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November 25, 2009

John M. Wallace State Deputy 10024 100th Street Court SW Lakewood, WA 98498-3126

Worthy State Deputy and dear Brother Wallace:

It was good to be with you in Orlando recently, and I want you to know how much I appreciate your participation in what I think was a very successful mid-year meeting. Upon my return to New Haven, I was met with numerous media reports, which you may also have seen, about the great challenges that food banks and other charities are experiencing this season due to a marked decrease in contributions.

For example, a recent poll found that only 38% of Americans plan to donate to charities this Christmas season, down from the 49% who indicated they would give at this time last year.

This is an emergency situation, and the Supreme Officers have decided that the Knights of Columbus must step forward once again to take a leadership role in addressing the crisis. I know you agree with me that it is unthinkable that families in our parishes and communities may go hungry during this Christmas season, and in the winter months that follow.

Thus, I strongly urge you to act immediately by taking part in our new *Food for Families* program, which is based firmly on our Order's first principle of charity. Here is the plan for action: I ask you to appoint, as soon as possible, a *Food for Families* state program chairman to promote and direct the effort among your councils. Each council is asked to conduct a food collection and delivery drive to restock local food banks. The goal is to have at least 25% of the active councils in your jurisdiction take part.

As an incentive, jurisdictions that reach the 25% goal will receive a share of \$1 million that the Supreme Council has set aside to restock food banks in their areas. These funds will further ensure that everyone who needs food this winter will be able to get it. The Department of Fraternal Services will be in touch with you to get the name of your program chairman and chart your progress.

Food for Families is the third part of the "Neighbors Helping Neighbors" initiative that the Supreme Council began last February in response to the economic crisis, joining our Coats for Kids and Help a Child in Need programs.

I thank you for your cooperation in this very worthy program that will benefit many families. Dorian and I extend to you and your family best wishes for a happy Thanksgiving.

With best wishes and kind regards, I remain

Fraternally,

Carl A. Anderson Supreme Knight

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Message from State Deputy, John Wallace

During the November Supreme Council Midyear Meeting for all State Deputies, in Orlando, Florida, the topic of conversation among the State Deputies covered our concerns regarding membership, roundtables, suspensions and the quota that Supreme has set for each state.

"New Councils" is an area that most states, including ours, won't have a problem achieving. Washington State is required to have two new councils. We've just added Council 14852 at St. Matthew's in Seattle, and expect others by the first of 2010. Thanks to DD 26 Keith Klaus and DD 1 Romy Ablao for the Seattle council.

My thanks to all DD's working toward new council development. I especially offer my appreciation to DD 18 Thomas Sokol and DD 12 Greg Vicars for future councils in the process of being established at Spokane and Black Diamond, also DD 17 Edward Perez for his work toward establishing a council at Sunnyside. My thanks, also, to all Chairmen and members who have contributed to the development of these new councils. Other DD's are also developing councils in their areas, and we're hoping for their success.

The majority of the State Deputies were more concerned about round tables and membership quotas as required by Supreme for their state. Washington State is no different. Washington's quota for membership is 900 new members and 60 roundtables.

I expect as brothers in Christ that these quotas will be



met and exceeded, because of each Grand Knight's desire and intention to meet and exceed their own council's goals.

In my recent letter to all Grand Knights and District Deputies, I requested that you bring in 200 new members before the end of 2009, in order that we would be half way to the state quota at mid year. This will require the council to have a plan then take action, to schedule frequent first degrees, and to recruit Catholic gentlemen into the great order of the Knights of Columbus. What a Christ-

mas present this will be to put under the Washington State Christmas tree on the birthday of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

As State Deputy, I congratulate and thank you for all the efforts and sacrifices each of you have made toward successfully reaching your council and state goals.

The State Officers and our wives extend our warmest greetings to each Knight and your families. Our prayers are that you all have a Blessed and Joyful Christmas. May New Year 2010 be one of fulfillment and happiness.

Father McGivney, pray that all we do in Christ be successful.

HOST DISTRICT? FREE THROW COMPETITION 2010

Worthy DDs,

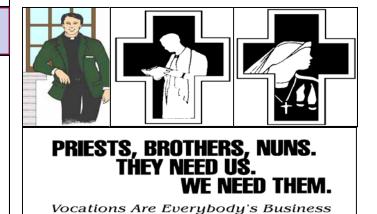
Now that Thanksgiving has come and gone and Christmas is just around the corner, that must mean the State Free Throw Competition is not far behind!!

I need a commitment from 5 DDs to host a Regional Free Throw Competition!! Trophies have been ordered and will be sent directly to the host DD.

If you would like to host a regional competition please review the attached document and check with the other DDs in your region. Then let me know as soon as you have a date and location secured. A regional competition would be held after all district level competitions and before the state competition. The state competition will be held in Yakima on Saturday, March 27, 2010.

DD's Steve Snell (Central Washington South); Tom Sokol (Eastern Washington) and Greg Vicars (Greater Seattle South) have all offered to host a regional Free Throw.

I will have district medallions at the DD's meeting for those DD's that have said that they will be hosting a district level competition.



I will also be creating district and regional winner's certificates and have them posted on the WEB for you to download.

State Webmaster, if you could post this on the state sports page that would be great.

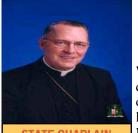
Thanks and God Bless

Ken DeVos District Deputy 15

ATE VICE-CHAPLAIN

THE REVEREND

LEE HIGHTOWER



STATE CHAPLAIN **MOST REVEREND** Alexander Brunett.

MARY AND THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

When I was in grade school decades and decades and decades ago in my hometown of Butte, MT, a teacher in one of the public schools put up a picture of the Blessed Mother on her Advent bulletin board display. The principal of that school told her to take it down. His exact words were: "Mary had nothing to do with the birth of

Christ". That teacher called all of her "teacher friends" who in turn called all of their "teacher friends" and the next day almost 80% of the public school class rooms had a picture of Mary awaiting the birth of Jesus.

That principal was about 60 years ahead of his time. But luckily the teacher was living in the present. We are the present today. There are some ignorant people in prominent places who are trying to tell us not only that "Mary had nothing to do with the birth of Christ" but also that Jesus has nothing to do with Christmas. Some stores have actually told their clerks not to say Merry Christmas---at least that is what some clerks are saving in defense of their "Happy Holidays" or, even worse, "Seasons Greetings." I try to avoid stores which avoid Christ in Christmas. And I always take the initiative by saying Merry Christmas before they come out with Happy Holidays. Of if they get the drop on me I gently ask, which holidays are you referring to.

I saw a lapel button the other day which said: "it is OK to say Merry Christmas to me". Every time we mention Christ during Christmas season He is present to us and to others at that moment. Mentioning Christ we are not insulting

or rejecting other religions or phi-

losophies. We are merely confessing our belief in Jesus as the Savior of all people. If we profess Christ before men, He will profess us before the Father.

Advent has started. In a few weeks we will be celebrating the Birthday of Jesus. Just as that teacher in Butte prepared her students for the real meaning of Christmas, we have to prepare ourselves and our community for this great feast. Just as Mary presented Jesus to the world some 2,009 years ago, we as children of Mary and sisters and brothers of Jesus have the privilege, the opportunity and the responsibility to make Jesus real in our society today. One other subtle but very effective way of spreading the image of Jesus and Mary throughout the entire year is to buy a supply of religious Christmas stamps and let the Post Office carry the message to all to whom we write.

HAPPY ADVENT AND MERRY CHRISTMAS.

IN GRATEFUL THANKS

Brother Knights of St. Joseph Council #7528

On behalf of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, please accept our heartfelt thanks for all your help and support today in preparing and delivering our Thanksgiving Baskets

The turnout of Brothers and Parishioners was overwhelming. Through your efforts, the baskets we sent out helped insure that 324 adults and children have a Thanksgiving Dinner and know that St. Vincent de Paul Parish cares about those less fortunate

May Our Lord continue to Bless you all and may your Thanksgiving be more meaningful knowing that you did hear the cry of the poor and responded with the Knights First Principal-----Charity.

Vivat Jesus. -----Tony

Worthy State Deputy,

First I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your participation in the World Series of Membership. Today is the last day in the competition and we will be posting the results on Mon-

We are starting a new competition for the months of November and December. This contest is asking your councils to recruit and earn rewards for their councils. Every council can be a winner. I am attaching a copy of the postcard that was mailed to the grand knights for your review.

Worthy State Deputy we are asking your help to promote the Bowl Membership Series. Please send the attached postcard to your officers, directors and district deputies with your words of wisdom and encouragement.

If you have a question please do not hesitate to call me.

Fraternally;

Georges M. Haddad

Manager, Membership Promotion and Council Growth Fraternal Services Department Knights of Columbus

The Natural Choice is Life

Why me, Lord? Why not?

Knights of Columbus Washington State Council 2010 Northeast Mid-Year Regional Meeting

Districts 5, 8, 18, 20, 28, 30 & 33

January 10, at St. John Vianney Parish Hall, N 501 Walnut

Spokane Valley, WA

Agenda

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Saturday Jan 9, 2010 8: 00 AM — 8:30 AM	Coffee and Doughnuts	minutes	Dung out ou/E ::1:
	Coffee and Doughnuts		Presenter/ Facilitator
8:30 AM – 8:45 AM	Open Meeting & introductions	15	DD Tom Sokol
			SD John Wallace
Financial Secretaries m	neet in separate room		
8:45 AM – 10:45 AM	MEMBERSHIP		
	Membership/retention Presentati	on 40	K.Hadley PSD
	Conducting Membership Blitz	30	K. Hadley PSD
Q	& A on Recruitment	20	K. Hadley PSD
	Spanish Membership Recruitment	10	K. Hadley PSD
	Fourth Degree	5	PSD W. Hogan
	Insurance Presentation	15	Dave Bailey
10:45 AM -11: 00 AM	Break		•
11:00 AM	FIRST DEGREE COMPETITION	60	TBD
12:15 – 1:00PM	LUNCH		
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	GENERAL PROGRAMS	60	SW Robert Baemmert
	(PFH&RSVP/FREE THROW/PRO LIFE		
S	QUIRES/FR MCGIVNEY/KCIC/		
	SPECIAL OLYMPICS/ETC.) State Convention Award Application		
2:00 PM- 2:30 PM	**	20	David Olson
2.00 FWI- 2.30 FWI	New council/RT Development	30	David Oison
2:30 PM -3:15 PM	SPECIAL INTEREST		
	Ceremonials	10	PSD W. Hogan
	Next 6 months	20	SS Don McBride
	Convention planning procedures		
	Exemplification Fund/Daily Devotions	10	ST G. Czerwonka
	By Laws	5	SA Ed Parazoo
	Star Team Concept	10	SD John Wallace
3:15 PM - 4:00 PM	MISCELLANEOUS	30	DD's & State Officers
	Council Questions and answers	20	== 2 30 2000 3 2000
4:00 PM - 4:15 PM	Closing Comments	15	SD John Wallace

This year's meeting will be on Saturday, January 9^{th} and is hosted by St.John Vianney Council 8201 in Spokane Valley.

Address: N 501 Walnut, Spokane Valley WA 99206



GONZAGA COUNCIL SEEKS YOUR HELP IN HOSTING 'NACURH' CONFERENCE

My name is Michael Johnson, and I am a proud 4th degree "Sir Knight" of Gonzaga University Council 12583 in Spokane. I am a junior student, and I currently serve as the Deputy Grand Knight for our Council. I am writing to ask for your support in assisting me as Conference Chair of the

"No Frills Conference" this year.

What is the "No Frills Conference?" It is the annual meeting of students from member colleges and universities of the Pacific Affiliate of the National Association of College and University Residence Halls (NACURH). NACURH is the largest student run organization in the world and represents over 400 colleges and universities from the United States, Canada, Mexico and Australia.

I am deeply involved in Gonzaga's Residence Hall Association, and we have more than 2,000 members of NACURH on campus. The Pacific Affiliate of NACURH is comprised of forty (40) member institutions from Washington, Oregon, California, Nevada, Alaska and British Columbia. Each February, students from our member colleges and universities meet at the "No Frills Conference" to train our leaders, discuss regional business, and recognize outstanding members of the organization. We also use this opportunity to exchange ideas and network with our peers throughout the region.

Gonzaga University was been selected as the "No Frills Conference" host this year, and I have been selected as the Conference Chair. We expect more than 200 students will be attending from our 40 member colleges and universities this year, and we are housing the conference attendees at the Red Lion "River Inn" adjacent to the Gonzaga campus.

At the hotel, we have reserved one suite to be the Hospitality Room for the attendee's and I have named the hospitality room the "Knights of Columbus Hospitality Room." It will be open and staffed 24 hours a day for the entire three days of the conference offering the delegates a place to relax, have a bite to eat and enjoy a refreshing soft drink while socializing with members of other institutions.

In these difficult economic times, our college council cannot fully provide the funds needed to fund the cost of the food, beverages and a suite for the Knights of Columbus Hospitality Room. While we donate our time and talent helping the religious, missions and needy in the community, we really do not have a venue to hold any fund raising events on campus, so we are very dependent upon the support of others. I, along with my fellow Knights, and my entire conference staff, am seeking your generous support with contributions from our fellow councils across the jurisdiction to help us fund the hospitality room, and in the process, we hope to influence the delegates

with the message and vision of "Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney."

With your kind help, we will influence that one student with a little spark of love to become a Brother Knight too, and he may just be that young leader we need to form another college council. Please feel free to contact me directly via email at mgj2015@yahoo.com or by telephone at (602) 882-0356 with your questions.

Please send your contributions (any amount will help) to our Financial Secretary, George Czerwonka, at 9315 W. Claire Avenue, Cheney, WA 99004. I greatly appreciate your time and as always...Vivat Jesus!

Sincerely,

Michael Johnson Deputy Grand Knight #12583 No Frills Conference Chairman Gonzaga University

Knights of Columbus

Monthly Bulletin Announcements Bishop White Seminary

Fr. Darrin Connall Rector



December 2009

Dear brother Knights,

I am happy to have this opportunity to share with you some of the recent news concerning Bishop White Seminary. First of all, we began the school year in our newly constructed building with a full house of 20 seminarians. All three bishops of Washington State – Archbishop Alexander Brunett, Bishop Carlos Sevilla and Bishop William Skylstad – have seminarians studying at Bishop White. I am grateful to our bishops for their strong support of our program.

Earlier this month we launched our new website. I invite you to visit the site at www.bishopwhiteseminary.com to meet our seminarians, tour the facility, and learn more about our program.

Finally, I want to thank those Knights of Columbus Councils who have responded to the recent request of our Washington State Bishops to help to retire our remaining construction debt. As this year comes to a close at month end, we look to you for your kind and much needed support. We are keeping the bishops up to date with regard to your generosity and look forward to having all of the State Councils respond with a pledge.

In upcoming bulletins, I will be highlighting various aspects of our construction project as well as updating you regarding Council pledges. May God bless you for all of your support and generosity?

General Program Director Messages



Brother Knights,

I am happy to announce that the State Deputy's 1000 Points Club is starting to receive the attention that it deserves. 53 Councils participated by submitting a Monthly Service Report for October 2009. That still is only about 1/3 of the Councils, but it makes me

believe that you are all starting to catch on to the importance of this Program. Remember, if you want to keep your members, you have to provide meaningful Programs for your members to get involved in. The Councils that participated in the Program are as follows:

763,766,1327,1550,1620,1758,3307,3361,3611, 3645,4196,4322,4385,4782,5495,5816, 6686,6706,7528,7863,7908,8015,8102,8137,8150, 8201,8398,8437,8455,8476,8872, 9617,9833,9941,10653,11217,11253,11357,11642,11762,11780,1 2273,12483,12899, 13186,13364,13422,13560,13761,13794,14046, 14268,14510

In an attempt to get the other 92 councils to participate, I will still give those that submit reports late, credit for submitting them "on time". I realize that for some Councils this is perhaps something new-but please submit the forms and participate. If you have trouble submitting, contact me and I will help you through the first ones, like I have helped so many others. The benefits to your Council include:

1) Training your Program Chairman to know what is happening in your Council. This will help him to be a better Grand Knight when it is his turn.

- 2) Makes filling out the Columbian Award (due May 31) and The Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (due Jan. 31) easier.
- 3) Having a list of Council activities that the Council will participate in, so that you can plan next years budget more easily.
- 4) Having a list of Council activities for the year, so that you can choose which ones may be worthy to write-up for Service Program Awards (due April 15th).
- 5) Receiving recognition for your Council as being one of "THE BEST IN THE STATE" at the State Convention, if your council reaches the 1000 points goal!
- 6) Staying in the race for the State Deputy's Award- given to the "BEST THREE COUNCILS IN THE STATE", based ,in part, by participation in this program.

I will continue to give the District Deputies a list of those Councils that are missing reports. Grand Knights will continue to get updates on their Council's progress. I will have a chance to meet with the District Deputies at the Winter Meeting and I will emphasize how important participation in this Program is for every Council in the State. I will have a chance to see all of the Grand Knights that attend the Regional Meetings in January and again the State Deputy's 1000 Points Club will be emphasized.

Brothers, as I write this message it is two days before Thanksgiving. I wish each and every one of you and your families the most Blessed and Fulfilling Holiday Season you have ever had.

Fraternally yours, Bob Baemmert-SW General Program Chairman

VETERANS DAY MASS



Covington Washington: Since 1996 the Harry J. Tucker Council has honored veterans with a Veterans Day Mass at St. John the Baptist Church. 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 States Knights of Columbus dignitaries, this year Vice Supreme Master Wayne C. Hogan, and Washington State Deputy John Wallace as well as Faithful Navigators & Color Corp Commanders.

John J. Daly Assembly #2960 has been instrumental in supplying the Honor Guard for this event.

Pictured below are Color Corp. Commander Joseph J. Schamer Rev. Hervey A. Vanasse Assembly #3106, Faithful Navigator Stan Pence, Bishop Thomas E. Gill Assembly #1955, Paul A Feider, District Deputy #27, other Past Faithful Navigators and VSM Wayne Hogan.

This year were honored to have Washington State Deputy John Wallace present the "Book of Veterans" to Father Coyne. Each year about 50 people attend this mass celebrated by Father James Coyne of the St. John the Baptist Church



STATE DEPUTY December SHORT NOTES

This is the last issue of the State Bulletin to be sent out via the Post Office. It will still be on the State web site, <u>WWW.kofc-wa.org</u>, for your reading pleasure. Each month, the council FS will be notified when the Bulletin is available.

Read about Food for Families in this bulletin. This is a very important project in which we should all get involved. Please notify State Warden Bob Baemmert of any council activities in the Food for Families Program.

WA State Per Capita & PFH letter will be in the mail to the councils toward the end of January or the first of February, 2010.

If your council did not have a Blitz in October/November, or it was not successful, (less than 10 names), plan a Blitz in December. A Blitz is not a membership drive. A Blitz is to gather names and telephone numbers, so the Membership Committee can work the new names. If you have a plan and follow it, a successful Blitz will make your goals achievable. Let's get it done.

Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities is due 31 January. All councils must make this report.

Supreme has mailed all GK's a postcard outlining a new contest from Nov.1 to Dec. 31, 2009, called Bowl Membership Series, with some neat prizes. Every council can be a winner. See card elsewhere in this Bulletin.

The State Deputy Road Show continues—all Knights are invited when it comes to your area. Any district that would like to have the State Deputy Road Show visit their area, please contact me at kofcwallace@comcast.net.

The Power of Ten Program is in motion. See how your council can promote council communication, recruiting, retention of members, less work for the Grand Knight, and win the Supreme and State Awards. If interested in any or all of the above, call or e-mail me. 253-582-8199 or kofcwallace@comcast.net or visit the state website.

All DD's & Chairmen; Please update your web site page each month. Your picture would help. Questions? Call Tim Philomeno, Webmaster; 253-661-2296, or better, e-mail at Webmaster@kofc-wa.org.

To all: Make use of the Washington State web page; lots of good stuff coming in each month.

Check out the new Columbus Charities web site. <u>WWW.Columbuscharities.net</u>.

Let's exceed the membership goal of 900 new members, 60 Round Tables and 2 new councils.

Every council and district can achieve their goals and receive the Star Award. Let's make it happen.

Does your council have Round Tables? Use Form 2629. Only one member required on Form. Send copies to DD and State Deputy, and, of course, Supreme. Any group that supports the parish and or priest; and has a knight as a member of the group, can and should be a Round Table. No meeting – no money – only support the Paster

Don't forget that this is the season to remember the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who is, was, and always will be our great love.

Merry Christmas to your wife, children, and you brother knights from Sheila and John Wallace, State Deputy.

Insurance Update

Basic Knowledge on Insurance Products by Randy Dyer agent

For this month's column, I thought a little "Life Insurance 101" might be beneficial.

Whole life insurance is the most basic plan of permanent life insurance protection, and calls for premiums to be paid for your entire life, or to age 100. You may also consider another permanent life insurance product – one with guaranteed cash values – that offers a limited period of premium payments. The Knights of Columbus offers three permanent life insurance products for which premiums do not have to be paid for all of life.

"Twenty Pay Life" is exactly as the name suggests: a permanent plan with premiums payable for 20 years. After the premiums are paid for the 20 years, the plan is "paid up" and no more premiums are due. Unlike its term counterpart, however, the plan stays in force, the death benefit remains intact and the guaranteed cash value continues to grow.

Another such plan is our "Life Paid Up at 65." With this permanent product you pay premiums until you reach age 65. Then, premiums stop (just in time for retirement), but the plan remains very much in force.

Finally, the ultimate in limited pay is our Single Premium Life product. Imagine buying life insurance – permanent life insurance – and only paying one single premium? It's possible.

I have detailed information on all of these products. At your convenience, I'll meet with you and your wife to perform a free, custom-tailored needs analysis, to help determine which of our many life insurance products is right for you and your family.

REGIONAL MEETING PLANNING WORKSHEET WESTERN WASHINGTON

LOCATION	Place Council 763, Everett, Wa	
DATE & TIME	Start Time and End Time 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, 16 January	
	2010	
MEETING CHAIRMAN	John Lee DD#32	
MEETING CO-CHAIR	Edward Witte Jr DD#19	
HOST DISTRICT	Edward Miller DD#13	
DEPUTY		
NOTIFICATION CHAIR	Steve Ramseyer DD#23	
MEETING SECRETARY	Dale Boudreau DD#09	
HOST GRAND KNIGHT	Joe Roth (Council 763)	
FIRST DEGREE START	8;45 AM	
LUNCH	12:00 Noon	
SPECIAL	First Degree Equipment (Council 763)	
CONSIDERATIONS	Districts: 1, 9, 13, 14, 16, 19,21, 23, 26, 32	
(equip, etc):	510011000. 1, 3, 10, 11, 10, 13,21, 20, 32	

LOCATION	St. Josephs School, Chehalis, WA.	
DATE & TIME 17 January 2010, 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM		
MEETING CHAIRMAN	Tom Hruska Council 1643 <u>hruska@wwdb.org</u>	
MEETING CO-CHAIR	Pat Kelley DD#15 DD15@kofc-wa.org	
HOST DISTRICT DEPUTY John Maniccia DD#04 DD04@kofc-wa.org		
NOTIFICATION CHAIR Paul Feider DD#27 DD27@kofc-wa.org		
MEETING SECRETARY Philip Sheridan DD#22 DD22@kofc-wa.org		
HOST GRAND KNIGHT Mark Bronson Council 1758 mjbronson@co.lewis.wa.us		
FIRST DEGREE START	10;30 AM	
LUNCH 12:00 Noon		
SPECIAL First Degree Equipment - it is requested that the		
CONSIDERATIONS team selected provide their own equipment.		
(equip, etc):	Districts: 2, 3, 4, 11, 12, 15,22, 24, 25, 27, 29, 31	

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR



December is "A Knight Before Christmas Month!"

Worthy Grand Knights:

DECEMBER CAMPAIGN INCENTIVE

During the "Knight Before Christmas" campaign in December, any council that records a monthly total of 5 or more gains will receive a Father McGivney Guild Lapel Pin.

CONGRATULATIONS FOR FALL BLITZ PARTICIPATION

The Fall Blitz Results have been tabulated.

Only 36 councils had participation reported by their District Deputy during the October/ November Blitz - each will receive a **Father McGivney Guild Note Card** (a mosaic depiction of Father McGivney found in Holy Family Chapel at the Supreme Council office). They will also receive a **One Time Bonus of 50 Pts in 1000 Point Club**.

Those councils recorded an **average of 5.3 form 100s** during their blitz! Imagine if all 145 councils had participated, our state would already have achieved its membership goal of 900 new members!

Congratulations to the following councils for having 5 or more Form 100s reported by their District Deputy during the October/ November Blitz:

1379 (with 7) 4385 (with 13) 8137 (with 8) 12583(with 14)

Each of the above will be presented with a **Father McGivney Pen** (a blue pen with a picture of Father McGivney on the dome and text on the barrel that reads "Father McGivney Guild 1852-1890")

Congratulations to Spokane Council 12583 (Grand Knight Evan Farris) for having the Highest % Net Gain in the state as of November 1, 2009, with 233.33% and to Spokane Valley Council 4196 (Grand Knight Damon Smith) for having the Highest Net Gain in state with 17 net gains as of November 1, 2009, and for having the Most Gains in the State in October with 17 new members! The Spokane area is on fire!!!

Each of the above councils will receive a WSC Supplement History Book.

DIVISION LEADERS (as of November 1, 2009):

Supreme continues to make adjustments to council 7/1/09 membership totals; this causes a slight realignment of our divisions to maintain 24 to 25 councils per division.

Division	Highest Net Per Cent	Highest Net Gains	
I	Seattle 12889 (100%) * Leavenworth (66.67%)	Seattle 14852 (7)	
II	Goldendale 7149 (166.6%)*	Goldendale 7149 (5)	
	Spokane 8398 (100%) *	Spokane 8398 (4)	
	Duvall 11906 (100%)*	Duvall 11906 (4)	
III	Spokane 12583 (233.3%)*	Spokane 12583 (14)	
	Sequim 8455 (71.43%)	Seguim 8455 (5)	
	Toppenish (50%)	Toppenish (3)	
IV	Federal Way 7908 (62.5%)	Federal Way 7908 (5)	
	Poulsbo 8297 (57.14%)	Poulsbo 8297 (4)	
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District Deputy Director Message

As we approach the day, "while they were in Bethlehem, the time came for Mary to deliver her child", Luke 2:6, Mira and I wish you all a Very Blessed and Joyous Holiday Season.

As you receive this state bulletin we will have completed another of our meaningful meetings of state officer, district deputies and chairman along with our insurance agents, to begin what we call "the Next Six Months", but in reality is a new beginning, the same as the birth of our Lord was the beginning for mankind.

I have as District Deputy Director challenged each District Deputy with meeting the many challenges that await not him in the next six months but each of his council, Grand Knights, council officers and members throughout our Order here in the jurisdiction of Washington.

Last month I talked about the holiday season and the opportunities it gives us to show our presence throughout the parish community with our display of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. We can do much good through our presence by our outward display of these principles not only during the season but every day. We can do an awful lot for membership during this period just by being visible.

I don't want to get off line here but we have seen the last few days the brotherhood of true fraternity on display through the tragic loss of many of our police men and women in the Lakewood area. This truly demonstrates the unity of the fraternity of these men and women who daily put their lives on the line for us. I know you may think what does this have to do with membership or the Knights of Columbus. Nothing more than a similarity to what they stand for and what we as a fraternal organization stand for, theirs is to serve and protect, ours is to love God, Family, Church and Country.

Our Supreme Knight Carl Anderson recently sent out a request to assist in food for the needy, respond in kind. I would ask that if anyone desires to help out with the families of these four honored servants in our community and wish to do so, respond in kind. In closing, be active during the holiday period and do the will of God. As a personal note, I knew Sgt. Mark Renninger when he was a member of the 2nd Bn, 75th Ranger Regiment stationed at Ft. Lewis. A fine young soldier, an Army SSgt who got out of the military to become a police officer in Tukwila. I know the history of the others is well documented but not many have told the story of Mark before he became a police officer. His record speaks for itself. Remember him and all of the others who made the ultimate sacrifice in your prayers.

Everett J. "Rob" Roberts PSD District Deputy Director

"...one Nation under God"

"if not you – who, if not now –when" original HB Nov 1996

SILVER KNIGHT AWARDS



"By the Power vested in me by the State Deputy, Washington State Council, Knights of Columbus, I dub thee "A Silver Knight," entitled to all the Honors of Your Title, hereafter and forever more; and you are herewith charged with forming other Knights under your care in the duties of Silver Knighthood so they may, one day, join you in earning the title, distinc-

tion and honors of a Silver Knight!"

November 2009

Lee Bayley, GK St. Charles Council 8137

Chris McJimsey, GK, St. Peter's Council 8398

Rennie Pelkie, St. Charles Council 8137

Manny Aguilar, St. Charles Council 8137

> 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.

Leno J.Boni	Tacoma 809
Robert C. Weber	Uniontown 1823
Richard A. "Mack" McDonnell, PGk	K, PFNRichland 3307
Donald J. Stuhr	Lakewood 4322
Dwight Duvall	Moses Lake 4367
Robert Dowling	Kent 8150
William Reynolds, PGK, PFN, FDD.	Poulsbo 8297
Michael J. Kiesel	Port Townsend 10532

Family Members' Deaths

Nancy Shea (Wife of Jeremiah Shea)	Colfax 1488
Ann Casey (Widow of Emery Casey)	Richland 3307
Benjamin Hills (Stepson of Greg Bloom)	
Cam	ano-Stanwood 8476
Mary Collier (Mother of Tom Collier)	Bremerton 1379

Sick Notices

Jeanette Weber	,Uniontown 1823
Lucille Weber	Uniontown 1823
Jenny Davis	Richland 3307
Joanne McConwell	Richland 3307
Sandy Devaney	Seattle 8311
Jim Britt	Seattle 8311
Eamon Devaney	Seattle 8311
Pat McGillicuddy	Seattle 8311
Paula Martinez	Spokane 14510

Bremerton 1379 (4)

*Reminder: Those councils achieving 100% by 12/31/09 will receive a jacket and any council achieving 200% by 12/31/09 will receive two jackets!!!

DISTRICT DEPUTY LEADERS (as of November 1, 2009):

Olympia 1643 (27.78%)

Congratulations to **DD18 Tom Sokol** for having the **District** with the **Highest % Net Gain** in the state (109.5%), the **Highest Net Gain** in the state (23) (as of November 1, 2009) and the **Most Gains** in the state during October (19). Tom will receive three WSC Supplement History books!

DD5 Dean Martinez was second with 51.7%, a 15 net gain, and 14 in gains in October, all while being deployed overseas defending the country – welcome back Dean (and thanks to State Treasurer George Czerwonka for filling in)!

PATH-FORWARD

We have gained 226 new members (with 87 new members in October!), but now have had 99 suspensions for a net gain of 127.

Thus, to achieve our "intake" of 900 new members and a "net" gain (after suspensions) of 650 members, we are now required to average 85 new members and fewer than 19 suspensions a month for the remainder of the year. To have less than 250 suspensions for the year, we have to have fewer than one suspension per council from here on out.

Over a third of our 145 councils are still membership inactive. Eight of those councils have suspended members without recruiting replacement new members and just **seven councils contributed 73** of the 99 **suspensions.**

I am confident that grand knights of these inactive councils are working hard to recruit at least one new member and that all councils will **find replacements for every member suspended.**

Vivat Jesus!

Karl A. Hadley, PSD

WSC Membership Director

COUNCIL 829 BELLINGHAM

Crab Feed raises funds for repair of the big cross

The annual Crab Feed attracted about 200 people to Assumption Gym October 17. About \$2,000 was raised for the repair of the big 25-foot Knights of Columbus cross on the Assumption campus.

Highlight of the dinner was the crab, of course, and eaters were busy all evening, picking and piling the crab. This year's crab came from Barleans Seafood. Accompanying the crab were baked beans, Caesar salad, garlic bread, and various libations. Topping off this full meal was cake and ice cream honoring Brother **Bill Maris**, who turned 90 the day before the Crab Feed. Brother Maris has been a member of Bellingham Council for several years. He entered the Order in 1956.

In charge of the Crab Feed was Deputy Grand Knight Scott Hulse. He was assisted by Grand Knight Ben Roberts, PGK's Gary Metcalf, Lou St.Hilaire, Dick Banning, Bob Grasher, and Joe St.Hilaire, and Brothers Hans Hanson, Ken Koenig, Harvey Unruh, Tom Bernard, Lyle Nelson, Lou Demarco, Fred Marchand, Ted Goeres, Bob Ibach, Dick Winchip, and DD Dale Boudreau. Lorrie Banning assisted her husband with the tickets at the door.

Special mention to the **Bitter-End Boys**, who were in the hall and kitchen until well after 10pm cleaning the place up: Scott Hulse, Gary Metcalf, and Lou St.Hilaire.

CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP IS FOR GROWN-UPS LIKE YOU!

Vocations Are Everybody's Business

DISTRICT MASTER'S MESSAGE

"To defend and preserve"

Worthy Faithful Navigators, Faithful Comptrollers, Grand Knights, and Financial Secretaries:

To better serve the Assemblies and to train and coordinate the Color Corps and Honor Guards throughout the state, the Washington District will have four regional Marshals, as follows:

Northwest = Gene Brown

Southwest = John Rowley

Central = Darrell Henn

East = Tom Sokol

Please contact the above to schedule certifications of your Color Corps.

Pat Kelley has set the bar high during the past three years as Marshal. I thank him for his service and devotion. His valuable assistance with the recent Bothell exemplification ensured its success. To assist me with administrative details, I have appointed Frank Beaudry (former state advocate) as my Warden.

All of the above have years of state and fourth degree experience and will be available to support you in forming new assemblies, recruiting new members, completing reports, and conducting meetings.

The District Meeting has been scheduled for Saturday, April 17, 2010, at our Lady Queen of Peace Parish in Sammamish. Please put this date on your calendar and plan to attend. (I will send out meeting notices early next year.)

At the November 14, 2009, exemplification held at St Brendan Parish in Bothell, 43 sir knights from 15 assemblies were brought into the Fourth Degree. The Western Washington Team members performed magnificently, as always.

Worthy Financial Secretaries,

It is my pleasure to introduce the new website for Columbus Charities Fund at www.columbuscharities.net.

By now, I am sure that you have forwarded our brochure to all of your council members. However, brochures soon become dated material. The website was created in an effort to provide a more direct communications link to all of the Knights in the state of Washington. It provides current information and details on our efforts to build an endowment fund for future grants to like minded organizations. In order for this process to work, we need your assistance. We are requesting that you forward this email to all of your council members who have email access and give a copy of this email to those who do not.

If your Financial Secretary has provided his email address to the

Anyone desiring to join either the western or eastern fourth degree teams are invited to call me and volunteer.

The next Fourth Degree Exemplification in Western Washington will be held February 27, 2009, in Assumption Parish, 2116 Cornwall Ave, Bellingham. The host assembly will be San Juan Assembly 1176. (An informational flyer is included elsewhere in this bulletin.) All assemblies north of Seattle area (and

any who could not send candidates to the Bothell degree) should be sending candidates to this exemplification. Please keep me informed of your estimated headcounts and mail the form 4s (and the \$70 exemplification fee) to me as soon as possible.

In Eastern Washington, the next exemplification will be **March 6**, **2010**, in Richland at the Council 3307 Hall (for Tri-Cities-Walla Walla-Prosser-Yakima- Ellensburg-Wenatchee-Ephrata area assemblies). More information will follow in the January bulletin.

PATRIOTIC HISTORY LESSON

Daniel Webster acknowledged in 1825:

"We can win no laurels in a war for independence... Earlier and worthier hands have gathered them all. Nor are there places for us ... [as] the founders of states. Our fathers have filled them. But there remains to us a great duty of defence and preservation."

And so, too, it is left to us, the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus, to defend and preserve our nation - and its Constitution - and its heritage - and its culture.

Karl A. Hadley, PSD Master

State Webmaster, he will also receive this email. If the WGK is the primary communicator in your council, you should discuss this email with him and encourage him to forward it for you.

Details of our recently established Charter Council/Charter Member program are available on the website and details of future programs will also be available in the near future. We hope that you will encourage your Council Members to put this site on their 'Favorites' list and check it out on a frequent basis.

May God Bless You for your assistance. If you have any questions, you can reach me by email at <u>columbuscharities@kofcwa.org</u> or by phone at (509) 738-4949

Vivat Jesus!

Ed Broadhurst Executive Director Columbus Charities Fund

SOCCER CHALLENGE 2009



On Sunday November 8th the inaugural State Soccer Challenge championship was held at the Game Farm Park in Auburn Washington. I would like to thank Greg Vicars (District Deputy 12), Auburn

Council 3598 and especially Joe Winters who put the State Soccer Challenge competition together and ran the event. We had a beautiful turf field and overhead lighting that added drama to the competition. I would also like to thank all the DDs that got involved and pushed the Soccer Challenge in their districts;

The Soccer Challenge had a late start, but momentum started really rolling in September. A total of 17 councils from 8 districts participated. District and Regional competitions were held in October. Unfortunately, trying to secure a soccer field in October and November is nearly impossible; a late Sunday afternoon was the best we could get to hold the final, which eliminated two regions from participating, the Central Washington South, hosted by Steve Snell DD7 and the Southwest, hosted by Steve Porter DD25.

State Soccer challenge Winners are:

	Girls	Town	Score	Council
10 11	Heather M Morgan R	Silverdale Tacoma	170 205	7908 7908
12 13	Maddie S Hailey B	Tacoma Bonney Lake	185 215	7908 3598
	Boys	Town	Score	Counil
10	Gavin M	Tacoma	230	13395
11	David V	Lakewood	205	4322
12	James McP	Federal Way	180	7908

FAMILY OF THE MONTH WINNERS

Congratulations to the following families who were selected as winners in Supreme Council's Family of the Month drawing for October 2009.

Family of Michael & Jeanne Donnelly, Council 2999 Camas

Family of Jerry & Pat Santini, Council 6706 Port Orchard

Family of Richard & Jeanne Vanblarzcom, Council 8872 Colvert

Family of Gary & Joanne Troske, Council 12786 Castle Rock

HAVE YOU RECRUITED YOUR COLUMBIAN
SQUIRES THAT TURNED
18 YEARS OLD THIS YEAR

First Degree Team Ceremonial Competition Wayne C. Hogan, PSD, VSM State Ceremonial Chairman

The First Degree Team Ceremonial 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.

Washington is privileged to have some of the finest first degree teams in the Order with dedicated and outstanding ceremonialists. Four of these first degree teams will be participating in the State's First Degree Team Ceremonial Competition. The First Level of the First Degree Team Ceremonial Competition, the District Level, was completed on October 31, 2009. We have four first degree teams submitted to participate in the ceremonial competition.

For eastern Washington, the two teams participating in the state competition are, District 20, DD Ron Girkins nominated St. Charles Council 8137 and District 7, DD Steve Snell nominated Kennewick Council 8179.

For western Washington, the two teams participating in the state competition are, from District 1, DD Romy Ablao nominated Seattle Council 676 and from District 12, DD Greg Vicars nominated Federal Way Council 7908.

The requirements, procedures and the evaluation form can be found in the First Degree Ceremonial Team Competition handbook, which is located on the Grand Knight's CD. This CD was issued to the attendees at the Summer Leadership Meeting in Pasco in July. Also, the First Degree Ceremonial Team Competition handbook may be found on the State's Webpage. Encourage all to download the handbook and review the requirements.

If you have any questions or want additional information, contact me via email at kofchogan@comcast.net, or Ceremonials@kofcwa.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?



Give

Blood

FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

The Second of six Fourth Degree Exemplifications will be held on Saturday, February 27, 2010, at Assumption Parish, 2116 Cornwall Ave, Bellingham. The host assembly will be San Juan Assembly 1176.

The Faithful Navigator is Dale Boudreau and his phone number is 360-933-1320.

The Faithful Comptroller is Duane Heuser and his phone number is 360-671-9712.

The degree team is the Western Washington Fourth Degree Team.

EXEMPLIFICATION HONOREE

The exemplification honoree will be Father Scott Connolly (Former State Chaplain).

	EVENT TIME SCHEDULE	
ACTIVITY	TIME	LOCATION
Registration	11:30 am	Assumption Parish Gym
Lunch	12:00 pm	Assumption Parish Gym
Exemplification	1:00 pm	Assumption Parish Gym
Ladies' Program	1:30 pm	To Be Announced
Public Knighting and picture taking	3:30 pm	Assumption Parish Gym
Mass	5:00 pm	Assumption Parish Church
Social and Banquet	6:30 nm	Assumption Parish Gym

MENU

The menu is to be announced. The cost of the dinner is \$20.00. The candidate's exemplification fee of \$70.00 includes one banquet ticket. Lunch is optional for the sir knights, candidates and ladies.

The luncheon cost is \$5.00 and may be paid during registration.

FEES

The exemplification fee for each candidate, except priests, is \$70.00 as set by the Supreme Board of Directors. Included in this fee is one banquet ticket for the candidate, a social baldric and a Fourth Degree pin.

There is no exemplification fee for ordained priests or religious brothers; however, their assembly will pay \$13.00 for their social baldric and Fourth Degree pin and \$20.00 for the cost of the dinner.

The candidate's or the assembly's check is to be made payable to the Master, Knights of Columbus.

Banquet tickets for wives or guests should be made payable to San Juan Assembly 1176.

DRESS

MEN: Plain black tuxedo, white shirt, black tie, black shoes and socks. Military personnel may wear their uniform. Sir Knights are to wear their social baldric and jewel of office (either council or assembly).

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.

INITIATION ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

The sponsor is to make certain that all information is legibly printed on the Form 4.

The applicant, his sponsor, and the financial secretary of the applicant's council promptly sign the Form 4. After admission committee action, the faithful navigator and faithful comptroller promptly sign the Form 4.

The faithful comptroller will promptly forward the signed Form 4 and the applicant's check to the Master.

NOTICE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN CHANGED ***NOTICE***

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 Aug 26, 2009**, are eligible to receive their Fourth Degree exemplification in Bellingham on February 27, 2010.

Contact the Master for special consideration for a waiver.

The revised Waiver Request form will be emailed to assemblies.

Priests do not require a waiver, but must state they are a priest on the Form 4.

2ND AND 3RD DEGREES

The degrees scheduled to support this exemplification are: September 20, 2009, in Shoreline, October 18, 2009, in Everett, November 1, 2009, in Sedro Woolley, and February 13, 2010 in Bothell.



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