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Bishop William R. Johnson Council

9487 Division 5

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Santiago de Compostela Catholic Church

May 2008



MAKING THE PLEDGE: Representatives of Council 9487 salute flag at the Day of Sharing. Left to right, Bill Breen, Sam Riela, Mike Lynch, and Bernie and Linda Laituri.

Council 9487 participates in a special Day of Sharing

Nine Brother Knights met in the early hours of April 19 to carpool to Orange County Chapter's Annual Day of Sharing. All the Councils in Orange County to benefit the developmentally challenged hosted this wonderful event.

It is a carnival with many games where everybody wins. there are no losers, which brings great joy to our special guests.

This year, more than 650 guests attended.

We arrived at Marywood at 7 a.m. and started unloading and distributing toys to the 15 game booths. At 8:30, Mass was held in the beautiful Marywood Chapel. Brother Mike Lynch served as Lecturer and Rich Quinn was of one the Eucharistic Ministers. Prayers were said for the success of the event, the workers, and the special guests that were about to arrive.

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Grand Knight's Report

Brothers, we're on a major roll

by John Piccolo, Grand Knight

At the start of each Grand Knight's report I must give a big thank you to all my Brother Knights who have supported the Council and myself with a sterling effort of service this past month.

One of the "bennies" of being Grand Knight is that I am getting to know many of you better and am so impressed with your commitment to our Church and Council.



On April 7, we took seven Brothers to their Second Degree at St Columban's K of C Hall in Westminster.

I am very thankful that many of our new Brothers and even some who have been on the membership rolls for a few years have decided (with some prodding) to take that next step to learn more about our Order and what the venerable Fr. McGivney had in mind.

Largely due to Mike Williams' effort as Membership Chairman, we are "on a roll" and we seem to be reading at least one application at every meeting.

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The Chaplain's Report



A journey of faith

by **Fr. Efrain Flores, Parochial Vicar**

We are all sojourners on a spiritual road of faith. Some of us wander aimlessly and others wisely use the roadmap of scripture and Church Doctrine as their guide.

Difficult and long journeys can be dangerous if traveled alone, that is why, as Knights, you enjoin fraternity and unity in your Christian mission. I pray that each and every one of you continue your faith journey with the dedication you have shown as Knights.

Continue your good works, your prayer time, your scripture study, and your fellowship. Brothers, I am privileged and honored to be the Chaplain for the Bishop William R. Johnson Council and I am very grateful for the outpouring of your time, talents, and gifts to our faith community and the community at large.

Collectively, you embody the meaning of Charity, a cornerstone of the Knights of Columbus which is an important facet of our faith.

May the Lord's Peace and Blessings be with you always.

Knight of the Month

Bob Short

The Officers of Council 9487 are pleased to select Brother Bob Short, Lt. Col. USMC Retired as our May Knight of the Month. For many years, Bob has been a stalwart member of the Council's 9487 Monday Morning Recycling Team.

Our new Knights might not be familiar with these dedicated men and women who travel to various mobile home parks, schools, and businesses to collect paper for our recycling effort. This is our Council's largest source of income and we owe much to this group. Bob has represented the Council for years as a Eucharistic Minister until recently when a health problem caused him to resign.

In addition to serving our Church and Council, Brother Bob

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Family of the Month

The Steve Eggert Family

Council 9487 selects the Steve Eggert Family as our May 2008 Family of the Month. The Eggerts are another example of a young family for whom we could fill a page on how they demonstrate their commitment to our Church and Council.

For starters, Steve and Traci have three children in Catholic Schools. Fred (16) plays football at Mater Dei and just received the sacrament of confirmation. Peter (13) and Julia (10) attend St. John the Baptist School and are active in outside activities. Traci is the PTA Treasurer at St John's and also coaches her daughter's volleyball team.

Steve teaches economics at Fountain Valley High School and coaches football at Mater Dei. In addition to being our Outside Guard and moving up the chairs, Steve just volunteered to be the Council's Vocations Chairman and will keep us informed of our situation in

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Slate of officers for 2008-2009

The Nominating Committee has talked to the following Brothers with respect to serving as officers of the Knights of Columbus Council 9487 for the calendar year 2008-09. These Brothers must be formally nominated and voted upon at our general meeting on June 4.

Grand Knight	Dick Petrash
Deputy Grand Knight	Charles Young
Chancellor	Tom Murphy
Warden	Bernie Laituri
Advocate	Joe Schulte
Treasurer	Steve Seastrom
• Financial Secretary	Bill Breen
Recorder	Steve Eggert
Inside Guard	John Blaney
Outside Guard	Ricardo Teano
• Lecturer	Kevin Sabicer
1st Year Trustee	John Piccolo
• 2nd Year Trustee	Roger Sonnenfeld
• 3rd Year Trustee	Richard Piecuch
• Appointed	

In addition to committee nominations, nominations will also be taken from the floor. Any active member having completed his Third Degree is eligible.

All nominees including our recommendations must have someone to nominate them. If you plan to nominate someone, make sure he is a Third Degree Knight and is willing to consider the position. Attendance is important.

— by Rich Piecuch

Recycling Report

April program saw resurgence of newspapers

by Gene Ganley, George Notthelfer

For the last several months, our Council has been toughing out the lack of newspapers we have been getting each month.

But out of the blue, the quantity of paper we got at our April program increased considerably, a pleasant surprise.

Our total monies raised to date has now reached a total of \$240,000.

Last month we collected seven barrels of magazines with glued sides that needed to be sheared so the pages can be processed with the newspapers.



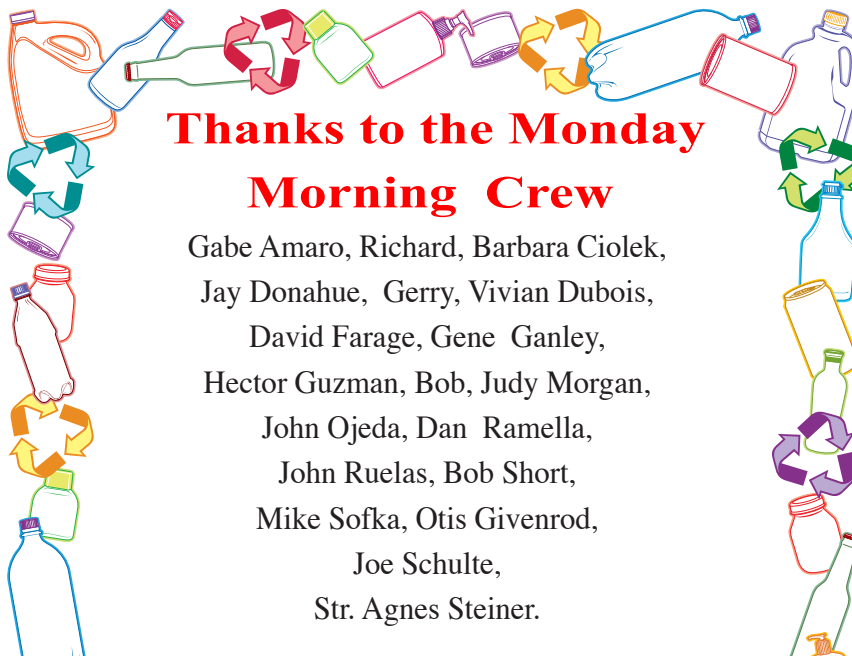
Council Brothers Gerry Dubois and Yours Truly rolled up our sleeves and handled that project.

Our Council Brothers supported our program and as always, our Santiago teens gave us their best efforts.

It's always a pleasure to thank the following for their help: George Notthelfer, John Ojeda, Jim Breen, Pat Bole, Gene Ganley, Bob Morgan, Daniel Cienfuegos, Levi Cienfuegos, Dan Ramella, Joe DeProspero, Ricardo Teano, Mario Soto, John Piccolo, Rich Mills, Joe Lozano, Angela Lozano, Maria Lozano, Raymond Gomez, Jose Lopez, Jonathan Lopez, Dennis DeRosia, Ramon Navarro, Don Leuer, Tom Reimann, Matthew Reimann, Andrew Reimann, Jonas Hartline, Tom Hartline, Ethan Hartline, Charles Young, Claude Makin, Rich Mulhaupt, Pat Walloch, Jacqui Bonifacio, and Rob Balen.

Thanks to the Monday Morning Crew

Gabe Amaro, Richard, Barbara Ciolek,
Jay Donahue, Gerry, Vivian Dubois,
David Farage, Gene Ganley,
Hector Guzman, Bob, Judy Morgan,
John Ojeda, Dan Ramella,
John Ruelas, Bob Short,
Mike Sofka, Otis Givenrod,
Joe Schulte,
Str. Agnes Steiner.



Don Miller Memorial Golf Tournament

June 22, 2008

Shotgun Start @ 12:00 pm



San Juan Hills Golf Club
32120 San Juan Creek Road
San Juan Capistrano, Ca. 92675
(949) 493-1167



Hosted by the Knights of Columbus, Council 9487

This Tournament is open to all players Men and Woman

Items of need

Hole and Tee sponsors
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Please include company
Info for your sign.

Raffle Prizes Needed

Will take CASH donations

Volunteers

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714-549-8684
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Mail form to:

James Marchetta
1705 Newport Circle
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Fee includes

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ALL THIS FOR ONLY \$125.00

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2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

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STRENGTH IN NUMBERS: Preparing to leave the Santiago parking lot for the Day of Sharing (l to r) are Mike Lynch, Richardo Teano, Sam Riela, GK John Piccolo, Rich Quinn, Rich (Mr. Clown) Picuch, Fran Kilty, Gene Ganley, and Randy Gamache.

SHARING

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At 9:30, our Council's second wave of helpers arrived that would remain all day working the "Amazon" game booth.

Many thanks to the Bernie, Linda and Jessie Laituri for years of commitment to Day of Sharing. Also working the booth were David Alves, Bill Breen, and John Ruelas. Rich Picuch or "Mr. Clown" stood all day greeting our guests at the photo booth.

Ask any of the 13 Knights who helped and I think they will agree that they received more back than what they gave.

The event will always be held on the third Saturday in April. We hope for an even bigger group next year.

Special message of thanks from DOS Chairman Bolton

by Steve Bolton, Day of Sharing Chairman

Worthy Grand Knights: Just a quick note to thank all of you Grand Knights and my Brother Knights, in your Councils that came out to this year's Day of Sharing.

I am so sorry I did not get a chance to come by each booth and thank you all in person for the outstanding job you did. We had a little over 650 people there this year and I hope you all had as great a day as I did.

Every special kid I talked to, all they could say was thank you for doing this for us. I saw Jesus in all there faces. It was so beautiful.

I also felt that Msgr. Sammon was there with us. His niece was working with the girls from Camp Recreation. Please let all my Brothers in your Council know how grateful I am for their support this year. Please mark your calendars for the next Day of Sharing on April 18, 2009.

God Bless you all for what you do for others.

KofC golf tournament coming to San Juan Hills June 22

by Jim Marchetta, Tournament Chair

It's hard to believe a year has passed, but it's that time again: Our annual golf tournament.

As usual, it's open to all players, men and women, and you don't have to be a Knight to participate. We would like to have at least 72 golfers, and there is room for a lot more.

The date this year is June 22, at San Juan Hills Golf Club. A 12

noon shotgun start is scheduled.

There will be putting contest before the tournament, prizes on the challenge holes, raffle prizes, 50/50 drawing and much more.

The cost of \$125 entitles each person to golf, lunch, awards banquet and dinner.

There will be first and second place teams, low gross and low net. Everyone has a chance to win.

Please see the signup sheet on the preceding page (4) of this newsletter for complete details.

We need tee sponsors, raffle prizes, and will take cash donations. But most of all we need your support (golfers).

For any other details or sign up sheets, call Jim Marchetta at 714-548-8685

Thank you all in advance for all your support.

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Save these dates for upcoming noteworthy events. Also, refer to the Council calendar on page 8 of this Newsletter. Call or email DGK and Program Chairman, Jim Breen, if you have an item(s) to present at the next Council meeting. You may also email the Program Chairman with any articles or announcements that you request be included in the Council Newsletter.

Wednesday, May 7: Council business meeting, 8 p.m., Parish Hall. We are honored to have Steve Bolton, VP of Chapter Charities talk about the MR Drive and Camp Recreation.

Sunday, May 10: Coffee and doughnuts after the first three Sunday Masses. We need to give this program a boost. Come on down after mass and mingle with the families of the Parish and your Council.

Thursday-Sunday, May 15-18: State Convention, San Jose, open to any Third Degree Knight. Contact GK if interested in attending this most impressive gathering.

Sunday, May 26: Memorial Day. If you do not have a flag to display, here is a month's lead-time to purchase and prepare a place to honor our Nations colors.

- Jim Breen, Program Chairman

Membership Report

Pope's message of love should peak interest in the church and ministries

by Michael Williams, Membership Chairman

We can expect a certain amount of fallout from our Holy Father's visit to the United States. The message of love and service that he spoke of during this visit should peak interest in the church and its ministries. Take a minute to introduce yourself to that stranger at church as a member of the Knights. Wear your name badge and tell these strangers why you joined. If you do not ask they can not respond to the prayers of our Holy Father. It is up to all of us to continue to lead.

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We just completed the third and final membership blitz on the final weekend of last month

We also had a successful open house that will lead up to our First Degree sometime this in May. Check your email and the Council's new website at www.kofc9487.com for more to come.

Our seminaries expect a peak in new inquires so why should we not expect the same and have a good membership growth for the next few months?

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I would like to thank the Sal Gonzalez and Steve Eggert Families and Michael Lynch for taking on the task of speaking on membership at the Masses. You all did an excellent job with your presentations and because of you, our Council is better. In Michael's case he spoke at three of the six Masses.



Insurance Report

Don't wait for the bell to ring

by Mark Yubeta, KofC Insurance Field Agent

Buying life insurance is something that's easy to put off until tomorrow. And with the busy lives we all lead, tomorrow can easily become next week, next month, or even next year.

For the sake of those you love, don't let that happen. I consider it my fraternal obligation to make sure that every Knights of Columbus Brother has the opportunity to protect his family with the Order's top-rated insurance products.



I'll work with you to put a plan in place that will help your family when that help is most needed.

We all know someone whose health, instantly and seemingly out-of-the-blue, changes. You may think this can't happen to you.

Think again.

And keep in mind that no one will ring a bell warning you that your health is about to change. Medical technology has turned many diseases previously termed "death sentences" into very treatable conditions. What medical advances

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May Birthdays



May Anniversaries



03 Sally Clack	17 Patrick Kane	02 John/Barbara Casabianca
04 Donald Pooters	18 James Long	06 Mark/Janeen Blackwelder
04 Albert Scarabino	20 Dan Cienfuegos	07 Richard/Dina Samaniego
05 James Elenz	20 James Cowan	11 James/Mary Lynne Cowan
05 Thomas Reitman	20 Paul Shisby	11 Roger/Theresa Sonnenfeld
06 Theodore Fay III	20 Marlene Short	12 John/Joan Donahue
06 James McNally	21 William Huizar	16 James/Edie Lynch
07 Gilbert Ayala	21 Timothy Neuville	16 Richard/Carolyn Quinn
07 Joseph Parotino	22 Ann B. Blaney	19 Etienne/Frances Plauche
08 Tom Murphy	23 Sam Kuri	21 Sam/Kathleen Kuri
09 David Glasow	23 Claude Makin	21 Kenneth/Darlene Carpenter
09 Robert Miske	23 Paul Coulter	21 Sam/Kathleen Kuri
10 James Machulda	23 Francis Meade	23 David/Robyn Belz
10 Patty Farina	23 Kevin Sabicer	30 Sal/Lisa Gonzales
10 Wilma Marchetta	26 Frank O'Brien	31 Richard/Jean Gregg
13 Steve Farkas	27 Jose Lopez	31 Michael/Sharon Benedetto
13 Lou Stringer	28 Mary Johnson	
14 Virginia Osley	28 William Stout	
15 Lisa Gregg	29 Pernille Brown	
15 Nancy Kobayashi	29 Ed Matthews	
15 Mike Williams	30 James Corral	
15 Richard Mills	30 Ferdie Furtado	
17 Jerome Delmore	30 Harlan Holliday	
17 Cindy Cienfuegos	30 Lawrence Jacobs	
17 Paul Heckman	31 Richard Renz	

– Submitted by Bill Breen

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the Diocese of Orange.

Traci has run the American booth for many years at Santiago's annual fair and she also runs the childcare at Backyard Theology.

Whenever a prospective members tells us they are "too busy," we should show them the short and very incomplete bio for this young and active family.

We are lucky to have the Eggerts in our Council and congratulation to them as our Family of the Month.

– John Piccolo, GK

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INSURANCE:

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haven't changed, however, is that being diagnosed with one of these diseases will dramatically affect your ability to purchase life insurance coverage. Don't wait until it's too late.

Your Knights of Columbus insurance program is second to none.

Knights of Columbus life insurance represents a safety net for Catholic families that's unsurpassed, and I'm proud of that.

I'm also concerned. Why? Because so many of our Brother Knights have no life insurance with the Order.

I suspect that, for many of

them, tomorrow has become next week, next month or next year. Don't be one of them.

Don't wait for the bell to ring. It isn't going to.

I can be reached at (949) 322-7266.

Call me.

Let's talk.

April meeting highlights

In lieu of the Rosary Grand Knight John Piccolo talked about the Pope's visit to the United States April 15-20.

Recycling: The March recycling effort raised \$1,950. Please help support the program held from 7 a.m. to noon the second Saturday of the month.

Scholarships: Ken Allen reminded all Knights who have children in a Catholic school to submit their information for scholarships by the May 7 meeting. Brothers who are interested are requested to submit a letter that outlines your willingness to accept the scholarship. In addition, a brief letter from your child that describes what they like about Catholic education. The submissions should be forwarded to Ken Allen at kenallenfh@cox, sent to Grand Knight John Piccolo at johnpicc@yahoo, or taken to John at the May 7 meeting.

— Tom Murphy, Recorder

G.K. REPORT:

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With the Pope's visit and a creative approach to our membership blitz, we should see a spike in growth.

Next weekend we have a Third Degree and should have at least six Brothers advance to full Knighthood.

One of my goals was to clear-out a backlog of First Degree members and am happy to say this is moving along nicely.

On April 18, we hosted a dinner to support the Parish's effort in starting Social Justice awareness, a follow-up to a presentation parishioner Susan Durik gave at council meeting a few months ago.

We served about 70 spaghetti dinners and many thanks to all those who helped. I think the dinner, turnout, and speaker made the kick-off a great success.

Please see the story on page 1 of this Newsletter on the Day of Sharing. I was extremely pleased with our Council's participation, one of the best turnouts we've ever had. This is an event that every Knight should try once. You will receive much more than the few hours you give to these special kids.

We are on the eve of the state convention this month. Much of my time last month was spent in preparing reports to send to the various state directors to expound upon our effort during this Columbian Year.

I have heard many times that we are the best Council in the state and now I want to hear this directly from the State by collecting a few plaques to display. Hopefully, I will have more to say about this in my report to you next month.

Finally, I hope everyone was impressed as I was about the Holy Father's journey to the United States.

Whether you are Catholic or any other faith, you had to be inspired by his presence.

We need to pray for his health and that he can bring some measure of peace to the world. Best wishes to you and your family.

Notice of intent for motion regarding scholarship issue

At the May 7 Council business meeting there will be a motion brought to the floor to raise the budgeted amount for scholarships for the current Columbian Year from \$3,000 to \$5,000.

The Council has a budgeted amount of \$3,000 earmarked for Catholic School scholarships for our membership who qualify. This budgeted amount has not changed for several years and has not kept pace with our increase in membership. Therefore the amount per student has steadily declined. Last year the individual amount awarded was less than \$250.

The officers have already recommended the \$585 profit from the Family Night Ice Cream Social be directed to this fund. This combined with increased income from recycling and dues will easily cover the requested addition of \$2,000 for scholarships.

This motion will be brought to the floor under new business and if anyone desires to comment, please do so when the Grand Knight calls for discussion. - John Piccolo, GK

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admirably served our nation as a Marine Corp officer and pilot qualified to fly several rotary and fixed wing aircraft.

His last tour was aircraft commander of the KC130 Hercules.

Bob and his lovely wife, Marlene, have been married for 51 years.

His hobbies have been golf and raising families of Welsh Corgi dogs.

We are very fortunate to have Bob as a Brother Knight and congratulate him as our May honoree. - John Piccolo, G.K.

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