



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Bishop William R. Johnson Council # 9487

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April 2007

Grand Knight's Report

Our Knights are moving up the ladder

by Roger Sonnenfeld, GK



attended by Dan Cienfuegos, Joe

On Sunday, March 25, five of our new First Degree Knights passed the scrutiny of the Second Degree. The ceremony was held at Fr. Kass Council Hall in Buena Park and

Lozano, Michael Lynch, Ramon Navarro, Mario Soto, accompanied by Worthy Financial Secretary Bill Breen and myself.

This was truly a blessed day. Father Kass Council puts on a nice Degree, followed by a hot pasta dish, good camaraderie, and discussions of the upcoming Third Degree in June.

As Grand Knight of the best Council in Orange County and perhaps all of California, I ask

all who have not taken the steps into the Second and Third Degree of our Distinguished Order to contact Mike Williams or myself to get involved in YOUR advancement and understanding of what it is to be a proud Knight of Columbus.

You can only get out what you put in, so with that said, I look forward to helping, advising and scheduling several more

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Bring unused raffle tickets April 4

Day of Sharing: It's not too late to help

Brother Knights, on page 3 of this Newsletter, there is an article by John Piccolo on the Day of Sharing.

OC Chapter Charities run this wonderful event on a shoestring budget. How may I still help? Simply send in some raffle tickets that were recently mailed to every Knight in Orange County. The drawing will be held at Chapter on April 26, so it is not too late. Tickets are priced at \$5 each, or six for \$25.

With all the junk mail, we certainly understand how appeals like Day of Sharing can easily be discarded. For that reason, Brother John Ruelas is trying to obtain some raffle tickets for our April 4 membership meeting.

Every Knight was mailed 12 tickets, so if you still have some you did not use, bring them to our next meeting so we can recycle and raise more funds for this very worthwhile event.

— Roger Sonnenfeld, GK



Knights offering tuition assistance

by Ken Allen, Past Grand Knight

My Brother Knights: Scholarship assistance for the children of members of Bishop William Johnson Council 9487 for the 2006-2007 Columbian year will be issued in late May or early June this year.

If you wish to receive this assistance for your children attend-

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Knight of the Month

George Nothhelfer

If you rise at the crack of the dawn on the second Saturday of any month and drive past the church parking lot, look for a man hard at work in the recycling area. Take a close look and you'll recognize George Nothhelfer, our Knight of the Month for March.

George is the first to arrive, usually arriving by 5:30 a.m. to prepare for a big day collecting newspapers, bottles, cans and other recyclable products. And, he's one of the last to leave.

Along with Gene Ganley, George is the co-leader of the program and is also one of the ushers who works the 8:30 Mass every Sunday.

So congratulations to George Nothhelfer, our Knight of the Month for March.
— Roger Sonnenfeld

Family of the Month

The Sal Gonzales Family

Our appreciation and a hardy thank you go out to our family of the month for March, Sal and Lisa Gonzalez. Their energy and willingness to step up and get involved is amazing.

Over the past two months the Knights have sponsored three dinners, the proceeds of which went to charity. It is in that charity that the Gonzalez family, father, mother and daughter, shine brightest. There was no task too big or difficult for these fine people, asking what next?

It is with great pleasure and pride that I present the Sal Gonzalez family as family of the Month. Please take a moment when you see them next to thank and congratulate them on their support of our Parish and Council.
— Roger Sonnenfeld, GK

Tell us your story

Recalling those first days of Council 9487

by Pat Walloch, Past Grand Knight

I was one of the lucky ones to be around when Council 9487 started. Back then there was no hall. We had a double wide trailer out back in the lower parking lot near where recycling is held each month.

Almost all the meetings were held there. The Knights were able to use it for meetings and degrees. The officers met at a bank conference room.

I helped, along with many other brother Knights, to pay off the Church and grounds then help design and, work to pay off the hall.

I truly believe that if the Council was not such a strong presence in the parish that most of what was accomplished would have taken twice as long. In fact it may never have been done.

One other worthy note has to do with the church festival. I started it and oversaw it for many years.

If it had not been for my brother Knights who so greatly helped me year in and year out, I would not have continued to run it.



Pat Walloch

Day of Sharing was a day to remember

by John Piccolo, Deputy Grand Knight

In the early morning hours of Saturday, March 24, a blanket of love fell upon the athletic field of St Pius V Church as many Brother Knights representing almost all Councils throughout Orange County began setting up for the OC Chapter's 29th annual Day of Sharing.

Day of Sharing is a carnival and outing for the mentally and/or physically challenged people of Orange County.

Our Council 9487 takes off our hats and gives a big "thank you" to the Picuch, Lopez, and Laituri families who volunteered their Saturday to participate. Unfortunately, our long-term attendee Brother Bill Breen could not make it this year due to his wife Pearl's untimely accident. Rounding out our Bishop Johnson attendees were Brothers John Ruelas and myself.

The Laituri family, Brother Bernie, wife Linda, and son Jesse, have run the Amazing-O booth for about nine years. Also manning the booth was Brother Jose Lopez and his lovely daughter Jessica.

Every time I stopped by to see how things were going, there was a contestant with a big smile, walking away a winner. What is amazing about the Amazing O booth (along with all the others) is that unlike most carnival booths, everyone leaves with a prize.

After registering, guests are greeted by "Mr. and Mrs. Clown," better known to us as Brother Rich Picuch and his lovely wife Patty. You can see from the picture what a cute couple they make and all the effort they put into getting dressed for the occasion. "Mr. and Mrs. Clown" had guests drop by almost non-stop for a good photo-op.

After the game and food booths were in operation, the event started about 9:30 with an opening prayer by the Pastor of Pius V.

Then as guests started arriving, an opening ceremony took place with an impressive march by a large Fourth Degree color guard followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. A mentally chal-

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FUN DAY: Council 9487 families attending the Day of Sharing were Mr. and Mrs. Clown (top), Rich and Patty Picuch; the Laituris, (middle), Linda, Jesse and Bernie; and the Lopez Family (bottom), Jose (arms folded), Mrs. Lopez (at table) and daughter Jessica (left).

Recycling Report

February program was satisfactory



by Gene Ganley
and George Nothhelfer

The March Saturday program started out a bit questionable, mainly from the amount of newspapers we received.

But by the time we wrapped up around noon, things were up to par.

We have noticed a decrease in the newspapers over the last few months, but the processing of magazines has helped fill the void.

Our help situation was good. We had plenty of Council members and more than the usual share of teens. The young folks have been part of our Saturday program for years and we do appreciate their help.

The total amount we have raised since the program first began is now \$218,000.

Sometimes after a dinner in the Parish Hall, we've had a

**TRASH BIN IS
LOCATED NEXT TO
RECTORY GARAGE
AT LOWER
PARKING LOT.**

— Jim Breen photo

NEW SIGN is in the Parish kitchen problem with garbage from the kitchen getting dumped into the recycle bins outside of the Parish Hall kitchen.

Some gardening trash has also been dumped there.

We think the problem will

be solved with a new sign (see picture at left).

Now is the time to thank the following: George Nothhelfer, John Ojeda, Jim Breen, Pat Bole, Rich Mills, Gene Ganley, Joe DeProspero, Bob Morgan, John Piccolo, Dan and Levi Cienfuegos, Michael and Richard Shi-raishi, Jeff Carta, Claude Makin, Andy Kotnik, Tanner Bingham, Ktie Cardoza, Elizabeth Harden, Rudy Contreras, Kevin Sabicer, Michael Sabicer, Don Leuer, Rich Quinn, Hector Guzman, Eddie Morrisroe, Pat Walloch, Charles Young.

March meeting highlights

by Randy Gamache, Recorder

Unfinished Business

It was brought to the Council's attention at the February meeting that new insurance policies need to be purchased (at an increased premium) to cover our officers and Council and for us to serve alcohol at our events. To present to the Council for a vote, it must be published in this Newsletter one month prior to the voting council meeting. The issue was discussed at the last Officers meeting and voted to report the need in the March Newsletter. The issue was brought to the Council floor for voting through Unfinished Business at the March meeting. The motion was raised, seconded and through a unanimous council vote, carried.

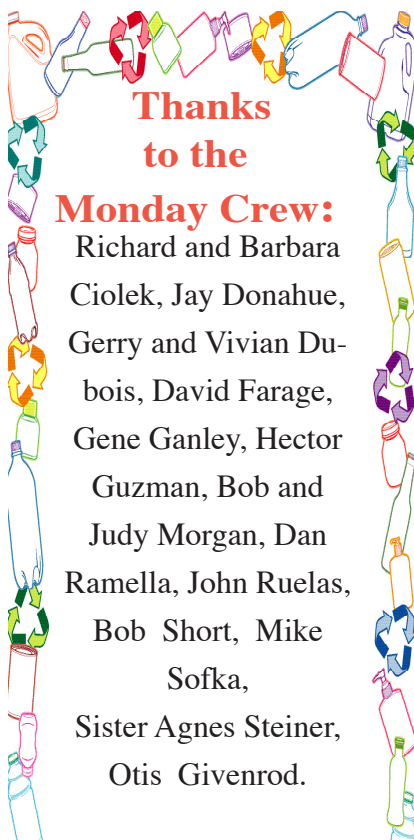
New Business

Past GK Mike Williams called regarding this month's Mary Shelter Extravaganza and which of our Council members would attend. A motion was brought to the floor that we donate the \$135 for Bill Breen and wife Pearl to attend. The motion was seconded and again through a unanimous vote, carried.

Special Guest Speaker

District Deputy Guy Gottschalk encouraged those Third Degree members take the final step and become Fourth Degree Knights. He also encouraged all the Fourth Degree Knights to attend this year's Exemplification in Irvine. He also encouraged members to diligently read the Bible, one book at a time. He praised our Council's monthly Newsletter and said it should be considered for an award this year at the District and State levels. Great job Jim!

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April Birthdays

01 Lisa Gonzalez	19 Joe La Rosa
03 Joseph Reinhoel	20 Patrick Cardinale
06 Nancy Coulter	20 Rene Robles
07 Joe Zuniga	20 Mary Williams
11 Bob Short	20 Aida Zuniga
12 David Schaefer	21 Elfa Ernst
12 Kenneth Stashik	21 John Lucewicz
14 George Jeffers	21 Richard Mulhaupt
14 Norm Port	22 Donard Church
14 Robert Signorile	27 Barbara Ciolek
15 Michael Benedetto	28 Mike Jednoralski
15 Margaret Brown	28 Gerry DuBois
15 Pamela Finn	29 Luke Keeley
15 James Gilbert	29 Christopher Detar
14 Steven Seastrom	30 Joseph Tringale
17 Scott Stokes	30 Steven Kennedy
18 Jean Durham	30 Greg Manning
19 Jen. Jednoralski	



April Anniversaries

02 Norm, Patricia Port

03 Charles, Jill Young

09 Daniel/Mrs. Cienfuegos

18 Don, Janet Lopez

25 George, Joan Loos

25 Robert, Judy Morgan

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MARCH MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:

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Chaplain's Visit

Father Efrain Flores attended and noted that he enjoyed the Clergy Appreciation Dinner and noted how committed our Council is to the church and Bishop Norman. He is proud to be part of Santiago de Compostela and the Knights.

Committee Reports

- GK Roger Sonnenfeld thanked Steve Wright for donating all the fish for the Lenten Dinner on March 9.
- Jim Marchetta reported that the annual Golf Tournament is set for June 24 at San Juan Capistrano. The fee to play is \$125. Dust off those clubs and start practicing!



Pray for
Vocations

GK REPORT:

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Second Degrees and having all our new members attend the Third Degree in June.

It is in this same light that I ask all who have completed the journey to Third and Fourth degrees of our order, to seek out our brothers. Encourage them to be proactive in our order, to take on the tasks that need help, and take an active role in the meetings that are held at 8 p.m. on the first Wednesday of every month.

Get involved, don't wait to be asked.

The Third Degree will be held June 10, at Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall in San Clemente. Candidates should at 1 p.m. The Degree ceremony starts at 2.

God bless you all, and gift you with the happiness and grace you deserve.

Vivat Jesus

DAY OF SHARING:

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lenged Brother Knight sang the national anthem and did a fantastic job with his wonderful voice.

Every time I looked at the parking lot there was a bus or vanload of guests arriving. There had to be several hundred people present when I left about noon.

Thank you again brother Knights who helped make 2007 Day of Sharing a huge success.

Now mark your calendars for the fourth weekend of March 2008. You will not regret helping, even if only for a few hours.

I didn't.

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ing a Catholic school grades 1-12 or a Catholic university, please have the students prepare and forward a brief letter describing their experience or feelings regarding their education.

The Knight parent is also requested to submit a brief note as a cover letter, indicating a willingness to accept educational assistance from the Council.

These letters may be sent via e-mail to kenallenfh@hotmail.com or by USPS @ Ken Allen 26322 Towne Centre Drive, #1423, Foothill Ranch, CA 92610. Or, they may be given to me or Grand Knight Roger Sonnenfeld in person. Please have them in by May 10.

News of the Diocese

Blessing of holy oils to be celebrated

The Most Rev. Tod D. Brown, bishop of Orange will bless two holy oils used for anointing and officiate over the renewal of promises by priests serving in Orange County at St. Columban Church in Garden Grove, on Monday, April 2, at 5:30 p.m.

The annual Chrism Mass has been celebrated in the Church for over 1,000 years and is marked by the ceremonial blessing of the oil of catechumens, oil of the sick and consecration of the oil of chrism. The blest oils will be used in all the parishes within the diocese.

Insurance Report

Survivor's rights if the insured dies

by Dan Huffman, Field Agent

The laws and rules of our Order, as well as state laws, specify that the Knights of Columbus may accept insurance applications from members only.

As a member, you may apply for insurance on yourself, your wife and your minor children.

The Order's Board of Directors has taken action, though, to assure that a Knight's widow maintains the right to purchase additional insurance for a limited time. This can be of great benefit and comfort to those we leave behind.

This "right to apply" is available only to the widows of insured members.

If a member has not availed himself of our highly rated life insurance program, or purchased an annuity or long term care policy, this benefit is not available to his widow.

But if the member was an insured member, his widow has the right to apply for additional insurance on her life and on the member's minor children.

This right must be exercised within one year following the Order's receipt of proof of the insured's death

Know two things.

- First, I'll assist your widow and children in any way possible if you should die, both with your Knights of Columbus insurance and any other life insurance you may have.

- Second, I'll provide my best professional advice and service, to assure that they have adequate insurance protection.

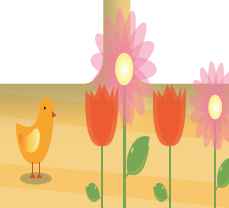
I have no greater responsibility. Contact me at 949-547-6614. Fraternally Yours, Dan



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 April Fool's Day	2 Mobil Park Recycling 7-9:30 a.m.	3 First Degree Practice 7:30 p.m.	4 General Meeting, 8 p.m.	5 Holy Thursday	6 Good Friday 1st Friday Adoration	7
8 Easter Sunday	9 Mobil Park Recycling 7-9:30 a.m.	10 First Degree Practice 7:30 p.m.	11	12	13	14 Recycling 7 to noon
15	16 Mobil Park Recycling 7-9:30 a.m.	17 First Degree Practice 7:30 p.m.	18	19	20	21
22 Earth Day	23 Mobil Park Recycling 7-9:30 a.m.	24 First Degree Practice 7:30 p.m.	25 Officers Meeting 7:30 p.m.	26 Chapter Meeting	27 Arbor Day	28
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