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FIRST DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION 10/10/05



Pictured above are 5 of the 8 new brother knights we welcomed at our business meeting of October 10. 6 of our new members are from Council 5300, 2 are from Council 1684. Pictured (*left to right*) are Rev Cyril Nnadi (5300), Angel Castro (5300), Edward Barrier (5300), William Thorpe (5300) and James Garland (1684). Not pictured are: Glenn Schiferl (5300), Martin Adame (5300) & Ed Jensen (1684). Congratulations to our new knights!

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

By Chris Arnoult, Grand Knight



Dear fellow Brother Knights o
Columbus,

I think a fitting opening to my report this month will be to welcome the new Brother Knights who joined our Council and received their First Degree Exemplification during the October 2005 business meeting. So welcome to new Brother Knights Fr. Cyril, Angel Castro, Edward Barrier, William Thorpe, Glen Schiferl and Martin Adame. I am very pleased that you have joined our Council and I hope that you will all enjoy the camaraderie of the Council members and also become active in our functions and the charitable works that we perform.

The month of October seemed to fly by for me. Unfortunately I was out of town for several Knights Columbus activities this past month. I missed the Columbus Day Italian dinner, organized by Brother Knight Sam Alfano, but I understand that it went well and the food was excellent

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Program Director's Report

By Stephen Schlesselmann, Deputy Grand Knight

Food for Thought

We will be celebrating Thanksgiving on November 24, 2005. As **St Josemaria de Balaguer** states in **the Furrow**: "Thank the Lord for the enormous gift he has granted you by making you understand that 'only one thing is necessary.' And along with that thanksgiving may no day go past without your offering a prayer of petition for those who as of yet have no idea of this duty or do not understand it." (**page 397 of The Way, Furrow, The Forge by St Josemaria de Balaguer**).

Past Activities

- 1) October 10, 2005 – As mentioned on page 1, we had a combined 1st degree exemplification during the business meeting with Council 1684. We welcomed 8 new brother knights that night including a priest, Fr Cyril and a seminarian, Angel Castro! (see page 1 for a picture of some of those candidates). As usual, the degree team did an outstanding job and should be commended for their hard work. Make sure to welcome our new members when you see them.
- 2) October 15, 2005 – Festa Italiana – We had our annual Italian dimer in the evening hosted by our

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November, 2005

11/04/05	Friday	24 Hour Adoration
11/07/05	Monday	K of C Officer's Meeting, 8:00 PM
11/08/05	Tuesday	Polling Place Duty
11/14/05	Monday	K of C 5300 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
11/24/05	Thursday	Thanksgiving Day
11/27/05	Sunday	Pancake Breakfast after 7:30 and 9:30AM Masses

December, 2005

12/02/05	Friday	24 Hour Adoration
12/03/05	Saturday	Christmas Party
12/05/05	Monday	K of C Officer's Meeting, 8:00 PM
12/12/05	Monday	K of C 5300 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
12/18/05	Sunday	Pancake Breakfast after 7:30 and 9:30AM Masses/Blood Drive
12/25/05	Sunday	Christmas Day

January, 2006

01/03/06	Tuesday	K of C Officer's Meeting, 8:00 PM
01/06/06	Friday	24 Hour Adoration
01/09/06	Monday	K of C 5300 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
01/25/06	Wednesday	Clergy Appreciation Dinner
01/29/06	Sunday	Pancake Breakfast after 7:30 and 9:30AM Masses/Corporate Communion



Chaplain's Report

Rev Paul Rospond, C.S.P., Chaplain

Columbus Day, 2005

Dear Brother Knights,

Today at UCSB there was an "anti-Columbus Day" parade. Revisionist history paints Columbus as the vanguard of genocide and clamors for a history told from the point of view of indigenous peoples.

When we were boys, Columbus was a hero. But Columbus was actually little noticed in American history until late in the 19th century. When Fr. McGivney named our Order after America's first Catholic, we badly needed a hero. As immigrants, Catholics faced hostility from native born Protestants. On our side, we had to learn something new: how to be both good Americans and good Catholics. At the same time Protestant America looked to Columbus, the fearless navigator, as the image of a fearless America who had conquered a frontier and built a nation.

The ways we choose to tell our history tells a lot about who we are now and who we want to become. A hundred years ago, Columbus served as a unifying symbol. Americans, both Catholic and Protestant, looked to Columbus as the exemplar of our national spirit. His courage, his story was part of a national myth that Americans, both Protestant and Catholic could embrace.

Each generation must take a fresh look at the facts of history and interpret them. Does your history unite or divide? Do your heroes inspire? Are they heroes that can be embraced by all Americans? As America changes constantly, we constantly need a new telling of our history.

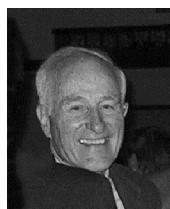
As a relatively new Knight, I'm proud to salute Christopher Columbus on this day. Our name, the Knights of Columbus, comes from an era when the telling of history helped unite a nation. Our memory of this is a challenge and a gift to the next generation. Will they come up with heroes that unite? A history that all can embrace?

November Birthdays

Ricardo V Garcia	11/01
Bruce M Velasco	11/06
Leroy J Kwarcinski	11/07
Vincent P Mustacich	11/08
Robert A Clarke	11/12
William F Keenan	11/15
Ygnacio Ramirez, Jr.	11/15
Jesse Ponce	11/16
John G Giordano	11/16
Donald A Pouliot	11/19
Edmond C Page	11/19
Joseph I Castro	11/21
Frank J Macdonald	11/23
Rev Gregory G Ingels	11/23
Rev Kenneth McGuire	11/25
Michael J Donovan	11/27
Richard E Evans	11/28
Sam S Alfano	11/28
Earl W Pugh	11/29
Richard A Nordsieck	11/29

Article Submissions

All articles are to be submitted to the grand knight, Chris Arnoult (francisarnoult@cox.net) (805) 964-6324 and Stephen Schlesselmann (805) 968-9440 (sjschlesselmann@cox.net). Articles need to be in by the 20th of the month. Thank you.



Chancellor's Report

John Kestel, Chancellor

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Myrtle Bradbury, mother of Jim Bradbury; Bob Vogel, father of PGK John Vogel; Marguerite Glocheski, wife of Virgil Glodeski; John Lacey (9/3); Alene Keenan wife of Bill Keenan (10/21). May God grant them peace and comfort.

Please pray for Brother Knights who are ill or recovering from illness:

PGK Walter Swiacki, Jesse Garcia, Leonard Mooy, PGK Chuck Burke, Fred Cota, George Romich, John Sternot, George Gritt, Sam Alfano (back surgery on 7/28); Mario Borgatello Sr.(at home recovering from surgery).

Other persons for whom prayers are requested:

Eleanor Cahill, wife of Fritz Cahill; Nancy Herrera; Anne Marie McBeth, daughter of PGK Max Keller; Patrick Donohoe, son of PGK Frank Donohoe; Ellen Velasco, granddaughter of Bruce Velasco; Harriet Burke, wife of PGK Chuck Burke; The mother of PGK Felix Sanchez; The mother of Mark Christman; Teresa Meza, sister of Jose Meza; Michael T. McGrew, grandson of Tom Cordeiro; Glen Sliger, father of Terry Sliger; Barbara Vogel, mother of PGK John Vogel; Barbara Friedrich; Tony Gonzales, brother-in-law of PGK Felix Sanchez; Betty Benn, wife of Don Benn; The mother-in-law of PGK Ralph Wengler; The niece of PGK John Vogel; Bill Kestel, brother of John Kestel; Steve Schlesselman's sister's family; Donna, wife of Jim Abels; John Sanchez, brother of PGK Felix Sanchez; Joel, son of PGK Dale Wenzinger; Judy, wife of PGK Brian Klinge; John (taking chemo for cancer), son of Joe Lima; Larry Jr (at home waiting for liver transplant), son of Larry Torres.

If you know of any corrections or changes to this report, please contact John Kestel at mejfk@cox.net or by phone 967-7943.



Financial Secretary's Report
Ralph Wengler, Financial Secretary

For starters, I would like to thank Dan Knauss for heading up the Mentally Disabled drive. He took over with enthusiasm and did a good job. If next year's chair follows through, great things may happen. However, no matter how hard the chair works, he still needs the turn-out of the membership

to support him. We only had the opportunity to work in front of one supermarket this year and collected over \$500 for the Mentally Disabled. With proper planning, we should be able to collect that much at each location we work. All it takes is permission to be in front of business establishments and the Knights to be there.

The first principle of our Order is CHARITY. We have a Council with minimal overhead expenses. Most of the income from our dinners and other activities is spent on charity. We are planning, in this calendar year, to make the last of ten \$10,000 payments to St Raphael Church for their Community Center building fund. Once that is behind us, the field is wide open to support other charities which have had a lower priority. In the interim, John Vogel has started a separate Charity Fund which collects grants and other monies that used to end up in the general fund. One such source is from Knight-to-Knight projects. If a Knight hires another Knight, all or part of the cost can be turned over to the Charity Fund. The Council then has a say in the disbursements of that money. Presently, the fund has a balance of \$1,107.75. Expenditures from the fund have been a single check to the State Council for \$300 for hurricane Katrina relief.

Next month: Planning for the annual dues billing.

Fraternally, Ralph, F.S.



Report of the 4th Degree
Brian Klinge, Faithful Navigator

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MET THE CHALLENGES OF HURRICANE KATRINA. Our Assembly, and Chapter each sent monies; State Office sent \$40,000 and Suprema immediately pledged \$2.5 Million. Of that money, \$250,000 was distributed to Catholic Charities and \$1.25 Million to assist those displaced; \$10 Million will be set aside and used to rebuild an estimated 130 Catholic Schools. The Knights have approx. 95,000 members and their families who live in affected areas.

We are working on our next LADIES NIGHT OUT, which will be sometime between January-March of next year (2006)..., LET US NEVER TAKE OUR LADIES FOR GRANTED!! At this time, we are considering Petrini's, Glenn Annie Golf Course, Circle Bar B and Old Mission, Friar's Dining Room. Will let you know about final details...stay tuned. I want EVERYONE to know it is very worthwhile experience to be a member of the Junipero Serra Assembly!

As a Worthy Sir Knight, please mark your Calendars NOW...the State Deputy Chapter President's Testimonial Dinner will take place in Ventura on Saturday, February 11, 2006. Mass at SanBuenaventura Mission is 5:30PM. Dinner will be at the K/C Hall in Ventura and catered by our own Executive Chef: Fresh Salmon or Chicken Cordon Bleu. Cost is only \$20.00pp. Both you and your wives are invited.

There continues to be a need of ongoing cooperation between the Third and Fourth Degrees of our Order. I have asked all Fourth Degree members to be in attendance at the Third Degree Council meetings...we all do belong to the same Order!

Remember, as Knights, we need to remain vigilant to the dangers presented our Church in the world today and not become complacent. We must continue to show solidarity with all of our Clergy.

WELCOME to our newest Fourth Degree Member, SK DANIEL KNAUSS. Dan and his family have been active in the St. Raphael Community for several years and their sons attend St. Raphael's School. Some of you may remember Dan's father had also been a Knight and a member of our Council.

The Exemplification for our Region took place in Visalia. As I had foretold in this newsletter, we had a very Successful Hospitality Suite. It was great to see everyone having such a good time and to renew old acquaintances. Thank you to the Knights who made the journey North.

Let us keep in prayer the souls of SK John J. Lacey and Reverend Monsignor Patrick J. O'Brien, members of our Assembly, who went home to be

with the Lord this last September. Their presence will be missed by those who knew them.

The next Officer's Meeting is on Monday, November 7th.

MAY GOD LOVE AND CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU!

Brian Klinge, FDD

Faithful Navigator, Junipero Serra Assembly



Membership Director's Report
Sam Alfano, Membership Director



On Saturday October 15, at 6:30 p.m., the "Festa Italiana" went into full swing with some 150 attendees taking part in the annual dinner honoring the Knights' namesake, Christopher Columbus. Fr. Paul, Council 5300's chaplain, gave the opening prayer which was soon followed by the serving of antipasto salad by members of the youth group. During this portion of the meal the diners were entertained by accordion players, Bob Molinari and his friend, Ross. It was during this time that the cooks (Nick Vitalari & Brian Holtz) were in the kitchen busily cooking the Perna Pasta, while Jim Bradbury, Rome Malatesta & Vince Filippello were preparing Italian sausage & garlic bread on the BBQ.

Overall coordinator of the dinner was our dinner specialist, Livia Dodero, who maintained a watchful eye on the flow of dinner plates being prepared by the "Kitchen Crew" and served by the youth. Following the main pasta/sausage plate, delicious Spumoni ice cream, donated by McConnell's, was served with cookies for dessert.

Before and during the dinner Past Grand Knights, John Vogel, and Mike Donovan, along with Marie Lundfelt, served the wine and other libations to add to the success of the evening.

As the evening concluded, everyone joined in a great "sing along" led by Bob Molinari and Molly Shawl. This enjoyable celebration concluded with the distribution of raffle prizes to the winners whose names were announced by Joan Mgenheimer assisted by Stan Roth.

Tables for the celebration were set up by the efficient crew of Earl Pugh, Paul Robillard, and Al Meckelborg. Ticket-takers were Past Grand Knight, Brian Klinge and his wife, Judy. Past Grand Knight Dale Wenzinger designed & printed the tickets which were sold by many volunteers at church and throughout the community.

We had the pleasure of having a number of guests, including sisters from St. Vincent's, Sr. Mina, Fr. Paul, Fr. Cyril, and seminarian, Angel Castro.

Everyone seemed to have a good time. We were able to net \$1,720 which will be deposited in our account to be used for K.C. recurrent needs.

Sam S. Alfano
Festa Italiana Chair

From the Pro-Life Bulletin Board-American Life League, Inc. (June, 2005-Vol. 12, #6)

What about abortion when pregnancy is the result of rape?

All too often, we hear proposals for "pro-life legislation" where babies could be protected—but not if the mother is the victim of sexual assault. Have you ever stopped to think about this? Perhaps you haven't, but pro-abortion groups certainly have.

One of those groups in particular has provided a point to ponder.

"Opponents of abortion rights walk a fine line when they condone any abortion. Based on their own definition, they are guilty of being accessories to 'murder' in certain circumstances by accepting rape and incest exceptions." This quote from the Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice shows that even they recognize the inconsistency of making exceptions to the pro-life position!

Human beings' lives begin at fertilization. Pro-life people take this fact seriously, as the person living inside the womb is as real as you or I.

A form of discrimination

It is wrong to discriminate against people who have been born because of the manner in which they came into the world, and it is also wrong to discriminate against preborn people by attempting to justify abortion in cases where the mother was the victim of a crime. Some people believe in good faith that when rape results in pregnancy, abortion can remove the painful evidence of that rape. But will it?

Will abortion erase the memory or heal the emotional and physical pain of the assault? Will abortion, in effect, erase the crime against the mother? Hardly. Rape is an act of violence inflicted upon a woman. She is an innocent victim. Abortion, on the other hand, is an act of violence that a mother inflicts on her own child. Abortion only re-victimizes women who have been raped.

Many people mistakenly believe that pregnancy resulting from rape is very common. It is estimated that, on average, only 0.49 percent—or one half of one percent—of women who are raped become pregnant as a result.

This child's father may go to prison for his crime, but his preborn child can be executed without trial, jury or judge. Moreover, justice to the mother will not be achieved by sending her to the local abortion clinic to "solve" her problem. A mother's real needs must be met. Providing life-affirming medical, financial and emotional care meets these needs, and pro-life groups around the country—more than 2,900 crisis pregnancy centers and

groups like Life After Assault League—are doing this work.



Insurance Agent's Report
David Farebrother, Field Agent

NOVEMBER: For Brother Knights, by Brother Knights

We all know and appreciate the good work the Knights of Columbus does for the Church and charitable causes. But did you know that our insurance program is an essential part of the Order, and has been from the very beginning?

Protecting families from economic adversity has been a key part of the Knights of Columbus mission since its founding in 1882. Our founders “passed the hat” to support the widows and children of brother Knights who had died. We’ve grown into one of the largest individual life insurers in North America – with more than \$50 billion of individual life insurance in force.

Moreover, contrary to some misconceptions, our insurance program is not directed in any way by a “separate company” and never has been. Our insurance is available exclusively to members, their wives, and their dependent children. All field agents – including me – are themselves brother Knights. We all work full-time for the Order, serving the needs of you and your family and answering your questions.

In this day and age, personal attention has become rare – but in the Knights of Columbus, we specialize in it. In fact, it’s our job to get to know you and your family, and to make ourselves

available to you for assistance. We are different from other insurers – and that difference greatly benefits our members. Give me a call to find out more about how the Knights of Columbus has been “Making a Difference for Life” for 123 years.

To contact me with regards to this or any of your insurance needs please email me at dlfarebrother@aol.com or call me at either of the numbers listed below. I look forward to hearing from you.

Fraternally,

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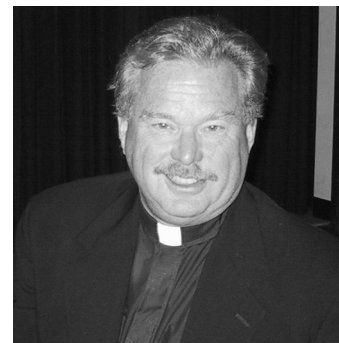


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Polish Priest's Silver Jubilee Next May

Paulist Father Paul Rospond Serving
As Chaplain for Knights of Columbus

Joe T. Kovach, Former Knightline & SPIRIT Editor



Rev. Paul Stanislaus Rospond from St. Mark's Parish in Isla Vista is currently serving as the Chaplain for the Knights of Columbus, Council 5300. He became a member last year with Walt Swiacki as his sponsor. Besides his Chaplain duties, Father Paul stated, "Selling Cokes at Fiesta time was a memorable experience."

A native of Newark, New Jersey, Father Paul was ordained a priest on May 16, 1981 at St. Paul's in New York City with Cardinal Cooke presiding over

the ordination of seven priests. He is looking forward to celebrating his Silver Jubilee next May. His classmates are serving now in San Francisco, Boston, Washington D.C., Grand Rapids, MI, Clemson, SC, and Pueblo, CO.

Father Paul described in brief the Paulist Order's history: "The order was founded in New York in 1858 by a group of American born converts to the Catholic Faith. They had a vision of being fully Catholic and fully American. Our charism is to enculturate the Catholic Faith into American life. Over the past 150 years, Paulists have spread the word giving Parish Missions, serving at campus ministries at state universities and through movies, radio, TV and the internet. Paulists are always attentive to the work of evangelization, reaching out to people alienated from the Church and to ecumenical dialogue. We often serve our Church by serving people outside the Church."

Born on May 8, 1951 to John and Jeanette Rospond in New Jersey, Father Paul has a brother Richard, two years older, who works as a sales rep for software firms and a sister Mary Christine, four years younger, who has a special events catering business. They all live in New Jersey. His parents gave him the middle name of Stanislaus after the 11th century bishop of Krakow who was also a martyr.

Father Paul's grade school graduation was from Our Lady of Sorrows (Sisters of Charity) in South Orange, NJ. He graduated from Essex Catholic (Irish Christian Brothers) in Newark, NJ.

Father's response to his initial interest to the priesthood: "Following graduation from John Hopkins University in 1973, I lived in a Charismatic Renewal Prayer Community. My spiritual director there urged me to pray about God's will in my life."

In college, Fr Paul was a member of Tau Epsilon Phi, a Jewish social fraternity. During those years, he worked as a sightseeing guide in New York City. At age of 24, in 1975 he entered the Paulist Novitiate Seminary. He studied at Catholic University in Washington D.C., from 1976-79. His ministerial training while at the Seminary included assignments in South Carolina (ministry to migrant

fruit pickers), at UCLA (summer internship at Campus Ministry), and at Children's Hospital in Washington (Chaplain).

Father Paul's prior assignments since ordination include:

- * 1980 - Catholic Information Center, Grand Rapids, MI;
- * 1981-87 - Good Shepherd Parish in New York City;
- * 1987-94 - University of Texas Catholic Center;
- * 1994-96 - Evangelization Ministry in Chicago;
- * 1996-97 - University of Minnesota Newman Center;
- * 1998-2000 - Seminary Formation;
- * 2000-to present - UCSB Campus Ministry at St. Mark's Parish.

Father Paul's response to his favorite assignment as a priest, "I really love the work of Campus Ministry. It's great to have input into students' lives when they are thinking about who they are, what they believe, what their vocation in life will be. I particularly enjoyed my seven years at the University of Texas. It was a large Campus Ministry with many different student groups and a large variety of retreats. It was a very creative time when I was new in Campus Ministry."

The most satisfying experience as to his pastoral service at St. Mark's - "Five years ago when there was a terrible tragedy in the neighborhood, the rabbi, the Episcopal priest and I organized a prayer vigil at the place on Sabado Tarde Road where four students were killed. It was an opportunity to help students who rarely have to stop and think about death to mourn and to consider the ultimate meaning of life and eternity. After an initial prayer and an exhortation to seek "your wisdom figure" we stood there, 4,000 people in silence for an hour. It was a very rich silence that honored the dead and gave space for the living to be present to their God."

"St. Mark's is a vibrant Campus Ministry with well developed student leadership," stated Father Paul. He added, "We have a supportive and faithful 'year round' community and a growing Latino presence." Father said that one of the main goals he has been able to accomplish at St. Mark's is that, "With our

student leaders we have developed our own SEARCH retreat movement. The Knights of Columbus have generously helped support the retreats over the years. The SEARCH aims to bring students to a new or deeper relationship with God. It's also a great community builder."

Asked what are the keys to his success as a young priest, Father Paul responded, "Zeal. Knowing that I rely on God to do the real work. At the New York parish, I did a lot of my work evangelizing and developing parish leaders through Charismatic Prayer Meetings."

Father Paul's most memorable occurrence as a Paulist priest happened in 1983. He noted, "When I was only two years ordained, I attended a priests' retreat at the Vatican sponsored by the Charismatic Renewal. There were 6,500 of us and it was great to share with brother priests from around the world. The retreat really began in the airport as I traveled on a chartered flight filled with priests. We asked for prayer time instead of the movie! The praise time at the retreat was fantastic. We heard from Mother Teresa and Pope John Paul presided at our closing Mass."

In addition to the Vatican opportunity to see Pope John Paul II, Father Paul served as press escort for an evening event when the Pope came to the U.S. in 1987. Father said, "It was a warm and sentimental visit with representatives of the Polish colonies of Texas."

His favorite vacations included visiting cousins in Poland in 1987, a memorable family journey. Also in 1989, he returned to Poland to walk on the pilgrimage to Czestochowa.

Back in 1984, he served as Chaplain at the Olympic Village located on the UC Santa Barbara campus. He proudly beamed, "I still have my Olympic medal." His favorite travel destinations include Hawaii, Italy and Maine.

Father's favorite things to do on his day off include swimming, reading, walking on the beach, travel and gardening. When Father gets homesick for Polish food, he'll make stuffed cabbage or pierogi.

Father's responses to some of the other questions:

- * Favorite scriptural passage in the Bible? Psalm 139 which talks about how God knows us and watched over us.
- * Favorite class while at the Seminary? Writings of the Church fathers
- * Hardest class while at the Seminary? Christology
- * Favorite spot at St. Mark's Parish? Daily Mass Chapel
- * Favorite play ever seen? Les Miserables
- * One word to describe me at Church? Relaxed
- * One word to describe St. Mark's? Lively
- * Phrase to describe the Knights of Columbus? A Brotherhood
- * Best thing about being a priest at St. Mark's? Seeing young people grow personally and as Catholics.
- * Greatest personal priestly moment? Adult Baptisms at the Easter Vigil
- * My grandmother was right when she told me? "Save your money, go to college. "I actually paid cash my first year at John Hopkins.
- * Favorite sport to watch? Baseball
- * Marriages performed at St. Mark's? 20
- * Funerals as main celebrant at St. Mark's? Only one although when I was a rookie priest at the New York Parish I celebrated about 40 each year
- * Best restaurant in Isla Vista? Super Cuca's #3
- * Growing up, I always thought I'd be? A diplomat
- * In 20-years I see myself as? Retired, traveling and spending time with old friends

(Grand Knight's Report-Continued from page 1)

as usual. I also missed the Tootsie Roll Drive at Ralph's Market which was organized by Brother Knight Dan Knauss.

I am really glad that Dan Knauss has restarted our Council Tootsie Roll drive, the Knights of Columbus fund raising activity for aiding the mentally handicapped. For many people this event IS the public face of the Knights of Columbus. The grocery workers strike in year 2003 prevented

Council 5300 from using the venues of major chain grocery stores as our collection locations and our efforts to organize a Tootsie Roll drive last year fell short. So thanks to Dan Knauss we're back in the Tootsie Roll business again and next year we'll be even better.

I do have a couple of things to report that are only marginally related to Knights of Columbus Council 5300, but never-the-less I hope you will find them interesting. Both have to do with my wife's and my recent vacation visit to Washington D.C. where we were tourists.

The first is that we went to Sunday mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Wow! What an awesome church! This is a huge shrine! And it is incredibly beautiful inside and out. The Shrine is located on the campus of the Catholic University of America, which looked pretty nice also, but I did not have time to tour the campus. If you are in Washington D.C. this is a must see location for a Catholic tourist (or non-Catholic).

The second item is that the memory of Christopher Columbus, our namesake, is alive and well in Washington D.C. The Knights of Columbus donated a large statue of Columbus celebrating his feat of new world discovery. The statue is in front of Union Station, only a couple of blocks from the Capitol. Also in the Capitol building there are several portrait paintings and miscellaneous statuary commemorating Christopher Columbus. These are very pleasant reminders that Columbus was an important historical figure and has been much admired, despite the naysaying of some contemporary revisionist historians.

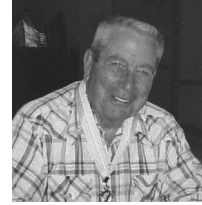


We are still looking for a Brother Knight to chair the clergy appreciation dinner which is scheduled for Wednesday, January 25, 2006. If you can help, please give Chris Arnoult or Stephen Schlesselmann a call.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Ralph Wengler

By Chris Arnoult, Grand Knight



This month I would like to name Brother Ralph Wengler as Knight of the Month. As you may know Brother Ralph is currently serving as the Worthy Financial Secretary (FS) for Council 5300. This position is a big commitment type of job as it is a three year term of service by appointment by the Supreme Knight. In addition, Ralph Wengler has held this position previously; he was the FS from 1988 until 2000 (he must be a glutton for punishment).

The Financial Secretary's principal task is to control the financial purse strings of the Council, a task which Ralph performs par excellence. The three year term of office of the FS provides some administrative continuity as Grand Knights come and go with their relatively trivial one year service commitment. The Financial Secretary advises the Grand Knight and the Officers on the financial health and needs of the Council.

Ralph joined Council 5300 in 1968, a year after he and his wife Cathy moved to Geta from Connecticut with their family. John Moynihan was his sponsor. Ralph quickly became involved in the Council; he even took his 2^d and 3^d Degree Exemplifications on the same day. He served as Treasurer in Columbian year 1972-73 so he must have taken the 3^d Degree by this date. Ralph has served in many Officer positions in his association with Council 5300. These have included: Chancellor 1974-75, Deputy Grand Knight 1975-76, Grand Knight 1976-77, District Deputy 1977-79 and Chapter President 1983-84. Ralph is also a 4th Degree member and is a Past Faithful Navigator. In addition he has been the Council cook for many events.

As you can see Ralph Wengler has had long and very active service with Council 5300 and he continues to serve us as the Financial Secretary. As I mentioned above, the Financial Secretary advises the Grand Knight and in my case I really appreciate Ralph's council. He keeps me apprised of what I am supposed to be doing, at least the official things of Grand Knighthood and prevents me from making ludicrous gaffes. So thank you to Ralph Wengler for your long and continuous service to Council 5300.

vote. Be sure to support Prop 73 – The Parental Notification proposition. As stated on page 3 of the October bulletin, Prop 73 is supported by the California bishops.

- 3) November 24, 2005 – Thanksgiving Day – Happy Thanksgiving!
- 4) November 27, 2005 – Pancake Breakfast – We will have our usual delicious pancake breakfast after the 7:30 AM and 9:30 AM Masses.

Thank you.

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resident Italian, Brother Sam Alfano. The food was excellent and the dinner was well attended. We even sang a few Italian songs (fortunately they were in English). Thanks to everyone for making this event such a success! See Sam's article elsewhere in this bulletin for a more detailed recap of the event.

- 3) October 21-23, 2005 – Brother Dan Knauss collected money for the mentally handicapped (the tootsie roll drive) at Ralph's market in the Magnolia Shopping Center. Dan was assisted by his 2 sons and several of us knights. Dan also mentioned that he may also collect money after the Masses on a Sunday in November (to be determined). If you can help, please give Dan a call.
- 4) October 30, 2005 – Several events took place on this Sunday. The knights hosted their usual delicious pancake breakfast after the 7:30 and 9:30 Masses. The annual Sanson-Santa Barbara flu shot clinic took place and the knights had their usual corporate communion at the 9:30 AM Mass.

Upcoming Activities

- 1) November 4, 2005 – 24 hour adoration will take place in the church.
- 2) November 8, 2005 – Polling Place Duty – The 4th degree has signed up to assist at 2 polling places and the 3rd degree will assist at one. Make sure to exercise your right and duty to

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The Order's VIP Club

We all know how important new members are to the Order. It's no secret new members enable the Knights of Columbus to prosper throughout the world. New members mean new experiences, new ideas and new possibilities for your council. New members will carry down the teachings and memories of older members, keeping the past and preserving the memories of members long gone. For all Knights who want to enjoy the *Experience of a Lifetime*, gathering new members is a significant piece.

If new members are that important, then the recruiters who sign them up are important too. Special thanks are deserved to those who keep your council's numbers high. And just how do you show your appreciation to the ones who constantly infuse new members into your council? Make them members in the VIP club.

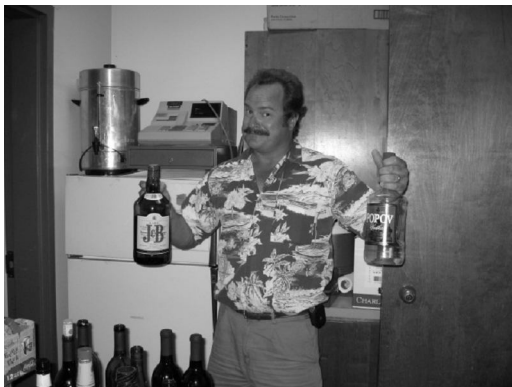
The Very Important Proposer's Club is a great way to recognize your recruiters. It stands as a constant reminder that their work is important, and that they are important and respected throughout the Order. A Knight is automatically entered into the VIP Club once he recruits two new prospects.

The new VIP Club members will automatically receive a signed certificate from the Supreme Knight, and the VIP Club lapel pin that recognizes him as a member of the club.

ANNOUNCEMENT



As was mentioned by Brothers Ralph Wengler and Stephen Schlesselmann, Dan Knass collected money for the mentally disabled from October 21 to October 23 in front of Ralph's in the Magnolia shopping center. Above, Dan is pictured with his 2 sons, Jacob and Jonathan. Thanks Dan for your great work!



BARTENDER NEEDED

By John Vogel, PGK

I have been the bartender for Council 5300 for about five years, and have decided that it is time for me to pass the baton to someone else. It is a fun and festive job, but family obligations have pulled me in another direction.

Being the bartender is quite simple, and fun. You need to keep the bar stocked and make yourself available for most dinner events and meetings requiring a bar. If you can't work a particular

event, you need to make arrangements for a substitute. No prior experience is necessary; very few people request an exotic drink. If they do, just ask them how they would like it made. The vast majority of drinks requested are the simple basics like gin & tonics, rum & cokes, etc.

Being the bartender is a great way to meet and converse with your brother knights and their wives. If you would like to become the most important man in the building, please give me a call. The best way to reach me is on my cell phone (805) 886-6131.



One of our new brother knights is already hard at work! Brother Martin Adame (who became a member on October 10th) is shown here assisting at the pancake breakfast on October 30th. Thanks for jumping right in Martin!



In addition to the pancake breakfast, the annual flu shot clinic took place in the parish hall. Here, one of the nurses (Suzie) is thanked by a grateful customer (Frank).

PHOTO GALLERY

Pictures from the Italian Dinner, October 15, 2005



Livia Dodero, Brother Vince Filippello, Brother Sam Alfano & their helpers discuss the food preparations.



Brothers Nick Vitallari & Brian Holtz prepare the pasta.



Brother Vince Filippello & his wife pose for their picture.



Brother Sam Alfano welcomes those assembled while our District Deputy, Brother Cherif Khoury, approaches the microphone to say a few words.



Fr Paul Rospond and several Sisters from St Vincent's enjoying their meal.



Brother Ed Page and his wife, Janet, plus other knights and guests at the dinner.



Brothers Brian Klinge, Bill McNamara, Jim Shooter and Brian's wife, Judy pose for the camera.



One of the many scenes at the dinner.



Bob Molinari and his friend, Ross, playing their accordions.



Maria Romero, her daughter and another guest at the dinner.



Brother Sam and his wife, Lee, enjoying a dance together.



Janet Page picks a raffle ticket from Joan Maggenheimer.

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