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THE BENEMERENTI AWARD ***03/19/06***



Brother Carlos Valenzuela received the Benemerenti Award from Cardinal Roger Mahony on Sunday, March 19, 2006 in a jammed packed ceremony at Our Lady of the Angels Cathedral in Los Angeles (there were 147 recipients of the award from throughout the diocese). As noted in the program director's report, while Carlos was there, he also picked up Brother Fritz Cahill's Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice Award (there were 28 recipients of that award). In a later edition of the Knightline, there will be another picture of Carlos and Fritz together with their awards.

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

By Chris Arnoult, Grand Knight



Dear fellow Brother Knights of Columbus,

Lent is almost over; Palm Sunday, the Passion, Good Friday and Easter Sunday are near. And for me, the switch to daylight savings time and longer, sunny days is thankfully coming soon. I really do not like those short, dark winter days. March was a blur for me. I had week-long business trip to Europe in the middle of the month, making me miss the Business meeting. That's a week on the calendar, but three days spent in airplanes and airports. I want to thank DGK Steve Schlesselmann for taking over on short notice and running the business meeting. I did not hear any complaints so he must have done a great job.

My wife and I attended a couple of the Lenten Fish Fry dinners and they were very good and well attended. Thanks to Rich Scholl and his crew for making these dinners successful. I had to skip one Friday fish fry because my daughter doesn't do fish

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Program Director's Report

By Stephen Schlesselmann, Deputy Grand Knight

Food for Thought

We will be celebrating the Passion and Resurrection of our Lord this April. As **St Josemaria de Balaguer** states in **the Forge**: "Join your suffering, your Cross that comes from within or without, to the Will of God, by saying a generous *Fiat!* And you will be filled with joy and with peace." (**page 765 of the Way/Furrow/the Forge by St Josemaria de Balaguer**).

Past Activities

- 1) March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 2006 – Our annual Lenten fish fries took place on these nights. They were all very well attended except for March 17th (St Patrick's Day). See Brother Rich Scholl's article elsewhere in this bulletin for details on the fish fries plus pictures in the photo gallery.
- 2) March 13, 2006 – During the business meeting, Brother Dick Allen from Sacred Heart Council 10067 (Saticoy) gave a presentation during the Good of the Order asking for signatures for an American Cancer Society's initiative increasing the cigarette tax. Many of the brother Knights present signed the petition. Also, Brother Paul Curzan requested that us Knights sign a petition getting the pro-life parental notification issue on the California ballot this fall. If you haven't signed the petition and would like to do so, please contact Paul or any of the officers.

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April, 2006

04/03/06	Monday	K of C Officer's Meeting, 8:00 PM
04/07/06	Friday	Lenten Fish Fry, 6 PM to 8 PM / Adoration-9:00 PM to 7:35 AM
04/10/06	Monday	K of C 5300 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
04/16/06	Sunday	Easter
04/30/06	Sunday	Pancake Breakfast after 7:30 and 9:30 AM Masses/Corporate Communion

May, 2006

05/01/06	Monday	K of C Officer's Meeting, 8:00 PM
05/05/06	Friday	24 Hour Adoration
05/08/06	Monday	K of C 5300 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
05/14/06	Sunday	Mother's Day Orchids
05/28/06	Sunday	Pancake Breakfast after 7:30 and 9:30 AM Masses
05/29/06	Monday	Memorial Day Picnic

June, 2006

06/02/06	Friday	24 Hour Adoration
06/05/06	Monday	K of C Officer's Meeting, 8:00 PM
06/12/06	Monday	K of C 5300 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
06/18/06	Sunday	Father's Day Cards
06/25/06	Sunday	Pancake Breakfast after 7:30 and 9:30 AM Masses/Blood Drive
06/28/06	Wednesday	Officer's Installation & Grand Knight's Party



Chaplain's Report

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

25 years! Join me in giving thanks

Dear Brothers,

At my First Mass in 1981, I was amazed by the people who came: my old scoutmaster, my choir leader, people I'd worked for mowing lawns & delivering newspapers, colleagues from my old job at the village library, a wide variety of parishioners. As I'd not lived in South Orange, NJ for about 12 years I was surprised. It was not a regularly scheduled Mass, but the church was full. As I reflected on that day, I understood that it was not about me, not really. It was about their life together as a Christian community, a living Catholic parish. They had kept the Faith, celebrated the Sacraments, passed on the stories of Jesus and the saints. They came to give thanks that their life together as a parish had nurtured a young man who would one day come to serve as a priest. They came to pray with me and pray for me. It was a moment of hope for the future of the Church.

This May, I pause to give thanks for 25 years on ministry as a priest, serving on college campuses (Univ. of Texas & UCSB) and at a parish in New York City. Like my patron, St. Paul, who tells stories of his many adventures preaching the gospel (in the book of Acts), I have been graced with many adventures and received many blessings. This is a time for me to reflect on all these things and give thanks.

Please join me and the Paulists in giving thanks for 25 years service as a priest.

Sunday May 7, 2006 at St. Mark's.

10 A.M. Mass of Thanksgiving, 12 noon Mariachi Mass - en Español followed by a picnic at Goleta Beach and the 5 p.m. students' Mass at the beach.

Please come to any or all of the celebration. And say a prayer that I may continue to serve God and His Church with enthusiasm and love.

The Lord's Peace! Fr. Paul Rospond, C.S.P.



Chancellor's Report

John Kestel, Chancellor

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

John Lima, son of Joe Lima (12/10); Tony Gonzales, brother-in-law of PGK Felix Sanchez
May God grant them peace and comfort.

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

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); Vince Filippello, (blood clot in leg); Val Taylor (requests no visitors).

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 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; 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 Schlesselmann's sister's family; Donna Abels, wife of Jim Abels; Joel Wenzinger, son of PGK Dale Wenzinger; Judy Klinge, wife of PGK Brian Klinge; Larry Torres Jr (at home waiting for liver transplant), son of Larry Torres; Kathleen Meckelborg, wife of Al Meckelborg; Steve Schlesselmann's father (leg surgery); Cecilia Marks, wife of Bob Marks.

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



Report of the 4th Degree
Brian Klinge, Faithful Navigator

YES, YES! IT IS GOING TO HAPPEN...OUR LAST LADIES NIGHT OUT WILL BE ON MONDAY, APRIL 17 at Elephant Bar Restaurant; a limited number of tickets are available; TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE OF THIS EVENT!! (Cost: \$26.00pp), No-Host Bar. Deadline for RSVP is April 7th. This is a sit-down dinner, not a buffet. For tickets, contact either myself (967-4753) or Paul Coyne, (967-7880), Faithful Comptroller. Dinner choices: Tri-tip; Chicken Luau or Shrimp-Shitake Fettuccine. We wanted to become SOCIAL AGAIN and we did!

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.

All Fourth Degree Members are encouraged to attend and be active in our Council's Third Degree Meetings; we all do belong to the same Order!

The "Winner" of our MEGA CASH ATTENDANCE AWARD for February was: SK Robert P. Richards, Jr. Unfortunately, he chose not to be present. I will advise next month the "winner" for March. We'll see...Winners must be present and alive.

We have no problems, which an increase in membership cannot solve.

As I have stated before, *Recruitment* into the Fourth

Degree is an on-going process. Our District Deputy Cherif Khoury and I will remind you often, lest you forget!

Remember, PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY.

MAY GOD LOVE AND CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU!

Brian Klinge, FDD
Faithful Navigator, Junipero Serra Assembly



Insurance Agent's Report
David Farebrother, Field Agent

"I ALREADY HAVE INSURANCE AT WORK."

Many jobs offer some form of group life insurance. Often, this insurance is an employee benefit provided at no charge, or for a small co-pay. Knowing that this coverage exists may convince someone that he doesn't need to discuss personally owned life insurance with an agent. That could be a mistake.

Most forms of group life insurance are limited in amount. That amount may be tied to a salary or some other benchmark, but often there is a cap. That cap may be dangerously low for your family's needs should you die. In fact, without a needs analysis (which I'll be happy to provide, free of charge), it may be completely unrelated to needs at death. In addition, the amount of group insurance offered is almost always reduced – and sometimes dramatically – when you retire.

Especially today, there is the very real possibility that you could lose your job. Or that your benefits could be reduced. In either case, you can find yourself without coverage. If your health has changed in the meantime, you can find yourself out of luck.

While group life helps, it does not replace the need for individually owned life insurance. I'll be happy to meet with you and provide a free, custom-

tailored needs analysis, so that you'll know exactly where you stand. Please give me a call.

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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Community Director's Report
Rich Scholl, PGK, Community Director

NETWORK FINED FOR BROADCAST INDECENCY

Please read the following email received this week from the Parents Television Council. It gives more background concerning a broadcast for which Viacom was recently fined over 3 million by the FCC. Viacom had previously entered into a consent decree regarding the episode, then proceeded to air the offending show again after we the people had made our community standards of indecency known to them through the FCC. It is now incumbent on Viacom to suspend those who made this decision. Furthermore it shows that these money-hungry and powerful media are composed of individuals who have absolutely no concern for our standards of decency. You need to hold their feet to the fire on these matters (unless you think that the content described below is OK for your family). I recommend the following:

- Email Viacom and express your disgust for their lack of regard for community standards of

decency. Demand that the persons responsible be suspended per the Consent Decree which they signed.

- Email the Parents Television Council with a supporting statement and send them some money.
- Email Morality in Media, which has also taken a leading role in influencing the FCC in these matters. Send them some money too. The Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus gives major support to this organization, so you can be assured that this cause is one a Knight can support.

Web addresses are readily available for the above by searching the web. If you don't have a computer or web access, follow the advice of John Paul II, who said that we should use the modern methods available to build a decent society.

Rich Scholl, Community Director

Parents Television Council Executive Director Tim Winter released a statement about today's FCC's decisions, one of which fined CBS and its affiliates over \$3 million for re-airing an episode of *Without a Trace*. The episode included graphic scenes of a teen orgy party.

Indecency complaints about the initial airing of *Without a Trace* were lumped into a bundle of complaints that were dismissed, without adjudication, by the FCC's November 2004 Consent Decree in exchange for a \$3.5 million payment by CBS. The second airing of the same episode of *Without a Trace* was shown just weeks after the Consent Decree was agreed to by CBS' parent company, Viacom.

Part of the Consent Decree states: "Viacom will also conduct training with respect to the Indecency Laws for all of its on-air talent and employees who materially participate in programming decisions. If a Viacom-owned station receives a Notice of Apparent Liability for a broadcast occurring after the Effective Date which relates to violation of the Indecency Laws, all employees airing and/or materially participating in the decision to air such material will be suspended and an investigation will

immediately be undertaken by Viacom."

"The broadcast airwaves are public property and belong to the American people, and as such the broadcast industry must abide by community standards of decency while using the public airwaves between 6:00 am and 10:00 pm. This is not a proposal; this is law -- well-settled law that was affirmed by the Supreme Court three decades ago. The airwaves must remain safe for families when children are likely to be in the audience. Those who violate the public trust are breaking the law and must be punished accordingly," said Tim Winter, executive director of the PTC.

"CBS had no intention of abiding by the terms of its own Consent Decree after it aired *Without a Trace*, which had generated outcry from thousands of families. CBS should comply with the Consent Decree it signed and, if it's true to its word, should ensure that all its employees who were involved in the re-airing of *Without a Trace* are suspended.

LENTEN FISH FRIES GOING WELL

Three of the six Fish Fries are history and as they say "history repeats itself" because they have all been a success. If you aren't coming out to this delicious and low-cost dinner, you are really missing out. And besides that, we need everyone's participation to make one of our biggest fund raisers an even bigger success. The crew is really doing a great job and it's a joy to be a part of the effort. The biggest news this year is that we have switched to filet of sole and people say this is the best fish they have ever had. Also, Jim Bradbury's pride and joy, the new commercial range, is great to cook on as it cooks much more evenly. Another new thing this year is the Wings of Devotion sale by parishioner, Justin Haagen. The Council will receive 40% of the retail sales at the Fish Fry by Justin. She has many beautiful gift items, so check them out before dinner instead of waiting in line or after dinner.

Many Knights and friends have contributed their hours to make the Fish Fries a big success this year.

Participants have been Jim Bradbury, Mike Donovan, John and Cindy Peyton, Marie Lundfeldt, Paul and Evelina Curzan, John Vogel, Vince Filippello, John Kestel, Dan Knauss, Francisco Cabrera, Felix Sanchez, Chris Arnoult, and Steve Schlesselmann. Of special note is the help from newer members, Brad Bowen, Ed Barrier, Carlos Cohen, Rich Schiada, and Peter Martinez. Finally, the 11 kids of the Stawiecki family have been a huge help in set up and clean up.

Financially, the total receipts for the first three Fish Fries were \$3,167, total expenses were \$1,661, resulting in a net of \$1,506. This total was affected by low attendance at the 3/17 Fish Fry due to the Elks St. Patrick's Day dinner.

As usual, a big thank you to Ralph Modugno at Santa Cruz Markets for getting us good fish at a great price. And for Ginnie Turner, who is doing a lot of the shopping for us while I'm at work.

Rich Scholl, PGK, Chairman

Look Back at Former Grand Knight Bernie Jochum Chicago Native Joined Knights in 1956, St. Raphael Parishioner Since 1969

By Joe T. Kovach, 3rd Degree Knight



Bernard (Bernie) Mathias Jochum is one of some 20 current Knights of Columbus Council 5300 members who joined the Knights in the 1940s and 1950s and he beams with pride with his many involvements over the years with the Knights, St. Raphael Church and St. Theresa Parish in Phoenix.

He married Mary Angela Tuohy on September 1, 1951 at Sacred Heart Church with Father Joseph Jurkovich performing the ceremony in Lombard, Illinois. They are the proud parents of three grown

daughters, Mary Catherine, Judith and Ruth and four grandchildren, George, Christopher, Zoe and Travis. Natives of Chicago, the two met on a commuter train when they were going to college at DePaul in 1948. Bernie earned his BA in 1949 and his Masters in Business/Marketing/Commerce in 1951. During World War II Bernie served in the U.S. Army from 1942-46.

After living in Chicago the family moved to Phoenix, AZ., (1956-69) attending St. Theresa Parish. The girls were born in Phoenix and Mary earned her Nursing Degree at Phoenix College in 1968. Bernie became an Usher, and member of St. Vincent de Paul, Holy Name, School Board, Building Committee and chairman of the Parish Census.

It was on April 24, 1956 when he became a member of the Knights of Columbus in Arizona. His friend Pat Lawler was his sponsor. He received his 2nd and 3rd degrees in Arizona. Soon after moving to Santa Barbara in late 1969 when he took a position with Raytheon in Goleta, he joined Council 5300 in July 1970. Bernie became a 4th Degree on October 2, 1971, moved through the various chairs and in 1975-76 was elected Grand Knight. He has been a Color Corp member for years.

When asked what is the best thing about being a KC member, Bernie stated, "The many great people I met and worked with...the experience I had at Council, Chapter, State and Supreme levels." His participation with the KCs involved every activity at one time or another, from setting up the Hall, preparing food, tending bar and all offices and programs. He was a delegate to Supreme Conventions in New Orleans, New Haven Centennial and the Montreal Centennial. Bernie also enjoyed serving on the state committee for the Retirement Home and for "Keep Christ in Christmas."

Jochum recalls that the Chapter President/State Deputy Dinner and Raffle for Catholic Charities in 1978 stands out as his favorite KC event. A \$15,000 donation was made to Catholic Charities.

During their 35 years at St. Raphael's Parish, Bernie and Mary have been active parishioners with the Sociable Seniors, Parish Council, PTC, Women's

Auxiliary, Catholic Charities, Bible Study, School Board, Usher, Building Committee, St. Francis Liberty Program and the 1996 Centennial Yearbook. His response to "The best thing about being a parishioner here" was having Pastors like Msgr. Henry Van Son, Father Thomas Meskill, Msgr. Stephen N. Downes and Father Bruce Correio and the involvement in many ways.

Bernie worked for 22 years at Raytheon in the Purchasing Department as manager of sub-contracts. He was responsible for procurement of major sub-assemblies, special components made to Raytheon specifications and dealing with specialized supplies. He retired on September 1, 1990.

Bernie was one of 9 children (4 boys and 5 girls) born to Catherine Mary and Mathias Anthony Jochum. All are deceased except a sister Cecilia. As a teenager Bernie played softball, football and basketball in high school. Now he loves raising orchids (cymbidiums, attylea and exotic types).

Mary is one of 7 children (3 boys and 4 girls) born to Catherine and John Tuohy. She worked as a registered nurse for UCSB's Student Health and later for the Santa Barbara County. Her hobbies include genealogy and calligraphy.

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

I missed the St. Joseph's Day Dinner too, organized by Brother Sam Alfano (technically not a KofC event), but I heard that it was very nice as usual. Similarly, I missed the pancake breakfast and blood drive due to a "technical difficulty" (out of gas in the back country, late in the day). So you see why ... the alternative cost me a lot more money too. March was a blur for me.

This month, April, at our Business meeting we will formally present the last \$10,000.00 payment from our pledge to the St. Raphael Building Fund to Fr. Bruce. In addition, KofC 5300 will be accepting the charters from Pack 105, Troop 105 and Crew 105; our Council sponsors these Scout activities. So I hope that we have a good turn out of Knights celebrate these events.

I have organized another planning meeting to discuss what our next BIG charitable goal(s) will be for the Council, now that the building fund pledge is completed. By now, maybe, you read my pitch in the March Knightline and understand that I think it is important to make a commitment regarding using our fund raising capability for the good of the Church. A \$10,000/year earning capability is too important to fritter away. I have invited Knights who expressed an interest in shaping our future to the meeting. If you are interested in helping, please let me know and I will make sure you get notified of the next meeting.

I want to thank Brother Jack Turney for putting together KofC 5300 Handbooks for the new Knights who have joined our Council in this Columbian year. The handbooks have valuable information for any Knight, but especially anyone who just joined the Council. If you are one of those “new” Knights please come to a meeting or call Jack Turney to get your handbook. If you’re not a new Knight, but would like to have such a handbook, talk to Jack; maybe he will make one for you or at least give you some useful information from the handbook.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Rich Scholl, PGK

By Chris Arnoult, Grand Knight



This month I would like to name Brother Rich Scholl as the Knight of the Month. Rich joined the Knights of Columbus Council 5300 in 1986. He was proposed by his brother Alan Scholl. He quickly reached 3rd Degree status in 1987, but then took a hiatus before taking his 4th Degree in November of 2003. Rich has been more active in the Council in recent years. You probably remember that he has organized the Oktoberfest dinners in 2003, 2004 and 2005. This year, Rich is organizing the Lenten Friday Fish Fry Dinners that

our Council operates as a fund raiser and as a service to St. Raphael’s Parish. Rich served as Deputy Grand Knight in Columbian year 2002—2003 and he served as Grand Knight in 2003—2004. He now is the 2nd Year Trustee for the Council.

Rich is an avid bicyclist, often peddling to church and Council functions. He also has done many lengthy bicycle tours. Two years ago he did a Mission bicycle tour, visiting all the northern California Missions. One of his special concerns involves decency and obscenity in television and movies. Rich frequently speaks at Council meetings for Morality in Media, Inc. an interfaith organization founded to combat obscenity and pornography. Rich is also a willing volunteer for many other Council activities and functions. I’m glad to have Rich Scholl as a member of Council 5300.

(Program Director’s Rpt-Continued from page 2)

- 3) March 18, 2006 – Our St Vincent de Paul Society here at St Raphael’s held their annual St Joseph’s Day dinner in the parish hall. The dinner was very well attended. Brother Sam Alfano chaired the event and, as usual, did a first-rate job. A number of Knights helped including Brother Bob Marks (who was spotted cooking the sausages) and Brother Ed Barrier (who helped in the kitchen). Those of us in the St Vincent de Paul group really appreciate all those who attended.
- 4) March 19, 2006 – Brother Carlos Valenzuela received the Benemerenti award from Cardinal Roger Mahony at Our Lady of the Angels Cathedral in Los Angeles. See Carlos’ picture elsewhere in this bulletin. Carlos also picked up Brother Fritz Cahill’s Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice Award for Fritz. Fritz will receive his award here in the parish at a time to be announced.
- 5) March 26, 2006 – The Knights hosted their usual delicious pancake breakfast after the 7:30 AM and 9:30 AM Masses. There was also a blood drive during the morning.

Upcoming Activities

- 1) April 5, 2006 – There will be a 2nd degree exemplification in Saticoy. If you are interested in attending, please contact Brother Sam Alfano or any of the officers.
- 2) April 7, 2006 - 24 hour adoration will take place in the church. Just as in March, the time will be from 9 PM to 7:35 AM to accommodate various Lenten activities that will take place in the church during the day.
- 3) April 7, 2006 – Our final Lenten fish fry for 2006 will be held in the parish hall between 6 to 8 PM. The cost is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children.
- 4) April 9 to 15, 2006 – Passion Week.
- 5) April 10, 2006 – At our business meeting, several events will take place. We will be presenting Fr Bruce with his final \$10,000 check for the building fund. Also, the scouts will be presenting their charter to the council and asking that we continue sponsoring them. Please make sure to come to be a part of both events.
- 6) We will have our regular business meeting.
- 7) April 13-16, 2006 – The Easter Triduum takes place with the culmination of Our Lord's Resurrection on Sunday, April 16th. Happy Easter!
- 8) April 16, 2006- Easter Sunday Parking – We will again assist the parish with parking for the morning Masses. Please call Chris or myself if you can help.
- 9) April 30, 2006 - Pancake Breakfast – We will have our usual delicious pancake breakfast after the 7:30 AM and 9:30 AM Masses. There will also be a corporate communion at the 9:30 AM Mass.

Thank you.

From the Knightline (Feb 20, 2006-Vol. 23, #3)

Order Off to Strong Start in Poland

Nearly 100 Knights recruited in five areas; new councils by year-end June 30

Less than six months after Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson announced that the Knights of Columbus

would expand to Poland, the Order is beginning to take hold there. A development team led by Supreme Master Joseph P. Schultz, Ronald J. Tracz, administrative assistant to the Supreme Knight (fraternal affairs), and Wojciech Dadak, a Supreme Council office consultant for Polish affairs, has made two trips to Poland to lay the groundwork in several areas in central and southern Poland, including Krakow and the capitol, Warsaw.

The three had meetings with Church officials and others about the Knights of Columbus. Schultz reported excitement from members of the hierarchy and “overwhelming support” from Cardinal Jozef Glemp of Warsaw.

Church officials, Schulz said, “see the potential in what the Knights has to offer the Polish layman and his family.” The Knights met with Archbishop Stanislaw Dziwisz of Krakow, retired Cardinal Franciszek Macharski of Krakow, Archbishop Slawoj Glodz of Praga, Bishop Stanislaw Stefanek of Lomza and Bishop Zygmunt Zimowski of Radom.

Dadak also spent the month of January in Poland holding parish open house recruitment drives and other informational meetings.

“We’re closing in on our first 100 members,” said Tracz. “We held First Degree exemplifications in five areas, and initially we see the possibility of four councils being chartered.” According to the Order’s bylaws, a council needs 30 members to be chartered. The five areas where Knights have been recruited are Krakow, Warsaw, Ludmierz, Lomza and Radom.

Conducting the historic First Degrees in Polish was a combined degree team from St. Maximilian Kolbe Council 9612 in Mississauga, Ont., and Cardinal Wyszynski Council 9296 in Toronto.

Dadak and Schultz are scheduled to visit Poland again in late February for additional recruitment drives and degrees. “Our target is 400 members by June 30” said Schultz.

...Tracz said the interest in the Knights has been strong and the Supreme Council’s next phase is to get the Polish Knights educated about Columbianism, volunteerism and the fraternal

infrastructure of the Order.

"Essentially, we're training them in all facets of the Knights of Columbus," he said. "Once we have the structure in place, with a few leaders there, we can get more aggressive about growth."

Tracz also urged Polish-Canadian and Polish-American Knights with family members or friends in the five areas where the Order has started to talk about the Knights of Columbus with the men there. "It would be a great way to build the Knights and show the strength of family ties in our Order," he said.

From Zenit.org (March 18, 2006)

Benedict XVI Urges Faithful to Listen This Lent Proposes Mary as Example

VATICAN CITY, MARCH 12, 2006 ([Zenit.org](http://www.zenit.org)).- Listening to the word of God is the key to facing the darkness and trials of life, and to finding love and joy, says Benedict XVI.

Before reciting the midday Angelus today, the Pope said: "Human existence is a journey of faith and, as such, goes forward more in darkness than in full light, with moments of obscurity and even of profound darkness."

"While we are here, our relationship with God develops more with listening than with seeing," he said from the window of his study, addressing the thousands of people gathered in St. Peter's Square.

"Even contemplation takes place, so to speak, with closed eyes, thanks to the interior light lit in us by the word of God," he said.

Benedict XVI completed a week of spiritual exercises on Saturday, and referred to them as "days dedicated wholly to listening to the Lord, who always speaks to us, but who expects more attention from us, especially in the Lenten season."

He commented on today's Gospel passage, the transfiguration of Christ on Mount Tabor.

On that summit, the Pope said, the Apostles Peter, James and John saw Jesus transfigured, conversing with Moses and Elias, and heard a voice that said: "This is my beloved Son, listen to him."

A brief glimpse

"When one has the grace to sense a strong experience of God," he said, "it is as though seeing something similar to what the disciples experienced during the Transfiguration: For a moment they experienced ahead of time something that will constitute the happiness of paradise."

"In general, it is brief experiences that God grants on occasions, especially in anticipation of harsh trials. However, no one lives 'on Tabor' while on earth," he added.

The Successor of Peter said that the "Virgin Mary herself, notwithstanding the fact that she was the human creature closest to God, walked day after day as though on a pilgrimage of faith, keeping and meditating constantly in her heart the Word of God addressed to her, whether through the sacred Scriptures or through events of the life of her son, in which she recognized and accepted the Lord's mysterious voice."

The Holy Father then suggested that every Christian should "listen to Christ" this Lent "in the word preserved in sacred Scripture."

He continued: "To listen to him in the very events of our lives, trying to read in them the messages of providence.

"To listen to him, finally, in our brothers, especially the little ones and the poor, for whom Jesus himself asked our concrete love. To listen to Christ and to obey his voice: This is the only way that leads to joy and love."



Brother Richard Kayizzi is now only four months from ordination! As many of you know, Richard is planning to return to Africa right after his ordination. Please pray for him as he takes this important step along his journey through life.

Brother Jim Abels is working on coordinating a joint 1684 & 5300 meeting with a featured speaker. Chuck & Harriet Burke are one possibility (depending on Chuck's health). The meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 21st at Serra Hall. Stay tuned...

We are currently looking for speakers, videos or discussion subjects for the Good of the Order segment of the business meeting. If anyone has any ideas, please talk to Chris or one of the other officers.

Thanks to Brother Dan Knauss's hard work at the Tootsie Roll Drive last October, Chris was able to present a check recently for \$949.48 to Ada Conners of the Santa Special Olympics. Ms. Conners stated that the \$949.48 was the largest donation she had received in her tenure with the Santa Barbara Special Olympics.

There will be a 3rd degree exemplification in Camarillo on Sunday, May 7, 2006 at St. Mary Magdalen's Church. 3rd degrees don't happen very often, so any 2nd degree members who want to advance should seize this opportunity. If you are interested in attending, please contact Brother Sam Alfano, Chris or any of the officers.

We are presently looking for coordinators for several events for the next Columbian year (07/01/06 to 06/30/07). Events that are still in need of a coordinator include the Grand Knights party, Mardi Gras dinner, Officer's Installation dinner, St Rapahel's School auction, polling place duty and the Clergy Appreciation dinner. If you can help chair any of the events, please give Chris or any of the officers a call.

Another major event that needs a coordinator is the Fiesta Booth at De la Guerra plaza. Brother Ralph Wengler stated that he would doing some of the preliminary work such as go to the first planning meeting in April, etc, but the bulk of the work including the physical labor needs to be coordinated

by someone else. Again, please let Chris or any of the officers know if you are interested.



Don't forget the fish fries! April 7th is the last day! The fish fry will be from 6 to 8 PM in St Raphael's parish hall. Cost is only \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children.

April Birthdays

Raymond V. Hussey	04/02
Mark Christman	04/02
Rev. Juan A. Ruiz	04/04
Nicholas P. Vitalari	04/04
Joseph E. Ponce	04/05
James M. Breyman	04/06
Donald E. Fitch	04/09
Harold O. Thompson	04/10
Rex P. Brumbach, Jr.	04/11
Frank M. Castello	04/12
Richard S. Bilski	04/19
James Bradbury	04/21
William P. Finck	04/22
David A. De Ponce	04/28
Joseph A. Lima	04/30
Benjamin R. Beh	04/30

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.

PHOTO GALLERY

Pictures from the St Joseph's Dinner at St. Raphael's Hall-March 18, 2006



A picture of many of the parishioners who attended the dinner (Sr. Alicia Martin is standing on the right side of the picture).



Brother Ed Barrier helps Livia Dodero with preparing the dinner.



Brother Bob Marks and an unidentified helper barbecue the Italian sausages.



Evelina Curzan assists with serving the desserts to Maria Romero and Brother Angel Castro. Note, Brother Richard Kayizzi who also attended the event.



Sr. Alicia Martin with her colleagues enjoy their meal. Martha Avila, a member of the St Vincent de Paul group, is in the lower right of the picture.



Brother Sam Alfano, who chaired the St. Vincent's dinner, tried to give equal time to the Irish and St Patrick. Here Sam is wearing a green "Irish" hat. Sam also made sure to tell an Irish joke.

Pictures from the Fish Fry at St. Raphael's Hall-March 24, 2006



Brothers Dwight Morey, John Kestel, Brad Bowen and Mark Chapman working in the kitchen.



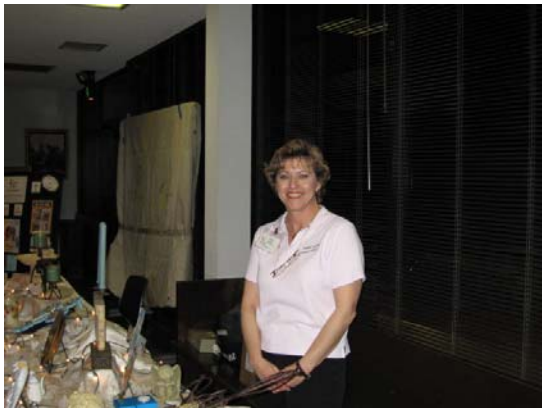
Brothers Brad Bowen and Dwight Morey discuss the issues of the day.



Brother Paul Curzan counts the money after another successful fish fry.



Evelina Curzan helps serve the salad.



Justin Haagen representing the Wings of Devotion sells her religious items at the fish fry.



Brothers Joe Bishop and Pete Martinez pose for their picture.



A picture of some of the parishioners at the fish fry.



Brother John Monaghan holds up a true Irish bottle of beer!



Janet Page tends to the bar while Brother Felix Sanchez takes a break.



A candid shot of Brothers Larry Stigney and Ralph Wengler.



Brother Bill McClafferty and his family enjoy their meal.



Another picture of the parishioners. Brother Francisco Cabrera and his wife are in the foreground.

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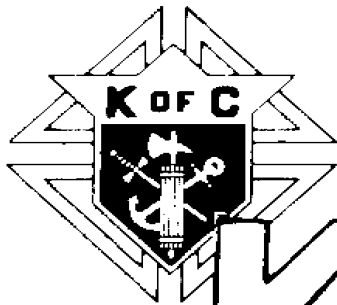
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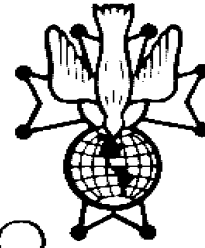
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