

# KNIGHT LETTER - FEBRUARY 2011

Sacramento Council 953

District 9

**“Sacred Heart of Jesus, Immaculate Heart of Mary, Intercede for Us.”**

Calendar of Events

Get Updated Event Information 24-hrs-a-day at [www.kofc953.org](http://www.kofc953.org)

February	3	Thursday	7:00 PM	Officers and Directors Meeting
	6	Sunday		K of C Night at the Sacramento Kings Game
	10	Thursday	6:00 PM	Dinner (Hall opens at 5:30 PM)
			7:00 PM	General Council Meeting
	12	Saturday	11:00 AM	2nd & 3rd Degree at St. Dominic's Parish in Benicia
	12	Saturday	6:00 PM	Shrimp Feed (Hall opens at 5:00 PM)
	17	Thursday	6:00 PM	Ladies' Night
March	3	Thursday	7:00 PM	Officers and Directors Meeting
	5	Saturday	11:00 AM	2nd & 3rd Degree at St. John the Evangelist Parish in Carmichael
	9	Wednesday		Ash Wednesday
	10	Thursday	6:00 PM	Dinner (Hall opens at 5:30 PM)
			7:00 PM	General Council Meeting
	17	Thursday	6:00 PM	Irish Night

## **GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE**

To My Brother Knights & Their Families,

February is a month that Americans celebrate Valentines Day and several Presidents' birthdays. As Knights of Columbus, our loved ones include a much broader and diverse spectrum of humanity. Our work is never done. Month after month, year after year we continue to serve God, the less fortunate, the sick, and the unborn. We affect many lives worldwide and in our own neighborhoods.

Every brother is a link in a much larger chain. That being said, thank you for all the help and support you've given. Our events not only serve the needs of many, but every brother is blessed to serve with a remarkable brotherhood of Catholic men.

On February 12th Brothers; Dave Carboni, Al Picardo. And Johnny Waldron are serving up a phenomenal Giant Shrimp Dinner (volunteers welcome). Any dinner they put together leaves everyone wanting more.

Lady's night on February 17th is a great opportunity for us to treat the special women in our lives to a very special fun filled evening. In case anyone forgets Valentines Day, here is your chance for redemption.

God Bless our works, I look forward to seeing everyone at our next general meeting.

Vivat Jesus

Joseph Miceli

Grand Knight, Council 953

## Knights Of Columbus Garage Sale

Our 4th annual Knights of Columbus garage sale will be held in April. Now is the time to start going through your garage, if its like mine you need to get rid of stuff. You probably have a few items but maybe not enough for your own garage sale. Let us take it off your hands and donate it to our worthy cause!! Further details will be available in next month's Knight Letter

Thank you. Steve Mills

## Results of 953's Basketball Free Throw Championship

Our Council's basketball free throw championship was conducted at three schools this year: St. Mary's, Sacred Heart and Holy Spirit. Because we added Holy Spirit to our schools this year, we ended up with a record number of participants – 284 kids! We had 90+ kids at each of the schools shooting 15 shots each. Our Council's 10 best shooters (5 girls and 5 boys ages 10 through 14) went on to compete in the District Championship on February 5th at St. Joseph's School in North Sacramento. My thanks go out to the Brother Knights that helped me with the three schools this year: George Mills, Frank Philips, Alex Kachmar, Dick Cutting and Steve Mills. As in past years, we had several very good shooters who stand a good chance of going on to the Chapter and State Championships representing their schools and Council 953.

Dale Edwards

## For Whom We Pray

Memorial Mass: None this month.  
Spiritual Bouquets: FDD Steven J. Fusick  
Donald L. Nagel



If someone in your family is hospitalized or sick, phone Rina Rainero at (916) 457-3895. A spiritual bouquet will be sent to them in our Council's name. Prayers are the best medicine for the sick. Mass cards are also sent to the families of deceased Brothers or deceased members of their immediate families. WE NEED YOUR HELP! The spiritual bouquets and Mass cards cannot be sent if we are not told of the need. So please call and let us know. Write this number in your phone book: Rina Rainero at (916) 457-3895.



## 2nd and 3rd Degree in Benicia 2/12/2011

Brothers;

There are 30+ candidates, who have registered to attend the exemplification for the 2nd/3rd Degree in Benicia on Saturday, February 12th,. We still have plenty of room and will welcome any additional candidates that can attend.

The cut-off date has been extended from Saturday, February 5th, to Wednesday, February 9th.

Please email me at [jmforman49@aol.com](mailto:jmforman49@aol.com), if you have candidates who would like to attend.

Link to the Degree Flyer: [http://www.kofcnc.org/degree\\_flyers/2nd\\_and\\_3rd\\_Degree\\_Flyer2\\_2011.pdf](http://www.kofcnc.org/degree_flyers/2nd_and_3rd_Degree_Flyer2_2011.pdf)

Thanks.

Michael Forman

District Deputy, District 13

## The Latest From Pro-Life

### **40 Days For Life – March 9th – April 17th**

On March 9th we will begin a period of prayer & fast that will change history. BUT WE NEED YOUR PRAYERS, FASTING & WITNESSING!!

The spring vigil will be Monday thru Saturday, 7am to 7pm at the Women's Health Specialist abortion business at 1750 Wright Street between Arden Way & Alta Arden Expressway.

We will be asking you to sign up to pray, fast, & witness at the February & March business meetings. I would also request that you fervently pray that God will use you & extend your boundaries to impact our country and to bless each of us with the courage to stand up for life.

As we participate with so many others across our country, please remember that this is a spiritual battle – to win a spiritual battle we cannot put your faith in laws, politicians or judges – we must use spiritual weaponry – prayer, sacrifice & faithful witness. These are what are needed for 40 Days for Life to be successful. I believe that the spiritual war that wages beyond our sight is manifesting itself in our country in visible ways since the beginning of the 40 Days for Life prayer vigils. A peaceful and prayerful presence is very effective with women considering abortions and the abortion business employees. You may have heard about Abby Johnson, who was a Planned Parenthood facility manager in Texas who quit her job after assisting with an abortion and seeing on an ultrasound screen how the baby fought for its life. She is now pro-life and becoming Catholic. It is easy to see how our prayers and sacrifices are making a difference in this spiritual battle.

So I must ask: will you stand up now with other Christians, ask God to change hearts & minds as only he can, and help put an end to abortion in America?

### **Chili Cook-Off chair needed**

We are in need of a chair(s) for our Chili Cook-Off which takes place on the first Saturday of October. While the event has a few more details than one of our annual dinners, the retiring chair of the event is happy to offer advice as well as documentation to help the new chair(s) run the event successfully. Please contact me, DGK Jim Conner or GK Joe Miceli if you are interested.

Visit the 953 Culture of Life blog  
<http://kofc953sacramentoprolife.blogspot.com/>

"...You shall not murder a child by abortion nor kill that which is born." From The Teaching of the Twelve Apostles (Didache) – The Lord's Teaching Through The Twelve Apostles to the Nations, Chapter 2. The Second Commandment: Grave Sin Forbidden, circa 100 A.D.

Dominic Ielati  
Pro-Life Director  
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## **The 50/50 Drawing**

The 50/50 drawing at the October meeting in the amount of \$8.00, was won by Terry Corcoran. The name of Robert E. O'Connor was drawn for the attendance drawing. He was not present and thus he did not win the cash.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE “Your Shield For Life”.**



**Beneficiaries...Who Do You Love? ♥♥**

Valentine’s Day will soon be here! Do you know who the beneficiary is on your life insurance policy? Sometimes it is easy to overlook the simplest of things.

Why is it so important to know and to have your beneficiary information updated? A life insurance policy protects the financial status of another person – or people – in the event of your death.

When Purchasing Knights of Columbus insurance policy, you have selected a primary beneficiary, and if you desire, a contingent, or secondary beneficiary. It’s always a wise choice to have a contingent beneficiary because you may outlive your primary beneficiary. A contingent beneficiary is the person designated to receive life insurance policy proceeds if the primary beneficiary dies.

By being specific as possible in the wording your beneficiary designation you make sure that the life insurance proceeds will be available to your wife, daughter, son, etc., in a timely manner when needed most.

Your life situation will undoubtedly change over time. Plan to update your beneficiary designations periodically. This will ensure that your life insurance coverage will protect those you love and want to protect.

Changing your beneficiary is fairly simple. I can provide you with the necessary forms, and can help you fill them out. I can also help you with all of your life insurance policy beneficiary designations for any life insurance policy you hold - regardless of the company that issued it.

To contact me with regards to any of your insurance needs, please call my office at (916) 691-4571 or e-mail me at [hank.cornell@kofc.org](mailto:hank.cornell@kofc.org).

By Knights ... For Knights ....  
Hank Cornell, FIC  
Ca Lics #0G05138

**January Family of the Month**

Brothers,

With great pleasure I am pleased to announce that brother William J. Renard and his family will receive our most cherished “Family of the Month” award. Bill’s outstanding participation in council endeavors, as well as helping with our recent kitchen renovation makes this a truly well deserved commendation.

“May God bless the Renard Family”

Joe Miceli  
Grand Knight,Council 953

**BUSINESS MEETING DINNERS**

Below is the upcoming schedule with the names of the volunteer cooks and greeters:

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>COOK</u>	<u>MENU</u>	<u>GREETERS</u>
February	Terry Corcoran	Ribs	TBA
March	TBA	TBA	TBA
April	TBA	TBA	TBA



Because behind every good man is an even greater woman...

Usually chasing him with a "Honey-Do" list

The Knights of Columbus Council 953 presents its annual

**Ladies' Night – Thursday, February 17, 2011**

Don't they deserve an evening away from home?

Come and join your fellow Knights with their ladies while enjoying the culinary skills of Past Grand Knight Matt Lucien, and his tasty menu of:

Chicken Cacciatore, served on a bed of pasta, along with

Steamed vegetables

Salad

Rolls

AND a fantastic dessert

The best part is that LADIES ARE FREE!!

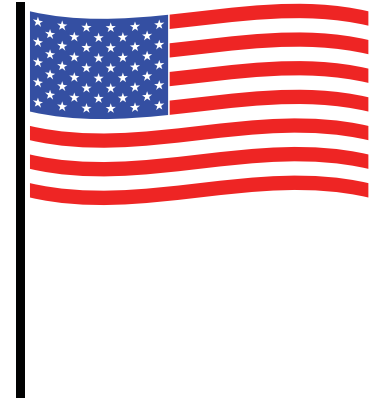
Sorry guys, the cost to you is \$15

Social time begins at 6 o'clock, and dinner begins at 6:30

For reservations, call the 953 Hall at (916) 736-0953



or PGK Matt Lucien at (916)429-8598



# Knights of Columbus # 953

“Giant Shrimp Dinner” Saturday, February 12, 2011

A Giant Shrimp Dinner  
Presented By  
Johnny Waldron and Dave Carboni

The Miller Highlights Band  
will provide music for your listening  
pleasure and dancing.

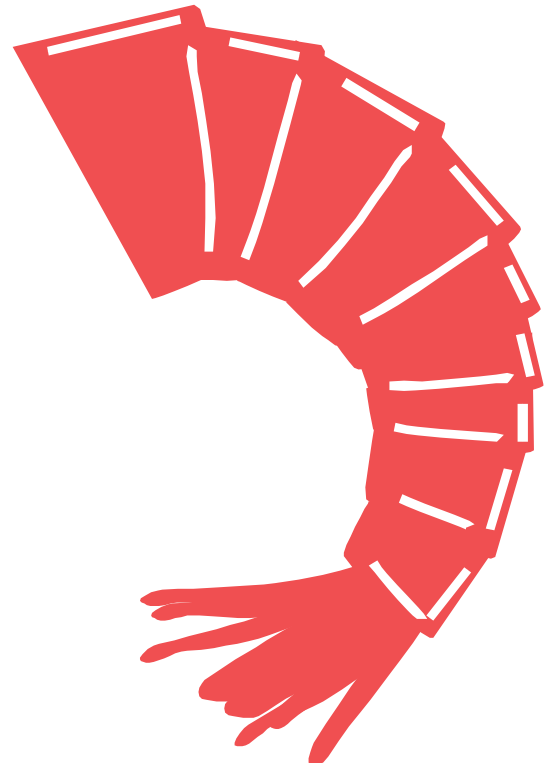
- Giant Shrimp
- Pasta Pesto
- Green Salad
- Italian Green Beans
- French Rolls with Butter
- Wine on tables
- Ice Cream for Dessert
- Raffle

Tickets are \$35 a person  
Hurry and make your reservations  
as we will have limited seating for  
this event. Please call:

- Al Picardo, 916-381-4747



Social Hour 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.  
Dinner at 7:00 P.M.  
5961 Newman Court  
Sacramento, CA 95819



# Annual Irish Night Dinner



**Thursday, March 17, 2011**

**6:00 pm Social - 7:00 pm Dinner**

**\$15.00 per person with No Host Bar**

*Sing-a-long with Bridget Brennan*

## Menu

**Corned Beef and Cabbage**

**Mixed Veggies and Salad**

**Dinner Roll and Butter**

**Dessert**



**To make a Reservation**

**Please call Dale Edwards at:**

**(916) 359-2412**

**Please make checks payable to:**

**K of C Council 953**

**and mail by March 10th to:**

**Knights of Columbus**

**5961 Newman Court**

**Sacramento CA 95819**



