Columbus Crusader

Newsletter of Our Lady of Light Council 10498 in Estero, FL

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September 2006

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Grand Knight: Al Delago (267-0532) Deputy G.K.: Nick Kondogan (390-1032) Chancellor: Bob Bonza (948-3381) Recorder: Leon Quesnette (947-9780) Treasurer: Gary Krueger (947-1845) Advocate: Art Habighorst (992-1710) Warden: Pat Maley, Jr. (267-1160) Fin. Secretary: Pat Becker (948-7534)	Council 10498 2006-2007 Officers	Outside Chaplaii Trustee Trustee Trustee Lector: . Field Ag	n: Fr. Hugh Mc0 3 yrs.: Scott Kla 2 yrs.: Tim Free 1 yr.: John Bake Jay Sauerwald (4 gent: Brent Labr	ovich (482-8483) Guigan (267-7088) re (267-1753) land (267-9899) er (267-7638) 495-8010)

General Membership Meetings: 1st Thursday of each month 7:30 PM Business 8:30 PM Social

Attention Members

To reduce costs in publishing the newsletter, we are requesting that any Knight willing to receive the Crusader as an e-mail submit his name and e-mail address to our Financial Secretary Pat Becker at patbecker50@comcast.net.

Also, please submit dues on time to avoid suspension, and update Pat of any change of address, phone, or degree level. Members requesting prayer for their brother knights should make mention at the next Council meeting or call Pat Becker and they will be published in the Crusader.

From the Chancellor:

If you know of any illness, hospital stays, deaths, or special deeds among our members, please advise Bob Bonza (239) 948-3381 or e-mail at bobbonza@yahoo.com. Also, I would like to clear up any misconception members may have in advancing in their degrees. For the first three degrees, there is no minimum time required in your current degree before taking the next degree. Further there is no cost to a member to advance in his first three degrees. So--what are you waiting for? The lessons learned in your advanced degrees will help you to become a better Knight.

Upcoming Events

Aug 27-- Pancake Breakfast

Aug 31--Officers Meeting

Sep 7 --Membership meeting **Sep 12--** 2nd Degree at Elizabeth Ann

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Sep 17-- Pancake Breakfast

Sep 19 -- 1st Degree at St. Leo's

Sep 23 -- 4th Degree at Coral Springs Oct 14 -- 3rd degree at St. Leo's@1 PM Oct 28 -- 5K Halloween Fun Run at

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Brother Knights...

Prior to the start of this month's General Membership meeting, representatives from Challenger Baseball, Special Equestrians, and Special Olympics were presented checks resulting from this year's Handicapped Drive donations.

At this month's general membership meeting, a motion was made and carried to consider a resolution to change the By-Laws of the Council and to vote on these changes at the September 2006 general membership meeting. Please see attachment to this newsletter for the wording of the proposed changes.

A second motion was made and carried to vote on a resolution stating that approval of the Council 2006-2007 Budget at the September 2006 general membership meeting would give prior authorization by the membership for transfers of funds from the Treasury in excess of the current limits of Article VII. Sec.3 of the By-Laws (\$200). Approval of this resolution would allow transfers of funds from the Treasury to the limits of the line-item amounts in the Expenses section of the Budget without a special vote for approval of

each item. Please see attachment to this newsletter for the 2006-2007 budget. Remember, to vote, you have to be at the meeting -- no proxies!

The pancake breakfast held July 30 after both Masses had gross receipts of \$86. Let's make our September and October events successful fund-raisers for the Council.

The Council has filled the following positions for the Service Personnel Program.

Program Director-Nick Kondogan, Community Director-Steve Burmeister Pro-Life Couple-Sean and Catherine James

Council Director-Ron LoFranco
Public Relations-Leon Quesnette
Youth Director-Ed Roggemann
Columbian Squires- Ed Roggemann
Membership Director-Joe Klempka
Recruitment Committee-Jim
Stathopoulos

Retention Chairman-Don Joerger
Insurance Promotion-Brent Labreche
Lecturer-Jay Sauerwald
The Vocation Chairman, Health
Services, Family Director, and
Recruitment Committee(2 positions
remain yours to fill. You need only be
a 1st degree member for the Service
Program. Please step forward and
make our Council a great one!
The Ladies Auxiliary is looking for
new members, and September starts the

new season for the Ladies. Bring your

wife, mother, daughter, or girlfriend to the next Knight's membership meeting (Sept. 7) and have them meet the other ladies. For further information, please call Kathy Erickson at 267-1418.

Council News

Knight of Month-- **Pat Becker**Family of Month -- **Brent Labreche Family**

1st Degree Taken (June 20) -- Skip Boyd and Sean James Readmission Accepted-- Steven Cunningham

Transfer Out -- James Cathell

Brother **James Hanley**, an officer of the Fort Myers Police Dept. has been serving a nine month tour of duty in Operation Enduring Freedom and will be returning at the end of October, just in time for the KofC Halloween 5K Fun Run. Thank you Jim for bringing freedom to a too-long terrorized people.

Happy Birthday!

Gordon E. Jirak	9/1
George W. Brush	9/4
Carl G. Puricelli	9/5
Kevin M. Powers	9/6
John J. Brown	9/9
Donald L. Abberger	9/9

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Knights for Life

Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson on July 19 thanked President Bush for vetoing H.R. 810, the so-called "Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act," which would have, for the very first time, provided federal funds for research in which human embryos are destroyed.

"This stem-cell bill is eminently worthy of President Bush's first veto," Anderson said. "It would provide federal funding for the very first time for research involving the deliberate destruction of living human embryos, a practice that is terribly wrong. It is profoundly immoral to create human life in order to destroy it, whatever the theoretical benefit might be. Actual benefits from stem-cell research have thus far come entirely from ethical research on adult stem cells, which has produced dozens of successful therapies for a variety of diseases.

"Every human life, no matter how small, should be protected in law. Unfortunately, in America the destruction of unborn human life is perfectly legal, whether in a laboratory or in an abortion clinic," Anderson continued. "This bill would add insult to injury by forcing the taxpayers to pay for the destruction, and that is unconscionable."

Anderson concluded, "President Bush has done the right thing in vetoing this measure, and it appears that his veto will not be overridden. The Knights of Columbus, one of the largest pro-life organizations in the world, appreciates the President's action, and calls upon members of Congress to focus on stemcell research that does not violate basic human dignity."

At the death of a Brother Knight, notify the Grand Knight or the next in charge, who will then contact the family and offer sympathy and help from the Council. The Council member contacting the family should ask whether a wake will be held and if so. whether the family would like the Council to do a rosary service. If a Mass will be offered the family should be asked if they would like a resolution of condolence to be presented. Any ceremonial presentation requested should be done only with permission of the clergy. If the deceased Brother is a 4th Degree member, the Grand Knight will notify the Insurance Field Agent and the Faithful Navigator of the Assembly.

Our Newsletter Boosters

DON ABBERGER, THOMAS AIELLO, JAMES ANGERS, CHARLES ARABIE, 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, JOHN BROWN, GEORGE BRUSH, STEVE BURMEISTER, MICHAEL BURSZTYN, DENNIS CANTWELL, LAWRENCE CANTWELL, BRUCE CARR, TONY CILLUFFO, NORM COLBY, MICHAEL CONLEY, RONALD CORMIER, JAMES CORNEILLIE, JOHN COSTA, GARY CRAWFORD, PETER D'ELIA, AL DELAGO, JOSEPH DRAGO, PETER DRESCH, ROY EIDEM, JOE ENOS, DAVE ERICKSON, JEFFREY ESTLER, ROBERT EVANS, PAUL FARR, PAT FORTUNA, EVERETT FOSTER, LOU FRATTERELLI, TIMOTHY FREELAND, DAVID GED, MERLE GIALLONARDO, JOE GROHAL, ART HABIGHORST, JAMES HANLEY, JAMES HAWKINS, DEAN HINDERMAN, WILLIAM HOOGLAND, JAMES HOWELL, NAT IPPOLITO, GORDON JIRAK, DONALD JOERGER, ROLAND JOLIE, DAN KERINUK, BILL KIENLE, DONALD KING, 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 LIPRIE, RONALD LO FRANCO, RICHARD MALONE, JACK MANCINI, JERRY MARTIN, ALVIN MC CARTHY, JOHN MC GRELLIS, EDWARD MC QUILLAN, EDWARD MIKOVICH, ALEXANDER MILLER, WYMAN MILLER, MATT MULLEN, RICHARD NUCKOLS, BOB OSHINSKY, VINCE PERFETTO, JOE PERKOWSKI, MATT PIERSON, RAY POTHIER, KEVIN POWERS, LEON QUESNETTE, EDWARD RILEY, JOSEPH ROACH, EDWARD ROGGEMANN, FRITZ ROKA, RAYMOND ROSS, GLENN SABATKA, JAMES SAUERWALD, MARTIN SCHNEIDER, SYD SCHOFIELD, LLOYD SCHULTENOVER, EDWARD SEDILLO, JAMES SEYMOUR, STEVE SHAW, DAVID SILER, PHIL SIMONSEN, 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

WHEREAS Our Lady of Light Council 10498 of the Knights of Columbus wishes to

- 1) increase the annual dues paid by Honorary Members from \$9 to \$10
- 2) change the compensation given the Financial Secretary from 8% to 5% of the money collected on dues
- 3) explain the terms of elected and appointed officers
- 4) simplify the election process by removing the exception and using a simple majority to elect
- 5) remove the organist from the list of appointive officers selected by the Grand Knight
- 6) remove the requirement for additional bonding of the Treasurer and Financial Secretary by the Council
- 7) remove the words "before each meeting" from the requirement that the Grand Knight file with the Recorder a list of candidates to be balloted on at any meeting
- 8) change the time for meetings from 8:00 PM to 7:30 PM and the date of the second meeting of the month from the third Thursday to the last Thursday
- 9) in the case of meetings scheduled on legal or religious holidays change the date held to the following Thursday for the first meeting and to the preceding Thursday for the last meeting
- 10) allow approval of applications for membership at meetings by voice vote instead of by ballot unless there is a not a clear aye or nay for the candidate
- 11) allow the Treasurer to deposit moneys received from the Financial Secretary at other secure institutions of deposit in addition to banks and clarify that checks written on the Council must have two signatures
- 12) change the limit from \$200 to \$500 for non-current funds allowed to be transferred from the Treasury without a two-thirds approval at a general membership meeting of a proposed amount previously read at a preceding general membership meeting
- 13) remove the requirement that bills be presented to the Recorder and by him read before the Council before being given to the trustees for approval for payment and instead read to the Council by the Grand Knight after trustee approval
- 14) increase the size of the "Relief Fund" from \$100 to \$3000 and the maximum individual assistance from \$25 to \$500
- 15) regarding funerals and services for deceased member, remove references to a Memorial Committee and change actions taken by the Council regarding family of deceased member and permission of clergy
- 16) Change the times for Corporate Communion

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1) Article I. Section 3. Be changed to read:

"Each member shall pay annual dues. The same to be payable quarterly in advance at the first regular meetings in July, October, January, and April. The annual dues of members shall be \$25.00, excepting insured members under 26 years of age whose dues will be half that (\$12.50), honorary members who shall pay \$10.00, and honorary life members who shall pay nothing. Except as above stated, the dues of associate and insurance members shall be the same."

2) Article I. Sec. 4. Be changed to read:

The officers shall receive annual compensation, payable in quarterly installments at the end of each quarter, as follows: Financial Secretary: from the council an amount equal to 5% of the moneys collected on account of dues from both insurance and associate members, payable in quarterly installments at the end of each quarter.

- 3) Article II. Section 1. Be changed to read:
- "(A) All Officers of the Council with the exception of the Financial Secretary, Lecturer and Chaplain shall be elected annually, by ballot. The annual election of officers shall take place at a regular business meeting held between May 15th to and including June 15th of each year, and with the exception of the Financial Secretary (assigned by Supreme to 3 year term) and the Trustees who shall serve for terms not to exceed 3 years as provided for by Section 145, and said officers shall hold their offices for the term of one year from the first day of July following their election and until their successors are duly elected and qualified.
- (B) Not less than 2 months before the annual election, the Grand Knight shall appoint a Nominating Committee of three, who shall prepare a slate of candidates for the elective council offices. This slate shall be presented to the council not later than the regular business meeting preceding the meeting at which annual elections are to take place. Other nominations may be made from the floor and nominations may not be closed until the election meeting has convened and the members are ready to ballot."
- 4) Article II Sec. 2. Be changed to read:
- "The election of officers shall be by ballot. A majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to elect."
- 5) Article III. Sec. 3. Be changed to read:
- "The appointive officers shall be as follows: Financial Secretary, Lecturer and Chaplain.

The Financial secretary shall be appointed by the Supreme Knight.

The Chaplain shall be selected by the Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight and Board of Trustees, in accordance with any rules established by the Bishop of the Diocese. The Grand Knight shall select the Lecturer."

- 6) Article III. Sec. 4. (Delete Section.)
- 7) Article III. Sec. 6. Be changed to read:
- "Except when notice of application shall be published as provided by Section 110 of the Laws and Rules, it shall be the duty of the Grand Knight, as early as practicable, to file with the Recorder a list of candidates to be balloted upon at any meeting."
- 8) Article IV. Section 1. Be changed to read:

"Regular meetings of the council shall be held on the first and last Thursday of each month. The first meeting each month shall be a regular business meeting. All meetings shall commence at 7:30 PM. Twelve members shall constitute a quorum at business meetings."

9) Article IV. Sec. 8. Be changed to read:

"If the first meeting of the month shall fall on a legal or religious holiday, said meeting shall be held on the second Thursday of the month. If the last meeting of the month shall fall on a legal or religions holiday, said meeting shall be held on the next to last Thursday of the month. The Council by vote at a previous meeting may annul a meeting or fix a different date for a meeting."

10) Article V. Section 1. Be changed to read:

"Applications for membership in the Council shall be read at the beginning of each meeting by the Grand Knight, Membership Director, or other presiding officer. Members will be allowed time for discussion of each application and a voice vote will be taken after discussion is completed. If the voice vote does not show a clear aye or nay for the candidate, then a paper ballot system will be used. The Grand Knight will assign two tellers to collect and tabulate the paper ballots and the final result of the ballot will be presented to the council. The final yes or no vote tabulation will not be presented to the council and the ballots will be destroyed."

11) Article VII. Sec. 2. Be changed to read:

"The Treasurer shall deposit all moneys received from the Financial Secretary in a secure institute of deposit, to the credit of the council. Disbursements from this fund shall be made only by check signed by the Grand Knight and Treasurer. Two signatures will be required on all checks written on the account of the Council. The depository institution shall be furnished with a copy of this section."

12) Article VII. Sec. 3. Be changed to read:

"No money in excess of \$500 shall be paid or transferred from the Treasury of this Council, (except such moneys as the Council is called upon to regularly pay for its current expenses and as provided by the laws of the order or for the purposes approved by the Supreme Council of Board of Directors), unless by a 2/3 vote of the members present and voting at a regular business meeting held subsequent to a regular business meeting at which notice in writing of a resolution of intention to pay or transfer such money and the purposes and amount to be paid or transferred shall have been given and regularly read."

13) Article VII. Sec. 4. Be changed to read:

"All requests for transfer of funds will be presented to the board of Trustees, and after approval by the Trustees be presented to the Grand Knight for presentation to the Council. In case a bill is not approved by the Board of Trustees, it shall be referred to the Council for action."

14) Article VII. Sec. 5. Be changed to read:

"The sum of \$100.00 shall be paid from the General Fund to the Financial Secretary and shall be known as the "Relief Fund". The "Relief Fund" shall be for the purpose of rendering mutual aid and assistance to the Council's sick disabled and or needy members, widows or families, or families of deceased members. Additional funding of 5% of the net proceeds from all Council sponsored fund raisers, or any amounts from private donations, shall also be transferred to the fund. When the fund reaches a total cap of \$3000.00, additional funding shall cease. When after reaching \$3000.00, the fund falls below that amount, additional funding shall commence until the fund again reaches \$3000.00. Funding will commence whenever needed to maintain the fund balance of \$3000.00. No additional funding shall be made when the Fund has a balance of \$3000.00.

The Grand Knight, Treasurer, and Trustees shall constitute a Relief Committee. They shall investigate the case of any brother, or surviving member of a brother's family, who is reported to be in distress, or in need of relief, and if in their judgment, the case is one deserving of assistance, they shall have power to draw from this Relief Fund such reasonable sum of money to afford assistance as the circumstances of the case may require, provided, that in no single case shall more than \$500.00, or half the existing amount in the fund, whichever is less, be paid out without reference to and approval of the Council."

15) "Article VIII. Section 1. At the death of a brother Knight, the Grand Knight or the next in charge, must be contacted, who will then contact the family and offer sympathy and help, inquire as to whether a wake service will be held and whether the family would like the Council to do a rosary service at the wake. The family should also be asked whether a Mass will be offered and if they would like the Council to present a Resolution of Condolence at the Mass. Rosary services and Condolence Resolution presentation can only be done at the request of the family and with permission of the Clergy.

The Council (GK) or (FS) will notify the Insurance Field Agent and the Faithful Navigator if the deceased brother is a 4th degree member.

Article VIII. Sec. 2. The Council shall arrange for the celebration during the month of November of each year of a Mass or the Repose of the souls of the deceased members and shall cause five days notice to be given to the members of the time and place of such Mass. The Mass shall be celebrated by the Chaplain unless he is indisposed."

16) Article VIII. Sec. 4. Be changed to read:

"Once per quarter, the Council will receive Holy Communion as a body at a time and place to be voted on by the Council."

VOTING TO MAKE SUCH CHANGES TO THE BY-LAWS TO TAKE PLACE AT THE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE COUNCIL THE FIRST THURSDAY OF SEPTEMBER (9/7/2006) AT 7:30 PM AT THE HOPKINS CENTER OF OUR LADY OF LIGHT CATHOLIC COMMUNITY.

Revenues	
Dues	\$4,200.00
FAYAK	\$800.00
Newsletter	\$850.00
Bingo	\$350.00
50/50	\$300.00
5K Race	\$4,500.00
Pancake Brkfst	\$2,000.00
Oblate Golf Tournament	\$8,000.00
Handicap Drive	\$5,200.00
Christmas Tree Lot	\$4,000.00
Winterfest Dinner	\$2,000.00
Spaghetti Dinners	\$1,000.00
Misc. Contributions	\$200.00
Total Revenues	\$33,400.00
Expenses	Ψ00,400.00
FAYAK	\$1,000.00
Newsletter	\$500.00
Postage	\$300.00
Non Profit Stamp	\$300.00 \$150.00
Office Supplies	\$150.00
	\$250.00 \$500.00
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Council Storage Expense	\$2,500.00 \$3,000.00
5K Race Expense	\$2,000.00
Spaghetti Dinner Expense	\$250.00
Supreme Per Capita	\$650.00
Catholic Advertising	\$180.00 \$1.100.00
State Per Capita	\$1,100.00
Our Mother's Home	\$350.00
Handicap Drive	\$5,200.00
Oblate Golf Tournament	\$8,000.00
Estero Mustangs	\$750.00
San Carlos Little League	\$750.00
Liberty Ball Sponsor	\$100.00
K of C Charities Respect Life	\$200.00
Life Insurance Fr. Angelo	\$200.00
Life Insurance Fr. Hugh	\$200.00
OLOL Golf Classic Sponsor	\$500.00
First Degree Refreshments	\$250.00
Recruitment Refreshments	\$150.00
K of C Casualty Insurance	\$300.00
Oblate Christmas Appeal	\$100.00
Pancake Breakfast Expense	\$800.00
Winterfest Dinner Expense	\$500.00
Catholic Faith Appeal	\$1,000.00
Member assistance	\$1,000.00
Special Insurance	\$300.00
3 D Running Club	\$400.00
Refund Support Vocations Program	\$500.00
Misc. Donations	\$2,470.00
Total Expenses	\$33,400.00



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Quick Look-Activities Calendar 2006/2007

July 06 July 04 Parade Decorate Float July 06 Business meeting-7:30PM July 27 Officers Meeting- 7:30 PM July 30 Pancake Breakfast all Masses	Aug. 06 Aug 03-Business meeting- 7:30PM Aug 13 Corporate Communion-10:30 Mass Aug 13 Installation of Officers after 10:30 Aug 22 4 th Degree Meeting –Room 307/309 Aug 27 Pancake Breakfast all Masses Aug 31 Officers Meeting-7:30 pm	Sept. 06 Sept 7 Business Meeting 7:30pm Sep 17 Pancake Breakfast all Masses Sep 22 4th Degree in Coral Springs Sep 28 Officers Meeting 7:30 pm	Oct. 06 Oct 5 Business meeting 7:30 pm Oct 14 Spaghetti Dinner 6pm to 12m in PH Oct 26 Officers Meeting 7:30 pm Oct 28 5K race-6:00am to 11:am Bathrms Oct 29 Pancake Breakfast all Masses
Nov. 06 Nov 2 Business meeting 7:30 pm Nov 11 Oldies Dance-6:00pm to M-in PH Nov 18 Membership Blitz- All Masses Nov 19 Membership Blitz-All masses Nov 26 Pancake Breakfast-all Masses Nov 30 Officers Meeting 7:30 pm	Dec. 07 Dec 14 Business Meeting 7:30pm Dec 21 Christmas Party 7:00 to 9:00pm Dec 28 Officers Meeting 7:30pm	Jan. 07 Jan 4 Business Meeting 7:30pm Jan 23 4 th Degree Meeting 7 to 9pm Jan 25 Officers Meeting 7:30pm	Feb.07 Feb 1 Business Meeting 7:30pm Feb 22 Officers Meeting 7:30 pm Feb 25 Pancake Breakfast all Masses
Mar.07 Mar 1 Business Meeting 7:30pm Mar 17 St. Pats Dinner-6pm to 9pm Mar 25 Pancake Breakfast all Masses Mar 29 Officers Meeting 7:30pm	Apr.07 Apr 12 Business meeting 7:30pm Apr 14 Membership Blitz all Masses Apr 15 Membership Blitz all Masses Apr 15 Corporate Communion-10:30 Mass Apr 22 Pancake Breakfast all Masses Apr 26 Officers Meeting 7:30pm	May.07 May 3 Business Meeting 7:30pm May 22 4 th Degree Meeting 7:00 to 9:pm May 27 Pancake Breakfast all Masses May 31 Officers Meeting 7:30pm	Jun.07 Jun 7 Business Meeting 7:30pm Jun 24 Pancake Breakfast all Masses Jun 28 Officers Meeting 7:30pm

Note: Above information is related to use of facilities at Our Lady of Light. Please come to Council meetings and consult the Crusader Newsletter for dates related to Christmas Tree Lot sales, Handicapped Drive, Golf Tournament, Soccer Kick, Basketball Free Throw Contest, and the many other Knight-sponsored events.