



Columbus Crusader-February 2007

Our Lady of Light Council 10498 in Estero, Florida

From the Grand Knight:

Greetings Brothers and Families,

Much is going on at this time of the year and hopefully we will continue to grow, expand and further the goals of the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Faith.

This past month saw our degree team do a great job in helping to install a new council, in a new parish in Naples. Welcome to St. Agnes Council and parish. As a council we will be prepared to help them in any way we can. As I write this, I reflect on this evening. We had our spaghetti dinner tonight, which appeared to go over very well, but perhaps more important, the first masses were said in the new church. All I talked to were amazed at the beauty of the church. So much work, sweat and sleepless nights have gone into this. Let's not forget all the sacrifices that made this all possible and be ready to help if needed to make the transition smooth. Many things are upcoming for our council. We have the "Handicapped Drive," the Easter Egg Hunt, a membership blitz, basket ball free throw and I know more that is creeping up on me that I just can't recall. Brothers, find some time, make some time for the "Handicapped Drive." We can give no more of ourselves, than to help those less fortunate than ourselves. Everyone needs to dedicate some time to this drive. It will make you feel proud to be a Knight and to be a Catholic, but only if you spend a few hours of your time to help those who truly need help. Is one golf game really that important, one trip to the beach, that you can't donate some time to help out this cause? Think, if your child was handicapped, would you not appreciate those that help make their life a little easier?

We need a chairman to run the Easter Egg Hunt. This is a great event for the church, the Knights and more importantly for the youth of the area. Those that really enjoy working with kids, step up and take on this event. You will be rewarded 10 fold. Step forth and be counted.

Brothers, for years, we have been one of the best councils in Florida. In order to keep this trend going, we need help from every brother and their family. Only by hard work can we keep our Council, our Lady of Light Parish at the top of the Knights of Columbus. Let's keep your council at the top. Dedicate a few hours to help those who need us who can help.

Fraternally,
Al Delago



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News Letter Boosters

Don Abberger, Thomas Aiello, James Angers, Charles Arabic, Cam Aucremanne, Larry Augustyn, Bill Baker Jr, John Baker, William Bannon, Les Barnett, Pat Becker, Daniel Beiter, Denis Benoit, John Benoit, Richard Benoit, Jack Berg, Leo Berger, Bob Bonza, Joe Boss II, Joe Boss III, Skip Boyd, John Bradford, Thomas Brewer, Glenn Bright, John Brown, George Brush, Steve Burmeister, Michael Burszyn, Dennis Cantwell, Lawrence Cantwell, Bruce Carr, Tony Cilluffo, Norm Colby, Michael Conley, Ronald Cormier, James Corneillie, John Costa, Gary Crawford, Steve Cunningham, Peter D'Blia, Al Delago, Joseph Drago, Peter Dresch, Roy Eidem, Joe Enos, Dave Erickson, Jeffrey Estler, Robert Evans, Tim Farley, Paul Farr, Brian Farrar, Pat Fortuna, Everett Foster, Lou Fratterelli, Timothy Freeland, David Ged, Larry Getgen, Merle Giallonardo, Joe Grohal, Art Habighorst, James Hanley, James Hawkins, Dean Hinderman, Bob Hoffman, William Hoogland, James Howell, Ralph Hutchins, Nat Ippolito, Sean James, Gordon Jirak, Donald Joerger, Roland Jolie, Dan Kerinck, Bill Kienle, Donald King, Thomas Kinsella, Kenneth Kirgin, Todd Klare, Scott Klare, Joe Klempka, Nick Kondogan, Gary Kroeger, Gary Krueger, Nicholas Krueger, Brent Labreche, Bruce Labreche, Ralph Lacivita, William Lewis, John Lipric, Ronald LoFranco, Jeffery Maas, Pat Maley, Richard Malone, Jack Mancini, Jerry Martin, Alvin McCarthy, John McGrellis, Edward McQuillan, Edward Mikovich, Alexander Miller, Wyman Miller, Matt Mullen, Richard Nuckols, Bob Oshinsky, Greg Pearl, Vince Perfetto, Joe Perkowski, Matt Pierson, Anthony Pietroniro, Ted Pizza, Ray Pothier, Kevin Powers, Leon Quesnette, Edward Riley, Joseph Roach, Edward Roggemann, Fritz Roka, Raymond Ross, Glenn Sabatka, James Sauerwald, Martin Schneider, Syd Schotfield, Lloyd Schultenover, Edward Sedillo, James Seymour, Steve Shaw, David Siler, Phil Simonson, William Stanley, Michael Stanton, James Stathopoulos, John Sullivan, Jerry Tant, Peter Thompson, Edward Trimner, Javier Ubarri, John Uzdilla, George Van Nest, James Wahlig, Stan Walker, James Welling, Ronald Willing, Skip Zornow

Knight Christmas Tree Workers

(Partial List as of 12/20/06 by Bob Bonza)

John Baker, Pat Becker, Jim Bonham, Bob Bonza, Steve Burmeister, Les & Liz Burnett, Bill Corbett

Linda Corn, Al Delago, Dave & Kathie & Katie Erickson, Tim Freeland, Dave & Gene Ged,

Art Habighorst, Ashley Hodus, John & Son Hotis, Sean James, Patty Jones, Steve Jones, Scott Klare,

Nick Klare, Joe Klempa, Nick Kondogan, Gary Kroeger, Brent Labreche and Family,

Pat & Cathy Maley, Phil Martin, Don Martin, Bert Martin, Rhonda Martin, Missy Mastroianni.

Richard Mastroianni, Jim McDonagh & Son, Father Hugh McGuigan, Brandon Moorfoot,

Matt & Nina Mullen, Vince Perfetto, Leon Quiznette, Diane Rivers, Fritz Roka, Jay Saurwald,

Don Simonson, Phil Simonson, John Schmidt, June Schmidt, Jeff Sommer,

John Uzilla, Ron Willing

We thank all these people, their families and friends for lending the Knights their welcomed help. It would not have been possible without them.

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Council Officers:

Al Delago, GK	267-0532
Nick Kondogan, DGK	390-1032
Fr. Hugh, Chaplain	*****
Dave Erickson, DD	267-1418
Pat Becker, FS	948-7534
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Pat Maley, Wrđ,	267-1160
Bruce Carr, IG.	495-3257
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John Baker, 1Yr Trt	267 7638
Jay Sauerwald, Lctr.	495-8010
Brent Labreche, FA	947-3386

Knight of the Month

For February: Knight of the month is: Kevin Powers

For February: The Family of the month is: Dave Erickson

Congratulations to these Knights and their families.

Coming Activities

February:

Business Meeting - 1st 7:30 PM
 Officers Meeting- 22nd 7:30 PM
 Pancake Breakfast-February 25
 From 7:30 AM to Noon

March:

March 1st Business meeting
 March 29th Officers meeting
 March 17th Saint Patricks Dinner
 from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM
 More information will be provided as the time nears.

February Birthdays



Alvin J. McCarthy	1
Jes Jensen Sr.	1
Cam Aucremanne Sr.	2
Joseph Perkowski	5
Tulio G. Suarez	6
Jeffery Mass	7
David Nolan	10
Rev. Leon Bonikowski	11
John Coppage	15
Glen Sabatka	16
Matt Pierson	20
Daniel Beiter	28

Tootsie Roll Drive Locations & Captains

Grand Oaks Publix-Kevin Powers
 phone : 498-8718
 Corkscrew Publix-Steve
 Burmeister- phone: 498-5344
 Grand Bay Publix- No Captain yet
 Albertson's Near Coconut Ford-
 Gordy Jirak -phone: 495-9270
 Sweet Bay on Three Oaks Art
 Habighorst—phone: 992-1710
 Our Lady of Light-Jim
 Strathopoulos-phone: 267-0786
 Ace Hardware on 41-Jim
 McDonagh
 Estero Post Office- No Captain yet

With exception of the Post office, all worker will be on two hour shifts.

There is plenty of time left to fill the Captain positions and to call the captains and offer your help in a particular location near your home.

The Knights of Columbus Council 10498 of Our Lady of Light will conduct it's annual Handicapped Citizens Tootsie Roll Drive on Feb. 23, 24 & 25. It is the goal of this program to assist these wonderful people, in the development of their physical, mental and social skills in order to become productive citizens. The monies collected, go toward the following activities:

1. Special Equestrian
2. Special Olympics
3. Challenger Baseball
4. Gabriel House

Through our members, families, friends and other partners in charity, we thank you all for your concern and participation in this drive.

Thanks.

Cass Swamba, Chairman

From the Chancellor:

First, a hearty THANKS for the turn out at our Spaghetti dinner on Sat' Jan. 27th. It is good to see more participants. We hope for a First Degree Exemplification on Tue.Feb. 20th at St. Leo's. A great time for new members to join the fold.

Sir Knight, John Coppage is on the first floor (104A) of Lee Convalescent Center at 2826 Cleveland Ave. He dearly requests visits from fellow Knights. He has a Birthday on Feb 15th.

Welcome to Tulio Suarez the new Field rep. Prayers requested for Ed Mikovich, his wife and Art Carr, our Color Corps Commander.

March 4th is the dedication of our new Church. Ash Wednesday is 21st of Feb. beginning of lent. Remember our ill and recovering in your prayers.

Fraternally,
Bob Bonza