



# Knights of Columbus Washington State Council Bulletin



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## Summer Leadership Meeting, July 11-13, 2003

The Washington State Council Summer Leadership Meeting to kick off the new fraternal year will be held in Wenatchee the weekend of July 11 – 13. The meeting is traditionally the first state-wide meeting of the fraternal year and is focused to help local council officers capture and build on last year’s momentum while planning for their new year. The meeting is hoping to help bottle some energy of past successes while looking forward to new successes as councils look forward to plan the new 2003 – 2004 fraternal year.

The meeting will focus on leadership training for District Deputies, State Chairmen, Grand Knights, Financial Secretaries, Membership Chairmen and Program Chairmen. Sessions have been planned to help with establishing fraternal year goals, membership and recruitment focus, insurance, and general programs. Additionally, a little fun and a great deal of fraternity are

planned.

Some of the highlights for the meeting include:

- Saturday evening Hawaiian Luau Buffet following Saturday evening Mass;
- Financial Secretaries Training;
- Awards presentation for Membership and PFH from the preceding fraternal year;
- Council Protocol & Tradition Presentation
- A Live Radio Interview with two Grand Knights;
- Steps to Successful Recruiting
- Drawing for Two KC Jackets;
- Country Store

A condensed agenda is printed on page 4 inside the bulletin. We look forward to seeing you all in Wenatchee!!!

### Summary of Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities

In a June press release from New Haven, the Supreme Council is reporting a record for charitable giving and volunteer service for the calendar year 2002. Reported for the 2002, the Knights raised and donated \$128.5 million to charities with record volunteer hours of service reported of 60.8 million hours. The figures reported are from the 2002 Survey of Fraternal Activity that each council completes and submits in January. Supreme Knight Carl Anderson said, “The records of charitable giving and volunteer service reflect the vibrancy of the Knights of Columbus. Our 1.6 million members are active in their communities, finding new ways daily to be in service to one and all.”

Knights from the State of Washington have several reasons to be proud. This past year, the Knights from Washington have contributed over \$1.1 million to charity and over 600,000 hours of volunteer service. Both of these numbers are records for the state. Congratulations Washington State Knights!!!

### Notes and Happenings around Washington State

**Tacoma Council 809** is holding its Annual Family Baseball Night at Cheney Stadium in July.

**Richland Council 3307** placed Knights of Columbus Memorial Flags on graves of departed Brother Knights for Memorial Day.

**Oak Harbor Council 3361** held an extremely successful Religious Appreciation Dinner in June when they hosted 7 priests and 2 nuns from around their local area.

**Toppenish Council 1699** is raising money to meet their financial pledge to support a Fetal Burial Project at their local cemetery.

**Interested in the KC Help Program?** Talk to Jerry Rhoads from Council 3307. Jerry can be reached at 509-946-3391.

**Note:** Please forward your Council event information to the Bulletin Editor, Frank Tyson, 425-868-2036 (Fax) or email him at [frank.tyson@cablespeed.com](mailto:frank.tyson@cablespeed.com)

## Let It Be Known (L.I.B.K.)

*Summer Meeting in Wenatchee,  
July 11-13.*

*Council Form 185 Report of  
Council Officers Due by July 1*

*Form 365 Report of Program  
Personnel Due by August 1*

*Family of Month Due at Su-  
preme by July 15*



## Message From the State Deputy

On behalf of the State Officers, District Deputies and State Chairmen, I welcome you to the new 2003-2004 Fraternal Year. I think that this is an exciting time to be a member of the Knights of Columbus! And I hope that you'll agree.

It's an exciting time to be Knight and leader in your council, parish and in the state of Washington. This past year, under the leadership of SD Wayne Hogan, we have just completed celebrating our jurisdiction's Centennial Anniversary and our 100<sup>th</sup> State Convention. It's been an honor to be part of this anniversary celebration. You must feel good to have been part of a small slice of Washington State history over some of these past 100 years. And I know that we stand ready and able to make more history as we continue the traditions of our jurisdiction during the new fraternal year.

We start this fraternal year with the State Leadership meeting in Wenatchee later this month. The meeting promises to provide a bit of fun and learning while continuing to maintain the fraternity that

we all enjoy as Knights of Columbus. The meeting will also provide each council leader attending, ideas and tools that he might take back to his own council to establish the successes he will enjoy this fraternal year. I look forward to seeing many of you at this meeting.

I traveled to New Haven this past month to attend the State Deputy's Organization and Training meeting. This was my first time in New Haven. I was quite excited to be with such a positive group of Knights from so many jurisdictions. I was also honored to be representing our state at this meeting. All the people from Supreme, including the Supreme Knight and all the Supreme Officers, were most welcoming. They had many positive things to say about Washington. As you will see, Washington will be moving up to a new division – Division III – this fraternal year. With this promotion comes a new set of expectations and goals for the state. I can't help but believe that we will be ready to accept and meet these challenges as we continue to promote our KC Faith, Family and Fraternity core values to our current membership and to the many of those Catholic men who have yet been asked to join.

This year's theme for the fraternal year is *Building a Better World - One Council at a Time*. Each member in the

order should have sufficient opportunity this fraternal year to contribute to building a better council, a better jurisdiction and a better world. It may be in helping out at a council or church function, or in recruiting new members from your parish, or even offering prayerful support for your fellow brothers. How will you respond to greet this challenge? The opportunity and challenge starts with your council - and it starts right now!

A new fraternal year is an exciting opportunity and always a challenge. This year will be no different. It's time to make a little history! It's an exciting time to be a Knight of Columbus. I trust that you will share with me that enthusiasm – and that you will join me in this celebration of our tradition and history as we march to *Build a Better World*.

Vivat Jesus!

*Pat Maloney*

Ponder this quote from Mother Teresa about the life in the womb:

“That little unborn child is created in the image of God. It's created for things, to love and to be loved. And today, abortion has become the greatest destroyer of peace because it destroys the presence of God.”

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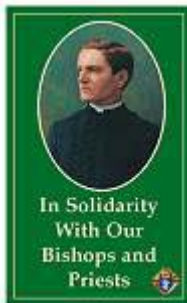


## A Message from Father K. Scott Connolly State Vice Chaplain

Father Scott Picture  
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It is a privilege for me to return to the State Council for the Knights of Columbus as Vice-Chaplain. As many of you know, I had the honor being State Chaplain while Everett Roberts was the State Deputy. Those two years were filled with many gifts and blessings for me and for the state council officers. As I return to this post under the leadership of State Deputy Pat Maloney, I look forward to working with him and all of you. On the local level, the Knights of Columbus are so intimately involved in the life of the parish communities. I know first hand the blessing that the Knights



Along with Archbishop Brunett (our State Chaplain), Bishops Skylstad and Sevilla and with all the priests that they represent throughout the state, I want to extend our thanks to you for your continued support of our ministry. The knights have long held the slogan "In solidarity with our priests and bishops". It is through this solidarity and message that the knights help the Church to bring the message of Christ to those who so desperately need to hear His word proclaimed and receives His healing grace.

Through your gift of service to the Church and beyond, financial contributions to schools, parishes and charities, and your prayer and devotion to our Lord Jesus Christ and His holy mother, Mary; you help to spread the Good News throughout our state and the world. May God continue to bless you in this endeavor, and I look forward to working with you in the years to come.

Yours In Christ,

*Father Scott*

Very Rev. K. Scott Connolly  
Vice-Chaplain

of Columbus can be for the local pastor. With that close tie between the Knights, their parish priest and the parish community; I felt it imperative to do my part to help foster communication and a sense of fraternity among the priests and their knights at the state level.

### Rites of a New Fraternal Year?

There are many yearly traditions and even some unexplainable phenomena in the world that we live. Consider the annual tradition of the *Running of the Bulls* in Pamplona, Spain. And who can say why the *Sparrows Return to San Juan Capistrano* each year on St Joseph's Day? Another tradition or an unexplainable phenomenon that comes to mind is a yearly KC event commemorating the start of the fraternal year. It's called the *Passing of the Files & Stuff*. Yes – this is that athletic event when the outgoing council officer leaves his box of important stuff on the door step of the new incoming council officer. Have you experienced this? Of course you have. And when you ponder it

a little, it very much looks like the Running of the Bulls. A word of caution however – if you are a new Grand Knight for this year, and you've received your stuff, check your box carefully! You want to make certain that you've received the WSC Grand Knight's Handbook – a three ring bound notebook that lists just about everything a Grand Knight and a Council needs to know about the Knights of Columbus. This is important stuff! It is an excellent resource of information and one you should not be without. The Handbook is updated every fraternal year at the Summer Leadership meeting. Don't get caught with a box that doesn't contain the *Right Stuff*!

There are no directory changes this month. New Washington State Council directories will be distributed at the Summer Leadership meeting. Please forward any directory changes, corrections or ad-

ditions to the State Secretary Karl Hadley. Changes can be entered on the form found on the WSC Web Site – [www.kofc-wa.org](http://www.kofc-wa.org).

### Drawing at the Summer Meeting

Have you established goals for this fraternal year? What are they? Achieve Start Council Award? .... Recruit 25 new members? .... Win the Century Award? .... Join the State Deputy's 1000 Point Club? .... Form a First Degree Team? .... Win the state-wide Degree competition? .... Complete a special Church, Community, Council, Family or Youth Project? .... Publish the best Newsletter in the State? .... These are great goals to have. At this year's summer meeting, you will be asked to bring your goals and your council's goals for the new fraternal year. If you do, you will be entered into a drawing to win a sharp looking Knights of Columbus jacket (courtesy of the Voiland Insurance Agency). Bring your goals ... and don't forget a copy of your 185 – Report of New Council Officers and 365 – Report of Council Chairmen.



Appearing in the picture are from left to right, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson, State Deputy Pat Maloney, Supreme Director Fred Abraham and Supreme Chaplain Thomas V. Daily. This picture taken in New Haven during the June State Deputy Organizational Meeting.

## Golf & Bowling Tourney

At this moment, we are still without bids to host the State Bowling or State Golf Tournament for the 2003 – 2004 Fraternal year. The State Bowling Tournament is traditionally held in April – the golf Tournament is held in June. If your council is interested in hosting or you would like more information on what is involved in hosting either of these State events, please contact the State Deputy or the State Secretary.

## Meet Your New State Bulletin Editor



Please allow me to introduce myself. I have accepted the position of editor of The Knights of Columbus

State Council Monthly Bulletin. I also am the editor for the Mary, Queen of Peace Council 9833 Newsletter.

I am 60 years old and have been blessed with the privilege of being married to my wife, Roseann, for forty years in August. We have had five children (three boys and two girls) all of whom are married. My children have blessed me with seven grandchildren, five girls and two boys.

I am a member of the Respect Life Committee, the Pastoral Care Committee,

## Washington State Council Summer Leadership Meeting July 11 – 13, 2003 - Wenatchee Red Lion Hotel General Agenda

### FRIDAY - July 11, 2003

12:01 PM - 4:00 PM..... State Officers Meeting – Cadman Board Room  
1:00 PM – 4:00 PM..... Audit Committee Meeting – Cougar Room  
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM..... PFH Board Meeting – Cadman Board Room  
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM..... Columbus Charities Board Meeting – Cadman Board Room  
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM..... Columbus Charities BOD Dinner – Cascade Room  
8:00 PM – 9:15 PM..... District Deputy's Reception – Cascade Room  
9:315 PM ..... Summer Meeting Preparations – Cougar Room

### SATURDAY - July 12, 2003

7:00 AM – 2:00 PM..... Registration – Lower Lever Hallway  
7:30 AM – 10:45 AM..... District Deputies Training (Session #1) – Chief Joseph  
8:00 AM – 10:00 AM..... State Chairmen Orientation – Set-up (Cougar & Columbia Room)  
8:00 AM – 10:45 AM..... Financial Secretaries Training (Session #1) – Chelan Room  
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM ..... Country Store Room 104 & Ladies Hospitality – Room 204  
9:00 AM – 11:00 AM..... Good of the Order Meeting – Cadman Board Room  
9:00 AM – 10:45 AM..... Grand Knight's Welcome Reception - Columbia  
10:30 AM – 3:00 PM..... Ladies on own for Shopping in Leavenworth, Wenatchee  
11:00 AM – 12:15 PM..... Leadership Buffet Lunch (Tickets required) – Cascade Room  
12:30 PM – 2:15 PM..... General Session - All Attendees - Columbia  
2:30 PM – 4:30 PM..... GK Training (Session #2) - Columbia  
2:30 PM – 4:30 PM..... District Deputies Training (Session #2) – Chief Joseph  
2:30 PM – 4:30 PM..... Financial Secretaries Training (Session #2) – Chelan  
5:30 PM..... Mass at Holy Apostles (DD's & State Officers line up @ 5:15 PM)  
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM..... Hawaiian Luau & Social (Tickets Required) – Patio & Ballroom  
9:00 PM - ..... Pool Open

### SUNDAY - July 13, 2003

6:00 AM – 8:00 AM..... Attendees Breakfast on their own  
8:00 AM – Noon..... Country Store Room 104  
8:00 AM – 8:50 AM..... General Session - All Attendees - Columbia  
9:00 AM – 10:45 AM..... District Deputies Training (Session #3) – Chief Joseph  
9:00 AM – 10:45 AM..... Financial Secretaries Training (Session #3) – Chelan Room  
9:00 AM – 10:45 AM GK, Program & Membership Chairmen – General Training – Columbia  
9:30 AM – 11:00 AM..... Ladies Coffee with Father Kirkendahl – Cascade  
10:45 AM – 11:59 AM..... All Attendees - Final Reports & Closing Remarks – Columbia  
Noon..... Adjourn – Have a safe trip home!

and an auxiliary member of the Legion of Mary at Mary, Queen of Peace Parish.

I am employed by Hewlett Packard as a Technical Consultant in High Performance Technical Computing. My duties involve consulting for Independent Software Vendors and providing competitive analysis for the sales force.

My hobbies are entertaining my grandchildren, karaoke, reading and

traveling with my wife to Kauai.

I am excited and look forward to working with and contributing to the Knights of Columbus State Council.

Vivat Jesus!

*Frank Tyson*

> **Prayer List In Memoriam** <

We join the survivors in remembering the following members who recently died.

We offer our prayers for them and their families. May their souls rest in peace.

Brother	Council
Roydon J. Whipple .....	Seattle 676
Cliffore L. Retzlaff .....	Seattle 676
Oscar I. Cooper .....	Bremerton 1379
Marvin B. Olson .....	Colfax 1488
Edward N. Dellwo .....	Wenatchee 1545
Paul J. Lambrix .....	Olympia 1643
George H. Brennan .....	Ferndale 7356

**Family Members' Deaths**

Laura Mahan (wife of Carlin L. Mahan).....	Raymond 1606
Consuel Cabeles (Mother-in-Law of Patrick Staeheli).....	Kent 8150
John Christle (Son-in-Law of DD#24 Robert White).....	Port Townsend 10532

**Sick Notices**

Gerald Morris .....	Colfax 1488
Doris Ripplw (wife of Gordon Ripple).....	Colfax 1488
Gloria Maffei (wife of PSD Hector Maffei) .....	Richland 3307

**Keep Christ in Christmas Cards  
John M. Wallace, Chairman**

It is difficult to think of Christmas cards with the temp at 90 degrees Fahrenheit. However, just as the smart animal kingdom prepares for winter by storing up food, it makes sense for Grand Knights and Councils to prepare for the Christmas Card sales now, and not wait until the snow flies.

The sale of these beautiful Christmas cards is a wonderful service to your parishioners and others, to help them remember what Christmas is all about. The cards sell themselves if put on display at your Church, and make a nice profit for the Council.

If your Council has never sold Christmas Cards, try a case this year and see how well they are received. My first year I had to reorder twice. All were sold.

To help each Council start their Keep Christ in Christmas card sales, the first case of 36 assorted cards cost only

\$120.00 plus \$14.00 shipping. Subsequent cases of your selection will cost \$158.00 plus \$14.00 shipping. Please submit your requests at the Summer Meeting.

Future orders can be made to:

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"Go to the ant...study her ways and learn wisdom...She procures her food in summer, stores up her provisions in the harvest. How long...will you rest?"

Proverbs 6: 6-9

**Important Dates to Remember  
Degrees, Reports and Miscellaneous**

July 1 .....	Election of Officers Report # 185 DUE
July 11-13 .....	Summer Leadership Meeting at Wenatchee Red Lion
Aug 1 .....	Service Program Personnel Report #365 DUE
Aug 4 .....	Columbus Squires 78 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
Aug 5 - 7 .....	120 <sup>th</sup> Supreme Council Meeting in Washington DC
Aug 7 - 8 .....	Eucharistic Congress in Washington DC
Aug 9 - 16 .....	Family Week
Aug 15 .....	Feast of the Assumption
Aug 15 .....	Council Semi-Annual Audit DUE
Aug 23 .....	Ceremonial Meeting in Ellensburg
Sep 1 .....	Labor Day
Sep 22 .....	2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree in Bellevue (Districts 14, 23)
Oct 5 .....	2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree in Oak Harbor (Districts 9, 19)
Oct 10 .....	Supreme Per Capita DUE
Oct 12 .....	Columbus Day
Oct 18 - 19 .....	<i>Barnstorm for the Bishops</i> Membership Drive Weekend
Oct 19 .....	2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree in Spokane (Districts 5, 18, 20)
Oct 25 .....	2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree in Vancouver (District 11,25)
Oct 25 .....	4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification in Spokane
Nov 1 .....	Free Throw Council Kit Order Form DUE
Nov 2 .....	2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree in Bothell (Districts 16, 21)
Nov 8 .....	4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification in Seattle
Nov 9 .....	2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree in Lakewood (Districts 3, 22)
Nov 11 .....	Veteran's Day
Nov 17 .....	2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree in Richland (District 7)

**State Advocate  
John M. Wallace  
Council By-Laws**

Do you have a copy of your Council By-Laws?? I would like to have a copy. Grand Knights, bring a copy to the Summer Meeting, July 11-13, at Wenatchee and leave at the Registration Table. If you turn in your copy I will not need to contact you later.

Thank you for your help.  
John M. Wallace

"We are not powerless. We can make a difference. We belong to the Lord; in Him is our strength and through His Grace, we can change the world"

From Living the Gospel of Life

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### Something to Ponder,

Author Unknown

Submitted by DGK David Meyers from Council 7528

A philosophy professor stood before his class with a few items on the table in front of him. When the class began, quietly he picked up a very large, empty jar and proceeded to fill it with rocks that were about 2" in diameter. When the jar was filled with rocks, he asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was. So then the professor picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. He shook the jar and allowed the pebbles to move into the open area between the rocks. He then again asked the students if the jar was full. The students agreed that it was. The professor then picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. Of course, the sand filled up everything else. He then asked the students once more if the jar was full. The students then responded with a resounding yes! The professor then produced two cans of beer from under the table. He poured their entire contents into the jar – effectively filling the jar and wetting the sand. The students laughed.

As the laughter subsided, the professor indicated that with this lesson he wanted the students to recognize that the jar represents each person's life. The rocks are the important things in life – God,

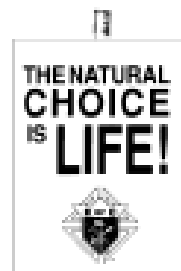
family, health, and friends – all things that if everything was lost and only they remained, one's life would still be full. The pebbles are the creature comfort things in life that are important – such as job, house, car, etc. The sand represents everything else in life – all the small stuff.

The professor said that if you put the sand in the jar first, obviously there would be no room for the rocks or the pebbles. He indicated that the same goes for life. If one spends all their time & energy on the small stuff, there will never be time for the things that are important. It is crucial to pay attention to those things that are important to life's happiness – spending time praying, being with your family and children, taking time for your own health. There will always be time to work, clean the house, wash the car, give a dinner party and fix the sink. It is important to take care of the rocks – the things that really matter. He urged his students to set their priorities because the rest is just sand.

One of the students raised their hand to ask what the beer represented. The professor was only too happy to answer that question. He said that no matter how full one's life may seem, there is always room for a couple of beers.

### Two New Washington State Councils

Two new councils have been formed this past month in Washington. One Council is Sacred Heart Council 13364 in Enumclaw - the Grand Knight is George Harding and FS is Robert Sheeley. The second new Council is St Stephen the Martyr Council in Renton. Ken Robinson is Grand Knight. The council is so new at press time we did not have a number. Welcome to these two new councils!



### July Vocations

With the annual Summer Meeting just around the corner, it is not too early to get a jump start on the Washington State Council vocations program. Grand Knights are urged to fill the council Vocations Chairman position as soon as possible.

"Every Seminarian Supported" is not just a watchword. It is a demonstrably doable challenge for the Knights of Columbus. Supported means, not only financial assistance, but an invitation to seminarians to join the Knights as well, with the council picking up the tab for his dues. It only costs the council a few dollars in per capita charges to have a seminarian exposed to the work of our Order.

Support also means encouragement of seminarians; this can take the form of letters and cards – don't forget to send him a

Christmas card as well! Invite the seminarian to come to council events if he is in the area, too.

A new and exciting challenge in support of the RSVP program will be presented to the Grand Knights at the summer meeting in Wenatchee. Called the "Eleven Club", it promises a wonderful opportunity to encourage participation by individuals in the RSVP program.

Each Grand Knight will receive a personal letter from me at the summer meeting. It is very important that you read it – there is something in the letter for each of the councils.

Every council should be participating in the Pennies For Heaven program. The goals for each council will be mailed out in early 2004. Please consider having as part of the program a parish "penny drive" – some councils have been able to raise a

surprising amount by simply asking their parishioners to help.

I am looking forward to visiting as many Councils as possible during the fraternal year. Your District Deputies and I will be working together to plan my travel schedule.

Nothing in my 33 years in the Knights of Columbus has meant so much to me as the four years that I spent as Vocations/PFH/RSVP Chairman for the Washington State Council. I am very grateful to State Deputy Pat Maloney for giving me the opportunity to do it once again.

*Duane Vincent, FDD PFN PGK*

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