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## WHEN, WHAT, WHERE

### Mark your Calendars

#### **February**

- 9<sup>th</sup> 7:30 pm Rosary and Council Business Meeting  
13922 W. Utah Ave.
- 18<sup>th</sup> 7:30am Rosary for Life, E. 20th Ave. @ Vine St
- 24<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm Denver Metro Chapter Annual Clergy Dinner
- 25<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm 2006 Mardi Gras Bash, Adams Mark Hotel

#### **March**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> 5:00 pm Mountain News Deadline.
- 9<sup>th</sup> 7:30 pm Rosary and Council Business Meeting  
13922 W. Utah Ave.

## REPORTS AND MEETINGS

### 2006 Mardi Gras Bash

Dear Friends!

The Special Olympics Colorado Mardi Gras Fundraiser, featuring the Sammy Mayfield Band, a night of entertainment, hors d'oeuvres, cash bar, music, dancing, a bead and mask bar with balloon prizes, silent auction and costume contest and a Mardi Gras King and Queen Contest, is being held at the

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1620 S. Arbutus PL.  
Lakewood, CO 80228-3731

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Adams Mark Hotel on February 25<sup>th</sup>! Tickets can be purchased on line, from athletes that are running for king and queen and from me. You may contact me at (720) 359-3114 for more information and tickets!!

Thanks so much for your continued support.

*Freda Davenport*  
*Special Olympics Colorado*  
*Denver Metro Area Manager*

### Denver Metro Chapter Annual Clergy Dinner

Denver Metro Chapter proudly presents the Annual Clergy Appreciation Night dinner at the Pinehurst Country Club, 6255 West Quincy Avenue, Denver, Colorado, February 24th, 2006. Social hour is from 6:00pm to 7:00pm. Dinner is from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Tickets are \$15.00. Invite your Priests, Deacons, Sisters, and Seminarians to accompany you to this evening of appreciation of their devotion to our faith. The menu will consist of Chicken Cordon Bleu or Stuffed Pork Chops. Seating is limited to 350 persons so make your ticket purchases early. They have to give an accurate count of the dinners to be served so as you buy/sell your tickets please notify Bob Kreger, 6483 S.Beech Circle #1011, Littleton, CO 80127. (303-522-1759) and indicate your and any guest's name and your choice of meal. He needs this information by February 17, 2006, so he can inform The Pinehurst Country Club. Thank you for your cooperation.

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### **Our Women Are Being Maimed And Killed!!**

By Leo Mantei, Right to Life Committee Chairman

The Winter 2006 newsletter of the Human Life Alliance is attempting to warn women about the continuing danger of synthetic hormones. Breast cancer has become almost an epidemic, and finally The Journal of American Medicine in 2002 started warning menopausal women about the harmful effects of HRT (Hormone Replacement Therapy), which introduces synthetic hormones into the body. "HRT greatly increased the incidence of breast cancer, heart attacks, blood clots, and pulmonary embolus".

Our young women however, are being cheated from information that could save their health and their lives. The "Race for the Cure" people, because of their political agenda, have tried for years to hide the connection between breast cancer and abortion, which disrupts the hormonal balance in the woman's body. Likewise, young women are not being properly warned that "synthetic estrogen used in hormonal contraceptives is still a deep, dark, money making secret that desperately needs to be revealed".

Endocrinologist Dr. Diana Schwarzbein writes that "**Women are not getting the right information about how dangerous birth control pills really are.....Long term use of BCP can lead to many problems such as obesity, infertility, fibroid tumors, chronic fatigue, headaches, insomnia, high blood pressure, pulmonary embolisms, strokes, heart attacks and type II diabetes.**"

Dr. David Perlmutter in his The Best Brain Book asks "**Are you taking birth control pills?.....You could be interfering with your brain's ability to function.....and putting the health of your brain at risk.**"

In addition to sometimes killing the embryonic child, contraceptives are maiming thousands of women!

### **Colorado Catholic Bishops Demand Equal Legal Treatment of Sexual Abuse Violations**

News Release from Timothy Dore, Executive Director of the Colorado Catholic Conference, (303) 894-8808

In recent days, State Representatives Rosemary Marshall (D-Denver) and Gwyn Green (D-Denver), along with State Senator Joan Fitz-Gerald (D-Golden) and State Representative Alice Madden (D-Boulder), have offered various related bills to the

Colorado General Assembly. Each would eliminate or modify statutes of limitation so that a childhood sexual abuse victim could wait 30 years, 40 years, or even longer before filing a suit for damages against Catholic institutions and other *private* entities in Colorado.

These bills need to be considered in light of stories like the one aired in the spring of 2005 by a leading Colorado news channel.

According to the news report, a young boy had been severely injured on public school property in a supervised program. The public school district never disputed that the children weren't properly supervised. But when the victim's family sought compensation for medical bills, the school district declined, citing the doctrine of sovereign immunity. Worse, attorneys for the school district indirectly threatened to counter-sue for legal fees if the family pursued a suit.

We all agree that the sexual abuse of a minor is a serious crime and a grave sin. The proposed pieces of legislation, whatever their final form, and whether they're pulled from consideration or move forward, have sparked an important discussion. What should Colorado's public policy be on civil lawsuits arising from such sexual abuse? And should two unequal kinds of justice apply — a soft version when the sexual offender works for a public entity, and another, much harder version when the offender works for a Catholic or private institution?

Nationally, the evidence is now irrefutable that sexual abuse and misconduct against minors in public schools is a serious problem — in fact, more serious than anywhere outside the home, including churches. Since most Catholic children in Colorado attend public schools, this should seriously concern the whole Catholic community.

Colorado's application of sovereign immunity sharply limits a family's ability to sue a public school district, or similar public institutions, for the sexual abuse of their child or any other damaging activity. But the real situation in our state is even more troubling than that.

Under Colorado law, *even if there were no sovereign immunity*, the victim of a public school teacher's misconduct must initiate his or her claim by filing a formal notice no later than 180 days after the incident. Moreover, the damages for such claims against government defendants are capped at \$150,000.

For Catholics and any reasonable person, that raises two questions. First, why can a victim of teacher or clergy abuse in a Catholic school or parish wait a lifetime before initiating such

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litigation, while the victim of *exactly the same and even more frequent abuse* in a public school setting loses his or her claim by waiting 181 days? Second, why should a Catholic institution that is sued for such conduct be liable for massive, community-crippling damages, while guilty public institutions — even if sovereign immunity were waived — would face a mere \$150,000 damages?

There's a very good reason why SESAME, a national public-school abuse-victim group, has had difficulty organizing in Colorado. Our state law makes it useless for any such group to organize or act.

Catholics have learned about the national scope and human impact of sexual abuse the hard way. As bishops, we are wholeheartedly committed to helping victims heal and doing everything we can to protect our families in any Church-related environment. Every victim of sexual abuse suffers deeply and deserves our compassion. But the facts clearly show that the sexual abuse of minors is in no way a uniquely — or even disproportionately — “Catholic” problem.

The facts also show that too many public authorities have had too little accountability on the issues of sexual misconduct and abuse for too long. As a society, if Coloradans are really serious about ending the sexual abuse of minors, that needs to change.

For the sake of justice and common sense — and for the sake of their own children — Catholics need to demand from Colorado lawmakers an end to our state's legal inequities in dealing with childhood sexual abuse.

On a matter as ugly and grave as the sexual abuse of minors, *exactly the same* civil and criminal penalties, financial damages, time frames for litigation and statutes of limitations should apply against both public and private institutions and their agents. That's fair, that's just, and it serves the ultimate safety of all our young people.

**+Most Rev. Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.**  
Archbishop of Denver  
**+Most Rev. Arthur N. Tahoma**  
Bishop of Pueblo  
**+And Most Rev. Michael J. Sheridan**  
Bishop of Colorado Springs

*For more information on the proposed pieces of legislation and the inequities of Colorado law in addressing the sexual*

*abuse of minors, contact the Colorado Catholic Conference, (303) 894-8808.*

## **FAMILY AND KNIGHT OF THE MONTH**

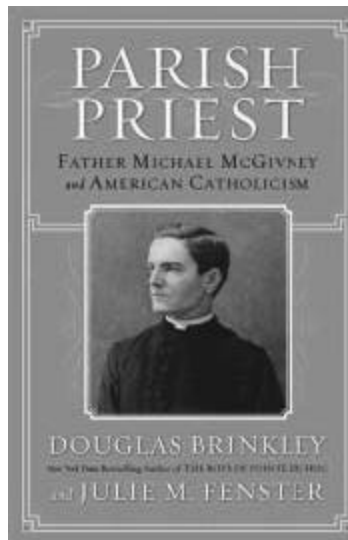
By Mike Delp, Family and Knight of the Month Chairman

### **February 06**

- Knight of the Month – Warren Howard
- Family of the Month – Leo & Barbara Mantei

## **Founder 'Brought To Life' In New Book**

reprinted from Dec 28, 2005 issue of K of C KnightLine newsletter



According to *Publishers Weekly*, the new biography of the Servant of God Father Michael J. McGivney is “an incredible work of research” about a man who “left a legacy of hope still celebrated around the world.”

*Parish Priest: Father Michael McGivney and American Catholicism* (William Morrow, a division of HarperCollins,

\$24.95 US/\$32.95 CAN) will be available in bookstores and from online book retailers Jan. 10.

*Publishers Weekly* says authors Douglas Brinkley and Julie M. Fenster “recreate the life of Father McGivney, a fiercely dynamic, yet tenderhearted man.” It also calls the book “moving and inspirational.” “Though he was only 38 when he died, Father McGivney has never been forgotten,” continues the reviewer. “He remains a true ‘people’s priest,’ a genuinely holy man — and perhaps the most beloved parish priest in U.S. history.”

Writing in the January-February 2006 edition of *The Father McGivney Guild Newsletter*, Dominican Father

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Gabriel O'Donnell said biographers Brinkley and Fenster "have done a marvelous job of bringing the world of Father McGivney to light and thereby bringing him to life." Father O'Donnell, postulator of the cause for sainthood of Father McGivney, worked with Brinkley and Fenster on the book. "From the beginning of their project they have consulted the Knights of Columbus Archives and the research done for Father McGivney's canonization process to ensure that their portrayal of him is authentic," said Father O'Donnell.

Noting that Knights and Guild members have often expressed interest in a biography of Father McGivney, Father O'Donnell said *Parish Priest* "responds to those requests in a big way." The authors, he says, "bring to life the relationships that influenced Father McGivney and which shaped his vision of the priesthood and family life." Especially noteworthy, Father O'Donnell said, is Brinkley and Fenster's "focus on Father McGivney's priestly identity, his priestly heart and his manner of acting toward others. This really jumps out at the reader." Author Fenster said the book's title, *Parish Priest*, captures Father McGivney completely. "Everything that he did actually grew out of his love of the priesthood and his life as a parish priest."

Fenster said that those who have read the book have said that they got a real sense of who Father McGivney was. "He has stayed with them as a distinct personality and a source of strength," she said. "Doug Brinkley and I don't take that as a reflection of the book itself, but as a sign that Father McGivney's spirit is very real and relevant."

The relevancy of Father McGivney's vision for today's Church and world is something Father O'Donnell believes is indisputable. "As founder of the largest Catholic fraternal benevolent organization of our time, Father McGivney must be recognized for his originality, his spiritual vision and his organizational genius," he said.

Fenster thinks Father McGivney "had a brilliant understanding of the family, and each person within it. That was at the core of many of the things he did. As he designed it, the Knights of Columbus gave men the tools, both financial and spiritual, to make something better of their lives, especially as leaders in their families."

Father McGivney had "an unusual ability to touch the hearts of many of those around him," said Father O'Donnell. "Father McGivney lived for others," said Fenster. "That is his story."

### **It is Time To Pray**

Prayers are welcome for:

Liz Gersch - Recovery from surgery

Pat Krug - Recovering from a bad fall

Becki Riedel - Recovering from a bad fall

The monthly intentions of Pope Benedict XVI,

Our Service Personnel serving our nation in countries around the World,

Ending abortion.

*Please submit names to be included in this item of the News Letter via e-mail, [mdelp6@comcast.net](mailto:mdelp6@comcast.net) or any other means available to you. We can't pray for those needing spiritual help unless you tell us who they are. I personally know prayer works in times of illness or pain.*

### **Fourth Degree Exemplification**

There will be a 4th Degree Exemplification Sunday, March 19th, 2006 starting at noon at St. Louis Catholic Church in Englewood. If you wish to join the 4th Degree please ask any 4th Degree Knight. Ken Riedel, Ken Krug or Ron Day can help you.

### **Name Tags and Vests**

By Bill Longan, Trained Tailor par excel once for Council 7640 vests.

I have three new XXL vests available for those members of our council who want them and enough materials for a dozen additional vests. The best way to order is come to the business meeting so I can take your measurements and money. Thought they were free didn't you. No way Jose! Twenty dollars is the price for a lined vest. The alternate method for obtaining a vest is to have your wife do the measuring. She needs to measure your chest, girth, back width and back length. Mail your dimensions and with twenty dollars to William Longan, 733 S. Beech St., Lakewood, CO, 80228-3005.

### **Experience of a Lifetime**

By Ken Riedel – Membership Director

This current membership recruitment program continues for the current fraternal year ending June 30, 2006.

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**FEBRUARY**

10,000 Member Month  
& Every Council Active

During February the Knights of Columbus is having a 10,000 member challenge. It is well within our reach to accomplish this goal if every council if every council brings in 1 new member. This is also the time for every council to prepare for their March Recruitment Blitz by ordering materials and publicizing their council in the parish bulletin.

**Many Thanks...**

Dear Knights,

Thank you for your prayers and financial support during my priestly formation. This semester has been a tremendous blessing and grace filled. Your continued encouragement and good wishes has been a grace in itself. May the Lord grant each of you and your families the peace of Christ this holiday season and the joy of his birth throughout the upcoming year. Merry Christmas!

Brady Wagner

**Camp Paha**

At our January meeting, a presentation was made about this camp and a request for donations. For those of you who missed the presentation, we thought we would present a few of the facts from one of their brochures.

“Camp Paha is a day camp for children ages 6-17 and young adults ages 18 – 25 with disabilities. We provide programs for campers with all disability types: developmental, physical, emotional and behavioral. Our campers include individuals with Cerebral Palsy, Down syndrome, Fragile X, ADD, Spina Bifida, Rhett Syndrome, Seizure disorders, Autism and many other special needs.

The purpose of Camp Paha is to provide recreational, educational and therapeutic opportunities in a safe, quality and fun outdoor/indoor day camp environment. Our goals are: 1) to give emphasis to citizenship and to being a member of a group through the day camp experience; 2) to provide an opportunity for developing awareness about self, others and the environment; 3) to encourage growth in independence; and 4) to provide opportunities for fellowship and fun for our campers

Camp Paha offers safe, quality, fun and challenging activities and provides campers an opportunity to participate in aquatics, hiking, games, arts and crafts, nature exploration, drama, music, sports and field trips to great activities in and around the metroplex area.

Camp Paha has been providing outstanding recreational and educational opportunities for more than 20 years. It began in 1980 as a Jefferson County Public school program, and now it is currently under the leadership of the City of Lakewood’s RISE Above! Program.”

If you would like to donate to this wonderful camp, please contact Jo at 303-987-4866

**WEB SITES**

**Council’s Website**

By Ken Riedel - Financial Secretary

**5062** hits (as of the writing of this article). That’s how many times that someone has logged on to Christ on the Mountain Council 7640 on the Internet at [www.kofc7640.org](http://www.kofc7640.org). Check it out and fill in our guest book. We know it’s a bit hard to find; but if you click on “Contact Us” on the home page and look near the bottom where it reads, “If you like, you can see and sign our guest book as well.” We’d like to here from all of you who have access to the Internet. What was the count when you logged on?

**Council Welcomes a New Member**

by Membership Director Ken Riedel

Please welcome into Christ on the Mountain Council 7640 with your best wishes and acclamations two fairly new COTM Parish members **Patrick J. and Bridget McGarrity**. Patrick received the honors of his First Degree at St. Francis Cabrini Council 9349 in Littleton. While there it was learned that their council will be hosting Major Degrees (Second and Third) in March. As soon as information is received we’ll be notifying all First Degree members via mail.

**ANNIVERSARIES**

**Birthdays**

**February**

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11<sup>th</sup> Paul Stack, 14<sup>th</sup> David Anderson, 15<sup>th</sup> Wesley Butler, Kevin Naughton, 23<sup>rd</sup> Harold Bogus

**March**

1<sup>st</sup> John Downs, Jr, Jamie Kogl, Kenneth Riedel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Roderick Smith, 3<sup>rd</sup> Leo Mantei, 6<sup>th</sup> Carlton Johnson,

**Weddings**

**February**

11<sup>th</sup> Sharon & Eloy Perea, 14<sup>th</sup> Kathleen & Jose Carrilo, 20<sup>th</sup> Mary Lou and Norman Miller

**March**

2<sup>nd</sup> Janice & James Gilmer, 3<sup>rd</sup> Marie & Frank Babkiewich

**Do You Use Email?**

By Ken Riedel - Financial Secretary

The Council's monthly newsletter, *Mountain News*, could be emailed to you saving the council over \$0.53 per issue. I know you're thinking that's not much of a savings, but multiple your issue by the 148 total members in the council (and continuing to grow). You may call Financial Secretary Ken Riedel, 303-988-9049 or email Ken at [kdriedel@comcast.com](mailto:kdriedel@comcast.com) with your email address. Also, **if you change your mailing address or telephone (home and/or work)** please call or email Ken with the changes.

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Any member of the Knights of Columbus may contribute items for publication in this newsletter. If the item is publicizing an event be sure to answer the Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How questions and include any digital photos that may have been taken. **The e-mail address is mdelp6@comcast.net** Notice; the article and photograph submitted may be sent to the "KNIGHTS IN ACTION" editor of the "Columbia" magazine. The editor does reserve the right to correct grammar, spelling, and punctuation errors; otherwise, all items will be printed as submitted.

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