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COUNCIL TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE FOR MENTALLY HANDICAPPED GOAL: \$6,000

It's a right of passage, a Knight's birth right, the beginning of football season. It's the Annual Tootsie Roll Drive fund-raiser for the mentally handicapped/developmentally disabled. If you haven't participated in this annual council activity, you haven't really been a part of the Knights.

Yes, each year Knights throughout the state don their bright yellow and rather ugly aprons and stand before local super markets to collect donations in their little yellow cans for a very worthwhile cause.

Not many realize that Colorado Knights, statewide, raise and donate tens of thousands of dollars each year through this wholesome activity for a very special cause. As a matter of fact, few realize the thousands of dollars and volunteer hours the Knights give to the Colorado Special Olympics, for example.

Last year the Council raised nearly \$5,000 through its Tootsie Roll program. It's an ambitious effort and we need everyone's help. Council members are asked to give just two hours of their time on a Saturday to hand out Tootsie Rolls at a local supermarket or Wal-Mart. It's a great opportunity to bring our wives and kids to share in the good feeling of raising money for a great cause. Last year the council split it's collections among three local organizations serving the mentally handicapped: Cottonwood, the Bridge Trust and the Coffeehouse. Team captains and workers are needed. Please call Jim Hall at 303-446-3338 or e-mail at james.halljr@comcast.net to volunteer. This year, we would like to increase collections to \$6,000. It can be done if we all pitch in!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE ANNUAL TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE.

CONTACT JIM HALL AT 303-
446-3338

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE SEPTEMBER, 2008



Brothers,
The month of August saw many different ways for the council to try to raise money, and with some good success. As you all

know, we do have to raise funds for the council to survive. The only way we can do it is with your help. I know that right now, financially, it is tough for all of us, so asking people to buy raffle tickets, peaches, and state football contest tickets is hard, but if it is done the right way, we can succeed.

Here is one example, I believe, when modified can work for all of you. One of our major fund raisers is our Broncos Football Ticket raffle we do every year. With the support that the city gives the Broncos (although if they are winning, it is much easier), I believe that if we just "ask for the order", it will come. I know it may be hard for some of you to ask people to buy anything, but just give it a try. Use your own way and mannerism, your charm and your honest face, and it will happen. Remember, we are doing this for our charities, including seminarians. If presented that way, I believe it will work.

Brothers, I know you all are trying and I can't thank you enough for all your hard work. I want to make this year our best. I know it can be and with your help it will be!

Also, when you see him, please welcome our new Chaplain, Fr. Paul Montez. I have had several contacts with him and he is great!

Let's all pull together in the same direction, and it will work.

Vivat Jesus,
Rod Fiore
Grand Knight



**LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT
SEPTEMBER
2008**



The summer is coming to an end and fall soon will be upon us. It is time once again to prepare for the St. Thomas

More Ladies Auxiliary annual events. I hosted a pot luck social at my home for all the members of the auxiliary. We gathered for our usual social time to share and reconnect after a busy summer.

We had the opportunity to say farewell to Lily Fitzpatrick, who is leaving Colorado and moving to Iowa to live with her son. She was a long time member and past president of the Auxiliary. We wish her well in her new home. She will be missed by all of us. Our prayers go with her every step of the way.

The plans for the ministry fair were finalized, and we hope to attract new

members during the two day fair after all the masses on August 30th and 31st. We assigned chairpersons for the Bridgeway Shower (September 27th/28th). Jean Ann Giesege and Ellen Leadbeater will host this parish annual event. Please look for the announcements in our parish bulletin. Gather all your slightly used baby items and donate them to our shower. They will be used lovingly by those new moms and their precious babies.

Our first meeting will be September 16th at 7:00 pm in the Padre. We all look forward to a productive and joyful year supporting the Knights of Columbus and contributing to our parish community by aiding those in need. I invite the ladies of the parish to join our auxiliary and help us in our efforts to make life better for those less fortunate than ourselves.

Yours in Christ,
Alice Allen 303-798-0862

**ARE THE UNBORN FINALLY
GOING TO GET JUSTICE?**

By the overturning of the abortion ban in Texas in 1973 with the “Roe versus Wade” case, we have created a society that has accepted abortion as a “normal” and totally acceptable practice without flinching a moral muscle. The practice does not register

as the “killing” of innocent life with either the people promoting the procedure or the women having this procedure performed on their bodies. How disgraceful we have become as a society by allowing our government to legalize and protect this practice under the guise of personal rights. As a Christian and a Catholic, and simply as a moral person, the termination of life of the unborn by abortion is an action that is unacceptable.

I read a doctor’s article that claimed he was proud of his work as an abortion surgeon. He feels he has saved many lives because he was performing abortions back in the early 1970’s when women were inflicting harm to themselves by trying to abort their pregnancies using unsterile and drastic measures. He even mentioned a recent case where the father would have been killed by the mother’s brothers because of their religious beliefs if he hadn’t performed the abortion. After reading his justifications, it is obvious to me that the people involved in abortion are only treating the symptoms and not the cause. By silencing the voice of an unborn child, they have only compounded the problem, not fixed it. We have made abortion too simple and acceptable practice in the US.

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As a fitting eulogy to the landmark Roe versus Wade case, Norma McCorvey, the “Jane Roe” in the case, became a member of the pro-life movement in 1995 and now supports making abortion illegal. In 1998, she testified to Congress:

“It was my pseudonym, Jane Roe, which had been used to create the “right” to abortion out of legal thin air. But Sarah Weddington and Linda Coffee never told me that what I was signing would allow women to come up to me 15, 20 years later and say, “Thank you for allowing me to have my five or six abortions. Without you, it wouldn’t have been possible.” Sarah never mentioned women using abortions as a form of birth control. We talked about truly desperate and needy women, not women already wearing maternity clothes.”

Amendment 48, the “Personhood” initiative, is an attempt to legally identify existence of a person at the time of fertilization. This will protect the rights of the unborn fetus and thus make it illegal to abort. Many naysayers feel this simply worded document is vague and does not provide all the answers to the many subsets of this issue. But I think to delay the process to create a more perfect document is a bigger mistake. I don’t think the Supreme Court realized that they condemned to death over 50 million lives when they voted 7 to 2 in favor of the reversal of the Texas court thirty-five years ago. To me Amendment 48 is a beginning in fighting our courts and government, who have protected the criminal act of killing innocent life before it has a chance to be born. Christ said that if we choose to follow Him our life would not be easy. I think the uproar of our society to this legislation only fortifies the decision to approve this amendment.

- Lloyd Taylor

MEMBERSHIP REPORT



Brothers,

It is sometimes difficult to ask a friend or colleague about his interest in joining the Knights of Columbus.

I have put together a short little opening that I feel will work well. It can be said with your own flair, but I believe it can be effective. Please review it and give me some feedback as to your success. We all are in this together, and together, we can grow our ranks, with strong soldiers of Christ.

I wish you good recruiting, and please do not forget that our Time and Talent Recruitment Drive is the 30th and the 31st of August. See you there, or contact me if you can help man the table.

Have you asked the 3 Questions of anyone lately?

(1) Have you ever considered joining the Knights of Columbus?

(2) Are you familiar with the Knights and what we do?

We are fraternal organization of 1.5 Million Catholic Men who:

- *Support the Church and the Holy Father*
- *Defend the Faith,*
- *Protect the unborn.*
- *Provide assistance to the needy.*

The time commitment is less than one week total over the course of a year and I can assure you it will be an experience you will come to treasure.

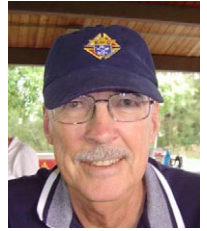
(3) Can I sign you up? Or, can I have our Membership Director give you a call? (Get name and phone #). God Bless You

There you have it, so “Just Do It!”

Bobby Rogers
Membership Director

SO LONG, FAREWELL, AUF WEDERSEHN, ADIEU

These words from my favorite musical, “The Sound of Music” will let you know that I am stepping down as editor of the



Centurion after 8 or 9 years. I have been asked by our state Deputy, Claude Trujillo, to take over as editor of the state’s monthly newsletter, “Knights Call.” This awesome task, in addition to my duties as the State Public Relations Director, made it necessary to make this move at this time.

I have really enjoyed my tenure as the editor of your Council newsletter. I think it is one of the best in the state. But more importantly, I think it has been a great tool of communication for our membership. I want to thank those who have helped out over the years, particularly Lou Colignon and the people at Signal Graphics, without whom I could not have done this job. I also want to thank Lloyd Taylor for his outstanding assistance with recent issues. It’s been fun working with all the different Grand Knights throughout the years I have been editor. We have been every fortunate to have had some excellent catholic men leading our Council.

The newsletter is only as good as the council it represents. Our Council, 10205, is definitely one of the most energetic and active Councils in the state. Thank you, brothers for your support of and enthusiasm for the Knights of Columbus! We have accomplished much and we have much more to do.

Lastly, I am grateful to the Blessed Mother for her guidance and protection. She is the Matriarch of our Order. Let us continue to pray to her for her intercession and support.

Vivat Jesus,
Bruce Tawson, PGK, PFN

THE CHOIR NEEDS YOU

Brothers:

I am writing to you to request your help. I know that many of you are very busy with



your own councils, and have many commitments to other things in your lives as we all do. However, I have two needs that I would like to relay to you.

First, we have a need to find another accompanist for our choir, preferably a Knight, first, and if not, then a man second. Please let me know if you can do this for us and if you would be interested.

Second, I ask for those of you that can sing to spare an extra 2-3 hours a month to sing with our choir. I have been working with our choir to increase the attendance for more than a year. We have had some interested brothers that find a hard time making the commitment, or feel that they cannot give it us the time that is required. I know it is hard in today's lifestyle and with the economy the way it is to find the time to dedicate to something else. But I encourage you to dig deep and consider joining us.

Three reasons to consider this that come from my heart:

1. Music touches everyone. The gift of music is one that can touch someone's soul without having to listen to the words; the melody alone can move people and help them to notice the words. I believe that every time we sing and there is someone there that has not heard us, we open a channel from us to the Lord. It might be the one thing that helps them to take notice of where they are, in church, in life, in their own happiness. Help us to increase this contact to the Lord's people.
2. Think of the Mass, which is a celebration of what our Lord Jesus Christ did for us. Now think of the Masses that you have been to

where there was no music. Think of how the prayers and the entire Mass went. It is faster, shorter, and people go through the motions with the prayers, meaning they are reciting them from memory, but not always thinking about what they are saying. Now think of how they participate when they are singing, some are from memory, but they always sing with feeling. They read the words; they follow the leader on pitch and volume. They open up a part of their heart to God that is not opened by simply reciting a prayer that they have prayed countless times before. They may even sway or what I call chair dance. When was the last time you saw this or have you ever seen it when someone was reciting the Holy, Holy, the Lord's Prayer, and the Profession of faith?

3. Our ability to sing outside of the church will allow us to reach many more people in a short time frame, like singing the National Anthem at the Nuggets game. If we touch one soul in that moment of song that was unable to be reached before, we are then doing the Lord's work. If we get one person to ask about the Knights, we are doing the Lord proud. If we open the door to an old friend that has stopped attending church, again, we are doing the Lord's work.

Music has a very special place in my heart, in our ministry, and I ask you to join us to continue to grow this calling that I feel we have. Music has a profound effect on the state of mind, the attitude, and the attention of those that are around it. So please consider it when I ask to you to join us to spread God's word and works.

If this has moved you to contact me, I can be reached at 303-285-9651, or by e-mail at tmshinners@itipcomm.com.

Your Brother in Christ,
Tom Shinnors
Director Knights of Columbus
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INSURANCE AGENT'S REPORT



Greetings Brothers,
September is Life Insurance Awareness Month. To help educate consumers about the need for and value of adequate life insurance protection, the Life Insurance Market Research Association (LIMRA) has published the following five facts. These statistics are certainly worth considering.

- ✓ Fact 1: Nearly three fourths of North Americans agree that life insurance is the best way to protect against premature death of the primary wage earner.
- ✓ Fact 2: Twenty-four million households have no life insurance protection at all. Almost one third of adults have no life insurance protection.
- ✓ Fact 3: Forty-four percent of all households either don't own life insurance and believe they should, or own life insurance and believe they need more. Among those that already own some life insurance, 40 percent believe they don't have enough.
- ✓ Fact 4: One fourth of primary wage earners feel they do not have a plan in place to provide a decent standard of living for their family if they died tomorrow. Twelve percent of families would immediately have trouble meeting everyday living expenses and another 15 percent would have difficulty keeping up after several months.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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Herrick Lidstone	Robert Bassler
Frank Scavuzzo	Joe Borgerding
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Robert Chaney	Thomas Robinson
Alexander Zuber	Guillermo Alvarez

- ✓ Fact 5: People would like to discuss life insurance with a financial professional. Consumers feel buying life insurance is an important and complex financial decision. Half of them find it difficult to decide how much to buy, and 43 percent worry about making the wrong decision.

Have you ever heard the expression "lazy days of summer?" While the hot weather may encourage a slower paced life, in many ways summer can be the busiest time of the year, especially for parents with school-aged children. And being busy, it's easy to forget about such things as reviewing your life insurance coverage.

The purpose of this column is to encourage you to meet with me, your Knights of Columbus agent, before the end of the summer. Whether or not you have life insurance with the Order, I'll be happy to meet with you and make sure your coverage continues to meet your needs and goals. If you've had any life changes since you last bought a policy (new home, new child, new job, etc.), chances are your life insurance needs to be updated. I'll work with you to make sure you have the coverage you need at a price you can afford.

Call me to set up an appointment. When we meet, you'll discover that time spent with your Knights of Columbus agent is time well-spent. But, make the call today. Because summer is not only busy, it's also coming to an end

Don't forget to ask me about the **NEW PRODUCTS** we have like the **VANTAGE ANNUITY** with a **FIVE-YEAR RATE GUARANTEE**. Also check out the state web site WWW.coloradokofc.org

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SEPTEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 2 Council Business Meeting - Rosary 7:00 p.m., Meeting 7:30p.m. under Padre
- 5 Bronco Raffle Ticket Drawing - 6:00 p.m. in Padre
- 9 STM sponsored Priests' Golf Tournament -12:00 noon - Knights to Assist (Provide Bartender)
- 11 Fourth Degree Meeting - STM under Padre -Rosary 7:00 p.m.; meeting 7:30 p.m.
- 12 TMIY, STM Church Gym - 6:00a.m.
- 14 Dedication Mass - Archbishop's Dedication of Church-Honor Guard -STM 12:30 p.m.
- 15 Metro Chapter Meeting
- 16 Council Social Meeting - Rosary 7:00 p.m. in Meeting Room 3; Social 7:30 p.m. in Padre
- 16 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting - 7:00 p.m. in Padre
- 20 Right to Life Rosary, 7:30 a.m. at Planned Parenthood - 20th and Vine
- 20 Family Communion Breakfast - 8:30 a.m. Mass, Breakfast afterwards
- 20 Council Retreat, Cabrini Shrine - 8:30a.m.-2:30p.m.
- 20 Tootsie Roll Drive - Safeway Stores
- 21 Knights' Choir, 8:30 a.m. Mass - STM
- 25 4th Degree Dine-Around @ Swirls
- 27 Tootsie Roll Drive - Safeway Stores
- 28 Doughnut Sunday, Membership Recruiting Opportunity
- 29 Council Officers' Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - Meeting Room 3 under Padre
- 30 Carmelite Spirituality Visit by Bishop Rolando Tirona, O.C.D. - Knights to host dinner, 6 p.m. Padre

LOOKING AHEAD

- October 4 Major Exemplification, Highlands Ranch #1498 District 9
- October 4 Tootsie Roll Blitz Saturday
- October 25 Tootsie Roll Blitz Saturday
- Every Sunday Evening, 7:30p.m.-8:30p.m., Holy Hour/Vocations - STM Church

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in the
Stadium**



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Friday September 5, 2008

6:00 pm in the Padre Restaurant

Four Grand Prizes

**Each Prize consists of Two Game Tickets
Plus Parking Pass at Invesco Field
Plus Sideline Visitor's Pass**



Council Retreat

Mother Cabrini Shrine

Conducted by
Fr. Paul Montez

Saturday,
September 20, 2008

*8 am to 2 pm with Mass at 11:30
am*

\$15 per attendee including lunch

*Limited to 45 attendees - Carpooling
available*

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