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A HOLY CHRISTMAS TO THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS and Their FAMILIES



*To all the Brothers and Sir knights,
From our homes and families to yours: may you enjoy the peace of Christ not only during this upcoming Christmas 2008 but throughout the coming year!*

May joy be your gift at Christmas and may Faith, Hope, and Love be your treasurers in the New Year.

From the State Family

*State Deputy - John & Tess Walker
State Chaplain - Most Rev. Carlos Sevilla
State Vice Chaplain - Rev. Wilmar Zabala
State Secretary - John & Sheila Wallace
State Treasurer - Don & Julie McBride
State Advocate - George & Sharon Czerwonka
State Warden - Ed & Dawna Parazoo
I. Past State Deputy - Karl & Kyle Hadley
District Deputies, Chairmen and their Ladies*

L.I.B.K

*Dec 5-7 District Deputies Meeting
in Renton
Dec 8 - Feast of the Immaculate
Conception
Dec 25 - Christmas*

Message from State Deputy John Walker Get the Word out and Help Retain Members

Worthy Brother Knights:

The annual mid-year meeting of the State Deputies was held in Grapevine, TX on November 21-23. Supreme Knight Carl Anderson and his staff reviewed with each of the States their goals for the year and the progress or lack of progress with each of us. It was a little depressing when they got to Washington State. Even though we have been consistent over the years with recruitment of new members, they asked me to explain why we had so many suspensions to date. With 246 compared to 96 last year, I tried my best to give some rationale. We have had a large turnover of Financial Secretaries (around 43) and when the new FS takes over, in many cases, he is finding that the council has been carrying members for a number of years and it was time for them to be dropped. It's called "it is time to clean house". I did tell them; however, the plan was for those councils suspending members to attempt to recruit the number of suspensions plus their individual quota. It got me off the hook for now and I ask that councils make a concerted attempt to replace the suspended brothers. I also ask that the council follow the procedures in contacting the individual, if he can be found, and finding out why they have not been paying their dues or coming to meetings. The council Retention committee and District Deputy need to follow up and contact the fallen brother. The State Retention Chairman does the same and Supreme sends a letter to each individual. Let's make every effort to contact personally. Do not send an email. Saying that you cannot contact a person because he has moved or his telephone has been changed is not acceptable. In this day and age with the internet possibilities you can find anyone if you try. If we wish the Order to grow and continue to be what it is today and in the future – an Order dedicated to the core values of Charity, Unity, Fraternalism, and Patriotism, we need to reach out in a special way to keep our members and ask new



eligible Catholic gentleman to join us. We are inviting them and their families to share in the rewards of Columbianism.

In order to experience a positive year of growth through June 2009, councils must be like a championship athletic team. The right players must be in the right roles and they must work seamlessly together to achieve victory. So it is with your council. The program chairman, the admission chairman, the membership team, the retention committee and the officers must all work together – each in their individual roles – to achieve council growth. And don't forget that every council should have a PR chairman working to spread the word about your council on a regular, ongoing basis. He should publicize upcoming events through monthly bulletins to the members, council awards and honors, membership recruiting drives and efforts being planned such as blitzes, open houses, church drives, etc. He should publicize the Knight/Family of the month and the names of new members. Getting the message to the right audience is very important. Information from the Supreme Council Supply Department is available to help get the council's message out. If you do not have a Public Relations chair in your ranks, find one. He can make a real difference.

As we start the second half of the fraternal year, let us begin on a positive note. Recruit and Retain. Make you council programs meaningful so that your new and old members will want to continue to be a part of the greatest fraternal organization in the world – The Knights of Columbus.

In closing, as we approach the birth of Christ, my wife and I, wish you Brothers All – a blessed, happy and giving Christmas.

One Nation Under God

Councils Not Submitting Report of Officers Chosen Form 185
DUE – JUNE 30, 2008
 8398 12889 13761
Total 3 Not Reporting

Councils Not Submitting Service Program Personnel Report – Form 365
DUE – AUGUST 1, 2008
 1449 1550 1629 1758 2763 3044 3153 6706 7356 8297
 8311 8398 8672 9605 9721 9941 11217 11252 12002 12251
 12420 12889 13761 13831 14162
Total 25 Not Reporting

Councils Not Submitting Semi Annual Audit Report Form 1295
DUE – AUGUST 15, 2008
 (No Report at Supreme)
 676 *683* 763* 1545 3044 3153 7907* 8015
 8179 9605 9910* 10543 12002 12583*
 12889 13422 13761
 * Means last two reports are delinquent
Total 17 Not Reporting

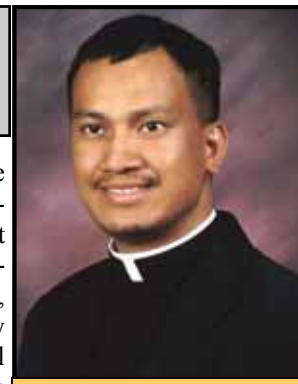
COUNCILS NOT REPORTING ANY Y-T-D MEMBERSHIP ADDITIONS
 (No report at Supreme)
 894 1327 1401 1488 1545 1606 1674 1823 2155 2303 3044
 3153 3611 3645 4367 5495 6706 7117 7149 7356 7360 7907
 8079 8136 8266 8311 8398 8437 8768 9145 9237 9605 9617
 9637 9721 10532 10534 11252 11253 11408 11762 11780
 11906 12002 12251 12273 12483 12786 12889 13186 13422
 13462 13597 13761 13834 14394
Total 58 Not Reporting



**STATE CHAPLAIN
MOST REVEREND
CARLOS A. SEVILLA, S.J.**



by Fr. Wilmar O Zabala Share the Gifts of Love



**STATE VICE-CHAPLAIN
THE REVEREND
WILMAR O. ZABALA**

Yes, there's something magical about Christmas. And what I see during this season of giving and sharing always brings joy to my heart! How could it not be? We take time to care and love. We give generously of our time and treasure. We take a break from our busy lives to remember distant or separated family members, relatives, or friends. We write them. We visit them. We get together. We enjoy each other's presence. Problems and challenges of many kinds cease to exist. We exchange gifts – not out of obligation, but truly a sincere gesture of love. Yes, sometimes we get too focused on buying the most expensive gifts possible. Yes, sometimes we give “commercialism” at Christmas a “priority” over “spirituality,” a common spiritual infirmity that many of us struggle with during the holiday season. But we easily get over it, because we sincerely believe that at the heart of our crazy, hectic Christmas shopping lies that simple, holy impulse to love, to give, to make someone happy. The Christmas season! One of my favorite times of the year!

Let us make this spirit of generosity be ever present in our lives. Why? Because it's good for us! We know that happiness lies in giving life away; that selfishness will make us unhappy; that we will only be ourselves when we are big-hearted, generous, and put the needs of others before our own. Saint Francis of Assisi was right when he said that we only receive by giving. That's the reason why we admire people who radiate that and we feed our souls and those of our children with stories of heroism, selflessness, and bigness of heart. To be generous is good for us because giving enlarges the heart and makes it youthful with an ever-greater capacity for loving. Selfishness, on the other hand, impoverishes the heart and narrows its horizons. This reminds me of the Dead Sea in the Holy Land. Did you ever wonder why it's called dead? It's because it receives and never gives. You see, our best nature dies when we receive all and give nothing. To be generous is good for us because the more we give the richer we become.

My brother e-mailed me this delightful story of a person who limits his gift of love to his mother at Christmas:

This poor fellow went to Texas and struck it rich. He became a millionaire. Wanting to do something for his mother, and knowing that she loved pets, he walked into the pet store to browse for a gift. He came upon a parrot, singing in its cage. The price tag on the cage was \$25,000. He asked the owner, “How come that parrot costs so much?” The owner was quick to tell him! “That parrot costs \$25,000, because it

can recite the Lord's Prayer, the twenty-third psalm, and the Gettysburg address. Not only that, it can sing, “The Star Spangled Banner.” “Wow, that's a lot of money, but nothing is too good for my mother. Pack it up; send it Federal Express, and see to it that it arrives the Saturday before Christmas.” When Christmas Day came, this dude was so excited he could hardly wait to call his mother.

“Merry Christmas, Mom!” “Thank you, Son!”
 “Well, Mom! Did you get my gift?”
 “Yes, Son. Thank you!”
 “Did you like it, Mom?”
 “Yes, Son! It was delicious!”

The mother missed the meaning of the gift! Our gift of love must be made day by day in each encounter with our families and neighbors. Let me end with this beautiful Christmas rendition of Saint Paul's famous definition and vision of love found in his First Letter to the Corinthians:

If I decorate my house perfectly with lovely plaid ribbons, strands of twinkling lights, and shiny glass balls, but do not show love to my family – I'm just another decorator.

If I slave away in the kitchen, baking dozens of Christmas cookies, preparing gourmet meals, and arranging a beautifully adorned table at mealtime, but do not show love to my family – I'm just another cook.

If I work at the soup kitchen, carol in the nursing home, and give all that I have to charity, but do not show love to my family – I've missed the point.

Love stops the cooking to hug your child.

Love sets aside the decorating to kiss your spouse.

Love is kind, though harried and tired.

Love bears all things, believes all things, and hopes all things.

Video games will break; pearl necklaces will be lost; golf clubs will rust. But giving the gift of love will endure forever!

May the good news of great joy proclaimed by the angels fill your lives this Christmas!

Father Wilmar

Rev. Wilmar O. Zabala
State Vice-Chaplain

INITIATIVE 1000 – WHAT NOW???

Dear Friends,

Now that the election results are in and I-1000 will become state law in 2009, many are asking the question: What now? First and most important, now is the time to give thanks. As people of faith we give thanks to God for the gift of life and the privilege of working in God's vineyard. We know that all life and all our struggles to protect life are ultimately in God's hands. We may take great comfort in this knowledge regardless of any momentary setbacks or temporary challenges.

We also must give thanks to all those whose prayers, work and financial support resulted in raising awareness about end-of-life issues during the course of this campaign. The campaign provided a platform for advocating the inherent dignity and value of all life. From this platform we were able to deliver a message focused on the dignity and worth of people with disabilities, the elderly and the sick. This was made possible by support from the broad coalition of individuals and groups that helped educate the public about the dignity of all people regardless of age, illness or physical ability. The work we did over the past months also raised awareness about hospice and palliative care as a means to relieve the pain and alleviate the fear of those facing death. This has been a remarkable accomplishment that will bear fruit for the dying in the years ahead. None of this would have been possible without those who gave their time and resources so generously during the I-1000 campaign.

We know that our prayers and efforts have not been in vain. We also know that we still have work ahead of us. While all life is in God's hands, we must carry on in faith and hope, believing as St. Paul said that "the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it." We have begun an effort to promote life and the common good, and we have good reason to hope and work in order to accomplish that goal.

We learned many things in the course of this campaign, some of them difficult lessons. Among these is that we need to continue providing assistance to those who are dying. Especially at the parish level, we must ensure that those who face serious illness and death are cared for and that their families are supported. We also have an obligation to help others understand our teaching on the end of life and do all that we can to ensure that no one ever feels the need to take their own life. In the course of the campaign we produced helpful videos and written materials with a timeless message that powerfully explains our position. These teaching aids are still available and may be obtained by contacting the Washington State Catholic Conference.

As a church, we recognize that anti-Catholic bias played a significant role in the efforts to legalize assisted suicide. This campaign made it absolutely clear that many oppose not only our beliefs but our right to voice them in the public square. We must recognize that religious bigotry is a reality in our culture, and all Catholic people must be ready to confront this bias in order to protect religious freedom for ourselves and all people of faith.

In the legislative context, it is of paramount importance that we maintain the faithful that came together to defeat Initiative 1000. Before the law is implemented next year, state government will begin a rulemaking process, and we must work to advocate for safeguards to protect those most at risk as a result of I-1000's passage. We know that once this law is implemented, it will be impossible to accurately trace records in order to determine how it is being applied, so our efforts to affect its implementation are of the utmost importance.

We also must be prepared to help those states most likely to face campaigns to legalize assisted suicide in the future and help prevent this bad law from being passed in other states.

It is not enough to say thank you to all of you who have done so much in the cause for life. Our hope is that everyone who participated in this campaign will look back with great pride on what has been accomplished and to a future with great hope for what remains to be done.

~ Sister Sharon Park, O.P. and Staff of the WSCC

Meditation from KNIGHTS TO CHRIST Book



Knights to Christ
Meditations/Devotions Book
December 25, 2008

Christmas

But the angel said to them, do not be afraid, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a savior has been born to you; he is Christ the LORD.” ~ Luke 2: 10-11

Strange is our situation here on earth, each of us comes for a short visit, not knowing why, yet sometimes seeming to divine a purpose. From the standpoint of daily life, however, there is one thing we know:

That Man is here for the sake of other Men.

Above all for those upon whose smile and well being our own happiness depends, and also for the countless unknown souls with whose fate we are connected by a bond of sympathy.

Many times a day I realize how much my own outer and inner life is built upon the labors of my fellow men, both living and dead, and how earnestly I must exert myself in order to give in return as much as I have received. ~ Albert Einstein

Brother to Brother, family to family, we celebrate as Knights the birth of our Savior, the Son of God, and that in our faith we may have life in His name.

How can we make the spirit of Christmas last for more than just one day?

Happiness will never be ours, if we do not recognize to some degree that God's blessings were given us for the well-being of all.

~ Anonymous

A time of joy is upon us, "Christmas," the day we celebrate the birthday of our Lord Jesus Christ. This may be a day of ups and downs for us but Christ is steady and sure. When we turn to Him so will we be.

May He bring you and your family complete joy and happiness.

Makes a great Stocking Stuffer

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A Picture is worth 1,000 Million Words...

GENERATIONS OF VALOR



Pearl Harbor Survivor Houston James of Dallas embraced Marine Staff Sgt. Mark Graunke, Jr. during a Veterans Day Commemoration in Dallas last month. Graunke lost a hand, a leg and an eye when he defused a bomb in Iraq last year. This image of our troops in combat in Fallujah deepened the day's significance for many who attended tributes held in San Diego and across the nation. *Associated Press*

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR



The good news is that we had a very good *Blitz* effort during the September and October time period with 77 councils (53.4%) reporting that they conducted a *Blitz*. The number of prospects was 186 and Form 100's/new members was 240, a 31.8% increase over the prior year.

I will assume again that many councils have delayed their *Blitz* until the March in 2009. Can you just imagine

what can be done if every council participates in March? I can and the result would be monumental!

We don't have all candidates with signed Form 100's completing their 1st Degrees. Many councils have held their exemplifications in just the past 10 days with more to come. Your State Deputy and I look for your continuing reports as we know the average number of Form 100's signed (3.1) and Prospects (2.4) per *Blitz* is much higher than reported.

The councils winning their respective Division in the *Blitz* contest and a copy of "A Civilization of Love – What Every Catholic Can Do to Transform the World" by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson are:

- Division I – Council 14046 (3 Prospects, 2 Transfers, 8 Form 100's)
- Division II – Council 11357 (11 Prospects, 1 Readmission, 1 Transfer, 7 Form 100's)
- Division III – Council 11642 (17 Prospects, 2 Readmission, 5 Form 100's)
- Division IV – Council 8872 (4 Prospects, 7 Form 100's)
- Division V – Council 676 (10 Form 100's)

Another council was selected at random in each Division, and they will receive a \$25 Gift Certificate to Red Lobster/Olive Garden.

- Division I – 14268 (2 Prospects, 6 Form 100's)
- Division II – 9605 (7 Prospects, 1 Readmission, 1 Transfer, 4 Form 100's)
- Division III – 12591 (6 Prospects, 1 Readmission, 3 Form 100's)
- Division IV – 1379 (4 Prospects, 1 Transfer, 6 Form 100's)
- Division V – 809 (3 Prospects, 6 Form 100's)

As we count the days until Christmas, we must remind ourselves to complete the task of getting our candidates to their 1st Degree, and then redouble our efforts during our Christmas celebrations to invite other Catholic men on our prospect lists and their wives to participate with us. Recruitment opportunities abound at every turn if we just reach out and look for them. Remember too that every day is recruitment day!

And let us also pay close attention to our retention programs. Our Brothers that do not show up for council doings over a period of time need to be contacted on a regular basis and asked to participate. Many of us are hesitant to step out and take the lead. They say that only 4 people in 100 are truly comfortable in

front of a group. The old sales axiom is really true too..."It is easier to keep a current client than it is to find a new one!" So keep your fingers on the pulse of your council and keep close watches on the flock...reining them in when they quietly slip away into the background. Keep them involved!

So as we close out 2008, let us hold that year-end 1st Degree and complete the *Blitz* process. Our exemplification can be done prior to a Christmas social or after a Council Mass to name only a couple of opportunities to get our candidates into the Order this year. And don't forget the special incentive for Grand Knights reaching their membership Quota prior to December 31...you will each receive a KofC jacket.

May you and yours have a Blessed and Merry Christmas!

Vivat Jesus,

George Czerwonka, Jr.

State Advocate and Membership Director

> 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.

- John P. Johnson.....Seattle 8311
- Frank Stone.....Marysville 7863
- Don G. Stone.....Marysville 7863
- Vincent DesLauriers Sr.....Everett 763
- John P. Fleming.....Richland 3307
- Robert S Herring
(Son of Norman S. Herring PSD deceased).... Walla Walla 766
- Donald D. Baker.....Stanwood 8476

Family Members' Deaths

- Dennis Auye (Brother of Father Perron Auye)..... Kennewick 10653
- Shirley Ann Hauge (Wife of Cornelius Hauge)..... Auburn 3598
- Isabelle Heitstuman
(Mother of Raymond Heitstuman)..... Uniontown 1823
- Angelina Strevia (Widow of Leonard Strevia)..... Pullman 7360
- Genevieve Tomaszewski
(Mother of Tom Tomaszewski).....Richland 3307
- Vickie Mudd (Daughter-in-law of Ray Mudd)..... Kent 8150
- Marjorie Vincent (Mother of David Vincent)..... Kirkland 7642
- Tom Collins (Brother-in-Law of Ben Peralta)..... Kent 8150

Sick Notices

- Mary Cunnington
(Wife of Don Cunnington PGK FDD).....Moses Lake 4367
- Robert Herber..... Yakima 894
- Dave Bromm (Nephew of Marc Desgrosseillier FS)..... Yakima 894
- Walt Hart..... Everett 763
- Jean Turk (wife of George Turk, PSD).....Bellevue 4385

The Servant-Leader

I thought that I would take this opportunity to address a subject that I studied many years ago called "Servant-Leader" albeit I did so in a corporate setting. It should be the same in a volunteer service too.

To begin, let us ask the question: Can these two roles, servant and leader, be in one person? I learned they can when attending a conference on the subject. So let me explain by putting it into context with a short story.

Let's assume for a moment that we have a band of men going along on a journey. The main figure is John who goes along as a servant attending to the daily chores and needs of this band of men, and while doing his work; he infuses them with his spirit and presence...an extraordinary presence. All goes along quite well in the journey until John is no longer to be found...he disappears! The band falls into disarray, and the journey is abandoned.

One of the party, after some years, finds John and is taken into the Order that had sponsored the journey. There he discovers that John, whom he had known first as servant, was in fact the titular head of the Order, "Its guiding spirit, a great and noble leader."

The story clearly depicts John as a servant first, and that simple fact is the key to John's greatness. John was actually the leader all of the time, the band just did not come to realize it. He was servant first because that is what his nature truly was, and leadership was bestowed upon him. The real man, John, was their servant-leader.

As John is portrayed in the story, the servant-leader is servant first. This begins with the natural feeling that one wants to serve, to serve first. Then personal choice brings one to aspire to lead. This is much different than the person who is leader first... maybe with a desire for power or possessions coming to a later choice to serve. There is a sharp contrast between servant first and leader first.

The natural servant, servant first, is more likely over the test of time to persevere than the leader first who may later serve out of promptings of conscience or in conformity to expectations. Our best hope should be that among the many, there are true servants, who will lead, and most of us can learn to discriminate among those who presume to serve them.

Are you a servant-leader?

George Czerwonka, Jr.
State Advocate

COLUMBUS CHARITIES PERMANENT ENDOWMENT FUND

The Columbus Charities Permanent Endowment Fund, as it has been designated, will be held in perpetuity and invested in a manner that protects the principal while the investment income provides ongoing support for grants, projects and expenses approved by the Board of Directors.

The Fund and all future endowments will be maintained in full compliance with the rules and guidelines of the State of Washington, and in full compliance with the rules and guidelines of the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act.

The Columbus Charities Permanent Endowment Fund is a winner for you, the donor, and Columbus Charities:

A Winner for the Donor...

- Provides an opportunity for a donor to make a tax-wise planned gift.
- Offers a new way for a donor to make a charitable year-end tax deductible contribution.
- Gives the donor the satisfaction of knowing his or her gift will continue to be helpful – *in perpetuity*.
- Allows the donor to experience deep fulfillment, giving them a sense of "ongoing positive impact" that simply cannot be achieved by any other means.

A Winner for Columbus Charities...

- Provides a source of revenue for the institution in two ways:
 - ◆ The vast majority of gifts to an endowment represent revenue that is not normally received via standard fund-raising efforts or foundation donations. Donors to endowment funds may make the gift of their lifetime through a planned, tax-wise donation via a Gift Annuity, Charitable Trust, Bequest, and Appreciated Stock, Property or other planned gifts.
 - ◆ The annual earnings from the Permanent Endowment Fund will continue to be a source of revenue - *in perpetuity*
- May help keep Columbus Charities viable during rough times. If organizations have strong endowments, they can often weather the "down years" providing a beacon of hope for the needy in the midst of turbulent times.

If you would like to learn more about Columbus Charities Permanent Endowment Fund, we invite you to contact the Vice President of Columbus Charities at (253)582-8199 or kofewal-lace@comcast.net.

If you wish to make a tax deductible donation, please make your check payable to: COLUMBUS CHARITIES, INC., and mail to:

**COLUMBUS CHARITIES, INC.
10024 – 100TH ST COURT SW
LAKEWOOD, WA 98498-3126**

District Deputy Director Message



Worthy District Deputies:

Do you ever wonder what topics you should be discussing with your Grand Knights at your monthly District Meeting?

As you read this monthly bulletin, you'll notice that nearly every item discussed by a state officer or chairman requires follow-up

by the District Deputy to ensure his councils fulfill their obligations.

For example, these should all be items for you to include on your agenda (and for Grand Knights to discuss at their monthly Council Officer Meetings:

Membership Status

- Progress each council has made towards meeting goals
- Councils that are Membership Inactive
- Plans and preparations for conducting next Membership Blitz
- Retention efforts/status of contacts for notices of intent to suspend
- Dates, times, and locations for next first degree exemplifications
- Shining Armor, Silver Knight and VIP Awards
- Other incentives (Fr McGivney Guild items, WSC history books, etc.)

Insurance Status

- Plans and preparations for next Field Agent visit to council meeting
- New new-member annuity plan

Report Status

- Upcoming reports (Fraternal Survey, Special Olympics Survey, Audit, Annual Report for Convention Booklet, Columbian Award)
- Delinquent reports (e.g., 185, 365, August Audit, Round Table, IRS)

Financial Status

- Per Capita Payments to Supreme and State
- Pennies For Heaven Donations to State
- Columbus Charities Contributions to New State CC Foundation
- Exemplification Fund Payments to State
- KCIC Bills

State Award Application Status (due to appropriate State Chairmen 4/1/09)

- Blood and Platelet Donor Honor Rolls (submit names to State Community Chairman)
- Right-to--Life Award (submit to Pro-Life Chairman)
- Fraternalism Award (submit to Council Chairman)
- Family of the Year Award (submit to State Family Chairman)
- Knight of the Year Award (submit to State Council Chairman)

Service Program Award Application Status (due to appropriate State Chairmen 4/15/09)

- Events to be nominated and requirements and content for a winning application
- Church Program Award
- Council Program Award
- Community Program Award
- Family Program Award
- Youth Program Award
- State Deputy's 1000 Point Club Status

Round Table/New Council Development Status

- How to establish a "Knights Presence" in every parish in your district

Upcoming District/Region/State Council Events

- January – Regional Meeting
- January – March for Life to Olympia (and/or local)
- February – District and Regional Free Throws – hosted by Council XXX
- February – Election of Delegates to State Convention
- March – State Free Throw Contest in Yakima and Fr Queen Gym
- TBD – 2nd/3rd Degree Exemplification

Miscellaneous Topics

- Council bulletins
- Fr McGivney Guild Membership/Parish Promotion
- Forming Squires Circles
- Possible Resolutions to submit for consideration at State Convention
- Family of the Month submittals to Supreme
- First Degree Ceremonial Team Competition
- VAVS
- Deaths and Illnesses in District
- Seminarian Support
- Recruitment for Next Fourth Degree Exemplification
- Directory Changes

"Vivat Jesus.

Karl A. Hadley, PSD

District Deputy Director

Fr. McGivney Guild

The Knights of Columbus established the Father McGivney Guild to honor the life and legacy of its remarkable founder. Knights and their families have always held reverence for Father McGivney. But since Father McGivney's cause for sainthood began in 1997, spreading his story of holiness and priestly service, popular devotion to him has increased. This is evidenced in the growth of the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild.

The latest news on Father McGivney's cause can be found at www.FatherMcGivney.org. It includes sections on Father McGivney's influence today, his faith, his legacy in the Knights of Columbus, his life and times, and the Father McGivney Guild. It features an illustrated chronology of his life and cause for canonization, and a similarly styled page describing the Church's process for making saints.

The following "Events and Opportunities" are identified on the website for the Father McGivney Guild:

Monthly Guild Mass

Each month a special Mass is celebrated at St. Mary's Church in New Haven, where Father McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus, for the intentions of members of the Father McGivney Guild. Father McGivney's body now rests in a beautiful sarcophagus in the nave of the church.

All Souls Novena of Masses

Each day between October 24th through November 2nd, All Souls Day, Father Gabriel B. O'Donnell, postulator of the cause for Father McGivney, celebrates Mass for all deceased relatives and friends of Guild members. The All Souls Novena of Masses is celebrated at St. Mary's Church. Petitions sent by Guild members on behalf of deceased loved ones were placed on the altar.

Novena for World Peace

During the nine days preceding the feast of the Sacred Heart, the Guild celebrates daily Mass at various basilicas in Rome for the cause of world peace. Intentions sent by Guild members are placed on the altar for each Mass.

Christmas and Easter Triduum Masses

Petitions sent by Guild members are placed on the altar at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome for Masses celebrated at Easter and Christmas by the Father McGivney Guild. Each triduum, or series of three Masses, draws hundreds of petitions from members of the Father McGivney Guild.

You can write to the Guild (via the website) to have your special intentions placed on the altar and remembered at the monthly Masses or special novena and triduum Masses celebrated by the Guild. There is no better way to commend a sick or deceased loved one to God's merciful care. Special worries or concerns will also be included in our prayers.

Karl A. Hadley. IPSD
Fr McGivney Guild Chairman

Immediate Call To Action

My Brothers,

The other day my wife went to Wal-Mart and received a "Kids' Holiday Book" toy catalog along with her purchase. When she got home and looked through it, she showed me where you can purchase Wal-Mart gift cards with different holiday themes. One gift card was titled "Merry Spud-Mas" with a picture of Mr. Potato Head dressed as Santa.

I called Wal-Mart and expressed my objection to them denigrating our sacred Christmas Solemnity by replacing Jesus with Mr. Potato Head. I explained to them that the term "Christmas" means Christ's Mass, and I told them this was very disrespectful towards Catholics, indeed all Christians, and is just one more way of trying to eliminate Christ from Christmas and society in general.

I'm not saying this is Catholic or Christian bashing, but it shows extremely poor judgment by Wal-Mart officials to publish something so disrespectful.

If you also feel offended by this Godless attempt to make money on Christmas, then I urge you to call 1-800-WALMART (925-6278) and speak to customer service, and let them know of your objection too.

Incidentally, this comes on the heels of the KofC Life Fund to counter anti-life and anti-Catholic media.

Make Jesus proud and make a phone call!

Vivat Jesus! (Not Mr. Potato Head)

Luke

(LUKE A. HUMPHREY, Sr. is the Financial Secretary at Holy Family Council 14510, Fairchild AFB, Washington)

Bulletin Editor Message



Please keep the cards and letters (email) coming folks. I need your inputs for the Bulletin each month by the 20th so I can have time to organize all the articles in the bulletin and get it to the printers a on the 1st of each month. Also please don't forget that I can help you submit articles in the Columbia Magazine. Please try to send any pictures in JPEG format if possible. They take up a lot less room than TIF or bitmap. And remember each council is entitled to two copies of the printed version of the bulletin in black and white, one to the GK and one to the FS. You can also download the bulletin from <http://www.kofc-wa.org> and print the color version. I would suggest that GK's redistribute the bulletin to as many members as possible or direct them to the state website noted in this paragraph.

Vivat Jesus!

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Exemplification Fund Fee



Keep up the good work! We are continuing to improve although there are still several councils that haven't paid in a long time. Please continue to take a close look at the status list and see if your council is in arrears.

Another quick reminder, payment for each new member is to be sent to the State Secretary, John Wallace, NOT to me. I continue to receive two or three checks each month. In fact we also had one check sent to the Supreme Council office. Please remember that all checks go to the State Secretary!

The attached report has been updated to include corrections received and payments credited through November 30, as well

as membership recorded by Supreme through November month end. Be sure to check with me by email if your total does not look correct so I can send you a detailed spreadsheet showing your payments and new member assessments.

The status report shows credits as a negative (in parentheses) which sometimes occurs when your payment gets updated before I receive notification from the Supreme Council of a membership increase.

Thank you for your patience and diligence in keeping these records up-to-date.

Vivat Jesus,
Don McBride, State Treasurer

COUNCIL #	FEE BALANCE	COUNCIL #	FEE BALANCE	COUNCIL #	FEE BALANCE	COUNCIL #
676	\$ 56.00	3598	\$ 42.00	8455	\$ 28.00	11948
683	\$ 116.00	3611	\$ 4.50	8672	\$ 28.00	12175
763	\$ 19.00	4196	\$ 7.00	8872	\$ 14.00	12420
766	\$ 14.00	4322	\$ 7.00	9237	\$ 7.00	12591
809	\$ 56.00	4385	\$ 49.00	9434	\$ 21.00	12889
829	\$ 34.00	5177	\$ 7.00	9605	\$ 21.00	12899
1327	\$ (7.00)	5816	\$ 7.00	9664	\$ 28.00	12983
1379	\$ 7.00	6097	\$ 159.00	9833	\$ 62.00	13238
1449	\$ 7.00	7356	\$ 35.00	9910	\$ 70.00	13364
1545	\$ 14.00	7528	\$ 119.00	9941	\$ 14.00	13374
1550	\$ 21.00	7642	\$ 35.00	10543	\$ 7.00	13395
1629	\$ 28.00	7863	\$ 70.00	10652	\$ 14.00	13422
1643	\$ 77.00	7907	\$ 10.00	10653	\$ 42.00	13462
1674	\$ 42.00	7908	\$ 7.00	10664	\$ 7.00	13560
1699	\$ 7.00	8015	\$ 14.00	11085	\$ 14.00	13606
1758	\$ 7.00	8079	\$ 7.00	11134	\$ 21.00	13794
2103	\$ 21.00	8102	\$ 7.00	11217	\$ 7.00	13831
2126	\$ 7.00	8136	\$ 35.00	11252	\$ 7.00	13834
2260	\$ 14.00	8137	\$ 21.00	11357	\$ 91.00	14046
2303	\$ (28.00)	8179	\$ (21.00)	11478	\$ (5.00)	14162
2999	\$ 14.00	8201	\$ 14.00	11611	\$ 7.00	14268
3153	\$ 21.00	8266	\$ 14.00	11642	\$ 63.00	14394
3307	\$ (7.00)	8297	\$ (2.00)	11780	\$ 35.00	14510
3361	\$ 28.00	8311	\$ 35.00	11789	\$ 7.00	

KCIC Message



The Christmas season is coming to a close as well the amount of councils that are sending me orders for cards. The supply is getting

short but I still have some display cases on hand. So if you get your order in soon to help me and the state be successful. For the councils that already have cases and still owe the State, please send me your Email address so I can get your billing out to you as soon as possible. The State would like to see cases paid for soon because they need to pay for all that have been shipped and the supply I have on hand. Keep up the good work.

Vivat Jesus!
Ken Baker
KCIC Chairman

**Why me, Lord?
Why not?**



Family Message for November



Brother Knights,

The leaves are falling and autumn is in full swing. Everyone is busy voting, finishing up the yard work for the year and enjoying football. When you have some quiet time remember how lucky you are to have such a great family to share the change of seasons with. For the past month, I have been doing some dental work on my sister who traveled from Wisconsin to be treated. The time we had to share really rekindled our relationship. I cannot begin to tell you how close we are again, and what a blessing it was to share this time with her. I guess I just took our relationship for granted because we are family, but this visit allowed me to remember what a great friend she is to me, as well.

I feel the same way about my Knights of Columbus family, and hopefully you feel the same way too. We in the State of Washington have been very busy this fall. Unfortunately, participation in the Family of The Month Program has suffered. Try not to be so busy that you cannot take the time to recognize a deserving family in your Council. Accomplishing tasks is necessary and nice, but making relationships that last your whole life is even better! Recognizing a deserving family will do just that. Believe it or not, that will be what you are remembered for as Grand Knight... the relationships you make...use this program to it's fullest!

Only 17 councils in our state participated in the Family of The Month Program. That is downright awful! They are as follows:

829, 1550, 1620, 4322, 4385, 6686, 6706, 8179, 8768, 8872, 9637, 11762, 11780, 11789, 12786, 12899, and 14046.

Congratulations to the four families that were chosen by the Supreme Council to receive the Holy Family Statuette in August:

- Richard & Lois NotoChehalis 1550
- Ralph & Rita BergerSelah 8768
- Steve & Rita Kuklish.....Lakewood 11762
- Edward & Kathleen Bolke..... Vancouver 12899

The "Best Family of The Month" submission for the State in September came from Tukwila 11253 where James Duffy is Grand Knight. This write-up honors his wife Kay and himself. The write-up is as follows:

"Brother James has served as our FS since 1994 when our council was established. He finally retired from his regular job and agreed to serve as Grand Knight and was elected this year. Jim rarely misses any of our Breakfast fund-raisers all those years from start to finish. He serves as a lector at mass regularly and often at funerals. Jim joined the 4th degree in March of 1996 and has helped with the 4th degree events. Wife Kay serves as a Eucharistic minister and is active in the Ladies group from St. Thomas and Our Lady of Lourdes. She also serves as an organizer of many fund-raising projects that they do. Both Jim and Kay are active in all of the church projects and deserve the Family of the Month."

Way to go Worthy Grand Knight Jim & Lady Kay for all that you do! Nice write-up Monte!

God Bless You & Your Families!

Bob Baemmert

State Family Chairman

Family Message for December

With all of the uncertainty today; with the economy, the country, and the world, it's nice to know that there are a few things that a guy can count on. The first and foremost "sure thing" is that we have great families that love us. As you enjoy your holiday season and you spend time with your family, remember the Holy Family and the sacrifices they made, so that we might be redeemed. Enjoy your holiday and celebrate this fact, and all of the other problems will seem insignificant. God bless each and every one of you and have a Blessed Christmas.

Congratulations to the 25 Councils that participated in the Family of The Month program for September 2008. Thank you for participating and here is the list:

829, 1488, 1550, 1620, 2999, 4322, 4385, 4782, 6686, 7528, 7863, 8201, 8455, 8476, 8768, 8872, 9238, 11253, 11357, 11780, 12786, 12983, 13395, and 14046

Four families were chosen by the Supreme Council to receive the Holy Family Statuette in September:

- Fred & Rebecca Marchland..... Bellingham 829
- Gregory & Patty KleinLakewood 4322
- Joseph & Diane Clementi..... Sequim 8455
- David & Cecelia Parks Covington 11780

The "Best Family of The Month" submission for the State (October 2008) came from Tukwila Council 11253 where Jim Duffy is the Grand Knight. The write-up honors the Patrick and Tess Kelly family and the write-up is as follows:

"Brother Pat joined the Knights in our Council #11253 in 2000. He works for the City of Seattle and meets a lot of people. It has really helped with his recruiting ability in the Knights and he is now our Membership Chairman for our Council. Pat is our immediate Past Grand Knight and currently is serving his third year as Washington State Marshal (West Side) in the Fourth Degree. He has served as Color Corps Commander and Faithful Navigator of Fr. John A Walsh Assembly #2376 in Washington State. His wife Tess is a Eucharistic minister at St. Thomas and has accompanied Pat on many assignments for the Knights in his various capacities. We believe this family has earned the honor of the Family of The Month Award.

I believe that Pat should be convinced to be the next District Deputy for his District. With a man like Pat and support from Tess, there is no limit to what he may be able to accomplish not only for the Knights but also for himself. Way to go Kelly's...you are an awesome family!

God Bless You & Your Family This Holiday Season!!!

Bob Baemmert

State Family Chairman

Editor's Note: I apologize to Bob Baemmert for losing his email from November thus the dual articles for Bob this month. See, even I make mistakes :-)
Frank

Veterans Administration Volunteer Service (VAVS)

My Brothers:

It is not too late to still donate to the VA Hospital Christmas Fund. Anyone who wishes to donate, please contact one of the VA representatives listed below. The American Lake VA still needs help on their Christmas Chit Book donations. The VA hospital in Vancouver is running the same program and last count they hope to collect over \$400 for the program. Thanks you District 11 for your devotion to our American Veterans.

In that light I have received from the Vancouver area a copy of an article from the Vancouver Columbian. The following is a quote from that article, written by Tom Vogt: "A pilot program designed to assist veterans in a Vancouver nursing home is going to help struggling military families across the country. Vancouver's Bill Allman, who initiated the program in 2003. Allman, with the state's department of Social and Health Services, realized a few years ago that some of the people he was helping should have been receiving federal veteran's benefits. Many people think the VA health care system "is only for disable vets, or only for retired military folks," Allman said. "With no health insurance, you need two years of honorable service, if you are unemployed, (veterans benefits) should be your safety net – not Medicaid or general assistance." Other people don't know they are eligible for long-term care through military service."

Anyone desiring to read the whole article, can research the article from the Vancouver Columbian, dated Tuesday, November 11, 2008. This program is a partnership between state human services agency with the Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs. This project has saved Washington more than \$3.8 Million in the 2008 Fiscal year but as Allman says, "the saving is secondary, are we taking care of our vets?"

For information:

allmawa@dshs.wa.gov, (360) 759-2918 (Vancouver) or (360) 725-1020 (Olympia) or 1-800-280-0586.

- Seattle VA Hospital – John F. Abate Rep. Council 5816 and Michael F. Deacy Dep. Rep. Council 5816
- Lakewood VA Hospital – Everett J. Roberts Rep, James Jackson Dep. Rep, Frank L. Hyke (DD-29) Dep. Rep. Council 11762
- Vancouver Campus – Donald J. Wagner Rep. Council 4782 and Gregory Georgoff Dep. Rep. Council 12899
- Walla Walla VA Hospital – Steven R. Snell Rep. Council 766 and Marvin J. Ruzicka Dep. Rep. Council 766
- Spokane VA Hospital – Edward J. Mertens PSD Rep. Council 8201 and Tom Sokol Dep. Rep. Council 8201

"If Not You – Who, If Not Now – When"

Remember always, Thank you for your Service, we are here "Serving those who Served".

Don't forget the THANK YOU (gratitude sign).

<http://www.gratitudecampaign.org/fullmovie.php>

"An Invitation to Service: Serving Those Who Served"

"...one nation under God" one phrase, no comma

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Military Affairs—Archdiocese of Military Services USA (AMS) Visit www.kofc.org/military "Military Knights in Action" reports



Brother Knights:

The article copied below is in three parts. Parts 2 and 3 will appear in future bulletins. As we prepare for the Birth of the Baby Jesus, let us remember those who gave so much to keep our Freedom dear to us. The story is written by Mark Stricherz and printed in the Military Councils area of the KofC website.

Front Line - Knights in Iraq and Afghanistan faced challenges to their Catholicism, but a new program funded by the Order is helping U.S. troops stay close to the Church.

Part I – Catholics Seeking Christ

Of the hundreds of patrols U.S. Marine Capt. Michael Ogden engaged in during his two tours of duty in Iraq, one in November 2004 is noteworthy if only because Ogden considers it "pretty minor."

The patrol, in the violent western province of Anbar, began routinely enough. Ogden and four Marines planned to work for 16 to 18 hours, looking for fugitives and clearing the roadways of homemade bombs. They also planned to drink lots of hot coffee and ice water, the latter particularly important in the 100-degree heat. Ogden, as always, carried in his pockets his black Knights of Columbus rosary beads.

Yet the patrol's plans soon crumbled. In a town north of Bwana, the Humvee carrying the five Marines drove over a land mine. The ensuing explosion tossed Ogden from a backseat of the vehicle, whose rims were bent into the shape of a large taco, but amazingly left him and his men without so much as a scratch.

"We got lucky," said Ogden, 31, of Col. Walter Parsons Council 3205 in College Station, Texas. "Over there, a lot of young Marines would ask why [do some people die], and I'd say there's only one person who can answer that question, and that was the Man Upstairs."

Ogden's close brush with a bomb might be unusual for many Knights who have served in either Iraq or Afghanistan during the last three years. But based on interviews with a handful of them, his spiritual viewpoint is not. Knights described their bodies and brains during wartime as weary, but their Christian souls and moral compasses as alert.

U.S. Army Sgt. 1st Class Lane Prochnow, 41, of Msgr. Loyola O'Daugherty Council 5544 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, chuckled ruefully about how he views the prospect of death. "If it's going to happen, it's going to happen," he said. "There's nothing you can do about it. Basically, we were too tired to worry about it. I just figured, 'If I'm not going home, I'm not going home.'"

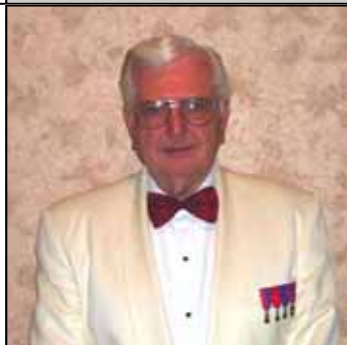
None of the Knights interviewed said he abandoned his Catholicism. Nor did any say his religion became individualistic. The universality of the Church and the far-reaching fraternity of the Knights kept them connected to the faith even without a priest or weekly Mass. By contrast, American troops as a whole often lack institutional support and a common outlook, according to the 2005 bestseller, *The Faith of the American Soldier* by Stephen Mansfield (Tarcher). "Soldiers are left to their own religious choices to frame their moral perspectives on war, on killing, and the possibility of death," the author wrote.

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"...one nation under God."

The Campaign for the Knights of Columbus Incarnation Dome



On October 31, 2008, I mailed each Faithful Navigator a letter addressing the Campaign for The Knights of Columbus Incarnation Dome. Enclosed with my letter were items, the pamphlet The Fourth Degree and The National Shrine, The Campaign for The Knights of Columbus Incarnation Dome which discusses the program

and the Knights of Columbus history with the National Shrine, the Province and District Report as of September 30, 2008, and the Payment and Mailing Instructions with a Contribution Coupon.

The donations, as of November 29, 2008 are shown in table below. In my letter I asked each Sir Knight, through the Faithful Navigator, to take seriously the pledge made on behalf of all Sir Knights, to our Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson. We have pledged to raise \$500,000 by the end of June 2009 for the beautiful mosaic dome recently constructed in the upper Church of the *Basilica* of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington D.C.

We can do this and meet, or beat this challenge by **each Assembly contributing an amount equivalent to \$3.00 per Sir Knight**. Nine assemblies have done this already, yet more have not, or have not done their fair share, yet. As shown above, Washington District Donation Goal is \$9,324.00 and our donations total \$3,383.00 or 36.3% of goal.

Also, in my letter I urged the Faithfull Navigators to rally their Assembly and pitch in for this most wonderful mosaic, depicting four different scenes from the life of Christ: the Wedding Feast at Cana, the Nativity, the Annunciation and the Transfiguration. Make this your top priority of this fraternal year's fund raising program.

A special gift of a personalized plaque, with a picture of the Knights of Columbus Incarnation Dome, will be given to all donors of \$1,000.

If any assembly requires another copy of the Payment and Mailing Instructions with the Contribution Coupon, please contact me at: email kofchogan@comcast.net, or office phone and fax 253-581-5952 or by mail at 109 Madrona Park Drive, Steilacoom, WA 98388.

If an assembly has made their contribution to Supreme and their contribution is not shown above, please notify me and I enclose their contribution in next month's report.

Wayne C. Hogan, PSD
Master

If Not Now, When? If Not You, Who?

First Degree Team Ceremonial Competition

Wayne C. Hogan, PSD,
State Ceremonial Chairman

Washington has some of the finest first degree teams in the Order with dedicated and outstanding ceremonialists. There is one major problem, however, as of November 29, 2008, not one district deputy has submitted a first degree team to participate in the 2008-2009 fraternal year First Degree Team Competition, to be held in conjunction with the Regional Meetings.

The First Degree Team Competition serves many purposes. First, to select and recognize Washington's most outstanding First Degree Team for the fraternal year. Second, to present a professional and outstanding ceremony at each of the four regional meetings to be emulated by the councils' first degree teams. Third, to motivate councils without first degree teams to form their own first degree team. Fourth, to present a professional first degree for the candidates being initiated into the Order.

All district deputies are to report to me if they will or will not be having a team representing their district on or before the District Deputies' Mid-Year Meeting in Renton on December 6, 2008. The district deputy is to provide me with the name of the council. I will have the regional evaluators contact the grand knight and schedule date, time and location for the regional evaluation. The district deputy is to inform me if there will not be a team representing his district.

If you have any questions or want additional information, contact me via email at kofchogan@comcast.net, or Ceremonials@kofc-wa.org. You can also contact me at my office phone number (253) 581-5952, which is also my fax number.

*If not you, who?
If not now, when?*

Assembly Number	Assembly	Assembly Location	Donation
	Name		
1530	John F Kennedy	Everett	\$ 635.00
1630	Rev William J Power	Bellevue	\$ 450.00
1845	Archbishop Fulton Sheen	Spanaway	\$ 204.00
2258	Fr. William A Schmitz	Kennewick	\$ 500.00
2276	Whidbey-Fidalgo	Oak Harbor	\$ 670.00
2376	Fr. John A Walsh	Renton	\$ 276.00
2414	John J. Mertens	Spokane Valley	\$ 198.00
2501	Our Lady of the Harbor	Gig Harbor	\$ 300.00
3006	Fr. Michael J. McGivney	Vancouver	\$ 150.00
District Donation Goal		District Donation Total	\$ 3,383.00
\$9,324.00			

OAK HARBOR EXEMPLIFICATION

The second of six Fourth Degree Exemplifications will be held on Saturday, February 21, 2009 at St. Augustine's Church, 185 N Oak Harbor St, Oak Harbor. Registration, with free finger foods, will be at the Oak Harbor Council Hall, 3259 Old Goldie Road. The banquet will be at the Navy Chief Petty Officers Club (off base), 1030 West Ault Field Rd. The host assembly is Whidbey-Fidalgo Assembly 2276 and the Faithful Navigator is James P. Waters, phone number is 360-240-0633. The Faithful Comptroller is Jack Newman, Jr., his phone number is 360-675-5189. The degree team is the Western Washington Fourth Degree Team and the Team Captain is Everett 'Rob' Roberts, his phone number is 253-584-5632.

EXEMPLIFICATION HONOREE

The exemplification honoree is Jack Newman, Jr., FMFD, FDD, PGK, PFN, Faithful Comptroller. Jack is a member of the John E. O'Brien Council 3361 in Oak Harbor and the Whidbey-Fidalgo Assembly 2276 in Oak Harbor. Jack joined the Knights of Columbus on October 22, 1967 and became a Fourth Degree Sir Knight on February 1, 1973.

EVENT SCHEDULE

Registration &
Hosted finger food ... 11:30am-12:45pm..... Oak Harbor Hall
Candidates seated 1:00pm.....St. Augustine Church Hall
Public Knighting and
Picture Taking..... 3:45pm.....St. Augustine Church Hall
Mass..... 5:00pm.....St. Augustine Church
Social and Banquet 6:00pm.....Navy Chief Petty Officers Hall

2ND AND 3RD DEGREES

The degree scheduled to support this exemplification is February 21, 2009.

*****NOTICE*****

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN CHANGED

The Laws and Rules Governing the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus, dated February 2008, have changed the time requirement. It now reads,

"A Third Degree member in good standing in his council and who was initiated in the Admission (First) Degree at least six months prior to his initiation in the Fourth Degree" Candidates who received their first degree on or before August 21, 2008 are eligible to receive their Fourth Degree exemplification in Oak Harbor on February 21, 2009.

Exemplification Requirements

FEES

1. Exemplification fee for each candidate, except priests, is \$70.00 and is set by the Supreme Board of Directors.
2. Included in this fee is one banquet ticket for the candidate, social baldric and Fourth Degree pin.
3. There is no exemplification fee for ordained priests or religious brothers, their assembly will pay \$13.00, the cost of their social baldric and Fourth Degree pin, plus the cost of the dinner.
4. The candidate's or the assembly's check is to be payable to the **Master Knights of Columbus**.
5. Lunch is provided at no cost and banquet fee is \$19.50 for guests other than candidates whose cost is included in \$70 fee.

DRESS

1. MEN: plain black tuxedo, white shirt, black tie, black shoes and socks.
2. Military personnel may wear their uniform.
3. Sir knights are to wear their social baldric and jewel of office, either council or assembly.
4. LADIES: as the men are dressed formally, most ladies prefer a dressy dress. Some wear a simple dress or a cocktail dress although skirt and blouse is acceptable.

NCD/RT West



Brother Knights,

The month of November has been a very productive month. We are on the verge of starting a new council at St Luke in Shoreline. The hard work by Romy and Keith have almost completed the gathering of the 30 form 100's to make the new council a reality. Congratulations are in order for both Romy Ablao DD 21 and Keith Klaus DD26 for their fine effort.

There are other DD's working very hard to establish new councils on the west side and we will be hearing more about their efforts in the near future.

Currently I will be preparing for the DD's planning work shop in the first part of December and we are going to talk about new councils and round tables and things that we as brothers need to do to help our Priests and Bishops better serve the Parishes to which they are assigned, we all know that there is plenty that we can do to help a Priest be a better shepard of his flock, however if we don't step forward or raise our hand saying what can I do to help or let me do that for you, the job may not get done.

See all you DD's in December

Vivat Jesus
Del Treichel
RT/NCDW

RETENTION.....
WHEN DOES IT BEGIN??

**The Same Day a New
Member Takes Their 1st Degree**

**DOES YOUR COUNCIL NEED A MEMBERSHIP
ARTICLE FOR YOUR PARISH BULLETIN?**

The Knights of Columbus want you to be a part of a growing organization with 125 years of success. There is a place for you among the more than 1.75 million families who already are having "the Experience of a Lifetime" as members of the world's largest Catholic family fraternal service organization. You can share in that experience. Call (insert name of membership director with telephone number) for more information about joining the Knights.

Pro-Life Message

March for Life Olympia ---January 20, 2009



Dear Brother Knights,
Thank you for all the huge amount of work from everyone in fighting the I-1000 state initiative, to permit physician-assisted suicide. As brothers of the Knights of Columbus we can be proud to know that the Knights were one of the strongest opponents to the measure, both in time and in treasure.

We can be proud of the Knights from all across the state, district deputies, grand knights, and knights and their wives who volunteered. We also saw a groundswell of support from the Catholic youth in our state.

The election does not change the foundation our pro-life work. For a number of reasons, the days of legal abortion in this country are numbered. We can confidently push harder with more determination, because there are signs and trends of progress. There is title wave sweeping our nation, and it is the survivors of abortion. As an example, look how many young people are present at the March for Life. They are getting involved in such great numbers because of one important realization "**it could have been me**" ... They have an awareness of being a survivor. They realize that because of the numbers of victims, that they actually understand they are survivors.

In January of each year, Knights of Columbus councils have proudly sponsored bus transportation for parishes and schools to attend the annual March for Life in Olympia. The 2009 March for Life will be held on Tuesday, January 20 at noon at the Capitol in Olympia. If your council has not yet sponsored a bus, it's not too late to start. The first year requires a go-getter to engage a principal, a teacher, or your parish priest. They should know that last years March was attended by about 2,000 to 3,000 elementary, high school and college students, (and adults) from all over the state, and that the promotion of the sanctity of life on the steps was greatly noticed by the lawmakers. It is important that we support our youth in this important effort.

If your council requires additional Knights "Defend Life" signs for the March for Life, they will be available at the Winter Regional Leadership Meetings held in early January.

Vivat Jesus,

Jim Toth, Pro-Life Chairman

The Natural Choice is Life

Message from Vocations, RSVP, PFH



Merry Christmas to All

I hope everyone in every Council had a Happy Thanksgiving.

As the Christmas season approaches I wish to take this time to thank you for your support and to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

A suggestion, there is still time to send your seminarian a box of the Keep Christ in Christmas Cards, a book of stamps and some well wishes for the Christmas Season. This will allow your Seminarian to send Christmas Cards to friends and family during this holy time of year.

Thank you for this year and I am looking forward to working with you next year.

Peter Caldwell, PGK, FDD, FN
Chairman Vocations, PFH, RSVP
e-mail to vocations at kofc-wa.org

MARCH FOR LIFE NOTE - REVISED DATE

JANUARY 20th, 2009

NOON

THE CAPITOL
OLYMPIA

BEFORE MARCH

**All are invited to a 10:00 a.m. PRO-LIFE MASS
CELEBRATED AT SAINT MICHAEL'S CHURCH
1021 BOUNDARY S.E. OLYMPIA
(I-5, Exit 105 or 105B, Follow sign to Port of Olympia; 2nd signal turn
R. on Union, R. on Eastside, L. on 11th & L. on Boundary)
Followed by Procession from Church to Capitol.
(CARRY A KNIGHTS DEFEND LIFE SIGN)**

AFTER MARCH

An ecumenical complimentary lunch
will served at St Michaels Church
located at 11th and Boundary Street SE., Olympia
Compliments of the Knights of Columbus.

**For Additional Information
Contact your Local Knights of Columbus Council
or Ed & Dani Sauley
Knights of Columbus, Olympia 360/491-0610
James & Joan Toth, Pro-Life Chairman 509/546-9923**

March for Life of Washington, Richard McEntee, PGK

Happenings Around the State

Seattle #11085 - Msgr F. X. Prefontaine Council recently presented Parochial Vicar Fr. Crispin a check for \$1500 to support his orphanage in Africa. The funds were raised by holding a breakfast at St. John the Evangelist Parish.

Richland #3307 -- On Nov.16, 2008 we welcomed a total of 22 candidates from District 6, 7 and 17. The 3rd Degree team came from Vancouver, and the 2nd Degree team was from Richland and Kennewick. Host District #17 and Co-Host District #7 would like to thank all the Sir Knights that helped to make the degree a success. It is because of the Unity that it all came together. We would also like to thank #3rd Degree Honoree Ron Kimball and 2nd Degree Honoree Gary Soehlein for their help. The Degree was topped of by a good chili feed.

Ed Perez DD #17

Covington #11780 - Since 1996 the Harry J. Tucker Council has honored veterans with a Veterans Day Mass at St John the Baptist Church in Covington Washington. Councils and Assemblies from around the area have participated. Each year an invitation goes out to Grand Knights, Faithful Navigators and Color Corp Commanders. We have been honored in the past to have several Washington District Masters participate in this ceremony as well as State Officers.

The Bishop Thomas E. Gill Assembly #1955 and the newly formed Father John J Daly #2960 supplied the Honor Guard for the event. Pictured below are Washington District Master Wayne C. Hogan, Washington District Marshall Patrick Kelly, Color Corp Commander John Feuerborn, and fourth degree Honor Guard as well as the fourth degree members in tux and social baldrics. Each year about 50 people come to this mass celebrated by Father James Coyne of the St. John the Baptist church.



District 29 - DD Frank Hyke has scheduled a District Soccer Challenge on December 13 at Cabrini. Set up is at 12:30pm and Registration starts at 12:45pm.

Puyallup #11948 & Spanaway #6806 - Our Lady Queen of Heaven Council 6806 and Holy Disciples Council 11948 co-hosted a Knights of Columbus sponsored Fraternal Benefits / Elder Care Symposium at Our Lady Queen of Heaven Parish Hall on November 14, 2008. Guest speakers represented Family Law - Wills and Community Property Agreement, Funeral Homes, Fransiscan Hospice Care, Long Term Nursing Care, Social Security / Medicare, Fraternal Benefits, and Knights of Columbus Insurance.



Kent #8150 - During the November 9 Sunday Breakfast Council 8150 of Kent was presented the Star Council Award for the year 2007-2008. This was the council's 7th straight Star Council award. The presentation was made by John Wallace, State Secretary to Rodney Kapule, Grand Knight of Council 8150-Kent. Paul Feider, District Deputy helped with the presentation.



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Important Dates to Remember
Degrees, Reports and Miscellaneous
2008-2009 Fraternal Calendar

DECEMBER

Dec 5 - 7 District Deputies' Winter Meeting – Renton
Dec 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Dec 25 Christmas Day

JANUARY

Jan 1 New Years Day, Feast of Mary Mother of God
Jan 1 Per Capita DUE
Jan 10 Regional Meeting (Spokane 8201)
Jan 11 Regional Meeting (Eastern Washington)
Jan 17 Regional Meeting (Everett 763)
Jan 18 Regional Meeting (Western Washington)
Jan 19 Martin Luther King Day
Jan 23 – 24 New Year Membership Blitz
Jan 22 Pro Life March for Life - Olympia
Jan 31 Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (#1738) DUE

FEBRUARY

Feb 6 - 7 Pre-convention Meeting – Tukwila
Feb 8 2nd/3rd Degrees – Bellevue (Districts 14, 15, 16, 23)
Feb 14 Valentine's Day
Feb 16 Semi-annual Audit Report (#1295) DUE
Feb 15 2nd/3rd Degrees – Kelso (Districts 4, 25)
Feb 16 Presidents' Day
Feb 21 4th Degree Exemplification in Oak Harbor
Feb 28 2nd/3rd Degrees – Port Townsend (Districts 2, 24)
Feb 27 – March 1 Special Olympics Winter Games - Wenatchee

MARCH

March 7 2nd/3rd Degrees – Seattle (Districts 12, 15, 27)
March 8 2nd/3rd Degrees – Clarkston (Districts 7, 8, 17)
March 8 - 9 Membership Blitz Weekend
March 14 4th Degree Exemplification in Spokane
March 15 2nd/3rd Degrees – Puyallup (Districts 2, 3, 12, 22, 29)
March 17 St. Patrick's Day
March 21 2nd/3rd Degrees – Lynnwood (Districts 13, 16, 21)
March 22 2nd/3rd Degrees – Walla Walla (Districts 6, 7, 17)
March 28 4th Degree Exemplification in Vancouver
March 29 State Free Throw Championships – Yakima

(Calendar Continued to the right)

APRIL

April 1 Family of the Year/Knight of the Year DUE
April 4 2nd/3rd Degrees – Oak Harbor (Districts 9, 19)
April 4 -5 Lenten Membership Blitz
April 8 Ash Wednesday
April 10 Grand Knight & District Deputy Reports DUE
April 12 Easter Sunday
April 15 Service Program Award Submissions DUE
April 18 4th Degree Exemplification in Kennewick
April 19 2nd/3rd Degrees – East Wenatchee (Districts 6, 10)
April 19 Squires Convention – Federal Way
April 25 2nd/3rd Degrees – Colbert (Districts 20, 28)
April 26 State Bowling Tournament – TBD

MAY

May 2 2nd/3rd Degrees – Vancouver (Districts 11, 25)
May 3 2nd/3rd Degrees – Mercer Island (Districts 14, 23)
May 10 Mother's Day
May 15 - 17 State Convention – Tukwila
May 25 Memorial Day
May 30 – June 1 Special Olympics Summer Games – Ft. Lewis
May 31 2nd/3rd Degrees – Seattle (Districts 1, 26)

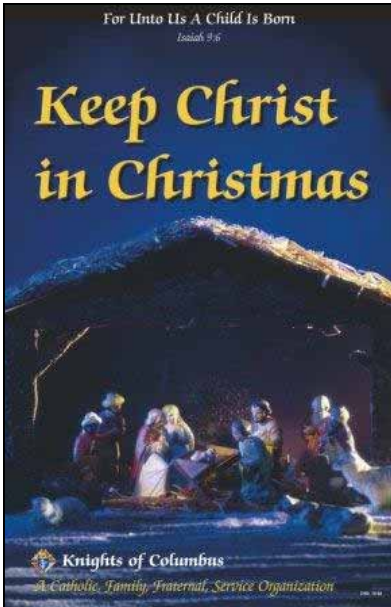
JUNE

June 6 4th Degree Exemplification in Seattle
June 13 2nd/3rd Degrees – Lakewood (Districts 2, 3, 4, 22, 29)
June 14 2nd/3rd Degrees – Spokane (Districts 5, 18, 20, 28)
June 14 Father's Day
June 30 Columbian Awards (#SP-7) & RSVP Application (#2863) DUE

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Washington State Council Knight's With E-mail Addresses

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