

The Knightly News

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COUNSEL FROM OUR CHAPLAIN



Retreat this Summer?

As we approach June there are always plans to lighten the load and relax a little. If we are fortunate there may be a vacation in the plans or at least some days of relaxation. I'd like to suggest a retreat! It may not be possible to go to a retreat center but at least take some time to review the spiritual journey. It could involve a plan for any individual or the family. It would require leaving the house and going to a place for relaxation. It would be slowing down and not living a busy time in travel and activities. It could be at

the beach or the mountains but requires quiet time for reading, prayer, and reflection. Even a few days with this intention could be a method to deepen faith. Use your imagination and see what creative plan could be developed. Ask for some suggestions from others. You will find this use of summer to be most rewarding. I'm going to make a retreat - are you?

God's blessings,
Msgr. Neal

From The Grand Knight

Free food. That's what you'll get at the June meeting when Bob Pratt and his culinary wizards make up a batch of spaghetti, and it's on the house. That meeting will be an important one, because we will be electing officers for next year, and getting our committees in order for the upcoming year. If you would like to run for an office, or there is a particular committee that you would like to be on, it is still not too late to submit your name.

We will also be reporting back on things of interest and significance coming from the annual state convention, held this year in San Jose. At the May meeting, there was considerable discussion on the items to be covered at the convention. The delegates have their marching orders and will be actively involved at the convention.

As the year closes down, we were asked to make one final push for new members. I think our focus on quality members was correct, and some of the new member and transfers into our council will attest to that. We will be making a final pitch to the new Catholic men who have just completed the RCIA program.

The social part of the Knights of Columbus still remains a focus, and we are trying to hit the mark on activities that will be appealing to our members. Some of the events included a night at a Padres game, a deep sea fishing trip, picnics, an outdoor mass and so forth. It's difficult to try to get an event that is of interest to everyone, so

please let us know what kind of activities in which you are interested.

Remember the next meeting is all about elections. See you there.

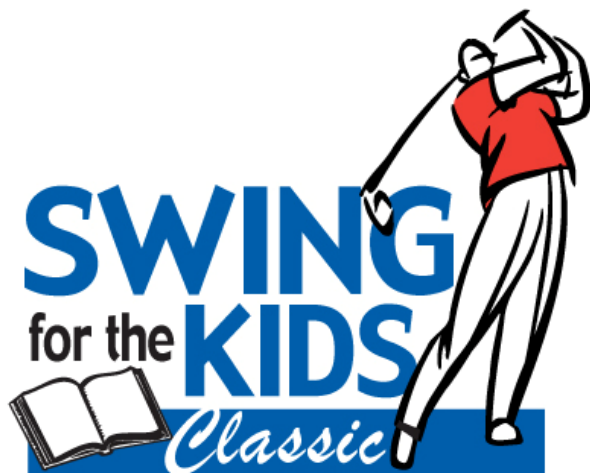
Fraternally Yours,
Skip Sharp, GK

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

Vocation Dinner

Our next speakers will include Fr. Chuck Fuld who was once married and a Naval officer. He had no intention of becoming a Priest after his wife died, but.... This will be held on June 10th. And having children at home, he has some points to make about celibacy. It's one you must hear.

Thanks
Ron Goins, SK



11th Annual "Swing For The Kids" Classic Golf Tournament Carmel Mountain Ranch Country Club Friday, October 27, 2006

Dear Fellow Knights:

We have moved the tournament this year one week later, our original preferred date, to allow for better golf course conditioning prior to the tournament. We will still be playing within Daylight Savings Time, so we can hit our shotgun start at 12:00noon and still be done by Cocktail Hour! Don't forget our exciting new

Putting Contest, which will likely offer the opportunity to win a new automobile or other great prize.

Please see the request for sponsors in this newsletter (below). Yes, we are getting started early with this, because for many of our sponsor slots, it will take awhile to get these secured. The good news is as soon as our sponsors commit and we receive their funds, we'll start putting their company logo (if requested) into all of our website and other advertising we do for the tournament, so the sooner they sign up, the sooner they get the good exposure they like.

Thanks to Wendell Keivens for joining our Golf Committee and working on Game Day Box Lunch Distribution! We could sure use more Knight help on this event, especially a chairman for our Live Auction. This involves coordinating the 10-15 items we will have available for auction at our dinner banquet, and Anita Anders, the Live Auction coordinator from Casino Night, has offered her assistance with this, but we need a Knight to chair and lead this effort. It's not a lot of work, but has great rewards at the end!

Our website, www.swingforthekids.com is nearly ready to be opened, and we anticipate registration being available by no later than June 1st. If you have any questions at all about the tournament or the Golf Committee, please use our new **SWING FOR THE KIDS CLASSIC HOTLINE:**

(858) 382-6030

Hit em' straight!
Chris Vaughan
Golf Committee Chair

COUNCIL DIRECTORY

John Giltner placed a number of copies of the new council directory on the counter in the Knights room. He is looking for feedback before going final on it at the end of this month. So if you know of any additions, deletions and/or modifications please contact John ASAP at: JLDGILTNER@aol.com or 673-7397.

COUNCIL PICNIC

The council picnic is being planned as we

speak. The date is July 23rd at Poway Lake. More details to follow but for now, mark your calendar. This is a family and friends event.

DUTIES OF PROPOSERS **(SPONSORS) of NEW KNIGHTS**

To some this may seem like “beating a dead horse” but allow me the opportunity of kicking it one more time.

I recently saw the RCIA group receiving their first sacraments, Baptism and/or Confirmation. And what struck me was how each one filed through the ceremony with their sponsor’s hand on their shoulder. I also remembered when I went through RCIA some years ago and how my sponsor was there with me every step of the way. Granted, my sponsor was my wife, but I’m pretty sure that’s not the case for everyone.

So here are people from all walks of life that take the time to share the entire journey with their candidates. Yet when we bring in new Knights I have been told what a hardship it is to do the same for the first few months of Knighthood.

We have also discussed how we, like most organizations, are victims of the 10-80-10 rule. Admittedly some men will go straight to the 80% or the bottom 10% by personal choice. But I submit that at least some go into the 80% purely because they have no knowledge of how to get into the top 10%. That’s where sponsorship can be the most effective.

I’ve also noticed one other thing about our Knights. Once they get involved in the slightest thing they not only seem to have more fun but they also are more ready and willing to assume different responsibilities. They also seem thirsty then to progress to their 3rd and 4th Degrees so they can get even more involved. That tells me if we take our sponsorship duties seriously, if we “keep our hands on their shoulders” we might “nudge” our new Knights into that top 10% and maybe change that dynamic to 20-70-10 or better. So think about that and take another look at the duties printed below. They are a small investment considering the long term positive results for both the new Knights and the council.

Thanks
Vern Snyder, DGK

As a proposer, it is your job to ask new members to join, but that is just the beginning of the job. Your duties also include:

1. Explain the Form 100 to them and get it to the council as soon as possible. A general meeting is best, an officers’ meeting will do and as a last resort they **MUST** have it at the time of the degree.
2. Explain their dues and see to it they are paid prior to participation in the degree. Dues include an initiation fee (\$20.00), their badge (\$5.00), and their annual dues prorated for the number of months left in the Columbian year.
3. Explain the different committee available and suggest they join one ASAP. The sooner they get involved the sooner they feel more an integral part of the council. Try to learn their interests and match them with the appropriate committee.
4. See that those new members get to their First, Second, Third and Fourth Degree.
5. Help ensure they attend regular council business meetings by calling, inviting and even providing transportation if necessary.
6. Introduce them to their council members.
7. Keep track of those men you have recruited is a key element to being able to monitor their progress within the Order.

These are easy tasks, but they need your commitment. It is not about just bringing in new members, but bringing good Catholic gentlemen into the council that are willing to contribute to their council, Parish and community.

If unusual circumstances prevent you from performing these duties, remember we are a brotherhood and a fellow Knight is only a phone call away. If you feel you cannot perform any of these duties at any time, perhaps you should consider having someone else bring the recruit into the council.

Fraternally,
John Giltner, PGK, FDD

KNIGHTS DEFEND MARRIAGE

The Knights of Columbus has joined the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in calling for the U.S. Senate to approve a “Marriage Protection Amendment.”

At the request of Bishop Joseph E. Kurtz of Knoxville, Tenn., chairman of the Bishops’ Committee on Marriage and Family, the Knights are providing millions of post cards to Catholics who wish to express their support for Senate Joint Resolution 1, the Marriage Protection Amendment,” which is scheduled for a vote in the Senate during the first week of June [the 6th].

The measure would amend the U.S. Constitution to provide that “Marriage in the United States shall consist only of a legal union of one man and one woman.”

In April, post cards were sent to every district deputy for distribution to his councils. Councils should distribute the post cards at weekend Masses in May so Catholics can complete and return them to their senators before a scheduled June vote. U.S. voters should also write a letter to their senators urging their support of the Marriage Protection Amendment. The post cards will also be available at spring state conventions of the Knights.

For more information, visit www.kofc.org or call the Knights of Columbus at (203) 752-4539.

You can also send an email to your senator or download a post card at:

www.religiouscoalitionformarriage.org .

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submitted by

Vern Snyder, DGK

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Supreme Knight **Carl Anderson**
 State Deputy **Gary Nelson**
 Chapter President **Frank Contreras**

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COLUMBIAN YEAR
July 1, 2005- June 30, 2006

District Deputy **Bob Danzl**
 District Warden **Michael Burr**
 Insurance Agent **Jason Ward**

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Advocate	Bob Ippolito	858-675-0888
Warden	Ben Polis	858-566-0376
Inside Guard	Bob Pratt	858-748-2611
Outside Guard	Prince Paul	858-748-9061
Trustee 1 Year	Hugh Largey, PGK	858-689-9595
Trustee 2 Year	Sal Acampora, PGK	858-538-1546
Trustee 3 Year	Dennis Bammann, PGK	858-675-3072
Lecturer	Deacon Ralph Skiano	858-613-1158

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Membership Director	John Giltner, PGK, FDD	858-673-7397
Program Director	Vern Snyder	858-613-0730
Church Activities	Vince Krolikowski	858-513-1797
	Dennis Bammann	858-675-3072
Vocations/Entertainment Books	Ron Goins	760-723-4736
Family Activities		OPEN
Council Activities		OPEN
Community Activities		OPEN
Youth Activities	Kevin Basarab	858-748-3190
Pro Life Activities	Hugh Largey, PGK	858-689-9595
Golf Committee	Chris Vaughan	858-484-2255
MR Drive	Sal Acampora, PGK	858-538-1546
Christmas Card	John Giltner, PGK, FDD	858-673-7397
Blood Drive	Mike Dunlap	858-486-4844
Newsletter Editor	Vern Snyder	858-613-0730
Council Yearbook		OPEN
Electronic Communications	Vern Snyder	858-613-0730
Web Master	Prince Paul	858-748-9061
Columbian Retirement Home	Tom Drzewiecki	858-513-2556

2006 Tournament Sponsor Request Letter

Dear Fellow Brother Knight:

Our Golf Committee has been planning and dedicating ourselves to the 11th Annual Swing for the Kids Classic, the premier golf tournament, banquet dinner, and live auction for N.E. San Diego County, to raise funds for our favorite charity, St. Michael School.

As part of that event, one of the most important things we need for a successful event are **sponsors** who contribute funds and/or goods & services which help defray the costs of running the tournament. This year, as part of our various sponsorship levels, we will have **sponsors for specific things**, like a "title" sponsor, the golf tournament itself, the cocktail hour and the dinner, and for golf shirts, hats, and tee bags among many others. **Most of the sponsorships also include complimentary registration for participation in the tournament and includes dinner as well.** We will also have terrific live auction items beyond what we've done in the past, which we plan to include things like **golf vacations** (which will include airfare, accommodations, and several rounds of golf).

One of the big benefits we are offering our sponsors this year is that **once they decide to be a sponsor and make their contribution, their company logo (if so desired) will be featured in all of our advertising from that point on**, which will commence in June and includes a listing on our tournament website, www.swingforthekids.com, and includes a link to their company's website for further advertising exposure. Sponsors will also be able to register on the website directly if they so desire, however, it is our goal to provide that "personal touch" so that every sponsor will feel that their donation is being well spent. Sponsor contributions are also tax deductible. Finally, they will be permitted to provide promotional advertising materials which will go into the tee bags we are giving to each golfer.

We appreciate your past support, and to our previous sponsors, thank you! However, we need your help now more than ever!

If you, your company, your employer, or anyone else you know might be interested in being one of our sponsors, or possibly being able to offer live auction items, **please list the contact information below and return this to me tonight or in the envelope provided. If you have more than 1 referral, then please make additional copies of this sheet and send those in too!** Our Tournament Sales Committee will be contacting these potential sponsors personally between now and the event, so we hope to make this as easy as possible for our Knights. If you can get us the contact information, we'll do the rest.

If you have any questions on this, please feel free to **contact me personally on the Swing for the Kids Hotline at (858) 382-6030** or thevonz@sbcglobal.net.

Best regards,

Christopher M. Vaughan
Golf Committee Chairman

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name: _____ Company: _____

Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ E-mail: _____

Is this a referral? _____ (Yes/No) If so, your name: _____

Phone: _____