



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Bishop William R. Johnson Council
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Santiago de Compostela Catholic Church,
Lake Forest, Calif. 92630

*Merry
Christmas
2009*

Grand Knight's Report

Council budget for 2009-2010 is still up in the air

by Charlie Young, Grand Knight

Our Council continues to discuss the budget for Columbian year 2009-2010.

The Trustees have reviewed the budget and made recommendations to the officers. At the November officers meeting, the revised budget was discussed and the recommendations from that meeting were incorporated into the revised budget.

The new one will be discussed at the



Charlie Young

December meeting and voted on at the January meeting.

Please try to keep an open mind and look at the "big picture" in discussing the revised budget.

Remember, nothing is written in stone. Any changes in the budget can be reviewed at a later date if the economy turns around.

See GK REPORT page 5

Tough economy requires a new look at budget

by John Ojeda, PGK
Financial Secretary

Brothers, we are experiencing some difficult times, as is the case with the nation's entire economy.

We have issued a revised budget based upon meetings with the Trustees, your Financial Secretary and officers of your Council.

This revision is based on some new criteria which will be discussed and voted on at the Dec. 2 at the general meeting.

This information is for your review and future vote.

We urge you to attend your general meetings held at 8 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month to learn more about your Council's various activities and how you may be able to participate.

Revised 2009-10 Budget

Income	2008-09 Budget	2008-09 Actual	2009-10 Initial	2009-10 Revised
Charitable Income	\$32,400	\$33,158	\$28,300	\$30,800
Council Income	\$11,450	\$9,675	\$10,575	\$10,500
Special Events	\$15,600	\$15,632	\$17,900	\$16,300
Social Events	\$4,350	\$2,091	\$8,350	\$4,050
Total Income	\$66,700	\$62,157	\$63,800	\$61,650

Expenses

Charitable Expenses	\$28,250	\$34,420	\$30,650	\$28,400
Council Activities	\$6,050	\$4,858	\$6,650	\$3,850
Social Events	\$18,095	\$15,458	\$16,275	\$11,124
Administrative Costs ...	\$9,500	\$10,424	\$13,700	\$19,286
Special Events	\$1,600	\$199	\$2,300	\$1,100
Total Expenses	\$63,800	\$65,459	\$69,575	\$63,760



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Knight of the Month

Joe DeProspero

This month we honor Joe DeProspero as our Knight of the Month.

Brother Joe has been a Knight since 1994. He is another one of the Brothers who is always there when needed.

Brother Joe usually attends the Saturday morning recycling program as one of the "plastics men." He is also part of the kitchen crew whenever the Council puts on a dinner or breakfast.

Joe is a terrific help in the kitchen, pitching in with cooking, serving or whatever else is needed. He usually is there also for the clean up duties.

Congratulations to Brother Joe DeProspero for being selected Knight of the Month for December.

– Charles Young, Grand Knight

Family of the Month

Pat and Karen Cardinale

The Cardinale family has been selected as our Family of the Month for December.

Pat has been a member of the Knights of Columbus since 1981. Pat and Karen have been members of the choir at Santiago de Compostela and at St. Kilian's.

They are both Eucharistic Ministers and assist at morning Mass. Pat and Karen help decorate the church for the special holidays of Easter and Christmas and work at the Holiday Boutique. They also attend backyard theology.

As you can see, the Cardinales are very active in the church. It is with great pleasure that we congratulate the Cardinales as Family of the Month.

– Charles Young, Grand Knight

November Meeting Highlights

1) GK Report:

- a) Trustees reviewed the budget and planned on revisions. One plan is to raise annual dues to \$40.
- b) This is the year of the priests and the GK plans a dinner with all the priests in January.

2) Treasurer's Report:

Account blances totaled \$43,389.36

- 3) New Members accepted into the KofC include Shane Cassidy, Joe Vincent, Eddie Ninoa and transfer Michael Cassy.

3) Committee Reports:

Entertainment Books. Dec. 23 is the last day they will be sold.

MR Drive. Funds raised this year are \$8,000 ahead of last year.

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PGK John Ojeda named new Financial Secretary

by Charlie Young, Grand Knight

Allow me to introduce our new Financial Secretary for Council 9487. He is John Ojeda and he began officially serving on Oct. 1. Brother John, a former Grand Knight, will serve for a term of three years.

I want to thank our former Financial Secretary, Bill Breen, for his service to our Council. Bill served nine years as Financial Secretary and did a remarkable job. I know that John Ojeda will be able to fill Bill's enormous shoes.

As a reminder, when you receive an application for membership in our Council, please forward the paperwork to John.

He will review the application and send it to the Trustees to make sure the candidate(s) meets all the requirements to become a Knight.

Please join me in welcoming John to his position!



NEW FINANCIAL Secretary John Ojeda with wife Mary at one of the many Council functions they attend.

Recycling Report

Three-month streak stretches near \$1,300

by Gene Ganley, George Nothhelfer

The November recycling program was the third straight month that we made close to \$1,300. Overall, it was a super day.

We had good response from the Santiago parishoners, a couple of carloads of newspapers, big surprises from the "drive-ins," and adequate help from our Brothers and teen helpers.



We experienced a setback last month when the paper shearer broke when a gear failed. We are now in touch with some people from a machine shop about making a new one available. The price for a new one will determine whether we get the shear back or not.

Now is a good time to thank all of the following people who helped in November: George Nothhelder, John Ojeda, Jim Breen, Rich Mills, Gene Ganley, Bob Morgan, Mario Soto, Dan Ramella, Ed Wagner, Cheyenne Gallegos, John Gallegos, Mag Salunga, Rich Milhaupt, Joe DeProspero, Michael Rosas, Rudy Contreras, John Piccolo, John Fiorelli, Jeff Cendejas, Matthew Reimann, Tom Reimann, Sharen Parada, Rich Quinn, Alec Schioen, Allison Skaggs, Cami Rebollo, Don Blankenship, Jose Lopez, Claude Makin, Charles Young, and Rob Balen.

MEETING:

From page 2

Pro life – Catholic Bishops will meet to discuss insurance and other issues.

Recycling. Help still needed. The November total was \$1,300.

Dec. 20 is the Rooster's food box stuffing. Help is needed stuffing of the boxes. If your interested, contact Brother John Piccolo

4) Good of the Order:

Insurance agent Mark Yubeta discussed the decrease in the stock market and that whole life policies are now 7.35 percent.

– John Blaney, Recorder

Monday Morning Crew

Richard M. Boivan

Richard, Barbara Ciolek,

Jay, Joan Donahue,

Gerry, Vivian Dubois,

David Farage,

Gene Ganley,

Hector Guzman,

Bob, Judy Morgan,

John Ojeda,

Dan, Gay Ramella

John Ruelas,

Str. Agnes Steiner,

Otis Givenrod,

Joe Schulte.

– From Gene Ganley



Knights Facts and Figures

The Knights of Columbus is the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization. Founded in the United States in 1882, it is named in honor of Christopher Columbus.

There are more than 1.7 million members in 14,000 councils, with nearly 200 councils on college campuses. Membership is limited to "practical Catholic" men aged 18 or older.

Councils have been chartered in the United States, Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean, Guatemala, Panama, Dominican Republic, the Philippines, Guam, Spain, Japan, Cuba, and most recently in Poland.

All the Order's ceremonies and business meetings are restricted to members though all other events are open to the public.

In the 2007 fraternal year the Order gave the US \$144,911,781 directly to charity (1.1 billion in charitable contributions in the last 10 years) and performed over 68,695,768 man hours of voluntary service.

Insurance Report

It's the season for giving: 'Keep Christ in Christmas'

by Mark Yubeta, KofC Field Agent

In a time when all things religious are being discouraged and swept away, it's refreshing to know that the Order sponsors the "Keep Christ in Christmas" campaign.

It's a reminder to people that Christmas is above all a holy day celebrating the birth of Christ.

Keeping Christ in Christmas is keeping the very heart and meaning of the Christmas celebration alive.

Because the holidays are fast approaching, wouldn't this be a good time to sit down with a Knights of Columbus agent and discuss your family's current financial circumstances and your future plans?

Just give me a call at 322-7266.

Life insurance is truly one of the best gifts a member can buy for his family.

Think about it: What else can you put under the Christmas tree that can:

- Guarantee that the mortgage on your home would be paid off if you die?
- Provide a way for you to ensure money is available for your children to attend college, whether you live or die?
- Ensure your family's financial survival if you, your spouse, or both of you met an untimely death?

You probably know plenty of folks who overspend during the holiday season. Conversely, people over-save and plenty of folks are financially unprepared for the future.

Yet, it's by doing the latter that people demonstrate true love for their spouses and children!

Financial hardship is something that you can prevent. By taking steps now, you protect your loved ones against the possibility of your death.

What's more, the sooner you act, the greater the benefits will be for your family, and, possibly for you as well.

As you go through the holiday season, keep in mind the real meaning of CHRISTmas -- keeping Christ in CHRIS. Think of those blessings God has given us. Remember, you are the one your family counts on for tomorrow's support.

The Knights of Columbus is here to help assure that mission is met.

May God bless you all and Have a very Merry CHRISTmas and Safe New Year.

Fraternally, Your Brother and Agent.



Pray for Vocations

Council to help with Roosters program Dec.20

by John Piccolo, PGK

Our Council is very grateful for our association with a fine Orange County charity called The Roosters. For more information on what they do to help local families, see www.roosters.org.

This years' event will be held on Sunday, Dec. 20, at Second Harvest Food Bank located on the former Marine Corp Air Station, El Toro. We'll meet at 7:45 a.m. at the church's lower parking lot.

For those who have joined us in the past, this is a fun and inspiring morning.

First there will be an opening ceremony, next we fill boxes with food items, and finally load our trucks and deliver. We should be



ROOSTERS BOOSTERS: Brothers Dan Ramella (l-r), John Blaney and Roger Sonnenfeld, PGK, helped with previous Roosters programs.

finished no later than noon.

We are hoping for at 100-150 boxes, but Roosters, like many charities, has been hurt by the economy and could use your help.

If you would like to make a donation to a great charity that helps local Orange County families, you may do so at their website.

Each box contains a frozen turkey and everything needed to

create a holiday feast.

If there are any Brothers who would like to supply a box for a family(s) in need, call John Piccolo, PGK at 949-951-1550 or email johnpicc@yahoo.com.

I do not need names.

Many Brothers have already offered to help and if you would like to join the fun, please give me a call.

G.K.REPORT:

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The Little Books of the Diocese of aginaw have reappeared! Brother George Nothhelfer has obtained the books and will distribute them following Mass on Sundays. I am sure he will need assistance in manning the table.

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The Past Chapter Presidents' Brunch will be held at 11 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, at Memphis Santora Restaurant on North Broadway, Santa Ana. The cost is \$20 per person.

The brunch honors all past Chapter Presidents. Chapter Chairman Steve Bolton asks that unwrapped Christmas gifts be brought for distribution to our Friends at Fairview.

Our Council will be supporting the Roosters charity program scheduled Sunday, Dec. 20.

Please read Brother John Piccolo's story on this page (above) concerning the event.

If you have not attended the Roosters Food Bank in the past, you have missed a truly special event. Please try to attend.

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On Jan. 16, we will be taking part in the Knights of Columbus free-throw contest.

This year, we will join the Council from St. Kilian's to hold the contest at Serra Catholic School. I have seen the gym at the school and it is a tremendous facility with two full courts.

Brother Vlad Anderson is chairman for this event. e will arrange for carpools from the church for those boys and girls who want to participate. If the parents wish to drive their children to the school, we will

provide maps and directions to the location.

Clergy night has been rescheduled for Monday, Feb. 1. The event had to be moved due to the Priest Prayer Study set for Jan. 25-29.

We'll have a terrific dinner to honor our Orange County clergy. There are no speeches, which is an added incentive to attend the event.

Following the dinner, our Council will go the Claim Jumper Restaurant on Tustin and 17th Street in Santa Ana for dessert. Mark your calendars for a spiritual and fun evening.

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On Saturday, March 27, 2010, our Council will host the State Deputy's Testimonial dinner along with the Council from St. Kilian's. The dinner will be held at St. Kilian's new hall. More information to follow.



December Birthdays



December Anniversaries

01 Cindy Guzman	11 Anssy Okebor	01 Rolando/Tita Fernandez
01 Irma Ruelas	11 Michael Adrian	05 Mike/Jackie Martinez
02 Ward Soto	12 Robert Bosche	05 James/Coleen McNally
02 Katherine Kane	17 Ted Fay	06 Pat/Karen Cardinale
02 Nelson Sweeney	17 Peter Manarino	08 Frank/Jody O'Brien
03 Steve Eggert	17 Claude Mauer	13 Ray/Marlene Puzio
03 Juan Beo	17 Gayle Peters	16 Thomas/Mary Pratte
03 Ray Adrian	19 Gaye Ramella	16 Edward/Cheri Morrisroe
03 Steve Eggert	19 James Burrell	19 Ron/Diane Surak
04 William Gordon	19 Mark Griffin	24 Tracy/Karen Letzring
04 David Mrozinski	23 Rich Piecuch, PGK	30 Dennis/Nancy Miller
05 Richard Quinn	24 Patrick Moses	31 Richard/Kathy Petrash
07 Sally McKenna	25 William Murphy	31 Mikel/Sharon Benedetto
07 James Naumann	28 Maria Palop	
07 Barbara Walloch	29 Steve Goold	
07 Lorraine Epperson	30 Kenneth Stokes	
09 Nicole Sketic	30 Mary Ann Husava	
	31 Edward Brown	

**Compiled by
John Ojeda, PGK**

Important Notice

We wish to acknowledge all Birthdays and Anniversaries of our Knights and their spouses. We may not have the information or perhaps what is presented is incorrect. If you would like to have these listed please send an email to john.ojeda@cox.net or call and leave the information at 949-595-0990.

— John Ojeda, PGK

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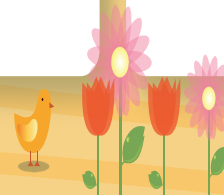
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December 2009



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 1st Degree Holy Spirit, FV 7:30	2 General Meeting 8 p.m.	3	4 First Friday Adoration	5
6 First Sunday of Advent	7 Mobil Park Recycling 7-9:30 a.m	8	9	10	11	12 Recycle 7 a.m.-noon
13 Second Sunday of Advent	14 Mobil Park Recycling 7-9:30 a.m	15	16 Officers Meeting 7:30 p.m.	17	18	19
20 Third Sunday of Advent	21 Mobil Park Recycling 7-9:30 a.m	22	23 Chapter Meeting,	24	25 Christmas Day	26
27 Fourth Sunday of Advent	28 MP Recyle 7-9:30 a.m	29	30	31 New Year's Eve		



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