## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Bishop William R. Johnson Council # 9487 Santiago de Compostela Catholic Church Lake Forest, California

Website: www.kofc9487.org September 2005

#### Insurance Report

## September: Back to school

Dan del Villar FICF, LUTCF

Is there anyone out there who has not noticed the absence of children on the streets during the day?

No question about it, school has reopened.

Never before has more emphasis been placed on school costs and

how to pay for them.



Sure, the Order has scholarship and student loan programs and our Matthews-Swift Educational Trust Fund does answer particular needs.

But most still must borrow money from banks in order to finance a college education for their sons or daughters.

Costs, of course, are up, which comes as no great surprise.

In fact, while most people loudly protest increases in food prices, taxes, and costs of other services, seldom do they oppose increases in the

cost of education. Most parents view college costs as an investment.

They are investing money in their childrens future. It has been definitely established that college graduates earn, on the average, from one to two times as much as non-college grads.

Perhaps this is the reason why costs are so infrequently ques-

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## Call the GK for phone tree needs; survey coming next

Brothers who may require the need to use the telephone tree system for a specific K of C event are asked to contact only Grand Knight, Rich Piecuch for that purpose at 830-1475.

Making the GK the single point of contact will eliminate any confusion that may arise when several other people in our Council are contacted.

To improve the calling process, please inform the GK if your phone number is changed. Because of wrong numbers, several calls were not completed when the news of Lydia Ramos' passing was announced in July.

Plans are underway to develop a survey of Council members. The purpose is to update all e-mail, home addresses, phone numbers, birthday and wedding anniversary dates, and which Mass Brothers attend.

The survey will be in the October issue of this Newsletter.

#### **GK Report**

## Some busy months lie ahead of us

by Rich Piecuch, Grand Knight

We celebrated Knights of Columbus Family Week by having a Family Picnic on Aug. 20.

There were 55 Knights and their families in attendance for an afternoon of games, prizes and delicious food. Mark Bustamante and his family organized a great out-



ing and it was enjoyed by all.

September and October are our busiest months on the K of C calendar:

Sept. 11, we will take part in the Ministry Fair after all Sunday Masses in the Parish Center.

The purpose of this fair is to introduce parishioners to the various ministries and to provide information. This is a good way to get new members.

In addition to our normal monthly activities, we are supporting the annual Festival de Santiago Sept. 17-18. We need volunteers for the game and food booths, the Pancake Breakfast, beer booth, and with set-up, teardown and clean-up.

Don't forget to purchase the reverse draw and car raffle tickets.

We ask your support to make See GK REPORT page 5 BISHOP WILLIAM R. JOHNSON COUNCIL 2005-2006 OFFICERS

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## **Knights of the month: John Gallegos, Michael Haubert**

Our co-Knights of the month are John Gallegos and Michael Haubert. Both volunteered to assist Dan Ramella as the lecturers for our monthly meetings.



They both stepped up after the July meeting and did an admirable job at our August meeting taking attendance, selling the 50/50 and conducting the prayers for the sick and distressed.

In addition, Michael will be co-chairman of sales for the Entertainment Books, attempting

to beat our records of the past years.

I look forward to both of these Knights to continue through the ranks of Knighthood and continue to be actively involved in our activities.

— Rich Piecuch, GK

## Family picnic was fun for all

by Mark Bustamante

Our annual family picnic was held Saturday Aug. 20, on the church patio and it was great.

About 50 knights and their families joined in the festivities. Croquet, volleyball, badminton, basketball, potato sack races, three-legged races and a Popsicle eating contest were enjoyed by all.

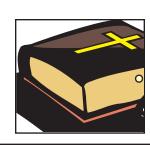
There was also a water balloon toss contest and water fight-go figure!

I would like to thank all those who attended.

A special thank you goes out to:

- Set-up and runner- Bill Priester.
- Sal the Salsa King- hot stuff!
- Samantha and Miles Sonnenfeld- the smartest people at the picnic.
- Luis Lopez- Head chef and burger flipper.
  - Our cute Counter Help- Dan Ramella.
- The Clean-up crew- Pat Walloch and the Recycle Man Gene Ganley.
  - The Photographer- G.K. Rich Piecuch.
- A Huge Hug to the Master of Ceremonies- Roger Sonnenfeld. Hugs and Kisses to my Wife- Karen Bustamante and my daughter- Courtney.

Fun was had by all. Hope to see more of our fellow Knights at the next family function.



Pray for World Peace

#### **MR Drive**

## Brothers, your assistance is requested Oct. 21-22-23

by Bill Breen, MR Drive Chairman

On Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 21-22-23, the Knights of Columbus will be conducting their annual fund drive to assist People with Intellectual Disabilities.

About 440 councils throughout the state including 33 in Orange County will participate.

Bishop Johnson Council 9487 will coordinate the program in the Lake Forest, Foothill Ranch, Rancho Margarita and a portion of the Mission Viejo areas.

This program is sponsored by the Columbian Foundation for People with Mental Retardation, Inc., a California non-profit, public benefit corporation.

Volunteer workers come from the membership, their family and friends, public and parochial schools, church and senior citizen organizations and many volunteers come from the retarded citizens organizations benefiting from the program.

The fund drive consists of volunteers giving away Tootsie rolls in business and shopping areas and soliciting donations. The Knights of Columbus volunteer workers can easily be identified by the bright red and yellow aprons they are wearing and the tootsie roll canisters and candies

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### **Credit Council with UW contribution**

Brothers: Most of you who work for a corporation participate in the United Way fund drive.

Several Knights have designated the Columbian Foundation as the recipient of their UW contribution. This just requires notifying your UW coordinator of your wishes.

Please consider this:

If you elect to do so please advise me (770-4939) so I can be certain that the Council gets credit for the contribution as part of our MR Drive. This is a painless way to increase our total and does not decrease your company's total.

In addition ,the Mentally challenged children benefit, a total winwin deal.

- Bill Breen

## Membership drive in high gear



by Michael Williams, Membership Chairman

An open house and Mass announcements are planned for the October recruitment drive for new members of our Council.

A speaker will briefly discuss the benefits of membership after each Mass Oct. 15 and 16 and an information table for signups will be placed outside the church.

Invitations will be passed out for the open house that is scheduled at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 18 in the Parish Hall.

In addition, a First Degree is scheduled at 7 p.m., Oct. 25, in the Parish Hall.

# This ministry provides help when needed

by John Piccolo Sickness & Distress

If you, a family member, or close friend has ever been recovering from a serious illness or surgery, you must know how wonderful it is to receive a get well card or a gift with a note of encouragement.

As a fraternal organization, our Council wants to be sure that any of our Brothers or immediate family members with the misfortune of dealing with this situation receive our best wishes or sympathy if it involves a loss of a loved one.

We will send a card as soon as we learn of the situation. If the illness or acci-

dent involves a hospital admission, we will send a nice floral arrangement orballoons if in ICU.



Please contact John Piccolo at (949) 951-1550 or johnpicc@yahoo.com.

For a Mass card, contact Tom Haas at (949) 768-2181 or thaas 4295@aol.com.

If you are at the Council meeting, ask John or Tom after the meeting to send an acknowledgement.

Putting your name on the sickness and distress list does not automatically order a card.

We look forward to being of service, especially if it is for yourself.

Please do not hesitate to call or email us.

### Recycling

## Our effort is one of a kind

by Gene Ganley and George Nothhelfer

Brothers, our program is on a roll. We are now averaging taking in about \$1,600 a month with recycling.

Our current 17-year total is \$188,000. It's the way to go.

As far as we know, we are the only Council in the Knights of Columbus that has had a recycling program going for that long.

The record speaks volumes for our Council hanging in there on an environmentally and financially worthwhile project.

We are looking forward to the start of school this Fall, both as parents and Council members. We will begin to pick up newspapers at three local high schools, which should add considerably to our overall totals.

Time to stop with the chitchat and give our heartfelt thanks to the people who made it happen last month:

Jim Breen, John Ojeda, Dan Ramella, Don Pooters, Don Leuer, Bob Morgan, Joe DeProspero, Brenda Hernandez, Irene Anguiano, Sara Weisburg, Carmelo Abaoag, Scott Seamark, Jeff Carta, Rosemary Carta, Scott Napp, Dayne Plamandon, Jose Lopez, Jonathan Lopez, Dennis DeRosia, Tim Campion, Elizabeth Campion, Eddie Morrisroe, Claude Makin, and Ron Balen.

And let's not forget the great job our dependable members of the Monday crew do. (See their names at the top of this page).

## **August meeting highlights**

**Recycling** - Yearly projections doubled from \$11,000 to \$22,000 under the direction of **Gene Ganley** and **George Nothhelfer**. The overall total raised is up to \$188,000. Help is still needed during the mid-morning hours.

**Fourth Degree - Bill Priester** reviewed the duties, called for an increase in membership from 20 to 30 and reminded Brothers of the exemplification ceremony Oct. 7-8 in Irvine. To apply for membership, contact **Larry Bishop**, **581-9936**.

**Festival -** Deputy GK **Roger Sonnenfeld** described the new car raffle, reverse raffle and need for additional help at the food and game booths for the Sept. 17-18 Fiesta, and assistance at the volunteer sign-up tables outside the church after each Mass.

**Entertainment Books.** The new editions are now available from **Jim Bailey (770-8272)** or **Michael Haubert (458-8198)** who now head up the program. Call them to get your copy.

**Membership Drive** - The blitz begins Oct. 16-17 with speakers at every Mass and an Open House Oct. 18 in the Parish Hall. The drive is an attempt to raise membership by 5 percent.

**Men's Retreat - Pat Walloch** invited Brothers to attend this special event Sept. 23-24-25 in Sierra Madre.

- Jim Breen, Recorder



Richard Ciolek, Bob Morgan, Jay Donahue, Dan Ramella, Barbara Ciolek, Rich Piecuch, Mike Sofka, Bill Priester, Judy Morgan, John Ruelas, Gene Ganley, Bob Short, Mo Boivin, Hector Guzman, Vivian DuBois

# Entertainment books are right around corner

The Knights of Columbus are making the Entertainment Book available again. The 2006 edition will be ready early this month.

Pre-orders can be made through Jim Bailey (770-8272) who will is in charge of the program this year with assistance from Michael Haubert.

For the last few years, current GK Rich Piecuch handled the program.

The Entertainment book offers many coupons with up to 50 percent off the price of restaurant meals, 70 percent off the price of travel, and huge savings on shopping, services, and entertainment.

The book has more than 150 editions available throughout North America.

All the books are filled with valuable half-off and two-for-the-price-of-one coupons.

So, think Entertainment Book again when you are vacationing or for friends and family.

# <u>September</u> <u>Birthdays</u>

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## <u>September</u> <u>Anniversarys</u>

01 Harry Milby	
01 William Gilmour	

18 James Lynch 18 Lupe Kloer

01 D.F. Laudencia Jr.

18 Linda Ravgiala

02 Michael Diaz

19 Patrick Hunt

03 Mark Peters03 Susan Gordon

20 Michael Haubert

03 Jackie Martinez

21 William Studley

03 Mrs. Peter Manarino

21 Miles Sonnenfeld22 Ernest Miller

05 Marty Neuville

22 Patricia Piecuch

06 Marilyn Sabicer 06 Charles Wilson 22 Diane Reynolds23 Wayne Husava

08 Carol Glasow

24 Hector Guzman

10 Rachel Ruelas

24 Jeff Carta24 Teresa Lyn Lopez

14 Jodie Nopper14 John Ruelas

25 Patrick Bole

15 Allison Diesel

26 Norma Laudencia

15 Jeannine Hartsig15 Jeannine Sansone

26 Tracie Eggert 26 Hermine Okoebor

16 Joseph DeProspero

26 Theresa Stokes 27 Andy Kotnik Jr.

16 Beau Kellen

17 Ernest Ramirez

02 Patrick & Barbara Walloch

05 Kevin & Marilyn Sabicer

07 Thomas & Linda Haas

11 Joe & Marilyn Bartholomew

12 Raymond & Linda Adrian

12 Don & Linda Bibona

14 John & Virginia Osley

19 Rolland & Teresa Stokes

23 Michael & Patricia Sevesisin

23 Robert & Linda Desmond

25 Tom & Kathleen Nolan

25 Gene & Jeanine Sansone

26 Robert & Lorraine Epperson

27 James & Nancy Lamperis

28 John & Ann Marie Blaney

29 William & Donna Furniss



### **GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT:**

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our Parish activity a great success.

Sept. 23-24-25 is our men's retreat in Sierra Madre.

October is also a fun-filled Family Month, when the Knights of Columbus annual fund raising drive is conducted on the Oct. 21-22-23.

The People with Intellectual Disabilities benefit from our work and I would like to see as many Knights and their Families volunteer to assist us in this worthwhile activity. You will hear and read many details of our drive in the coming weeks.

Oct. 15 we will conduct the first of several Bunco nights. From the comments I received about last year's event, you won't want to miss this evening of fun and prizes.

We will be conducting a membership blitz and conducting a First Degree in October. Let's get out there and promote the Knights and their activities and bring those perspective members to our information night to learn more about what our Council does for our Parish and community.

On Oct. 7-8 there will be a 4th Degree Exemplification at the Irvine Marriott, Von Karman and Michelson. Make your reservations early if you are planning to attend, especially if you are a candidate.

When making hotel reservations, be sure to ask for the special Knights of Columbus rate, \$75/night. Vivat Jesus.

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## **MR DRIVE:**

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they will be carrying.

The candy drive for the People with Intellectual, Disabilities originated in Illinois in 1970.

Since then the program has been adopted by 45 states. California joined in 1986 and each year, contributions have increased.

In 2004, Bishop Johnson Council raised in excess of \$40,000 and Orange County collected over \$150,000.

Our Council was No. 1 in the state.

October is almost here. We need 11 site captains to organize the workers. Please consider volunteering as a site captain.

We need to have a meeting of all potential site captains in early October. If you can help please call Bill Breen and volunteer now 770-4939.

Proceeds from the Orange County drive will be donated to the Columbian Foundation for Mentally retarded Children operated under the direction of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Orange and care is provided without regard to race, creed, color, sex or national origin.

Other than the cost of candy and aprons, expenses are negligible. Costs are about 7.5% with 92.5% of the money collected going to the children.

Columbian Foundation for People with Mental Retardation Inc. is a charitable corporation under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and Section 23701 of the California Statues. All donations are tax deductible.

#### How to contact KofC

The Knights of Columbus welcomes inquiries from those who want to contact Headquarters:

1 Columbus Plaza New Haven, CT 06510 (203) 752-4000

Email: info@kofc.org

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tioned.

Wise members prepare for these expenses by planning for them in advance. I can tell you of a plan specifically designed with college in mind. It enables you to plan, in advance, for your child's college bills.

It guarantees that if your child has the desire, ambition, and drive, he or she will also have the money. Moreover, it has a feature that no other financial institution can offer.

If you die, the money you had planned to save will still be there. Call me today to discuss these needs. I want to hear from you. Fraternally, Dan del Villar, K of C Field Agent, 589-4955.

### 2005 Fraternal Survey

I would like to share some new information regarding updated insured benefits with you. Please take a moment to fill out this SURVEY and return by fax (949) 589-4955, or mail to: PO BOX 81030, R.S.M.,CA 92688-8130

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	ation program is a free benefit of your membership in K of C.
I hank you,	we appreciate your prompt response.

## Knights of Columbus Bishop William R. Johnson Council 9487

## September, 2005

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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					First Friday Adoration	Chapter Installation, 7:15 p.m.
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Labor Day		General Meeting, 8 p.m.	Feast of Virgin Mary's Nativity		Recycle, 7 a.m. to noon
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Ministry Fair  Patriot Day	Mobil Park Recycling			Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows	Mexican Independnce Day	Festival de Santiago
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Pancake Breakfast, 9:30 a.m.				Chapter Meeting, 7:30 p.m.	Men's	Men's
Festival de Santiago	Mobil Park Recycling		Feast of St. Matthew	First Day of Autumn	Retreat, Sierra Madre	Retreat, Sierra Madre
25	26	27	28	29	30	
Men's Retreat, Sierra Madre	Mobil Park Recycling					

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With more than 1.6 million members throughout North America and the rest of the world, the Knights of Columbus is the world's largest Catholic family fraternal service organization.

The sale of insurance has been a part of the Order's program since its founding in 1882 by Fr. Michael J. McGivney in New Haven, Conn.

In 2002, members reported raising and contributing a record \$128 million to charity and volunteering a record 60 million hours of service.