer, Brother Jim Kiehm and Financial Secretary, Brother Andy Dyson.

On August 6 a memorial Mass was celebrated at St Elizabeth by Fr Stasis for a member of our council, Brother J.W. "Buck" Schott. Our St. Joseph Assembly provided an honor guard detail along with an honor assignment from the U.S. Navy of which Buck was a veteran Army. Brother Greg Dessel served as the bugler to play his final taps. A reception followed in the St. Elizabeth room for all who attended. In lieu of flowers, the family donated \$250 to our People with Intellectual Disability (PWID) Drive.

On Saturday August 20, I attended the San Jose Chapter's Kickoff meeting for the 2011 People with Intellectual Disability (PWID). Brother Bill Glover chaired the meeting and along with chapter officers and district deputies they reviewed the program as defined by the California State Council, handed out the materials, buttons, and magnets, then took orders for the supplies to support this year's efforts.

On August 28 our council Brothers and the St Elizabeth Teen group sponsored a carwash fundraiser in the parking lot of St. Elizabeth's to kick off the 2011 campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities (PWID). We started the event at 8:00 am and packed out all the equipment around 3:00 pm with a total donation of \$1,224 to the PWID fund which will be presented to the Milpitas High School Special Education Program.

The council would like to personally thank all the volunteers who participated in making this event such a successful one: Gwan, Susi, Melissa and Jessica Alisantosa, Hoang Vu, Kathy and John Serena, Christi, Cam, Timothy, Natalie, Amy and Little Seth Bradford, Martin Hernandez, Khai, Tony and Andrew Phan, Skip Yenchik, Al John Borjal, Bobby Baliza, Charlie Hudson, Tim Crews, Andy Sharon Dyson, Phil Anthony, Michael Herrera. This includes representatives from the Teen Group, Boy Scouts, members of the Knights of Columbus and families, St. Elizabeth Church and Parish office staff and especially our parishioners who donated their

dirty cars to this event so that they could be returned back to them in a more glistening condition.



The above photo of Khai, Andy, Hoang, Skip, Tim and Charlie shows only a small group of the above listed volunteers.

Lastly I continue to thank our council Brothers who are assisting the Milpitas Pantry with their food deliveries. Thank You Brothers Skip Yenchik, Julio Galvan, Ed Kantack, Khai Phan, Andy Dyson & Tim Crews. THANK YOU.

If you would like to share your ideas for the council or committees, have comments, suggestions, complaints or perhaps just need to talk, I can be reached by email at [cnhudson@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cnhudson@sbcglobal.net) or phone at Home: (408) 941-0433, Cell: (408) 881-3444.

Fraternally,  
Charlie Hudson, Grand Knight,  
St. Elizabeth Council #8747

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

*The Soul of Brother J.W. (Buck) Schott  
Passed July 3, 2011*

Doris Kantack, wife of Ed.  
Brother Hung Nguyen B  
Brother Bernard McGuinness  
Brother Michael and Wife Maria Wilhelmi  
The Soul of Beth Crews, wife of Brother Tim Crews  
Theodore H. Nguyen and Family.  
John Patrick C. Hernandez, Son of Brother Noel & Maria Hernandez.  
And all those listed in the Church Prayer List.

**FROM THE DESK OF THE  
DGK/PROGRAM DIRECTOR**

My Brother Knights;  
Schedule For September:  
Sept. 6 - Andy & Julio Second Harvest Food Bank Pickup

Sept. 7 - Officers/Programs Meeting  
Sept. 10 & 11 - Ministry Fair & Recruitment Drive - help will be needed to man the booth after each Mass.  
Sept. 13 - Ed & Khai Second Harvest Food Bank pickup  
Sept. 14 - 7:00 PM Social, 7:30 Business Meeting  
Sept. 20 - Skip & Tim Second Harvest Food Bank pickup  
Sept. 27 - Skip & Tim Second Harvest Food Bank pickup  
Sept. 28 - Family Pot Luck and Recognition Social  
Your Faithful DGK & Program Director,  
Khai Thanh Phan

**MEMBERSHIP NOTES**

Congratulations to our newest member, Fr. Francisco Miramontes, Pastor of Our Lady Star of The Sea in Alviso. Fr. Francisco received his First Degree on August 8 th.

Last Columbian Year we recruited 9 new members. One over our Supreme quota. So, I know we can do it. But, we need your help to ask your Catholic neighbor in Church or in the Parish Community if he would like to become a member of the Knights of Columbus? We do have a Recruitment Team, Admission Committee and First Degree Team in place. So, all you need to do is get the prospect's name and phone number. Then give me a call at 263-5156. We will schedule the Admissions Committee to visit with him and his family.  
Andy Dyson, Membership Director

**VOCATIONS PRAYER**

LOVING GOD, HELP US TO HEAR THE CALL TO DO THE WORK THAT YOU HAVE CALLED US TO DO AND TO SHARE IT WITH OTHER PEOPLE. HELP US TO DO MORE THINGS FOR THE CHURCH. HELP US TO HEAR YOUR CALL, ANSWER IT ,AND LIVE THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS. AMEN

Ryan Michell, Grade 5, St. Margaret Mary, Archdiocese of Louisville  
HAI VU, VOCATIONS CHAIRMAN

**CULTURE OF LIFE**

Dear Brother Knights.  
Now (Sept) is the time for action! Last month, I gave a heads up that the 40 Days for Life program was coming. The Bishop endorses it and the program has been very successful for several years now. The action (40 days) begins Sept. 28 (runs through Nov 6) with kick-off on Sept. 21 at 7 pm --a Mass celebrated by Bishop McGrath at Holy Family Parish, 4848 Pearl Ave, San Jose, CA 95136. A reception with the bishop will follow.  
Prayer, at home & in front of Planned Parent-

hood, is the essential component. Fasting, peaceful vigil, and community outreach are other elements. Planning meetings are now occurring weekly, Tues-7 pm, at Our Lady of Peace church (nearby). Parish ambassadors are needed. I am willing to share this with any of you. Please consider using your talents to promote a 'culture of life' in our diocese. For more information or to volunteer, call me, and/or Pat Bradley at 408-497-7270, or visit [www.40daysforlife.com/sanjose](http://www.40daysforlife.com/sanjose).

Don Jones,  
Culture of Life Chairman

## COMMUNITY NEWS

Here it is.....

### Community meetings:

**City Council:** First and third Tuesdays at 7:00 PM. Broadcast on Community Channel 15 and webcast on city website: <http://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov>

**Planning Commission:** 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 7:00 PM. Broadcast on the Community Channel 15 and webcast on city website: <http://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov>.

**MUSD School Board:** 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 7:00 PM. Broadcast on Community Channel 15. MUSD website: <http://www.musd.org>.

### Community events:

**Thursday, September 15 - Business After Hours Mixer** at Comerica Bank, 1289 S. Park Victoria Dr., Milpitas, 5:00 - 7:00 PM. Chamber Mixer with Great Networking Opportunities! Mix and Mingle with Business Leaders. Bring your Business Cards to Promote your Business or Services. Bring your clients and co-workers. Door Prizes and 50/50 Drawing. Members Free, Non-Members \$10. RSVP to the Chamber office at 262-2613 or [info@milpitaschamber.com](mailto:info@milpitaschamber.com)

**Saturday, September 24 - A Fun Evening Of Scotch, Wine, and Hors d'oeuvres**, 6:30 to 9:00 pm. Non-alcoholic beverages will be available. Hosted by Robin and Dean Hayes, 1641 Pebble Beach Court, Milpitas. \$45 per person. A Milpitas Rotary event benefiting youth and community service programs. Contact Cynthia Rich at 408-439-0506 or [cynthiarich@comcast.net](mailto:cynthiarich@comcast.net)

**Saturday, October 8 - St. John the Baptist School is celebrating their 25th Anniversary** starting with a 12 noon Mass, followed by blessing of the school buildings, opening of the time capsule, and a reception in Pavalkis Hall.

For more information on what's happening in Milpitas? Go to: <http://www.mercurynews.com/milpitas> and see THINGS TO DO also [www.milpitaspatch.com](http://www.milpitaspatch.com)

There it is!  
Frank De Smidt,  
Community Director

## DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT



Wow! The summer has flown by and the kids are headed back to their classrooms. School is starting again and as adults, we need to exercise care as we drive when the students are arriving at schools in the mornings and heading home in the afternoons. Let's be careful as drivers and keep our eyes and ears open around school zones. Let's also be appreciative of all of the school crossing guards. Give 'em a brake!

With the start of the school year the K of C steps into full swing to recruit new members and grow the order. New members are the lifeblood of the Order and the key to the success of Councils and their officers. For Councils who bring in new members, it is important to get the new members initiated as quickly as they can. The rules of our Order are spelled out that this is the responsibility of the Council to which the prospect applies and the initiation is to be conducted by that Council. This gives rise to the duty of Grand Knights to see that there is a First Degree Team within his Council.

Last year we talked about forming First Degree Teams and our District responded magnificently. Council 5796 St John revived their team and is now conducting a Degree once a month on the 2nd Thursday. If they have no candidates, they use the time to practice. Over at St. Victor, Council 4112 has formed a team and they have been practicing and conducted their first First Degree and they did a very credible job. Council 8747 St. Elizabeth is working to ensure that all parts are covered with experienced members so that they can continue their fine tradition of First Degrees. Everyone should keep up the good work of exemplifying the First Degree for new candidates.

This year we want to start a Second Degree Team in District 29. The DD is responsible for the formation and training of the Second Degree Team and to that end I will be sending out an announcement for an organizational meeting. The notice will go to the Grand Knights and I will ask them to forward it to their Council members. The Second Degree needs a cast of at least seven, and it will be good to have more than one man qualified to deliver a part. The initial meeting will be to determine who are the

volunteers and to assess the elements of the 2nd Degree Kit. The announcement will be sent once a location is set up and available. Stay tuned. The objective is to get the team up and operating within the next two months.

As usual with the start of the new Columbian Year recruiting is one of our foremost thought. I urge all Councils to be active in recruiting the men in your parishes who are not yet members of the Order. The Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson, has stated several times that as Knights of Columbus we have no less than a moral obligation to make membership in the Order Available to all Catholic men.

I wish all the Councils in District 29 the best of luck recruiting this fall. Let's really get new members and get them involved!

Vivat Jesus!

Tim Crews, DD-27  
crewstj@att.net  
408/934-0874 home  
408/802-8324 cell

**FIELD AGENT'S REPORT**  
***IMPORTANT VIDEO MESSAGE FROM***  
***THE SUPREME KNIGHT REGARDING***  
***S&P ACTION***



Below is a link to kofc.org which will bring you to a video message from the Supreme Knight regarding the recent action taken by Standard & Poor's. In it, he reassures our members and our insureds that the action taken is a result of their view of the U.S. government, and not a reflection on

the Knights of Columbus.

We are as strong as ever.

CHECK IT OUT:

<http://www.californiaknights.org/index.htm>

If you know of any member that may have questions regarding the strength of the Order, I recommend you direct them to this message. As usual, Supreme Knight Anderson inspires confidence and his message is perfectly delivered.

This economic upheaval makes the Knights of Columbus products shine more than ever - my whole life cash values continue to grow, my term premiums are guaranteed and my retirement annuity will never lose a penny! Continue faith in our Order and its prudent financial management. Where else can you have this type of financial security and support the charitable endeavors of our Catholic organization?

If you have not taken advantage of our fraternal benefits program, please feel free to contact my office. Now is a time to truly secure your financial future.

**COPY THE VIDEO LINK INTO YOUR WEB BROWSER:** <http://www.kofc.org/un/common/video/spstatement.html>

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**KNIGHTS**  
**OF COLUMBUS**  
**California State Council**  
**IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.**



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR**  
**SEPTEMBER (date), TO:**

- FRANK DE SMIDT (04)**
- EDWARD KANTACK (07)**
- ROGELIO ARCEBAL (11)**
- JOSELITO ABELARCO (19)**
- RICHARDO GATDULA (22)**
- EDWARD GORSKI, JR (22)**
- ROSALIO HARO (23)**
- MICHAEL HERRERA (25)**
- RANDLE REDIC, SR (26)**

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**ADVOCATE'S COLLECTION UPDATE**  
 THE ADVOCATE'S COLLECTION AT  
 JUNE'S MEETING WAS \$27.00 FOR  
**JUAN DIEGO SOCIETY**  
 THIS MONTH AT OUR REGULAR  
 MEETING WILL BE FOR  
**RELAY FOR LIFE**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
**COUNCIL 8747**  
**2011-2012 OFFICERS**

<b><u>OFFICE</u></b>	<b><u>MEMBER</u></b>
Grand Knight-----	Charlie Hudson--941-0433
Chaplain-----	Rev. Leonard Traverso-392-9282
Deputy Grand Knight-----	Khai Phan-263-3077
Chancellor-----	Julio Galvan--945-0603
Lecturer-----	Joseph Schaefer-262-7834
Advocate-----	Guillermo Uribe--332-7556
Recorder-----	Dick Jones--263-6218
Financial Secretary-----	Andy Dyson--263-5156
Treasurer-----	Jim Kiehm--Cell-1-925-337-0322
Warden-----	Harrison Tran-956-9988
Inside Guard-----	Federico Gomez, III-476-8104
Outside Guard-----	Gilles Devictor-931-3521
1st Year Trustee-----	Greg Dessel-433-1651
2nd Year Trustee-----	Skipper Yenchik, Sr--946-5958
3rd Year Trustee-----	Joe Byrne--946-3223

**SPECIAL PROGRAM'S MEMBERS**

<b><u>PROGRAM</u></b>	<b><u>MEMBER</u></b>
Director-----	Khai Phan
Public Relations Chairman-----	Andy Dyson
Church Director-----	Gerry Valdezno-941-0341
Vocations Chairman-----	Hai Vu-719-9005
Community Director-----	Frank DeSmidt--263-3474
Culture of Life Chairman-----	Don Jones--934-7114
Health Services-----	Federico Gomez, III
Council Director-----	Nicholas A Franzino
Family Director-----	Gilles Devictor
Youth Director-----	Guillermo Uribe
Membership Director-----	Andy Dyson
Recruitment Chairman-----	Charlie Hudson
Retention Chairman-----	Charlie Hudson
Insurance Promotion-----	Dion Dangzalan--323-8013
Admissions Chairman-----	Andy Dyson
Memorial Committee-----	Charlie Hudson
Council WebMaster---	Hung B. Nguyen-----933-8791
Columbian Retirement Home Chairman-----	-----Bill Poehlman--262-6609
Bulletin Editor-----	Andy Dyson
Council Fund Raiser Chairman-----	Per Event
PWID Chairman -----	Gwan Ali-Santosa--263-4638
St. Elizabeth Knight Sounds DJ.....	Andy Dyson

# SEPTEMBER 2011

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**KNIGHTS OF THE MONTH**

**COLUMBIAN YEAR 2011-2012**

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**AUGUST**

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**SEPTEMBER**

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**OCTOBER**

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**DECEMBER**

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**FAMILY OF THE MONTH**

**COLUMBIAN YEAR 2011-2012**

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