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Pictured: Lou Ventura from the Kids and Bike Foundation. He is addressing the Council at the September Business Meeting about the Bike Giveaway program during Christmas time (for more details see www.kidsnbikes.org). In the foreground, Fr. Mark Strader and DD Ernie Guzman listen attentively.



GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

By William McLafferty, Grand Knight

The year is rolling along and I thank everyone for their cooperation and help in making this a great Columbian year for Council 5300.

The Labor Day picnic was a lot of fun this year, but also a lot of work. Special thanks to Abel and Joe Salcedo and their families, Tony and Sandra (great beans!) Vallejo and son, Thomas (who helped sell raffle tickets) and everyone else, who helped cover the tables, make the salad, butter the bread and make a run for the ice cream. Monsignor Steven Downes attended and drew the winning raffle ticket (winner: Thomas Vallejo and runner-up Joe Darga). The day was pleasant, and some of the ladies enjoyed a card game (they even let Thomas Bauer play) while waiting for the great barbeque to be served.

Father Mark, our Chaplain this year, led us in saying grace, and he and his dog had a great time visiting with the knights and their families. Thanks to all for the cleanup and transportation of the leftovers to the Parish Hall.

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Pray for Peace

Picture and Article Submissions need to be in by the 20th of the month

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Schedule of Events

October, 2009

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| 10/03/09 | Saturday | Our Lady of Fatima Rosary at SB Courthouse Sunken Garden, 11:30 AM.
(Color Corps) |
| 10/05/09 | Monday | Officers' Meeting at Conference Room 8:00 PM. |
| 10/10/09 | Saturday | "Festa Italiana" 6:30 PM at Parish Hall. |
| 10/11/09 | Sunday | K of C Parish Breakfast from 7:30 AM until 11 AM. |
| 10/11/09 | Sunday | Msg. Steven Downes Pastor Installation at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, 11:30 AM.
(Color Corps) |
| 10/12/09 | Monday | K of C 5300 Business Meeting/First Degree Exemplification, 7:30 PM at Parish Hall. |
| 10/19/09 | Monday | 4 th Degree Dinner Meeting at 7:00 PM at Parish Hall. |

November, 2009

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| 11/02/09 | Monday | Officers' Meeting at Conference Room 8:00 PM. |
| 11/07/09 | Saturday | Fourth Degree Exemplification in Oxnard. |
| 11/08/09 | Sunday | K of C Parish Breakfast from 7:30 AM until 11 AM. |
| 11/09/09 | Monday | K of C 5300 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM at Parish Hall. |

December, 2009

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| 12/05/09 | Saturday | Grand Knight's Christmas Party at 6:00 PM in Parish Hall. |
| 12/06/09 | Sunday | K of C Parish Breakfast/Blood Drive from 7:30 AM until 11 AM. |
| 12/07/09 | Monday | Officers' Meeting at Conference Room 8:00 PM. |
| 12/14/09 | Monday | K of C 5300 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM at Parish Hall. |

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 : *in the Knights of Columbus* :
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**PRIESTS, BROTHERS, NUNS.
THEY NEED US.
WE NEED THEM.**

Vocations Are Everybody's Business



Chancellor's Report
SK Ed Barrier, Chancellor

Brother Knights,

Here is a spiritual reflection from St. Pio of Pietrelcina:

O Lord, we ask for boundless confidence and trust in Your divine mercy, and the courage to accept the crosses and sufferings which bring immense goodness to our souls and that of Your Church.

Help us to love You with a pure and contrite heart, and to humble ourselves beneath Your cross, as we climb the mountain of holiness, carrying our cross that leads to heavenly glory.

May we receive You with great faith and love in Holy Communion, and allow You to act in us as You desire for Your greater glory.

O Jesus, most adorable Heart and eternal fountain of Divine Love, may our prayer find favor before the Divine Majesty of Your Heavenly Father. Amen

In your prayers, continue to remember those Brother Knights and their families in need: Mell Hueston, Stephen Schlesselmann, PGK, FDD for continued recovery. For Chawa Ramirez, wife of Ygnacio Ramirez (d.) PGK. Sir Knight Bruce Velasco; the family of Thomas Quinn (d.) PGK, Msgr. Henry Van Son, Nancy Herrera, wife of Pablo Herrera PGK, Lupe Villa, Socorro Seickmann, and Carmen Rey.



Youth Director's Report
John Vasellina, Youth Director

The Confirmation program is off and running. Our first class for Year 1 and Year 2 has begun and we have 100 teens in Year 2 and 125 teens in Year 1. Our official BBQ kickoff event, which is a Hawaiian theme, is October 4th after the 5:30 Sunday evening Life Teen Mass.

We have also started a college age 18-26 ministry program. Our first event occurred on Thursday, September 24th with a Mass and BBQ at Goleta Beach. It was a great evening as Fr. Mark Strader celebrated Mass with us and it was the first event for Laura Schuberg, our new college age minister.



Membership Director's Report
Sam Alfano, Membership Director

We are very pleased to announce that Brother Knights Thomas Bauer and Andrew Nguyen have received their 3rd degree on Sunday, October 20 at the exemplification held by Council 750 in Oxnard. They both are eagerly looking forward to their 4th degree. We will have our 1st degree exemplification at our next business meeting on October 12th. What better day than Columbus Day.

We are looking for a large turnout of members to support the new Knights that will be taking their degree.





Insurance Agent's Report
David Farebrother, Field Agent

Membership Growth is Everyone's Goal

The membership blitz is a tried and true way for councils to increase their numbers. We see these pushes often in March, in celebration of Founder's Day, and again in October. These drives are successful because brother Knights are more visible than normal, during and after Masses and at special events. We remember to ask each and every Catholic gentleman to join our ranks for the good of the Church, community and Order.

At the beginning of the fraternal year, we set our eyes on the goal of achieving the Star Council Award. This means running many successful and varied programs throughout the year and using this activity to spread the word about the Order. This will bring in new members.

Don't forget the strength of our life insurance, long-term care and annuity products is also a selling point of membership. For more than 125 years, our insurance has been "making a difference for life." Our ratings are among the best in the business. For the 17th consecutive year, the Knights of Columbus insurance program has earned Standard & Poor's highest rating, and for the 34th consecutive year, A.M. Best Company has given us its highest financial strength rating.

I can help not only in explaining to prospects our outstanding insurance products, but also on the many other benefits of becoming a knight. I am happy to be an advocate for the Order and for our councils. Even better, I can help you feel more comfortable in making the membership "sale" to prospects yourself.

As your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, I look forward to helping us grow in fraternity.

To contact me with regards to any of your K of C insurance needs, please email me at

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

My article this month involves the Democratic health plan now being discussed in Congress. It is a further illustration of political ignorance on right-to-life issues.

The powerful story of Barbara Wagner demonstrates why this discussion is of utmost importance. When Barbara's lung cancer reappeared during the spring of 2008, her oncologist recommended aggressive treatment with Tarceva, a new chemotherapy. However, Oregon's state run health plan denied the potentially life altering drug because they did not feel it was "cost-effective."

Instead, the State plan offered to pay for either hospice care or physician-assisted suicide. In stunned disbelief you may ask, "How can this be? This happens in Europe. I've heard stories of Britain's National Health Service delaying intervention until the patient dies or reports of physician-assisted suicide in the Netherlands. But in America?"

The answer is simple. Oregon state officials controlled the process of healthcare decision-making—not Barbara and her physician. Chemotherapy would cost the state \$4,000 every month she remained alive; the drugs for physician-assisted suicide held a one-time expense of less than \$100. Barbara's treatment plan boiled down to accounting. To cover chemotherapy, state policy demanded a five percent patient survival rate at

five years. As a new drug, Tarceva did not meet this dispassionate criterion. To Oregon, Barbara was no longer a patient; she had become a "negative economic unit."

In 1994, Barbara's state established the Oregon Health Plan to give its working poor access to basic healthcare while limiting costs by "prioritizing care." In 1997, Oregon legalized physician-assisted suicide to offer "death with dignity" to patients who chose to die without further medical treatment. In the end, the State secured the power to ration healthcare in order to control its financial risk, even if that meant replacing a patient's chance to live with the choice of how to die.

When queried about withholding Barbara's treatment, Dr. Walter Shaffer, a spokesman for Oregon's Division of Medical Assistance Programs, explained the policy this way, "We can't cover everything for everyone. Taxpayer dollars are limited for publicly funded programs. We try to come up with policies that provide the most good for the most people."

Dr. Som Saha, chairman of the commission that sets policy for the Oregon Health Plan, echoed Shaffer, "If we invest thousands and thousands of dollars in one person's days to weeks, we are taking away those dollars from someone [else]."

Twice Barbara appealed the ruling. Twice Oregon denied her treatment.

Government compassion sounds so noble when first introduced. In fact, this well-intentioned motive fueled the creation of the State-sponsored health plan that now denied Barbara's treatment. As "we the people" become more and more reliant on the government, inch by precious inch, liberty slips away. Citizens become powerless in dependency. Seduced by sweet words of compassion, the welfare of the State silently usurps the wellbeing of the individual citizen. Secure in the belief that government will care for them, many Americans slumber in complacency until one day, "we the people" awake to find liberty lost.

Pray the Rosary

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Mark Vampola

By Bill McLafferty



Pictured: PGK Francisco Cabrera (left) with DGK Mark Vampola (right)

There are so many deserving Knights who should get special recognition for their contribution to the Council, which makes it extremely difficult for the Grand Knight to honor one each month. Last month, Steve Schlesselmann was honored on his return to action in the Council and it is really nice to have him back with us again.

This month, I chose Mark Vampola as Knight of the Month. Mark shepherded the Coke Booth project and arranged for coverage for 12 shifts over 4 days, while reporting back with an accounting which covered the receipts and expenditures, including the sales tax payment which was made in time to avoid penalties. He cleaned out the booth after construction and got rid of some old relics of the past. Next year, he will do the setup of the Coke machine and save us money to increase the bottom line. As he has pointed out several times at our meetings, next year we will have the new booth, the new sign and more profit for our charities.

Great job, Mark! You set a good example for the newer Knights in the Council. It bodes well for you when you assume higher office. We thank you for a job well done and honor you as our Knight of the Month!

**Harold O. Thompson, Parishioner Since 1975,
Serves
Knights of Columbus in Various Capacities for
Past 13 Years**

By Joe T. Kovach, KC Member Since 1996



Pictured: Harold and wife Marcella are shown with granddaughter Sarah Green in 1992.

Harold Owen Thompson, Jr., a native of Chicago, Illinois, grew up with his parents, Harold Sr., and Marion and his brother Robert and sister Mary Jane in the St. Joachim parish where they graduated from grade school.

When Hal was age 16 in 1939, his mother took the three children to California to get settled in Los Angeles where they lived in a boarding house. Harold Sr. arrived a year later. His position as Service Manager for the Ford-Lincoln dealership in Chicago required another year of work. To help his mother with expenses, Hal and his siblings would do various chores at the boarding house for room and food.

Hal graduated from J. H. Francis Polytechnic High School in LA and continued his college studies at Pasadena City College earning his AA Degree in Electronics.

In 1942, Hal joined the U.S. Navy at age 18 serving through 1945 in the Canal Zone and the Philippines.

While a parishioner at Holy Family Church in Glendale, Hal was approached by the Knights of Columbus Council's Financial Secretary to become a member. Hal joined in 1947. He served as Treasurer at that council for a short time.

Because of family obligations and his workload, Hal let his membership lapse.

After his Naval service, Hal worked for five years for Southern California Gas Company in Glendale. In 1953 he started working for IBM in Glendale as a Customer Engineer.

It was at a friend's wedding where he met Marcella Josephine Sanders. They were married on May 12, 1956 at St. Andrew Church in Pasadena by Rev. Harold Laubacher.

Marcella's maid-of-honor was Patricia Traviss, whose sister was a Dominican nun, Sr. Mary Peter Traviss, a well-known author, teacher and recipient of many awards. Marcella was born in Huntington Park on March 28, 1931. She died on June 10, 1993 of a heart attack after performing for the Santa Barbara Oratorical Choir. Hal's sister Mary Jane Reese, 85, resides in Grass Valley, Ca. His brother Robert passed away at age 80. Hal recollected that many high profile Chicago people were customers where his father worked, most notable Al Capone who ordered a big bullet-proof Lincoln at the car dealership.

The family moved to Santa Maria due to Marcella's medical condition while Hal continued to work for IBM for eight years. When an opening in Santa Barbara occurred in 1975, Hal took the job. "Providing customer service to the utmost," remarked Hal, "were the keys to my success in my 25-year career with IBM." He retired in 1978. Hal and Marcella are proud parents of five children and six grandchildren. They are twins Ruth and Patricia 52, Harold III 51, John 50, Daniel 47. The grandchildren include: Harold Thompson IV 30, Katharine Thompson 23, Daniel Thompson 19, Sarah Green 19, Julia Thompson 17 and Jon-Michael Green 15.

Hal's daughter Ruth and her husband Michael Green live in Placerville, CA. Hal's other daughter Patricia and her husband David True reside in Nevada City, CA. Hal's sons and grandsons: Harold & wife Kathy live in Santa Barbara, John and wife Elena live in Leucadia, CA. and Daniel and wife Susan live in Escalon, CA.

Joining the St. Raphael parish in 1975, Hal said, "The family was happy to be a part of our faith community." Marcella's involvement in the parish

and community besides her motherly responsibilities were with choral groups, musical theater and cantoring at St. Raphael.

Hal is a Eucharistic Minister, volunteer for St. Vincent de Paul and member of the Sociable Seniors.

"The pastor who was extra-special to the family," Hal remarked, "was Msgr. Stephen Noel Downes for his example of optimism and empathy."

In 1996 Hal decided to become a more active parishioner so he rejoined the Knights of Columbus Council 5300 with Bernie Jochum as his sponsor. Hal took on his 1st Degree on May 13, 1996, a 2nd Degree on June 10, 1996, a 3rd Degree on June 23, 1996 and a 4th Degree on October 10, 1998. He has served as Treasurer in 1997, Recorder in 1999, Inside Guard and Scribe (4th Degree).

"The best thing about being a KC member is the fraternity and service," noted Hal. The one event that stands out as a cherished remembrance never to be forgotten was his participation as a Color Corps member at the large celebration when 78 men were ordained Deacons by Cardinal Roger Mahony at SBCC's La Playa Stadium on June 13, 2007.

Hal would like to see the KC's undertake more community action programs. He has enjoyed services for the KC's as a Polling Place worker during local elections. Also he enjoys assisting in meal preparations and serving KC breakfasts and dinners, participating in fund-raising and parish picnics and having been an officer in the 3rd and 4th degrees.

Other interesting personal items include:

- * Favorite food: Swordfish;
- * Favorite meal Marcella prepared: Chicken Paprikash;
- * Favorite meal Hal prepares: Turkey meatloaf;
- * Favorite local restaurant: Beachside Cafe;
- * Favorite meal at Beachside Cafe: Clam Chowder;
- * Favorite TV program: Jim Lehrer - PBS;
- * Favorite movie of all time: "To Kill a Mocking Bird";
- * Favorite sport to watch live or on TV: Tennis;

- * Favorite sport as a participant: Tennis;
- * Favorite travel destination: Hawaii;
- * Favorite hobbies: Golf, Tennis, Bridge, Computer;
- * Favorite travels with family: Yosemite;
- * One word to describe us at Church: Prayerful;
- * One word to describe me at KC meetings: Attentive;
- * One word to describe St. Raphael: Community;
- * One word to describe the KC's: Charitable;
- * Growing up, I always thought I'd be a: Pilot;
- * My parents were right when they told me: Study hard, live well;
- * Advice to youngsters: Choose good friends.

October Birthdays

Knight	B'day
Rev. Angel Castro	01-Oct
John J. Sternot	02-Oct
Thomas E. Puerling	03-Oct
Stephen J. Schlesselmann	03-Oct
Richard T. Schiada	07-Oct
Joseph W. Duwel	09-Oct
John V. Vogel	09-Oct
Francisco G. Cabrera	10-Oct
Pablo F. Cabrera	10-Oct
John C. Kirk Jr	11-Oct
Robert A. Montgomery	12-Oct
Kenneth K. Kuether	13-Oct
Rev Thomas A. Meskill	18-Oct
Peter A. Martinez	19-Oct
Ronald G. Uthe	19-Oct
Jerome M. Becker	21-Oct
Brian E. Holtz	21-Oct
Raphael S. Cardenas	22-Oct
William J. Konkol	22-Oct
John F. Kestel	24-Oct
Joseph E. Waters	24-Oct
Bruce A. Andersson	25-Oct
Bradley J. Bowen	29-Oct
Frank H. Mackey	31-Oct
Matthew J. Martinez	31-Oct

Begin Each Day – With Love and Kindness

(Grand Knight's report, continued from page 1)

Thanks to Vince Filippello for the liquid refreshments and for bringing the ice. And a special thank you to Felix for being there and making sure everything was in order.

The council is going to start writing reports on these social events. This will help those who succeed us know what to expect and what to do when they have been assigned the responsibility. I have also insisted on accountings being turned in for every event within a day of the event. The accountings will list every receipt of funds and expenditures associated with that event. The cash from each event will be turned over to the Financial Secretary immediately after it is concluded. The received cash will be recorded by the FS before turning the funds over to our Treasurer, Joe Darga, to deposit in our account.

I have also decided to be present at each Sunday breakfast from after the 7:30 am Mass until the kitchen is closed at 11:00 am. This is a great time to meet with prospective members and the families of the knights, as well as confer with the officers who show up to have breakfast. I am also available if anyone has any suggestions or questions about our activities for the year.

Our next big event is the October Columbus Day dinner, hosted by Sam Alfano. Tickets are being sold by several knights and their ladies at \$15.00 each for a wonderful pasta dinner with sausage and dessert, plus Sam's planned entertainment to just have some fun. Let's support Sam and his helpers by buying and selling tickets and getting a nice crowd there. You might invite as your guest a prospective candidate for membership and let him see us in action as well as get to know us better.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for the Christmas party on December 5. Dan Knauss has assured us that we will have another great holiday event with all the trimmings.

The Tootsie Roll weekend is coming in October on two successive weekends. Dan Knauss is in charge of this and he needs your help to collect contributions and give out Tootsie Rolls. This is a most worthy endeavor, and most of the funds go to Special Olympics. You can help and feel good

about your service for a good cause. Besides, these beautiful fall weekends are the perfect time to get out and enjoy the weather. Sign up with Dan at the next meeting.

As I promised, the meetings are shorter now, except when we have a special speaker, and this should encourage you to attend. If you are a mentor, make sure you invite your charge to the meeting, and offer to bring them, if necessary, so that we can get the new members involved in the activities of our council. **WARNING:** You may be called upon to identify your charge by name and tell us whether you made the contact for attending the meeting. If your charge is at the meeting, you will be given recognition for being a good mentor.



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To Become a Knight!**

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KC COLUMBUS DAY CELEBRATION DINNER "A FESTA ITALIANA"



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MENU BY OUR OWN ITALIAN CHEFS

*Mostaccioli in a sun dried tomato
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Saturday, Oct. 10, 2009 at 6:30pm at
St. Raphael's Church Hall. No Host Bar.

Adults: \$15, Under twelve: \$5.00 Purchase by
October 7th. Tickets available soon. Contact
Sam Alfano 967-0595, Livia Doderio 967-4153,
or Parish Office 967-5641. Thanks, Sam A.

PHOTO GALLERY

September 7th 2009 – Labor Day Picnic at Tucker's Grove



PGK Larry Stigney purchasing tickets from John McLafferty and GK Bill McLafferty.



PGK Ralph Wengler with FDD Stephen Schlesselmann.



Treasurer Joe Darga talking to Brother Knight Raphael Cardenas.



Lots of activity at the food line.



Fr. Mark Strader with Brother Tony Vallejo.



Brother Brian Klinge PCP with PGK Chris Arnoult.

September 7th 2009 – Labor Day Picnic at Tucker’s Grove continued



GK Bill McLafferty awarding the lottery prize to Thomas Vallejo, with Brothers Bernie Jochum and Joe Pando looking on.



Brothers Sam Alfano and Jack Turney conversing with Brother Stephen Schlesselmann.



Msg. Steven Downes talking to one of the picnic attendees.



Brother Brian Holtz having a friendly chat with Brother Sam Alfano.



Brothers Al Meckelborg and Ed Page enjoying the festivities.



Brother Ralph Wengler talking with Brother Felix Sanchez.

September 21, 2009 Blue Mass at St. Raphael's Church



4th Degree Color Corps with Fr. Mark Strader and Fr. Rafael Marin-Leon. Fr. Strader is the chaplain for the SB Sherriff's Department. Fr. Leon is the chaplain for the SB Police Department



SK Ed Barrier, FDD Stephen Schlesselmann, GK Bruce Garcia (1684) and PGK Francisco Cabrera (5300).



FN Jacques Benoit with several Army cadets



The Color Corps organizing before the start of the Mass.



Color Corps processing inside St. Raphael's Church



Color Corps giving the hat salute to Fr. Rafael Marin-Leon.

September 21, 2009 Blue Mass at St. Raphael's Church continued



Blue Mass inside St. Raphael's



Color Corps processing out.



Color Corps saluting Fr. Bruce Correio.



Color Corps standing out in front of the Parish Hall giving hand salutes to the incoming guests.



Fr. Mark Strader and Fr. Rafael Marin-Leon inspecting the Color Corps



Blue Mass Dinner Reception at St. Raphael's Parish Hall.

September 21, 2009 Blue Mass at St. Raphael's Church continued



Fr. Mark Strader saying grace before dinner is served.



Faithful Navigator Jacques Benoit saying a few opening remarks.



Assorted civilian, law enforcement and fire guests.



Fr. Rafael Marin-Leon giving a speech.



GK Bill McLafferty addressing the audience.



Brother Tom Bauer is introduced to the dinner crowd in his Navy uniform.

Photos by Ed Barrier and Maria Cabrera.

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