

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.

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Officers for 2009-2010 Fraternal Year

Outside Guard: Bill Banfield (495-2914)
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General Membership Meetings:

1st Thursday of each month 7:30 PM Business, 8:30 PM Social at the Parish Center of Our Lady of Light Catholic Community.

From the Grand Knight:



Brother Knights,

Welcome Brothers it is September; we are getting in full swing again. School is back in session, and we are getting on the move. Our next Business meeting is on the 1st of October and hope to see some of our new Knights there. Committees are back in full swing and getting the programs moving for the year. We have a Big event that all knights and their families should attend and that is the INSTALLATION OF THE NEW OFFICERS of the council . It will be ON SEPTEMBER 13th

after 830 Mass. We would like all Knights go to the 8:30 Mass with their red shirts and their families. We will have a continental breakfast for all the families at the installation . It will be something to see. We will have our own Our Lady of Light Color corps there for the church and installation.

Show support for the new Officers and the council. We have some new changes to the calendar and they will be emailed and put on the web site;

<http://www.kofccouncil10498.org/>
Please visit us on the web site and let us know what you would like to see. Web site is getting more active and we want to make it easier for you to use. More information will emailed to you later if we don't have it before the printing of the Crusader. More information will be at the meeting. Thank You and see you at the meeting 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm and social after the meeting.

Leon Quesnette GK

From the Deputy Grand Knight



Editors note: Spike is on Vacation so we do not have an article from him this month.

From the Chancellor



I want to take this opportunity to give thanks to our Worthy Warden Pat Maley and his family for escorting our charity Donation committee that consisted of our Past Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, and 3 brother Knights to

the Drew Center to present our gift and take pictures of our presentation to the SPECIAL OLYMPICS organization and to photograph the playgrounds. Visiting with the Lee County coordinator for Special Olympics and her on site assistance was very heart warming to say the least. Listening to her introduction of this program was really interesting and made us feel really good to actually be on site and mingle with the children and adults who will benefit from the donation. It makes one understand why the committee and Council chose them as one of our recipients of funds for the 2008-2009 year.

One week later the presentation to 4 additional organizations that was also selected as recipients for 2008-2009 council years was completed. Accompanied by the Past Grand Knight and one brother Knight, we traveled to Health Park Hospital and met at the office of the local coordinator for THE CANDLE LIGHTERS, an organization that assists CHILDREN and families of children with cancer. This organization is local and has assisted over 400 children in our area and from our neighboring 4 counties. The Candle Lighters are an extremely important support to these children and families, as many of the families have no one else to turn to in time of need. They derive all their funds from donations such as ours with no other outside help.

Our next stop was at the office and farm for the THE SPECIAL EQUESTRIANS, an organization that administers therapeutic horseback riding to mentally and physically challenged persons in Lee County . It requires three volunteers trained by instructors certified by the North American Riding for HANDICAPPED Association to

insure the safety of one mentally and physically challenged person to mount and ride a horse. Again, this organization is supported mostly by donations. The fees charged are very nominal and no one is turned away because of non-ability to pay . This is where our donation takes over and becomes a large asset in helping the HANDICAPPED.

The next stop was at THE GABRIEL HOUSE where we finally met Emma and her foster parents and two other HANDICAPPED children. Emma has outgrown her present wheelchair and for her to continue school and other functions, it was necessary for the Gabriel House to locate and obtain a compatible wheelchair . Due to our current economy, the usual donations have not been received as they were in past years. However, due to the necessity of Emma's plight a donor did meet half of the cost of the wheelchair and The Knights of Columbus Council 10498 donated the other half of the cost. It must be noted here that without The Gabriel House, these children would have been without a home and no doubt, would not have survived or would have had a very limited life. One of the parents traveled to a South American Country to pick up a young girl, (totally blind), and while in this country taking care of paperwork etc. she was obviously considered a threat and was put in jail.

The five day trip turned into a 4 week affair, and the other parent had to charter an aircraft and physically go to this country to obtain her release. This was an expense that should have never been. We were not made aware of just how much the release cost the Gabriel

House but I am sure that this extra expense could have gone a long way in support of these children. The final visit and donation was made to THE MOTHERS HOME. If you remember, this is the facility that was developed and staffed by one of our own Parish and Knight of Columbus Brother and his wife. (Both are deceased), but the work is carrying on as per the original concept. This organization accepts young girls so they can give birth to their babies rather than consider abortions. As with all the other recipients of our donations, they are not getting donations compared to previous years. In order to continue the support for these young girls, they have had to cut down on their staff. At our visit, they have had to vacate the councilor for transitioning out of the facility into the general public. And of course, the maintenance position is also vacant.

This concludes our donations for the past years of 2008-2009 that ended July 31, 2009.

Brothers, DO NOT forget the pancake breakfast August 30, 2009. With several consistent helpers taking vacations north, we are in dire need of kitchen and floor help. This is one of our fund raisers that support the donations I just talked about above. And of course help in our contribution to help pay for our Church and the privilege of having the Parish Center for our meetings and functions like the pancake breakfast etc. The A/C is not cheap and we are expected to pay our share of that cost!

Give us a few minutes of your time. It will not go un-noticed! Please watch your e-mail for the many announcements throughout each and every month.

Stay informed about YOUR Council obligations and functions!

Bob Haug Chancellor

Committee #1

The retention committee is busy making contact with lost brothers. Our council has 15 members who are in the last stages of suspension for non payment of dues. Certified letters of “notice to suspend” have been sent and these brothers will be suspended as of Nov 1st unless their “in arrears” status is corrected. We have an additional 16 members who have not paid their 2009/2010 dues and have been classified as “Knight Alert” status.

Committee #2

Communications, Public Relations, Youth Information

No input from committee #3 this month.

Committee #3

Pro Life, Family, Vocations, Health

No input from committee #3 this month.

Committee #4

Program Directing, Council Activities & Events.

At our meeting we had a good showing.

The Installation of officers is scheduled for Sept. 13th after the 8:30 mass. All are welcome to attend, please help us welcome our new officers and join us for a breakfast and the ceremony to officially bring them on board.

Our Corp Communion in on Sept 20th, at the 10:30 mass, please wear your red shirts, and muster at the back of Church where we will process in.

On Sept. 26th our first spaghetti dinner. We need knights to help.

Sept 27th is our next pancake Breakfast. They are really becoming a success.

Please don't forget about our 5K race on Oct. 31st. Race begins at 7:30 in the morning, we need men to help, and Sponsors. Please do what you can. Thanks.

Little bro Tom

Notice

Your 2009 / 2010 dues are now past due if you have not yet paid them. To save your council the expense of sending additional notices, please pay your dues immediately. Send check to Financial Secretary Gary Kroeger at 9088 Whitfield Dr. Estero, Florida 33928.

Spaghetti Dinner is ON for Sept. 26th after the 4:00 Mass.....

Upcoming Events

Business meeting	7:30PM	9/03
Installation of Officers		9/13
1st Degree Exemplification		9/15
Corporate Communion		9/20
Committee meeting		9/24
Spaghetti Dinner	5-7 PM	9/26
Pancake breakfast		9/27

Please Remember in your Prayers our Brothers Knights and Others in need of our prayers:

- Richard Krohn
- Steve Cunningham
- Bruce Carr
- Dustin Delago
- Bob Hoffman

Our council web site is;
<http://www.kofccouncil10498.org/>

Florida State web site is;
<http://www.floridastatecouncil.com/>

Supreme's web site is;
<http://www.kofc.org/un/index.cfm>

Council News

Knight of the Month July:

Tom Owens

Family of the Month July:

Dave Williams Family

Knights on the move

These Knights have received their 4th degree on Aug 29th;

- Rev. Father Hugh McGuigan
- Sir Knight David Williams
- Sir Knight Bill Banfield
- Sir Knight Rich Dittus
- Sir Knight Rich Krause
- Sir Knight Pat Maley
- Sir Knight John A. Scavelli
- Sir Knight Scott Caycedo

Congratulations to these new Sir Knights

Happy Birthday!

Gordon Jirak	9/01
GeorgeBrush	9/04
Kevin Powers	9/06
John Brown	9/09
Donald Abberger	9/09
Paul Farr	9/14
John Scavelli	9/14
DonaldHansen	9/19
Gregory Pearl	9/23
Patrick Maley	9/24
Matthew Mullen	9/26
Jack Berg	9/28
James Reynolds	9/29
William Banfield	9/29

Our Newsletter Boosters

James M. Angers, Lawrence E. Augustyn, William C. Banfield, William P. Bannon, Patrick J. Becker, Daniel H. Beiter, John L. Benoit, Jack H. Berg, Leo E. Berger, Robert J. Bonza, Joseph W. Boss Jr, Roland W. Boyd, John K. Bradford, Thomas C. Brewer, Glenn F. Bright, John J. Brown, George W. Brush, Joseph J. Buch, Stephen G. Burmeister, Michael C. Bursztyn, Francis J. Camacho, Dennis J. Cantwell, Bruce A. Carr, Scott R. Caycedo, Anthony F. Cilluffo, Norman C. Colby, John Colletti, Morris P. Colombrita, Chandler K. Cook, Michael J. Conley, Ronald C. Cormier, John Costa, James K. Culley, Steven E. Cunningham, Peter A. D'Elia, John J. Dinneen, Richard F. Dittus, Peter J. Ennis, David A. Erickson, Jeffrey G. Estler, Robert J. Evans, Timothy P. Farley, Paul T. Farr, Brian F. Farrar, Everett J. Foster, Louis E. Frattarelli Sr, Timothy F. Freeland, Merle Giallonardo, Arthur Habighorst, Joseph W. Haley, Donald J. Hansen, Sidney L. Hauenstein, Robert E. Haug, James P. Hawkins, Dean V. Hinderman, William G. Hoogland, John M. Horan, James E. Howell, Ralph Hutchins, Natale J. Ippolito, Sean C. James, Roland P. Jolie, Derrick J. Kahl, Daniel A. Kerinuk, William J. Kienle, Donald J. King, Thomas J. Kinsella, Kenneth H. Kirgin, David T. Klare, Russell S. Klare, Julian P. Komeshak, Richard A. Krause, Gary A. Kroeger, Gary F. Krueger, Donald P. Labonte, Bruce J. Labreche, Brent Labreche, Bruce D. Labreche, Ralph A. Lacivita, William H. Lewis, John A. Liprie, Ronald J. LoFranco, Robert L. Lyons, Jeffery T. Maas, Patrick E. Maley Jr, Richard J. Malone, Herman J. Mancini, Jerry D. Martin, Mc Clure G. Mathews, Alvin J. McCarthy, John B. McGrellis, Edward E. McQuillan, Wyman L. Miller Jr, Alexander R. Miller, Matthew J. Mullens, Richard J. Nuckols Jr, Wayne W. Ostergren, Thomas H. Owens, Charles M. Paternoster, Gregory K. Pearl, Vincent G. Perfetto, Dr Anthony G. Pietroniro, Theodore F. Pizza, Frank C. Ponarico Jr, Raymond J. Pothier, Kevin M. Powers, Leon R. Quesnette Sr, Frank P. Ragonese, James M. Reynolds, Edward Riley, James Ripley, Joseph F. Roach, Edward J. Roggemann, Fritz M. Roka, Raymond C. Ross, John E. Ruegg, John C. Ruehl, John J. Ryan Jr., Glenn Sabatka, Michael E. Sabatka, James W. Sauerwald, John A. Scavelli, Kent A. Schmitt, Sydney F. Schofield, Kent Schmitt, Vincent A. Scola, Edward A. Sedillo, Dave C. Simmons, Roderick J. Stanley, Michael

In Case of Death

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.

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