

Columbus Crusader

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



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June 2006

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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 of their brother knights should make mention at the next Council meeting or call Pat Becker and they will be published in the Crusader.

The Pancake Breakfast held after all of the Masses on April 30 was not as well attended as some of the previous and a total of \$259 was donated. At the May 4 membership meeting a motion was made and passed to give \$100 assistance to one of the victims of the recent brush fire in Lehigh Acres. Another motion that passed at the meeting was to provide Council sponsorship for the KofC Liberty Ball to be held at St. John's on July 1st.

Happy Birthday!

Denis Benoit	6/03
Roland P Jolie	6/07
Lawrence E Cantwell	6/08
Joseph A. Grohal	6/09
John F Baker	6/16
Donald P LaBonte	6/16
Robert J. Bonza	6/19
Frank C. Pomarico Jr	6/19
William P. Baker Jr	6/20
Les Barnett	6/21
Leo E. Berger	6/21
George A. VanNest	6/21
John B Mc Grellis	6/25
Glenn F. Bright	6/27
Kenneth H Kirgin	6/29

Upcoming Events

Jun 1 -- 7:30 PM Election of Officers for 2006-2007 Fraternal Year at K of C Membership Meeting

Jun 10-- 3rd Degree in Sarasota

Jun 20-- 1st Degree at St. Leo's

Jun 25-- Pancake Breakfast 9:30 AM until noon

Brother Knights...

The current fraternal year for the KofC in Florida ends on June 30, 2006. A very important membership meeting will occur June 1, when officers for the new year will be elected. Be sure to attend this meeting. As previously mentioned, there are also several service program positions open. The K of C sponsored golf tournament held at Country Creek on Saturday April 22 was a great success. 90 golfers participated in helping to raise over \$6500 to benefit the Oblate retirement home. Funds were used to furnish three hospital beds for the home.

Council News

Knight of Month-- **Brent LaBreche**

Family of Month -- **Ron and Jan**

LoFranco

1st Degree taken-- **Tom Brewer** (April 18), **Steve Burmeister** (May 16)

Reactivation request read in at May 4 general membership meeting -- **Al Delago**

Transfer Out --**Bob Hudson**

Nominations for 2006-2007 by nominating committee:

Grand Knight -- **Al Delago**

Deputy GK -- open

Chancellor -- **Bob Bonza**

Warden -- **Pat Maley**

Treasurer -- **Gary Krueger**

Recorder -- **Leon Quesnette**

Advocate -- **Art Habighorst**

Inside Guard -- **Bruce Carr**

Outside Guard -- **Nick Condi**

1 Year Trustee -- **John Baker**

2 Year Trustee -- **Tim Freeland**

3 Year Trustee -- **Scott Klare**

Knights for Life

An unprecedented coalition of religious leaders, including 16 Catholic bishops, have joined together in calling for a Constitutional amendment defining marriage as the union of one man and one woman. A letter was released calling for such an amendment was signed by 50 religious leaders and included clerics from the Catholic Church, seven Protestant denominations, the Eastern Orthodox Church, Judaism and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The letter was produced by the recently formed Religious Coalition for Marriage which describes itself as an “ad hoc, interfaith committee of America’s religious leaders who share a common concern for the well-being of marriage in our nation.” The committee was formed in the hopes of encouraging religious leaders to mobilize grassroots support for the Marriage Protection Amendment which is scheduled for a vote in the Senate on June 6.

The coalition is notable for the theological diversity of its participants. In describing its mission the coalition notes that “although we do not share full unity on a host of important theological beliefs, we all agree and affirm – with a united voice – the definition, nature and purpose of marriage”. Among the 16 Catholic bishops who were signatories to the letter, seven are Cardinals. They are Cardinal Edward Egan of New York; Cardinal Francis George of Chicago; Cardinal William Keeler of Baltimore; Cardinal Roger Mahony of Los Angeles; Cardinal Theodore McCarrick of Washington; Cardinal Sean Patrick O’Malley of Boston; and Cardinal

Justin Rigali of Philadelphia.

During a media conference, Cardinal Rigali acknowledged that with regard to politics the Catholic Church generally prefers for its bishops to teach broad, foundational principles and leave it to the laity to develop specific public policy. But he said that the threat against marriage is so real and imminent that he believed it necessary to advocate the proposed Constitutional amendment. “We are at rock bottom,” he said. “The Church sees this as the only practical way that marriage can be safeguarded and protected.”

In order to advance its grassroots strategy, the coalition set up a website, www.rcm.org, which provides action items, statements of various religious bodies, sample sermons, and other resources for clergy. One of the coalition’s principle goals is to start a postcard campaign in support of the amendment. The Knights of Columbus have already announced that in conjunction with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops they will be distributing 10 million such postcards. The postcards include a brief

statement of support for the marriage amendment and provide a place for people to sign their name, write their address and write the address of their senator. According to a statement from the Knights of Columbus the distribution of the postcards is to be a “major project of the Knights of Columbus, and all councils and assemblies are asked to make it a high priority during the next two months.” USCCB president Bishop William Skylsted sent a letter to all US bishops asking them to encourage their local pastors to cooperate in the campaign when they are contacted by local Knights.

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

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