



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Bishop William R. Johnson Council
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Grand Knight's Report

Council extends helping hand to Brothers in need

by **Dick Petrash, Grand Knight**

Our economy continues to spiral downward with little evidence of a quick turn around. More and more of our Brothers, parishioners and friends are being laid off or terminated and some of our Brothers need our help.

Since the inception of our Council, we have helped many Brothers overcome financial hardship through Council, State and Supreme gifting.

One of the basic foundations of our Order is to help a Brother in need and to help his family.

If you are a Brother Knight and are in need of some help, please do not hesitate to ask. Please contact Brother Bill Breen. If you know of a Brother who may be in need, contact Bill.

Any and all conversations will be held in the strictest of confidences and only Brother Bill and the current Grand Knight will know who receives any assistance. Please remember that our Charter calls for just this kind of action.

Looking forward, we still have two Lenten dinners to prepare and serve and will be asking for volunteers. For those who have

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Day of Sharing: April 18

How about joining your Brother Knights on April 18 to help with the final set-up for Orange County Chapter K of C annual Day of Sharing?

The four hours you spend helping our Brothers and Sisters with mental disabilities is a morning you will not soon forget.

Just ask anyone who has ever spent time at this wonderful event. Also, if you have never attended a function outside our Council, you will see that we are part of something really big.

We meet at our Church upper parking lot at 6:55 a.m., and need to depart no later than 7.

Our job is to help with the final preparations until 8:30 and then we go to the opening Mass in the Diocese chapel.

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MR. AND MRS CLOWN are actually Rich and Pat Picuch.

Slate of officers listed for 2009-10 Columbian year

A nominating committee has been formed to select a slate of officers for the 2009-1010 Columbian year. The committee consists of all Past Grand Knights, John Piccolo, Roger Sonnenfeld and Rich Picuch.

While the following are proposed officers, any Brother can run for any office by being nominated at the June meeting. There is one office which needs to be filled, Inside Guard. If you are interested in running for this or any other office. Please contact one of the PGK's on the nominating committee.

Grand Knight
Deputy Grand Knight
Chancellor
Warden
Advocate
Treasurer
Recorder
Outside Guard
Inside Guard
Trustees **1st year**

Charles Young
Bernie Laituri
Steve Eggert
Tom Murphy
Mike Lynch
Steve Seastrom
John Blaney
Ricardo Teano
Open
Dick Petrash

The positions of Financial Secretary is an appointed office for a three-year term.

The position of Lecturer is an appointed office selected by the Grand Knight.

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Dick Petrash, GK
Charles Young, DGK
John Piccolo, PGK

Rides to meetings available by contacting any officer

The officers of our Council have recently discussed the fact that many of our Brothers are unable to attend our monthly business meetings because of a lack of transportation, temporary illness which prevents their driving or curtails their driving at night.

Some of our fellow Knights are already bringing members to our meetings and taking them home afterwards.

If you are unable to attend our meetings and would like for a Brother to pick you up, please give one of our officers listed in our newsletter a call. We will make arrangements to transport you to the meeting and take you home.

If any of you would like to join the ranks of those transporting our members, one please let one of our officers know you are available.
– Dick Petrash, GK

Knight of the Month

Don Leuer

We have a Brother Knight in our Council who is always quietly (and sometimes not so quietly) working in the background for almost any event.

He appears at our Lenten dinners ready to work. He is present monthly making coffee and selling doughnuts and is now handling that event on a bi-monthly schedule.

Whenever we have a gathering at church for a special maintenance project he is there with his tools, ready to lend a hand.

Don has recently taken on the project of adding some permanent lattice work to our patio to keep the sunshine off of the cooks.

It is with great pleasure to announce this month's Knight of the Month, Brother Don Leuer.

– Dick Petrash, GK

Family of the Month

Mary and Mike Williams

We are blessed to have a Brother Knight in our Council who will take on any assignment he is asked to perform. Not to mention his lovely wife who is one great cook and often will cook for about 200 people.

We of course, refer to Mike and Mary Williams. Mike, a past Grand Knight, has been our membership chairman for the past few years and has done a magnificent job holding quarterly membership blitzes, working our information night for prospective members and insuring that the new Brothers take their degrees.

His wife Mary has catered many of our events and recently did the cooking for our first Lenten Dinner.

She is now a member of our Santiago Choir and dedicates much of her time to our community.

Please help me congratulate Mike and Mary Williams as our Family of the Month.

– Dick Petrash, GK

Recycling Report

Vendors, Brothers, and others spearheaded March program

by Gene Ganley, George Nothhelfer

We are hanging in there despite the lowered prices we are now receiving for our recyclable products.

We had a vendor who brought a loaded pickup truck of newspapers last month.

In addition, we got three large bags of CRV cans and bottles from Brother Rob Balen's company and papers from Leisure World.

Its always good to have vendors who are interested in helping our program.

We have received over \$260,000 to date.

Thank you, dear benefactors.

We continue to receive newspapers from the local Silverado High School and bags of papers from La Madera Elementary School, for which we are very grateful.



Now its time to thank the following Brothers and students who helped last month: George Nothhelfer, John Ojeda, Gene Ganley, Bob Morgan, John Piccolo, Dan Cienfuegos, Daniel Figueroa,

Pat Bole, Mario Soto, Jim Burrell, Peter Eggert, Don Leuer, Joe DeProspero, Claude Makin, Dan Ramella, Jose Lopez, Jonathan Lopez, Joseph Micalizio, and Gerry Dubois.

State Convention coming May 14 to 17 in San Diego

May 14 through 17 are the dates of our State convention to be held in San Diego at the Town and Country Hotel and Convention Center.

A golf tournament will be held on Thursday and the River Walk golf course next to the hotel.

Our Council has a foursome and if you would like to play in the tournament, please contact Dick Petrash or Charlie Young.

The cost is \$95 per player and tee time is 7 a.m.

If you would like to attend any of the Friday or Saturday general meetings, the convention floor is open to all Brother Knights.

Just show your membership card at the door.

If you have never seen the workings of our convention, it is a real eye-opener at the quality and quantity of our State Council.

You would not be permitted to vote for any proposals put forth by the State Council, however, since only elected delegates are permitted a vote on the floor.

On the topic of delegates, the following are the delegates and alternates to the convention:

John Piccolo, PGK
Dick Petrash, GK
Charlie Young, DGK
Roger Sonnenfeld, PGK.

– Dick Petrash, GK

The Monday Morning Crew

Richard, Barbara Ciolek,

Jay Donahue,

Gerry, Vivian Dubois,

David Farrage,

Gene Ganley,

Hector Guzman,

Bob, Judy Morgan,

John Ojeda,

Dan Ramella,

John Ruelas,

Str. Agnes Steiner.

Otis Givenrod,

Joe Schulte,

Gary Clack

– From Gene Ganley

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PROGRAM **CHAIRMAN'S** **REPORT**

Save these dates for upcoming noteworthy events. Also, refer to the Council calendar on page 7 of this Newsletter. Call or e-mail the 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 any articles or announcements that you request be included in this Newsletter.

April

4-1: Wednesday: Council business meeting, 8 p.m., please attend.

4-3: First Friday Adoration.-8: Wednesday: Second Degree, St. Columban's Council Hall, 7836 Westminster Ave., Westminster. Candidates, 7 p.m., Degree, 7:30.

4-13: Monday: First Degree, Our Lady of Fatima Church, 105 N. La Esperanza, San Clemente. Candidates, 7 p.m., Degree, 7:30.

4-20: Monday: First Degree, Father Kass Council Hall, 8410 Kass Drive, Buena Park. Candidates, 7 p.m., Degree, 7:30.

4-22: Wednesday: First Degree, St. Irenaeus Church, 5201 Evergreen Ave., Cypress. Candidates, 7 p.m., Degree, 7:30.

May

5-3: Sunday: Third Degree, St. Angela Merici Church, 585 South Walnut Street, Brea. Candidates, 1 p.m., Degree 2 p.m. All Second Degree members are encouraged to attend.

– Charlie Young, DGK

Peter Kellen coordinates breakfast-dinner combo

by Dick Petrash, Grand Knight

On Friday, March 17, the Knights cooked for a Friday night Lenten dinner and surprised everyone by serving breakfast for dinner.

While some Brothers predicted that the meal would not be well received by our community, we had one of the most successful dinners so far in this Lenten series of dinners.

It was fun watching kids clad in their pajamas eating our “upside down” breakfast before being carted off to bed.

The new addition of blueberry syrup helped to make it a sweet event. The dinner was planned and coordinated by Brother Peter Kellen, PGK, and his pancakes were as smooth as always.

We had so much help in the preparation, serving and clean up that it is impossible to list all of the Brothers by name.

But, you know who you are and a very large Council thanks to all those who worked the event and all those who came to eat the food.

The following is the schedule:

April 3 Theo's work, Italian dinner.

April 10 K of C, soup and salad.

We can use the help of any Brother for set up, cooking and serving and clean up for any or all of the remaining dinners.

If you are willing to lend a hand, please contact our Deputy Grand Knight Charlie Young. If you are unable to help, come join us for dinner.

DAY OF SHARING:

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We will continue to help where needed until the Opening Ceremony, which starts around 10. We should have you back by about 11, but anyone who wishes to remain is welcome to do so. If you can make it, please call or email John Piccolo, PGK at 951-1550 or johnpicc@yahoo.com.

Our Council has committed to manning a game booth and Bernie Laituri is in charge. If you can put in more time, I'm sure Brother Bernie could use help.

If you cannot make it, then please consider supporting Day of Sharing financially by purchasing raffle tickets. You should have just received the second mailing.

This event operates on a very limited budget and any financial help would be greatly appreciated. The entire day is free to all of our clients and there are many expenses that must be paid by the Orange County K of C Chapter.

Finally, the Chairman of Orange County Chapter Charities, Brother Steve Bolton, asked me to extend his thanks for over \$37,000 donated from our MR Drive. Most of those funds support Day of Sharing.

For many of our clients, this is the one day each year that they really look forward to.

– John Piccolo, PGK

Pray for Vocations

March meeting highlights

by Steve Eggert, Recorder

GK's Report:

1. Valentine's Day Dance was a success.
2. Past Grand Knights met and chose delegates for the upcoming State Convention, among other items.

Committee Reports:

1. Recycling: A total of \$1,455 was raised last month.
2. Next First Degree ceremony is April 13.
3. Maintenance: Two projects currently underway: new mortar installed on parish grounds and installation of the shade over the cooking area on the patio.
4. District .Deputy Guy Gottschalk discussed the new parish buildings at St. Kilians.
5. Ushers: Ken Allen needs help.
6. Pro-Life: Bernie Laituri reported that there will be a bulletin announcement on Pro-Life issues in the near future.
7. Scholarships: Ken Allen reminded all that essays by Council members' children are due by May.
8. The Golf tournament date is set for June 28 at San Juan Hills. Mark Bustamante will take over as chairman.
9. Friday Lenten Dinners. Help is needed for cooking, serving and set up on April 10.

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never helped at one of these events, I promise you that you will be laughing as much as you will be working. I've never seen a more together bunch of men having so much fun while serving others. Come join us!

Good news: Mark Bustamante has graciously accepted the chairmanship of our annual Don Miller Golf Tournament. I'm sure you will be reading more about time and place in the very near future but for now, keep Sunday, June 28 open.

It is one of the most enjoyable events that we host and is open to men and women of our parish and our community. It is also one of our major fund raisers and with today's economy, start saving now. We promise you will have a good time golfing and socializing.

I hope you will join with me in wishing the best to our own Father Patrick in his new assignment as Pastor of St. Ireneas. He will be leaving us in July.

In the short time he has been with us as Priest and our Chaplain he has left his mark in our hearts and minds.

It is rare to find a man of his spirituality, his compassion and his dedication and knowledge. He will be truly missed and we will cherish the time he has spent with us and for us. God speed.

Vivat Jesus.

Insurance Report

A good idea is to read the fine print

by Mark Yubeta, KofC Field Agent

We all know the old adage – the grass seems greener on the other side of the fence. When it comes to replacing your existing Knights of Columbus life insurance with coverage offered by another company, the adage holds true.

Perceptions are deceiving. A move to the other side of the fence might seem like a good one, but it can leave you with less green in your wallet – in some cases, a lot less.

That's why it pays to remember another old saying: Read the fine print.

There are many reasons to keep your existing coverage in force, whether it is with the Knights of Columbus or another company.

I'll focus on the potential pitfalls of replacing coverage here, pitfalls that an agent trying to convince you that the grass actually is greener might neglect to mention.

First, all life insurance contracts contain a contestability period, which allows the insurer to contest claims made for a period, typically two years, after the contract is issued. Chances are this is no longer an issue with your current coverage.

Second, it's unlikely that you can obtain the same amount of



Mark Yubeta

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April Birthdays



01 Lisa Gonzales	19 Joe La Rosa
03 Joseph Reinhoel	20 Patrick Cardinale
04 Daniel Benjamin	20 Rene Robles
06 Nancy Coulter	20 Mary Williams
07 Joe Zuniga	20 Aida Zuniga
11 Bob Short	21 Elfa Ernst
12 David Schaefer	21 John Lucewicz
12 Kenneth Stashik	21 Richard Mulhaupt
14 George Jeffers	21 Naomi Murphy
14 Norm Port	22 Donard Church
14 Robert Signorile	23 John Canal
15 Michael Benedetto	27 Barbara Ciolek
15 Margaret Brown	28 Mike Jednoralski
15 Pamela Finn	28 Gerry DuBois
15 James Gilbert	29 Luke Keeley
14 Steven Seastrom	29 Christopher Detar
17 Scott Stokes	30 Joseph Tringale
18 Jean Durham	30 Steven Kennedy
19 Jen. Jednoralski	30 Greg Manning

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

– Submitted by
Bill Breen, PGK

INSURANCE:

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coverage, for the same premium, that you were able to obtain with your existing contract. The two factors that determine how much you'll need to pay for life insurance coverage are age and health.

Certainly, you're older now than you were when you took out your current coverage. There's no way around that one.

You have to ask yourself, has your health changed during that time? Is your blood pressure the same? Your cholesterol? Have you gained weight? All these factors affect the amount of coverage you'll get for your premium dollar.

If someone encourages you to replace – or worse, drop - your existing coverage, please call me.

I'll show you how your existing coverage is working for you and why replacement is rarely in your best interest.

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

Call me and let's talk.

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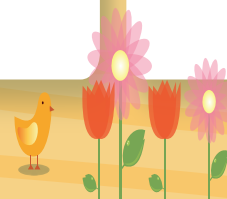
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 April Fool's Day Gen. Meeting 8 p.m.	2	3 First Friday Adoration	4
5 Palm Sunday	6 Mobil Park Reycling 7-9:30 a.m	7	8 2nd Degree, St. Columbans, Westminster, 7:30 p.m.	9 Holy Thursday	10 Good Friday	11 Holy Saturday Recycle 7 a.m.-noon
12	13 1st Degree, OLFatima San Clem. 7:30 MP Reycling	14	15 Officers Meeting 7:30 p.m.	16	17	18
19 2nd Degree OL Fatima, S.C., 1:30 p.m.	20 1st Degree, St. Columbans, Westm.7:30 MP Reycling	21	22 Chapter Mtg, 7:30 p.m. 1st Degree St. Irenaeus	23	24	25
26	27 Mobil Park Reycling 7-9:30 a.m	28	29	30		



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