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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

MICHAEL CORCORAN

Our first month is behind us and I am overwhelmed (in a nice way) the number of events that takes place in the Order, just within the local area. Our Installation of Officers and dinner that followed were special to me and my wife, Danielle. We had a great attendance at the mass, as well as the installation and the dinner (50). I was very appreciative of Sister Dorothea filling in for Msgr Nolan as our "Ceremonial Chaplain". As usual she had no problem saying yes to our request. We will miss her dearly.

The reestablishment of the St. Philomene Council took a number of our members including two of our officers. We know the members of the new Council will be challenged immensely and our prayers are with them for their success. We will do all we can to help them along the way.



At a recent Grand Knights meeting, our new District Deputy, Frank Donagher deluged me, our officers and committee chairmen with paper, books and stuff that we still haven't read or opened. Just like my regular job with the County, we're never finished until that paper work is done.

Our Program Director's article details the many activities that we have the next few months. I hope that you can get involved by joining a committee and as a minimum participating in as many programs as you can. Vivat Jesus!



THIS IS YOUR ONLINE VERSION OF THE COUNCIL'S MONTHLY BULLETIN. THE COUNCIL ALSO PUBLISHES A ONE SHEET, ABBREVIATED VERSION THAT IS MAILED TO MOST BROTHERS AND WIDOWS BUT PARTICULARLY THOSE THAT DO NOT HAVE AN EMAIL ADDRESS. IT IS ALSO MAILED TO OTHER COUNCILS IN THE AREA, STATE OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS. WE PUBLISH ALL PERTINENT COUNCIL ACTIVITIES AND ACTIONS. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE PLEASE EMAIL OUR EDITOR, BROTHER GENE GOBBO, AT gene@gobbo.org PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL'S PLANNING MEETINGS. TO STAY EVEN MORE CURRENT, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO VISIT OUR COUNCIL'S WEB SITE <http://www.kofc4970.org> FREQUENTLY.

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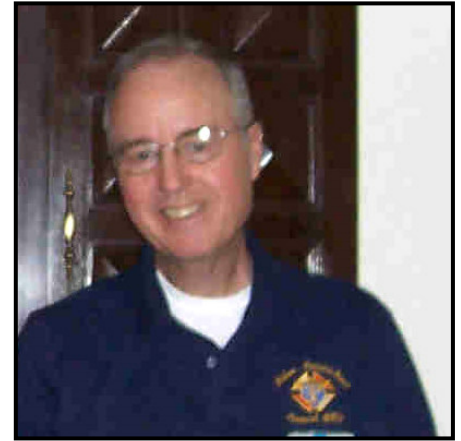
PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

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DGK ELDON HANCOCK

At our July business meeting, the Council members approved the 2006-7 budget. The budget of \$16,150 is quite similar to last year where by all accounts were very realistic and actually came within a few percent of actual income and expenses. It is important to all members to support our programs so we may bring in the funds to meet our budget charitable contributions.

Two socials in August: First, since August is Family month our Council will again have our annual Ice Cream Social, Sunday, August 20th at 2 pm at **Leatherby's** on Arden Way. No reservations for Leatherby's are necessary...just bring your entire family and even your neighborhood.



Secondly, we will have our 5th Tuesday Ladies Night Out on Aug 29th starting at 6:30 P.M... This month we will be going to **Garcia's Mexican Restaurant** on Madison Avenue in the Home Depot shopping center near the corner of Manzanita Ave. They will be providing a banquet menu consisting of numerous choices and combinations including burritos, enchiladas, chimmichangas, taco salad, pollo fandito and flautas. All entrees come with rice & beans and a non-alcoholic beverage. The cost is \$13.00 per person which includes tax and tip. To make reservations contact our chair, Rob Williams by email (rob_williams@dadebehrling.com) or call him at work (374-2463) or at home (361-9358) with the numbers of people that will be attending.

The one social in September, Friday evening the 8th will be our Past Grand Knights Dinner honoring PGK Larry Rositani. We will again (for another last time) go to the **Golden Tee**. The choices will be steak, chicken or salmon for \$15-16 inclusive except beverage. Contact me for reservations.

This is the first notice of our annual Italian Dinner on Oct 7th. This event is named in honor of our deceased Brother, Frank DiLeo, who with his family started and hosted this event many years ago. This year we will again be serving Cioppino as our entree. Cioppino is a wonderful seafood "stew" with plenty of salad and bread and your favorite beverages. For those of us who have been attending Cioppino (sometimes it's a crab feed depending on the availability of a variety of seafood) it is a great social event. We will be using the St. Johns' Tralee Center and will open the dinner up to all. Brother Roy Lasich and his wife Kathy and the entire Lasich crew will be doing the food preparation. The event cost only \$25 which is well below what many groups are currently charging...and this includes a hosted bar (bar drinks are included with you dinner ticket). Email Gene Gobbo our Event Chairman at gene@gobbo.org or call him at 283-5223 or to our co-chairlady, Robin Rositani at 486-4377 to reserve your group and/or to volunteer to help with the dinner in some way. Please do so ASAP so we can plan accordingly for the event. Also the cost at the door without reservations will be \$30.

Another first notice is our annual Tootsie Roll drive in October during the weekend of October 20, 21 and 22. Ponce Marquez is again chairing this fund raiser to support Camp ReCreation.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER
PRAYERS NEEDED
SICK AND/OR
IN DISTRESS**

Msgr Patrick Nolan
 Father Delgado
 Sister Dorothea
 Deacon Floyd Shields
 Jennifer Arnold
 DeeAnn (Arnold)
 Evelyn DeLuna
 Peg DePiazza
 Helen Donaldson
 Jacintha Eseudoye
 (Christian Okoye's
 mother in law)
 Randy Fischbach
 (military-son of Ray)
 Angela Gianattasio
 John Gianattasio
 Dorothy Hellmer
 Joe Helwig
 Martha Langer (sister of
 Michael- operation)
 George Lukoskie
 Connie Marenich
 Barbara Marenich
 JoAnn Nooren
 Joseph Paredes (Iraq)
 Luis Paredes
 Sara Paredes
 Dorothy Picanco
 Ethelyn Rivard
 Miquel Sabral (Afgan)
 Mary Schmidt
 Bill Verdugo
 Liz Weeks

DECEASED

Bob Burns

**To report the illness or
death of a Brother
Knight or family
member.**

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REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the soul of a long-time brother, Bob Burns. Bob passed away on July 12th. To Pat and the entire Burns family, our prayers. Bob, Rest in Peace, Brother Knight. Bob served this country in the AF as a Squadron Commander and served in Korea and Vietnam and at the funeral mass, Taps was played by the Air Force Color Guard. Very inspiring. Here's some background on Taps.



TAPS

We in the United States have all heard the haunting song, "Taps". It's the song that gives us that lump in our throats and usually tears in our eyes. But, do you know the story behind the song? If not, I think you will be interested to find out about its humble beginnings. Reportedly, it all began in 1862 during the Civil War, when Union Army Captain Robert Ellicombe was with his men near Harrison's Landing in Virginia. The Confederate Army was on the other side of the narrow strip of land.

During the night, Captain Ellicombe heard the moans of a soldier who lay severely wounded on the field. Not knowing if it was a Union or Confederate soldier, the Captain decided to risk his life and bring the stricken man back for medical attention. Crawling on his stomach through the gunfire, the Captain reached the stricken soldier and began pulling him toward his encampment. When the Captain finally reached his own lines, he discovered it was actually a Confederate soldier, but the soldier was dead. The Captain lit a lantern and suddenly caught his breath and went numb with shock. In the dim light, he saw the face of the soldier. It was his own son. The boy had been studying music in the South when the war broke out. Without telling his father, the boy enlisted in the Confederate Army.

The following morning, heartbroken, the father asked permission of his superiors to give his son a full military burial, despite his enemy status.

His request was only partially granted. The Captain had asked if he could have a group of Army band members play a funeral dirge for his son at the funeral. The request was turned down since the soldier was a Confederate. But, out of respect for the father, they did say they could give him only one musician.

The Captain chose a bugler. He asked the bugler to play a series of musical notes he had found on a piece of paper in the pocket of the dead youth's uniform. This wish was granted. The haunting melody, we now know as "Taps" ... used at military funerals was born. The words are ...

**Day is done ... Gone the sun ... From the lakes ... From the hills
 From the sky ... All is well... Safely rest .. God is nigh ...
 Fading light ... Dims the sight .. And a star ...
 Gems the sky ... Gleaming bright ...
 From afar .. Drawing nigh Falls the night
 ... Thanks and praise ... For our days ... Neath the sun . Neath the stars...
 Neath the sky ... As we go . This we know .. God is nigh**

Remember Those Lost and Harmed While Serving Their Country.

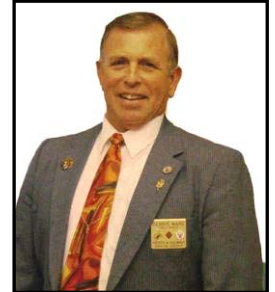


INSURANCE MESSAGE

Dennis Ware, Field Agent 530-885-9091 or 916-203-9091

Easy to put off!
(Contributed by our General Agent Don Krolak)

Buying life insurance is something that's easy to put off until tomorrow. And if your life is as busy as mine, tomorrow can easily become next week, next month, or even next year. I'd like to make a personal plea that you not make that mistake. Before the summer is over, make an appointment to visit with your Knights of Columbus Field Agent. He'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 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. Call your Knights of Columbus Agent today.

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 we're proud of that. We're also concerned. Why? Because there are more than one million Knights of Columbus members who have no life insurance with us. I suspect that, for many of those 1 million members, 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.

Contact your Agent today Brother Dennis Ware at 530-885-9091.

Vivat Jesus!

Your Brother in Christ. *Donald M. Krolak*, FICF – General Agent

CATHOLIC SQUIRRELS

There were four country churches in a small TEXAS town: The Presbyterian Church, the Baptist Church, the Methodist Church and the Catholic Church. Each church was overrun with pesky squirrels.

One day, the Presbyterian Church called a meeting to decide what to do about the squirrels. After much prayer and consideration they determined that the squirrels were predestined to be there and they shouldn't interfere with God's divine will.

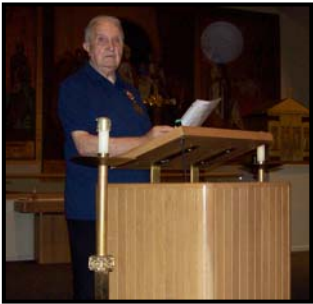
In the BAPTIST CHURCH the squirrels had taken up habitation in the baptistery. The deacons met and decided to put a cover on the baptistery and drown the squirrels in it. The squirrels escaped somehow and there were twice as many there the next week.

The Methodist group got together and decided that they were not in a position to harm any of God's creation. So, they humanely trapped the Squirrels and set them free a few miles outside of town. Three days later, the squirrels were back.

But -- the CATHOLIC CHURCH came up with the best and most effective solution. They baptized the squirrels and registered them as members of the church. Now they only see them on Christmas and Easter.



Reprinted from our August 2005 Paladin



In theory, every parish is to have a vocation committee for the promotion of vocations to the priesthood and/or the religious life. The Knights of Columbus and the Serra Club lead in this effort. Our goal is to promote vocations within our own diocese. Nationally between 16 and 17 percent of our active priests, that have entered the ministry since 1985, are foreign born. Since 1998 the percentage of new priests born outside the United States has risen from 24 to 27 percent. These priests are primarily from Mexico, Vietnam, the Philippines and Poland. A glance at our Diocesan Directory shows a dearth of U.S. born priests. Are we a mission territory for clergy from foreign lands?

All of us, collectively and individually, have a responsibility to promote vocations in our home. This requires more than financial help. Prayer for vocations is essential. So is personal outreach. If we observe a young person whom we regard as a good prospect, why not pop the question; "have you ever thought of being a priest or religious," It worked in my case. Being a priest was the last thing on my mind. I was scared of priests. One day the school principal asked me if I had ever thought of being a priest like Father Tom Kyne. "No! I had not." He suggested that I give it some thought. I did...I decided...and here I am today, hoping more and more that young people will think and decide.

Parents and grandparents, priests and religious, come from families. The Kingdom of God is the pearl of great price described in the Gospel. What a blessing it would be, if a child or grandchild of yours would decide to follow Jesus' invitation..Come follow Me." Yours in Jesus and Mary, Msgr Patrick M. Nolan

ALTAR SERVER AWARDS

Loren Wallin, Council Youth Director

Our Knights of Columbus Council once again offered awards this year (a certificate and cash award) to honor the top altar servers in the five parishes our Council serves. These awards are to show our appreciation for their faithful and devoted service they give to their parish. A one hundred dollar amount is budgeted for each parish. That amount is split between the number of altar servers the Pastor chooses to honor in their parish. Four of the five parishes this year contacted me with names of Altar Servers they wanted honored. Below are the names of the recipients that were selected by their respective Parishes:

St. Philomene – Syndey Rhodes and Olivia Salas

St. John the Evangelist – Richelle Doucette

Presentation – Joseph Frech and Patrick Price

St. Ignatius – Christian Rositani, Eric Frame, Mary Alice Curran, Millie Steacy

(A special Altar Server Award was also given to Alex Gualderama)

ADVOCACY OF THE CULTURE OF LIFE

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JOHN MIZERAK, CHAIRMAN

October 1st is Life Chain Sunday and many Brothers, families and friends will be joining people from other local churches for an hour of silent, prayerful witness to the end of abortion in the greater Sacramento area. The Chain is from 2 to 3 PM and many will be at the Citrus Heights location at Sunrise and Greenback. Other locations are Elkhorn at Walergra, Arden Way at the Arden Fair Mall and Florin Road at Stockton Blve. These are not political demonstrations.

Saints Go Marching is scheduled for October 14, 2006, downtown in and near the Cathedral. This effort for Bishop Gallegos Maternity Home needs better success than last year; BGMH is running at a \$2,000 per month deficit. So this effort is one of the most important efforts that the Diocese gets involved with for life.

An early heads up on the January 2007 San Francisco Walk. The walk doubled last year and hopefully double again to 30,000 marchers.

For these activities or other Culture of Life questions contact me at 332-5511 or Engrjmiz1@cs.com

Membership - Larry Rositani, PGK, Membership Director

We are hoping to host a first degree in August, but have yet to set a date. I will keep you posted. Please let me know of any candidates you may have. Call me at 486-4377. A second degree is scheduled for September 23rd in Auburn. We will be hosting a 2nd/3rd degree next September, but don't wait that long. If you are a first degree member and one of my committee doesn't call you, please call me at the above number.

We congratulate the Brothers of St. Philomene parish for the reformation of its Council which went to the back burner in the early 90s. As a result a number of our Council members transferred to the council, Fr. O'Dea Council 8424. This reformation was a struggle with the movement of Fr. Delgado by the Diocese. Fr. Delgado was instrumental in the early stages of the reformation, but after his dismissal the Brothers carried on and reformation came about by July 1st. Congratulations and good luck Brother Knights.

As a result, a number of actions took place, first, the following Brothers transferred out of our Council, Garry Hansen, Mark Keeney, Paul Staael, George Sturgill, Chuck Quenzer, Chris Canelo and Denis Calvo. Garry became the new GK of the Council, Mark the Financial Secretary, Paul the Warden, George one of the Trustees and Denis the Recorder. Wow what talent we just lost! Success is obvious.

Second action was that Mark had been elected as our Warden and Paul as one of our Guards. Both resigned their office positions since they were both transferring to the St. Philomene Council.

Thirdly, nominations were made to backfill these two positions. Vince Dombeck our ever present Warden was again nominated for the position. Jarrett Williams, recently transferred into our Council but seemed to be everywhere since coming in from Roseville Council was nominated for the outside guard position. Elections will be held at our August meeting. Other nominations can be made from the floor but assure the candidate is willing to accept the position.



Philip Bruce Memorial Scholarship Fireworks Sales - Fundraiser report 2006 **Lawrence Rositani Council Coordinator**

Another success for sales at our annual Firework's Booth which generates necessary funds for our scholarship program. Our booth was located at St. Ignatius Parish and ran from June 28th to July 5th. YES, the 5th, is when we inventory our returns, return the rental van, clean up the stand and finalize our bills.

I thank all the Council members, friends, and Parish schools that helped to make this year's venture a success. Our council goal was to provide 10 - \$500 scholarships as in previous years. Each parish school, we serve, receives two of these scholarships, one to a boy and a girl graduating to a local Catholic high school of their choice. The awarding of these scholarships is determined by the staff at each parish school. We again used our scrip program to encourage sales and to add a few more dollars to participation parish schools. We provided an incentive return percentage back to the schools as a thank-you for helping to promote and sell this scrip.



The sales this year in scrip alone exceeded \$3000.00 for the 2 schools. I am happy to say we reached and exceeded our funding goals as this year's net exceeded \$7,500. This was done with a lot of hard work at the booth and supplemented with the Parish School scrip sales. We even had a clown this year, "Mr. Happy Pants", drumming up customers with a little dancing on the sidewalk in front of the booth. The kids enjoyed his presence and the balloon animals he made and handed out. The weather this year was more than accommodating and let's pray that next year will have mild temperatures like those we experienced this year. Next year we will be sponsoring four parish schools with the loss of St. Philomene's and hopefully we can add our other schools to our scrip program.



I thank you all for all your efforts and I hope that you will participate again next year with greater enthusiasm. God bless.

CHUCK'S CORNER

THE ROOM AT THE HUNGRY TABLE

CHUCK CUNY, PGK

Early economics was called the dismal science with names such as Adam Smith (private vice is public virtue), David Ricardo, (rent is driven by population) and Parson Malthus (food increases arithmetically while population increases geometrically). The consequence of this dismal theory is that the more food you give to a hungry nation, the more you increase the nation's population and thereby increase the plight of hunger. The irony is that Malthus was in a religious profession dedicated to charity. With Malthus, the English had an excuse for allowing the Irish to starve during the great Irish Potato Famine. The ideal charity was to let the poor Irish starve to prevent them from multiplying.

Earlier, we could ignore the poverty in the distant lands. We could use the excuse of Cain that we are not our distant brother's keeper. We could borrow the pretext of Malthus that we only worsening their condition. We could even plead ignorant to shield ourselves from world hunger. Science was on our side with a link between poverty and population. But then comes the two-edged sword. Technology has made the world smaller. We hear terms of globalization, open borders, free trade and a host of other expressions that try to explain our strained international relationships and our rocky economy.

Center stage is the new economy and the courting of 'American' jobs. The clerk for the local phone company can live in India. Cheap Chinese products inundate the American market. High tech jobs are outsourced Asian countries. Third world immigrants flood American borders. Poverty driven immigrants drain our resources. Cities, like Los Angeles, become a polyglot with liturgical service in over forty different languages. The old dream of a nation of European descendants collapses under the third world influx.

Corporations are like private governments in the wealth game. They become international, acting as independent governments. They consolidate to monopolize an industry. Greed dominates their politics with little concern for 'American' interests. There is great profit in outsourcing American jobs and contracts. Headlines scream of corporate malfeasance, corporate CEOs make astronomical salaries while they cut employee benefits, eliminate jobs, and even manufacture injurious products such as liquor and cigarettes. Possibly worse is their great leverage in the political process where they can buy favors and their influence in mass media to distort and mislead public opinion.

America is in the midst of a great economic and social upheaval. There are personal human costs associated with the influx of the world's poor, the competition for jobs with the world market and the sharing of American wealth, technology and resources. As we get caught up in this worldwide economic vortex, we feel like a pebble helplessly swept around in a massive storm. As Christians we feel the great strain to support multiple charities. Is there a limit to our responsibility for Christian charity? How do we handle the daily begging letters that overwhelm our mailbox and our limited resources? How do we handle our church first special collections? Charity is a continuing struggle as we try to find our role as loving Christians and patriotic Americans to make room for the vast hungry poor at our own personal dining table.

BROTHERS, OUR COUNCIL MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES AND OUR CURRENT ROSTER ARE NOW AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE. OF COURSE TO MAINTAIN CONFIDENTIALITY BOTH ARE PASSWORD PROTECTED. YOU SHOULD CONTACT YOUR EDITOR, GENE GOBBO, VIA THE LINKS ON OUR WEBSITE TO OBTAIN THE PASSWORD. OF COURSE ALL OF YOU KNOW OUR WEBSITE BUT.... HERE IT IS AGAIN. <http://www.kofc4970.org/>

CALENDAR OF EVENTS**AUGUST**

- 1 Council Audit
- 8 Business Meeting - St. John Hall, OLA
- 20 Ice Cream Social - Leatherby's 2 PM
- 22 Planning Meeting - Seton Hall OLA - 7:30 PM
- 29 Ladies Night Out - Garcia's Restaurant, Carm.

A decade of the Rosary precedes
the Business Meeting - 7:15 PM

CALENDAR OF EVENTS**SEPTEMBER**

- 4 Labor Day
- 8 PGK Dinner, Golden Tee, Auburn Blvd near Watt
- 12 Business Meeting - St. John Hall, OLA
- 16 Chapter Meeting - So. Lake Tahoe
- 16-17 OLA Ministry Fair - after each mass
- 26 Planning Meeting - Seton Hall OLA - 7:30 PM

Upcoming in October are the Cioppino Dinner on
October 7th and the MR Tootsie Roll Drive the weekend
of October 20-22.

VOCATION PRAYER: Creator God, life is your gift to me. You invite me to share my life in service. Give me courage and generosity to respond to your love, to your call. I pray especially for priests, deacons, brothers, sisters, and all those who serve you in witnessing to the gospel. Keep them close to you. Open the hearts of many men and women that they may accept your challenge to build the kingdom. Amen.

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