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Columbus Day *Blitz*

"FOLLOW ME" Help Us Build Up The Church

The recent message of Pope Benedict during his historic visit to the U.S. was very clear; "FOLLOW ME" Help Us Build Up The Church! He was directing his message to every Knight in the Order. And as your Worthy State Deputy and I have shared with you the past fraternal year, we can easily reach our membership goal in the Washington jurisdiction...And we have heard, "If not you, Who?"

We have son's, other relatives, friends and co-workers that we have not yet asked to join, and you may have asked previously and they have been hesitant in accepting. Ask them again! Let us all take the Holy Father's message personally as he meant it to be and extend an invitation this Columbus Day during our October 4 – 5 Blitz.

Success is only a short distance away whether your council conducts a membership drive after the masses on Saturday and Sunday following a pulpit announcement; by holding an Open House around a financial/insurance review with your Insurance Representative or by holding a pancake breakfast...the task is quite simple, straight forward and your council has participated before too.

Your Worthy State Deputy and I invite you accept the Holy Father's invitation to join the nationwide BLITZ effort this fraternal year. And do not forget to send your results to your respective District Deputy as he is charged with wrapping up your district results and sending them on to the State Deputy. He is charged with wrapping up the jurisdiction for reporting to the Supreme Knight. The Blitz report

Vote November 4

The Catholic call to faithful citizenship affirms the importance of political participation and insists that public service is a worthy vocation. As Catholics, we should be guided more by our moral convictions than by our attachment to a political party or interest group. When necessary, our participation should help transform the party to which we belong; we should not let the party transform us in such a way that we neglect or deny fundamental moral truths. We are called to bring together our principles and our political choices, our values and our votes, to help build a better world.. See [Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizen ship](http://www.usccb.org/faithfulcitizenship/FCStatement.pdf).
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Oct 4-5 - **Membership Blitz Weekend**

Oct 10 - **Supreme Per Capita DUE**

Oct 13 - **Columbus Day**

Nov 1 - **All Saints' Day**

Nov 2 - **All Souls' Day**

Nov 4 - **Election Day**

Nov 11 - **Veterans Day**

Message from State Deputy John Walker

Worthy Brother Knights:

October is a critical month for all of us. It is our last chance to do that we can do to help defeat the "Assisted Suicide" initiative 1000 that will be voted on November 4th. Financial support is still needed to help the Catholic Campaign Against Assisted Suicide purchase much needed television and radio advertisement. Through September 26, approximately \$225,000 has been collected and sent to CCAAS to help defeat the initiative. Your help at the parish level in distributing flyers, collection envelopes, helping with the video, and manning voter registration tables is most appreciated. As of last week a King TV5 poll shows approximately 54% leaning toward passage. The numbers of undecided has moved from 11% to 17%, which means the word is getting out of the dangers of the initiative. We need to continue to work toward converting the undecided to our side by all the usual strategies – telephone calls, going door to door, placing signs in strategic places, standing on street corners with signs, registering voters, and collecting money. See the picture elsewhere in this bulletin of what one of our Brother Knights is doing. Supreme to date has matched \$125,000 with more on its way. Timing is of the essence as October 13 is the deadline for donations over \$5,000. On October 16 mail in ballots will be sent to voters. Please do not let up now. This initiative must be defeated to preserve our Culture of Life.

As I stated last year, where have all the members gone??? We started the year with 16,288 members and are now at 16,206 as of September 26. We have lost a net of 82 brothers to death, transfers and suspensions. To date 121 new brothers have joined the Order but 137 have been suspended. I understand the need to purge your council records on members and drop those that you cannot contact. As long as the procedures are followed and every effort is made by your council retention committee and the District Deputies to contact these men and the 1845's are sent to Retention Chairman Monte Cromwell, then so be it. Keep in mind, however, you are expected to try to replace the suspended members and meet your goals as set by Supreme. You have an opportunity during the October "Blitz" to reach out and embrace and bring great Catholic gentlemen, who want to be Knights, into the Knights of Columbus. I have supreme confidence and faith in all of you that you will accomplish your membership goals and reach the "Star Council" level.

According to Supreme records, there are 53 councils to September 26 who are membership active. That leaves 90 who are inactive. This number compares with 110 inactive at the same time last year. Below are those councils who are active to date. Congratulations to the following councils:

676	683	763	809	829	1449	1460
1550	1565	1620	1643	1758	2103	2260
2763	3307	3361	3455	3598	4322	4385
4782	5177	5816	6686	6806	7528	7883
8015	8179	8455	8672	9238	9434	9664



10543	10653	11085	1113	11357	11642
11789	11948	12175	12591	12899	12983
13238	13395	13606	13794	14162	14510

For those who have not had the opportunity to recruit new members, it would be nice if during the Blitz in October the number of inactive councils dropped to 50. Let's make it happen!!

There are only 4 councils who have failed to submit their Report of Officers Chosen (F185), 37 their Service Program Personnel Report (F365), and 39 their Semi-Annual Audit Reports. (See listings of

those delinquent elsewhere in this bulletin). I have instructed the District Deputies to take a form 185 or 365 to the respective councils who are delinquent and help them to complete the forms. We must have 100% reported. I solicit your cooperation in this matter. Thank you in advance.

During October, in addition to the "Blitz", remember to observe Columbus Day on October 13, Respect Life Sunday, October 12, and World Mission Sunday, October 19. October also brings us five 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications. (Check the calendar for one in your area). I expect many 1st degree exemplifications during the month. The Spanish 1st Degree team is coming across the mountains to Kennewick Council 8179 for a Spanish 1st Degree on October 11. In addition to a large number of candidates, our Chaplain Bishop Sevilla from Yakima plans to be present. We also expect Bobby Velasquez, Hispanic Field Coordinator, from California to attend. This will be the first Hispanic degree to be held on the East side for many years.

Also in October, I will have the honor of presenting on your behalf from our Pennies for Heaven Fund, checks for \$30,000 each to Bishop Sevilla of the Yakima Diocese and to Bishop Skylstad of Spokane for seminarian support. The check to Archbishop Brunett of Seattle will be presented in December. The PFH Board of Directors also voted to give the Dominican Brothers \$1,500 to help with their seminarians.

In closing, even though I may post negative information on delinquent reports and inactivity, it is not meant to be critical but constructive. I recognize that Grand Knights are the backbone of councils, that you are the Chief Executive Officers, and without you as leaders your councils would not grow. I also recognize that all of you have lives outside the Knights of Columbus and the day is only so long. Continue to do what you do and be the strength of your councils. I am depending on each of you.

May God Bless each of you and your families as we all continue to do Gods work.

Vivat Jesus!
John L. Walker
 State Deputy



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



Tobit 8:1-21: A Story of Oneness **by Fr. Wilmar O Zabala**

I tell you the Book of Tobit is way better than the romance novels and daytime soap operas you ladies are reading and watching these days! Here's the synopsis: The angel Raphael disguises himself and accompanies Tobiah, son of Tobit, to the home of Sarah's father, Raguel. Tobiah falls in love with Sarah. Tobiah refuses to eat his dinner until he gets Raguel's permission to marry his daughter, Sarah. Tobiah says, "I will eat or drink nothing until you set aside what belongs to me." It sounds more like a demand to me! Raguel finally gives in and allows his daughter to marry Tobiah. But Raguel warns Tobiah that Sarah has been married seven times and all of her seven husbands have died, and interestingly enough, all of them died before they had sexual relations with her. Talk about scaring away your future son-in-law! But the main part

of the story isn't this part of falling in love and getting married. It's what happens in the bedroom. Tobiah gets his wife to pray with him. Tobiah could have easily prayed by himself – alone! But no, he invites Sarah to pray with him. For me, one of the ultimate measures or gauges of a truly great marriage is when spouses help each other develop a closer relationship with God. Also notice the content of their prayer. It's about appreciation they have for each other. Tobiah says, "Now, Lord, you know that I take this wife of mine not because of lust, but for a noble purpose. Call down your mercy on me and on her, and allow us to live together to a happy old age." Tobiah isn't praying for superiority, for his wife's more attentiveness to his needs, for his wife to agree with him on everything, for his wife to appreciate

him more. It's none of those. Instead, Tobiah is grateful to God for his wife's presence in his life.

There's one thing that they acknowledge in their prayer. They acknowledge this: "It's not good for the man to be alone." Did you know, by the way, that men drive more safely when their wives are in the car, and have fewer wrecks and speeding tickets? No, there's no such thing as a lone ranger.

When life gets challenging, when arguments and disagreements arise, what will ultimately help us handle these struggles is the tangible presence and company of another breathing human being, nothing else, not even shopping, not even golf, not even football, not even Budweiser beer. This another breathing human being doesn't have to be a girlfriend or a boyfriend. This another breathing human being doesn't have to be a person you're seriously involved with. This another breathing human being doesn't even have to be from the opposite sex. There's only one criterion given in the Scriptures: Oneness! The two shall become one flesh! Oneness is not just, and definitely more than, sexual intimacy or union between married couples; it's most importantly referring to our ability to give ourselves to another person in the mystery that our gospel reading calls love. This scripture passage reminds us that a true companion, whether a friend, or a boyfriend, or a girlfriend, is someone who sees us for who we are, with our strengths and weaknesses, faults, failings, flaws, defects, talents, abilities, achievements and potential. Or in the words of one of my favorite young authors, Matthew Kelly, a true companion is someone who can help us become the-best-version-of-ourselves. I really think that's what Tobiah did to Sarah in this short love story!

Father Wilmar

Rev. Wilmar O. Zabala



STATE VICE-CHAPLAIN
THE REVEREND
WILMAR O. ZABALA

Councils Not Submitting
Semi Annual Audit Report Form 1295
DUE – AUGUST 15, 2008

(No Report at Supreme)
676* 683* 763* 1327 1401 1545 1674 2126
2999 3044 3153 3361 4385 7907* 8015 8079*
8136 8179 8201 8266 9605 9910* 10543 10652
11736* 11948 12002 12583* 12591 12889
13422 13606 13761 13831 13834 14394
* Means last two reports are delinquent
Total 31 Not Reporting

Councils Not Submitting
Columbian Award Application
DUE – JUNE 30, 2008

676 683 763 766 809 894 1327 1379 1401 1449 1488 1545
1550 1606 1629 1643 1674 1699 1758 1823 2103 2155
2303 2763 2999 3044 3153 3307 3361 3598 3611 3645
4782 5177 5816 6097 7117 7356 7360 7907 8015 8079
8102 8136 8137 8266 8311 8398 8672 8872 9237 9434
9605 9617 9664 9721 9941 11085 11478 11611 11736
11780 11948 12002 12251 12420 12583 12786 12889
13238 13395 13462 13606 13761 13831 13834 14162
Total 77

Fr McGivney Guild Message



As a continuation of a previous article on the process of sainthood, below are some historical items on "relics" that your friends might ask you about.

Once a decision for **beatification** is announced, the **postulator may supervise opening of the individual's tomb and take a portion of the individual's re-**

mains. This will be presented to the pope as a **relic** of the newly beatified during a pontifical Mass celebrating the beatification. At this time the **pope will assign a date for the blessed's annual feast day.**

What, exactly, are relics and what's their place in Catholic doctrine?

The word itself comes from the Latin for "remains" and, these days, relics fall into three categories.

- **First class:** A **part of the body** of a saint or blessed, or, as in the case of Father McGivney, of a candidate for sainthood. There are no first-class relics of Father McGivney.

- **Second class:** An item or piece of **an item worn or used by a holy person** during his or her lifetime – a pair of sandals, rosary or pencil, for example. The Father McGivney Gallery at the Knights of Columbus Museum in New Haven displays the cassock in which Father McGivney was buried. When his remains were moved from the family plot in Waterbury, CT, to St. Mary's Church in 1982, the cassock was removed and restored, and his body was clothed in new vestments. A prayer card distributed by the Father McGivney Guild includes a small thread from Father McGivney's burial cassock.

- **Third class:** An item that has been **touched to a first-class relic.** Usually, a third-class relic is a bit of cloth.

How did veneration of relics get started?

Scripture scholars say there is no "cult of relics"—devotion shown to relics—in the Old Testament. Such items are mentioned in the New Testament, but are not given too much attention. (Acts 19:12)

Church historians say the writings about St. Polycarp (c. 69-155) show Christians in the city of Smyrna (in what is now Turkey) were the first to openly venerate the relics of a saint—their beloved Bishop Polycarp. On the anniversary of his death, members would gather at his grave and pray for his intercession.

This was a public and explicit form of devotion. The Christians in Smyrna let everyone know they had a particular attachment to the remains of their friend. And once they had done that, they needed to justify what they were doing.

The community stressed the "subordinate character" of the veneration of martyrs. These holy men and women weren't on a par with Christ. And the respect shown to their relics didn't match—shouldn't match, couldn't match—that shown to God. Rather, St. Polycarp was honored because this holy person had been a disciple and imitator of Christ.

In the middle of the third century, St. Cyprian of Carthage, a bishop, said venerating the instruments used to torture and kill the martyrs was an acceptable practice because their bodies had made those items holy. In the fourth century, St. Basil, a doctor

State Secretary Message



Liability Insurance Note

The "Next Six Month Letter" was distributed at the Summer Meeting. If you were unable to receive a copy, it can be found on the Washington State website.

Below is a list of Councils who have not responded to my letter sent in June and August, concerning Liability Insurance for Washington State Councils. The letter contained direc-

tions on how to apply or not apply for insurance and the cost to the Council. Either Form I and check or Form II to refuse, the Insurance must be returned to the State Secretary.

If this letter and forms are not available, contact the StateSecretary@kofc-wa.org.

3044	Okanogan	\$40.00
8398	Spokane	\$52.00
12483	Tacoma	\$47.00
13422	Coupeville	\$54.00
13761	Seattle	\$37.00

John M. Wallace

State Secretary

of the Church, wrote in detail about the official ceremonies held on an anniversary.

Over the next few hundred years, venerating martyrs' relics grew as a liturgical practice and theologians looked at what was happening and said it made sense. Tombs were opened and items were touched to the body or bones. Then these relics—called *brandea*—were distributed throughout the community. People kept *brandea*, the equivalent of today's third-class relics, in little cases hung around their necks.

What is Church teaching regarding relics?

The Second Vatican Council mentions relics in its Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy: "The saints have been traditionally honored in the Church and their authentic relics and images held in veneration."

The Catechism of the Catholic Church says, "besides sacramental liturgy and sacramentals, catechesis [teaching] must take into account the forms of piety and popular devotions among the faithful. The religious sense of the Christian people has always found expression in various forms of piety surrounding the Church's sacramental life, such as the veneration of relics, visits to sanctuaries, pilgrimages, processions, the Stations of the Cross, religious dances, the rosary, medals, etc."

Vivat Jesus!

Karl Hadley, IPSD

Chairman, Fr McGivney Guild

District Deputy Director Message



Notes from the District Deputy Director Leadership Training, Coaching & Mentoring

At the Summer Leadership meeting, we discussed several important factors in being a successful District Deputy. The Keys to Being a Successful District Deputy was outlined in the training handbook – the

Red Book.

One of the keys emphasized was Leadership Training, Coaching and Mentoring. Successful District Deputies are continually helping develop leadership qualities and skills within their district. Developing leadership skills starts with developing one's own skill set. Given the opportunity, successful DD's will learn the basics of being a good leader. This first starts with becoming familiar with the requirements of the job while continuing "to learn the ropes" as it pertains to your job and your district.

Being a good leader and teaching leadership skills most always involves helping council officers and leaders in your district. Successful DD's mentor and coach their council leaders – they DO NOT direct them. The opportunity for mentoring and coaching may come through any number of challenges or situations facing council leaders. Without giving out answers or easy solutions to problems, successful DD's will listen, guide, coach and mentor council leaders to a solution that will become a learning experience for all of those involved.

Successful DD's are often in frequent communications with their grand knights. This comes through telephone communications, e-mails, or one-on-one discussions before or after a meeting. Successful DD's will emphasize positive strengths of their council leaders. Being a good leader always involves being a good listener.

A Check List – How are you doing?

As always, here are a few reminders for you for this month. How are you doing with these tasks?

☐ District Warden

Have you appointed a District Warden for your District? If not, this is something that you might be soon considering. Review the key points about this that are outlined in the DD Training manual.

☐ Membership Blitz Reporting

DD are required to report to the Membership Chairman the activity of your councils Membership Blitz activity.. NOTE: This means whether or not your councils conducted a Blitz, you still need to report! Plan accordingly.

☐ Mid-Year DD Meeting

If you haven't already got this added to your schedule, note that the Mid-year Meeting will be held December 6- 7 in Renton. This meeting is an important working meeting for all the DD's followed by an evening of fun and fraternity. In advance

of this meeting, you should be prepared to talk about how your District is doing. Bring all of your issues and opportunities to the meeting so that these can be addressed and discussed. You will hear more about this in a letter from our State Deputy sometime this month. It is important to plan to attend.

☐ Shining Armor Award – Silver Knight Award

Are your councils using these two programs? If not – why not? These are two of the best programs to help get new members involved and to help keep seasoned members active. It also helps with recruiting. If you are not promoting this in your district – consider starting this.

☐ Council Administrative Issues

Are your councils current with their responsibilities with respect to Per Capita, Insurance, Ceremonial Fund and other paper work? You might help your councils remember their commitments to these issues.

An, as always, if there is anything that I might do to help you out, please feel free to call on me.

Pat Maloney, PSD

District Deputy Director

Councils Not Submitting
Service Program Personnel Report – Form 365
DUE – AUGUST 1, 2008
676 894 1401 1449 1545 1550 1629 1758 2260
2303 2763 3044 3153 3307 3455 6706 7117
7356 8297 8311 8398 8672 9238 9605 9721
9941 11217 11252 11408 11478 11736 12002
12251 12420 12889 13422 13761 13831 14162
Total 39

Councils Not Submitting Report of
Officers Chosen Form 185
DUE – JUNE 30, 2008
8398 11736 12889 13761
Total 4

**Form #100
Belongs in
All of These Places**

- BRIEFCASE
- IN YOUR POCKET
- NEAR YOUR PHONE
- GLOVE COMPARTMENT
- EVERYWHERE YOU GO!

**SIGN UP A
NEW MEMBER
TODAY!**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO HELP DEFEAT I-1000???

Below is a picture of Brother D. Albert Brookbank, Sr. of St. Nicholas Council 9238 in Gig Harbor with the sign he is using to let people know to vote NO on the "Assisted Suicide" Initiative 1000. He has been at different locations in Gig Harbor in a six day period along highway 16 between Tacoma Narrows Bridge and Port Orchard. He conservatively estimates 57,000 to 60,000 cars and trucks have viewed his sign. He had a total of 9 individuals who verbally attacked him with gutter language. About 20% of women smiled – only one older lady gave him thumbs down. Most men gave the "V" sign or an A-OK from their cars or honked. The important point is that over 60,000 people were exposed to his sign. Brother Albert is requesting that "all those who believe in Christ, pick up their sign and stand on the corners when they can for the next 30 days left to defeat I-1000". Brother Albert has dedicated the remaining days of the campaign to Mary our Mother and he believes that prayers to Mary will help us to succeed and spell defeat for the initiative once and for all. He also says – "Mary and her Knights, a team beyond compare – for human life in all of its stages"!!! How true it is!!!



MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR



COLUMBUS DAY BLITZ LETTER TO GRAND KNIGHTS

October 4 - 5, 2008
Worthy Grand Knight:

I am writing you once again to encourage your participation in the October 4 -5 Membership Drive this year. Our theme, "FOLLOW ME" Help Us Build Up The Church comes from the Holy Father himself and deserves our close attention and best

efforts as experience tells us that your participation in the fall membership Blitz is a very effective way to meet your council membership goal.

The good news is that we are alive, well and hard at work educating people about the assisted suicide initiative on our upcoming ballot. We are behind in our membership growth, but we know too that the October Blitz is our bread and butter. I recently attended a local open house sponsored by our local Congresswoman, and I asked more than a few men about joining the Order. Several men attending with Catholic Charities had not been asked to join previously and they were both positive in accepting the opportunity of Columbianism and the benefits we offer. Ask your family members, friends and fellow parishioners to join us too.

I encourage you to utilize all our resources by taking note of necessary supplies you will need and immediately getting them ordered from the Supreme Supply Department using the Blitz Material Order Form. It is available on line at <http://www.kofc.org/cmfr/resources/BlitzFormNew.pdf>. If you need a Pulpit announcement and can't find one, just send me an email... wonkags@aol.com. And let us not forget that your Insurance Field Agent, District Deputy and State Membership Team are great resources to assist you.

The State Deputy and I will need your Blitz report immediately after you conduct your campaign as he must report to the Supreme Knight with our combined results. Please keep your District Deputy advised of your Blitz plans as he can offer assistance and he will need your report too. Your success in meeting your membership goal before December 31, 2008 will earn you a KofC jacket, and the top council in each Division will earn a signed copy of Supreme Knight Carl Anderson's book – "A Civilization of Love. What Every Catholic Can Do to Transform the World."

With every council active we will all be successful in reaching our membership objectives, and we'll be doing our part in helping our Holy Father in his mission to "Build Up The Church" too.

Yours in Christ... Vivat Jesus,

George Tzerwonka

State Advocate and Membership Director

“FOLLOW ME” HELP US BUILD UP THE CHURCH

Aug/Sept – Oct/Nov 2008 Jan/Feb – Mar/Apr 2009

COUNCIL “BLITZ” REPORT

(SUBMIT TO DISTRICT DEPUTY & STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR)

Council # _____

Date of BLITZ: _____

Date of Open House/Information Session: _____

Date of 1st Degree Exemplification: _____

Total Number of Prospects: _____

Total New Members (1st degree or reactivation/readmissions): _____

Note: Use the same form for an initial report to the District Deputy immediately following the BLITZ (leave blanks for information not yet available) and for a final report following the degree exemplification. Add additional pages if needed.

TOTALS: Reactivation ____ Transfers ____ Signed Form 100's ____ Prospects (including Fm. 100) ____

PROSPECT NAME**FORM 100****1ST DEGREE**

	(Circle one)		(Circle one)
1. _____	Y/N	new/react	Y/N
2. _____	Y/N	new/react	Y/N
3. _____	Y/N	new/react	Y/N
4. _____	Y/N	new/react	Y/N
5. _____	Y/N	new/react	Y/N
6. _____	Y/N	new/react	Y/N
7. _____	Y/N	new/react	Y/N
9. _____	Y/N	new/react	Y/N
10. _____	Y/N	new/react	Y/N
11. _____	Y/N	new/react	Y/N
12. _____	Y/N	new/react	Y/N



New Regional Program Consultant Western States

In September, the Supreme Council Department of Fraternal Services announced that it has appointed and hired Past State Deputy Patrick Maloney as a Regional Program Consultant (RPC). Pat will serve as RPC for eight states including Washington, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon and Utah. As an RPC, Pat will be working with and supporting the state councils, state officers and district deputies in areas of membership recruitment, retention, leadership training, and team building. He will also work with each of the assigned jurisdictions in NCD, Round Tables, council retention and reactivation. During the next several months, Pat will be working and training with several of the RPC's including Frank Pulice, who he will eventually replace when Frank retires. Frank, who is a PSD of California and former Supreme Council Board Member, is planning on retiring in June 2009 after serving approximately 15 years in this position and after being the most tenured member of this group.

Pat was elected as State Warden in 1997 after serving two years as District Deputy. He was elected State Deputy in 2003 after moving through the state office chairs. He most recently was working as District Deputy Director under State Deputy John Walker.

18-Year-Old Squires Ready for Knighthood

Each year, many young men in the Squires celebrate their 18th birthday and face the end of their time as a Squire. Since joining the Squires, these members have actively progressed through the levels of the Squire Advancement Program, from "Page" towards "Squire of the Body of Christ," by organizing and participating in activities in their four service categories: Home and Family; Squires and Knights; Community and Country; and Church. These activities, as well as their activities as Squires, have prepared them for the next step in their experience: eligibility for membership in the Knights of Columbus.

Have you invited 18-Year-Old Squires to become Knights in your Council?

Message Recruitment Chairman



Congratulations! The results from the August Blitz are coming in and it looks like the councils that made a plan & stuck to it have added new members. August as we know is normally a slow month for recruiting but even in a slow month results can be positive if an effort is made.

This however is only the first quarter of the game. When teams are not playing well they often take a deep breath & go back to basics. Even councils who are ahead of the game can stay ahead of the game by reviewing & updating their recruitment plan to make sure that the goal of meeting or exceeding their quota is in place & on track.

The traditional Blitz month October is here & all councils should be pulling out all the stops so that this month will bring in enough new members for the council to make 100% of quota by December 31. Keeping this in mind let's review a few recruitment tips. Talk to your priest & get his permission to recruit in the church. He is the boss so get him on your side. Be visible in your efforts to recruit. Each event sponsored by a council where non members are present should have an information table set up so that what the Knights are about can be carefully explained. Have pamphlets on hand & give them out. Read the materials supplied by Supreme & in the State Bulletin & develop talking points. In other words be knowledgeable about the Knights & what we do. Working together as a team with another Knight helps when one Knight is at a loss for an answer. Carry a F100 in your pocket. It sounds hokey but you never know.....

Here is another point & perhaps the most important – get your candidate to a Degree as soon as practical. Do not wait. District Deputies! If you have candidates from different councils & no 1st Degree on the horizon them form a team from your councils & hold a District Degree. One of the biggest losses of candidates is not being able to get them to a Degree in a timely manner. Councils with 1st Degree Teams! You should plan on holding a 1st Degree every month. Grand Knights with 1st Degree Teams! Call other councils in your District to see if they have candidates ready.

There are for those who are interested some rewards for successful recruiting. Supreme has a Recruitment Reward Points Program. Points are given for each member recruited & can be redeemed for K of C merchandise. Grand Knights can win a jacket by obtaining 100% of quota by December 31. Councils win by being on their way to making Star Council. District Deputies win by achieving Star District. The State Deputy makes the Circle of Honor. Field agents win by being able to present Knights of Columbus Insurance products. Insurance is the updated version of making Fr. McGivney's dream come true that no Knight's family should go unprotected. By the way your Field Agent is a value resource for recruitment. He is not to be underrated as he has many resources to help both in recruiting & retention.

Remember! Prior Planning Prevents Poor Performance!
Be a friend make a friend!

Vivat Jesus!
Richard J Foudray

Pray the Rosary Daily

Family Message



Brother Knights,

Fall is in the air and I'm sure that all of the Councils are in full swing. Please remember to nominate a Family of the Month this month...It helps with the 1000 Point Club, but more importantly, it allows you to show the rest of the Council how great and valuable your chosen family is!

Congratulations to the 30 Councils who participated in the Family of The Month Program for July 2008. They are as follows:

804, 829, 1550, 1620, 2763, 2999, 3307, 4322, 4385, 6686, 6806, 7863, 8455, 8768, 8872, 9238, 9637, 9941, 11357, 11642, 11789, 12786, 13186, 13238, 13374, 13395, 14046 and 14268.

Congratulations to the four families from Washington State that were drawn by the Supreme Council to receive the Holy Family Statuette in July:

Earl & Diane ManintLongview 2763
Edward & Jeanne Faker..... Spanaway 6806
Richard & Barbara PuryearGig Harbor 9238
Fred & Peggy HoweKelso-Castle Rock 12786

The "Best Family of The Month" submission for the State (August 2008) came from Pasco 1620, Jesse Garza, Grand Knight. The write-up honors the Mike Spinler family and it reads as follows:

Mike has been an active member since he joined in 1991. He is past Grand Knight, Past Faithful Navigator, and plays the Financial Secretary on the Council's First Degree Team. He works at almost every function and has written the Council's bulletin for the past 13 years. Mike is a member of the Honor Guard and is the Council's Recorder. Mike has donated 15 gallons of blood, is an usher at St. Patrick's Church and he has been the Family director.

Way to go Pasco. Another great write-up for a very deserving family. Some guys are just always in the center of things and Mike is one of those Knights that every single Council in the State would be proud to have.

Finally, find some time this fall to rake leaves or enjoy a football game with your family. Count your Blessings, and start by counting your Family First!!!

Brother Knights, *Bob Baemmert*
State Family Chairman

NCD/RT West



Brother Knights,

Things on the west side are moving at a very fast pace. School has started and the convention was just last month? or was it? Any way it is time to start thinking about recruiting new members and new councils and round tables, thus keeping the Knights of Columbus a growing and vibrant organization. We need everyone's help to make the new year the huge success that we know it can be.

Supporting our Priests by renewing round tables and creating new councils is the task that the Supreme Knight assigned to our State Deputy. He has been asked to achieve a certain level of support and he needs everyone's help to attain the assigned goals or to maybe surpass them with everyone's help.

Ask yourself if you are willing to help your State Deputy achieve these goals? I know that I am and brother we need your help.

Vivat Jesus
Des Treichel
RT/NCDW

"Vote Pro-Life" radio ad begins airing nationwide today Knights of Columbus spot features beating heart of 10 week old unborn child

New Haven, CT - September 23, 2008 -

A [30 second radio spot](http://www.kofc.org/un/eb/en/news/releases/detail/547945.html) (<http://www.kofc.org/un/eb/en/news/releases/detail/547945.html>) encouraging people to "vote pro-life" in the November elections begins running on radio stations around the United States today. It will continue to air until the November 4 election.

The ad features the sound of an unborn baby's heartbeat at 10 weeks, and the voice of a woman saying, "Listening to this makes me wonder - why would anyone question that her life has begun?" It concludes with the words, "Vote your heart. Vote Pro Life."

"The fact that the child whose heartbeat we hear is alive is simply a matter of science," Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson said in announcing the beginning of the ad campaign. "We believe that it is vital that America's pro-life community make it clear that they will reserve their votes for candidates of either party who are committed to protecting life from conception to natural death." A similar ad is planned for broadcast in Canada, where general elections are set for October 14, 2008.

The Knights of Columbus is the world's largest lay Catholic organization, with more than 1.75 million members in North and Central America, Asia and Europe. Last year, Knights donated \$145 million and more than 68 million hours of volunteer time to charitable causes.

Knights of Columbus | One Columbus Plaza | New Haven | CT | 06510

Pro-Life Message



Dear Brother Knights,

Grand Knights and their chairmen are already supporting the Bishops of Washington State in their effort to defeat I-1000. The roadmap to supporting the Bishops is described in the mailing dated September 1, 2008, directing Grand Knights or his representative to make an appointment with his parish priest to help him educate parishioners on the errors of assisted suicide.

In the mailing, a DVD was included, and is intended to be shown at close of Masses or during the homily. Some council's are unsure about our parish's commitments to show either the Diocese or KC DVD's. Of course, the DVD can be shown at council meetings and can be used as tool to educate all Knights also.

We suggest the following alternative to showing the DVD at Masses. Of course first clear this with your parish priest:

The Washington State Catholic Conference of Bishops has produced a brochure "**#2 Assisted Suicide & I-1000**". This brochure should be handed out at the close of Masses to all attending parishioners. Please note, for maximum visibility, do not insert the flyer in the bulletin. Have your brothers hand it directly to each parishioner. This brochure is available in both English and Spanish, so be sure and specify which is desired.

The easiest way to obtain this brochure in volume is to request an electronic copy and use as a master for printing locally. That way you can produce as many as you want, and save the postage and cost of your diocese. Just e-mail back to me and I will send the master to you. Your parish priest can also order printed copies, but this might take longer time.

We are in home stretch and we are winning, but much work remains. Some of you have asked about educating our community by going door to door and drop-leafing materials in your neighborhood. I recommend recruiting parishioners to help you in this activity. The Coalition Against Assisted Suicide has prepared a drop-leaf brochure that can be used for that purpose. If you need brochures for your neighborhood let me know. If you have recruited 10 volunteers, you will need at least 500 brochures, or 50 per volunteer.

Thank you for your dedication and commitment.

God bless you and yours,

Vivat Jesus,

Jim Toth

Jim Toth

Pro Life Chairman

509-546-9923

Email prolife at kofc-wa.org

As part of the Bishops campaign to defeat Initiative 1000, the following bulletin announcement was produced by Sacred Heart Parish in Bellevue and should be provided to your parish priest for including in your parish bulletin for the week of October 4 & 5th, or October 11 & 12th. If your council serves more than one parish, provide this announcement to brothers in your council who belong to the second or third parish, ask then to include this announcement in their parish bulletin. Please do this today.

I-1000 Assisted Suicide Troubling Issues in Oregon's Law

A study by doctors Herbert Hendin and Kathleen Foley, published in May 2008, analyzed the Oregon assisted suicide law over the past ten years. They found that the "safeguards" in the law were illusory. One of the "safeguards" requires patients who request physician-assisted suicide be referred for the psychological or psychiatric evaluation if they seem to be experiencing depression or psychological problems.

The Oregon law is an example that what is supposed to work and very often does not work in real life. The first patient to die by assisted suicide in Oregon was diagnosed as depressed by her physician. Suicide advocates found a physician willing to prescribe a lethal overdose. The doctor who wrote the lethal prescription knew her for only two and a half weeks. Between 1998 and 2005, only 13% of those requesting physician-assisted suicide were referred for evaluation. In 2007, not one of the 49 people who died by physician assisted suicide was referred.

Say no to assisted suicide and say yes to help the weak and vulnerable.



Veterans Administration Volunteer Service (VAVS)

Help is Needed – Will you answer the call?

My Brothers:

Each year at this time, we begin to think of our Christmas Shopping List and Cards to be mailed. Each year I ask for your help in Serving Those Who Served. Each year the VA hospital have their own Christmas wish for assistance and Brothers, I am ashamed to say, not many answer the call. This is not a Wall of Shame but a call to put your name on the Wall of Honor. Those councils and assemblies who will give, I along with all the veterans say Thank You for giving. Those councils and assemblies that are looking for a chance to practice the First Degree of Charity, here is your chance. Listed below are the name of the members who work closely with the VA Hospital in your area, contact them and give them a donation of \$5, \$10, \$25, \$50 or even a \$100 for the service men and women at this time of the Birth of Our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Each year I tell you about Lakewood's VA Hospital project of Chit Books, those in the military awhile back remember what a chit book is. For the veteran it is something they can use to go to the local canteen or base exchange at the VA Hospital and purchase something they might like to have, as each veterans is given two chit books of \$5.00 in a Christmas card envelope to purchase toothpaste, shaving cream, candy bar, or whatever they want. It isn't much but it is the thought.

Make this Christmas extra special and give a little. I would love to see the Knights give a little more than the \$200 we give every year to the Lakewood VA Hospital. This \$200 comes out of Lakewood council and assembly. Our goal by all of the organizations is always \$10.0 for each of the some 250 veterans at the hospital. The other organizations always donate that and much more. We are a charitable organization but we always forget those that gave us the right to be able to donate to other charities and vote, why not them that gave us that right. How does the saying go that some of our leaders always say, "only two people ever gave their life"

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

"If Not You – Who, If Not Now – When"

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

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

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

"An Invitation to Service: Serving Those Who Served"

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

Everett J. Roberts PSD/FMFD Telephone (253) 584-5632.

Military Affairs—Archdiocese of Military Services USA (AMS)

Visit www.kofc.org/military
"Military Knights in Action" reports



Brother Knights:



Prayer for the Military: Army Prayer – Lord God of hosts, stretch forth, we pray, your almighty arm to strengthen and protect the soldiers of our country. Support them in the day of battle, and in the time of test and training, keep them safe from all evil. Endow them with courage and loyalty; and grant that in all things they may serve without reproach; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Patron Saints of the Military Services

- * Our Lady of Lourdes - Patroness of Aviators and Astronauts
- * Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop – Patron of Soldiers, Infantry and Cavalry
- * Saint George, Martyr – Patron of Soldiers and Cavalry
- * Saint Joan of Arc, Martyr – Patroness of Soldiers
- * Saint Barbara, Martyr – Patroness of Artillery
- * Saint Michael the Archangel – Patron of Marines, Paratroopers and Police
- * Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Widow and Religious – Patroness of the United States Sea Services
- * Saint Brendan the Navigator – Patron of Sailors
- * Saint John of Capistrano, Priest – Patron of Military Chaplains

I ask that all council members and their families "Thank a military person" or give the sign of thanks whenever you possibly can. Your support is needed to insure them that they are appreciated.

Knights of Columbus – In Service to One. In Service to All.

Everett J. Roberts, PSD/FMFD

Telephone (253) 584 5632

"...one nation under God."

The Natural Choice is Life

> 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.

Charles J. Morrisey	Stanwood 8476
Clifford R. Filleau	Bothell 6686
Frank R. Zemanek	Renton 3645
Rev. Harvey Wingfield OSB	Olympia 1643
Russell F. Gagnier	Vancouver 1327
Vincent T. Greenwood	Vancouver 1327
Anthony Leonard	Olympia 1643
Fredrick R. Warmbier	Gig Harbor 9238
Leo R. Wocher	Bremerton 1379
Michael J. Stangle	Vancouver 1327
James E. Wallace	Kennewick 8179
Leo Harger	Kennewick 8179
Harold J. Weathers FS	Raymond 1606
Michael K. Redd PGK	Vancouver 1327

Family Members' Deaths

Mary Owens (Sister-in-law of Bill Zike)	Stanwood 8476
Charlotte Gorrell (Mother of Mark Gorrell)	Marysville 7863
Renee Ball (Wife of Roger M. Ball)	Gig Harbor 9238
Michael Cabanilla (Brother-in-Law of Rodney Kapule GK)	Kent 8150
Norma Tantico (Wife of Oscar Tantico)	Bremerton 1379
Rita Jones-Swanson (Sister of Ed. & Phil Drouin)	Bremerton 1379
Michelle Monterrey (Cousin of Gene Hewitson)	Stanwood 8476
Rita Cleveland (Wife of Larry Cleveland PGK)	Kennewick 10653
Dorothy Kippes (Mother of Rick Kippes)	Kennewick 10653

Sick Notices

Rosemary Walker (Sister of Rob Nuccio)	Lakewood 11762
Richard K. Van Schoick	Coupeville 13422
John R. Marshall PGK	Bremerton 1178
Ray Geck	Selah 8768
Dale A. Cap	Lakewood 11762
Genio Koonce	Everett 763
Larry Swayne PGK , PFN	Everett 763

SILVER KNIGHT AWARDS

JULY 2008

HAROLD SHEERAN, PGK	09145
JAMES E. LAFEVER	09145
MARK CHARLTON	09145
JOE GREEF	09145

AUGUST 2008

Ray Egan	10534
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KCIC Message



THE TIME IS NOW. Order your display cases. The supply is getting limited because there was not as many cases taken at this past Summer meeting as in years past. This left us with an overstock so we needed to reduce our inventory. Luckily we were able to ship 15 cases to Wyoming and Idaho reducing our inventory to 30 cases. This inventory must be sold by the councils in WA State. Please go to the state website for the order form, fill it out and send it to me as soon as possible.

For those councils only requiring boxes of cards, there is an adequate supply of last years inventory and we will pay the shipping.

The sale price for a case of this years Cards is \$140. Please email or call your order before they are gone.

The Spanish cases are now here if you need any. I will be shipping out the preordered cases in the first week of October.

Please do not WAIT. PLACE YOUR ORDER NOW FOR THIS YEARS SELLING SEASON.

Vivat Jesus!

Ken Baker

KCIC Chairman

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insurance product can be obtained from your respective Field Agent.

A NEW ANNUITY PRODUCT:

The New Member Life Insurance benefit has been discontinued and is being replaced with a New Member Plan Flexible Premium Annuity. This is a tax deferred savings plan designed so that money can be added at any time. There is no obligation to add additional deposits once the annuity has been opened. Additional deposits of at least \$50 are optional, available at any time, and obviously encouraged to supplement any and all retirement programs. The New Member Flexible Premium Annuity maybe started for as little as \$100 for those members with less than one year's membership. The guaranteed lifetime interest rate of the KofC New Member Plan Annuity is 3%. Please communicate with your Field Agent to determine the current interest rate provided by the Knights of Columbus and the details of the product.

FIELD AGENTS:

The Polis Agency has become a leading agency within the Knights of Columbus. The Field Agents are prepared to discuss and provide life insurance, long term care insurance, and annuity for your family's financial security and protections. Please contact Chris Meyer (509-780-3178), Tom Starr (208-949-0859), Michael Polis (509-990-7876), Rich Bingham (208-569-1328), Dave Bailey (509-924-4499), Dave Palumbo (208-440-1736), or Joe Fondahn (509-386-2282).

Message from FS Consultant East



Dear Brother financial secretaries,

I want to thank all of you who responded to my impromptu survey of who was using the new membership management program and what you thought of it. I was very surprised by all the positive comments. I want to encourage all of you to start using the membership management program

offered online by Supreme. All of us should be using it to update our council records. It eliminates the need for several of the administrative tasks now performed by using a form 100. Please update all the information you can online using this new program (including phone numbers), it will be of great benefit to you, your council and Supreme. Remember, while in the program to save the information before going on to the next page or the data will be lost. There are still some outstanding issues with the new membership management program, like how to print membership cards. Also, no word yet on the replacement of the financial part of the FSPC program.

One of the items that came out of the summer meeting was the desire by those in attendance to have some type of forum to exchange ideas and hints about the FS duties.

To this end many of you have sent me your e-mail addresses and now when something comes up that would be of interest to an FS, we can now send out a group e-mail and also exchange ideas via e-mail. It would be great if more (it would be super if all) FS's were onboard with this. If you would like to participate please send me an e-mail at davidakonzek@yahoo.com and I will add you to the list of FS's. We can help one another with the exchange ideas and hints using this method of information exchange.

Also, please all FS's save last month's bulletin article by the State Advocate on IRS form 990. It was a great article and we will all need it in a few months for next year's tax filings.

If you have any comments regarding the membership management program or the FSPC program or need any assistance, please don't hesitate to get in touch with me. Use the above listed e-mail address.

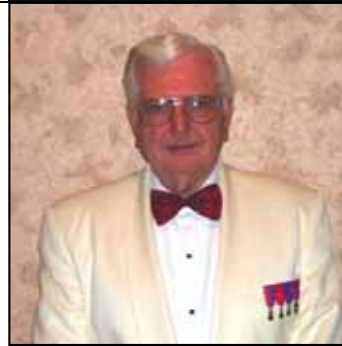
We have a busy time coming up with billing and membership, so working together we can help each other out.

And as always; BACKUP your files.

Thanks, hope to hear from you.

Dave Konzek, FS consultant East

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



We are entering our third and final month of the first level of the First Degree Team Ceremonial Competition. This level is the district level and is conducted in August, September, and October.

Have the councils informed their district deputy that they want to participate in the competition? Have the district deputies encouraged their councils to participate

in the competition?

All councils in Washington are eligible and encouraged to participate in the First Degree Team Ceremonial Competition. If your council does not have a certified first degree team, your district deputy may certify it during the first level of competition. If your council has a certified First Degree team, however, there are still one or two members who need to be certified, your district deputy may certify them in conjunction with the first level competition. The council will normally schedule this evaluation during an actual exemplification.

The first level is conducted during an actual exemplification in the council's regular meeting facility. An honoree should be selected for each degree. The honoree and all council knights are encouraged to attend the exemplification.

All grand knights are encouraged to contact their district deputy and schedule an evaluation of the council's first degree team. Remember, that under no circumstances will a 1st Level - District evaluation - be conducted after October 31. The second level competition will be conducted in November and December. Additional information on the second and third level competition will be published in subsequent state bulletins.

The Grand Knight's Handbook CD was issued to all grand knights at the Summer Leadership Meeting in Pasco. Also, on the CD were two handbooks. The first is the First Degree Team Ceremonial Competition, revised 07/01/06. This handbook provides information on the participation, prerequisites, schedule, evaluation, reports, notification and recognition. Appendix A is an overview of the three levels, District, Regional, and State. Appendix B is the Evaluation Form that will be used to evaluate the degree teams. The second is the Host and Co-Host District Deputy's Second and Third Degree Ceremonial Procedures, revised 07/01/08.

'The Best of the Best' First Degree Team Ceremonial Competition travel award will look great hanging in your council's hall. **Where it is located next year depends on you!**

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

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

Newest Assembly Holy Family Assembly 3144

It is a pleasure and an honor to announce the establishment of our newest assembly and first assembly in fraternal year 2008-2009, Holy Family Assembly 3144 in Chehalis. The assembly was instituted by Sir Knight John Maniccia. The councils affiliated with the new assembly are Chehalis Council 1550 and Centralia Council 1758.

My congratulations to the Charter Faithful Navigator John Maniccia, Father David Mulholland, and all the sir knights who worked hard to form their own assembly.

In the fraternal year, 2006-2007, we established three new assemblies, Assembly 3006 in Vancouver, Assembly 3041 in Ellensburg, and Assembly 3063 in Chewelah. In the last fraternal year, 2007-2008, we established five new assemblies, Assembly 3095 in Granite Falls, Assembly 3097 in Bremerton, Assembly 3106 in Buckley-Enumclaw, Assembly 3111 in Colbert and Assembly 3123 in Bothell. My congratulations to all the sir knights who made these new assemblies possible.

Why me, Lord?
Why not?

Bulletin Editor Message



Please keep the cards and letters (email) coming folks. I need your inputs for the Bulletin each month by the 20th so I can have time to organize all the articles in the bulletin and get it to the printers a on the 1st of each month. Also please don't forget that I can help you submit articles in the Columbia Magazine. Please try to send any pictures in JPEG format if possible. They take up a lot less room than TIF or bitmap. And

remember each council is entitled to two copies of the printed version of the bulletin in black and white, one to the GK and one to the FS. You can also download the bulletin from <http://www.kofc-wa.org> and print the color version. I would suggest that GK's redistribute the bulletin to as many members as possible or direct them to the state website noted in this paragraph.

Vivat Jesus!

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BOTHELL EXEMPLIFICATION

The first of six Fourth Degree Exemplifications will be held on Saturday, November 22, 2008 at St Brendan School, 10100 NE 192nd St, Bothell. Washington's newest assembly is the host assembly, Our Lady of the Americas Assembly 3123. The Faithful Navigator is Richard Foudray and his phone number is 425-488-6148. The Faithful Comptroller is Del Treichel and his phone number is 425-488-7311.

The degree team is the Western Washington Fourth Degree Team and the Team Captain is Everett 'Rob' Roberts and his phone number is 253-584-5632.

EXEMPLIFICATION HONOREE

The honoree for this Fourth Degree Exemplification is Eugene J. Brown, FDD, PGK, FS, Faithful Captain. Gene is a member of the Everett Council 763 in Everett and the John F. Kennedy Assembly 1530. Gene joined the Knights of Columbus on September 17, 1997 and became a Fourth Degree Sir Knight on January 27, 2001.

EVENT SCHEDULE

Registration 11:30am-12:45pm St. Brendan School Gym
Lunch 11:30am-12:45pm St. Brendan School
Exemplification 1:00pm St. Brendan School Gym
Public Knighting and
Picture Taking 3:45pm St. Brendan School Gym
Mass 5:00pm St. Brendan Church
Social and Banquet 6:30pm Bothell Council Hall

2ND AND 3RD DEGREES

The degrees scheduled to support this exemplification are: Sep 21, 08 in Everett; Oct 18, 08 in Sedro Woolley; and Nov 9, 08 in Shoreline

Exemplification Requirements

FEES

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

DRESS

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

The Challenge of Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship



This brief document is a summary of the United States bishops' reflection *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*. It complements the teaching of bishops in dioceses and states. A large-print version of this document is available free at www.faithfulcitizenship.org.



Our nation faces political challenges that demand urgent moral choices. We are a nation at war, with all of its human costs; a country often divided by race and ethnicity; a nation of immigrants struggling with immigration. We are an affluent society where too many live in poverty; part of a global community confronting terrorism and facing urgent threats to our environment; a culture built on families, where some now question the value of marriage and family life. We pride ourselves on supporting human rights, but we fail even to protect the fundamental right to life, especially for unborn children.

We bishops seek to help Catholics form their consciences in accordance with the truth, so they can make sound moral choices in addressing these challenges. We do not tell Catholics how to vote. The responsibility to make political choices rests with each person and his or her properly formed conscience.

Why Does the Church Teach About Issues Affecting Public Policy?

The Church's obligation to participate in shaping the moral character of society is a requirement of our faith, a part of the mission given to us by Jesus Christ. Faith helps us see more clearly the truth about human life and dignity that we also understand through human reason. As people of both faith and reason, Catholics are called to bring truth to political life and to practice Christ's commandment to "love one another" (Jn 13:34). According to Pope Benedict XVI, "charity must animate the entire lives of the lay faithful and therefore also their political activity, lived as 'social charity'" (Encyclical *Deus Caritas Est*, no. 29).

The United States Constitution protects the right of individual believers and religious bodies to participate and speak out without government interference, favoritism, or discrimination. Civil law should recognize and protect the Church's right and responsibility to participate in society without abandoning our central moral convictions. Our nation's tradition of pluralism is enhanced, not threatened, when religious groups and people of faith bring their convictions into public life. The Catholic community brings to the political dialogue a consistent moral framework and broad experience serving those in need.

Who in the Church Should Participate in Political Life?

In the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation. As Catholics, we should be guided more by our moral convictions than by our attachment to a political party or interest group. In today's environment, Catholics may feel politically disenfranchised, sensing that no party and few candidates fully share our comprehensive commitment to human life and dignity. Catholic lay women and men need to act on the Church's moral principles and become more involved: running for office, working within political parties, and communicating concerns to elected officials. Even those who cannot vote should raise their voices on matters that affect their lives and the common good.

How Does the Church Help Catholics to Address Political and Social Questions?

A Well-Formed Conscience

The Church equips its members to address political questions by helping them develop well-formed consciences. "Conscience is a judgment of reason whereby the human person recognizes the moral quality of a concrete act. . . . [Every person] is obliged to follow faithfully what he [or she] knows to be just and

right" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1778). We Catholics have a lifelong obligation to form our consciences in accord with human reason, enlightened by the teaching of Christ as it comes to us through the Church.

The Virtue of Prudence

The Church also encourages Catholics to develop the virtue of prudence, which enables us "to discern our true good in every circumstance and to choose the right means of achieving it" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1806). Prudence shapes and informs our ability to deliberate over available alternatives, to determine what is most fitting to a specific context, and to act. Prudence must be accompanied by courage which calls us to act. As Catholics seek to advance the common good, we must carefully discern which public policies are morally sound. A good end does not justify an immoral means. At times Catholics may choose different ways to respond to social problems, but we cannot differ on our obligation to protect human life and dignity and help build through moral means a more just and peaceful world.

Doing Good and Avoiding Evil

There are some things we must never do, as individuals or as a society, because they are always incompatible with love of God and neighbor. These intrinsically evil acts must always be rejected and never supported. A preeminent example is the intentional taking of human life through abortion. It is always morally wrong to destroy innocent human beings. A legal system that allows the right to life to be violated on the grounds of choice is fundamentally flawed.

Similarly, direct threats to the dignity of human life such as euthanasia, human cloning, and destructive research on human embryos are also intrinsically evil and must be opposed. Other assaults on human life and dignity, such as genocide, torture, racism, and the targeting of noncombatants in acts of terror or war, can never be justified. Disrespect for any human life diminishes respect for all human life.

As Catholics we are not single-issue voters. A candidate's position on a single issue is not sufficient to guarantee a voter's support. Yet a candidate's position on a single issue that involves an intrinsic evil, such as support for legal abortion or the promotion of racism, may legitimately lead a voter to disqualify a candidate from receiving support.¹

Opposition to intrinsically evil acts also prompts us to recognize our positive duty to contribute to the common good and act in solidarity with those in need. Both opposing evil *and* doing good are essential. As Pope John Paul II said, "the fact that only the negative commandments oblige always and under all circumstances does not mean that in the moral life prohibitions are more important than the obligation to do good indicated by the positive commandment" (Encyclical *Veritatis Splendor*, no. 52). The basic right to life implies and is linked to other human rights to the goods that every person needs to live and thrive—including food, shelter, health care, education, and meaningful work. The use of the death penalty, hunger, lack of health care or housing, human trafficking, the human and moral costs of war, and unjust immigration policies are some of the serious moral issues that challenge our consciences and require us to act.

Making Moral Choices

Difficult political decisions require the exercise of a well-formed conscience aided by prudence. This exercise of conscience begins with always opposing policies that violate human life or weaken its protection. "Those who formulate law

therefore have an obligation in conscience to work toward correcting morally defective laws, lest they be guilty of cooperating in evil and in sinning against the common good” (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops [USCCB], *Catholics in Political Life*).

When morally flawed laws already exist, prudential judgment is needed to determine how to do what is possible to restore justice—even if partially or gradually—without ever abandoning a moral commitment to full protection for all human life from conception to natural death (see Pope John Paul II, *Encyclical Evangelium Vitae*, no. 73).

Prudential judgment is also needed to determine the best way to promote the common good in areas such as housing, health care, and immigration. When Church leaders make judgments about how to apply Catholic teaching to specific policies, this may not carry the same binding authority as universal moral principles but cannot be dismissed as one political opinion among others. These moral applications should inform the consciences and guide the actions of Catholics.

What Does the Church Say About Catholic Social Teaching in the Public Square?—Seven Key Themes

A consistent ethic of life should guide all Catholic engagement in political life. This Catholic ethic neither treats all issues as morally equivalent nor reduces Catholic teaching to one or two issues. It anchors the Catholic commitment to defend human life and other human rights, from conception until natural death, in the fundamental obligation to respect the dignity of every human being as a child of God.

Catholic voters should use Catholic teaching to examine candidates’ positions on issues and should consider candidates’ integrity, philosophy, and performance. It is important for all citizens “to see beyond party politics, to analyze campaign rhetoric critically, and to choose their political leaders according to principle, not party affiliation or mere self-interest” (USCCB, *Living the Gospel of Life*, no. 33). The following themes of Catholic social teaching provide a moral framework for decisions in public life.²

The Right to Life and the Dignity of the Human Person

Human life is sacred. Direct attacks on innocent human beings are never morally acceptable. Within our society, life is under direct attack from abortion, euthanasia, human cloning, and destruction of human embryos for research. These intrinsic evils must always be opposed. This teaching also compels us as Catholics to oppose genocide, torture, unjust war, and the use of the death penalty, as well as to pursue peace and help overcome poverty, racism, and other conditions that demean human life.

Call to Family, Community, and Participation

The family, based on marriage between a man and a woman, is the fundamental unit of society. This sanctuary for the creation and nurturing of children must not be redefined, undermined, or neglected. Supporting families should be a priority for economic and social policies. How our society is organized—in economics and politics, in law and public policy—affects the well-being of individuals and of society. Every person and association has a right and a duty to participate in shaping society to promote the well-being of individuals and the common good.

Rights and Responsibilities

Every human being has a right to life, the fundamental right that makes all other rights possible. Each of us has a right to religious freedom, which enables us to live and act in accord with our God-given dignity, as well as a right to access to those things required for human decency—food and shelter, education and employment, health care and housing. Corresponding to these rights are duties and responsibilities—to one another, to our families, and to the larger society.

Option for the Poor and Vulnerable

While the common good embraces all, those who are in greatest need deserve preferential concern. A moral test for society is how we treat the weakest among us—the unborn, those dealing with disabilities or terminal illness, the poor and marginalized.

Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers

The economy must serve people, not the other way around. Economic justice calls for decent work at fair, living wages, opportunities for legal status for immigrant workers, and the opportunity for all people to work together for the common good through their work, ownership, enterprise, investment, participation in unions, and other forms of economic activity.

Solidarity

We are one human family, whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological differences. Our Catholic commitment to solidarity requires that we pursue justice, eliminate racism, end human trafficking, protect human rights, seek peace, and avoid the use of force except as a necessary last resort.

Caring for God’s Creation

Care for the earth is a duty of our Catholic faith. We all are called to be careful stewards of God’s creation and to ensure a safe and hospitable environment for vulnerable human beings now and in the future.

Conclusion

In light of Catholic teaching, as bishops we vigorously repeat our call for a renewed politics that focuses on moral principles, the defense of life, the needs of the weak, and the pursuit of the common good. This kind of political participation reflects the social teaching of our Church and the best traditions of our nation.

Notes

- 1 For more on the moral challenge of voting, see *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, nos. 34-39. Visit www.faithfulcitizenship.org.
- 2 These themes are drawn from a rich tradition more fully described in the *Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church* from the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace (Washington, DC: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2005). For more information on these seven themes, see www.faithfulcitizenship.org. For information on how we bishops of the United States have applied Catholic social teaching to policy issues, see www.faithfulcitizenship.org.

For a wide range of educational and other resources to help share Faithful Citizenship, go to www.faithfulcitizenship.org.

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Happenings Around the State



Spanawat #6806 - Our Lady Queen of Heaven Council awarded a \$1000.00 scholarship to fellow parishioner Tim Rasmussen, son of Sarah and Eric Rasmussen. The Scholarship honored Brother Knight John Gohrick's 100th Birthday and 62 years as a Knight.

Lakewood #4322 - On September 7, 2008 Council 4322 held our 2nd annual Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge at St. Frances Cabrini's' Church Picnic. The weather was more than we could have asked for with blue skies and temperatures near 80 degrees much more pleasurable than the 2007 challenge. The turnout was good with 10 boys and girls ages 10 to 14 kick in the challenge. There was some interest from younger children and we invited them to kick and have fun after the challenge was over. We invited them to come back next year and join in the fun. We provided water and fruit snacks to the participants when they were finished. We had a good turnout of knights willing to help with the challenge including but not limited to David Dant, Larry Kline, Paul Swortz and Steve Swortz. The winners in each category were as follows;

10 years old girls- Rebecca Richmond
 10 year old boys- David Vanderwall
 11 year old girls- Sarah Billman
 13 year old girls- Kim Vincent
 14 year old girls-Ruth Isnberg
 14 year old boys-Marcus Brown

I hope to hold another challenge next year and congratulate the winners and thank the knights who came to help.

Steve Swortz

Districts 26 & 1

2nd & 3rd DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9 .

Host: DD26- KEITH KLAUS ; Co-Host: DD1- BOB BOUSE
 klausilverfox@aol.com (206) 783-4266
 (425) 478-5979

Place: ST. Marks Auditorium CANDIDATES REPORT AT
 18033 15th Place NE Parish Offices, 1st Floor
 Shoreline, Wa. 98155 11:30 AM

Important Details:

1. All members must present their current membership cards.
2. Candidates must check-in at 11:30 AM, Parish Office
3. 2nd Degree starts at 12:00 Noon, Parish Auditorium
4. 3rd Degree starts immediately following the 2nd Degree.

HOST COUNCIL HEADED BY GRAND KNIGHT PAUL BROWN WILL SERVE REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE EXEMPLIFICATION

EXEMPLIFICATION HONOREES:

2ND DEGREE: SK ROBERTO SANCHEZ
 3RD DEGREE: SK LEE LUTOVSKY

PLEASE E-MAIL OR MAIL YOUR LIST OF CANDIDATES TO DD26 KEITH KLAUS ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 15, 2008:
 klausilverfox@aol.com
 or call (425) 478-5979
 or mail to: P.O. Box 6394, Lynnwood, Wa 98036

OTHER CONTACT PERSONS:

Paul Brown, (206) 914-9427 or Bob Bouse (206) 783-4266

DIRECTIONS: From I-5, exit 176, go east on 175 St. NE, then left on 15th Ave. NE, then left on 180th Place

Open Letter to Senator Joseph Biden on abortion

Supreme Knight Carl Anderson sent an [open letter](http://www.kofc.org/un/cmfr/resources/SK_20080919.pdf) (http://www.kofc.org/un/cmfr/resources/SK_20080919.pdf) to Senator Joseph Biden on Friday, September 19, challenging the assertion of the vice presidential candidate that Catholic teaching on abortion is not clear. The letter was published in USA Today, The Washington Times, Philadelphia Inquirer and Wilmington News Journal, among others.

Writing "as a fellow Catholic layman," Anderson said that "statements that suggest that our Church has anything less than a

consistent teaching on abortion are not merely incorrect; they may lead Catholic women facing crisis pregnancies to misunderstand the moral gravity of an abortion decision."

Anderson noted that the founders of the United States "believed that we are 'endowed by [our] creator with certain unalienable rights,'" and that first among these is 'life,'" and he appealed to Biden, "as a Catholic who acknowledges that life begins at conception, to resolve to protect this unalienable right."

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Districts 6, 7 & 17

Worthy Sirs in compliance with the Host and Co-Host guide for Ceremonials the following information is provided.

1. The 2nd and 3rd Degrees are to be held November 16 in Richland at the Richland Council, 3307, 2500 Chester Rd in Richland, 99354.
2. Districts involved are 6, 7 and 17, with District 17 as Host and District 7 as Co-Host.
3. The Degree is scheduled to begin at 1:00 pm and candidates should arrive for registration between 12:30 & 12:45 PM. No candidates will be allowed on the property prior to 12:30 PM. The Degrees should be completed by 5:00 PM. (Times are approximate).
4. Refreshments will be served after the Degrees are concluded.
5. At this time Honorees for the 2nd and 3rd Degrees have not been determined.
6. The HDD is: Edward Perez, PO Box 34, Buena, WA 98921, 509 865-5549, laloperezhmap@yahoo.com
7. The CO is: Don McBride, 1957 Marshall, Richland, WA, 99354, (509) 943-0723, djmcbride@clearwire.net
8. The Host Grand Knight is: Kevin Linn, 323 Seattle Ct, Richland, WA, 99354-1937, (509) 375-0465, linn.kevin@gmail.com

Kennewick #8179 - HELP is requested in making the upcoming Spanish First Degree a huge success. It is scheduled for October 11, 2008 at St. Joes in Kennewick, WA hosted by Council #8179. Please let's reach out to our Spanish speaking brothers and ask them to join the largest and greatest Catholic Fraternal men's organization in the world. We have the support of Bishop Carlos Sevilla who plans to attend the event and a Spanish first degree team is coming from the west side of our state to assist us in the noble event. If you need assistance call me, we will make this work!

About Bishop Sevilla's attendance: In a phone call from Bishop Carlos Sevilla, he informed me that he will attempt to be in attendance for our Spanish 1st. Degree on October 11, 2008. He recognizes the importance of the event and he seems willing to help promote the first Degree. The Bishop also expressed a willingness to speak at the event and to meet everyone involved. Because time may be a factor we should be flexible enough in our schedule to accommodate any time constraints he may be under. If Jeffery Hylden GK - 509-551-1304 anyone has any ideas how to reach out to our Spanish speaking brothers and any other interested parties please contact us. This is your Order of Catholic gentlemen, help us build it even stronger than it already is.

SPANISH 1ST DEGREE

OCTOBER 11, 2008

Hosted by Kennewick Council 8179

St. Joseph Parish

1 PM Dillon Hall

500 S. Garfield Street, Kennewick, 99336

Contact: Steve Snell DD7 - 509-386-3462

Sammamish #9833 - Our council will be having an **Oktoberfest** on Oct 11. There will be full German Buffet for \$15. Seniors 65 & over and Children 10 & under will be \$10. There will be Brats, Sauerbraten, German Potato Salad, hot dogs, lemonade, soda, two types of Mac&Jack Beer, dessert coffee. Send email to GK Frank Tyson at bulletin@kofc-wa.org or call at 425-836-0895 with names of those planning to attend so name tags will be ready for them. Mary, Queen of Peace Church is located at 1128 228th SE in Sammamish, 98075.

Issaquah #7907 - Our council will be holding our 1st Annual Hawaiian Luau on Oct 18. Tickets are \$25 per person or \$45 per family. Enjoy your favorite Hawaiian Food and Drinks with proceeds going to support our Seminarians. Contact GK Jeff Kelley at 425-417-6480 or DD Eugene Daly at 425-891-5497. Event will take place at St Joseph Social Hall at 220 Mt. Park Boulevard, Issaquah 98027.

Paulsbo #8297

Come One*****Come All

St. Olaf Parish Breakfast Retreat "Outreach to Those Suffering Mental Illness"

The Knights of Columbus invites all adult parishioners to come together on **Saturday, October 18th from 9am - 12:30 pm** for fellowship & reflection on building a family setting in the community.

The Day's Agenda

9:00 am Celebration of the Liturgy with Fr. David Mayovsky

10:00 am Greeting from GK Anthony Farrell, Council 8297

10:05 am Invocation with Fr. David Mayovsky

10:10 am Breakfast served in St. Olaf Parish Hall

11:00 am Our main speaker, Deacon Jim Decker, whose Archdiocesan ministry appointment is Outreach to the Mentally Ill will present information on programs available from the Archdiocese & ways in which lay people can help those afflicted with this illness.

12:30 pm Finish with Closing Prayer

The event is FREE!

But a donation is optional to help cover the cost of breakfast.

St. Olaf Church is at 18943 Caldart Ave. NE in Poulsbo WA.

For more information, contact

GK Anthony Farrell

at 206-842-1086, or e-mail fanthony50@hotmail.com

or Bob Tomas

at 360-638-1659 or e-mail bobtomas@sprintmail.com

RSVP by October 13 please.

Happenings Around the State

Paulsbo #8297 - On Saturday, August 23rd, Council 8297 Brother Knight Jacob Maurer was ordained as a transitional deacon by Archbishop Brunett at Holy Trinity Church in Bremerton, Washington. Those who attended witnessed as Brother Jacob was advanced to the final step of his journey toward ordination as a priest and shepherd of Christ's flock. He requested and received an Honor Guard of six Sir Knights from Assembly 2433 to participate in the ceremony.



Deacon Jacob shown here with his Honor Guard requested that we continue to pray for him as he goes on towards his goal of ordination. He says he needs all the help he can get so let us pray for him and let him know he is not alone.

Marysville #7863 - On 13 Sept 2008, a Spanish First Degree was held at Fred Harrington Council 7863 in Marysville. Two members, Francisco Diaz, 9434 and Rafael Robles, 7863 were brought into the Order on September 12, 2008 in a Spanish Degree held in Marysville. The Degree team was from the Northwest and consisted of:

GK: David Carbajal, Seattle, 676

DGK: Mariano Nabor, St. Elizabeth Seton, 9434

Chancellor: Rogelio Garcia, St. Elizabeth Seton, 8434

Warden: Cel Ebilane, St. Marks, 11217

F.S.: Romy Ramos, Holy Rosary, 12591

Aide to the Warden: Rufino Isip, St. Marks, 11217

Inside Guard and Team Captain: Romy Ablao, DD-21

Honoree for the Degree was Daniel Martinez, 7863

This Degree was a combined effort of Romy Ablao, DD-21, Dan Grumbach, DD-13, and David Carbajal, State Chairman for Spanish Membership. The next Spanish First Degree has been tentatively set for 29 Nov 2008, 2 pm in Marysville.

Bishop Joseph W. Estabrook Visits NS Everett, WA

While on a visit to military installations in the Pacific Northwest, Bishop Joseph W. Estabrook was honored by members of Naval Station Everett Chapel and the Knights of Columbus Holy Cross Council 13560 at a reception hosted by Captain Mascolo, Commanding Officer of Naval Station Everett. Bishop Estabrook is the bishop for the Archdiocese for Military Services USA, Auxiliary Bishop for Installations West of the Mississippi and Pacific Rim and also a Sir Knight.

Bishop Estabrook spoke to the assembled group focusing on making the choice to attend the base chapel and the important roll of the members in that community. He reminded us that the foundation of the younger members may not always be as strong in faith as those brought up even twenty years ago. With this in mind, we should act as family and welcome the single and married members into our homes, communities and events as family. By doing this, we act as role models and perhaps are able to entice some Catholics back to the fold, bringing those military members who have strayed, back to the Church; many who have been let down by the Church and society. He asked us to be the foundation for the newly arriving Military members and families. Bishop Estabrook then spoke to us about this group and challenged us, a members of the Catholic community, to talk and show them the compassion and caring of our families.

He also asked how many Knights were present and thanked us for all that we do in the communities and faith centers in our area. As we listened to his journey into Knighthood, he surprised us by explaining that he is a Knight by accident. He encouraged the men not presently Knights to become one. He called the Knights that are active in the Church, "An Evangelization Tool", saying that the Knights are a quiet organization that accomplishes so much.

Also in attendance were: Fr. Jerry Kienzle, Pastor NS Everett Chapel; Fr. Hans M. Olson, Pastor St. Mary Magdalene Parish, Everett, WA; Fr. Francis K. Thumbi, Parochial Vicar St. Mary Magdalene Parish, Everett, WA; Fr. Rick Spicer, St. Huber Parish, Langley, WA and Dan Grumbach, DD-13.



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FS - To Be Determined

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TBD;

Important Dates to Remember

Degrees, Reports and Miscellaneous

2008-2009 Fraternal Calendar

OCTOBER – Respect Life Month

Oct 4 - 5..... Membership Blitz Weekend
 Oct 5..... 2nd/3rd Degree – Yakima (Districts 6, 10)
 Oct 13..... Columbus Day
 Oct 10..... Supreme Per Capita DUE
 Oct 11..... 2nd/3rd Degrees – Federal Way (Districts 12, 15, 27)
 Oct 18..... 2nd/3rd Degrees – Sedro Woolley (District 9, 19)
 Oct 18..... 2nd/3rd Degrees – Spokane (District 5, 18, 20, 28)
 Oct 26..... 2nd/3rd Degrees – Snoqualmie (Districts 13, 14, 16, 23)

NOVEMBER

Nov 1..... Free Throw Council Kit Order Form DUE
 Nov 1..... All Saints' Day
 Nov 2..... All Souls' Day
 Nov 8..... 2nd/3rd Degrees – Bremerton (Districts 2, 22, 24, 29)
 Nov 9..... 2nd/3rd Degrees – Shoreline (Districts 1, 26)
 Nov 4..... Election Day
 Nov 11..... Veterans Day
 Nov 16..... 2nd/3rd Degrees – Richland (Districts 6, 7, 17)
 Nov 22..... 4th Degree Exemplification in Bothell
 Nov 27..... Thanksgiving Day

DECEMBER

Dec 5 - 7..... District Deputies' Winter Meeting – Renton
 Dec 25..... Christmas Day

JANUARY

Jan 1..... New Years Day, Feast of Mary Mother of God
 Jan 1..... Per Capita DUE
 Jan 9..... Regional Meeting (Spokane 8201)
 Jan 10..... Regional Meeting (Eastern Washington)
 Jan 16..... Regional Meeting (Everett 763)
 Jan 17..... Regional Meeting (Western Washington)
 Jan 19..... Martin Luther King Day
 Jan 23 – 24..... New Year Membership Blitz
 Jan 22..... Pro Life March for Life - Olympia
 Jan 31..... Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (#1738) DUE

FEBRUARY

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

(Calendar Continued to the right)

MARCH

March 1..... 2nd/3rd Degrees – Clarkston (Districts 7, 8, 17)
 March 7..... 2nd/3rd Degrees – Seattle (Districts 12, 15, 27)
 March 8 - 9..... Membership Blitz Weekend
 March 14..... 4th Degree Exemplification in Spokane
 March 15..... 2nd/3rd Degrees – Puyallup (Districts 2, 3, 12, 22, 29)
 March 17..... St. Patrick's Day
 March 22..... 2nd/3rd Degrees – Lynnwood (Districts 13, 16, 21)
 March 28..... 4th Degree Exemplification in Vancouver
 March 29..... State Free Throw Championships – Yakima

APRIL

April 1..... Family of the Year/Knight of the Year DUE
 April 4..... 2nd/3rd Degrees – Oak Harbor (Districts 9, 19)
 April 4 - 5..... Lenten Membership Blitz
 April 10..... Grand Knight & District Deputy Reports DUE
 April 12..... Easter Sunday
 April 15..... Service Program Award Submissions DUE
 April 18..... 4th Degree Exemplification in Kennewick
 April 19..... 2nd/3rd Degrees – East Wenatchee (Districts 6, 10)
 April 19..... Squires Convention – Federal Way
 April 25..... 2nd/3rd Degrees – Colbert (Districts 20, 28)
 April 26..... 2nd/3rd Degrees – Vancouver (Districts 11, 25)
 April 26..... State Bowling Tournament – TBD

MAY

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

JUNE

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

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Insurance Message

FROM YOUR KOFC FIELD AGENTS TO OUR BROTHER KNIGHTS:

Effective October 1, 2008, the insurance benefits you have been enjoying with Knights of Columbus will improve through a revised series and/or new products. The Agency is updating the term and whole life products to conform with the CSO requirement to extend the endowment age from 100 to 120. The existing 700 Series has now been replaced with the new 800 Series for the various types of permanent and term products offered to provide financial security for the Knights and their families. The premiums continue to be very competitive, the guaranteed cash values are very strong, and the financial strength of the Knights of Columbus extremely strong. Your Field Agent is prepared to share the details of this new series to continue to serve you and your family's particular needs and goals.

A NEW LIFE INSURANCE PRODUCT:

The Knights of Columbus is providing a Graded Death Benefit Whole Life Product. This is a permanent life plan that provides life insurance coverage to age 120, level premiums paid through the lifetime of the insured to age 100, with no medical underwriting or medical questions on the application. This is a guaranteed issue product for members and their wives. Details of this life

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