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Brother Sam Alfano, accompanied by Paul Robillard and Molly Shawl sing Italian songs at the dinner. For more about the dinner, see Brother Sam's article elsewhere in this bulletin.

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

By Stephen Schlesselmann, Grand Knight



A Spiritual Thought:

Dear fellow Brother Knights of Columbus,

In November, we give thanks for the many blessings that we receive. As **St. Josemaria de Balaguer** states: "‘Lord,’ you were telling him, ‘I like to say thank you. I want to be grateful to everyone, always.’ Well, look: you aren’t a stone, or a speechless tree, or a mule. You are not one of those created things whose life is completed here on this earth. This is because God chose to make you a man or a woman, a child of his. And he loves you *in caritate perpetua*, with an eternal love. So you like to be grateful? And are you going to make an exception of your Lord? Make sure that your thanksgiving comes pouring out from your heart every day." (page 790 of the **Way/Furrow/the Forge** by **St. Josemaria de Balaguer**).

Before commenting on the month's activities, I just wanted to thank PGK Mike Donovan for taking over

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Program Director's Report

By Francisco Cabrera, Deputy Grand Knight

Food for Thought

The Five Finger Prayer

1. **Your thumb** is nearest you. So begin your prayers by praying for those closest to you. They are the easiest to remember. To pray for our loved ones is, as C. S. Lewis once said, a "sweet duty."
2. **The next finger** is the pointing finger. Pray for those who teach, instruct and heal. This includes teachers, doctors and ministers. They need support and wisdom in pointing others in the right direction. Keep them in your prayers
3. **The next finger** is the tallest finger. It reminds us of our leaders. Pray for the leaders in business, industry and government. These people shape our nation and guide public opinion. They need God's guidance.
4. **The fourth finger** is our ring finger. Surprising to many is the fact that this is our weakest finger; as any piano teacher will testify. It should remind us to pray for those who are weak, in trouble or in pain. They need your prayers day and night. You cannot pray too much for them.

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November, 2006

11/03/06	Friday	24 Hour Adoration
11/06/06	Monday	K of C Officers' Meeting, 8:00 PM
11/07/06	Tuesday	Polling Place Duty
11/12/06	Sunday	Pancake Breakfast
11/13/06	Monday	K of C 5300 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
11/23/06	Thursday	Thanksgiving

December, 2006

12/01/06	Friday	24 Hour Adoration
12/02/06	Saturday	Christmas Party
12/04/06	Monday	K of C Officers' Meeting, 8:00 PM
12/10/06	Sunday	Pancake Breakfast after 7:30 and 9:30 AM Masses/Blood Drive
12/11/06	Monday	K of C 5300 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
12/25/06	Monday	Christmas
12/31/06	Sunday	Corporate Communion

January, 2007

01/02/07	Tuesday	K of C Officers' Meeting, 8:00 PM
01/05/07	Friday	24 Hour Adoration
01/06/07	Saturday	Prime Time Band Dinner
01/08/07	Monday	K of C 5300 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
01/14/07	Sunday	Pancake Breakfast after 7:30 and 9:30 AM Masses
01/31/07	Wednesday	Clergy Appreciation Dinner



Chancellor's Report
Dan Knauss, Chancellor

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Son of John and Ellen Monaghan; Brother Matt Mayer; Brother Jim Stelma; Brother Len Mooy; Betty Benn, wife of Brother Don Benn; Tony Gonzales, brother-in-law of PGK Felix Sanchez; PGK Chuck Burke (5/13); Edward Ochoa; Robert L. Weidl; Sabina Salamone, mother-in-law of Brother Ralph Wengler. May God grant them peace and comfort.

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

Jesse Garcia; Fred Cota; George Romich; George Gritt; Don Benn; Daniel Bunke; PGK Dick Hopper.

Other persons for whom prayers are requested:

Eleanor Cahill, wife of Fritz Cahill; Nancy Herrera; Ann Marie McBeth, daughter of PGK Max Keller; Patrick Donohoe, son of PGK Frank Donohoe; Ellen Velasco, granddaughter of Bruce Velasco; Theresa 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; the niece of PGK John Vogel; Bill Kestel, brother of John Kestel; Steve Schlesselmann's sister's family; Donna Abels, wife of Jim Abels; Larry Torres, Jr.(at home waiting for liver transplant), son of Larry Torres; Steve Schlesselmann's father; Cay Donohoe (heart surgery), wife of PGK Frank Donohoe.

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Tootsie Roll Drive
By Dan Knauss, Chancellor

The 2006 Tootsie Roll Drive to raise funds for the Special Olympics took place over the weekend ending October 21st. Thank you to all who participated in handing out Tootsie Rolls at all three Ralph's grocery stores in Santa Barbara and taking donations. The Knights were very well received at all locations. At this time, the total amount collected has not been tallied as the effort is still ongoing. Special thanks to Joe Pando, Paul Coyne, Jose Meza, Bernie Jochum, DGK Francisco Cabrera, GK Steve Schlesselmann, Rey Parreno, Constantino Garcia and DD Cherif Khoury.



Financial Secretary's Report
Ralph Wengler, Financial Secretary

Congratulations to the five new Third Degree members. It was a pleasure to go witness that ceremony. I have not done so in several years. There is sure to be more about the degree in this issue, so I will avoid redundancy.

I am currently into preparation for the annual billing for dues. Went to mail out the new Third Degree Membership Cards, and found that I was out of holders for them. Will have to look into letter forms as well.

I was also thinking about what I will add to the next issue of the bulletin. Will be going on a vacation trip to the Copper Canyon at that time. Will only be gone for about a week, but it will be the week that includes Thanksgiving, which is bulletin preparation time. By the way, many thanks to Michael Donovan for becoming the new publisher. It is a big job that he can handle, just as he had control when he was Grand Knight.

So, a pleasant, sincere, and prayerful Thanksgiving to you all.

Fraternally,
Ralph Wengler



Report of the 4th Degree
Bill McLafferty, Faithful Navigator

Everyone who plans to attend the Fourth Degree Exemplification in Visalia, California on November 4, 2006 is excited about the event and is anxious to go. Our Assembly will have a hospitality suite at the Holiday Inn from Friday night until Sunday at noon. The number of candidates to be exemplified has decreased in the last count, but we still will have a good size contingent at the hotel to celebrate out new Brothers of the Fourth Degree. That Saturday is packed with activities, including Mass in the late afternoon and a large banquet at night. We shall have a great time visiting with our brothers and their ladies during the event.

At the last dinner meeting, Father Tom Elewaut, principal of Bishop Diego High School, was our featured speaker of the evening. Assisted by a slide show, Father Tom excitedly told us of the NEW Bishop High, recently divorced (amicably) from the archdiocese, and operating independently with a Board of Directors running the school. The Board appointed Father Tom to administer the school and answer to them on how he carries out policy set by the Board.

Being the fourth principal in five years when he first came to Bishop from St. Joseph's High School, he found a great deal of problems and a student body that needed a strong sense of continuity. The students were somewhat dispirited and unhappy generally, but that has turned around dramatically over the last four years. The overriding campus feeling these days is lots of spirit, lots of volunteering and a serious desire to fulfill their God-given destiny. All of the Bishop students go on to college and that is the goal set by the school and the student body. To hear Father Tom speak is encouraging, to say the least, for those who may have given up on the young people today.

Father Tom needs help and money. He wants to give a place in the school to any youngster who desires to go there. Tuition has risen to meet the de-

mands of payroll and expenses and even though the tuition does not cover the total cost per student, any child or family can get assistance with their tuition requirements by applying for aid and scholarships. Fundraisers throughout the year raise the necessary funds to close the gap between expenses and money paid through tuition.

There are physical changes always happening on campus. A new practice gym is going to be finished early next year and the quad is undergoing transformation to make the school more attractive and inviting. The school has a state of the art computer lab, and the old gym has new showers and lockers for the students. The teaching staff has improved significantly with many dedicated teachers who love what Bishop High represents – a Catholic education and environment for young people who are seriously planning on going on to college and succeeding in life as intended by their Creator.

We want to thank Father Tom for taking the time to address us and entertain us with good news about our young people at Bishop High today. We, as Knights, should be willing to assist in any way we can to help the directors at Bishop succeed in their mission.



Insurance Agent's Report
David Farebrother, Field Agent

Whole Life & Permanent

Whole life insurance calls for premiums to be paid for your entire life, or to age 100. You may want to consider a permanent life insurance product – one with guaranteed cash values – that offers a limited period of premium payments. The Knights of Columbus offers three permanent life insurance products for which premiums do not have to be paid for all of life.

“Twenty Pay Life” is exactly as the name suggests

– a permanent plan with premiums payable for only 20 years. After the premiums are paid for the 20 years, the plan is “paid up” and no more premiums are due. Unlike its term counterpart, however, the plan stays in force, the death benefit remains intact and the guaranteed cash value continues to grow.

Another such plan is our “Life Paid Up at 65.” You buy this permanent product and you only pay premiums to age 65. Then, premiums stop (just in time for retirement), but the plan remains very much in force.

Finally, the ultimate in limited pay is our Single Premium Life product. Imagine buying life insurance – permanent life insurance – and only paying one single premium? It’s possible.

I have detailed information on all of these products. At your convenience, I’ll meet with you and your spouse to perform a free, custom-tailored needs analysis, to help determine which of our many life insurance products is right for you and your family.

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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Church Director’s Report
Chris Arnoult

Knights of Columbus 5300 Christmas Party
Saturday December 2, 2006, 6—9:30 pm
St. Raphael’s Parish Hall

Make plans now to come to the Knights of Columbus Council 5300 Christmas Party. It will be a casual affair, with hors d’oeuvres, desserts, Christmas

drinks provided (eggnogs, hot toddies, etc.), good friends, socializing, an open bar and of course Christmas music you will love or hate by this day.

The price of admission per couple is an appetizer or a plate of Christmas cookies **and** either an unwrapped toy for a child or a \$10 donation to Catholic Charities.

Wear your blue jeans, go Christmas shopping all day and then come to the K of C Christmas Party. And don’t cook this night. Guests are welcome to attend.

If your last name begins with A—M, please bring an appetizer to serve 8—10 persons.

If your last name begins with N—Z, please bring a plate of Christmas cookies.

The Knights will provide veggie platters, sushi platters, coffee and ice cream. Everyone else brings the rest.



Pro-Life Director’s Report
Bob & Cecilia Marks
Pro-Life Couple

Embryonic Stem Cell Research Causes Tumors,
New Study Shows
by Steven Ertelt LifeNews.com Editor

October 23, 2006 -Rochester, NY (LifeNews.com)



Scientists working with embryonic stem cell research on animals reconfirmed what pro-life advocates have been saying for years about it. Researcher Steven Goldman and colleagues at the University of Rochester Medical Center said injecting embryonic stem cells into the brains of patients with Parkinson's disease would cause tumors.

Goldman's research team has been injecting the controversial cells into rats that have the disease and the cells turned into tumors afterwards.

The scientists explained their findings in an article in the latest issue of Nature Medicine.

They said the embryonic stem cell injections helped some of the rats but some of the cells started growing in a manner that would eventually lead to a tumor.

"The behavioral data validate the utility of the approach. But it also raises a cautionary flag and says we are not ready for prime time yet," Goldman told the Washington Post.

He conceded that considerably more research would need to be done to determine whether the tumor problems could ever be overcome.

Parkinson's is a disease where dopamine-releasing cells in the brain die out, which leads to muscle dysfunction and can eventually cause paralysis. The goal of stem cell research in Parkinson's is to replace the dead cells with stem cells that form into new dopamine cells.

Goldman's team used human embryonic stem cells obtained by killing days-old unborn children that were grown in a special chemical used to coax them into becoming brain cells.

The team killed the rats before they could determine that the tumors that appeared to be growing actually finished appearing and they said that any embryonic stem cell treatments on humans, which has never been tried, would have to be closely monitored.

Some autopsies on the rats found tumors and that the embryonic stem cells began to grow uncontrollably rather than becoming the dopamine cells as intended.

Another team led by Ole Isacson, a Harvard Medical School professor of neuroscience and neurology, published similar results earlier this month in the online journal Stem Cells and found that the embryonic stem cells also produced tumors.

Adult stem cells have not had the same problems and have been used successfully to treat dozens of diseases and conditions. But scientists have said they don't think embryonic stem cell research will lead to a cure for Parkinson's.

University of Melbourne Emeritus Professor of Medicine Thomas Martin told Australian lawmakers recently that he did not think that embryonic stem cell research would even lead to cures for major diseases such as diabetes or Parkinson's.

Martin, an internationally recognized Fellow of the Royal Society, said the embryonic stem cells produced from human cloning would have the same problems.



Festa Italiana
by Brother Sam Alfano



The October 14th Columbus Day dinner (Festa Italiana) was a fun-filled & pleasant success in all respects due to the tremendous cooperation of Knights, their spouses, and friends. PGK Dale Wenzinger formatted and printed the two hundred tickets that were sold. Ticket sales went extremely well with 21 ticket sellers available. Besides sales at St Raphael's, ticket sale contacts were available at St. Marks, Holy Cross, San Roque, and Mission Parishes.

The annual set up crew consisting of Earl Pugh, Paul Robillard and Al Mechelborg did a fantastic job in the seating arrangements. We were pleased

to have Bishop Curry with us as well as Sisters from St. Francis, Sister Mina, Sister Dora Lee, Fr. Cyril & Seminarian Larry Revilla. The dinner orchestrated by Livia Dodero included her now famous antipasto salad, Penne Regata Pasta cooked "al dente" by Ed Barrier and Francisco Cabrera and garnished with a specially prepared (secret) tomato sauce. No one can reveal the ingredients under pain of being banned from helping in the kitchen. Placed on the pasta plates were BBQ'd Italian sausage cooked to perfection by the Sichi's and the Filippello's. This was accompanied by generous servings of delicious garlic bread that had been warmed to perfection on the BBQ.

Youth group members as well as adults totaling 24 in number served dinner to 200 people. The Spumoni ice cream donated by Mc Connell's Ice Cream Co. was served with cookies. Felix & Julie Sanchez served liquid refreshments before and during the dinner with Italian music in the background played by accordionists Bob Molinari and Ross Pindaudi. The sing-along that followed was once more a rousing success. Raffle masters Joan Magenheimer, & Lucille and PGK Don Aubrey conducted a very successful raffle which included some twenty gifts donated by individuals, merchants, and restaurants throughout the community. Grand Knight Stephen Schlesselmann was master photographer of the evening. Net proceeds from the dinner which was over \$1,900 will be used for Council 5300 purposes throughout the Columbian year. Our thanks to all who had a part in this year's "Festa Italiana."

Veteran KC Member Michael Donovan
Assumes Editorship of Knightline
with this 16-Page Edition

By Joe T. Kovach, 3rd Degree Knight



Michael John Donovan, in his 20th year as a member of the Knights of Columbus Council 5300, has taken on the responsibilities of editing the KNIGHTLINE starting with this November edition. The former Grand Knight in 2001-02 stated, "Stephen Schlesselmann did an excellent job as Editor for the past 16 issues and I wish only to maintain his standards." The native of San Luis Obispo added, "Stephen has plenty of other key responsibilities as Grand Knight so I offered my services."

During the past 19 years as a Knight, Mike has held the offices of Advocate, Chancellor, Deputy Grand Knight, Grand Knight and Trustee for Council 5300. For Assembly 044 he has served as Faithful Navigator, Faithful Admiral and currently Trustee.

The 64-year old Mike (born on November 27, 1941) has been a member of St. Raphael's Parish since 1963. He attended Dolores Grade School in Santa Barbara and Santa Barbara Catholic High School. He joined the U.S. Air Force and from 1960-63 served in Texas and England. Mike took his basic training at Lackland AFB in San Antonio and schooling in data processing at Shepard AFB near Wichita Falls. He acknowledged that there were not much in highlights in Texas except for living in snow for the first time and dust storms near the Texas Panhandle. Highlights in England were meeting my first wife and getting acquainted with English people and learning how others outside the U.S. lived. He was able to tour most of Western Europe while stationed in England.

Mike married Marion Rayner in 1962 in Kelvondon, England. He exclaimed, "Marion was raised in the Church of England and became a Catholic in the 70's. Marion was very proud of this. She was active in a number of community charities, Girl Scouts and Bible Study groups. After her death in 1994, looking to my future, I increased my volunteer work following her example."

Before retiring in September 2004 from AGIA as Information Management Manager after 14 years, Mike also had worked at General Electric Temple, Applied Magnetics and Medicaid Service Borough.

Their two grown children, Trina Donovan 42, husband Phil, (Murrieta, Ca.) and Kristina Brown 40, husband Michael, and grandchildren, Rachel and

Benjamin, live in the Santa Barbara area as well as his sisters Patricia Hooser, Cecilia Burich, Rhonda Donovan and brother John Jr. His parents John and Elna Thomsen Donovan are deceased.

With thanks for God's bountiful blessings, Michael John Donovan and Mirtha Beatriz Bregonzi exchanged vows of marriage on June 17, 2006 at St. Raphael's Church with Father Cyril Nnadi performing the beautiful ceremony. A wonderful reception was held afterwards with many friends and Knights enjoying the food, beverages and music. Mirtha is from Montevideo, Uruguay, her mother's family hails from Spain and father's family from Italy. One sister, Nelly, resides in Uruguay. Mirtha has a degree in Ophthalmology. She spent 20 years in Miami at first as part of the Uruguayan diplomatic corp. and later assistant to several eye surgeons. Mirtha became a US citizen six years ago. The newlyweds met on an Alaska Cruise in September 2005.

Mike remarked, "A high priority in retiring in 2004 was to travel. Through the services of Joan Magenheim, I have been on several cruises and bus tours to Ireland, Eastern Canada, countries around the Baltic Sea, especially Denmark where my mother's family came from, Mexico and many parts of the United States including Alaska and Hawaii." Mike and Mirtha have traveled across the country, from Miami to Santa Barbara, to Lake Tahoe, Las Vegas and the surrounding area and the Monterey Peninsula as well as the Mexican Riviera and the Baltic Sea.

Mike keeps very busy in the parish as a Eucharistic Minister at Mass and to the sick/homebound, as a St. Vincent DePaul member and as a member of the Knights. Mirtha works with him in the gardening at church and at KC functions. She is a great help also at Buena Vista Care Center where they both help with Communion Service and Mass once a month. In past years, Mike was a home visitor for the Parish Community Center Development Program and past member of the Welcoming Committee.

Special highlights during his 19 years as a Knight include: working with many wonderful people in the Knights and their families, being part of the 4th Degree Color Corps for a number of special events

and feeling the warmth and gratitude of people he has helped.

Responding to what would be his most memorable experience as a Knight to date, Mike beamed, "Working the luncheons for the physically challenged in the past was very rewarding." He added, "It's always a pleasure working in the kitchen for KC events. At times it is hard work, but the people are great to work with. Normally a lot of laughs."

Among his goals as Grand Knight were to increase membership in Council 5300 (four were added), to advance many 1st and 2nd Degree members up to 2nd and 3rd due to the hard work of Membership Director Ralph Wengler, and to ask Bob and Cecilia Marks to be the Pro-Life Directors (they ran several spiritual events in the Parish and still continue writing excellent articles for the Knightline).

Mike's other accomplishments included appointing Robert Clarke as the Youth Director who ran several successful Youth events. Other service directors appointed by Mike raised money for the community, St. Marks and St. Raphael's. Mike revealed that the Council was able to pay their \$10,000 building fund donation even with the cancellation of two money making events. He also was proud of the content of the Knightline while Grand Knight.

Four of his favorite KC projects included: the Lenten Fish Fries to help raise funds for charity and bring parishioners together socially, the Italian Dinner in 1999 with departing Father Antonio Cacciapuoti, volunteer work at Voter Polling Precincts and being a part of the 4th Degree Color Corps.

Priests that have impressed Mike include Msgr. Stephen Noel Downes (Ireland), Fr. Cacciapuoti (Italy), Fr. Alberto Ledesma (Mexico), Fr. Sabas Mallya (Africa), Fr. Cyril Nnadi (Africa), Fr. Leo Alberg (Montebello, Calif.) and Pastor Bruce Correio (Los Angeles, Calif.). These priests have brought us their gifts, talents and treasures from their homelands to share with us, to enrich our lives to the world around us, to give us new ways spiritually to look at ourselves and others.

A few of Mike's highlights of the parish that stand out include: Msgr. Steve's Monday Night Bible Study, Parish Development Program and Prayer

Groups meeting for support, sharing and growing spiritually. Mike declared, "My greatest pleasure is visiting the homebound to give Holy Communion and see their pleasure and feel the gratitude they give. At times I think I receive more from the visits than the homebound." He added, "Other highlights included Marion joining the Catholic Church, partnering up with Hal Thompson to visit parishioners for Parish Development (some interesting home visits!!) being chairperson for Parish Council and marrying Mirtha at St. Raphael's in June."

Current hobbies and interests include league bowling twice a week, listening to music, reading and spending time with grandchildren and walking, bicycling and traveling. For years Mike was a volunteer at United Way reviewing requests for funds by various non-profit organizations.

Mike's favorite foods are Mexican, Italian, Irish and Danish. He pointed out, "Mirtha does most of the cooking now except BBQ which I do. Italian is her specialty."

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the duties as the Knightline editor for the rest of the Columbian year. Brother Mike not only brings to the task his Grand Knight and Faithful Navigator backgrounds but also his prior experience as a previous Knightline editor (for more on Mike's background, please be sure to read Brother Joe Kovach's feature article elsewhere in this bulletin). Thanks, Mike!

October was another eventful month for the council. On October 14th, the Council hosted its annual Italian dinner, Festa Italiana (see Brother Sam Alfano's article about it elsewhere in this bulletin). Thanks to Brother Sam's hard work plus the hard work of several Brother Knights, their families and other dedicated parishioners, the dinner was a resounding success (the diner was sold out)! The food and the service couldn't have been better. The accordion music added a nice touch and the sing-a-long at the end was worth the wait. Everyone had a great time and based on my unofficial calculations, we netted about \$300-400 more than we had budgeted for the event. Great job, Sam!

On the weekend of October 20th to October 21st, our annual MR drive (Tootsie Roll Drive) took place. Brother Dan Knauss ably chaired the event (see Brother Dan's article elsewhere in the bulletin). Brother Dan mainly concentrated his efforts on collecting at Ralph's at the Magnolia Shopping Center. Dan was assisted by Brothers Joe Pando, Paul Coyne, Felix Sanchez, Jose Meza and Francisco Cabrera and myself. Our District Deputy, Brother Cherif Khoury also lent a hand collecting at the Ralph's stores downtown. Cherif was assisted by Brothers Rey Parreno and Constantio Garcia. According to Brother Dan's initial calculations, about \$1,000 was collected. Congratulations, Dan!

We had to cancel the October 27th Halloween party for several reasons. We found that we were competing with the school's Halloween party on October 31st, the Youth Group also had one planned for October 29th and finally, our party would have conflicted with the Lauren Herrera Memorial dinner at Bishop Diego High School (many of the parents of the children who would have come to our Halloween party had planned to go the dinner).



On October 29th, 5 Brother Knights took their 3rd degree in Santa Maria: (From left to right) PGK Ralph Wengler (who attended the event), Constantino Garcia, Dwight Morey, Rey Parreno, Brad Bowen and Fr. Cyril Nnadi all were in attendance. The degree team did a great job as usual. Brother Ralph drove Constantino and Rey to the event (Dwight & Brad drove on their own) which enabled me to wait for Fr. Cyril to finish the 11:00 A.M.

Mass before driving him to the degree. Congratulations to our newest 3rd degree members!

Also, on October 29th, Brother Don Fitch was honored at the 9:30 A.M. Mass for his many years of service to the choir. Congratulations, Don!

We don't have too much planned for November and December, in order to allow for families to gather for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Some of us from Council 5300 will be staffing 2 precincts at Fire Station #11 on November 7th (Election Day). The Junipero Serra Assembly also will be staffing two of them at St Mark's Church in Isla Vista. Also, in December, the Trustee's Christmas Party will be taking place on December 2nd (See PGK Chris Arnoult's article about it elsewhere in this bulletin).

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Sam Alfano

By Stephen Schlesselmann, Grand Knight



This month, I would like to name Brother Sam Alfano as the Knight of the Month (Sam was previously chosen as Knight of the Month by PGK Brian Klinge in January, 2003). Brother Sam first joined the Knights in October, 1995 and he became a 4th degree member in February, 1997. Sam has been very active for many years both in the church and in the community. Some of Sam's church activities have included: the Liturgy Committee, St Raphael's Renovation Committee, the Building Committee, the Parish Council and the St. Vincent de Paul Group. Sam's community activities have included: Goleta Valley Beautiful and Toastmasters (Sam was the founder of the Mission Toastmasters Group about 25+ years ago). For the past 4 to 5 years,

Brother Sam has been serving Council 5300 as the membership director. Thanks in part to Sam's recruiting work during the last Columbian Year, Council 5300 received the Star Council award. Brother Sam has also chaired several dinners during the year including his famous Columbus Day dinner and the St. Joseph's dinner for the St. Vincent de Paul group. Congratulations, Sam and THANKS!

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5. And last comes **our little finger**, the smallest finger of all, which is where we should place ourselves in relation to God and others. As the Bible says, "The least shall be the greatest among you." Your pinkie should remind you to pray for yourself. By the time you have prayed for the other four groups, your own needs will be put in to proper perspective and you will be able to pray for yourself more effectively.

Upcoming Activities

- 1) **November 3, 2006**- 24 Hour Adoration will take place in the church. We all have many reasons to give thanks to **God** for all the blessing received. If you are not already signed up for adoration ,stop in at your convenience and sign in.
- 2) **November 6, 2006** - K of C Officer's Meeting, 8 PM. Officers please add this date to your calendar and be on time.
- 3) **November 7, 2006** - Polling Place Duty
- 4) **November 12, 2006** – Pancake Breakfast after 7:30 and 9:30 AM Masses. This is a good way to start your Sunday. You won't have to cook Breakfast, replenish your energy to begin your Sunday activities and at the same time you contribute to the Knights of Columbus. It is a win-win for all.
- 5) **November 13, 2006** - K of C 5300 Business meeting, 7:30 PM. Members, please make it a point to call some of your 3rd Degree Brother Knights and remind them about the meeting, since there are only a few of them attending. We need to increase the participation both at the meetings and at events.
- 6) **November 23, 2006** – Thanksgiving.



If you are reading this bulletin prior to Election Day, make sure to vote for Proposition 85, the parental notification initiative.

On December 10th, Brother Sam will be hosting a membership drive at the morning Masses and in the hall during the pancake breakfast & blood drive. If you can help Sam, please give him a call. We would like to make this as successful as possible.

On November 15th, Council 1684 is conducting a 2nd degree at Serra Hall. If any 1st degree members want to take their 2nd degree, please let any of us officers know as soon as possible.

On November 19th, the Women's Auxiliary is hosting their annual Christmas Boutique in the hall. Barbara Bonsell, wife of Brother Jim Bonsell, is in need of several Knights to play Santa Claus for the morning. Several Knights have been doing it for a number of years and Barbara would like to get some younger Knights involved also. If anyone wants to volunteer, please make sure to let Barbara Bonsell know as soon as possible. Her number is 967-0375.

Due to room rearrangements needed to accommodate Noel's new assignment as pastoral associate, we recently had to move several large wood desks out of the Knights office (located adjacent to the A/B room). The desks are now sitting unused at Serra Hall. We have decided to sell the desks for \$250-300 each. If anyone wants a nice desk or two, please let any of us officers know and we will be happy to show them to you.

Brother Chris Lewis, a director of the Wheelchair Foundation, recently sent out a letter to various Knights asking them for their support of the Wheelchair relief mission for this Columbian year. Brother Chris states in part: "In preparation for the holiday season, many councils have been successful

raising money to sponsor a wheelchair in the name of a loved one as a Christmas gift. For each \$75 donation, which sponsors a wheelchair, the donor will receive a beautiful folder that shows the picture of a wheelchair recipient, and a certificate that thanks the donor for the gift made in the name of a loved one."

We have been given approval by Fr. Bruce to hold a Blue Mass sometime in April or May, 2007. The Blue Mass honors our law enforcement and emergency personnel who serve our community. Details are still being worked out, so stay tuned.

November Birthdays

Ricardo V. Garcia	11/01
Bruce M. Velasco	11/06
Leroy J. Kwarcinski	11/07
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Sir Knights Stephen Schlesselmann, Hal Thompson, Rafael Cardenas, Jose Meza, Cherif Khoury, Ed Page, Al Meckelborg, Paul Coyne before the Mass.



SK Cherif Khoury & Rafael Cardenas pose in front of the Statue to the Unborn after the Mass.



The Color Corps march in front of the Bishop Diego Homecoming party.



The Color Corps stand at the Present Sword position alongside the Homecoming Red Carpet.



Brother Dan Knauss collects a donation during the MR drive in front of Ralph's at the Magnolia Shopping Center.



Brother Dan Knauss and his son, Jacob pose in front of the collecting table at Ralph's.

Festa Italiana—October 14, 2006



Brother Francisco Cabrera watches as the sausages are readied for the barbeque.



Brothers Don Aubrey and Brian Klinge are assisted by their wives. Lucille Aubrey and Judy Klinge at the ticket collection and raffle table.



Brothers Ed Barrier and Francisco Cabrera cook the pasta.



Gloria Merrigan poses for her picture in front of the bar.



Brothers Larry Stigney and Rafael Cardenas along with Rafael's friend, Connie, inspect the raffle prizes.



Brothers Bernie Jochum and Cherif Khoury with Maureen (Cherif's friend) at the KCIC table.

Festa Iliana-Continued



The two accordionists hard at work.



His Excellency, Bishop Patrick Curry with Maria Cabrera and Cindy Peyton.



Al Borgaro and his friends enjoy the dinner.



Brother Bob Marks and his wife, Cecilia (behind the spaghetti) with the Stricklands.



Various parishioners enjoy their meal.



Our intern, Larry Revilla, poses with Elizabeth Fong and Dorothy Turner.

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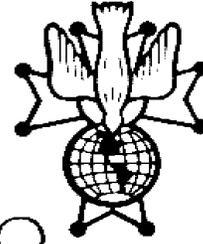
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