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CELEBRATING 58 YEARS IN ALAMOGORDO



Knights of Columbus Insurance Agent

The Knights of Columbus has assigned a **new Field Agent for the Southeast region**. His name is **Michael Guilliams** and he can be reached at (cell) **575-442-9250** or his home address is **1407 Bellamah Dr., Alamogordo, NM 88310** or (e-mail) **Michael.guilliams@kofc.org**

ST. Mary's Council 3355

Officers for the year 2009-2010

Grand Knight	Benito Montoya
Deputy Grand Knight	Tony Herrera
Chaplain	Fr. John Peterson
Program Director	Tony Herrera
Chancellor	Alfredo Pacheco
Financial Secretary	John Schmidt
3 Year Trustee	Victor Ramirez
2 Year Trustee	Jim Lenzo
1 Year Trustee	Ken Davis
Warden	Charles Gonzales
Advocate	Thomas Moore
Recorder	Pablo Montoya
Treasurer	Steve Arnold
Inside Guard	Paul Mancuso
Outside Guard	Elias Trujillo
Lector	David Marcus

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Fourth Degree Officers 2009-2010

Faithful Navigator	Jim Lenzo
Faithful Friar	David Marcus
Faithful Captain	Jim Villabisencio
Faithful Pilot	Ken Davis
Faithful Comptroller	Dennis Clark
Faithful Purser	John Schmidt
Outer Sentinel	Carlos Pacheco
Inner Sentinel	Ruben Hernandez
Faithful Scribe	Fidel Valdez
Faithful Admiral	Bud Duryea
3 Year Trustee	Alfredo Pacheco
2 Year Trustee	Vacant
1 Year Trustee	Fred Murray

Pot Luck Gathering

The potluck dinner is held the 4th Wednesday of the month. The Grand Knight's choice this month will be "Your Favorite Dish". We will also need deserts & drinks. Please bring along family members or friends. The Blessing will be at 6:30 PM with dinner to follow

Meeting Night

The regular business meeting will be held at the KC Hall on May 12, 2010. The Degree Team and Officers will need to arrive by 6:30 PM. to prepare for the 1st Degree and meeting to be held that night.

Knight & Lady of the Month for April

The Knight and Lady for April were not available as of press time.

Corporation News

We are now in possession of an entrance door. Installation will be May 1. If you can help, please contact Ken Davis. We need to start work on the fair booth. The corporation meeting will be held May 12, 2010 at 5:30 pm in the KC hall. Council members are invited to all regular corporation meetings.

Alfredo F Pacheco
President

Respect Life News

Dear Knights and Ladies

May is a month to honor our Mom's for the gift of Life. Sadly though we are losing too many lives to abortion. Please pray for new Mom's and to our heavenly Mother Mary that a mother who's contemplating abortion might choose life. Also, please support the upcoming **Mothers Day Baby Shower Stop and Drop**. Donated baby items will be taken from 2-6 pm at the Pregnancy Help Center on Monday, May 3. Refreshments will also be served.

For further details contact Chris Tenski 437-2488.
God bless all Mothers!!!!
Richard & Christine Tenski
Pro-Life Couple

Fr. Hay Bingo

Fr Hay held their annual Bingo fund raiser at the KC hall on April 17th. There were over 20 items donated from individuals and local merchants for prizes. Every one who attended had a great time and the food was great. A special thanks goes to June & George Gibeau for running the Bingo. We also want to thank Elsa Montoya and Claudia Enriquez for doing all the cooking.

This Month's Birthday Wishes

The Knights of Columbus want to extend a birthday wish to the Knights listed below:

May

Arnold, Steven H.
Balderrama, Johnny
Crespin, Don
Flippin, Jacob
Garofano, Ciro
Gonzales, Charles
Kautzman, James
Lacey, Steven
Marcus, David
Murray, Fred

Up Coming Events

May 1, Tootsie Rolls @ Wal-Mart / 9:00 AM
May 1 & 2, State Conv @ Espanolia, NM
May 7, Fr Hay Field Day @ Alamedia Park / 8:00
May 9, Mother's Day Mass @ Tulie / 8:00 AM
May 23, Graduate Breakfast @ KC hall / 8:00
May 30, Corp Comm. @ St. Jude / 9:00 AM

Vocations

Please pray that the youth of today will answer the call to the religious life to become Priests, Deacons and Nuns.

The Good of the Order

We pray for all the Brother Knights and their Families who are in poor health or having surgery, may they have a quick recovery especially Greg Telles, Earl Mier, Ciro Garofano, Joan Lenzo, Elias Trujillo's Mom, John Schmidt and Veronica Kautzman.

Membership

If you know an eligible Catholic gentleman, please invite him to become a Brother Knight. If you need a form 100 please call David Marcus at 434-1600 or John Schmidt (Financial Secretary) at 491-6878 or ask any of the officers.

Newsletter

The newsletter is published by Ken Davis. If you have an article for the newsletter please call 437-4470 or e-mail ken-dawg51@hotmail.com

Tootsie Roll Fundraiser

We started the fundraiser at Lowe's Grocery store on April 10th we also worked the Church's after Mass on April 11th and 18th. We still have a date of **May 1st for Wal-Mart starting at 9:00 AM.**

We are in need of members to volunteer to work this event since we will be working both of the entrances at the same time. Please remember that all profits from this fundraiser will go to the Alamogordo Special Olympic athletes. For more information contact Pablo Montoya at 437-7736.

Fr Hay Track & Field Day

Our annual Fr Hay Field Day will be on **May 7** at Alameda Park on White Sands Blvd. We will meet at the KC hall at 7:00 AM that morning to transport the food, tables, chairs and grills to the park. We must have everything set up and the food cooked by 11:00 AM that day. We are in need of some volunteers to work this event. Please call Ken Davis @ 430-6416 if you can assist.

Mother's Day Mass

The 4th Degree Honor Guard is requested to escort Bishop Ramirez and Priest at St Francis de Paula on May 9th for the 9:00 AM Mass. Show time is 8:30 in full regalia. For more information contact Jim Lenzo (FN) at 437-6716.

Graduate Breakfast

The breakfast for the graduating seniors and their families will be held on May 23rd at the KC hall. We will be presenting the scholarships at this time. We will need help early in the morning to clean up and set up for this event.

Youth Activities and Program for People with Disabilities (PFPWD)

Friday, April 16, Special Olympics Otero County, was a sad day for us as two of our athletes were called home to God. Daniel Martinez, 29 and Gloria Martinez, 46 were long time SO athletes who participated in local and state games. Although they were not related and their deaths unrelated they were bound to each other and to us through Special Olympics. They are now Angels of God in Heaven. Pray for the families.

Track & Field Area Games will be in Gadsden on April 24, 2010. Practice continues at the NMSBVI track until State games, May 21-23 at UNM stadium. The local Torch Run will be held in May. For more information please contact brother Charlie Gonzales @ 439-7453 or the PPWD chairman @ 434-1959. For more information on Special Olympics visit the website at sonm.org. The Program for People With Disabilities committee meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm @ the KC Hall to plan events and coordinate volunteers.

KC Hall Rental's (these dates are reserved)

May 8 / Wedding
May 22 / Graduation
May 29 / Graduation
June 26 / Reception
Aug 7 / Quinceanera
Aug 14 / Fair Prep
Sep 11 / Wedding

Ladies Auxiliary Officers 2010

LuLu Valdez (President) Grace Filips (Vice-President)
Donna Pacheco (Treasurer) Terry Davis (Secretary)

Scholarship applications will be available at the following church offices, Immaculate Conception, St. Jude, St Francis De Paula and Our Lady of the Light. You can also pick up an application from the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary members. All completed entries will be evaluated and the applicants will be notified of the results. The deadline to return completed applications is May 3, 2010. The scholarships will be awarded at the Annual Graduate Breakfast on May 23, 2010 at the KC hall. Please don't forget the Annual Tootsie Roll sale. Contact Pablo Montoya if you can donate some time. This is one of the Community Projects that allow the Knights to be visible in the community. Have a blessed Mother's Day and rejoice in the privilege we have been given by our Lord.

Lulu Valdez Ladies-Auxiliary President

Words from the Grand Knight

Brother Knights and Ladies of the Auxiliary, your presence in the community is widely recognized and expected. For example, the Knights of Columbus and Tootsie Rolls are synonymous with assisting our persons with disabilities. We proudly support our Special Olympians while accepting the gracious donations from the catholic community and others. There are numerous councils who do not participate in the Tootsie Roll Program and yet there are others who participate year round. Our fundraising for our Special Olympians has been consistent and remains the honorable thing to do... as evident in the eyes of our Olympians.

A few examples of cost associated with participating in the Special Olympics are:

- New requirement to have a mandatory helmet before participating in gym hockey = \$100 each.
- Golf athlete sponsorship = \$200 each
- Volunteering as an assistant = \$ Priceless
- Participating in our Tootsie Roll Drive = \$Priceless, paid with smiles from our athletes.

God has blessed us all in many different ways and perfection cannot always be measured with the same stick, but for the time we are on earth let us remember to live and to serve as Knights, honoring and assisting those less fortunate.

May is going to be a busy month we have Tootsie Rolls at Wal-Mart on May 1st, State Convention on May 1st & 2nd, Fr Hay Field Day on May 7th, Mother's Day Mass on May 9th, 1st Degree on May 12th, Graduate Breakfast on May 23rd. Please volunteer to assist with these projects, charity begins at home.

Each of these events was not accomplished as individuals, but as joint efforts by members of the Knights of Columbus, Ladies Auxiliary, friends and family. Together we continue to succeed, for this I thank each of you. I am proud to be your Brother Knight.

Please keep those in need of your support, close and in your prayers.

Contact me at 575-430-8550 or e-mail MONTOYA121@q.com or MONTOYA.121@hotmail.com

Benito A. Montoya
Grand Knight

Words from the District Deputy 17

As the District Deputy for our new District 17, I must report the learning curve is significant. Goals must be set and I cannot overemphasize the need for our presence in the Carrizozo and Capitan area of our district. Father Franklin is spearheading this year's Carrizozo Fiesta in August. In an effort to provide a presence and cost savings for the event, Andrez Montoya, a Knight from Council 3355 will provide his DJ services free of charge for the Saturday Dance. If you have any ideas and can assist in supporting this upcoming event please contact Father Franklin or myself. Father Franklin is the sole priest who currently travels between Capitan, Carrizozo, and Corona serving our Catholic Communities. Please keep him and all priests in your thoughts and prayers.



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WORDS FROM THE FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR

The celebration of Mother's Day dates back all the way to ancient times, but the idea of the celebration was first kicked around in 1872. Julia Ward Howe, author of the words to the "Battle Hymn of the Republic," proposed Mother's Day as a day dedicated to peace. Thanks to a campaign by Jarvis and her supporters, by 1911 almost every state celebrated Mother's Day. In 1914, President Woodrow Wilson made it a national holiday.

Thought for the Month: The very things that we are most ashamed of are the things that lead us to Jesus. That He loves us in our weaknesses is what makes us marvel at the nature of His love.

Saint of the Month: Our Lady of Fatima. Between May 13 and October 13, 1917, three Portuguese children received apparitions of Our Lady at Cova da Iria, near Fatima, a city 110 miles north of Lisbon. Mary asked the children to pray the rosary for world peace, for the end of World War I, for sinners and for the conversion of Russia.

Mary gave the children three secrets. Since Francisco died in 1919 and Jacinta the following year, Lucia, who later became a Carmelite nun, revealed the first secret in 1927, concerning devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The second secret was a vision of hell.

Pope John Paul II directed the Holy See's Secretary of State to reveal the third secret in 2000; it spoke of a 'bishop in white' who was shot by a group of soldiers who fired bullets and arrows into him. Many people linked this to the assassination attempt against Pope John Paul II in St. Peter's Square on May 13, 1981.

The feast of Our Lady of Fatima was approved by the local bishop in 1930; it was added to the Church's worldwide calendar in 2002. Sister Lucia died in 2005 at the age of 97.

(www.americancatholic.org)

The meeting next month (Wednesday, 19 May) will be held at the K of C Hall at 7 pm. It is that time to consider new officers for the next fraternal year. I encourage all Fourth Degree Members to attend this most important meeting for nominations.

Viva Jesus

Jim Lenzo