



# The Cross and Compass

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The Knights of Columbus...a Catholic, Family, Fraternal, Service Organization

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## A Message from the Grand Knight



Brothers, please join me in welcoming our new Chaplain, Father John Horan. He was present at our October business meeting. He is a retired priest, currently living at the Palisades. When you have the opportunity, introduce yourself to him and be sure to invite him to join you and your family for a meal sometime.

The next most important item for me to mention here is to remind you all about the schedule change for the November general business meeting. It will be on Wednesday, November 2nd, due to the Holy day of Obligation on the 1st. Please try to attend, our Immediate Past State Deputy, Pat Maloney, is planning to present the Star Council Award to our Immediate Past Grand Knight, Al Larpenteur.

It looks like a project that our council has been working on for many years is finally going to happen. The "Memorial for the Holy Innocents" of our parish is about to move out of the planning stage and into the construction stage. The statue portion of the memorial has arrived and now we will need some volunteers to work with Father Tom and Rich Peterson to work out and finalize the layout of the garden area where it will be placed. Anyone interested in working on this project, please contact me.

One area in which there is a real need for some attention and involvement from some of you, my brother Knights, is with our Squire Circle. These are young Catholic men between the ages of 10 and 17. They are future Knights. They are the next generation of Catholics. They need and deserve our help. Without the active

participation and guidance of a few adult counselors, this group will cease to exist. Please consider this calling and if there is a possibility, contact Jeff Markwith, Ken Baune or myself.

I really enjoy reading Father Tom's letters in the parish bulletin each week. His recent letter talking about "intelligent design" is a case in point. His discussion was about the differences between what evolutionists believe and what creationists believe. He mentioned that intelligent design falls somewhere in-between.

It seems to me that fundamentalist Christians generally interpret the Holy Scriptures in a strictly literal fashion. In other words, any given passage means exactly what it says, as defined by Webster's. There is no allowance for intent. We Catholics, on the other hand, attempt to take that into consideration. We look at a scripture passage from the "who, what, when and where" perspective. The idea is to try to understand what the message would have been at that time, to the people that it was directed at, and under the circumstances that may have applied. Because of this, we quite often come up with very different interpretations of the same scripture passage.

I don't think that anyone would deny that there is an abundance of crisis and natural disasters in the world today. However, I heard a comment the other day that we must be coming to the end times because of all the horrendous calamities that are happening and another that God is punishing us for our wickedness. My reaction to those comments is that I don't believe that the book of Revelation was intended to be interpreted literally even when it was written. Also, I cannot accept that a merciful, loving God would intentionally inflict pain and suffering on his people to punish them.

I cannot explain why God allows terrible things to happen. Nor would I presume to be

smart enough to understand what He has in store for us. However, in my own simple way, it seems to make sense to me that these events are opportunities for the rest of us to grow spiritually, to learn to love the way God loves. I am talking about something that I admit I do not fully understand (maybe that is why they call it faith). I choose to believe that our reward or punishment (heaven or hell) is determined by our personal relationship (or lack there of) with Jesus Christ and all that that entails.

Vivat Jesus!

**Kevin Buck, GK**

## **Rosary**

Please note that we say the rosary before each General Meeting of the year. This month, we will be starting at 7:00 pm in the Chapel before the General Meeting on November 2nd, 2005.

## **Family of the Month**

**September – the Dave McArdle Family**

## **Knight of the Month**

**September - Leo Herrera**

## **From the Deputy Grand Knight**



In my column last month I discussed the aspects of the Knights of Columbus as a charitable organization. This month I will segue into your opportunity to be charitable through the annual Columbus Charities.

Each year the council is offered the opportunity to sell raffle tickets for Columbus Charities. As Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson has stated: "Our objective is to perpetuate the good works of the Order with Supreme Council resources, the endorsement of our jurisdictions and the faithful support of our members." The council benefits from the sale of raffle tickets by receiving a reimbursement from the State of Washington Knights of Columbus.

Next month our financial secretary, Tim Philomeno, will mail your annual membership dues form. The form will include a selection for you to purchase your own Columbus Charities raffle tickets. I encourage you to purchase one or two books of tickets. Tim will complete the information on the stubs and will forward your tickets to you.

Purchasing tickets by member knights is one part of a successful campaign. The other part is active marketing and selling of the tickets. I'll discuss this next month.

Mike Fay, DGK

## **The Chancellor's Corner**

By Ken Baune, Chancellor

This September was again another month that Council 7528 donated their time to many good causes. There was a total of 667 hours reported for September. If you are one of the few that didn't give me your hours, you can add them to October's. Supreme mentioned during the summer meeting that the government is considering taxing many non-profit organizations. The best way to stop further discussion is for all charity groups to submit their volunteer time. This shows how valuable we are to the community. If the government had to pay for the services it would be, well let's just say, not a good thing. Organizations that provide medical care and use volunteers are able to count the volunteer hours to help in securing government grants. We are not looking for grants, but it is wise of us to report the work that we contribute to the community. Please give me your hours via e-mail, phone or hand them to me personally at the meetings.

I hope everyone is excited about doing more because there is a need for about 5 men to assist with the Squires Circle. Jeff Markwith is the one man holding the Squires together. He needs help and someone to eventually take charge so Jeff can attend some of the other functions we enjoy.

In closing, the church and community thanks you for your time and work to help others in our part of this world.

## Recruitment.....and more of it.

Webster's dictionary defines the word recruit as - Recruit ri-kroot, n. a newly enlisted soldier or member - to obtain fresh supplies: to enlist new soldiers: to recover in health, pocket, etc. - v.t. to reinforce: to restore, to reinvigorate: to enlist or raise.

Well boys.... this isn't the army but you can get a pretty good idea what I'm trying say! Seems like Grand Knight Kevin is feeling a little pressure cause me, you and all the gang haven't put some big numbers on the board....like the Seahawks in the last 2 minuets. So be on the lookout.....like do some scouting, check out the men at church that seem to be daydreaming, head in the clouds. Maybe he's thinking about wishing one of you would ask him to be a Knight....you get the message.....don't you?

Lets have fun and build a great team of men that see the value in our core fundament beliefs. It's in your hands gentlemen! If you need help.... please call me and I'll work with my team to make sure we do what is essential to build and energize our Council.

David Myers PGK, Recruiting Specialist

## Blood Drive

By Dave Caton, Jr., Health Care Minister

Thanks for all who contributed the "Gift of Life" at our October Blood Drive. We ended up with only 32 donors this time. Despite this low turn out, we were able to help up to 90 folks in need of blood. Please mark down December 8th as our next blood drive.



## From the Council Youth Director

By Leo Herrera

Brother Knights, just a little heads up on upcoming events. The first one is in late January and that is our Annual Knights of Columbus Championship Free Throw Contest. If you could start passing the word out to anyone with boys or girls age 10 to 14, we could make this a fun event. I'll have sign-up sheets to pass out after the first of the year. We could use some help officiating the contest.

The second event comes from the request of Anita Dwight. She is in charge of our Religious Education (Grapevine) program for the kids. She's asked that we prepare a festive meal for the kids and their families. It's scheduled for February 27th. I know it's early, but just keep that date in mind. If you have kids in Grapevine, this would be a great time to show them what a great organization you belong to. I've gotten great response to the call so far, but the more of us the better. I'll have more info in future Cross & Compass and will be asking for volunteers. If you would like to contact me, you can e-mail me at: luckyleoh@hotmail.com or (206) 992-2918

## \*\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\*\*\* November Meeting Change!!!!

Be aware that, because All Saints Day, November 1st, falls on our regular Tuesday meeting night, we are moving this meeting to Wednesday the 2nd of November.

## Thanks for the Help with the School Dinner!!

Greetings Brothers,

I would like to thank each and every Knight that was gracious enough to come by and do a bang-up job in helping Dan Reeb, Joe Penwell, myself and others prepare the dinner for this worthy event for Wanda Stewart.

I know my call for help was short notice and that many of you guys had a very busy day helping on the 2nd and 3rd in Auburn and then helping us thereafter. Several new and old faces were present and the camaraderie was flowing as usual. It was fun!!!

From all accounts, this event was greatly successful for the school and the tuition assistance fund. We received rave reviews about food, service and entertainment. Tons of fun was had by all. From what I witnessed Saturday night, I expect this event will catch on and grow in popularity.

The success of this event was only possible by the combined assistance from the Knights and others, and I thank you very much. God Bless

Respectfully,  
Michael O'Connell

## Enjoy these Pictures of the Fall Festival



### Good of the Order

Listed are all of the those Brother Knights or family members who are Sick or in Distress

<i><b>Sick/Remember</b></i>	<i><b>Deceased</b></i>
Wayne Moritz	Ted Gimlin's Sister
Joe Clemens	Mel Longley's Mother
Twi Nguyen's Mother	
Glenn Martin's Wife	
Bill Thomas' Daughter	

Please keep these Knights and family members in your prayers. Thanks!

NOTE: Please contact Joe Penwell if you have knowledge of anyone sick or in distress.

### THE 365 CLUB BY MAIL

Supporting Vocations is simple! All you have to do is join The Pennies For Heaven Crusade. The best way to do this is by becoming a member of The 365 Club. Donate a penny-a-day for a year (\$3.65 or more if you can) and offer a prayer a day for a year for Vocations! Pennies add up quickly and the prayers help. For Brothers who cannot always join us at our meetings, here is your chance to stand up and be counted as a supporter.

#### CLIP AND MAIL

To: Mike Fay, 365 Chairman

Yes, count me in as a Member of The 365 Club! I want to do my part to support Vocations.

Here is my contribution of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Birthdays and Anniversaries

<b>November Birthdays</b>				<b>November Anniversaries</b>	
1st	Thomas Beyke	16th	Jerry Sandschulte	2nd	Jerome and Mary DeGagne
4th	Matt Robic	16th	Kenneth Shattock	11th	Timothy and Faye McClain
4th	Romeo Mayor	18th	Robert Pirolo	17th	Michael and Maureen Fay
5th	Sean Lezcano	19th	Gregory Vicars	20th	William and Linda Herbert
6th	Leonardo Herrera	20th	Walter Anderson	21st	Michael and Pam Ross
6th	Robert Ward	20th	Christopher Andersen	24th	Robert and Joyce Pirolo
9th	Maurice Tessier	21st	William Smith	24th	Jerome and Kathleen Koch
10th	Rafael Contreras	22nd	Mark Busch	26th	Theodore and Betty Medina
10th	Vernon Johnson	22nd	Gilson Neill	26th	Glen and Janet Knowlton
11th	Juan Favela	24th	Mareko Mareko	28th	Juan and Karen Lezcano
12th	Duc Nguyen	26th	David Green	29th	Lawrence and Linda Weigel
14th	Craig Schiedermaver	27th	Dante Cabasco		
3rd	Suzie Shattock	19th	Jeanne Martin		
4th	Christina Dowbiggin	21st	Kirsten Baune		
15th	Cindy Herrera	23rd	Karen Schiedermaver		
18th	Nancy Pinney	25th	Meschelle Miloscia		
19th	(Mary) Ann Martin	25th	Darlene Jowell		

## Council Calendar of Events

### November 2005

2nd	<b>General Meeting ***NOTE CHANGE***</b>	<b>7:30pm Narthex and Rosary 7:00pm Chapel</b>
15th	Planning Meeting	7:30pm in Room "A" - 1st Degree at 7:00pm
20th	St V de Paul Thanksgiving Basket Delivery	St. Vincent's Hall
24th	Happy Thanksgiving	

### December 2005

6th	General Meeting	7:30pm Narthex and Rosary 7:00pm Chapel
8th	Blood Drive	St. Vincent's Hall
18th	St V de Paul Christmas Basket Delivery	St. Vincent's Hall
20th	Planning Meeting	7:30pm in Room "A" - 1st Degree at 7:00pm
25th	Merry Christmas	

Check out our website at <http://www.kc7528.org> for all of these events and more!

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