

Columbus Crusader

Newsletter of Our Lady of Light Council 10498 in Estero, FL
Roman Catholic Brothers in Christ, Chartered in 1990



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

August 2006

Charity

Fraternity

Unity

Patriotism

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

Inside Guard: Bruce Carr (495-3257)
Outside Guard: Ed Mikovich (482-8483)
Chaplain: Fr. Hugh McGuigan (267-7088)
Trustee 3 yrs.: Scott Klare (267-1753)
Trustee 2 yrs.: Tim Freeland (267-9899)
Trustee 1 yr.: John Baker (267-7638)
Lector: Jay Sauerwald (495-8010)
Field Agent: Brent Labreche (947-3386)
District Deputy : Dave Erickson (267-1418)

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 please read my introductory letter included with this issue of the Crusader.

Upcoming Events

Jul 27--Officers Meeting

Aug 3 --Membership meeting

Aug 15-- 1st Degree at St. Leo's

Aug 20 -- Council Picnic at Three Oaks Pine Glen from 2 to 6 PM

Oct 14 -- 3rd degree at St. Leo's

Oct 28 -- 5K Halloween Fun Run at OLOL

Brother Knights...

At our last Council meeting a motion was made and approved to donate \$500 to the current Diocesan Catholic Faith Appeal. This was to supplement the \$100 approved last meeting, but which

upon further review, was determined inadequate in terms of previous commitments.

A budget is being prepared for mailing to all members as well as revisions to Council by-laws. These will be mailed or e-mailed to all members for approval in the coming months.

As of this date 36 members are in arrears on their dues payments and 16 of these are more than one year in arrears. First Notices went out in mid-May and Second Notices were sent out in mid-June. Failure to pay dues is ipso facto cause for suspension.

The Council lost many members last year due to suspensions for non-payment. The Council was limited in the number of suspensions allowed last year and had to pat assessments to the State and Supreme offices for members that did not pay their dues. We are looking forward to rebuilding the number of active members in the Council.

The Council is still looking to fill positions for the service program personnel program. These positions, listed in the May Crusader, include: Program Director, Vocations Chairman, Community Director, Pro-Life Couple, Council Director, Public Relations, Family Director, Youth Director, Columbian Squires, Membership

Director, Recruitment Committee, Retention Chairman, Insurance Promotion, and Lecturer.

Thus far only the Church Director and Family Director positions have been filled. Please step forward and make our Council a great one!

Council News

Knight of Month-- **Bob Bonza**

Family of Month -- **John and Sherri Bradford**

Applicant for Readmission Read In-- **Steven Cunningham**

Request for Withdrawal -- **Bryan Haley, Matthew LoBiondo, Charles Risch**

Transfer Out -- **Robert Kreutzer**

Happy Birthday!

Robert J. Kreutzer	08/01
David T. Klare	08/02
Jim Stathopoulos	08/03
James W. Sauerwald	08/08
Juan P. Castellon	08/09
Russell S. Klare	08/12
Nicholas C. Krueger	08/14
Michael C. Bursztyn	08/15
James W. Hanley	08/16
Nick Kondogan	08/21
Sydney F. Schofield	08/21
Javier Ubarri	08/24
John V. Picone	08/24
Dennis J. Cantwell	08/29
Joseph F. Klempka	08/30

Knights for Life

The Knights of Columbus has donated \$200,000 to an effort to educate Missouri residents about the complexities of stem-cell research.

In November, Missouri residents will be asked to vote on a ballot initiative that would amend Missouri's state constitution to promote embryonic stem-cell research.

A portion of the Knights donation will assist the efforts of the [Vitaecaring Foundation](http://www.vitaecaringfoundation.org/) to produce and air TV spots that explain the difference between adult and embryonic stem-cell research and its connection with the human cloning process called somatic cell nuclear transfer (SCNT).

"Experimenting on and cloning human embryos is unethical," Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson said. "Human embryos are living human beings, not simply 'potential human beings.' The notion of amending Missouri's constitution to protect the unethical use of human embryos for experimentation is reprehensible, and is made worse by

the fact that the amendment, which runs nearly 2,000 words, is complex, not easily understood and often misleading."

Anderson observed that "proponents of the initiative tout a provision that states, 'No person may clone or attempt to clone a human being.' But the proposed amendment explicitly allows research on embryonic stem cells 'derived from ... somatic cell nuclear transfer.'"

"SCNT is a technical term for the procedure used to produce Dolly the Sheep, the first cloned animal," Anderson added. "Thus, while purporting to ban cloning, the amendment would actually protect it."

"The amendment also uses a rhetorical device often employed by advocates of embryonic stem-cell research when it refers repeatedly to human embryos being targeted for experimentation as 'blastocysts,' suggesting that they are somehow different from what they really are: human beings at an early stage of development," Anderson pointed out.

"Finally," Anderson added, "it is now clear that the use of adult stem cells,

which do not pose ethical or moral problems, is resulting in real advances and development of therapies for a wide variety of diseases."

Additional information about the ballot initiative and stem-cell research generally can be found at Web sites of [Missourians Against Human Cloning](http://www.nocloning.org/), the [Missouri Catholic Conference](http://www.mocatholic.org/Index.htm) and the [National Catholic Bioethics Center](http://www.ncbcenter.org/stemcell.asp).

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, 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 GIALONARDO, JOE GROHAL, ART HABIGHORST, JAMES HANLEY, JAMES HAWKINS, DEAN HINDERMAN, WILLIAM HOOGLAND, JAMES HOWELL, NAT IPPOLITO, GORDON JIRAK, DONALD JOERGER, ROLAND JOLIE, DAN KERINUK, 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, SYD SCHOFIELD, LLOYD SCHULTENOVER, EDWARD SEDILLO, JAMES SEYMOUR, STEVE SHAW, DAVID SILER, PHIL SIMONSEN, MICHAEL STANTON, JAMES STATHOPOULOS, JOHN SULLIVAN, CASS SWAMBA, JERRY TANT, PETER THOMPSON, EDWARD TRIMNER, JAVIER UBARRI, JOHN UZDILLA, GEORGE VAN NEST, JAMES WAHLIG, STAN WALKER, JAMES WELLING, RONALD WILLING, SKIP ZORNOW

Knights of Columbus



Our Lady of Light Council 10498

Dear Brother Knights,

Many of you probably do not know me yet, but I hope to remedy that as soon as I possibly can. My name is Bob Bonza and I have just had the privilege of being elected Chancellor of our Council.

I am a Third Degree knight and have just recently petitioned to join the ranks of the Fourth, and will then be working toward entering the Color Corps.

My journey was a very rapid one. The first three degrees were accomplished in one week in January, and I have been working at various tasks since then.

It is my new responsibility to involve as many members in our activities as possible. Many have been exemplary in their duty to the church and to the council, but I fear that not everyone has been given the opportunity to help.

I will first inform you of our many functions and endeavor to ascertain your interests before proceeding. Of course, it is much easier if you attend our meetings and read our "Crusader" council newsletter each month!

To accomplish this tremendous task, I will need to know whether you are full or part-time in Florida, working or retired, and your E-mail address, if you have one, to keep our communication active. So please keep our Financial Secretary advised of your status.

At Council meetings and through mailings and E-mails, I will ask you to check out the information we already have for its accuracy, and ask anyone who is part time, to supply an out-of-season address with dates and phone number.

We can then offer you the opportunity to serve the council in a field in which you are interested and/or have the capacity to do so. As Chancellor, I need your strength and your efforts to accomplish the tasks before us, and with your help, I am confident that our council will certainly be ranked among the best.

It is the duty of every Brother to assist in our growing council, especially with a new church nearing completion. We all have that responsibility, and as you know, everything is much easier if we share, and will have more bountiful results.

Our Lord has placed us all in the vineyard, and it is for Him that we toil, knowing that we will receive our "day's wage," for the work that we do for others.

May He bless each of you in a special way this year and give us all the strength to do His work to the best of our ability!

Your Brother in Christ,

Bob Bonza

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