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RANCHO CORDOVA, CALIFORNIA DIVISION 3**

The Political Environment

November 2007

Recently we received several requests from both the State and National Knights of Columbus leadership to contact our “elected representatives” to express opinions on various matters critical to Catholics and the Knight’s beliefs. To summarize: two bills were sitting on the Governor’s desk awaiting signature: SB 777—a “vaguely written bill” that would likely “lead to promoting discrimination against people who recognize marriage between a man and a woman as the foundation of the family”; and SB 94, which would increase Medi-Cal rates for “family-

planning” (and not for other medical treatment).

Both of these bills were opposed by the Knights, and unfortunately, both of these were signed into law.

Additionally, we received a request from the Supreme Council to contact our representatives in Washington DC, to urge their support for the “Mexico City Policy” - an Administration policy which prohibits any Non-Governmental Organization (such as charities like UNICEF or the Catholic Relief Foundation) which receives Federal grant monies, from performing or promoting abortions in foreign countries.

Now....what does this all mean? Many (if not most!) Americans feel lost in the political process. Yes, we cast our votes every four years (if we count ourselves among the normal “less than 50% voter turnout”). But that’s usually the extent of our political “activism”. Unfortunately, in our system, it is often the “squeaky wheel” that gets heard—and policies are often based on the will of a few vocal people, rather than the will of the majority. Thus the term “Silent Majority”. Of course,

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TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE

Kaitlyn Rose Riley and Jordan Ferris from the SJV Youth Club help collect money for People with Intellectual Disabilities in front of the Bel-Air store in Gold River.

Calendar

November 1 8:00 PM
Monthly Planning Mtg.
/Officers Mtg.
Dwyer Hall - Fireside Room

November 8 7:15 P.M.
General Business Meeting
Dwyer Hall - Fireside Room

November 18
Pancake Breakfast
After 8:00 am and 10:00 am Mass, in the Parish Hall

November 22
THANKSGIVING DAY!

December 5 7:15 PM
Monthly Planning Mtg.
/Officers Mtg.
Dwyer Hall - Fireside Room

December 13 7:15 P.M.
General Business Meeting
Dwyer Hall - Fireside Room

December 15
Knights Christmas Party !
Dwyer Hall - Fireside Room

December 16
Pancake Breakfast / Blood Drive
After 8:00 am and 10:00 am Mass, in the Parish Hall

December 25
MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Announcements

Heads Up!

Crab Feed

January 26, 2008

Preparations for the next Crab Feed are really starting to heat-up. Help will be needed selling tickets and various other things leading up to and the night of the feed. We really need each Knight in our council to be looking for opportunities to get raffle prizes donated. We can make better money with the raffle if we have more and better prizes. If you frequent a restaurant or other place of business, take along a letter and ask if they would be willing to donate. With enough donations we could have a silent auction. To help make the crab feed a success, contact Paul Labbe'. Tel: 916-369-7054 or E-mail: paul.labbe@med.ge.com

Mark Your Calendars!

Walk for Life West Coast

January 19, 2008

Mark your calendars for January 19th, 2008 to join Dr. Alveda King (Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s niece) as she walks for life with us in San Francisco.

Insurance Report:

A New World of Protection

Many of you have asked about the Discoverer—one of the latest additions to the Order's portfolio. The Discoverer is a new plan of insurance offered to you and your family. In a nutshell, it is the most modern method of protecting your life—a custom designed package of life insurance at low rates. You decide how much you want. You decide on the amount of your premium. We will match it the two,

Volunteers Needed:

Pancake Breakfast

With everything else happening in the countdown to Christmas, let's not forget the Pancake Breakfast! We need volunteers to help cook and serve. The Knight's Pancake Breakfast is set for the third Sunday of each month—the next one will be on Sunday, November 18. Setup starts at 7:00 am Please contact Brother Walter Nolasco at 631-9280, or just show up and put on an apron!

Wheelchair Distribution

On Veteran's Day weekend, the Knights of Columbus, in cooperation with the Wheelchair Foundation, will be distributing 2,000 wheelchairs to needy veterans in Washington DC, Chicago, Dallas, and Los Angeles.

There are thousands of veterans, especially of World War II, Korea or Vietnam, who have developed non-combat related disabilities, and are not eligible for VA-provided wheelchairs.

Volunteers Needed:

Blood Drive

Our council sponsors a blood drive every 2 months. Six blood drives a year are scheduled on the Third Sunday of February, April, June, August, October and December in conjunction with the Parish Family Breakfast which is also hosted by the council.

A person does not need to be a member of the Knights of Columbus to donate blood at our blood drives. All members of St. John Parish Community and the community of Rancho Cordova at large are invited and encouraged to donate. Donors who are members of the Knights of Columbus Donor Club are entitled to all the benefits available if and when you or a member of your family should ever need blood.

Collection for Southern California Fire Disaster

Donations are requested to help those affected by the recent fires in SoCal, particularly other Brother Knights. Send checks made payable to: California State Council-Disaster Fund 15808 Arrow Blvd., Suite A Fontana, CA 92335

Dennis Ware—Field Agent

and the Discoverer will do the rest by blending whole life and term insurance just for you.

I would like to tell you about the Discoverer, and show you how it can serve your needs.

Dennis Ware –
Field Agent and Brother Knight
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E-mail: ddware@cwnet.com

Prayer for Our Troops

Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us.
Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need.
And give us peace.
I ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior. Amen

November Birthdays

November 1 Elvira Tabilio
 November 3 Deacon David Robinson
 November 6 Vicky Barthel
 November 7 Jim Cantu
 November 8 Lucy Cantu
 November 9 Guy Jones Jr.
 November 9 Margaret Whitfield
 November 11 Teresa Houston
 November 14 Sandy Johnson
 November 14 Dennis Reed II
 November 15 Deette Labbe'
 November 18 Daniel Rangel
 November 17 Elva Wallace
 November 21 Adora Nolasco
 November 22 Dorothy Patellos
 November 23 Larry Bragg

November 24 Lednila Sahagun
 November 27 Thomas Connolly III
 November 27 Ross Johnson
 November 27 Chuck Kinney
 November 27 Lillian Meehan
 November 27 Celia Melendez
 November 29 Will Rubang
 November 29 Philip Villanueva
 November 30 Albertus Rahardja

*“Youth is a wonderful thing.
 What a crime to waste it on
 children”*

-George Bernard Shaw
 Irish Playwright
 (1856-1950)

Illness

Ken Schlim is reported to be recovering well from his recent eye surgery.

If you know of a Brother Knight or a family member who is sick or in the hospital, please contact Brother Chuck Kinney @ 635-6634

Deaths

Phyllis Jean Wells Wife of Brother Todd G. Well Passed away on October 18, 2007

Helen Marie Fenton mother of Sandi Clark and Mother-in-law of Charlie Clark California State Warden, Passed away on October 24th

Please Keep the Wells and Clark Families in Your Prayers

If you know of a death within our Knights of Columbus family, please contact Brother Chuck Kinney @ 635-6634 and the Worthy Grand Knight Brian Danzl @ 826-1470

November Anniversaries

November 01 Bill & Alice Kimsey
 November 05 Bill & Lillian Meehan
 November 08 J. Enrique & Olga Rojas
 November 10 Marcos Tan & Heldajanti Widjaja
 November 11 DeAngelo & Krystal Ellington
 November 11 Anton & Ann Pechaver
 November 11 Kenneth & Ramona Jackels
 November 13 Jim & Elvira Tabilio
 November 20 Denis & Phyllis Donovan
 November 22 Alan & Nancy Zingelman
 November 23 James & Yolanda Carlson

*“Love does not consist
 of gazing at each other,
 but in looking together
 in the same direction”*

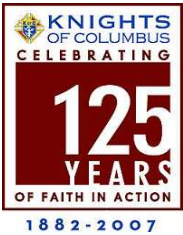
-Antoine de Saint Exupery
 French Writer & Aviator
 (1900 – 1944)

Council Officers



Heavenly Father, you create us in your own image and you desire that not even the least among us should perish. In your love for us, you entrusted your only Son to the holy Virgin Mary. Now, in your love, protect the unborn to whom you have given the gift of life.

Grand Knight	Brian (Victoria) Danzl	826-1470
Deputy Grand Knight	Paul (Deette) Labbe	369-1746
Chaplain	Fr. Martin Moroney	362-1385
Recorder	David (Lina) Gorospe	361-3584
Financial Secretary	Charles (Helga) Popp	361-2130
Treasurer	Mark (Kathy) Barros	638-3851
Chancellor/Membership	Redentor (Lednila) Sahagun	852-1068
Warden	Ken (Cathy) Schlim	363-1562
Advocate	Al (Mary Ann) Dumont	635-7813
Lecturer	Calvin Schell	635-2201
Inside Guard	Chuck (Ivy) Kinney	635-6634
Outside Guard	Steve (Diane) McDonald	857-1989
3 rd Year Trustee	Joe (Linda) Galipeau	638-1316
2 nd Year Trustee	Thomas Loftus.	961-9854
1 st Year Trustee	Frank (Elizabeth) Donagher	361-7032
District Deputy	Frank (Elizabeth) Donagher	361-7032
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The Political Environment (cont.)

By Fred Klose

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we all are very busy, and minding the government should not be one of our primary tasks—but it is. Luckily, with the internet and e-mail, the task of both keeping an eye on our elected officials, and of making our voices heard is now easier. Although you can still write letters to your Congressman, a phone call or an e-mail now accomplishes the same thing—letting them know your opinion, and more importantly (to them!), letting them know you are watching.

Although there are dozens of elected officials, here are a few key contacts to keep handy the next time you get the urge to tell the government what you think:

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger

Phone: 916-445-2841
Email from website: gov.ca.gov/interact

Senator Dianne Feinstein

Phone: (202) 224-3841
Email from website: feinstein.senate.gov/

Senator Barbara Boxer

Phone: (202) 224-3553
Email from website: boxer.senate.gov/contact

Congressman Dan Lungren

(Rancho Cordova)
Phone:(202) 225-5716
Email from Website: lungren.house.gov

Congresswoman Doris Matsui

(Sacramento)
Phone:P (202) 225-7163
E-mail from website: matsui.house.gov

Don't be afraid to contact these people—they are “Civil Servants”, their salaries are paid by you—and they are there to work for you!

Give Thanks to the Lord
For His many Gifts
Have a Joyous and Blessed
Thanksgiving!



The deadline for all correspondence for the next issue of The Banner is the 20th of the month prior. Send notices, correspondence, and commentary to:

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