



Knights of Columbus CALLING ALL KNIGHTS February 2010

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

Next Council Meeting: **February 25th at 7PM**

Knights Walk in Walk For Life 2010

Our council and members from our parish took part in the "Walk For Life" held in San Francisco on January 23rd. Brother Bill Conroy rallied the troops at St. Isidore. DGK Joe Bagonis organized a bus at minimal cost to shuttle people to and from the event. Although the weather looked bleak, our group had a sunny attitude! Not all the press was positive, but the overall impact was. Thanks to all who attended in support of life.



Welcome 1st Degree Members!

Last Sunday our council held it's last 1st Degree initiation of this Columbian year. We welcomed in 15 new brothers! The 1st degree team led by Elmer Spartz did an great job initiating the candidates. Louie Saenz and his kitchen crew cooked up a delicious meal for the new members and their families afterwards. Thanks guys! Our council is on track for double-star again this year!

Please welcome our new brothers at the upcoming meeting!

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| Dave Borelli | Tom Fleuhr | Richard Keller |
| Tom Cusumano | Jim Gleason | Bob Mattia |
| Mike Deely | John Griffin | Jerry Nave |
| Brendan Doohar | Young Kwon | Casey Rhodes |
| Jim Fiedler | Pete Longoria | Tony Tan |

UPCOMING KOFC EVENTS

| FEBRUARY | |
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| 25 th | 7:00PM Guest speakers- details inside 7:30PM Council Meeting Cardelli Center, St. Isidore Room |
| 26 th | Chapter Free Throw Competition Clayton |
| 27 th | 3rd Degree Exemplification St. Annes Church in Byron CA Contact Mike Gnosor Jack Martin |

| MARCH | |
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| 6-7 th | All Night Adoration |
| 11 th | 2nd Degree Exemplification St. Augustine in Pleasanton Contact Mike Gnos or Jack Martin |
| 18 th | Officers Meeting 7PM Cardelli Center, Board Room |
| 25 th | Council Meeting 7PM Cardelli Center, St. Isidore Room |

Printed Newsletter Update

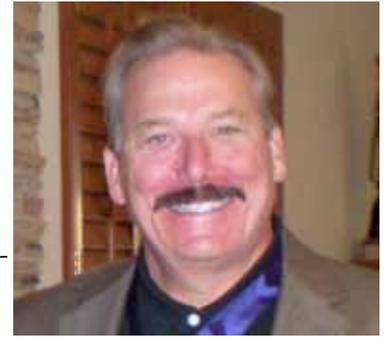
Last months announcement was premature. We are not discontinuing the newsletter yet. We have 90 brothers who still receive the printed newsletter. If you are one of these brothers, please contact Bob Bartlett (648-7585) or Joe Steele (648-2228) to let us know whether you can switch to email. We are trying to reduce our council overhead. Thanks!

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 March 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

A belated Happy Valentine's Day to everyone. In January, Brothers Bill Cygan and Joey Schwenger did a stellar job with the annual Free Throw Contest. In addition to the normal Saturday contest, Bill and Joey worked with the St. Isidore coaches to conduct a daytime free throw contest at the school. The result was more than 280 young men and women were able to participate. (add participants and point to winners blurb)



Brother Bill Conroy, with help from Brother Rick Jarrett and Brother Joe Bagonis, spearheaded the council's Right to Life efforts by securing bus transportation for the SF West Coast March for Life. Approximately 50 St. Isidore's parishioners and Knights joined the more than 40,000 March for Lifers in San Francisco for this annual event. A good time was had by all, in spite of the damp weather.

If you have not already heard, Brother Terry Gotowka, is taking the reigns as the Programs Director. If you have ideas or want to help out at any of the upcoming programs/events, please reach out to Terry. I am sure he would welcome your support.

In response to the tragedies in Haiti and specifically the impact it has on Father Frank's Kids, Brother Hank Schultzel, is heading up the donations program. Donations will be sent to directly to the Father Franks Kids organization. If you would like to help, please contact Brother Hank.

On February 13-14, Brother Mike Gnos and the Membership team held the semi-annual membership blitz after the St. Isidore masses. A first Degree Ceremony will be held on Sunday, February 21st starting at 4:00. There will be a family dinner and social immediately following the ceremony at the St. Isidore Room in the parish center. If you would like to attend or know any 1st degree candidates that would like to register and attend, please contact Mike Gnos. In addition to the first degree, there will be several second degree ceremonies hosted by other councils in the District. Danville will be hosting a third degree ceremony, on April 24th at St. Isidore. By attending the second degree ceremonies, you can prepare to join your brothers and become a 3rd degree in April. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Gnos or District Warden Ron Cortez. More information is also available on the Danville Council website or the district website.

Finally, it is with great sadness I report the passing of Sir Knight, Joseph Ruggles. Brother Ruggles was one of the original members of Council #4060 and passed away on February 4, 2010 at age 98. May God Bless Brother Ruggles and his family.

Vivat Jesus,
Jack Martin

Newsletter Articles

If you have an article you would like included in the newsletter, please send it to Joe Steele via email ASAP. Articles recieved by the middle of the month should make it in. All articles require the Grand Knight or Deputy GK's approval.



Get involved more as
father and as a Knight:
www.fathersforgood.org

Holy Thursday

The Knights have the honor of carrying the canopy protecting the Body of Christ as it leaves the altar on Holy Thursday each year at St. Isidores. If you would like to be a canopy bearer this year, please contact Joe Steele (925-648-2228) or Pat Walt (943-7476).

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."





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Field Agents Report

Tempus fugit. Time flies. The older we get, the more that statement seems to ring true. Especially as we prepare to ring in another new year. I hope that 2007 was a healthy, prosperous year for you and your family.

If you're like most people, you've made some resolutions for the new year. If I may, I'd like to add to your list of resolutions by two. First, write them down. A resolution is really a goal for the year and, until you commit a goal to writing, it's nothing more than a wish. So write your resolutions down. Whether they be to lose weight, contribute more time and money to charity, read more or watch less television, you're more likely to stick to them if you write them down.

Second, schedule some time to visit with me, your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent. The "insurance check-up" that I'll provide (free of charge, by the way!) will quickly identify any gaps in your family's life insurance program. And you'll want to fill those gaps now, not later. Because unlike many other products, you need more than money to obtain life insurance. You also need good health, and no one will ring a bell warning you when your health is about to change.

Knights of Columbus life insurance offers something precious few other financial products can – guarantees. As long as you pay your premiums, the policy proceeds will be there for your beneficiaries should something happen to you. We call that peace of mind, and that's – as they say in the credit card commercial – priceless.

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

Lawrence Bell, Field Agent

Prayers for the Sick

Please pray for our brothers in distress: Jim Matheny, Don Decker and Orlando Gatti. For these brothers, their wives and their families, we pray in Jesus' name.



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 or by phone at 925-556-9586



HAPPY FEB BIRTHDAYS TO:

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| Leonard Bowe | Michael McHugh | Joey Rago |
| Carl Dempsey | Gabe Allende | Greg Carter |
| Joseph Steele | Robert Ragusano | Ronald Rich |
| David Miller | Gregory Conte | Gregory Vervais |
| Richard Calhoun | Kevin Sweeney | Cedric Macadaeg |
| Robert McAndrew | Darren Gutierrez | William Storey |
| Dolph Senasac | Derek Perna | Jose Gutierrez |
| | Kirby Long | |

4th Degree Advancement

The council congratulates the following brothers who took their 4th degree this month in Rohnert Park: Jude Braga, Brett Forrester, John Gerbel, Terry Gotowka, Lee Johnson, Mike Kennedy, Frank Luciani, Cedric Macadaeg, Dick Pooler, Victor Selor, Greg Vervais and Jim Candy.

Vivat Jesus!



Special Guest Speakers

Before this month's meeting begins we will have a short presentation by our guests, Sister Mary Yun and Sister Patricia Ann Smith O.P. from the Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose. Sister Mary Yun will receive a check from our Council for \$500 under the RSVP Program. They will give us a short look at what they are doing and the status of their Order. The presentation will last 15 to 20 minutes. If they are interested you can invite members of your family to attend.

The Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose are consecrated religious women energized by the love of our Lord, God. Committed to building communities of faith, we are women who love deeply and serve generously. Prayer, study, ministry and life in community empower them to participate in the mission of Jesus, especially among the young, the poor and the vulnerable.

Meeting Minutes for January 28th, 2010

Grand Knight Jack Martin called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

The District Deputy led the council in an opening prayer and the Warden led the 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: Chaplin, Treasurer, Inside Guard, & Trustee Slyker

The GK report:

Reported he received a lot of positive PR (letters and verbal) concerning our Christmas activities. Discussed the very nice article the Catholic Voice published on our Christmas Program. Thanked Bob Bartlett for working with them.

Annual survey of " Fraternal Activities" just completed. Semi annual audit due Feb. 15th.

118 thank you letters sent to people who donated to Christmas program; IRS letters sent to those donating over \$250.00 .

Received letter from Fr. Cardelli thanking Knights for working at the Priests Dinner.

Treasurer Report (GK reported for Treasurer) : reviewed slide of all bills needing payment. Advised members that Officer's and Trustees reviewed bills at Officers Meeting and recommended they be paid. Motion made and carried to pay bills.

Net total assets \$30,559 (Petty Cash \$72,Checking Acct. \$5,016, Jim Murphy Special Acct. \$1,525 & Money Market \$23,559).

Financial Secretary's Report: 129 members still owe dues ... second notices will be sent 1st week of Feb.

Current membership is 306, membership quota 19,"Dou-ble Star" 38"

Membership gain 32, lost members 3, net gain 29 (21 members are 1yr in arrears) .

DGK Report:

Discussed All Night Adoration of Blessed Sacrament and passed around book.

Announced a 50/50 raffle would be conducted after meeting

Advised that Terry Gotowka would be assuming roll of Program Chairman for balance of year

Committee Reports: Program Chairman Terry Gotowka called on Council Directors

Church Director: Pat Walt ..outlined events for balance of year including Memorial Mass, Retreat in March, Holy Week Ceremony requires Knights to carry Canopy, and May 13th Living Rosary.

John DeMartini discussed retreat at San Domiano in detail. March 13th, cost \$40.00 Fr. Ray will lead.

Council Director: Terry Gotowka, reporting for Bob Bartlett, working on 1st degree PR and discussed Walk for Life

Youth Director Joey Schwenger reported our Free Throw contest was a big success with 295 participants. District contest will be held in Livermore on Feb20th.

Pro-Life: Bill Conroy very pleased with turnout for Walk for Life in San Francisco. St. Isidore's was well represented with a full bus load of participants. He was also very pleased to see so many young people in attendance. Discussed Candlelight Rosary tomorrow night.

Membership Report – Mike Gness

First Degree on February 21st. We will have recruiting blitz after all masses on Feb 13th & 14th. 2nd Degree in Pleasanton on 3/11, & 4th degree in Rohnert Park on Feb 6th.

Terry Gotowka has an opening for a Family Director. Please contact him if you have interest.

Unfinished Business:

We want to phase out mailing as many hard copies of our newsletter as possible to help reduce our postage and printing costs. However, we will work with membership to make sure every member has access to our monthly newsletter.

New Business: Randy Starkweather of San Ramon Council made a presentation on the Wheel Chair Foundation and the Knights roll. Eventually would like to ship containers of wheel chairs to Haiti, Philipines, Mexico, as well as taking care of our local communities. Each container will contain 110 wheel chairs. He hopes to send the first container to Haiti in April; Livermore and San Ramon have already raised enough money to collectively buy 78 chairs so the District is well on the way to filling the first container. He asked our Council to give our full support to this worthy project.

Noel Fay: made a very moving talk on the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. He discussed how the Knight's were responsible for getting monthly Adoration started at St. Isidores.

Meeting Minutes for January 28th, 2010

Field Agent: Knights donated \$1,000,000 to Vatican. Encouraged Knights to buy an annuity to help our Council achieve the Star Council Award. You can buy an Annuity for as little as \$100.

Motion made and carried to approve convention delegates Ron Cortez and Jack Martin and alternate delegates Terry Gotowka and Joe Bagonis.

District Deputy: congratulated Council for tonight's great turnout. Encouraged Knights to attend State Convention. He also commented and thanked Terry Starkweather for his excellent presentation on the Wheel Chair Foundation. He encouraged our council to take an active roll.

Prayers for sick: Jim Matheny, Don Decker and Orlando Gatti

The GK closed the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Recorded by Elmer Spartz

St. Isidore Auction Help

We received numerous heartfelt thank yous from the organizers of the recent St. Isidore school auction for our last minute assistance tending bar. Thanks to all who helped!

Order of Malta

Do you need free medical care? In these difficult times, we all need some help. The Order of Malta clinic, based in Oakland, provides free basic adult medical care to the uninsured. They can be reached by calling 510-587-3000.

Brother Fritz Luciani volunteers at the clinic every Tuesday morning. Give him a call at 838-2678

From Our Financial Secretary

Brothers, please remember to pay your membership dues as second notices have been sent out to many already.

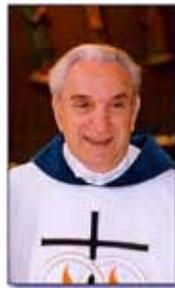
If you have paid your dues and not received your current membership card please contact Dennis Fresquez (736-8198) as all cards have been mailed out.

If any brother cannot afford to pay their dues due to financial difficulties please contact Jack Martin or Dennis Fresquez to see about waiving part or all of their dues. All personal information is kept in the strictest confidence.

Finally, if any member needs a new badge, please contact Dennis to order a new replacement badge for \$8

Rest In Peace Fr. Frank

Feb 15th was the fourth anniversary of the passing of our council's namesake Fr. Frank Collaccico. He has been missed. For more information on Fr. Frank - see our website



2010 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship

Wow, what a great year for our Annual Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship! Led by Joey Schwenger and an entourage of volunteers, our Council processed 262 boys and girls ages 10 to 14 years of age. With the help of St. Isidore Physical Education teachers Mr. Dale Oster and Mr. Charlie McGuire we were able to have six school gym classes participate during their normal class times. We also had an open competition session the morning of Saturday, January 16th. Each of the ten winners was awarded a plaque with their name, a Knight's basketball and two tickets to a St. Mary's college basketball game.

Council Winners:

| | Boys | Girls |
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| 10 | Steven Newman | Shannon Newman |
| 11 | Jackson Burland | Rosaia Mikayla |
| 12 | Jason Hare | Katie Pasichuke |
| 13 | Nick Bartenetti | Brianna Mallon |
| 14 | Alex Henderson | Alexandra Quilici |

Our council champions participated in the District's Free Throw on Saturday, February 20th. Results from that competition will be announced.

As this year's Youth Director, I would like to thank the following Knight's and others for helping Joey run this competition: Chris Christensen, Greg Conte, Antonio Dominguez, Rudy Fruscella, Dan Gautsch, Gary Hernbroth, Kirby Long, Al Mabanag, Robert Ortega, David Seals, Mitch Freitas, Jack Martin, Ron Abbes, Alfred Arabejo, Bill Conroy, Don Collopy, Ron Cortez, Jack Harrington, Dick Pooler, Bob Bartlett, Virgil Lukban, Dan Miller, Joey Schwenger's uncle and his parents Allen and Diane. Forgive me if I have missed anyone.

Bill Cygan

Membership Blitz Recap

Membership blitz was a great success, receiving over 30 names of potential candidates last weekend. Brothers I would like to thank for outstanding support this past weekend include:

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| Alfred Ambego | John Covall | Lee Johnson | Aaron Schuchart |
| Gary Anderson | Dan Gautsch | John Komara | Joe Steele |
| Joe Bagonis | Jack Gerbel | Fritz Luciani | Greg Vervais |
| Jim Candy | Wayne Goetz | Cedric Macadaeg | Paul Wehrley |
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| John Courtney | Darren Guitierrez | Michael Merriman | |
| | Rick Jarrett | Dick Pooler | |

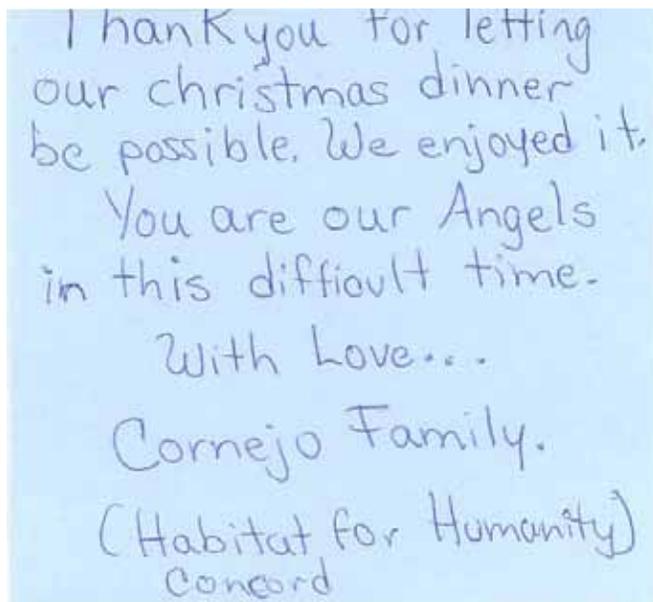
And a special thanks to Bob Bartlett for handling all our marketing material, TW Starkweather for his 4th Degree Color Guard participation, Ron Cortez for being available before and after every mass, and our Worthy Grand Knight Jack Martin for his inspiring pulpit announcements. Thanks, Mike Gnos

Knight's 12th Annual Spiritual Retreat

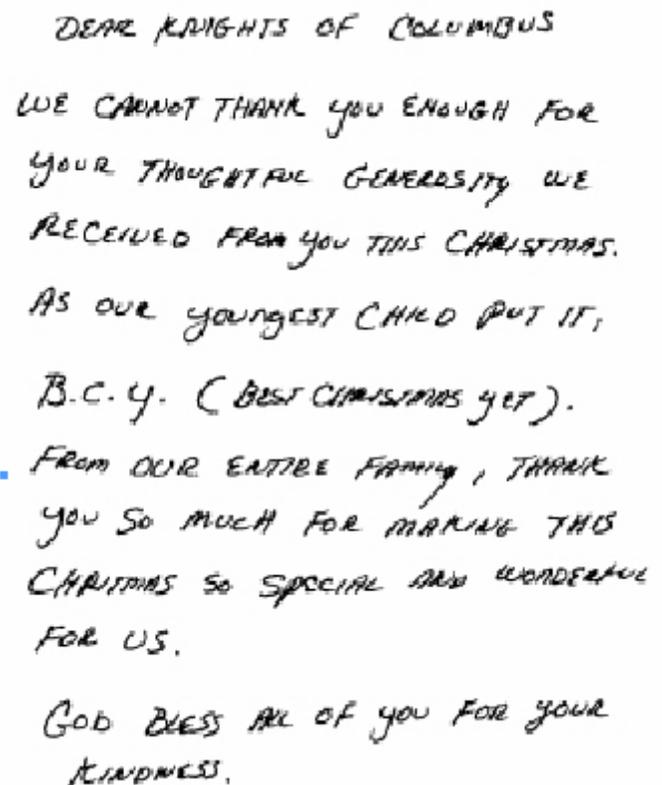
Come join your fellow brother Knights for our council's 12th annual spiritual retreat on **Sunday, March 14th**. As always, it will be held at the inspirational and beautiful setting of San Damiano Retreat Center.

We will be led again this year by San Damiano's own religious director, Fr. Ray. Pope Benedict has declared 2010 as the "Year of the Priest", and that will be one of our topics of discussion. Fr. Ray will also select a passage from the Gospel to read in depth, followed by a group discussion. We will pray the Rosary, Stations of the Cross, and attend Mass in the Chapel. We will also have a Lectio Divina, which is a quiet time of reflection. Held during Lent, it promises to be a spiritually rewarding day.

The cost is **\$40**, which includes coffee and donuts at **8:30AM**, and a full-course lunch in the dining room at noon. Make your reservations ASAP. Please make your check payable to: KOC, Council 4060. Send it to: John DeMartini, P.O. Box 1797, Danville, CA, 94526. Any questions call me at 736-0824, or email: demartini6@att.net



I thank you for letting our christmas dinner be possible. We enjoyed it. You are our Angels in this difficult time. With Love... Cornejo Family. (Habitat for Humanity) Concord



DEAR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
WE CANNOT THANK YOU ENOUGH FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL GENEROSITY WE RECEIVED FROM YOU THIS CHRISTMAS. AS OUR YOUNGEST CHILD PUT IT, B.C.Y. (BEST CHRISTMAS YET). FROM OUR ENTIRE FAMILY, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR MAKING THIS CHRISTMAS SO SPECIAL AND WONDERFUL FOR US. GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS.

This are samples of the many "Thank You" letters we received this month. More are available on the website.

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

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