



# Knights of Columbus CALLING ALL KNIGHTS January 2010

Father Frank L. Collaccico Council #4060 - District 33, Danville CA

Next Council Meeting: **January 28<sup>th</sup> at 7PM**

## Christmas Programs Success!

Our 2009 Christmas programs were all a huge success! We successfully distributed 500 boxes of food to various Bay Area organizations with the help of our parish and all of the Knights. There is nothing better than spending a few hours in great company doing good works. And this was just such an occasion. We have some pictures later in the newsletter and more on the website. Thanks to our PR Director Bob Bartlett, our council was featured in a Catholic Voice article this month. You can find the link on our website.

Huge thanks to our sponsors who donated food to help us meet our goals. Jim Beering, Bret DeMartini and DelMonte Foods were just a few of the people who stepped up. I will have a more comprehensive list for the next newsletter.

For those of you who helped out (in the cold) packing boxes and then distributing them -- thanks! There are far too many brpthers to list here (over 100) but we will later!

Big thanks also to those Knights who helped out with the breakfast preparations - Kirby Long, Shawn Morte and Mike Kennedy who helped me with the kitchen clean up, John Stein who operates the ovens and the whole kitched crew, And especially Judge Calhoun who made his famous pancakes again (30 out of 31 years we have been doing this!).

## UPCOMING KOFC EVENTS

| JANUARY          |  |
|------------------|--|
| 16 <sup>th</sup> | KofC Annual Free Throw<br>8AM Cardelli Center Gym        |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> | Officers Meeting<br>7PM Cardelli Center, Board Room      |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Walk For Life<br>7AM San Francisco                       |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> | Council Meeting<br>7PM Cardelli Center, St. Isidore Room |

| FEBRUARY         |  |
|------------------|--|
| 4 <sup>th</sup>  | Memorial Mass (tentative)<br>Keep this date free in the evening! |
| 6 <sup>th</sup>  | 4th Degree Exemplification<br>Rohnert Park                       |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> | Officers Meeting<br>7PM Cardelli Center, Board Room              |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> | Council Meeting<br>7PM Cardelli Center, St. Isidore Room         |



## Printed Newsletter Being Discontinued

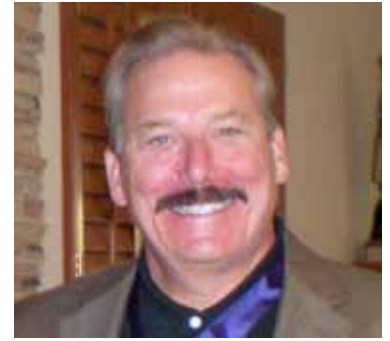
The council has decided to discontinue mailing out a printed copy of our monthly newsletter due to the high costs and our budget shortfalls this year. We will continue to have a digital copy available via email and on our website. You should expect no more than two or three more printed editions.

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Council 4060 Knights are regular participants in St. Isidore's monthly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. **Adoration - Benediction is scheduled for February 6-7 from 6 PM to 7AM this month.** Please contact Brother Ed Hilko (820-9262) or the parish office for more details.

# Grand Knights Report

Congratulations on a very Successful 2009! Appropriately so, and as has been the case for more than 30 years, 2009 was capped off with a very successful Christmas Basket Campaign and Parish Breakfast. Under the leadership and guidance of Brother Darren Gutierrez and a multitude of hardworking Brothers, Council #4060 was able to put together 510 baskets of food, turkeys and more than 750 gifts for delivery to needy families for Christmas. We also owe a great deal of thanks to the Parish Community, the School Community and all of the special donors who provided gifts, canned goods and cash donations in support of this very worthwhile event. There are not enough words to describe how thankful this council is to all of the brothers, their families and the parish community for their generosity. God Bless you all for your efforts and support!



Under the guidance of Brother Doug Ambrose and his whole team of Knights, the Council put together another successful breakfast for more than 1400 Parishioners. A special thanks to Brother Tracy Reigelman for his role as Santa and to Brother Elmer Spartz and a whole team of Knights for a successful raffle and for his role as the master of ceremonies. Thanks to Brother Bob Bartlett for putting together bulletin inserts and announcements, backpack brochures and his PR work which resulted in news articles for our Christmas Program in the Tri-Valley News and Catholic Voice. Once again, all of you made these events a success.

Coming up in the month of January, Brothers Bill Cygan and Joey Schwenger could use your help and support for the annual free throw contest on January 16th in the Cardelli Center Gym. Brothers Bill Conroy and Joe Bagonis are putting together plans for the annual walk for life campaign taking place in San Francisco on January 23rd.

As we transition from 2009 and into 2010 (the second half of our Columbian Year), I want to thank all of you, your families and the whole parish community for all your help and support in 2009. I wish you health, happiness and God's blessings for 2010.

Vivat Jesus.

GK Jack Martin

## Prayers for the Sick

Please pray for our brothers in distress: Jerry Beresh, Dick Calhoun, Noel Fay, Ed Del Beccaro, George Filice, Jim Matheny, Dennis Triano, Msgr. Adams, Don Collopy and Paul Cowell. For these brothers, their wives and their families, we pray in Jesus' name.

## Thanks To Christmas Mass Ushers

Thanks to all of you who helped usher for the extremely crowded Christmas Masses. I know Brother Rudy appreciated it!

## Newsletter Articles

If you have an article you would like included in the newsletter, please send it to Joe Steele via email ASAP. At least one week prior to the next scheduled meeting works best. Articles require the Grand Knights approval.



## Dues Increasing!

As many of you have noted in your annual council dues notice, our dues have increased to \$50 per year. This was voted upon during the November meeting. This increase should enable us to get back on track with our council finances. If any brother cannot afford the increased dues do to financial hardship, please contact our Financial Secretary Dennis Fresquez at [dcmef@comcast.net](mailto:dcmef@comcast.net). We don't want this increase to prevent anyone from staying in the council.



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## Field Agents Report

If you're like me, you derive great joy from your children. It's a great feeling when a teacher, coach or fellow parent compliments you on your child.

We all know that raising children these days is no easy task, especially when the values we're trying to instill in them – concern for others, accepting responsibility for their actions, saving money rather than spending it – seem to run counter to what society is trying to teach them. Yet these are exactly the values that tend to draw compliments from teachers, coaches and fellow parents.

We also know that the best way to teach is by example. If you carry enough life insurance to protect your family, and if you share - with those of your children old enough to understand - why that's important, you're exhibiting and imparting many of the values you hope your children will absorb.

You'll show them by example that you love them and are concerned about their welfare. You'll show them that you take your responsibility to provide for your family seriously, and that you want to make sure they're provided for even if you're not around. And you'll show them that investing money in your life insurance protection is more important than the new set of golf clubs you might want, the newest and best home theater system you've had your eye on, or whatever else you might be sacrificing to pay the premiums.

Sure, they'll probably roll their eyes at you as you're explaining this, and they'll certainly moan and groan if they can't get the newest CD, video game or piece of clothing. But they learn from what you do – just like they learn from what you don't do. What lessons do you want to teach them?

I want to meet with you to review your existing coverage. Based upon that review, and on the comprehensive needs analysis that I'll perform, free of charge, we'll be able to put a plan in place that will meet your needs, goals and budget.

I'm at 439-2857. Call me – let's talk.

Lawrence Bell, Field Agent



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## HAPPY DEC BIRTHDAYS TO:

|                    |                  |                  |
|--------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Gary Anderson      | Pete Fazzio      | Larry Reardon    |
| Joe Bagonis        | Bill Gonsalves   | Jack Regan       |
| Larry Beaudin      | Al Grabenstein   | Pat Rickey       |
| Lou Buran          | Dan Kearney      | Joe Ruggles      |
| Mike Carter        | Greg Labarthe    | David Seals      |
| Jack Cortez        | Tony Lizarraga   | Jim Smolen       |
| Phillipe DeSmedt   | Jack Malki       | Stan Stokowski   |
| Bernie Elissagaray | Richard Martinez | Kent Stonebraker |
|                    | Francis Pittman  |                  |

## HAPPY JAN BIRTHDAYS TO:

|              |                 |                 |
|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Jude Braga   | Larry Jones     | Steve Psomas    |
| Don Collopy  | Raoul Miranda   | Joe Raphael     |
| Ray Devlin   | Geoff Morris    | Vic Selor       |
| George Ellis | Shawn Morte     | Richard Smith   |
| Noel Fay     | Bill Novak      | Lawrence Wagner |
| Dave Gieber  | Dave O'Reilly   | Patrick Walt    |
|              | Roger O'Connell |                 |



## New Members Corner

If you need information concerning the 1st, 2nd or the 3rd degree ceremonies, please contact Membership Director Mike Gnos by email at [mike.gnos@hp.com](mailto:mike.gnos@hp.com) or by phone at 925-556-9586

## Council Logo Items

We have caps (\$10), polo shirts (\$35) and pullovers (\$35) available with our council name and KofC logo. They will be available at our upcoming meeting. Cash or checks go to Treasurer Gary Anderson. Please make checks out to "Knights of Columbus."



## Meeting Minutes for November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Grand Knight Jack Martin called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

The Warden, Darren Gutierrez led the council in an opening prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the previous meeting were waived as they were published in the last issue of "Calling All Knights". The Council approved the minutes as published.

The recorder called the roll. All officers were present except: Chaplain, & Brother Walt

Brother Rich Esposito discussed the Wheel Chair Foundation & District 33's participation. Our 5 Councils (Danville, Livermore, Pleasanton San Ramon & Dublin) will work together as a Fund Raiser to provide 220 wheel chairs. The cost of each chair is \$150.00. Individual members of each Council may also purchase. The program will run from Nov. 1 to March 31. To date 40 members have pledged to donate a chair. More details on the Fundraiser will be available after the New Year.

The Treasurer's report.:

\$16, 503.0 Money Market Account

Total Assets 21,300.00

Bills to pay:

Louie Saenz – Council Food \$14.55, Bishops Vocation Dinner \$229.55, 3rd Degree \$401.15

Jack Martin – office expense -- \$190.10, \$34.99

San Damiano -\$500.00 donation to wine dinner

Red, Blue & Gold - \$100.00

Regal Sign - \$169.25

Supreme - \$600.94

MR Campaign - \$144.56

3rd degree team - \$314.00

Christmas Cards - \$274.00

Wine - \$650.00

Postage - \$185.00

Totals -- \$3,808.09

Financial Secretary:

32 New First Degree Members to date

Membership as of 11/19/09 is 323

Budget Report (Treasurer and FS) they reviewed income and expenses to determine the Operating needs of the council. Their conclusion was that we need \$48.00 per dues paying member to operate the Council.

Membership Report – Mike Gness

First Degree on November 12-- 6 new members for our Council. The exemplification was dedicated to Deceased Brother Jim Murphy who passed away about a month ago. Brother Mike thanked all who helped make this a great "Degree Event" including Louie Saenz and his kitchen team, bar team, degree team & membership team.

Third Degree –held at St. Isidore's on Sunday October 25th. Approximately 100 candidates with 32 new 3rd Degree members from our Council.

Church Director ( Rick Jarrett reporting for Pat Walt) the Knight's prepared and served dinner to about 20 guests at the recent Bishop's Vocation Dinner held at St. Isidore's.

Keep Christ in Christmas- Brother Pooler reported that we only have 41 boxes of cards to sell. The program ends next Sunday.

Bob Bartlett- discussed PR for Christmas Program.

Christmas Basket Program - Brother Gutierrez outlined timetable:

Thursday 10th Costco delivery to Gym about 3:30

Friday 11th – Turkeys delivered at 6:30 am. Start box layout/packing boxes about 7:00am. 8:30 gifts at church.

Saturday 12th – blessing of food/boxes at 7:30am. First boxes to go out at 7:45.

Retreat – Brother DeMartini has scheduled annual retreat at SanDomiano for March 14th. Brother Ray will lead.

Retired Priest Luncheon- Father Cardelli has scheduled for December 17th. Call John Komara to help.

Pro Life – Bill Conroy discussed January Walk for Life. Trying to get buses to go from Walnut Creek to San Francisco. Rose Campaign in January.

Unfinished Business – Christmas Breakfast . Need a lot of help. Sign up sheets circulated.

New Business – Grand Knight referred to the earlier report by the Treas. and FS indicating that we need \$48.00 to operate the Council. With that as background information he opened the floor to a discussion on 2010 dues effective 1/1/10. After much discussion a motion was made and seconded to increase dues next year to \$50.00. After further discussion the motion carried. Dues effective 1/1/10 will be \$50.00.



## Meeting Minutes for November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Trustees – they approved bills at the officers meeting and recommended they be paid. Motion made and carried to pay bills.

Newsletter – a discussion arose on trying to control postage expense by increasing e-mail distribution. We don't want to deny anyone a newsletter but we must work to control cost. Further discussion after the New Year.

Prayers for the sick: Ann DelBeccaro, Dick & Darlene Calhoun, Joan Filice, Noel & Barbara Fey, Don Vance (uncle of Joe Steele), Joe Gutierrez, Ralph Bennett.

The Grand Knight reported that the family of recently deceased Knight Jim Murphy donated \$575.00 to the Knights. The family had requested donations to the Knights in lieu of flowers.

The GK closed the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Recorded by Elmer Spartz



## Help Needed for Free Throw Competition

Fellow Knights,

5 MORE HELPERS NEEDED! Wednesday January 6th  
from 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM

We have received great support from the Saint Isidore physical ed teachers, who will help us run our basketball free throw contest during some of their normally held classes. All we need to do is have a Knight at each of the 10 baskets (6 indoor and 4 outdoor) to list the child's name, telephone number and count how many baskets are made out of 15 throws. You do not need to know anything about basketball to help.

If you can't help, maybe you know of another Knight who may be interested. We have a group of volunteers already listed for our open gym time on Saturday, January 16th from 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM, but really need your help to make this school day contest a success. If you are a retiree and can read and write, you have the basic skills we need. It should be a rewarding day.

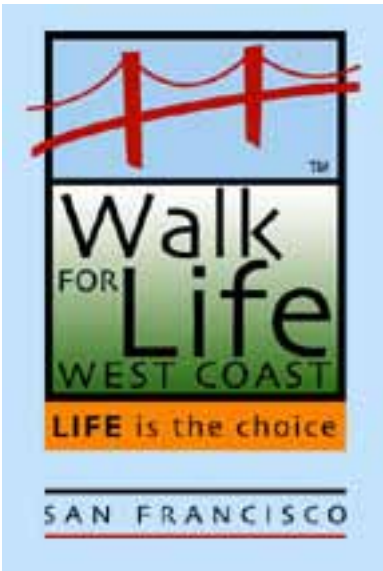
This will be a great venue to get the "Knights" name in front of the kids, and subsequently to many of their parents. To volunteer, please contact Joey Schwenger or me. I will be out of town until Saturday, January 1st, and will not be checking my email until I return.

Thanks for your support!

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925-367-3458

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925-855-1799 home





# Walk For Life - West Coast

## San Francisco

Saturday - January 23rd, 2010

11 am -- Rally and Speeches

Noon -- 6th Annual Walk For Life

For more information go to -

[www.walkforlifewc.com](http://www.walkforlifewc.com) & [www.issues4life.org](http://www.issues4life.org)

Or call 510.267.8392 or email [ehopfner@oakdiocese.org](mailto:ehopfner@oakdiocese.org)

Contact DGK Joe Bagonis ([jbwp88@aol.com](mailto:jbwp88@aol.com)) to coordinate ride sharing to the event.



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Visit <http://www.kofc4060.org> for more information

Business meetings are usually held at 7PM on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at St. Isidore Church

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