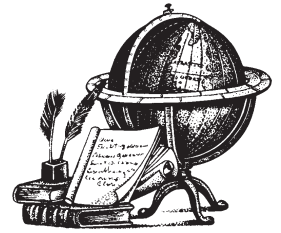




# The Discoverer



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## The Discoverer has returned!

It has been about eight years since the last issue of the Discoverer was published. Starting with this issue, it will resume with a few changes. The format has changed to look more professional, the frequency has been changed to quarterly, and there will be an electronic edition that will be posted on the web site, which is currently in the works.

Another avenue that has opened up for us is our Yahoo groups. Any member may sign up and send e-mail messages to members. There is also a files part of the group where the newsletter will reside for a while. There will also be paper copies of the newsletter in the vestibule of the church.

All input will be welcomed!

## Officers Elected for 2010-2011

The officers were elected during the June 3rd meeting. The following officers will be serving for the 2010-2011 fiscal year:

Grand Knight: Chris Dugan

Deputy Grand Knight: Anthony Ohmes

Treasurer: Tom Halstead

Recorder: Lester Cockrum

Chancellor: Leo Schott

Warden: Charles Holley

Advocate: TM Harvell

Inside Guard: Phil Vied

Outside Guard: John Haas

First Year Trustee: Tim Rolwing

Second Year Trustee: Marion Stricker

Third Year Trustee: Richard Scheffer

## Upcoming Events

Fourth of July BBQ

Labor Day BBQ

## Donations

Solar Day (Charleston R-1 Schools)



Six new Brother Knights were exemplified in the first degree. Front row (L to R): Kevin Carlisle from Council 7218, New Madrid, Teddy Slaten and Clay Dugan. Back Row (L to R): James Marshall, Logan Farrenburg, and Josh Thompson. We welcome all of you into the Knights of Columbus.

## Grand Knights Report

by Grand Knight Chris Dugan

Welcome to the newest edition of "The Discoverer". Since this is the first edition I thought I would go over what has been done so far this calendar year.

In January, we held the annual Free Throw Championship. In February, we celebrated our sixtieth anniversary at our annual Family and Fraternal Dinner. Brother Leo Schott was named "Knight of the Year". Congratulations Brother Schott. In April, we held the Easter Egg Hunt for young ones of the parish. During the Memorial Day weekend, we held the Memorial Day BBQ with half of the proceeds going to the Charleston girls traveling softball team.

Also during this time, we held two First Degree Exemplifications where we welcomed five new brother knights into our ranks.

Keeping with our commitment of charity, we donated the use of our hall for

the Royal Feast for the parish and for Relay for Life.

We also helped the parish with several things in the past six months. We made donations to the parish and school for the new heating and air conditioning units in the school gym, the new Easter Candle holder for church, the parish subsidy for our young men and women that are going to Notre Dame, and we are helping the youth that are going to Stubenville.

Within the next three months, we will installing our new officers, be holding our annual 4th of July BBQ, and looking forward to the Labor Day BBQ.

I am also personally asking you to come to the meetings. Even though we have done much throughout the year so far, we have more to do and would like your input and support.

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**The Memorial Day BBQ was a success! Above, Brothers Frank Lee and Clark Dugan package the butts for a person waiting. One hundred twenty butts were cooked.**

### **Knights of Columbus Sets New records for Charitable Contributions**

The Knights of Columbus announced that it set new all-time records for charitable donations and volunteer service hours in 2009.

Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson released the results of the Catholic fraternal organization's annual survey in a presentation to its board of directors and state leaders, meeting at its international headquarters.

The results of the Knights' annual Survey of Fraternal Activity for the year ending December 31, 2009, indicate that total charitable contributions reached \$151,105,867 – exceeding the previous year's total by more than \$1 million.

The figure includes \$34,627,530 donated by the Supreme Council, and \$116,477,971 in contributions from the organization's state and local affiliates.

The survey also indicated that the quantity of volunteer service hours to charitable causes by Knights grew to 69,251,926 – an increase of 468,291 hours compared to the 2008 total. There were more than 413,000 Knights of Columbus blood donations during the year and, among the most common service programs, Habitat for Humanity received 227,900 K of C volunteer hours.

Cumulative figures show that during the past decade, the Knights of Columbus has donated more than \$1.367 billion to char-

ity, and provided nearly 640 million hours of volunteer service in support of charitable initiatives.

*Note: This article is a press release from the Knights of Columbus Website [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)*

### **Knights Membership Tops 1.8 Million Members**

The Knights of Columbus passed a significant milestone on April 30, 2010, when its membership exceeded 1.8 million.

At the end of the last day of April, the official tally of Knights of Columbus around the world stood at 1,800,445.

“Achieving this milestone in membership is a testament to the high regard in which the Knights of Columbus is held among Catholic men everywhere,” Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson said. “We offer a unique opportunity to serve our church and our communities as one of the most active service organizations anywhere in the world.

“We truly offer the ‘experience of a lifetime,’ to join brother Knights in a common effort to become better fathers, better husbands, better citizens and better Catholics, together with the opportunity to provide financial protection for their families.”

Membership in the Knights of Columbus grew from 1.7 million to 1.8 million in less than five years (59 months), and continues a growth trend in which the number of Knights has grown every year since 1973. Moreover, membership has grown in all but four years since 1942.

In the United States, jurisdictions adding the largest number of new members were Texas, California, Florida, Michigan and Illinois, which together accounted for 15,506 new members recruited since the beginning of the current fraternal year on July 1, 2009. Those five states accounted for more than one-third of the 45,180 new U.S. members.

In Canada, jurisdictions in Quebec and Ontario together recruited 4,640 new members, more than 70 percent of the 6,469 new Canadian members.

In the Philippines, Luzon led all jurisdictions with 7,669 new members recruited, fully one-half of all new members recruited there.

In Mexico, the Mexico South jurisdiction recruited 515 new members, more than one-third of all new members recruited there.

The Order's newest jurisdiction, Poland, also grew briskly, recruiting 291 new members and increasing its membership by more than one-third in less than a year. The Dominican Republic added 221 new members, representing growth of 12 percent in less than a year.

Over the past 10 months, the Knights of Columbus has recruited 70,310 new members worldwide, and councils have two more months to recruit new members before the end of the fraternal year on June 30. A final tally of Knights of Columbus membership for the 2009-2010 fraternal year will be announced in July. The number of new members recruited will be offset by deaths and withdrawals, and thus net growth in membership will be slightly lower.

