# **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**



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November 2008

# **Grand Knight's Report**Spirit of the Knights came through last month

#### by Dick Petrash, Grand Knight

As is the reputation of our Council, every event planned for the month of October was well attended

by our Brother Knights. It was one of the busiest months our Council has had in some time. The spirit and the ability of the volunteer Knights are looked upon with awe from the other ministries in our parish. Membership, information night, recycling, cooking, MR drive, PGK dinner, the blood drive and the Pot Luck were fun events.

Our thanks and appreciation go out to all those who made these events a success.

The month of November will probably be

a quiet one. The big event is the third degree on Nov. 9. At the present time we have six candidates who are planning to receive their third on this day. If you are a second degree and wish to attend the third, please call John Piccolo, PGK. He is coordinating the degree for our Council. He is also taking reservations for any sideliners who wish to attend

the degree and the dinner. It will be held in Irvine at John Paul Neumann church.

If you haven't noticed, most of the volunteers from our Council and a goodly number of our Brothers on Sunday are sporting the new Council shirts made possible by our Deputy Grand Knight Charlie Young.

He has done a tremendous job taking orders for the shirts and delivering to those who have ordered them. The next item to

be available are Council hats.

A few of our men are already wearing the hats See GK REPORT page 6

### Second, Third degrees coming by John Piccolo, PGK

An opportunity to achieve full Knighthood in our great Order is rapidly approaching.

There will be a 2nd Degree held on Tuesday, Nov. 4 at Holy Spirit Parish Hall, 17270 Ward Street, Fountain Valley.

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**HELPERS** These teens were among the scores of students who helped collect money for the MR Drive the weekend of Oct. 17-18-19 at local supermarkets. This trio worked the Ralph's Market in Mission Viejo. *– Photo by Kevin Sabicer.* 

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**HONORED:** John Piccolo, seen with wife Penny, was saluted by Brother Knights Oct. 13 at the Past Grand Knights Dinner at Biagio' Italian Restaurant.

# Help needed with breakfast

Bishop Johnson Council will host a breakfast from 8:30-11:30 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 16, on the Santiago parish patio, weather permitting. The event will honor the veterans who served our country. All parishioners are invited.

There will be no charge for the breakfast. However donations will be accepted and will be forwarded to be given to Fr. Marc (through Theo's work) to support his mission in Haiti.

A strong show of manpower will be needed, both in the kitchen and on the patio where the breakfast will be served.

If you can help please contact Joe Schulte at 770-7884.

- Joe Schulte, Advocate

### <u>Knights of the Month</u> Our Ushers

This month we honor a group of men and women who give of their time and talent every week to make your attendance at our Masses safe, comfortable and friendly.

Many of our ushers have been performing their duties for over 20 years. They are capable of handling anything that is ordinary at all Masses and perform extremely well in times of emergencies that arise from time to time.

They are of great service to our priests, our ministries and to each and every person attending Santiago Church. Many of the ushers (and other Brother Knights) are faithful in bringing our "wheelies" to the 8:30 Sunday Mass and returning them to the Nursing Home after our services.

They insure the groups making presentations outside our building have the tables and chairs necessary for their messages. Our collective thanks go out to these men and women and we will remember them in our prayers.

Thanks for a job well done.

- Dick Petrash, G.K.

### <u>Recycling Report</u> Shearer fixed, more help needed Our recycling

#### by Gene Ganley, George Notthelfer

The paper shearer used to separate the bindings from the paper in books and magazines, has finally been repaired.

Our thanks to Allan's Recycling of Santa Ana and manager Ron Allen. He sent their electrician to our site, the the fellow proved that he knew his sparks.

The financial end of our program is on a roll.

All our benefactors (parishioners, Forest Gardens Mobil Home Park, etc.) are supporting our monthly goals. For that we are very grateful.

Winners of gasoline cards in our October drawing were Melvin Cannair, Rose Holle, Jane Langley and Kirk Merriman.

Congratulations!

Our current total raised is \$253,000 and counting.

We are still hoping for more Council members to give us an hour or two of help at our second Saturday recycling between 7 a.m. and noon.

Now is the time to give

Membership Report No secret to adding members: Just talk

#### by Michael Williams, Membership Chairman

Membership made easy! There is no magic formula, what I do know that works is: talking to people.

At the pancake breakfast that we hosted I met Adrian Michael via Dave Owens. It seems though there are several members (Larry Bishop for one, Bill Breen and Ricardo Teano for two others) who attend daily Mass than retire to Black Forest Bakery for coffee, where Adrian works. Through conversation (talking to people) Adrian attended Mass and we now have his application.

It really is that simple! Thanks to the continued efforts of Charlie Young we increased our membership by two, David Meyers and Tom Keedy made the journey to the Mission in San Juan for their first degree, welcome to you and your families.

A membership drive was held in October along with an open house in the Parish Hall.

The membership team does need your help, thank you for your continued support.

### **Thanks to the Monday Morning Crew**

Gabe Amaro, Richard, Barbara Ciolek, Gary Clack, Jay Donahue, Gerry, Vivian Dubois, Hector Guzman, Bob, Judy Morgan, David Farage, Gene Ganley, John Ojeda, Rich Quinn, Dan Ramella, John Ruelas, Str. Agnes Steiner, Otis

Givenrod, Joe Schulte. - Submitted by Gene Ganley



Petrash, Pat Bole, Bob Kupfert, Jacob Kupfert, Don Pooters, Gene Ganley, PGK; Chip Orlowski, Rudy Quiroz, Andrew Quiroz, Cameron Young, Dan Ramella, Ken Carpenter, Rick Reynolds, Eddie Morrisroe, Steve Seastrom.

# **DEGREES:**

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Candidates need to arrive by 7.

We meet in Santiago upper parking lot at 6:15 to carpool. At the 2nd Degree you will learn what unity means to the Knights of Columbus.

The following Sunday, Nov. 9, a 3rd Degree will be held at St John Neumann Parish Hall, 5101 Alton Parkway, Irvine.

Candidates need to arrive by 1p.m. The degree will end about 5.

The dress code is jacket and tie. We meet on the Santiago Patio at 12:15 to carpool.

At the 3rd Degree, you will learn the meaning of Fraternity to Fr. McGivney and the Knights.

There will be a pre-Thanksgiving turkey dinner served at 6, paid for the Knight and his spouse by the Council.

If you must depart at the end of the Degree, OK.

Please call me at 949-951-1550 to let me know if you can make or 2nd and 3rd Degree. If you can make just the 2nd, OK. We need to give the host Council an accurate candidate and dinner count.



# **October meeting highlights**

#### by Steve Eggert, Recorder

#### GK's Report:

Nov. 9 is the next Third degree.

#### New Business:

New member Tom Keedy introduced himself to the council. Bill Breen requested that the Council consider a donation to sponsor the CI/CII program in their participation in the "Rock and Road in OC" teen anti-drunk-driving program. A motion to donate \$500 was made and approved.

District Deputy Guy Gottschalk attended and presented Star Council plaque to PGK John Piccolo.

#### **Committee Reports:**

John Piccolo reported on the football sweepstakes cards now on sale for \$10 each. Funds raised benefit Columbian Charities.

Recycling. George Nothhelfer. said we have topped \$250k. F. McGivney Guild- video of his life available online @ frmcgivneyguild.org.

#### **Other items:**

DGK Charlie Young has hats for sale for \$12.95 plus tax.

Greg Manning reported that the State Council Scholarship will be offered at Serra, JSerra and Santa Margarita High Schools this year.

### Insurance Report Establish your own retirement plan with Knights of Columbus

#### by Mark Yubeta, KofC Field Agent

Think of retirement as a three legged stool. In order to maintain balance, you need all three legs, or there is a real possibility of a



crash. One leg consists of the benefits the government offers you. Debate rages about the viability of future benefits, and my best advice is to stay tuned to the

Mark Yubeta stay tuned to the discussion and make sure you are

aware of what is planned for those benefits. Any change in future promises should be accounted for when we get to the third leg.

The second leg is your company's pension plan, either defined benefit (such as a traditional pension: you work so many years and the company provides you with so much monthly benefit) or defined contribution (such as the popular 401K plans).

Again, some of these plans, particularly traditional, are under stress. Learn how yours works; read the plan description; stay

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### PROGRAM CHAIRMAN'S <u>REPORT</u>

Save these dates for upcoming noteworthy events and refer to the Council calendar on Page 9 of this Newsletter. Call or e-mail DGK and Program Chairman, Charles Young, if you have an item(s) to present at the next Council meeting. You may also e-mail the Program Chairman with articles or announcements that you want included in the Council Newsletter.

#### <u>November</u>

**11/5, Wednesday**, 8 p.m., Council business meeting, please attend.

11/7, Friday Adoration.

**11/9, Sunday:** 3rd Degree, St. John Neumann, Irvine. All 2nd Degree members are encouraged to attend. Call GK John Piccolo at 949-951-1550 to reserve a seat.

**11/12, Wednesday:** 1st Degree, St. Columban's Council Hall, 7836 Westminster Ave., Westminster. Candidates, 7 p.m., Degree, 7:30.

**11/12, Wednesday:** 1st Degree, Fr. Louis Knight Council, St. Edwards, Dana Point. Candidates 7 p.m., Degree, 7:30.

11/17, Monday: 1st Degree, Father Kass Council Hall, 8410 Kass Drive, Buena Park. Candidates 7 p.m., Degree, 7:30.

**11/19, Wednesday:** 7:30 p.m. - Officer's Meeting, all are welcome.

**11/23, Sunday**: 2nd Degree, Sponsored by District 85, Buena Park. Check with GK Dick Petrash for details.

**11/30, Sunday:** Corporate Communion.

– Charlie Young, DGK Program Chairman



# **Please Support Our Fund-raiser!**



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**WHAT'S COOKING?** Brothers (l to r) Roger Sonnenfeld, PGK; Charlie Young, DGK; Pat Bole and Rich Mills work hard to prepare breakfast for the youngsters last month.

### Don Leuer, Roger Sonnenfeld, Mike Softka, Hector Guzman, Charles Young make their Fourth Degree

#### by Charlie Young, DGK

On Saturday, October 11, 2008, Don Leuer, Roger Sonnenfeld, Mike Sofka, Hector Guzman and Charles Young made their Fourth Degree Exemplifications.

The primary purpose of the Fourth Degree is to foster the spirit of patriotism in members and the community at large.

The weekend began on Friday evening with assorted treats in various Hospitality Rooms at the Irvine Marriott.

On Saturday morning, a continental breakfast (coffee, pastries, etc.) was available in the Hospitality Rooms.

The candidates had to check in at 11 a.m., dressed in their tuxedos.

You cannot imagine 230 candidates, plus sideliners and color guards, all dressed in tuxedos – it was truly a beautiful sight!

DGK Charlie Young had a problem with his dress shoes when the heels became separated from the rest of the shoe.

Later the entire heel and sole of the left shoe fell off.

Luckily, Charlie's wife, Jill, forgot her "fancy" dress for the evening's banquet – so she had to go home to get her dress and a new pair of shoes for Charlie.

The remainder of the day was routine, but long. I must say that

the Fourth Degree was a wonderful experience and something I recommend for every Third Degree member.

If you are not aware, you can be a Fourth Degree Member without actually being in the Color Guard.

I urge everyone to consider joining the "Patriotic Degree."

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and again, see Charlie if you would like to order a new cap.

We will probably be the best dressed Council on Orange County.

Our next business meeting will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 5, the day after the elections.

This will most likely be one of the most important elections to be held in many years.

It seems as if the events leading up to any election are becoming more belligerent and filled with half-truths, accusations and ill will.

I hope you have exercised your rights at the ballot box and no matter what the outcome, please continue in your prayers that this great country of ours follows the path of charity and justice.

I hope and pray that propositions 4 and 8 have passed.

Vivat Jesus,

Dick Petrash, Grand Knight

# November Bírthdays

05 Michelle Ramirez 06 Alfred Raviglia 07 John Donahue 09 Jody O'Brien 10 Ray Nopper Jr. 11 Kevin Johnson 11 Josie Gribbons 12 Henry Zakrezewski 13 Donald Bibona 14 Madeline Lucewicz 14 Ralph DiBernardo 14 Jodie Nopper 14 John Ruelas, PGK 15 Allison Diesel 15 Jeannine Hartsig 15 Jeannine Sansone 16 Joseph DeProspero 16 Beau Kellen 16 Karen Cardinale 18 Jack Weston 19 Don Barnes 19 William Bontell

19 Peggy Olson 19 Mike Lynch 20 Sal Gonzales 21 Terence Carney 21 Ricardo Ruelas 23 Ramon Navarro 23 Linda Adrian 23 Karen Bustamante 23 Kathy Petrash 23 Margot Rudon 23 John Turpin 23 Lt. Kevin Sweeney 24 John Cashman 24 Otis Givenrood 25 Michael Sevesisin 26 Roxana Gaffaney 28 Kathy Delmore 28 Michael Ranahan 29 John Blaney 29 Darlene Carpenter 30 Mildred Ledger 30 Randall Gamache



- 05 Ernie/Michelle Ramirez
- 07 Nelson/Stephanie Sweeney
- 21 Victor/Ellen Burrola
- 24 Steve/Linda Goold
- 25 Ernest/Michelle Ramirez
- 28 Ferdie/Myrtle Furtado
- 28 Delbert/Julia Matonic

– Submitted by Bill Breen

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**RETIRE:** 

on top of the news coming from the company. On the 401K side, become a good investor. Teach yourself the fundamentals of good diversification and know how much you have and when you will need it.

Finally, the third leg, and the one that you can exercise the most control over:. The saving you do yourself.

Everyone needs this third leg. It consists of the money you yourself set aside on a disciplined basis to help in retirement. You don't directly control government benefits and you don't directly manage your company's pension plan. But you do manage your own life.

Establish a retirement plan of your own. Here at the Knights of Columbus,

you can open a retirement annuity for as little as \$300.

Consistent and disciplined savings placed into that annuity over time can guarantee you an income that you cannot outlive at retirement. That's right – guarantee you an income you cannot outlive. That really will provide you with peace of mind.

As you ponder all the things that may not work out as you proceed toward retirement, think about the one thing you can do to help yourself. It's reasonably priced, guaranteed, and controlled by someone you trust: you! I'm at (949) 322-7266. Give me a call and let's talk.



# A 435-YEAR HISTORY OF THE ROSARY



The Knights of Columbus take special pride in keeping a rosary with them at all times and praying it daily. Or at least as often as possible.

But few of us may know the complete and colorful history of the Rosary, or that Oct. 7 is the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.



Pope St. Pius V established the feast in 1573 to thank God for

the victory of Christians over the Turks at Lepanto. That triumph was attributed to the praying of the rosary. Clement XI extended the feast to the universal Church in 1716. The development of the rosary has a long history.

First, a practice developed of praying 150 Our Fathers in imitation of the 150 Psalms. Then there was a parallel practice of praying 150 Hail Marys.

Soon a mystery of Jesus' life was attached to each Hail Mary. Though Mary's giving the rosary to St. Dominic is recognized as unhistorical, the development of this prayer form owes much to the followers of St. Dominic.

One of them, Alan de la Roche, was known as "the apostle of the rosary."

He founded the first Confraternity of the Rosary in the 15th century. In the 16th century the rosary was developed to its present form—with the 15 mysteries (joyful, sorrowful and glorious). In 2002, Pope John Paul II added the Mysteries of Light to this devotion.

The purpose of the rosary is to help us meditate on the great mysteries of our salvation. Pius XII called it a compendium of the gospel.

The main focus is on Jesus—his birth, life, death and resurrection. The Our Fathers remind us that Jesus' Father is the initiator of salvation. The Hail Marys remind us to join with Mary in contemplating these mysteries. They also make us aware that Mary was and is intimately joined with her Son in all the mysteries of his earthly and heavenly existence.

The Glorys remind us that the purpose of all life is the glory of the Trinity.

The rosary appeals to many. It is simple. The constant repetition of words helps create an atmosphere in which to contemplate the mysteries of God.

We sense that Jesus and Mary are with us in the joys and sorrows of life. We grow in hope that God will bring us to share in the glory of Jesus and Mary forever.

"[The rosary] sets forth the mystery of Christ in the very way in which it is seen by St. Paul in the celebrated 'hymn' of the Epistle to the Philippians—kenosis [self-emptying], death and exaltation (2:6-11).... By its nature the recitation of the rosary calls for a quiet rhythm and a lingering pace, helping the individual to meditate on the mysteries of the Lord's life as grasped by the heart of her who was closer to the Lord than all others" (Paul VI, Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, 45, 47).

- From AmericanCatholic.org

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