

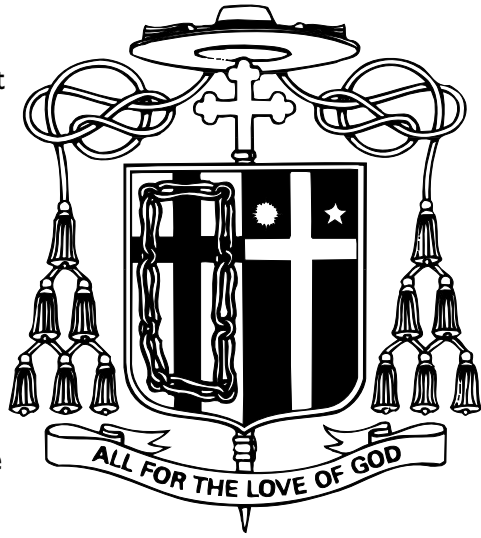


## Mission Statement

As Catholic professional and business men and women, we are called to live our Christian ethics not only on Sundays, but throughout our daily lives at home and at work.

Our Goal in the Catholic Professional Business Club shall be to incorporate and uphold our beliefs in every aspect of our daily lives, and to gather to share with others who seek a more ethical business environment.

Each of us shall strive to achieve a commingling of our ethical obligations and our professional obligations, in demonstration of fact that ethics and business need not be mutually exclusive terms.



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# Catholic Professional Business Club of Merced

NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2008

## PAT OGLE – FEBRUARY LUNCHEON SPEAKER

Calling all sports fans! Plan to join us for lunch on Thursday, February 21<sup>st</sup> at the New Bethany Residential Care Home at 1441 Berkeley Drive in Los Banos. Our guest speaker will be Pat Ogle, Executive Director of the Bulldog Foundation Annual Fund for Fresno State.

Pat has been the Executive Director of the Bulldog Foundation's (BDF) Annual Fund since January 1982. He directs a fund drive that has grown in donations from \$600,000 in 1982 to now over \$4 million. With membership ticket benefits included, the BDF now administers annual memberships of \$7.9 million. Since 1986, the BDF annual fund has been the number-one fund raising operation in the United States exclusively utilizing volunteers. The year 2000 marked the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of BDF incorporated, and in the same year the organization was awarded a Central California Excellence in Business Award for all non-profits.

The National Association of Athletic Development Directors (NAADD) in 2007 recognized Ogle with a Lifetime Achievement Award. Fresno State recognized Ogle in 2006 as Top Gun alum from the College of Arts and Humanities. NAADD named Ogle Fund Raiser of the Year in 1986, the same year in which he was inducted into the College of Sequoia-Visalia Hall of Fame. He was NAADD Charter President in 1993. He was Co-Founder and Director of the National Athletic Fund Raisers Workshop from 1990 to 1993. The California Valley Chapter of the National Society of Fund Raising Executives recognized him as Executive of the Year in 1990. In 1989 the National Conference of Athletic Fund Raisers named him Fund Raiser of the Year.

After graduating from Fresno State in 1965, Ogle was in television broadcasting for 17 years. Ogle has been husband to Kathy for 41 years, father to three children (Christopher, Michele, and Megan), and grandfather to five (Miles, Myla, Camron, Katrina and Nathaniel).

Don't worry, Pat will not be fund raising at our luncheon meeting! Instead, he will share the way his faith life has impacted his professional and personal life. He will talk about his faith journey and the many ways God has worked in his life.

The delicious luncheon will be catered by Fernando's Bistro and tickets for the event are \$15.00 each. Reservations should be made by February 18<sup>th</sup> by calling Raylene Smith at 723-4929.

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## Membership Note

Membership in the Catholic Professional Business Club of Merced is open to all Christians. This organization offers its members and guests the opportunity each month to enjoy a meal and listen to a business professional share how their faith has been a part of their life and accomplishments. CPBC Annual memberships run from January through December of each year, with no monthly meetings in July, August and December.

Regular membership dues are just \$35.

Dues can be paid at any monthly meeting or by sending a check to the following:

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## DID YOU FORGET TO JOIN?

Remember your New Year's resolution to join or renew your membership to CPBC this year and support this worthwhile Catholic organization that provides monthly opportunities for you to hear outstanding Catholic speakers and to share fellowship and faith with active and retired professionals? If you've already joined or renewed, thank you. If you haven't, don't delay another day! More than 58 terrific people have already become a vital part of our organization for 2008. We'd love to have you become a member too. Membership fees help cover stipends for our speakers and the cost of printing and mailing the monthly newsletter.

Our board members are available at every meeting to answer any questions you might have or to help you with your membership registration. The membership categories are described below:

**Annual Membership** Cost is \$135.00 for the 2008 year. Annual members receive the monthly newsletter and are entitled to 10 monthly breakfasts or lunches. These can be used one at a time or you can use several per month. (Best bargain because breakfast tickets sell for \$12.00 each and lunch tickets sell for \$15.00 each!)

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## COMING ATTRACTIONS

- March 13, 2008** Luncheon Meeting, St. Patrick's Parish Hall  
Merced, 12:00 noon  
Honoring the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Our Lady of Mercy School, Merced  
Speaker – John Pedrozo, OLM Graduate and Member of the Merced County Board of Supervisors
- April 17, 2008** Breakfast Meeting – St. Patrick's Parish Hall,  
Merced, 7:30 a.m.  
Speaker – Kathleen Stefani, Community Relations and Fund Development Coordinator for Hinds Hospice, Merced
- May 15, 2008** Luncheon Meeting, St. Patrick's Parish Hall, Merced,  
12:00 noon  
Clergy/Religious Appreciation and Recognition of CPBC  
Merced's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- June 19, 2008** Breakfast Meeting, St. Patrick's Parish Hall, Merced,  
7:30 a.m.  
Speaker – John Abbate, Mary's Mantle

## BOARD MEETINGS

Our board meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 a.m. in the Priests' Dining Room at St. Patrick's Parish Hall, 671 E. Yosemite Avenue, Merced. All board members work hard to plan meetings and provide speakers for you to enjoy. Please give them any suggestions you have so that we can make our club even better.

## SPIRITUAL READING SUGGESTIONS FOR FEBRUARY

**Book:** **Praying for Other, Powerful Pieces for Healing, Peace, and New Beginnings**  
**Author:** **Birrell Walsh**  
**Publisher:** **Crossroads Publishing Company**  
**Price:** **\$16.95**

Praying for others is one of the richest, and most overlooked forms of prayer. Walsh delves into the world's spiritual traditions for stories of prayer and healing, with suggestions on how we can pray for others in our own lives.

**Book:** **With Jesus Every Day, How Believing Transforms Living**  
**Author:** **Christopher Cardinal Schonborn**  
**Publisher:** **Crossroads Publishing Company**  
**Price:** **\$19.95**

What is distinctive about Christian morality? How can Christians meet the challenge of ethical living with joy? Based on his famous Cathedral Talks, the Archbishop of Vienna and editor of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, offers these accessible and inspirational reflections.

## SMILE ZONE

From the Religion Teacher's Journal, January 2008

### **The Narrow Gate**

During religion class, the teacher asked her students, "If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale, and gave all my money to the church, would that get me into heaven?"

"NO!" the children all answered.

"If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would that get me into heaven?"

Again, the answer was, "NO!"

"Well then, if I was kind to animals and gave candy to all the children and loved my husband, would that get me into heaven?" she asked them again.

Again, they all answered, "NO!"

"Well," she continued, "then how can I get into heaven?"

A five-year old boy shouted out, "YOU GOTTA BE DEAD!"

## Deaneries of Fresno

The Diocese of Fresno is divided into five Deaneries or areas within which are comprised the various parishes. Each deanery has an elected dean who represents the bishop in the particular area, presides over deanery meetings and gives input to the bishop regarding the needs of the People of God in the deanery.

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