

## From Our District Deputy

Happy New Years to all of my Brother Knights. Now that January is already here we really need to concentrate on recruiting. So far this year the State Council is down, as far as recruiting, and every new member helps. So if there is anyone you've been considering asking, please do so as soon as possible.

In December, I attended this year's mid-year convention in Elko. It's always great to see everyone from throughout the State, but if you have ever been to one of these, the whole weekend is primarily dominated by recruiting and retention of our current members. So far, Fallon Council has brought in a couple of new members this year, however we also are in the process of letting some members go who have been delinquent in paying dues for a couple of years, so we really have to get on the recruiting trail this year.

If I may, I would like to encourage each of our Brother Knights to meet with our Insurance Field Agent, Brother Todd Cabral. Even if you are an insured member it is a great idea to meet with Todd to review your current needs, as far as insurance goes. Todd will meet, very happily, with any Brother Knights. He can be reached at 775-842-8722 or via Email at [todd.cabral@kofc.org](mailto:todd.cabral@kofc.org).

Brothers, I would be happy to hear from any Brother Knights, either to answer any questions or to help you out in any way possible.

**Bob Greer, District Deputy #3 (423-6782)**

## The Last Word - Grand Knight's Corner

Well, here we are my fellow Knights, on our sixth month of the Columbian year. We have had a very busy six months. We started off with Br. Tom Lukas and other Br. Knights serving breakfast for the visiting coaches and players from a local youth baseball league tournament. Then we had our Installation of Officers in August and I want to thank Br. Dennis Kathrein, once again, for arranging this important event. We also submitted our semi-annual audit report in August and I thank the Trustees, Treasurer, and Financial Secretary for their time and effort in getting this done and submitted on time without any problems. Special thanks to Br. Doug Lynch and Br. Jim Shurtliff for keeping such good records.

I hope you all saw our Knights of Columbus float in the Labor Day Parade. It was a joint project between our Council and the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly. Thanks to brothers Dennis Kathrein, Cliff Cramer, and Phil Sabatino for preparing the float and to the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Faithful Navigator, Br. Wayne Bonde, for driving the float.

In September, it was off to the Reno Air Races for us. Our good-hearted Brother Knights helped provide the manpower to help with parking and other activities at the races. This made us some extra money without having any out-of-pocket expenses. Special thanks to our District Deputy, Bob Greer, for coordinating this and making it happen for the Council.

Several Brother Knights participated in the "Why Catholic" program classes and, hopefully, this will help us in helping our parish community have a stronger faith. Several council members also got together after one of our regular business meetings to pose for a photo that will be included in the forthcoming Parish Directory. Thanks to those who came to help represent the Council for photo.

In October, we held our annual Tootsie Roll Drive. Thanks to Br. Brad Jackson for spearheading this and thanks to all Br. Knights who gave up their Saturday and Sunday TV time to help. The drive was very successful.

We also had our Fall Festival Pork Feed Dinner in October. Thanks to Br. Pat Laca and Br. Phil Sabatino for spearheading this project and thanks to Br. Maurice Hanifan and his crew, brothers Marty and Steve Maffi, Richard Cordova, Ed Arcineaga, and Matt Louie, who prepared the meat, and thanks to Br. Louie Erquiaga who cooked the meat, Luau style. Thanks also for the kitchen crew, headed by Br. Dennis Kathrein and Cliff Cramer, who made sure that everything was served right, and thanks to the other helpers, the food servers, and the bar tenders. This is what we call team work. Without it, we would not be able to accomplish what we are set to do. Again, thank you.

In early November, we had another joint program between the Fourth Degree Assembly and the Council. This was the annual Mass for Deceased members, which we hold every year to honor our deceased Br. Knights. Later in the month, the Assembly and the Council paired up for another event, when we hosted the Military Appreciation Thanksgiving Dinner at the base. We hold this every year to show the military personnel at NAS Fallon our appreciation for what they and their dependants are doing for our country. We honor their dedication and sacrifices.

In December, we had our "Light up for Christ" program, where we joined our Br. Knights, throughout the United States and abroad, to celebrate Christmas. Thanks to the St. Patrick's church choir for joining us in this event and thanks to Fr. Oliver, who joined us with appropriate prayers for the celebration.

I know I owe a lot of you my thanks and gratitude for helping me out and I am sorry if I didn't mention your names, so what I want you to know that I hope you all had a Merry Christmas and may you all have a very prosperous and a very happy year in 2010.

**Vivat Jesus,  
Ron Encarnacion, GK**

The next edition of the *Oasis Knightline* will be published in late March. If you have an idea for an article, please submit it to F5 Jim Shurtliff at [shurtfam@cccomm.net](mailto:shurtfam@cccomm.net) or at 4712 Benson Lane, Fallon, NV 89406 or send them to the Council's address at PO Box 2545, Fallon, NV 89407. Submittals should be received by March 15th for inclusion in the newsletter. Photos (regular or digital) are welcome, too. Articles, photos, and/or suggestions for the Council's web site are also welcome.