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May 12 – Matthew Arnold

Profiled by Tom Lang

Our June 9, 2017 speaker is Kelly Wahlquist - a wife, mother of three, inspiring Catholic author, and dynamic speaker. She is the founder of WINE: Women In the New Evangelization, Assistant Director for the Archbishop Harry J. Flynn Catechetical Institute, and has been a contributing writer for Catholicmom.com. She has a gift for weaving personal stories and Scripture together with practical advice that empowers men and women alike to be witnesses of our faith and part of the New Evangelization. She talks about how God said to St. Francis “Rebuild My Church” and how she, through her prayers, also takes that to mean: Heal My Body - the Body of Christ, which is all-too-often today battered, bruised and broken. When you are working in your gifts, she says, you are helping to heal the Body of Christ.



Kelly writes that one of her all-time favorite quotes is by the author of “A Wrinkle in Time,” Madeleine L’Engle: “We draw people to Christ by showing them a light that is so lovely that they want with all their hearts to know the source of it.”

“The question then follows, how do we do this? How can we be such a light to others?”

Kelly is the author of “Created to Relate: God’s Design for Peace & Joy,” a book that encourages and inspires women to live fully their beautiful God-given gifts for building relationships. She is also the creator and editor of “Walk in Her Sandals: Experiencing Christ’s Passion through the Eyes of Women.”

Kelly travels the country speaking on various topics that inspire us to live the New Evangelization. She resides in Minnesota with her husband, Andy, and their children, and is very active in their parish, Holy Name of Jesus.

“Go, therefore and make disciples of all nations...” is a creative and inspired ministry to invigorate women’s groups and parishes.

Our Spiritual Advisor, Father Craig Plunkett, will offer Mass prior to the breakfast on June 9. Mass will commence at 6:40 a.m.

What’s Inside?

- Did you miss last month’s meeting?
- Business Person of the Month
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Speaker Recap

Matthew Arnold

By Norma Williams

Matthew Arnold urges Catholics to make the world a holier place by practicing virtue outside church walls. The best chance to encounter God, he says, is through faithful individuals who preach the gospel by example. He asks, "Is Jesus really the Lord of your life?" and notes the word Lord is used 40 times during the Mass and 150 times during Christ the King. He emphasizes the importance of meekness as a counter to anger, lack of self-control and obedience.



Growing up unchurched in the 1960s, Matthew had a few "brushes" with Christianity in high school, but explored one new age group after another. Reluctant to embrace Catholicism, he fulfilled a promise to enroll in RCIA after the birth of his first child. There he learned of apostolic succession and the true teachings of the Church.

Matthew spent 10 years as a musician, a Hollywood comedy performer, and worked on the set of the TV show "Friends" where he encountered a moral dilemma with the show's content. He joined St. Joseph Communications and also obtained a certificate in Christian counseling. He has produced dozens of audio and video presentations on the Catholic faith, co-hosted "Scripture Matters" with Dr. Scott Hawn on EWTN Radio, and has released many CDs, DVDs and brochures through Lighthouse Media, used by over 6000 parishes.

Matthew's latest book, "Confessions of a Traditional Catholic," scheduled for fall publication, recounts his conversion and how he fell in love with the Latin Mass. Matthew lives in Southern California with his wife Betty and six children.

Business Person of the Month: Sister Ruth Marie Nickerson

Sister Ruth Marie Nickerson, CSC, has returned to Saint Agnes, as a Community Health Worker in the Community Benefit's Health Hub to assist the chronically ill, poor and marginalized manage their health needs. Sister Ruth was President and CEO of Saint Agnes Medical Center for 20 years; prior to coming to Fresno in 1984, she was CEO at Holy Cross Hospital, Mission Hills, California. In 2004 she was elected to serve on her congregational leadership team and five years later, as coordinator, for the Area of North America. She completed a sabbatical and was in Maryland when Nancy Hollingsworth called with an invitation to return to Saint Agnes. Sister Ruth graduated from Seattle University with a BSN and later from the University of Colorado with a MSHA. She has been a Sister of the Holy Cross for over 50 years. Sister comes from the DC area and is delighted to be home.



Prayer Research & Submission By Mary Borges



Pentecost celebrates the founding of the Church and is celebrated fifty days after Easter Sunday – June 4, 2017

A Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Breathe in me O Holy Spirit
that my thoughts may all be holy;
Act in me O Holy Spirit
that my works, too, may be holy;
Draw my heart O Holy Spirit
that I love but what is holy;
Strengthen me O Holy Spirit
to defend that is holy;
Guard me then O Holy Spirit
that I always may be holy.

St. Augustine of Hippo (AD 354-430)

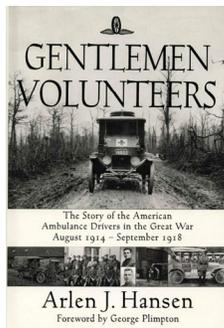
Upcoming Events

- No Breakfast in July & August
- September 8

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Book Review



By John Kasian

Gentlemen Volunteers

By Arlen J. Hansen
 Arcade Publishing, New York
 1996
 254 pages, hardbound
 \$27.95

What did Ernest Hemingway, John Dos Passos, Malcom Cowley, Walt Disney, E.E.

Cummings and Dashiell Hammett have in common?

Aside from being noteworthy in their respective fields, they all served as young men in the American Field Service—the same institution, sans Ambulance, that provides foreign exchange students opportunities today, offered a very different type of education in the years between 1914 and 1917, providing adventurous young men with the opportunity to drive ambulances in what was then called The Great War.

If you're a history buff, I think you'll find this period fascinating.

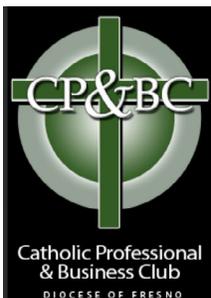
The U.S., being neutral, had laws forbidding Americans to serve in foreign armies but there were ways around those laws—flyers flew in the French Lafayette Escadrille, the air wing of the French Foreign Legion (Legionnaires do not swear a loyalty oath to France, but rather the Legion) and The American Ambulance Field Service which provided ambulances (Model T Fords were the favorites) and drivers to transport the wounded from the front lines to field hospitals in the rear. These men were not exactly soldiers but rather humanitarians, so the job wasn't considered in the same league as mercenaries.

In actuality it gave some 800 young Americans a taste of the grim surrealism of World War I with an emphasis on gore and destruction.

With America's entry into the War, the American Ambulance Field Service was disbanded and while some drivers were recruited into the American Expeditionary Force, several sections refused militarization.

This is a splendid real life adventure story set in a very different place and time. I thoroughly enjoyed it.

While currently out of print, any good book store should be able to find you a copy. Try Cotter Religious Goods, and tell them I sent you.



Save the date

for our New Member Social. Here's your chance to get better acquainted and network in a social and friendly atmosphere. Evite to follow. We look forward to seeing you there! Complimentary for new members up to 2 years. \$10 for CP&BC Member, Non-Member, and/or Spouse/Guest.

Date: Thursday, June 8, 2017

Time: 5:00pm - 7:00pm

CP&BC would like to welcome you to our organization. To get better acquainted and to network in a social and friendly atmosphere, please join us June 8th. There will be a choice of Wine, Beer, Non-Alcoholic Beverages, and Appetizers.



Southeast corner of Herndon & Palm. (Patio Area)

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CP&BC Member, Non-Member, and/or Spouse/Significant Other	\$10 No Host Bar



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 Tom Ferdinandi
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Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network June Intention: National Leaders

That national leaders may firmly commit themselves to ending the arms trade, which victimizes so many innocent people.

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CP&BC Membership Dues: Annual dues are \$45 per person. A membership application form is available on our website at www.cpbcfresno.org. The deadline was December 31, 2016 to be included in the upcoming directory. For more information contact John Kanaley at [315-243-6597](tel:315-243-6597).

Reservations: Reservations are required for all breakfast meetings, held at Pardini's, and can be made by calling Lourdes Sanchez at 559-434-2722 or by visiting www.cpbcfresno.org then click on the reservation link. Doors open at 7 a.m. for coffee and networking. The program starts at 7:20 a.m. and concludes at 8:30 a.m. The breakfast cost is \$17 for members and \$22 for non-members. An annual discounted cost of \$120 is available to members that prepay for the year; this is a savings of \$33. Reservations are still required for prepaids.

Membership Directory: Ad space starts at \$50. Contact Al Aguila at directory@cpbcfresno.org for more information. December 15, 2016 was the deadline to reserve ad space. December 31, 2016 was the deadline for ad artwork. More directory advertising information is available at www.cpbcfresno.org.

Prayer Network: CP&BC has a "prayer network" to be used for member prayer needs for themselves or loved ones. We have members already signed-up to pray for special needs submitted; however, anyone else is invited to also become part of the prayer network. Sally Lauritzen is the point person to whom requests can be made, and once they are received she will email or phone the network. Contact Sally (salauritz@att.net or [559.439.8378](tel:559.439.8378)) to become part of the network or to submit a prayer request.

Website: Please be sure to visit www.cpbcfresno.org for all the latest information about our club. CP&BC thanks J. Colin Petersen of J - I.T. Outsource for the design and maintenance of the website.

Mission Statement:

As Catholic professional and business men and women, we are called to live our Christian ethics not only on Sundays, but throughout our daily lives at home and at work.

Our goal in the Catholic Professional & Business Club shall be to incorporate and uphold our beliefs in every aspect of our daily lives, and to gather to share with others who seek a more ethical business environment.

Each of us shall strive to achieve a commingling of our ethical obligations and our professional obligations in demonstration of the fact that ethics and business need not be mutually exclusive terms.

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