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### Message from the State Deputy

STATE DEPUTY JUNE 2022  
(As of May 19, 2022)

**3<sup>rd</sup> 100 Days Incentive NBA Basketball Customized  
Top Recruiter-Michael Schwab  
Top District Deputy-Michael Taylor**

May & June Membership Incentive-Proposer of each new member will be automatically included in one of ten drawings for prizes.

Councils that are New Member inactive this fraternal year, will get two entrees to the drawing per one new member.

Prizes will range from \$5 to \$200. This money comes from the Supreme Incentives we have received this year, and not from our Washington State Council funds.

My Dear Brothers,

Well, we can leave the current picture of me, as your State Deputy, on the cover of the Washington State website. I am so pleased all the State Officers were elected to a second term. We are all deeply saddened that we had to go virtual, again. If I'm above the grass, we will be IN PERSON in 2023.

Every officer, along with Dang Nguyen, Ken DeVos, Executive Director and PSD Eddie Parazoo, and 4<sup>th</sup> Degree member Matt Olwell provided all the behind-the-scenes support and Supreme Regional Growth Director Chuck Davlin did a fantastic job with our virtual Convention. Your state team practiced a full run through four times before the actual Convention. For some reason, buffering was taking place for videos that didn't show up the previous four times. Still uncertain as to why, but other than that, it went very well. A three month prep for a two hour Convention is unbelievably difficult.

I, specifically, want to thank Worthy State Warden Dave Olwell. In addition to his family and state duties, he is Dean of Engineering at St. Martin's University where our Convention was held. It was his suggestion that we run through this Convention virtually ourselves on May 1<sup>st</sup>. We followed that up with three more practices, one being the morning of the Convention. I am so thankful for his insight.

Dave was also running equipment and the tech side of things before, during and after the Convention directing all players in the room. I don't think this Convention could have successfully taken place without him. He was literally rewriting the Script at 1am Saturday morning!

## Message from the State Deputy Cont'd

All the officers made my job look easy.

I am happy to announce all Resolutions passed by a large margin, except Resolution 15 that has now been put forward and voted down three consecutive years. The new per capita increase is one I am particularly relieved passed. With staged increases, I now see Washington State Council thriving until at least 2035 without further increases.

The Columbus Charities bylaw rewrite was overwhelmingly approved at over 90%. This leads the way to LAMB (Least of All My Brethren) 1882 named for; the year Fr. McGivney formed the Knights of Columbus. I delivered a check for \$18.82 to start the funding. This \$18.82 immediately became \$37.64, since we have a generous donor matching our funds up to \$500,000. Our new Giving Committee Chairman for Columbus Charities is Joe Kessler. Please see his article in this bulletin.

Further details will unfold as we roll out this program to pool money in our State to support the homeless, hungry, disabled, for Pro-life, KCHelp, etc. So many programs suffer, or never get off the ground because the councils do not have the funds, and Supreme only supports certain things in each Jurisdiction. The LAMB is designed to bridge gap but can only be successful with your support. Our goal is for each member to donate \$18.82 to the LAMB program each year. This can be attained by a personal donation, or a council fund raiser. Either way, every dollar raised will be matched up to \$500,000. All donations are deposited into the Columbus Charities 501 (c) 3 fund.

This program, IN NO WAY, replaces or will have any impact on the treasured Tootsie Roll Program. It will stand alone within Columbus Charities. Look at it this way; visualize multiple silos within Columbus Charities. Each silo contains a standalone program, such as the Tootsie Roll Program, Coats for Kids, Wheelchair, and now LAMB 1882.

In the future, maybe The Pennies for Heaven Fund will be brought over to Columbus Charities saving the cost of running two corporations. It would be easy enough to do and it would be another silo. That's a topic for another day though.

Our next Virtual Holy Hour with Father Kenny will be sometime in the September/October timeframe and again in the February/March time frame. This is in addition to the Summer Meeting Holy Hour, that will be available virtually, and those held at the Winter Meeting and the Convention. That will be five for the year. I hope you will be able to attend all virtually.

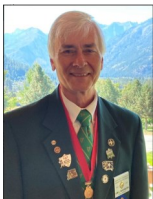
We are making the Holy Hours a Council Monthly Service Report (MSR) category for the 1000 point club. At this time, 10 points will be earned when 5 or more are gathered together to view/participate in one of these Holy Hour's.

A new program incentive for Pro-life activity will be coming soon. Pretty excited about this program too.

As of this writing, we are at 122% membership growth, bringing in 673 members this year. We have one more month to beat South Carolina--they snuck up behind us and moved into first place in our Division. I don't like that, so we have one more month to get'em. It's fun to play the game, but the bottom line is, we brought in 673 new members so far and turned this State into a positive Net/Net for the first time in years. That is a huge accomplishment!!!

This is the time to get all those loose ends tied up, submit SP-7's, attend Fraternal Benefit Nights (2 needed for the year), get SEP compliant, etc. Deadline for Star Council submissions is June 30<sup>th</sup>. That means received by Supreme. If you have further questions, please ask your DD, Kevin Fraley, State Program Director Dang or any officer for help.

I look forward to another successful year 2022-2023. Thank you for putting your trust in my hands.



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## State Chaplain's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

*(This month I share my comments from the 2022 Washington State Convention in May.)*

Joyful Easter greetings to you and to all those in your councils and in your households!

I try always to begin by giving thanks. Being thankful opens our hearts to receive an ever greater outpouring of God's graces and blessings. I want to thank you personally and all those who work with you in promoting our core principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism – and not only promoting them, but *embodying* them – putting them into practice – making them more than just ideas.

The good that is concretely accomplished by the Knights in our jurisdiction is tremendous – *beyond* tremendous, if we can say that! And we must not forget all the good that the Knights do privately, too, that doesn't get reported in the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity – good deeds they do (you do) in the name of Jesus and of His Church. Lives are being changed and lifted up in ways that are truly phenomenal. I praise God that you are so willing and eager to respond to the call to serve, and I pray that He will sustain you and reward you.

And now the exhortation to even *greater* service! They say a chaplain's job is to give two pats on the back: one with the hand on the upper part, and the other on the lower part, administered with the foot! We always have the ability to do more as an order that's powered by the grace of God.

When I was a kid, I raised sheep to show in 4-H. I always knew the pledge about "Head, Heart, Hands and Health," but I only recently learned that the organization's motto is: *to make the best better*. And that's what I'm talking about here. It's not as if I'm trying to light a fire under a bunch of guys that aren't doing much – no, I'm trying to heap more fuel onto an already-burning fire so that it blazes hotter and brighter than ever.

Now, I'm not the idea guy who proposes all the new programs and initiatives. I leave that to the Supreme Council, our State Council, and our very capable leaders in our local councils, who discern the needs of their parishes and communities. I can't tell you all the specifics of what ought to be done, but I can tell you that the taller you build a building, the stronger your foundation has to be. And our foundation is none other than the Lord Jesus Christ Himself.

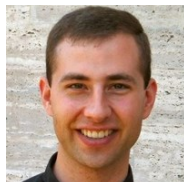
Psalm 105 includes the verse, "Seek out the Lord and His might; constantly seek His face" (4). My exhortation at this state convention is very simple and straightforward: seek the face of Christ in all you do, and when you see His face, love Him.

See Jesus in those who borrow hospital equipment. See Jesus in the kids with their new coats. See Jesus in the homebound brother when you drop in on him for a visit. See Jesus in the Special Olympics athletes we support. See Jesus in the seminarians who feel the strength to persevere thanks in part to our prayers and material support. See Jesus in the babies whose lives are saved (and, truly, whose moms' lives are saved as well!) because of the ultrasound machine the Knights placed in the local pro-life clinic or agency.

Brothers, everywhere we look, in all the work we do, Jesus invites us to find Him and love Him. Our search for the Lord is the foundation of what we do as Knights. I urge you: put Him first – before all else – in everything and in every moment. Constantly seek His face. The stronger this foundation grows, the more our mission will flourish. God bless you all.

Vivat Jesus!

Fr. Kenneth St. Hilaire  
State Chaplain

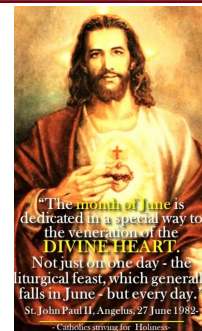


## A Message from the Bulletin Editor



Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful: and kindle in them the fire of Thy love.

### June: The Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus



The Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is a moveable feast, but it most often takes place in June, and thus June is traditionally dedicated to the Sacred Heart. That's why on June 1, 2008, at his weekly Angelus address, Pope Benedict XVI urged Catholics "to renew, in this month of June, their devotion to the Heart of Jesus. "The Sacred Heart, as the Holy Father explained, is a symbol "of the Christian faith that is especially dear, to ordinary people as well as to mystics and theologians, because it expresses the 'good news' of love in a simple and authentic way, encapsulating the mystery of Incarnation and Redemption."

The Sacred Heart reminds us that Christ is not God simply appearing as man; He is truly man, just as He is truly God. As Pope Benedict put it, "From the boundless horizon of His love, God entered the limitations of history and of the human condition. He took a body and a heart so that we can contemplate and encounter the infinite in the finite, the invisible and ineffable Mystery in the human Heart of Jesus of Nazareth." In that encounter, we feel the presence of Christ's heart within our own. The Sacred Heart represents Christ's love for all mankind, and our devotion to it is an expression of our faith in His mercy.

We can follow Pope Benedict's example in renewing our devotion to the Sacred Heart by making use of these prayers for June, the month of the Sacred Heart. O Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!

<https://www.learnreligious.com/prayers-for-june-542766>

State Bulletin Editor  
Ken DeVos

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## State Secretary's Message

My Brother Knights,

I have heard from several sources that the virtual convention in May was a success. That must mean we are becoming efficient with conducting business and proficient at hosting virtual meetings. Being efficient in conducting business is always good but virtual meetings, regardless of how proficient we are in hosting them, are just not the same as in person. So, I hope we end virtual conventions on a high note and never return to them after this year. I look forward to our next convention in Olympia when we celebrate in person.

Thank you to all who helped orchestrate the Annual meeting in May and to all who attended the Annual meeting: elected State Delegates, the State Officers, Executive Director Ed Parazoo, Program Director Dang Nguyen, Bulletin Editor Ken DeVos, General Agent Keith Whiteaker, Assistant Regional Growth Director Chuck Davlin and our newly appointed Columbus Charities Inc. Giving Committee Chairman Joe Kessler.

I am working on the Convention proceedings. A copy of the proceedings will be posted on the State Council Website when completed, as will a copy of the Necrology listing deceased brothers and family members for Fraternal Year 2021-2022. As many of you may know, long-time State Necrology Chairman John Williams passed away several months ago. It wasn't until recently that we learned John had been struck by a car while having car problems in Texas. John was also a Past State Warden for the WA State Council. John was passionate about recognizing our deceased brothers and family members each year at the convention by producing the Necrology for the Convention Mass. I want to recognize John Williams for his many years of service to our jurisdiction, and on behalf of the state council to say thank you John Williams. May you rest in peace.

The Next Six Months Letter will be posted late June/early July. Please read it as it contains important administrative information for all councils pertaining to reporting, state billing and state meeting schedules.

Council billings as of May 28, 2022 (as a percentage of total due/goal):

Liability Insurance (August 2021):	95.00% collected
Pennies for Heaven Goal (January 2022):	88.44% collected
Per Capita (January 2022):	96.33% collected

Per Capita and Liability Insurance outstanding payments primarily involve councils that are in the process of merging or are suspended.

As we move close to the end of the fraternal year, I ask council leaders NOT to grow complacent or to lose focus. Councils close to achieving Star Council must strive to reach that goal in the remaining weeks. Never give up. Always strive for excellence.

As we begin summer on June 21<sup>st</sup>, the Memorial of St. Aloysius Gonzaga, ponder this:

***"There cannot be much perfection unless there is much prayer."  
St. Aloysius Gonzaga***

Vivat Jesus!



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## State Treasurer's Message

My brothers,

I want to thank you for trusting me for another term as your State Treasurer, I plan on fulfilling that trust in the coming fraternal year. The virtual Convention, while necessary in these pandemic times, was but a shadow of the normal Convention experience, and I look forward to being able to share the experience in person next year in Olympia. Many thanks to all whom attended and participated in our annual meeting.

Congratulations to all the other state officers who were elected for another term. These are some of the finest men I am privileged to know and work with closely, and I consider it an honor to have my name associated with them.

As we trudge through this cold, wet May (at least on the wet side of the mountains) my thoughts turn to summer, family gatherings and enjoying some warmer weather. After another long and COVID-impacted winter, I think we all deserve some down time, some relaxation time. But, let's be sure to take care of business as we wrap up this fraternal year:

- Councils may have new officers - do you have a transition plan in place to help them out so they can hit the group running? Setting up your calendar and planning out your year will make a big difference!
- Has your Council submitted all their needed forms? Both Forms and Administration Chairman Kevin Fraley and General Program Director Dang Nguyen have done a good job of outlining the forms and due dates, so I will not repeat that here
- How are you doing on membership? Any Councils that are membership inactive, this is your chance to add at least one new member in the next 30 days. One possibility is young men graduating from high school - give them the gift of membership in the Knights! In my local Council, we have scheduled an Exemplification for three young men who either graduated this year or last year

Finally, I want to say a big thank you to the men who have persevered through the past couple of years of the pandemic, arguably the hardest time in history for the Knights. For those of you who have sat through countless virtual meetings, have had to miss out on the fraternal bonds in person, who have been limited in what programs they can do, thank you for sticking it out! While the pandemic is not over, the signs are that we will be moving back toward a more normal way doing business. For those who have continued to make a positive difference in their communities despite everything, I am incredibly proud and grateful to call you my brothers.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,

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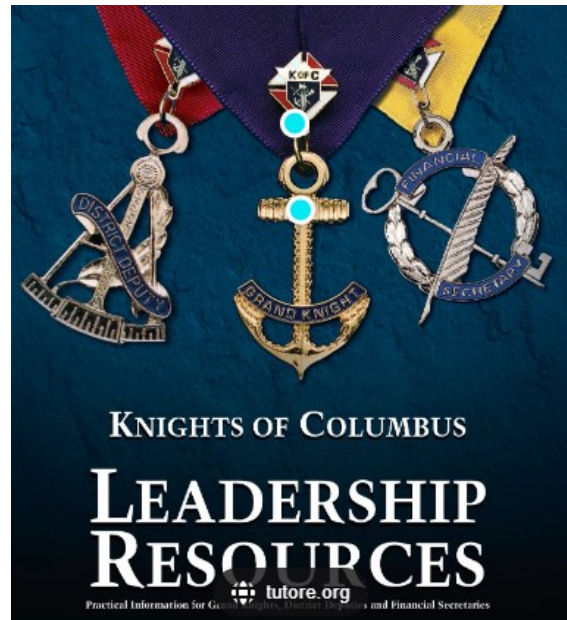
## State Advocate's Message

My Brother Knights,

Thank you for your support for the changes to the Washington State Council Bylaws. This is a work in progress and will continue at least through the 2022 – 2023 fraternal year as we work to remove items that mirror requirements in the Supreme Council's Charter, Constitution and Laws of the Knights of Columbus. There is no need to include statements in the Washington State Bylaws that mirror the Charter, Constitution and Laws of the Knights of Columbus because the State Councils are subordinate to the Supreme Council.

Please let any of the State Officers know if you believe there are portions of the Washington State Council Bylaws that should be changed and the reason(s) for proposed changes. We may be able to assist with preparation of resolutions for proposed changes depending on the intent and relevance.

Vivat Jesus!  
Scott E. Hulse



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## State Warden's Message

My Brother Knights,

First, let me say thanks for the trust and confidence you have placed in me by electing me as warden for 22-23. I will do my best.

Working the virtual state convention was a true learning experience. I had no idea how much work goes into it, even when it is virtual. I really appreciate the help the other state officers gave me as I continue to learn the ropes.

Your state officers are doing so much for the Order in the state. The volume of email they handle is incredible, and I have been astonished by the range of issues that they deal with. It is a hard-working and fun group.

As we near the end of the Columbian year, I hope that councils (especially Grand Knights and financial secretaries) meet the deadlines for the transition to the new year. It is hard for the State to get organized for the new year, for example, if we don't have the reports of officers in.

Similarly, many councils are close to earning Star Council this year. I appreciate the extra online fraternal benefits seminars that the General Agent is offering so that we can all win the Founder's Award.

Last, I am getting both hips replaced this summer and will be out of touch for several weeks. I would appreciate your prayers.

Vivat Jesus  
Dave Olwell  
State Warden





## A Message from the Ceremonials/Immediate Past State Deputy

My Brother Knights,

Congratulations Everyone. Washington has reached and even surpassed their Supreme assigned membership goal. This only happens when everyone is pulling together towards a common goal.

The great value of this is the strengthening of the Councils that received new members. The Degree Reports from the DDs are nearly at goal as well and that tells us that a significant number of those joining have also taken their Degrees. Whether online, by DVD, or in-person, they have learned the message of Father McGivney and that after all is why we are all here.

Importantly, it is up every Council to keep an eye on the lists from Supreme of online members in their area and touch base with each of them. Get them into action by welcoming them into your Council. Teach them your programs and ask them to help. Encourage them to hold Council Offices at any level and offer them the chance to be a part of your Council Degree team. If you can do just this...you'll have a lifetime member.

My Personal congratulations to our State Deputy Kim, his staff of State Officers, all our DDs and our State Membership Chairman Mike Rutland and his staff. What an extraordinary group of very committed Catholic men of whom I am very proud to be associated with. Thank each of you for that privilege.

Be Safe  
Vivat Jesus,  
Patrick Kelley

## Membership Prayer

**From Dawn Fortenberry**

National Chairman of Membership and Development  
Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Heavenly Father, as we venture into growing our membership, we come before You asking for Your guidance, wisdom and support.

Fill us with your grace, Lord God, as we make contact with others.

Remind us that all we do, all that we accomplish, is for the pursuit of truth for the greater glory of your kingdom, and for the service of humanity.

Guide our hearts...our words...our actions, to be a shining light for all to see.

May the face of Christ shine through.

We ask Your Mother, our patroness, by her powerful intercession, to be with us as we witness to others.

We ask all these things in Your most Holy name. Amen.



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## State Membership Director's Message

My Brother Knights,

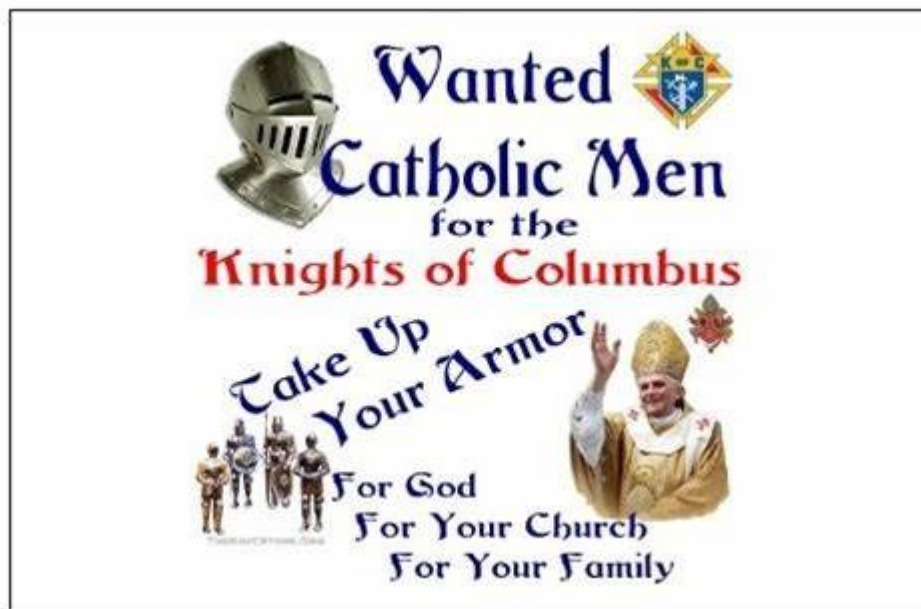
Here we are in the final month of the 2021-2022 fraternal year and what a year it has been. As of the writing of this article you all have recruited 691 new members well surpassing Supreme's goal of 551. I am both proud and humbled to have served you as Membership Director.

This past year we faced many challenges together especially from the mandatory imposed COVID lockdown. However, you didn't let that stop you from achieving the best recruiting year in quite a while. I stand in awe of your accomplishments. As roadblocks were thrown up, you found ways to make things happen. Your spirit and "can do" attitudes epitomize the vision of our founder Blessed Michael McGivney. You have proven to the rest of the order; we have what it takes to lead, and Washington has benefited from it.

Teamwork was also the catalyst for our successful year. You, working alongside the Whiteaker Agency and all our Field Agents proved to be an unstoppable force. Keith Whiteaker our General Agent provided three professionally-led Fraternal Benefit Nights, which helped a number of councils achieve the Founders Award. Our Field Agents brought in approximately 350 new members and approximately 341 new members were recruited by brother knights throughout the state.

When we started this fraternal year our campaign theme was "Every Council Active." This meant every council recruit at least one new member. While we have not yet met our goal, I'm confident in the last 30 days of this fraternal year you all will rally, and we will achieve this goal as well.

Vivat Jesus,  
Mike Rutland



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## State Membership Director's Message Cont'd

Church flyer that can be used



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## State District Deputy Director's Message

### My Brother Knights

The exemplary Exemplifications honoring new Knights joining Bremerton Holy Trinity Council 11789, as well as four Entry Level Knights rising to full Knighthood, four new Knights along with the Pastor and Council Chaplain at St Joseph's Church in Kennewick, Fr Cesar Izquierdo, Kennewick Council 8179, were conducted Sunday, 21 May 2022 following the 4:00 PM Spanish Language Mass at Holy Trinity Church, Bremerton, and Sunday 1:00 PM Mass 15 May 2022, at St Joseph Church, Kennewick.

Congratulations to Grand Knight Jeremy Strohmeier, Chaplain Fr Cesar Izquierdo, Presiding Office and Past State Deputy Karl Hadley, Presenter on Charity and Past Grand Knight Bill Forsythe, Presenter on Unity and Fraternity and Past Grand Knight and Financial Secretary, Jay Wildgen, and Warden Sergio Negrete for a job well done in Kennewick. The Council now has nine additional Knights who are future leaders in the Council.

Congratulations are also in order for Grand Knight and Presiding Officer Roberto de la Pena, Chaplain Fr Dwight Lewis, Presenter on Charity Ariel Armendariz, Presenter on Unity Ferdy Dimafelix, Presenter on Fraternity Abel Larios Castro, Warden John McGannon, Assistant Warden Bob Ramirez, Investing Officers Abel Larios Castro and Deputy Grand Knight Walter Bogaardt, and Financial Secretary Bill Dewey. Gabriel Ituarte, wife of Ariel Armendariz, served as interpreter during the Exemplification Ceremony.



Newly Exemplified members of Bremerton Holy Trinity Council 11789 with their families.

The families of the ten, count them, newly Exemplified Knights in Bremerton and the families in Kennewick are every bit as much a part of our Order as are the men. We welcome all families of the newly Exemplified Knights. We ask for their prayers and their support as we work as brothers and sisters doing God's will.

Vivat Jesus  
Scott E. Hulse  
State District Deputy Director



## State Program Director's Message

My Brother Knights

This month your council might be thinking the annual convention is over, we're done. Well, not yet! We have less than a month before the fraternal year ends. Many councils are very close to achieving Star Council. This is not a prize to recognize just the Grand Knights -- although, we all know having the honor of the position is very hard work in itself -- the Star Council Award is a true testament of the hard work everyone in your council has put in throughout the fraternal year. Recognize your membership for their achievements.

If today was June 30, Supreme would not be sending the award to many of our councils. It's not for a lack of programs, but for lack of bringing in new members. Councils have been active even during this pandemic. Unlike the past two years where the membership requirement was waived, the requirement of new membership is back on the table for Star Council Award. There's still time to hold a membership drive. Work with your pastor and your parish to schedule one -- and get them into a degree!

If you're one of the lucky councils that have met all your goals for Star Council, don't forget to follow through and submit your SP-7 (Columbian Award application) and submit all of your Program Report Form (#10784) to the Supreme Council. Nothing is done until the paperwork is processed. Supreme will accept early submissions of these forms -- don't wait until 9PM Pacific time on June 30 to submit, because you will be late. The clock at Supreme runs on Eastern time, so don't delay.

Finally, I'd like to leave you with this excerpt from Vince Lombardi's speech "What It Takes To Be #1":

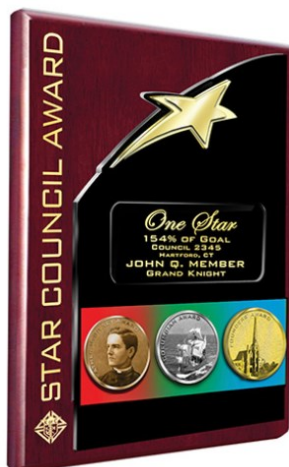
***"Winning is not a some time thing; it's an all the time thing. You don't win once in a while; you don't do things right once in a while; you do them right all of the time. Winning is a habit. Unfortunately, so is losing..."***

See the full video here: <https://youtu.be/UpBKzjqpX0Y>

Vivat Jesus!

Dang Nguyen

WSC General Programs Director





## State Faith Director's Report

My Brother Knights,

### *Faith In Action Our New Watch Word*



June 2022 Faith Programs (links) continued

[Building the Domestic Church Kiosk](#)

[Holy Hour](#)

[Into the Breach](#)

[Marian Prayer](#)

[Refund Support Vocations \(RSVP\)](#)

[Rosary](#)

[Sacramental Gifts](#)

[Spiritual Reflection](#)

[Pilgrim Icon \(Supporting Program\)](#)

[Blessed Michael McGivney Prayer Hour \(Supporting Program\)](#)



Well gentlemen another new fraternal year is upon us. We had our virtual Convention and celebrated our accomplishments and deliberations accordingly. Our State Deputy, Kim Washburn, continues to lead us this upcoming fraternal year. We wish Kim and Barbara our very best. Let us not forget our State Officers and their wives, too.

What a turbulent set of events for our world, order, jurisdiction and parishes too. While COVID has slipped by, we are threatened with a myriad of new challenges. These are historical in nature, however, amid these challenges, there is a renewal of effort presented to us for our new Fraternal year. Our "Faith" tells us that this, again, is a time to move forward. Fortunately we have the unwavering guide of Holy Mother church and each other's commitment to our Lord Jesus Christ. This is so important! Especially with our Holy Mother always at our side.

As we see in Supreme Chaplin's message for this month, "small actions can have great influence". Love one another, be kind, and support those who are in need. Go forward "*be such men*". Set the example and double your efforts with our Programs.

On a side note, this past the fraternal year, the Rosary Program under "Faith Program's" has done very well. Brother Richard Nelson of James Quigg Council 1674 in Hoquiam maintains the necessities needed to enhance existing rosary programs or to start a new program, too. I have come to understand that Council's and Assembly's contributing initial financial support have added to the program's a success.

If you haven't taken the opportunity to benefit from Brother Nelson's supply of rosary's and reading material, I highly encourage you to do so. Realizing how important Her message is today, the rosary program encourages devotion to Mary, the patroness of our Order.

Those interested in setting up this program in your parish, I would ask that you contact Brother Nelson at [riverrat58@comcast.net](mailto:riverrat58@comcast.net) Nelson has a wealth of knowledge to share with you on getting this program rolling. 360-533-8362

Fraternally and Vivat Jesus

Tom Pursley, State Faith Director  
In God We Trust and God Bless America

## State Family Director's Report

My Brother Knights,

This maybe June but August will be upon us soon and advanced preparation for Family Week is a matter of prudence. Below is listed the requirements for this program.

### Family Week

#### **A Higher Purpose**

Dedicate a week to celebrate our families. Councils plan a special week for their parish celebrating family life.

Activities presented in this program will strengthen the parish community and affirm the central importance of Catholic family life.

#### **Overview**

Knights of Columbus councils will dedicate a special week of the year to recognize the vital importance of families as the foundation of our domestic church and to promote Catholic family values. When choosing a week, councils should consider factors that might affect parishioner schedules such as school vacations, holidays and other local events. Though traditionally celebrated in the summer to commemorate the birth and death of our founder, Venerable Michael J. McGivney, this program can take place anytime during the year.

#### **Chairman Role and Responsibilities**

- Plan a schedule of fun events that affirm faith and strengthen family ties.
- Order the *Family Week Program* resources through Supplies Online, the supply ordering portal available on Officers Online.
- Build public interest for the week's events!
- Complete and submit all associated reporting forms to the Supreme Council Department of Fraternal Mission.

#### **Action Steps**

1. Working with your pastor, obtain his recommendations on organizing a Family Week.
2. Designate a specific week for your family celebrations. Choose a time that allows as many people as possible to participate. Be mindful of schedules of both area youth and adults and other events such as school vacations, holidays and local activities.
3. Plan a schedule of fun events that affirm faith and strengthen family ties. Ideally, the week of activities should begin with Mass on Sunday and conclude the following Sunday.
4. Order the *Family Week Program* resources through Supplies Online, the supply ordering portal available on Officers Online.
5. Prior to the start of your Family Week, use the sample press release as a model to create and distribute a tailored release to local media.
6. Build public interest for the week's events! Promote the Family Week activities in your parish and larger community through a variety of efforts:
  - Prominently display promotional posters (found in the *Family Week Program* resources)
  - Bulletin announcements
  - Pulpit announcements
  - Posting on your council and parish website/ social media page.

## State Family Director's Report Cont'd

7. Celebrate your Family Week! Remember that family prayer should play an important role in all of the activities that your council conducts during the week.
8. At each event, wear Knights of Columbus-branded apparel and have the council membership director set up a table with brochures and membership documents (including *Prospect Cards* #921A). Do not forget that this event is a recruiting opportunity!
9. Enlist a fellow Knight or community member to photograph each event.
10. Following your Family Week, update the community on the success of all of your activities by amending the Family Week sample announcement and distributing it to the local media, along with energizing photographs from the events.
11. To gain credit for your program, complete the associated reporting forms and submit them to the Supreme Council Department of Fraternal Mission. Remember to retain copies for your council records.
  - Immediately after your program is finished, complete the *Fraternal Programs Report Form*.
  - At the end of the fraternal year, complete the *Columbian Award Application* (#SP-7)

### Resources

1. #10510- *Family Week - Vertical Poster*
2. #10652B- *Family Week - Calendar Poster*
3. #10652A- *Family Week - Calendar Flyer*
4. #10662- *Family Week - Suggested Activities*
5. #10656- *Family Week - Press Release*

## FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Brother Christopher Frank family of Council 8476, Deacon Donald F. Hanika Council, Camano-Stanwood for being selected as Supreme Council's "Family of the Month" winner for April.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

State Family Director  
Edward Herbert  
Family@kofc-wa.org

### FAMILY WEEK

Faith in Action - Family Programs



## State Life Director's Report

My Brother Knights,

We are in dire need of help for our commitment to Special Olympics Washington. We are the Silver Level donor to Special Olympics Washington and are sponsors at District, Regional and State events.

Our Special Olympics chairman is asking for help June 18th and 19th (20 guys each day) Spring Game lunch distribution at PLU in Parkland, WA. Help is needed from 10am - 1:30pm. Please give Darren Johnson, State Special Olympics chairman, a call to sign up 253.709.4588 or

[SpecialOlympics@kofc-wa.org](mailto:SpecialOlympics@kofc-wa.org).

Volunteering for Special Olympics is one of the most rewarding things you can do. Please give Darren a call.

God Bless  
Gary Cloninger, Life Director

***Special  
Olympics  
Washington***



## 4th Degree - Vice Supreme Master Message

My Brother Knights,

Some Assembly's don't do any activities. Here are a couple suggestions.

June 14, 2022 is Flag Day and the 245<sup>th</sup> Anniversary since the United States adopted the American flag. Since then, it has become a symbol of freedom, endurance, and patriotism recognized around the globe. Host a Flag activity, at the least, hang a flag inside or outside of your home to commemorate Flag Day.

Visit a Soldiers Home. Last month on Memorial Day we honored our veterans that have gone to the Lord before us. Here is an opportunity to do something for the veterans that are still with us. Below are the Soldiers Homes in our Province.

### Soldiers Homes – Washington – [Washington Soldiers Home Orting | WDVA](#)

The Orting Soldiers Home Orting is located on 174 acres in the beautiful Puyallup Valley near Orting. Established in 1891, this was the first of four homes built for Washington state veterans.

The Port Orchard Veterans Home was built in 1910 and is located on a 31- acre bluff overlooking Sinclair Inlet of Puget Sound.

The Walla Walla Veterans Home is co-located on the campus of the Jonathan M. Wainwright Memorial VA Medical Center.

The Spokane Veterans Home is a place where veterans are treated with the dignity and respect they deserve, in distinctive settings that provide a sense of belonging.

### Soldiers Homes – Idaho – [Veterans Homes - Division of Veterans Services \(idaho.gov\)](#)

The "Old Soldiers Home" opened in Boise in May 1895 and was replaced in 1966. Situated on a sprawling, tree-lined campus at the base of beautiful Boise foothills, that provides a quiet, peaceful setting just a few convenient miles from the heart of downtown Boise.

The Lewiston Veteran's Home Established in 1994 is nestled in a park-like setting with a panoramic view of nearby rolling hills right near the Clearwater and Snake Rivers — one of the premier fishing spots in the nation — which provides residents with a beautiful and peaceful environment.

The Pocatello Veterans Home Built on property donated by Idaho State University, provides large windows throughout the facility allow residents to watch the wildlife that visits the grounds, including Canada geese, duck, deer, squirrels, chipmunks, and a variety of birds

### Soldiers Homes – Oregon – [Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs : Oregon Veterans' Homes : Oregon Veterans' Homes : State of Oregon](#)

The Dalles was the first State Veterans Home in Oregon, opening 1997. It's 15 acres is nestled on a hillside, overlooking the majestic Columbia River, with clear views of the Columbia River Gorge, the Columbia River, the Dalles Dam and the majestic Mount Hood.

The Lebanon "Edward C. Allworth" Veterans' Home, is the second Veterans' Home in Oregon. Organized around the idea of an intentional community or neighborhood with up to three houses per neighborhood, and each house accommodates up to 14 eligible residents.

Joseph W Schaecher  
Vice Supreme Master, Arch. Francis Norbert Blanchet Province  
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(541) 282-4208



## State Administration and Finance Chairman's Report

My Brother Knights,

Administration and Finance Department

Washington State Council

2021-2022 Administrative Excellence Award Certificates Earned

District 2	1379 Bremerton	District 21	9605 Mountlake Terrace
	8297 Poulsbo		14046 Woodinville
	11789 Bremerton	District 22	13238 Tacoma
District 5	15143 Spokane	District 23	8102 Redmond
District 6	894 Yakima	District 25	11252 Woodland
District 7	1620 Pasco		12786 Castle Rock
	3307 Richland	District 26	11085 Seattle
	8179 Kennewick		11217 Shoreline
	10653 Kennewick	District 27	13374 Renton
District 8	1565 Colton	District 31	2126 Mount Vernon
District 12	7528 Federal Way	District 32	9721 Deer Park
District 16	6686 Bothell	District 33	5495 Burien
	7642 Kirkland	District 34	4322 Lakewood
District 18	4196 Spokane Valley	District 35	1327 Vancouver
	8201 Spokane Valley		7117 Battle Ground
District 19	3611 Anacortes		
District 20	8137 Spokane		
	14394 Spokane		

Congratulations and our thanks to all the councils listed here. The award certificates will be presented to the Financial Secretaries at their Annual State Training and Continuing Education Meeting July 9-10. At the same time the plaque for Administration and Finance Council of the Year will be announced and presented to one of these councils. These 32 councils earned these certificates by submitting all administrative reports (Report of Officers, Report of Program Personnel, Fraternal Survey, Columbian Award Application, and both audits) by the due dates and by FS attendance at either the Annual State Meeting or a Regional Meeting. This group is smaller than in past years, which we attribute to the difficulties all councils have had maintaining regular operations during an over two year pandemic with many restrictions. We hope to get back to more regular numbers of excellent councils next year. As a reminder, the first two items due for next year (SP-7 Columbian Award Application and the Report of Officers for 2022-2023) are due no later than June 30th.

Kevin Fraley

Administration and Finance Chairman

Washington State Council

Knights of Columbus



## State KCIC Chairman's Report

My Brother Knights,

Top KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS Program Council's for 2021-22

1st Place Council # 4322 GK Steven Bullimore, Chairman Paul Swartz

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Council # 1379 GK Robert Morash, Chairman Bill Smith

3<sup>rd</sup> Place Council # 766 GK Jeffery Elstrom, Chairman Gary Rizzuti

Each council will receive one of these beautiful plaques for your top contributions to the KCIC program!



We have a new line of English Christmas Cards for this coming year (made in USA by the way) for you to choose from. A brochure will be out soon. So keep an eye open for that Brothers !

As always, please remember to keep Jesus in your mind and heart, in everything you say and do!

Vivat Jesus!

Ed Miller

KCIC State Chairman



## Coats for Kids

My Brother Knights,

### **The First Step in Planning for Coats for Kids is to Remember to Have it Included in Your Annual Budget!**

Last year Washington State placed first among all of the states in the total number of coats purchased under the Coats for Kids program. Thank you for your commitment to helping those in need!

This year brings some significant changes to how we order our Coats for Kids from Supreme via Knights Gear. I will be sending out regular, short updates that will help us meet a much shorter timeline. A key point for us to remember is that other states have already been required to convert to this format and they have done so very successfully. We can do it too!

The first step for your council to take now so you'll be ready for these changes is to **make sure that you include your Coats for Kids expenses in your annual budget**. As a reminder, you should be approving your 2022-2023 budget either in May or June. Having Coats for Kids expenses programed into the Council's approved budget allows for you to place your order without having to wait to the next meeting to take a vote. Timing is very important because you will be **placing your orders and paying for your coats in August** this year. I am finalizing a special order form that you will use when submitting your order and matching request to me.

Here is a broad overview of the timeline for your planning purposes

1. By 1 September: Rather than ordering coats directly from Knights Gear, each council will now place both their paid order and their matching request through the State Chair. (Order form will be provided).
2. By 1 September: Each council submits their payments to the State Secretary. (More information will follow).
3. By 6 September: Washington State Council will submit the consolidated order, which includes the matching request, to Supreme.
4. O/A 20 September: Coats arrive at one of our approved distribution points. We may have up to nine distribution points this year. Each council will be responsible for picking up their coats at their nearest distribution point.
5. O/A 1 October: Councils start delivering their coats to their designated charities, schools, churches, etc

In summary, the key point at this time is to have your Coats for Kids projected expenses in the approved annual budget!

Please feel free to call or email me directly if you have any questions.

Vivat Jesus!

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Chair, Coats for Kids  
Washington State Council  
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[CoatsForKids@kofc-wa.org](mailto:CoatsForKids@kofc-wa.org)



## State Vocation Director's Report

My Brother Knights,

### Two Ordinations



Father Andrew O'Leary was ordained into the Priesthood of Jesus Christ by Bishop Thomas Daly on May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022 at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes in Spokane, Washington. Father O'Leary is a late vocation to the priesthood, having raised a son and a daughter into adulthood prior to entering St. Patrick's Seminary in Menlo Park, California.

I presented Fr. O'Leary with gifts from the Knights of Columbus including a copy of "Parish Priest" about the life of Fr. Michael McGivney. I also presented him with a Rugged Rosary with the Knights of Columbus emblem in

the middle, a rosary box with the Last Supper image on top, and a crystal engraved image of the Blessed Virgin. Father O'Leary asked me to thank the Knights for all of their support through his discernment. I received his first blessing which he extended to all of the Knights of Columbus in Washington. Father O'Leary now becomes the parochial vicar at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes in Spokane.



Father Christian Melendez was ordained into the Priesthood of Jesus Christ by Bishop Joseph Tyson on May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Wenatchee, Washington. Father Melendez is a late vocation stating "I had an amazing job, apartment, a car - a normal life. But I felt as if something was missing. After analyzing my life I realized God was, and is calling me to serve as a priest . . . I left it all behind to commit myself to God." Father Melendez attended Mundelein Seminary in Mundelein, Illinois.

I presented Father Melendez with gifts from the Knights of Columbus and received his first blessing, which he extended to all of the Knights in Washington.

Father Melendez asked me to extend his thanks to all of the Knights for their support and encouragement during his discernment.

God bless  
Tim Coyle  
Vocations Chairman

## Columbus Charities

My Brother Knights,

Columbus Charities was initially formed in 1973 and subsequently revised in 2008 to create the charitable organization we have today. During these past forty-nine years Columbus Charities has supported numerous worthy causes in the State of Washington. During the 2009 Annual Meeting the goal was set to grow the Fund to at least \$1,000,000. Although various fund-raising programs have been undertaken over the years, the Fund is currently at less than 17% of the stated goal.

As the needs for charitable funding became more pronounced during the past two years due to the Pandemic and decreased charitable giving, it became apparent that we needed to evaluate the program in its entirety. We began by reviewing the current mission, and the goals and the strategies for meeting them. During this analysis the focus changed to making Columbus Charities a viable, impactful charitable fund that is sustainable in perpetuity.

In order to meet the mission and goals of the Fund, there needed to be substantive changes to the structure and management of organization. During the past couple of years there has been many discussions and much work done to make these needs a reality. Procedures for managing this 501(c)3 non-profit corporation have not been as transparent as they could be, which created impediments to its growth. In addition, the management of Columbus Charities was not set up to maximize its potential for growth and impact.

During the recent State Convention, the By-Laws were amended to provide a clearer focus on the purpose and mission of the organization as well as streamlining its management and the delegation of duties. For example, under the previous By-Laws, there was no mechanism for the Board of Directors to appoint committees. This is a critical component to create efficiency, and more importantly, clear focus on the mission of the organization. To this end, two permanent committees will be formed.

The Charitable Giving Committee will be charged with developing policies governing the process, procedures and policies for the decision-making process. The Committee will also be responsible for analyzing all donation requests, vetting recipient organizations and making recommendations to the Board of Directors.

The Investment Committee will be charged with developing the investment policies, and to outline the goals, philosophy, guidelines, restrictions, management and review of all investments. The Committee will provide ongoing reviews and recommendations to the Board of Directors.

The implementation of the proposed By-Laws will provide clearer delineation of duties, process and responsibilities both in the management of the organization and oversight of the Fund.

These changes will help Columbus Charities become an even more vibrant and impactful vehicle for achieving one of our primary missions as Knights of Columbus – CHARITY! As our Worthy State Deputy noted in his message, the LAMB (Least of All My Brethren) Program will be the primary fund-raising program to help achieve our goal of making a difference in the lives of our most vulnerable brothers and sisters. We are asking each member in the State to donate a minimum of \$18.82 each year to help fund the critical work that is part of our role as Knights. The 1882 program is in commemoration of the year Blessed Father Michael McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus. The goal of \$18.82 is just over 5 cents per day or \$1.50 per month for each Knight. Please prayerfully consider making this a regular part of your charitable giving plan.

Vivat Jesus

Fraternally,

Joseph Kessler  
Charitable Giving Committee



## Members and Family in need of Prayer

**Council .....Seattle 676**

Dan Schweitzer; Gerry Joyce, wife of Tom; Albert & Regina Freedman; Carol Costello; Jan Stibre, widow of Paul; Gail Altenhofen, wife of Kirk; Phil Philbrick; Sylvia Kessler, wife of Joe; PGK Wes Duffield; Joe Salle; Jonathan Mylius; Bill Joyce; brother of DD Tom Joyce; Larry & Arlene Boulanger; John Costello; Paul Heneghan; Gerard Vreeburg; Walter Brazelton; Ann Heneghan, daughter of Paul; Edgar Pitre; Georgene Ulrich; Roman Miller; Father Robert Eagan.

**Council .....Spokane 683**

Joseph Francis Mc Ginn, Michael W. Nestor, Joseph S. Destefano, Frank J. Ross, David E. Sweet, Charles L. Biegler, Francis Reichert, Cherie Beznaiguia, David Garski, Corky Dashbach, Matthew J. Formanek, Carl Brazank, Debra Wallace, Marilyn Covey, Muriel Holland FFL, Jerri Stanley, Vivian Hollingsworth Ingram, Joseph "Phil" Martin, Joseph Patrick Tully, Darryl M. Stephens, Ronald RF Rivard, Dennis Bauch, Xavier Kasbar, Dick Daschbach, Steve Muto, Darryl Stephens, Patrick T. Kenney Sr., Karen Liebe, Rev. Paul G. Czerwonka, David Lohran, Blake Lorhan, Ludy Kostelecky, Joanne Kupice, Rachel Kupice, Carole Oliveri, Lloyd Firkus, Mrs. Kostrelecky, Donald Wadina, Trina Owen, Geraldine Ploch, Wayne Stanley, Anthony Davis, Daniel Myron, Pamela Tully, Daniel Hoogstad

**Council .....Walla Walla 766**

John Biagi, Carl Bossini, Antonio Caso, Joe Chvatal, Brent Caulk, David Hall, James Gaffrey, Chris Grasso, Michael Fazzari, Leo Lapke, Rick Magnaghi, Larry Meliah, Clifford Nesteby, Father Nicks, Harry Olson, Jack Pinza, Frank Sannar, Steve Snell, Richard Spiess Sr., Terry Teske, Ron Warzinski, Douglas Wolff

**Council .....Bellingham 829**

Kim Washburn, Nora Pylilo, Charlie Dunn, Henry Therrien, Sam Raines, Louise Murphy, and for the repose of the souls of Patrick St. Hilaire and Leonard Roy

**Council .....Yakima 894**

Msgr. Ecker, Patti & John Soden, Laurie Browning, Sandy Lamm, Mike Cunningham, Harry Cambeis, Darrel Jones & Family, Jeff Penuel, Ann Hill, Carey Hill, Kody Weldon, Josh Jones Family, Thomas McCormick, Gary Mitchell, Tony Lesich, Jackie Gamache, Tina Wanamaker, Rod Allen, Derick Pemberton's Fiancé, Mike dean's Good Friend, Yakima Transit's Drivers and their families, this can be a very nerve-wracking season for them and "Bridgett" whose Marine Son may be being redeployed to Afghanistan (a wonderful lady who offers rides to Veterans)

**Council .....Wenatchee 1545**

Frank Peipel, John Aumell

**Council .....Pasco 1620**

Karen Smith, Gabriel Scheel, Robert Delarm, Corky Hutfles

**Council .....Olympia 1643**

Walt Dale • Ron DeGroot • Ray DeTerra Family • David Gedrose • Charles Woodrow Hubbell III • Mary Rutledge-Harrison • John Kramer • Florante Jayme • Harold Watson • Mrs. Edna M MacKay • Pam Pellegrino • Sam Pellegrino • Meg Pivec • Dennis Perez • Ed Sauley • Greg Squires • Jose Ybarra • Nancy Zyrkowski

**Council .....Oak Harbor 3361**

Udo Poos, Al & Carol Bakker, Bernie Mueller, Betty, Bob Ellis, Dale Auburg, Del & Arline Swatosh, Denise Albertelli, Sister of Ed Witt, Fel Catabay, Glenn Mueller, Ida Ancheta, Jim Brady, Kevin Butler & Family, Kimberly Harper, Laven Cajigal, Leo & Marci Doyle, Maurice & Phyliss Lund, Onee Hedeent, Ralph Byars, Rey & Maria Parungao, Rey Akdana, Rudy Gelacio, Sandra Galloway, Sandra Lanlow, Mother of Tom Karney

**Council .....Spokane 4196**

Nick and Susan Curalli, Greg Curran, Kevin Curran, Mark Curran, Russ Curran, Richard Diehl, Ed Galles, Ann Gunning, Russell and Jackie Howell, Michael Lockwood, Don McCabe, Jennifer McCabe, Jim Majeskey, Mark Mendiola, Mike Routt, Larry Smoot, Jill Gfeller, Max Moss, Laura Bevan, Shauna Lemoine, Thomas Stuber, Mark Mclean, Darleta Woodbury, Max Moss, Laura Ohland, Ron Connell, Bill Foster, Tony and Rozanne Caruso, Joe Reincke, Jake Dwyer

**Council .....Poulsbo 8297**

Ron Wernke family, Mary T. Bartlett, Ross & Sharon Smith, Roger Fritz family, Michael Thatcher, Tom & Rosie Bennett, Tom Musha family, William Smith jr, Larry Devlin family, Lee Metzger, Nathan Wernke family, Bill & Nancy Hepp, Robert Brainerd, Storm & Caroleen Smole, Chuck Hackett, Jerry Almeda, John Wahlfors family, Brian Cross

**Council .....Camano-Stanwood 8476**

Bill Vincent, Don Maile, Frank Olson, Gary Cloninger, Gary Baumgartner, Gary Bibbs, Greg Bloom, Mark Grumbine, Jim Devine, John Keefe, Preston Laine, Richard & Mary Jo Chavarrie, Roger Docken, Tom, Mary and Daniel Connerton, Bud Dubay, Ray Fossum, Dennis Lindsay.

## Members and Family in need of Prayer

**Council .....Burlington, 9941**

Pat Lyons, Bob Zimmerman, Dave Lustik

**Council .....Bellevue, 10664**

Alan Newhouse, Ken Yarab, Phil Morrissey, Paul Herrick, friend of Steve Duncan

**Council .....Belfair 12002**

Carlos Craff, Bob Giesert, Harry and Dotty Tachell, Richard Helriegel, Fr. Dennis Sevilla, Howard Riggelman family, Nevinger family, Lanny and Diane Zwan, J.J. MacPherson, Keith Taylor

**Council .....Lakewood 11762**

Everett and Mira Roberts, Maria Havens, John Mcinnes, Franklyn Hyke, Dorian Diaz, John Silbaugh, Janet Wachter, James Daly, John Wallace, William Wells, Linda Hansen, Brent Carney, Robert Nuccio, James Self, Maria Suazo


**Council .....Seattle 13794**

Rene Sacramento, son of Renato Sacramento

**Council .....Pend D'Oreille 14268**

Family of Warren Foersch, Family of Jim Hines, Ray Springsteen, Gary Brooks, Rowland Busskohl, Bob and Nellie Graham, Buc Buckley, Jerry Tefft, Judy Herrin, Dave and Barbara Floyd, Gladys Bishop, Nancy Sanger, Bill Burrell, Sister Nancy, Bishop Skylstad, Diana Tefft, Katherine, Liliana, and Victoria Freeman (grandchildren of Peter and Kathy Freeman), Jack Lopresti, Jim Flanagan, Kathleen Pasquale, Robin Baylow, Phillis Kardos.

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## Prayer for Restoration of Health

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Dear Jesus,  
Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we  
turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest  
comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry  
and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant  
us the grace and strength to accept this  
burden.

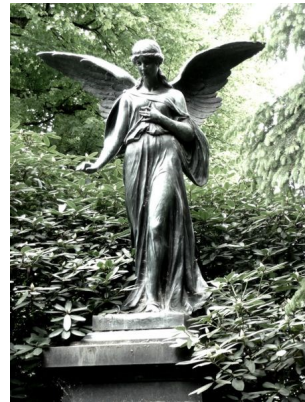
Dear God,  
We place our worries in your hands. We place  
our sick under your care and humbly ask that  
you restore your servant to health again.

Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge  
your will and know that whatever you do, you  
do for the love of us.  
Amen.

**> 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.

Gregory P. Bloom Council 8476 (Camano-Stanwood)  
Father John Murtagh Diocese of Yakima

**Family Members' Deaths**

*Eternal rest grant unto  
them, O Lord.  
And let the perpetual light  
shine upon them.  
And may the souls of all the  
faithful departed, through  
the mercy of God, rest in  
peace.  
Amen.*

## State Historian's Report

My Brother Knights,

The Knights of Columbus are known for their charitable works. Some of the fund that supported these works came from Columbus Charities. One such project within Columbus Charities is the Raffle Drawing fund raiser. The money that was raised went into Columbus Charities Incorp. From there the Funds helped support many causes that Knights of Columbus were involved.



The Statewide Raffle Drawing was conducted by Brother Warren Tufts Sr., Director. Eventually his son David Tufts took over the project and operated it for many years too. This successful fundraiser lasted for 32 yrs. and brought in \$ 3,040,924.00. It was considered a substantial fundraiser generating an average of \$100,000.00 each year. Besides Warren and David Tufts at the helm many other brother Knights, to numerus to mention volunteered in this project.

### Background:

Warren Tufts was born in California in 1904. He eventually became an electrician and was a Knight. During the great depression of 1929 Warren found himself out of work like so many other people of his time. He found work in Portland Oregon. Warren then traveled to the Bremerton shipyard looking for a better job, since he had heard that the shipyard was hiring. In 1941 Puget Sound Naval shipyard (PSNS) hired him and Warren moved his family to Bremerton. Warren transferred to the Bremerton, Knights of Columbus Council (#1379) where he became an active member of that group and became GK. David, his son also became a member of the Knights when turned 18. During those times University of Washington was trying to raise funds for a blind program in the area. Clyde T. Boyle was SD for the Washington State Council and had helped develop the Pennies from Heaven program. Boyle set up a committee which proposed holding a raffle drawing as a fundraiser. At the time many other non-profit groups held raffle drawing, too. So, in 1959 at the State convention the fundraising program (the Raffle Drawing) was initiated (Resolution 14). Right off the bat the program was a success. Half of the annual fund were going to the three Bishops and the other half was going to the Pennies for Heaven fund. This continued through the 70's However it was noted that new Washington State gambling regulations were starting to cause problems for the Washington State councils activities funds. New legislation was passed that gave more control to the State making raffle drawing difficult to operate, essentially making them illegal. In 1974 The Columbus charities Articles of Incorporation was established to comply with the technicalities of the gambling laws, and this was to ensure the process was used solely for charitable purposes. Warren Tufts became Chairman of Columbus Charities and continued as director of Raffle drawing program. He stayed as the Administrator until June of 1986. At that time Warren was succeeded by his son, David Tufts, who stayed for many years. David Tufts ran the program effectively from 1986 to 2007.

It's sad to say that eventually this extremely successful fundraising program was doomed to expire. Two reasons; one, the State of Washington wanted more control of gambling operations within the State, making it very costly and difficult to run this successful program. Second, the Washington State Council could not find anyone to take over the helm and operate the Raffle Drawing.

Much is owed to Warren and David Tufts whose hard work and dedication prevailed in their endeavor. These Knights "dotted the Is" and crossed the Ts' to compete the task, even with the State Gambling Commission Regulations. A big thank you goes out to these two giants and to the many other volunteers of the Washington State Council.

Your Brother in Christ,  
Anthony L. Farrell  
State Historian

## General Insurance Information


K of C Insurance Members:

Welcome to the Whiteaker Agency!

There is now one K of C agency for all of Washington State.


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