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### Message from State Deputy



My Dear Worthy Brother Knights,

First, let me take this opportunity, as your State Deputy, to offer you Greetings and Warm Wishes for a Happy, Successful and Prosperous New Year! Like many of you and your families, Lady Sharon and I quietly greeted the 2014 New Year at home with a few friends and family. We are honored by you for the privilege and opportunity you have given us to lead the way as First Lady and State Deputy this Fraternal Year. We take your kindness seriously knowing that we all make a difference in the life of the Church, community, council, family and the people we are called to serve.

And now, like you, we “hit the ground running” in this New Year to continue doing God’s work with our Regional Meetings across the jurisdiction. The second half of the Fraternal Year is a special time indeed, as I know and trust in you, to make history once again by earning the Supreme Knights “Circle of Honor” award, making him proud as our native son. You will recall that I shared his personal challenge to earn “Circle of Honor” with you at the Summer Leadership Meeting in July.

You likely are unaware of the Supreme Council’s ranking of state council’s across the world, measuring new membership intake. The state councils are all grouped with similar sized state councils, and we are in Region 3. I have listed the Region 3 councils below with present ranking with each other and across the world from the Philippines and Korea to Poland and the Ukraine. If you look at our ranking for Washington, you will note that we are in 5<sup>th</sup> Place within our Region 3 and in 31<sup>st</sup> Place internationally.

Ranking	State Council	Goal	Current	Percentage
1 - 2	Georgia	950	597	62.84%
2 - 15	Tennessee	650	309	47.54%
3 - 16	North Carolina	950	437	46.84%
4 - 22	Colorado	950	428	45.05%
<b>5 - 31</b>	<b>Washington</b>	<b>950</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>40.74%</b>
6 - 34	Nebraska	950	377	39.68%
7 - 39	Arizona	950	370	38.95%
8 - 45	British Columbia	575	213	37.04%
9 - 47	Connecticut	1,135	408	35.95%
10 - 50	Alberta	950	285	30.00%
11 - 63	North Dakota	570	144	25.26%
12 - 67	New Brunswick	485	107	22.06%

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## Message from State Deputy

I can report to you that we started well down the pack in 9<sup>th</sup> Place, and we have been closing each month with your great recruiting work and the number of prompt “First Degrees” you have conducted for our new members. It takes little more than 20 minutes to read the First Degree each month, and I know that every council (or District) will soon be conducting their own First Degrees.

I am so very proud of the work you did during the months of November and December pulling us to almost 40% of our Membership Intake Goal...and that was exceptional with Thanksgiving and Christmas during those months. By keeping your “eye on the ball” during the October/November Church Drive and conducting prompt “First Degrees” you climbed from 9<sup>th</sup> Place to 5<sup>th</sup> – passing Connecticut, British Columbia, Arizona and Nebraska. Super work by exceptional and dedicated Knights! We know how, and we know who!

And with Colorado, North Carolina and Tennessee firmly in our sights, we can shoot past them during these next three months by breaking our fraternal year goal into smaller monthly segments. We need only 95 new members each month to reach “Circle of Honor”, and by continuing to keep our “eye on the ball”, we’ll shoot right past Colorado this month, North Carolina next month and Tennessee in March. I know we’ll do it! There is no holding us back when our 51 inactive councils get busy recruiting too!

And finally, Georgia is not that far ahead. They may have run their course already or may stumble albeit we don’t wish that on them. I can just see you all running for election as a State Delegate to attend the Supreme International Convention in Orlando this year to see the Supreme Knight standing there at the Awards Luncheon beaming and so proud when you are called to the “Circle of Honor” - and maybe, just maybe, we can get the Supreme Board of Directors to bring the Supreme International Convention to our Emerald City of Seattle in the coming years?

We are bold men of faith working in charity, unity and fraternity with our families in support of our bishops, priests, parish, community, state and country - keeping faith with our Holy Father and our Church. At a time when our freedom to pursue our dreams is called into question, we must be the standard bearer of a new day - running true as strong, spirited, trustworthy, innovative, caring and service minded leaders. We lead the way with our passion to perform and think the possible.

Will you be remembered as a passenger or the traveler? The distance is the same with the difference being only how you get there. Will our children evolve to something else or will we keep our vision theirs? I have come to an epiphany, like the Supreme Knight’s, that our vision - Fr, McGivney’s vision – can only be reached with more like-minded Catholic men being invited to join the Order. We and our children need not adapt or evolve to something else. Our faith is strong, and as we invite every eligible Catholic man, many too will answer the call with their families to join us, as a traveler, like Jesus.

Lady Sharon and I will earn our own *circle of honor* as we celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> Year on July 11<sup>th</sup>. It seems like only yesterday that we literally ran into each other on the street in Spokane. Our time together in marriage becomes more focused when looking at our children and grandchildren as they grow in years too. We are reminded that time is not on our side any longer. Like our family history, we are confident that you will make history too by proudly taking our Washington State Council into the “Circle of Honor”!

Jesus calls us to live our faith. Be with us – Be inspired – Be with Him!

God Bless you, your family and your work!

Vivat Jesus,

George H. Czerwonka, Jr.,SD



**STATE CHAPLAIN  
MOST REVEREND  
Blaise Cupich**

## Hope For the Future



**STATE VICE-CHAPLAIN  
VERY REVEREND  
Steve Dublinski**

The late Halford Luccock, who began teaching at Yale Divinity School a year before the Great Crash of 1929, recounts in his book, *Unfinished Business*, a story told by a dinner guest about the fate of Flagstaff, Maine. When residents learned that their small town was to be flooded as part of a dam project, they stopped all improvements and repairs to their property. Soon the town fell into ruin. As the dinner companion observed, "What was the use of painting a house if it was to be covered with water in six months? Why repair anything when the whole village was to be wiped out?" Then he added: "Where there is no faith in the future, there is no power in the present."

I often hear that same logic as commentators reflect on the paralysis that seems to grip our politics and society. Surely the daily reports of criminal behavior, corruption and malfeasance by money lenders, and failures of our government are creating a crisis of trust in our institutions. Sadly, this lack of trust has spilled over into our vision of the future, and it is paralyzing our present.

This lack of hope about the future has enormous consequences, especially since hope in the future is deeply rooted in our national psyche. It is part of the soul of our nation. Pope Benedict XVI said as much when he visited the United States: "Americans have always been a people of hope: Your ancestors came to this country with the expectation of finding new freedom and opportunity ... of being able to start completely anew, building a new nation on new foundations. ... Hope for the future is very much a part of the American character." Clearly the challenge before us is not simply economic or even psychological, but spiritual.

This is a moment to recall who we are. We are a people unafraid to welcome "your tired, your poor, your huddled masses," because we measure others by the quality of their hopes for the future, not by the circumstances of their birth. We are a people who have learned repeatedly throughout our history that economic distress can help us to appreciate that there are other ways to be rich that are not financial or even material. We are a people who have successfully undertaken enormous tasks that would have daunted others.

It is time to recall all of that and more and become more intentional in reawakening our common heritage of trust in the future for our individual benefit as well as for the good of our nation and the world.

Maybe that can start in simple ways. Give a more generous tip to the waitress, the parking valet, the barber. Buy a bag of groceries for a poor or elderly neighbor. Help a teacher who may be using his or her own funds to buy school supplies for disadvantaged students, or help parents who cannot afford medicine for a sick child. It is about looking for opportunities to build a greater sense of solidarity in our nation, reminding us that we are all in this together. Let our generosity say to us and to others that we are confident about the future.

What I am suggesting here is that we turn around the moral of Luccock's story, and show that "where there is power in the present, there is faith in the future." Let us call one another to use creatively the power for good we each possess in the present. In doing so, we can rekindle hope for our future, and thereby bring about the kind of remaking of a nation that has always made America exceptional.

**~Submitted by Bishop Blase Cupich**

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## Message from Membership Director



### My Brothers in Christ,

We are at the midpoint of the fraternal year and we continue to be encouraged by the positive growth we've seen in your membership recruitment during the past few months. As of the end of December, we are just under 40% of annual intake goal of 950 new members and we have a number of councils that are having great success in reaching out and recruiting new prospects in their parishes. Keep encouraging those councils in your district who have yet to recruit one member this year. We still have 51 councils in this situation who need a lending hand and support.

We want to encourage all councils to continue momentum from the October church drives and keep growing your membership in the next few months. Start out the New Year by considering recruitment of former members. This month's "Knightline" has a great article and suggested plan for doing so in the "Membership Recruitment" Section found at:

[http://www.kofc.org/en/resources/lc/knightline/knightline\\_20131201\\_en.pdf](http://www.kofc.org/en/resources/lc/knightline/knightline_20131201_en.pdf)

Follow their suggested step by step approach to recruiting former members and you might be very surprised with your results.

Here are some other items to think about in the coming months:

**The "Catch up Challenge".** In keeping with your goal of "One New Member, Per Council, Per Month", your council should recruit seven new members by the end of January 2014. If your council can recruit up to seven new members (including reactivations, readmissions, reapplications, and reinstatements), by January 31, 2014 during the November, December, and January time frame, your council will receive 2000 points good for merchandise at Supreme for each new member recruited. Furthermore, for each new member beyond seven, you'll receive a bonus of 2000 pts for a total of 4,000 pts per member.

For more information about this challenge, go to:

<http://www.kofc-wa.org/Family/Membership/nMembership.aspx>

**Round Table Renewals:** To also help you achieve your membership goals for this year, we'll like to continue to challenge all District Deputies to work with your Grand Knights to identify and establish one or more round tables within your districts within the next two months. Round tables are an untapped resource for new members that you should be taking advantage of. Round tables are an easy and effective way for our Order to better serve individual parishes, priests, and to be the visible force for good in their communities. For more information establishing round tables, go to:

<http://www.kofc.org/un/en/membership/ncd/guideline.html>

**A District Deputy Incentive:** Kicking off 2014, Supreme has instituted three initiatives for the months of January and February. You will be awarded 1,000 VIP points for each goal achieved, and a bonus 5,000 VIP points if you complete all three of the following goals:

- Hold a district meeting in December, January or February, have 80% of your active councils represented, and send in the completed meeting report
- Hold at least one first degree in your district in both January and February
- Bring in at least two new members for every active council in your district from January 1st – February 28<sup>th</sup>

As always, be prayerful in all you do and at every gathering with your Brothers offer special prayers for all members of your council both active and inactive, for new potential prospects, and for the success of your council in accomplishing its goals for the coming year

Wishing you and your families the best for the coming New Year.

Marcel

Has your council recruited

**ONE MEMBER ... PER COUNCIL ... PER MONTH!**

**Marcel P. Bergeron**

Membership Director

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## Message from State Secretary



My Brothers All,

Welcome to 2014!!! And welcome to WSC FINANCIALS 101. A series of articles to help you better understand your Washington State Council Financials.

Each July 1<sup>st</sup> brings a new fraternal year with a new leadership team. And as such, a new budget needs to be established. Our budget setting process is a bit different than council's processes, as we don't have any fundraisers. We can't schedule one more breakfast to support a shortfall. As a matter of fact, we are at the discretion of all you councils.....our true source of income (per capita) is based on membership numbers in January.

Let's take a look at some of the "income".

**Insurance.** As I hope you are aware, this category is basically a pass through - we don't have any income opportunities here. The State Council pays \$1.00 per active member just as each council pays...so, income and expense are basically the same. Not a fundraiser.

**KCIC.** Again similar income to expense ratio. The State Council pays a bit less per case but we also pay freight and packaging. Not a fundraiser.

**PFH.** Pennies for Heaven is again similar with income to expense ratio. The State Council pays for auditor expenses, award plaques, and a few other expenses such as raffle tickets for prizes at the State Convention. Again, not a fundraiser.

**Meals.** Meals are options at various State Council meetings and this need to be paid for. The State Council coordinates registration and collection for those meals for the Summer Leadership Meeting as well as the District Deputy Winter Meeting. To help soften the "blow" to the council and/or attending individual, the State Council determines what a "normal" cost should be for the meal and charges accordingly. Most all the time, the hotel charges us more than we charge the council and the State Council makes up the difference in costs. I will get into more detail on this topic when I can.

Do you want to see a copy of the annual budget? I should be able to post it on the state website if you have any desire looking at it. Let me know....

I look forward to next article where I can knock off some of the expenses and then we can focus more in depth on Per Capita and where all those monies goes.....

As always, call or email if you have questions or need some other assistance.

Vivat Jesus!

Ed Parazoo

State Secretary

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One New Member, Per Council, Per Month

## State Treasurer Message and Forms



Greetings Brothers,

**Here is the latest update on Forms submissions.**

No movement on the missing Form 185's or Form 365's this month. Good news on the Form 1295's! We have chiseled out four more audits bringing the number of missing audits down to 11 missing.

**100% SUBMISSION IS THE MISSION!** Overall, everyone is doing a great job on these reports. Check out the lists below and if your council number shows up on a list, please take on the job of getting it done...**the guy who is supposed to do it, isn't!!!**

It's time once again for another form to be submitted. **This is the Form1728 Fraternal Survey** and it is due January 31, 2014. This Form is a Star Council Requirement, and it allows the Supreme Council to justify our Tax-Exempt Status. So, like the others, it is a vital form. Give it your best!

### **FORM 185 OFFICER CHOSEN FOR THE TERM DUE JUNE 30, 2013**

The following Councils are late on getting in this most important and first form of the year:

**Councils 7149 and 8266.**

### **FORM 365 SERVICE PROGRAM PERSONNEL REPORT DUE AUG 1, 2013**

The following Councils need to submit this form that allows Supreme to communicate with your program personnel for success during the year. Timely submission of this form is a Star Council Requirement.

**Councils 1606, 7149, 8266, 8398, 8437 and 13831.**

### **FORM 1295-AUGUST SEMI-ANNUAL COUNCIL AUDIT DUE AUG 15, 2013**

The following Councils need to submit their August 2013 Audit. This is one of two audits that your trustees need to complete to keep your Councils financial situation in balance and on solid ground. The star after the three councils below means that at least two consecutive audits are missing for that council.

**3153\*, 3455, 4385, 7149\*, 8266, 8398, 10543, 13831, 14926\*, 15338 and 15684.**

Also, payments for the Exemplification Fund continue to come in. State Secretary Ed Parazoo and I have sent out another billing and the response is going quite well there too.

FS's remember \$7 for each new member you exemplify with the four R's (Reapplications, Readmissions, Reactivations, Reinstatements) and priests at no charge. As always, I will continue to publish what is owed monthly at the back of this and every bulletin.

God Bless!

Bob-ST

## The Wizard of Washington presents: Q & A



**Question:** Worthy Wizard, why did you become a Knight of Columbus and how do you get so much done?

**Answer:** I'm flattered you asked and I wish I could accomplish more, but here's my answer. I feel the need to serve because I was taught we are on this earth to save our souls and I think what better way to do that than to do God's Work! An Organization like the Knights of Columbus allows me to do His work. So what is "His Work"? Specifically, from grade-school catechism, His work includes the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy-

### Corporal Works of Mercy

1. To feed the hungry.
2. To give drink to the thirsty.
3. To clothe the naked.
4. To shelter the homeless.
5. To visit the sick.
6. To visit the imprisoned.
7. To bury the dead.

**\*\*NEW\*\* To turn in the Forms on Time.**

### Spiritual Works of Mercy

Though ideally applicable for all faithful, not everyone is considered capable or obligated to perform the first three spiritual works of mercy if they do not have proper tact, knowledge or canonical training to do so. The last works are considered to be an obligation of all faithful to practice unconditionally.

1. To instruct the ignorant.
2. To counsel the doubtful.
3. To admonish sinners.
4. To bear wrongs patiently.
5. To forgive offences willingly.
6. To comfort the afflicted.
7. To pray for the living and the dead.

**\*\*NEW\*\* To turn in the Forms on Time.**

All I can say about accomplishing God's work is this...When you are doing it time passes quickly, it doesn't seem hard, your work is precise and complete, and you feel fulfilled on the other end. From the bible:

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light." (Matthew 11:28-30)

**-God Bless! The Wizard!**

## Message from State Advocate



My Brothers,

Once again it's time to remind all that the time for your EIN filing is approaching. EIN Employer Identification Number (FEIN)

Definition: A national system by which the IRS can identify a given entity whether taxpaying or not. This includes non-profit corporations like us. It's like a Social Security number for Corporations...of sorts. It is issued by the IRS. Every Council or Assembly that has a bank account has one. You had to have one to open the account. You can get one at [www.IRS.Gov](http://www.IRS.Gov).

**Form 990**...your Tax Filing for your Council/Assembly, due once per year.

Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF must be filed by the 15th day of the 5th month after the end of your organization's accounting period. Thus, for a calendar year taxpayer, Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF is due May 15 of the following year. Note: The 990-N due date cannot be extended, but there is no penalty for submitting it late unless it's the third (and only) year.

**Loss of Status:** You get a "Love letter" from the IRS telling you your Tax-Exempt Status has been revoked...usually for lack of filing the annual 990 form. Then you get the luxury of completing and mailing, along with your "thank you" tip of \$100 to the IRS, the Reapplication package you can get from me or Angela (Svendsen) Escobar at Supreme. After you finally get your reinstatement letter from them you need to send that with an EIN authorization form, which must be filled out, to Supreme to get back on Supreme's Master list...which you must do in order to maintain your status. The IRS will reject your filings if you do not appear on Supreme's Master list...

**PLEASE REMEMBER....YOU ARE NOT DEALING WITH RULES FROM SUPREME...** Never forget that this is "THE IRS".

By-Laws online at [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) is the source for new by-Laws for your Council or Assembly and very few choices appear in the process...for obvious reasons.

What is bugging you and your council? Can we do ??? What do I do about???

EMAIL ME.....

Lastly a word about our Trademark name, the "Knights of Columbus". Much is stirring again at Supreme due to Home Corporations and our reputation, primarily concerning the use (or unintended) use of their halls and other structures with the "Knights of Columbus" name displayed for all to see... please refer to the current message from our State Deputy to all Grand Knights and District Deputies on this subject.

If your council has a hall, or other real property, with Signs on it or near it, I need a picture of that sign for our records. If you have already complied with this request, I thank you for your quick response.

Pat Kelley  
State Advocate

## General Program Director Message



### Happy New Year!!!

When you receive this January 2014 Bulletin, the Regional meetings will be underway. If you haven't already, please attend one of these meetings as we make our way across the State.

These meetings are essential in finishing out the fraternal year as a success. It's hard to believe, but we only have 5 months before our Convention in Bellevue.

As stated in the last two Bulletins, the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity, covering January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 – December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013, is due January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014. The time is now to accumulate information from your council members and file your report on time. As stated before, the Fraternal Survey Report is one tool in retaining our Non Profit status as a Fraternal Order and is used in promoting the Knights of Columbus around the world. Please take this duty serious, our Order depends on it.

Here are a few examples of activity reported in the Monthly Service Report for November:

- Wheelchair Sunday raised \$10,115 for the Global Wheelchair Mission.
- Raised \$4,500 for Catholic Church debt relief.
- Support for Veteran Association Programs (Honor Flight, Wounded Warrior, Education Fund).
- Scholarship Breakfast for the St. Charles Borromeo School.
- Collected, prepared, and served full Thanksgiving dinner to over 600 homeless and 100 volunteers.
- Participated and submitted Supreme Council "Food for Families" reimbursement program. 2000 pounds and \$1000 were collected.
- Held Blue Mass November 10<sup>th</sup> to recognize all active duty, police, and firefighter members of the parish.
- Held 33<sup>rd</sup> annual Joseph C. Martin Thanksgiving Dinner for seniors, Religious and Clergy, and Active Service personnel. Fed over 285 people.
- Provided school scholarships to several schools totaling \$19,000.
- Issued "Student of the Month" award, plaque and gift certificate to student with high moral character and ethics during the month.

Keep the reports coming and I will see you at one of our Regional meetings.

Let's commit to a successful finish over the next 4 months.

Kim Washburn  
State Warden

## District Master's Message (East)



Worthy Sir Knights and Brothers All,

A big THANK YOU to those of you who contributed in purchasing tickets to help raise funds for the Eastern District of Washington. We attained our goal of raising sufficient funds to procure the needed equipment and supplies to set the District on a steady course. On December 15, our District Faithful Friar, Rev Richard Poole, drew the winning tickets after a Mass at St Thomas More where fourteen Sir Knights were in regalia for the Children's Christmas Program.

The first ticket drawn for \$1000 was won by Gene Platt, Assembly 3283, Spokane.

The second ticket drawn for \$500 was won by Assembly 1177, Clarkston.

The third ticket drawn for \$250 was won by Tom Bander Council 3307, Richland.

The fourth ticket drawn for \$250 was won by Bob Bieren Assembly 1171, Yakima.

Again Thank You.

One Nation Under God

Tom Sokol  
District Master

## District Master's Message (West)



Brothers, As we start the new fraternal year, we have a great opportunity for success in western Washington. The degree schedule that I have sent out seems to be working, so please send me your degrees and I will put them out on a weekly basis. I will try to make it to as many of these degrees as I can or send a representative for the district. On February 23<sup>rd</sup> we have our next 4<sup>th</sup> degree in Kent Washington. If you have candidates you should really press to get them to be there.

Every candidate to take the degree on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of February will have a chance to win a sword dating to the 1930's. To gear up for this degree, please do not hesitate to call me for any recruitment drive you might have. I would love to come out and help you recruit for your counsels, as would all of my 4<sup>th</sup> degree assemblies in the district.

Also at the fourth degree we will have a very old social Baldrick that anybody who comes to the dinner who is a 4<sup>th</sup> degree will have a chance to win. So let's make this a huge degree and get as many candidates as we can because it's not every day one of them to walk away with a very old Sword of their very own.

Eugene Daly  
Master, West



## First Degree Team Competition

The Washington's First Degree Team Ceremonial Competition is designed to accomplish two goals. The first goal is to select the 'Best of the Best' First Degree Team in Washington during the First Degree Team Ceremonial Competition. The second goal is to use the exemplification of the revised First Degree as a teaching tool for the councils' First Degree teams. All First Degree teams are invited to attend one of the six Regional Meetings held in January and observe the revised First Degree being exemplified by the State's best First Degree teams. The First Degree Team Ceremonial Competition handbook was updated and addressed the revised First Degree. The handbook is on the State's Web Page to access, download, and print.

The first award is the traveling award which has all the previous first placed teams listed. Bremerton Council 1379 will retain the award until this time next year. The second award is presented to the council for them to retain and cites them as the 'Best of the Best' in 2013. The team members and their positions are engraved. Also, each team member is presented with an individual certificate.

In 2013, we created a new award to recognize the individual team members who received the highest score for each position and at the Summer Leadership Meeting the following was announced, the Grand Knight position was Mike Donohue from Seattle Council 676, the Deputy Grand Knight position was John Devine from Bremerton Council 1379, the Chancellor position was Tommy Rosati from Bremerton Council 1379, the Financial Secretary position was Ed Herbert, Sr. from Bremerton Council 1379 and the Warden position was Ed Lakinski from St. Thomas More Council 8137. Note that three are from the First Place Team and the other two represent two other councils.

The First Degree Team Ceremonial Competition was initiated in 1986 by State Deputy George Turk. His State Ceremonial Chairman was Hector Maffei. In these twenty-eight years Washington has conducted twenty-one competitions. There were seven years that a few state deputies declined to conduct the competition. In 1996 the present First Degree Team Ceremonial Competition handbook was written. The changes primarily pertain to the growth of the state which has required increasing the number of Regional Meetings to six with the corresponding increase in regional competitions from four to six and the revised First Degree in 2005.

In the first few years the state competition was held during the State Convention between the top two first degree teams. At the first competition Federal Way Council 7528 was the recipient of the First Place Award. The team members were grand knight Bernie Moritz, deputy grand knight Wayne Moritz, chancellor Horace Suinn, many of you know Horace as the PFC in the third degree and the Defender of the Faith in the fourth degree, financial secretary Frank Hogan and warden Bob Hitchcock.

Nine councils have been awarded the plaque as the best of the best first degree team. These councils are:  
Richland Council 3307 has been awarded the first place plaque five times, 1987, 1991, 1999, 2008 and 2010. Past State Deputy Don McBride was the warden for one and deputy grand knight for four of these awards and Gary Soehnlein was the grand knight for one, chancellor for two, and the financial secretary for two for these awards. Kennewick Council 8179 also has been awarded the first place plaque five times, 1989, 1996, 1997, 1998 and 2005.

Lynnwood Council 5816 has been awarded the first place plaque three times, 2003, 2004 and 2006. Paul Roth, many of you know as the PFC in the Third Degree and the Narrator in the fourth degree, was the deputy grand knight for all three awards. Tukwila Council 11253 has been awarded the first place plaque three times, 2002, 2009, and 2011. State Advocate Pat Kelly was the chancellor for two of these awards.

We have five councils that have been awarded top first degree team once. Bremerton Council 1379 was first place in 2013. Colfax Council 1488 in 2007. This team had three knights who are related, the grand knight Dave Appel, financial secretary Eric Appel and warden Neal Appel. Toppenish Council 1699 was first place in 1988. Federal Way Council 7528 in 1986 and the first recipient. Spokane Council 8137 was first place in 2012.

Supreme, in December 2005, issued to the councils the Revised First Degree Ceremonial books. The First Degree Team Competition at the 2006 Regional Meetings played an important role in presenting these changes to the councils. Even though the First Degree Ceremonial Book was received in mid-December, the teams that were competing were requested to conduct the revised first degree. In less than a month, which included the Christmas and the New Year's holidays, the revised first degree was conducted. All councils, district deputies, and state officers were advised to bring the revised first degree ceremonial book and follow the revised degree as it was being conducted. Washington was the first jurisdiction in the Order to present the revised first degree. The teams that conducted the first degree at the Regional Meetings did an outstanding job in demonstrating the revised first degree.

Wayne Hogan PSD, FVSM, FMFD  
State Ceremonials Director

## Pregnancy and Parenting Support for All

Don McBride, IPSD

I pray that you have all had a joyful and blessed Christmas and are embarking on a Happy New Year! As we enter the new year, I am grateful to know that the leadership of the Bishops of Washington has led us closer to creating a new Catholic pro-life initiative that has been under development since Bishop Tyson addressed many of us last year and shared his vision of having an overarching program, available in every parish in Washington, that would provide support to women in pregnancy and the first years of their child's life. A good way to describe the concept is "Pregnancy and Parenting Support for All – a caring response of the Catholic Community."

So, what has been happening with this initiative since we first learned of it a year ago?

It is exciting to know that Bishop Joseph J. Tyson, Bishop Blase J. Cupich and Archbishop J. Peter Sartain have jointly discussed this initiative and have established Bishop Tyson as the "point man" to provide leadership to the task force that is building the program. The task force consists of the leaders of Catholic Charities of Yakima, Catholic Community Services of Western Washington, and Catholic Charities of Spokane. I am also proud that SD Czerwinka has appointed me to remain connected with this program as the State Officer liaison with the task force.

The program is still in its infancy – pardon the pun – as the hiring of a Pregnancy and Parenting Director is underway. It is exciting to be associated with the genesis of the program - I pray that in years to come, we can look back on these times and reflect with pride on the part we will have in shaping the future of the Catholic pro-life movement.

Our work with the KofC Ultrasound Initiative helped create the idea for a broader program to wrap around the support of the woman and her child, from prenatal through preschool age, and I met with Bishop Tyson multiple times during my term as State Deputy to discuss ways to best provide a truly Catholic response to this great need.

While we are called to continue with our support of the Supreme initiative to place ultrasound machines, the State Officers and I will work with the task force to learn more of the inter-diocese operational roles and the proposed linkage with the various Catholic Charities programs already in place. We look to have more detail in the weeks ahead. We will share that information with you as it becomes available. We will then have a better idea on what role the Knights of Columbus are being called to make in the short and long term.

Probably the best way to close this update is by providing a copy of Bishop Tyson's letter to parishioners in the diocese of Yakima. You can see and feel his commitment to the Culture of Life and to women in need of support .

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## Pregnancy and Parenting Support for All

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

*Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her.”* MT 1:18

Merry Christmas to You!

The verse above is from the Gospel of Matthew, for the Vigil Mass this Christmas. I have chosen it very intentionally as I again ask you to participate in the important work of Catholic Charities. In addition I want to tell you how we will direct a substantial portion of our *Annual Christmas Collection for Catholic Charities* and invite you to join with me and my brother bishops in Washington on a special journey, a journey that will similarly support a pregnant woman and her young child.

As the angel of the Lord appears to Joseph, he is not simply suggesting that Joseph marry Mary. Indeed, he challenges Joseph to do something much deeper and much more profound. Joseph is asked to accompany Mary on a journey; a journey that starts with Mary’s pregnancy and then the birth of the infant Jesus.

But their journey does not end at a stable in Bethlehem. Together Joseph and Mary, along with a caring and life sustaining community, must now make certain that their infant Jesus will have the love and resources to thrive.

This year, our Annual Christmas Collection for Catholic Charities will support a state-wide effort to create a clearly-identified Catholic response for women who find themselves pregnant and in need of our support to choose life and then, to journey with her and her child through and after pregnancy.

I am proudly leading this effort that will bring together the entire Catholic community across Washington, including our Catholic Charities agencies, parish volunteers and organizations like our Knights of Columbus who will together walk the this journey with a woman and a child. We know that while that child is being carried and then, during those early years that a child’s development is most substantively impacted and shaped and thus, that child’s future.

Inspired by Joseph and his commitment, I am asking you to help us begin this *“Journey for Life”* through your continued commitment to Catholic Charities and to this important work.

With gratefulness and prayers for you during this holy Christmas season, I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Joseph J. Tyson  
Bishop of Yakima

## Next Six Month Letter from State Secretary

### NEXT SIX MONTH LETTER

Listed below are important dates and information that will prove useful during the next six months of the **FRATERNAL YEAR**. If you need assistance or information, never hesitate to call your District Deputy, State Chairman or State Officer. If you have any questions about the information in this letter, please give me a call at (509) 680-3627 or send me an e-mail at [StateSecretary@kofc-wa.org](mailto:StateSecretary@kofc-wa.org).

#### IMPORTANT NOTES FOR THE NEXT 6 MONTHS

1. **PER CAPITA ASSESSMENT BILLING** - The council per capita assessment will be sent to the Grand Knight and Financial Secretary during the month of January. ***The \$9.00 per member assessment is due upon receipt and is payable without council vote.***

The per capita assessment will be based on the Supreme Council Roster updated January 1. The billing excludes inactive insurance and honorary life members and members who have qualified for special disability as of December 31, 2013. (Each council will be provided a list of its members shown on Supreme Council records as exempt from payment of dues and per capita taxes as of October 1<sup>st</sup>).

**Councils must certify their members for continuing disability and submit the certification to the Supreme Council prior to October 31.** (If the Grand Knight and Financial Secretary fail to certify the continuing disability of any member within the ninety-day period, the waiver of dues and per capita charges will be terminated.) For additional information refer to the Washington State Council Bylaws, Article VII Finances, Section 3, and Disability Exemption Guidelines, (Form #1813G).

2. **PENNIES FOR HEAVEN ASSESSMENT** - The council Pennies For Heaven assessment comes out during the month of January. As I am sure you know, Pennies For Heaven Fund is a program started years ago to help fund our Seminarian Support. The program was designed around "A Penny A Day, A Prayer A Day for vocations". Each council is encouraged to donate at least \$3.65 per member to this fund to help support our Seminarians. Because of your past generous support, we have been able to provide \$100,000 to our Bishops for vocation support each year these past few years!

3. **DEATH NOTICES/SICK NOTICES** - State Vice-Chaplain Rev. Steven Dublinski celebrates monthly Masses for deceased and ill Brothers and Family members of Knights in Washington State. In addition, a get-well card (in the case of an illness) or a card of condolence (in the case of a death) is sent to the member or next of kin by the Executive Director. The State Secretary also forwards this information to the Bulletin Editor, Ed Broadhurst, for publication.

For this process to be effective, it is imperative that the notification is accurate and timely and that the name and address and relation of the next of kin are also provided. Notifications of deaths may be transmitted to me by sending a copy of the Form 100 or any other form of written communication (e.g., by e-mail). *Note:* Information on Survivor's Assistance and a Survivor's Assistance Checklist can be found in the Grand Knight's Handbook. (Part III, 52-56)

4. **STATE DIRECTORY CHANGES** - The council should immediately inform **WSC Web Master Tim Philomeno** (via telephone (253)661-2296 or e-mail at [Webmaster@kofc-wa.org](mailto:Webmaster@kofc-wa.org)) if there are changes that need to be made to the information in the Washington State Directory. The directory available on the WSC website is updated periodically and is the most current information available.

Find the Change Form in the *Grand Knights Handbook (Part II, 31.2)* or State Web Page. All revisions to directory information will be published in the State Bulletin so that members can update and revise their directories as needed.

5. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS** – Councils must submit their Report of Officers Chosen (Form #185) immediately after the election of council officers during the month of May.

The report form is found in the Council Report Forms Booklet and is due at Supreme by **July 1st**, with copies provided to the State Deputy, District Deputy and the Council's file. (Submit directory input forms to the WSC Webmaster immediately after the elections of new officers). You don't need to wait until July....submit your completed form when elections occur so you are not rushing at the last minute.

## Next Six Month Letter from State Secretary

- 6. GROUP LIABILITY INSURANCE** – A Commercial General Liability Occurrence form provides \$5 million per occurrence and \$10,000,000 per member aggregate including auto and liquor liability. This group liability coverage may be purchased by councils wishing to participate. Your council premium will be based on the Supreme membership report of active membership as of May 1st. The cost will be known when we discuss with our insurance carrier prior to billing. We hope to keep a similar rate to that of our current rate of \$1.00 per member.

A letter stating “Group Liability Insurance Offer” will be in the Delegate Packets at the State Convention and will also be mailed to Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries in May. Additional information can be found in the Grand Knight’s Handbook, PART II, and State Council Information. (The renewal premium will be finalized after negotiation with the carrier.).

The cut-off date for responses to the State Secretary for the offer is June 30. However, if your council had not requested insurance by this date and you wish to participate, contact me for further instructions. For proof of insurance or an additional insured certificate, please contact Sheri Bardessono, 390 Bradley Blvd, Richland, WA 99352. Phone: (509) 946-6161. Fax: (509) 946-0715 E-mail: [sbardessono@paynewest.com](mailto:sbardessono@paynewest.com).

- 7. INFORMATION ON THE WASHINGTON STATE COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING (May 16 - 18, 2014, Bellevue Hilton, Bellevue, WA).**

- A. ELECTION OF CONVENTION DELEGATES** – *Certificates of Election* for the delegates and alternates to the State Convention will be sent to the Financial Secretaries during February. The State Convention will be held in Bellevue from May 16-18, 2014. The councils should hold the election of convention delegates as soon as possible after the council receives the certificates and promptly return them to the State Secretary. *NOTE that credentials forms are no longer required by the bylaws and will not be sent to the councils, but Certificates of Election are required!*

- B. RESOLUTIONS** - *The State Secretary must receive resolutions for consideration at the 2014 State Convention by March 15.* All resolutions will be reprinted and forwarded to the councils by April 15, 2014. For additional information refer to the Washington State Council Bylaws, Article III, Meetings, Section 5. Instructions on how to write a resolution are found in the Grand Knight’s Handbook, PART II, and State Council Information.

- C. CONVENTION BOOKLET** - A summary of each council's annual activities will be maintained electronically. The writing of the summary is the responsibility of the Grand Knights, District Deputies, and State Chairmen. Grand Knights should begin drafting an outline of what their council has done since the last State Convention. *The council report is due to the District Deputy by April 1.*

Each council’s report should be no longer than a single page. Guidelines and information are found in the Grand Knight’s Handbook, PART II, and State Council Information.

The District Deputies will finalize and consolidate their district’s report and convert any handwritten council reports to a typed format prior to submitting it to the State Secretary. The District Deputy should include a short report about district activities. *The deadline for submittal of reports by District Deputies and State Chairmen to the State Secretary is April 10.*

- D. MEMORIAL MASS** - In March, the State Secretary will provide councils with the names of all deceased members and family members that have been received during the year. *The councils will verify the accuracy of the list and return it to the State Secretary by April 1.*

All deceased members from the council since the last State Convention will be included. After receipt of the list from the councils, the necrology will be published and distributed at the State Convention’s Memorial Mass.

- E. ANNUAL MEETING (STATE CONVENTION) BIDS** - The Washington State Council Bylaws, as it pertains to the Annual Meeting, (State Convention), requires the State Officers to fix the place of the Annual Meeting five years in advance.

Guidelines and information for hosting the State Convention are found in the Grand Knight’s Handbook, PART II, State Council Information.

Councils desiring to host the Annual Meeting may do so by notifying the State Secretary, in writing, no later than December 31 two years prior to the Annual Meeting. The notice must be on council letterhead signed by the Grand Knight and the Financial Secretary and have the Council Seal affixed.



## Next Six Month Letter from State Secretary

8. **PLANNING ASSISTANCE** - The Grand Knight's Handbook provides a twelve-month checklist of all reports that are due. Also, each of the twelve months are separately tabbed with lists summarizing Council, District, State, Supreme, and National key dates, reminders and reports. Please use your Grand Knight's Handbook to help in this regard.

**LONG RANGE MEETING SCHEDULE** - The following is a long-range listing of important upcoming meetings of note:

<b>Summer Leadership Meetings</b> (To be held not later than the third weekend in July.)	<b>2014 - July 18 – 20</b>	<b>Red Lion, Yakima</b>
	<b>2015 - July 17 – 19</b>	<b>Red Lion, Pasco</b>
	<b>2016 - July 15 – 17</b>	<b>Red Lion, Pasco</b>
<b>WA. State Conventions</b> (The date is the first Friday following the second Sunday in May)	<b>2014 - May 16 – 18</b>	<b>Hilton, Bellevue</b> <b>(Host Council 10664)</b>
	<b>2015 - May 15 – 17</b>	<b>Doubletree, Spokane</b> <b>(Host Council 8201)</b>
	<b>2016 - May 13 – 15</b>	<b>Hilton, Vancouver</b> <b>(Host Council 4782)</b>
	<b>2017 - May 12 – 14</b>	<b>Red Lion, Olympia</b> <b>(Host Council 1643)</b>
<b>Supreme Conventions</b> (The date is the first Tuesday in August)	<b>2014 - Aug 5 - 7</b>	<b>Orlando, FL</b>
	<b>2015 - Aug 4 - 6</b>	<b>Philadelphia, PA</b>
	<b>2016 - Aug 2 - 4</b>	<b>Toronto, AB Canada</b>

Again, never hesitate to call the District Deputy, a State Chairman or State Officer for assistance. We are all there for you should you need information or assistance. If you have any questions or need advice, I'll be happy to help you.

**Continue to have a great Fraternal Year!**

Vivat Jesus,

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**Announcement from Supreme**

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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Supreme Officers  
Executive Vice Presidents  
Assistant Supreme Officers  
Department Heads  
Membership and Program Consultants

**FROM:** Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson



**DATE:** December 13, 2013

**RE:** New Supreme Officers

I am pleased to announce that, at a special meeting yesterday, the Board of Directors appointed Logan T. Ludwig as Deputy Supreme Knight and Michael J. O'Connor as Supreme Treasurer, effective immediately.

Deputy Supreme Knight Ludwig, a Past State Deputy of Illinois, was elected to the Board of Directors in 2007 and served as Supreme Treasurer since 2011. Before his work at the Supreme Council, Logan had a distinguished career in education, serving as Associate Provost for Loyola University Health Sciences for nearly 26 years.

Supreme Treasurer O'Connor, a Past State Deputy of Pennsylvania, was also elected to the Board of Directors in 2007 and was designated Assistant Supreme Advocate in 2011. Before his work at the Supreme Council, Michael founded a law firm that has 15 offices across Pennsylvania.

I know that you will join me in congratulating our new Supreme Officers, and also in expressing gratitude to Former Deputy Supreme Knight Dennis Savoie as he embarks on retirement after many years of dedicated service to the Supreme Council.

cc. Board of Directors  
State Deputies

## January 1, 2014 Membership Standings by Division (Division Leaders are Highlighted in Green)

Council	No. of Members	Quota	Net gain/loss	% gain/loss	Council	No. of Members	Quota	Net gain/loss	% gain/loss
<b>Division I - &lt; 50 members</b>					<b>Division II - 50-99 members (continued)</b>				
1606	46	4	2	50.0%	8150	98	6	0	0.0%
1823	49	4	0	0.0%	8297	97	7	0	0.0%
3044	40	4	0	0.0%	8311	88	6	2	33.3%
7149	41	4	0	0.0%	8398	61	4	0	0.0%
8266	46	4	0	0.0%	8437	76	5	0	0.0%
9605	45	4	1	25.0%	8455	83	6	0	0.0%
11085	43	4	0	0.0%	8672	92	6	0	0.0%
11736	42	4	1	25.0%	8768	85	6	0	0.0%
12002	42	4	2	50.0%	9145	80	5	0	0.0%
12420	41	4	1	25.0%	9237	51	4	0	0.0%
12483	41	4	0	0.0%	9617	89	6	2	33.3%
12889	43	4	0	0.0%	9637	54	4	1	25.0%
13422	45	4	0	0.0%	9721	54	4	0	0.0%
13462	40	4	0	0.0%	9910	62	4	3	75.0%
13761	47	4	0	0.0%	9941	56	4	0	0.0%
13831	30	4	0	0.0%	10532	72	5	2	40.0%
13834	37	4	4	100.0%	10534	59	4	-6	0.0%
14162	44	4	3	75.0%	10652	86	5	8	160.0%
14268	45	4	-2	0.0%	10664	58	4	0	0.0%
14510	34	4	0	0.0%	11252	68	5	0	0.0%
14852	49	4	0	0.0%	11253	77	5	3	60.0%
15338	26	4	6	150.0%	11357	76	5	-3	0.0%
15462	26	4	3	75.0%	11408	81	5	1	20.0%
15538	35	4	1	25.0%	11611	77	5	4	80.0%
15684	21	4	3	75.0%	11642	98	7	0	0.0%
15689	22	4	1	25.0%	11906	60	4	0	0.0%
15721	30	4	7	175.0%	12175	52	4	0	0.0%
15730	22	4	9	225.0%	12251	54	4	0	0.0%
15838	4	4	12	300.0%	12273	91	6	2	33.3%
<b>Division II - 50-99 members</b>					12786	95	7	0	0.0%
1401	91	6	1	16.7%	13186	85	6	0	0.0%
1449	59	4	0	0.0%	13364	54	4	0	0.0%
1629	86	6	-2	0.0%	13395	76	5	4	80.0%
1674	63	4	8	200.0%	13597	55	4	0	0.0%
1758	63	4	2	50.0%	13606	69	5	0	0.0%
2155	78	5	0	0.0%	13794	86	6	2	33.3%
2260	91	6	-4	0.0%	14046	76	5	2	40.0%
5177	75	5	1	20.0%	14394	55	4	5	125.0%
5495	87	6	1	16.7%	14689	93	7	3	42.9%
6706	80	5	0	0.0%	14922	69	5	10	200.0%
7117	76	5	1	20.0%	14926	55	4	2	50.0%
7360	77	5	0	0.0%	15136	83	6	3	50.0%
8102	90	6	0	0.0%	15143	55	4	3	75.0%
8136	76	5	-1	0.0%					




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Council	No. of Members	Quota	Net gain/loss	% gain/loss	Council	No. of Members	Quota	Net gain/loss	% gain/loss
<b>Division III - 100-149 members</b>					13374	148	10	-5	0.0%
829	131	8	12	150.0%	13560	103	7	2	28.6%
<b>894</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>175.0%</b>	<b>Division IV - 150-249 members</b>				
1460	133	9	0	0.0%	683	230	15	1	6.7%
1488	118	8	2	25.0%	809	238	15	1	6.7%
1550	113	7	0	0.0%	1327	155	10	-8	0.0%
1565	132	8	2	25.0%	1379	215	14	1	7.1%
1699	100	7	0	0.0%	1545	152	10	0	0.0%
2103	132	9	0	0.0%	1620	151	10	5	50.0%
2126	110	7	1	14.3%	2999	179	12	3	25.0%
2303	103	7	1	14.3%	3361	237	15	-10	0.0%
2763	140	9	2	22.2%	3598	223	14	4	28.6%
3153	123	9	0	0.0%	4196	162	11	4	36.4%
3455	143	10	0	0.0%	4385	183	12	0	0.0%
3611	106	7	2	28.6%	4782	191	12	1	8.3%
3645	121	8	5	62.5%	5816	190	12	2	16.7%
4322	134	8	3	37.5%	6097	230	16	0	0.0%
4367	137	9	3	33.3%	6686	190	13	2	15.4%
6806	120	8	4	50.0%	7642	224	15	3	20.0%
7356	100	7	0	0.0%	7908	172	12	5	41.7%
7863	137	9	0	0.0%	8137	150	10	1	10.0%
7907	128	9	3	33.3%	8201	163	11	-14	0.0%
8015	101	7	0	0.0%	8476	168	12	-10	0.0%
8079	104	7	12	171.4%	8872	182	13	3	23.1%
9434	149	10	5	50.0%	9238	208	14	1	7.1%
9664	128	9	1	11.1%	10653	173	12	5	41.7%
9833	132	9	1	11.1%	11134	163	11	1	9.1%
10543	103	7	0	0.0%	11217	167	12	1	8.3%
11478	107	7	0	0.0%	<b>12983</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>75.0%</b>
11762	127	9	-8	0.0%	<b>Division V - &gt;250 members</b>				
11780	101	7	5	71.4%	676	333	18	-10	0.0%
11789	112	7	2	28.6%	763	347	23	2	8.7%
11948	137	9	1	11.1%	766	278	18	-1	0.0%
12583	109	8	7	87.5%	1643	372	24	5	20.8%
12591	113	7	0	0.0%	3307	342	22	2	9.1%
12899	130	9	2	22.2%	7528	314	22	3	13.6%
13238	108	7	8	114.3%	<b>8179</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>68.4%</b>

**2013 VAVS Volunteer of the Year**

**TO: VAVS VICE SUPREME MASTERS, DISTRICT MASTERS, REPRESENTATIVES AND DEPUTY REPRESENTATIVES**

**FROM: GEORGE HANNA, PSD**   
**SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, FRATERNAL SERVICES**

**RE: ANNOUNCEMENT OF 2013 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS VAVS MALE VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR**

**DATE: DECEMBER 19, 2013**

On behalf of our Supreme Knight, Carl A. Anderson, the Supreme Officers, and the Board of Directors of the Knights of Columbus, it is with pleasure that we congratulate Mr. Ronald W. Katko, KofC VAVS Representative, VA Medical Center Boise, Idaho, and Mr. Robert D. Ukena, KofC Volunteer, VA Medical Center Des Moines, Iowa as the 2013 Knights of Columbus Co-Male Volunteers of the Year.

As the KofC VAVS Representative at the Boise VAMC since 2003, Sir Knight Ronald Katko has significantly improved and maintained our volunteer presence. His dedication, hard work, and leadership resulted in 1000 hours of KofC volunteer service in 2013. KofC cash and non-cash donations through his fundraising efforts totaled approximately \$2940.00 for the year. SK Katko started, and for the past ten years has run, monthly bingo. He has distributed Christmas cards with cash gifts, supported *Welcome Home* BBQ events, sponsored Outdoor Masses for veterans, placed flags on veterans' graves, provided cash donations for outdoor recreation equipment, and in this past year was responsible for an \$800.00 donation to the **Golden Age Games** from the Knights of Columbus. Over the past ten years, SK Katko's efforts have resulted in close to 4000 hours of KofC volunteer service and \$21,000 in donations.



## 2013 VAVS Volunteer of the Year

Sir Knight Robert Ukena has distinguished himself as a selfless, dedicated KofC RS Volunteer with over 250 hours of service in 2013 to the terminally ill veterans through the *"No Veteran Left Behind"* program. Since its inception in 2011, and after receipt of training in palliative care, SK Ukena has participated as a volunteer in the palliative care ward and has accumulated over 500 hours in this critical, very emotional program. In this service, he spends seven hours each Wednesday, and is on call on a continuous basis, to sit with the terminally ill and their relatives. He provides companionship when relatives are unavailable; feeds these dying patients when needed; and assists the nursing staff in settling down patients who become a problem for the nurses. In addition to this palliative care service, SK Ukena volunteers in the Community Living Center (CLC) at the VAMC and assists with patient memorial services.

It is with great pleasure that we congratulate and thank Sir Knight Ronald W. Katko and Sir Knight Robert Ukena for their accomplishments. Both are highly motivated and fully dedicated KofC RS volunteers. They demonstrate with their love of veterans what it means to *"Serve those who Served"*.

### SILVER KNIGHT AWARDS

Congratulations to Silver Knight Awardees for December 2013:

George Barth ..... Ocean Shores 15689  
Harry M. Paul ..... Hoquiam 11674

Romy B. Ablao, PGK PFN FDD FIC  
Chairman, Member Development West  
(206) 399-3515



### FAMILY OF MONTH

We extend our congratulations to the families in their selection by the Supreme Council as *"Family of the Month"*  
November 2013

Family of:

21 Washington Councils participated in this program for November 2013. Thank you for your efforts.

**INFORMATION NOT AVAILABLE AT PRESS TIME**

## From Supreme Communications



Dear Brother Knight:

Pope Francis has captured the imagination of the world. His is the most searched-for name on the internet. He is the most talked about person on Face book. And he's TIME's Person of the Year.

But who is Pope Francis? Who is Jorge Mario Bergoglio?

As you know, the Knights of Columbus has worked to bring Pope Francis and his message to the world in a variety of ways. Now, our documentary film on his life — **Francis: The Pope from**

**the New World** — is available on DVD.

The hour-long film traces the remarkable rise of our new Holy Father and features interviews from around the world, with close friends, fellow priests, co-workers, his biographer and the poor of Buenos Aires.

Councils are encouraged to work with their pastor to show the film in their parish hall and can also sell copies of the DVD at such events as a fundraiser.

Councils may purchase DVDs in batches of 10 for \$100 (\$10 each), plus the shipping cost of \$12 (for a total of \$112). For each packet of 10 DVDs purchased, the council will get a free copy of the DVD to use for ongoing screenings. The suggested retail price of the film is \$19.95, with individual DVDs available for purchase via **Amazon.com**

Copies may be purchased by directly contacting the publisher, Janson Media. Janson Media accepts payment by credit card. Please do not respond to this email. All orders should be directed to Mrs. Betsy Van Ost as noted below:

Mrs. Betsy Van Ost  
Janson Media  
118 Main Street  
Tappan, NY 10983  
Tel: 845-359-8488  
Email: **betsy.vanost@janson.com**

Any profits made by K of C on this film, will be donated to Pope Francis.

Sincerely,

Knights of Columbus

This email was sent from **info@KofC.org**.

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## Legislative Advocacy Program



Dear Brother Knights:

This is an update with State news on abortion and a recent article from Catholic World News too.

Here is a listing of State Legislative Bills that will be coming up when the Legislature begins next week, Monday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, for only 60 days this year.

**ABORTION:**

*Health coverage for voluntary termination of pregnancy, plan requirements and right of objection:* [EHB 1044](#), [HB 2148](#), [SB 5009](#), [SB 5576](#), [SB 5798](#)

*Hospital ability to provide abortion services, certificate of need review to include determination concerning:* [SB 5586](#)

*Parental notification, requirements:* [HB 1257](#), [SB 5156](#)

*Woman under age eighteen, court informed consent determination when woman rejects parental notification:* [HB 1257](#)

*Woman under age eighteen, parental notification and abortion procedure requirements:* [SB 5156](#)

Contact your local State Senator and Representative to express your views:

**FOR Parental Notification when their minor child is to be given an abortion; and,**

**AGAINST mandatory health insurance covering abortions.**

Like Smokey the Bear repeats to our children, "Only YOU can prevent forest fires!" The same goes for what our legislature chooses to pass that will impact our children of Washington State.

Only YOU can influence what we will pass on to our children!

Take a moment right now to send an email, write a letter or make a phone call to your State Senator and State Representative as their time to meet begins in days

Regards to all,

Stephen Czerwonka, Legislative Liaison

### Catholic World News:

#### Supreme Court justice stays enforcement of HHS mandate

Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor issued a temporary stay of enforcement of the HHS mandate, granting a request with Catholic plaintiffs.

With dozens of legal challenges still pending, and lower courts mixed in their rulings, a final judgment on the HHS mandate will almost certainly come from the US Supreme Court. Taking action just before the HHS mandate was due to take effect on January 1. Justice Sotomayor gave the Obama administration a deadline of January 2 for showing why the provision of the new health-care law, requiring coverage for contraception, should apply to the Little Sisters of the Poor in a Colorado case. The stay is temporary, and applies only to the Colorado plaintiffs. But the ruling from a Supreme Court justice represents another court victory for Catholic groups challenging the mandate."

## Family Chairman's Message



### SEARCHING FOR THE GOOD OLD DAYS (TIME AND PLACE LOST)

*I went searching for the happy days of growing up with faith, family and friends.*

**By STEVE SNELL**



Today I'm dealing with my impressions - impressions from the point of view of a man who has returned to his hometown after over 40 years and because of the changes feeling a little bit alienated. The people I knew are either gone or they've gotten old; this depression has driven me down to my old friend the James River. Down to the quiet of the riverbank surrounded by trees that lean over the river and help cool and protect the water home of the river wildlife. This shelter is not only a refuge for the river life, but it also offers me a place to regroup; I'm sitting on an old stump with my shoes off dangling my feet in the river. From where I'm sitting I can see the trails made over the years by cattle that came to the river for water. The cattle were as much a part of the river's eco-system as the birds and fish and other wildlife that depended on the river. From my old stump I can hear and see several varieties of birds from pheasants to sparrows all using the river.

In a short time the river has taken hold of me, I'm feeling stronger; it has turned me from a weakling into a man better able to deal with life today. I'm starting to feel a lot better so I slowly start putting my shoes on while sitting on my perch on the stump. I got one shoe on and was just starting with the other one when I felt a rustling from the other side of the stump and a few seconds' later two ears attached to a furry little head peered over the top of the stump and there we sit me and a good sized muskrat staring at each other; We just sat there staring at each other; I grabbed my other shoe and by the time I'm able to pull it on, my surprised guest is gone. I left the stump and headed back towards our old farmhouse; there is no regular path or road back just a few tracks across a space. Before long it would be early evening; the sun would start going down behind the hills and long shadows would creep down over the river and a kind of twilight softness would settle over the river and the surrounding country side.

When I was a little guy staying on the farm in the fall of the year with Grandpa and Grandma this was the time of day in which 150 to 200 deer would come down over the hills into Grandpa's cornfield in the valley right below the house. Grandma told me she thought the only reason Grandpa planted a corn crop there every year was for the deer. It was a sight I doubt you will ever see again. Many of the sights from the past will probably never be seen again or even remembered in today's world. Do they even know what they missed? Do they even care? They missed a special time and a place now in the shadows, a place lost.

I occasionally fall into the sentimental habit of remembering "the good old days" laced with strong church (I was an altar boy) and family values, missing the love and confidence of my parents and Grandparents, pining for them when the present seems lacking. In a much broader sense this "nostalgia" of mine may well be my rebellion against today's concept of time, the time of history and so called progress. As a true nostalgic, I sometimes secretly desire to change history and turn it into a private or collective library to revisit time, refusing to surrender to the irreversibility of time that plagues my human condition. I'm certain it could be interpreted that I'm in love with ghosts - perhaps this is true. I sometimes wake them from their slumber and allow them to wander my brain, my nerves, and my dreams. At times I can still see the light in a room that's no longer there; I can still smell Mom's homemade bread and I can still smell the barn full of animals when you open the door on a cold winter morning. I can still hear a voice or a song from our little church, or the way our neighbors in the choir sang the song. I hear the voices inside my ears, and in language from the past, I hear things that stir me inwardly. The voices are faint at times like the sound of the wind from across the plains or they come with the silence between the gusts of wind. In the sound lies my sadness, but I don't want to stop listening - indeed, I can't stop listening.

I thought that I would live my whole life in and around my hometown; deep down I felt that this little town had everything I would ever need. My church, my family and my friends were the pilot lights that kept my heart beating; **then we left, dad and mom moved our whole family....** my life was out of my control back then, it was so hard to go. The last day my friends stood by me in the rain and we laughed, we made promises we couldn't keep and no one knew my pain, we just stood there my friends and I in the rain.

*Today I want what Grandma, Grandpa, Mom and Dad had.* In my youth I was here and there, bouncing back and forth. Wherever I went growing up, I squandered some rare possessions in some shameless ways, but slowly I've learned (what all wise folks have realized since the beginning of time) that the only treasures which are truly ours are those we store in the hearts of family and friends.

## Community Chairman's Message



I trust that all my Brother Knights had a blessed Christmas with family and friends and are excited about the coming New Year. I know that I am! We are truly fortunate to be part of this wonderful Church as well as this growing fraternal organization. Let's all make a pledge to bring a new brother into our own councils in the remaining months of this fraternal year.

I want to thank the councils, assemblies and individuals that have contributed to the Philippine Relief effort. If you have made plans to donate, I am sure that monies and efforts would still be greatly appreciated. In addition, the Coats for Kids effort has grown since last year. Thank you! Grand Knights, if you did not participate in this worthy community event this year, please make plans and place on your calendar for the next fraternal year. While you are at it, plan to conduct donating to the wheelchair campaign next year. Both of these events are fun, exciting and worthwhile and remember, councils with active and dynamic programs recruit more members and have more vibrant councils.

It is not too early to begin planning for your community service program submission in April. Council Program Chairman may want to select someone to write the award and start gathering photographs of the event. Some detailed information is helpful on your awards, i.e., number of knights that participated, event chairman, amount of money raised/contributed, money spent on project, man-hours invested, percentage of the council that participated in this service event and result or outcome of the event. All service award submissions must be received on time and submissions must be on the correct form and in the correct formats. Only one (1) submission per council per service area is acceptable. Community awards can be submitted to me by e-mail. More on Community Service Program award's submissions in the coming months.

I hope to see many of you at the upcoming regional meeting in your area. Remember, to get the necessary members to this function. Grand Knights, Financial Secretaries and Program Directors should attend. Deputy Grand Knights and one or two program chairmen are welcome. I can assure you that with effective participation from your council, the remainder of this fraternal year will exceed your expectations of success! Happy New Years!

Ron Girkins  
State Community Chairman  
[rongirkins@msn.com](mailto:rongirkins@msn.com)

## FS Trainers Tips and Tricks for FS, GK and Council Officers

Brother FSs. By the time you read this, The East Side Winter Regionals will have been conducted and we apologize for the inability to provide training in Spokane and Yakima that weekend. I am out of State and David has a broken leg. We decided not to offer in Spokane as we had just done so in September and will provide a spring session in Yakima this year. FS Mike Pritchard will provide training Jan 11-12 in Lacey and I will fly to Seattle Jan 18 and 19 to provide classes there. Thanks, Mike for your kind assistance.

By now, you have done 1st notice billing. If you reviewed your member ledgers and found that unpaid voluntary assessments had not been cleared out on your assigned date, you may not be aware that there is an action to be taken by you on that date to do a global waiver on those unpaid voluntary items.

This time of year, the question comes up why the "paid through" date on a member's ledger reflects a prior year when an adjustment of some kind has been made and you don't know how to advance that date. The simple answer is that the only thing that moves that date is the receipt and processing of a money payment. However, if you have made the member's status "Dues are Current", the membership card will print out as "paid through Dec 2014". If next year, the member makes a payment the paid through date will be corrected for that current year.

According to the combined records of all councils, we have 7586 members who are 1st degree. Unfortunately, this group includes members who are or have been officers. This means the data is incorrect. Please run Standard report 12 for 1st degree and review and update records. Also, ask your members to confirm the accuracy of their new membership cards. If you know a member is of a higher degree, you can simply update his status to that degree by checking the "yes" box in Fraternal info. And check for 2nd and 3rd degree if he is a 3rd degree. If you have questions, feel free to contact me on this issue.

Are you dealing with missing members research? If you have not received my handout of websites and ideas of how to locate these members, please email me and I will provide. I have received communications from Supreme of a future change in administering the process. Here is part of that correspondence.

"We are looking at plans that would make the Bad Address indicator a check box, so that users could update this check box, which would then notify the Supreme Council that the address is no longer valid. Or just the opposite, when we say it is an invalid address, when in fact a good address, the user can uncheck this indicator, and this will notify Supreme that this is a valid address.



## Hispanic Membership



Brother Knights (Caballeros de Colon);

We are truly blessed. Another year has passed, and our Lord has bestowed us with His love and guidance. Let us praise His Holy Name, Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

In the less than a year since he ascended the throne of Saint Peter, Pope Francis has hit the Church of Rome like an embracing whirlwind. He is considered the “People’s Pope”, for his ability to connect with people on various levels. Time Magazine crowned him “Person of the Year”, while Esquire Magazine has dubbed him “Best Dressed Man”. Earlier this month, Pope Francis celebrated his 77th birthday over breakfast with four homeless men and a dog. This Pope breathes new life into our world, and benefits every person, regardless of their religion. Pope Francis made mention of immigrants, tending to God’s children worldwide, he calls us to missionary discipleship in our own parishes and communities. We must act to meet the needs of today, the laity must do all that it can to transform today’s culture of death society, those wrapped in themselves and not according to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

In Washington State and across the country, people have migrated to the US with nothing more than the clothes they wear. Seeking hope for a better life, immigrants take jobs few Americans want. They work long hours for little pay, and have become part of our American culture, and our American history.

At the Lady of Guadalupe Celebration in Mexico City, Supreme Knight Anderson spoke of the many goals we’ve yet to meet in Latin America. As Knights, we must be proactive in speaking with immigrants so they don’t stray from the church. We must all do our part, as Disciples of Christ, to encourage others to take part in church activities, and become members or Caballeros de Colon.

While traveling to Yakima last month, true dedication was witnessed at St Joseph’s parish in founding of a new Redonda de Familias; will fulfill Holy Redeemers request to have the in early 2014. Dedicated members and Priests united the Hispanic community under the blessings of our Lord and banner of the Caballeros de Colon and held a bi-lingual 1<sup>st</sup> degree. In January, the first Mesa Redonda de Familias meeting will be held; history will be made in this city, hopefully other parishes will follow throughout the Yakima Valley.

Mesas Redonda idea come about through the guidance of our Lady of Guadalupe, to inspire greater family life, families working together in works of charity and being examples to children that someday will be the church of tomorrow.

In my Christmas letter to Priests that celebrate Spanish mass, mentioned the success of Mesas Redondas in Washington State. I continue to receive requests for information from non-active councils and work to see that all requests are filled. We need more positive action on the part of Councils, so that we can continue to grow our membership in 2014. The idea is more than growth in membership; it’s uniting a culture, bringing them closer in Christ as families and our learning more about devotion to the Mother of God, Mary of Guadalupe, and learning of greater ties on family life.

As Hispanic Membership Chairman, I stand ready to help any council willing to go the extra mile. Our “Recruitment Fiesta” system has proven successful, and simply involves a little preparation, planning and implementation. I presently have Raymond, Yakima (Holy Redeemer) and Goldendale on a tentative calendar, and can add additional locations as requested.

Council Officers ... please establish your goals for 2014, do you wish to be a star or double star council. Only you can make that choice.

Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson said, “are we closed in on ourselves, in our own groups, in our own little churches? Or do we love the great Church, Mother Church, and the Church that sends us out on a mission and brings us out of ourselves”.

Let us think as Christ asks of us, to think as missionaries, inviting those that need an invitation to come closer to His Church, the Catholic Church established by the Most Holy One, St Peter as the first Pope: it maybe that no one has asked those you are planning to meet and invite, soon.

Viva Cristo Rey,

Ygnacio (Mike) Calderon

Hispanic membership/Guadalupe Silver Rose State Chairman

## Hispanic Membership



Hermanos Caballeros de Colón

Realmente hemos sido bendecidos, ha pasado otro año, y Nuestro Señor derramó en nosotros su amor y sabiduría. ¡¡Bendito sea el Señor!!

Hace menos de un año desde que ascendió al trono de San Pedro, el Papa Francisco, ha llegado a la Iglesia de Roma igual que un gigantesco torbellino.

Es considerado el “Papa del Pueblo” por su habilidad de comunicarse con la gente de diferentes niveles, La revista Time lo nombró “persona del año” la revista Esquire lo nombró, el hombre mejor vestido, este año el Papa celebró su cumpleaños 77, con un desayuno en el que invitó a 4 personas indigentes y un perro. Este Papa inspira nueva vida en nuestro mundo. Y beneficia a toda persona, sin considerar su religión. El Papa Francisco mencionó a los inmigrantes en el mundo, como los hijos de Dios, y nos llama a ser misioneros en nuestras propias parroquias y comunidades. Debemos actuar para atender las necesidades de ahora. Los laicos debemos hacer todo lo posible para transformar la cultura de muerte de nuestra sociedad, esos aislados en ellos mismos y que no actúan de acuerdo al Evangelio de Jesucristo.

En nuestro estado de Washington y en todo el país. Los inmigrantes han llegado con nada mas que ropas que traen puestas, buscando una esperanza para una mejor vida, han empezado en los trabajos que muy pocos americanos quieren, trabajan muchas horas por una paga muy pequeña, así han llegado a formar parte de la cultura y la historia Americana.

Durante la celebración de la aparición de la Virgen de Guadalupe en la Ciudad de México, el Supremo Caballero de Colón, habló de las múltiples metas que debemos lograr en América Latina. Como Caballeros debemos ser proactivos al hablar con los inmigrantes para que no se aparten de la Iglesia. Todos debemos hacer nuestra parte, como discípulos de Cristo, debemos invitarlos a que tomen parte de las actividades de la Iglesia y que se conviertan en Caballeros de Colón.

En un viaje a Yakima, WA. Durante el mes pasado fuimos testigos de una verdadera dedicación en la Parroquia de San José, cuando se estableció una nueva Mesa Redonda de Familias, fuimos invitados por la parroquia del Santo Redentor a que se haga otra mesa Redonda, a los principios del 2014. Varios miembros Caballeros en Yakima, unidos con los sacerdotes, lograron unir a la comunidad hispana bajo la bendición de Nuestro Señor, y la bandera de los Caballeros de Colón, para llevar a cabo el primer Grado Bilingüe. Ellos celebrarán la primera reunión de la Mesa Redonda de Familia en Enero. Con esto ellos estarán haciendo historia en la ciudad de Yakima, y esperamos que otras parroquias nos sigan en el Valle de Yakima.

He enviado una carta a los Sacerdotes que celebran misas en español, mencionando el éxito de las Mesas Redondas en el Estado de Washington, y me han solicitado más información algunas parroquias que no tienen mesas redondas; Así que estoy trabajando para enviarles toda la información. Necesitamos más acciones positivas de parte de los Consejos de los Caballeros de Colón, para que podamos continuar con el crecimiento de membrecías durante 2014. La idea es más que solamente crecer en membrecías; es sobre todo unir las culturas, acercándonos todos juntos a Cristo como familia y mejorar nuestro conocimiento acerca de la devoción a la Madre de Dios, La Virgen de Guadalupe, y conocer mejores lazos en la vida familiar.

Como el Ejecutivo de la membrecía Hispana, estoy listo para ayudar a cualquier Consejo que quiera avanzar la milla extra, nuestro sistema de la “Fiesta de reclutamiento” ha sido privada con éxito, con un poco de preparación planeación e implementación. Actualmente tenemos a Raymond, Yakima, (Santo Redentor) y Goldendale en una fecha tentativa, y podemos agregar más parroquias a la lista.

Oficiales de los Consejos, por favor establezcan sus metas para 2014, si desean obtener una o dos estrellas para su Consejo, solamente ustedes pueden hacer la diferencia.

El Supremo Caballero Carl Anderson, preguntó, ¿“Estamos encerrados en nosotros mismos, en nuestros propios grupos, en nuestras pequeñas Iglesias” o Amamos nuestra grandiosa Iglesia, Madre Iglesia, la Iglesia que nos manda como misioneros y nos saca de nosotros mismos”? Pensemos en lo que Cristo nos pide, pensar como misioneros, invitando a los que necesitan una invitación para acercarse a Su Iglesia. La Iglesia Católica que El fundó, piensa en la gente con quien te vas a reunir dentro de poco, es posible que nadie les haya invitado antes a acercarse a la Iglesia, ¡¡ Invítalos tú!!

Ygnacio (Mike) Calderón

Delegado de la Membrecía Hispana/Rosa de Plata de Guadalupe

## Council Chairman's Message



### COUNCIL DUES ARE IN THE MAIL

The Financial Secretary has prepared for distribution your councils' dues billing for the fraternal year 2014. If the dues went out by mail, many of the Financial Secretaries will receive some back because of bad addresses.

Is your council one of those? Do you know many of our councils have lost contact with some their members? In the 35 districts that the State of Washington is divided into we have several hundred "lost" members.

How long will your council officers carry these members before starting the process of dropping them? This is a big retention issue. How much effort is put forth by the council officers to let its members know of members with bad addresses? I have seen the list first hand of a member whose last name is the same as one or several members of the same council. Enlist the councils' members help. Reach out to the Parish by way of the Sunday Bulletin. Someone knows where the "lost" member is.

Let's not lose members because we have failed to keep in touch with them. A letter with a first class stamp every six months with a return address requested sent to **all** members (members, honorary members and Honorary Life members) will help solve the problem.

Let's solve this retention issue at the council level. Close the backdoor to losing members. Let's keep the council and state growing strong in membership.

John Rowley, PGK, PFN, FDD  
State Council Chairman  
[Council@kofc-wa.org](mailto:Council@kofc-wa.org)

## Wheelchair Program

As the State Wheelchair Program Chairman, I'm asking all councils to make a 2014 resolution. I'm asking that all councils send \$150 to our State Secretary for the purchase of one wheelchair. The council may distribute or you can let the State distribute.

What a beautiful gift that would be, Councils, Assemblies and individuals coming together to deliver mobility into the lives of people with physical disabilities who have no means to acquire a wheelchair. It has been estimated that each wheelchair improves an average of ten lives! Do your part and let's improve the lives of someone in the State of Washington.



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## Culture of Life Chairman's Message



Dear Brothers,

The anniversary of the US Supreme Court Roe V Wade decision is on January 22nd. This year the Washington State March for Life will be held on Tuesday, January 21st. The March begins at noon but there will be a Mass, with Archbishop Sartain presiding, at St Martin's University (see flyer below) before the march. The march last year had so many people in attendance that not only were the Capital steps full, but the steps of the Justice Center building were also full. It is truly an inspiring event and helps to rekindle the Pro-Life fire inside of us to go into the world and promote the "Culture of Life".

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2014**  
**9:30 AM PRO-LIFE MASS**

Archbishop  
**J. Peter Sartain**  
 Presiding

**Saint Martin's UNIVERSITY**  
 5308 Pacific Ave SE, Lacey

After Mass travel from St. Martin's to the:  
**"Washington State March for Life"**

PARKING INFORMATION:  
[http://www.knightskolumbus.org/Usen/CF/General/4201\\_MarchforLife/DrivePark.pdf](http://www.knightskolumbus.org/Usen/CF/General/4201_MarchforLife/DrivePark.pdf)

*After the March for Life*  
**March Participants are Invited to**  
**SACRED HEART PARISH in Lacey**  
**For A Complimentary Lunch**  
**Provided by Knights of Columbus**

Fr. Patrick McDonnell  
 Pastor

Bus parking is available for the lunch  
 at Sacred Heart Parish, Lacey.

For more information:  
 e-mail: STFRANCISOLY@AOL.COM

### CULTURE OF LIFE NEWS

#### Abortion Breast Cancer Link – News From China (of all places)

Because of the forced abortion policy in China, I was astonished that researchers there concluded that the dramatic increase in breast cancer, observed in China, is associated with the prevalence of induced abortions (IA) under the One-Child Policy. Because this research was performed in China, it only adds to the credibility of the study. The study, conducted by a team of epidemiologists from Tianjin Medical University Cancer Hospital, analyzed data from over 36 different studies in both the United States and China. Their conclusion:

**The study found that one IA increases a woman's risk of breast cancer by 44 percent, two by 76 percent, and three by 89 percent.**

The study notes that historically, China has had low breast cancer rates when compared with Western nations, but "the incidence of breast cancer in China has increased at an alarming rate over the past two decades." The study notes that this rise "was paralleled to the one-child-per-family policy." The introduction of the policy has led to a dramatic increase and acceptance of induced abortion in China, where "approximately 40 pregnancies are aborted for every 100 living births." This figure calculates out to an abortion rate of 28.5%. What's shocking is that in the United States the abortion rate is not far behind China's at 23%, while in New York city the abortion rate is 40%. And these figures do not even consider induced abortion that can be attributed to birth control pills.

Grace and Peace from our God our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ,  
 Andrew and Joanne Kopriva  
 Culture of Life Couple



## A New Year's Resolution



### A Christmas Tree Forest



When you start with fun and enthusiasm in a council...



### A Convention of Frosty's



And you get every one to pitch in,  
broom in hand...



### International Service Program Award For Community Service



Second Place in the World

This is what you can achieve! Make  
your resolution and get started  
today .

**Congratulations  
Colbert Council 8872**

**Second Place in the World**



## FATHER MICHAEL MCGIVNEY GUILD



### Honor Our Founder and Join the Guild

Our founder, Fr. Michael J. McGivney is continually moving toward sainthood.

We need to get the word out that we are not a secret society. We are an organization that bases its principles on Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. These principles are the bedrock of the Knights of Columbus.

You joined the Knights of Columbus because you saw something that appealed to you. You saw an opportunity to give back or help improve the lives of those in need. You believe in what Fr. McGivney asked so many years ago of a small group of men. I'm asking you to take another step for Fr. McGivney.

As the Father McGivney Guild State Chairman, I'm asking you to reflect upon your knighthood and join the Guild.

To join go to: [fathermcgivney.org](http://fathermcgivney.org) or see the coupon on the back page of this bulletin

Take a moment to pray to Fr. McGivney as well for Fr. McGivney and his canonization.

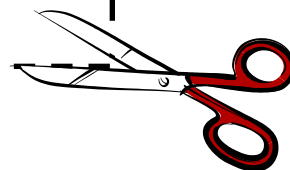
John Rowley, PGK, PFN, FDD  
 Father McGivney Guild State Chairman  
 FRMCGIVNEY@KOFC-WA.ORG

The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild serves as a source for information about the life, works and spirituality of Father McGivney. The Guild distributes informational materials about him, receives reports of favors granted through his intercession and oversees the distribution of relics. Guild members receive regular updates on the progress of Father McGivney's cause for canonization and are invited to participate in promoting devotion to this Servant of God. Members of the Knights of Columbus are not automatically Guild members and must elect to join the Guild. The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild Newsletter is published bimonthly except July- August, and is sent free to Guild members. To join the Guild, fill in and submit this form. Fields marked with an asterisk (\*) are required.

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Rev, Mr., Mrs, Miss, Dr) First\* Middle Last\* Suffix

Address\* \_\_\_\_\_ City\* \_\_\_\_\_ State\* Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Country\*

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_



## Vocations Chairman's Message



### We Are Not Alone!

The Knights of Columbus is not the only organization with a strong commitment to promoting vocations. Serra International is a lay apostolate for vocations in the Catholic Church. Serra Clubs and Councils are located in major cities around the globe. Serra is a voluntary association of some 20,000 Catholic lay men and women called Serrans. Each Serran is a member of a local Serra Club sanctioned by the Ordinary of the diocese in which the Serra Club is located.

Since it was founded in 1935, in Seattle, Washington, U.S.A., Serra has chartered 1,109 Serra Clubs in 46 countries on six continents, including clubs in Seattle, Spokane and Yakima, WA.

Not only because of his place in American history as the founder of a chain of missions along the California coast, but also because of his life of priestly zeal and heroic virtue, Fray Junipero Serra OFM was chosen as the organization's patron. This gifted Franciscan friar had occupied the *Duns Scotus* chair of philosophy in Mallorca until he felt the call to commit himself further to the service of Christ as a missionary in the New World. Departing from Cadiz in Spain in 1748, he made the perilous crossing of the Atlantic Ocean in a small ship, landing at Veracruz on the southern shore of the Gulf of Mexico. From there, he journeyed on foot to the Capital (Mexico City) where tradition has it that he prayed at the church built over the famous site where the Virgin of Guadalupe appeared to St. Juan Diego in 1531.

Fray Junipero Serra was transferred to the Sierra Gorda region at his own request, and was appointed President of the Sierra Gorda missions in 1751. To get there, he made the arduous journey across the Sierra Madre mountain range. After nine years, he was asked to undertake his missionary work some 1,200 km away on the Pacific coast of the North American continent, much of the time suffering with an ulcerated leg. Fr. Serra and his fellow Franciscan friars eventually established a chain of missions in Alta California and worked tirelessly to bring Christ to the indigenous peoples. After a lengthy period of demanding missionary activity, Fr. Serra died at his favorite Mission Carmel in 1774. Despite the fact that, during his time as a missionary, Father Serra had very little involvement with promoting priestly vocations, today it can only be considered providential that a holy priest who demonstrated such zeal for souls would be chosen as the patron of a global vocations apostolate, considering that the primary focus of its work is fostering and promoting vocations to the holy priesthood and to supporting the sacred ministry of priests, those who spend and consume themselves for the salvation of souls.

Fr. Serra was **beatified** by **Pope John Paul II** on September 25, 1988.

Serra's objectives and purposes are:

- To foster and promote vocations to the ministerial priesthood in the Catholic Church as a particular vocation to service, and to support priests in their sacred ministry
- To encourage and affirm vocations to consecrated religious life in the Catholic Church
- To assist its members to recognize and respond in their own lives to God's call to holiness in Jesus Christ and through the Holy Spirit.

For more information about Serra Clubs in your area follow these links:

Serra Club International: <https://www.serra.org/>

Serra Club Seattle: <http://www.seattleserra.org/>

Serra Club Spokane: <http://serraclubofspokane.com/>

**PRIESTS, BROTHERS, NUNS.  
THEY NEED US.  
WE NEED THEM.**

*Vocations Are Everybody's Business*

**Sick Notices December 2013**

David Denton State Deputy of Oregon  
 Archbishop Emeritus Alexander Brunett ..... Seattle 676  
**Council** ..... Everett 763  
 John Reed PGK  
 Viola Brown, wife of Gene Brown FS  
 Judy Whalen, Wife of Brother Tyrone Whalen  
 Mary Gregoire, Widow of Deceased Brother Herman Gregoire  
 Michael Sullivan, Clifford Spjut, Frank Hearon, Frank Marchi  
**Council** ..... Tacoma 809  
 Luke Beardemphi, Michael Edmonds  
 Kevin Flike  
 Most Rev Carlos A Sevilla, S.J. State Chaplain ..... Yakima 894  
 Sheila Hebert, wife of Ed Hebert ..... Bremerton 1379  
**Council** ..... Pasco 1620  
 Jeff Spinler, Angie Spinler, Peter McEnderfer, Russell Ng  
 Fr John Birk  
 Wayne Butler ..... Puyallup 1629  
**Council** ..... Uniontown 1823  
 Bruce Hughes, Albert Richard, Dick Wittman  
**Council** ..... Camas 2999  
 George Zeleznik, Joe Borja  
 Mannie Aguilar DD 20 ..... Spokane 8137  
**Council** ..... Spokane 4196  
 Carmine Lombardi, Ken Jansen, Andy Foss, Marshall La Cour  
 Pansey Marro - Mother of Brothers Anthony & Michael Marro  
 Phyllis Lamb - Spouse of Brother Roy Lamb  
 Sue Galles - Spouse of Brother Ed Galles  
 Ann Gunning - Mother-in-law of GK Shelley Hays  
 Elaine Tai - Spouse of Brother Bill Tai  
 Richard Diehl - Father of Brother Jim Diehl  
 Laura Martinez - Spouse of Brother & Deacon Chalo Martinez  
**Council** ..... Lakewood 4322  
 Ed Emelia, Thomas Wiese, Mike Kapala  
 Robert & An So Farkas  
 Lori Hogan, wife of Wayne Hogan VSM  
 Bill Jones & wife Sarah  
 Ernie Oliver Sr & wife Dorcus  
 Anna Golebiewski, wife of Joseph Golebiewski PGK  
 Anne Oliver, wife of Ernie Oliver Jr  
 Bernice Navarre, wife of Christopher Navarre  
 Marge Warren, wife of Robert Warren  
 George Turk, PSD ..... Bellevue 4385  
**Council** ..... Marysville 7863  
 Jose Garcia, Robert Welch, Vince Bookey  
 Mary Beth Mantow, daughter of Mark Mantow  
**Council** ..... Spokane 8137  
 Denis Roble  
 Bob Sherrod  
 Hector Aguilar  
**Council** ..... Kennewick 8179  
 Kyle Hadley, Wife of Karl Hadley PSD  
 Ruth Hadley, Mother of Karl Hadley PSD  
 BettyJo Moreland, mother of Patrick Moreland ..... Spokane 8398  
 Linda Egan wife of Ray Egan

**Sick Notices December 2013 continued**

**Council** ..... Sequim 8455  
 Joseph Jezik, Floyd Norcott  
 Dr Bill Stilwater, Deacon ..... Selah 8768  
**Council** ..... Colbert 8872  
 Del Murray, Tom Dolan, Tom Blake  
 George & Marie Benton  
 Jim & Ann Bonner  
 Mike & Kathy DeRosier  
**Council** ..... Yakima 6097  
 Donald Lessard, Rev Ronald Patnode  
**Council** ..... Spokane 9237  
 Deacon Don Whitney, Roger Cole, Cruz Nacacio  
 David Konzek FS Consultant ..... Kennewick 10653  
 Most Rev. Monfort Stima ..... Seattle 11085  
**Council** ..... Spokane 11134  
 Ashley Cartagena, wife of Guillermo Cartagena  
 Michael Cartagena, son of Guillermo Cartagena  
 Vicki Schmitt, wife of Mike Schmitt  
**Council** ..... Tukwila 11253  
 Tess Kelley, wife of Pat Kelly, State Advocate  
 Pat Kelly, State Advocate  
 Donna DiGirolamo, wife of GK Robert DiGirolamo  
 ..... Langley 11357  
**Council** ..... Kirkland 11408  
 Bill Davis, Marcus Dunsmore, Greg Lum  
 Larry McWilliams, GK, FFS ..... Mercer Island 11642  
 Dave Moorby ..... Black Diamond 11736  
 John M Wallace IPSD ..... Lakewood 11762  
**Council** ..... Covington 11780  
 Polly Gilyeat & Valarie Turma, sisters in law of Scott Gilyeat  
 Dorothy Fouquet, Mother-in-Law of Ron Cunningham  
 Jennifer Beckie, Wife of Adrian Beckie  
 Juana Capuli, Mother-In-Law of Doug Patke  
 Ben Dario, Malcolm Chang, William Arrigoni  
 Jerry McMahon, Scott Gilyeat, Thomas LaCour  
 Michael Beavin, William Arrigoni, Otto Fink,  
 Bonnie Cacchione, Sister-in-Law of Angelo Battisti  
 Joan Elisha, wife of Jerome Elisha  
 Steven Palmer, nephew of Scott Gilyeat  
 Fammari LaSharr, wife of Richard LaSharr  
 Rudy Bien-Aime & family

**Sick Notices December 2013 continued**

**Council** .....Belfair 12002  
 Allan & Crista Elder  
 Steven & Leslie LeFebre  
 Tony & Alicia Peredo  
 James Berry  
 Grace Hochhaus, wife of Don Hochhaus

**Council** ..... Colville 12273

Russ Larsen, Michael Huff, Elaine Huff  
 Robert S Stefanowicz, son in law of  
 SD George Czerwonka ..... Spokane 12583

**Council** .....Edmonds 12591

Walter Davis III  
 William Brayer , Thomas Moons, Noah Noaker  
 Fr Ken Haydock  
 Thomas McCarthy  
 Grace Steiner, wife of Bart Steiner  
 Barbara Fanger, wife of Frank Fanger  
 John McAlerney  
 Patricia Collins, wife of James Collins

**Council** .....Vancouver 12899  
 Duane L Vincent PGK

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

*God our Father,  
 Your power brings us to birth,  
 Your providence guides our lives,  
 and by Your command we return to dust.*

*Lord, those who die still live in Your presence,  
 their lives change but do not end.  
 I pray in **hope** for my family,  
 relatives and friends,  
 and for all the dead known to You alone.*

*In company with Christ,  
 Who died and now lives,  
 may they rejoice in Your kingdom,  
 where all our tears are wiped away.  
 Unite us together again in one family,  
 to sing Your praise forever and ever.  
 Amen.*

**Prayers for the deceased Brothers and family members or those in need of pray be reported to WSS Ed Parazoo and Bulletin@kofc-wa.org We clear the lists semi-annually (Aug 1 & Feb 1) Please keep us apprized of those in need on a regular basis.**

**> 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.**

**December 2013**

Rev Msgr James Ribble ..... Spokane 683  
 William Pontarolo Sr ..... Walla Walla 766  
 Douglas Bonnieprise ..... Vancouver 1327  
 Bernard DeGrave ..... Vancouver 1327  
 Duane McCune ..... Vancouver 1327  
 Joseph McKeirnan ..... Pomeroy 1460  
 John R McGreevy ..... Pomeroy 1460  
 Earl Brown ..... Camas 2999  
 Bob Johnson ..... Spokane 4196  
 Bill McElroy ..... Spokane 4196  
 Joseph Leonard ..... Yakima 6097  
 Paul Livingston ..... Bothell 6686  
 Norm Michel PGK ..... Bothell 6686  
 David Walton ..... Spanaway 6806  
 Richard Brendley ..... Ferndale 7356  
 Deacon Ted Wiese ..... Seattle 8437  
 Bob Youngs ..... Seattle 8437  
 Dolan Lannon PGK ..... Sequim 8455  
 Donato Malgesini ..... Snohomish 9664  
 Jim Hill ..... Deer Park 9721  
 James R Boespflug ..... Covington 11780  
 Richard Cogswell ..... Covington 11780  
 Joseph Heck ..... Vancouver 12899  
 David Lamm ..... Vancouver 12899  
 Robert Amos ..... Vancouver 12899

**Family Members' Deaths**

**December 2013**

Marie Polis, mother of Vincent Polis ..... Clarkston 3455  
 Greg Wiese, son of Ted and Brother of Paul Wiese . Seattle 8437  
 Donella Marty, wife of Don Marty ..... Seattle 8437  
 Ruth McConnon, wife of David McConnon ..... Gig Harbor 9238  
 Carmine Lombardi Jr, Father of Jim Lombardi ... Spokane 11134  
 William Hyslop, Father of Nick Hyslop ..... Woodinville 14046  
 Donna Updyke, Mother of Terry DePolo ..... Woodinville 14046  
 Sandra Cobb, Wife of Donald Cobb ..... Woodinville 14046





## Coats for Kids

The Coats for Kids program is enjoying a record year...and Winter hasn't even officially started yet! With over 1000 councils purchasing and distributing nearly 50,000 coats, the Knights of Columbus is helping to make this Winter a bit warmer for kids throughout North America.

December is typically a busy Coats for Kids month, and this year is proving to be no exception to that rule. And most councils placing orders now are doing so with the hope and intent to distribute the coats prior to Christmas. In order to help councils meet that goal, I ask you to make the councils in your jurisdiction aware for the following deadlines:

- \* For orders being shipped to Canada, anything submitted after Monday, December 9 runs the risk of not being received prior to Christmas using standard shipping. Of course, expedited shipping is always an option, but this would entail additional costs for the council. And deliveries to councils located in the Maritime Provinces are experiencing longer transit times than those for the rest of Canada, so please encourage those councils to get orders to us this week if possible.
- \* For orders shipped within the United States, anything submitted after Friday, December 13 runs the same risks described above.

I know that many of you are having your mid-year meetings this weekend. Please remind the attendees of these deadlines, and also use the communications capabilities you have at your disposal to otherwise spread the word throughout your jurisdiction. I have attached a Coats for Kids order form for your reference. In addition, councils placing orders can always call me (203-752-4616) or Aaron Ferguson (203-752-4625). We'd be happy to take orders over the phone.

Finally, remember that January and February are plenty cold in most of the United States and Canada. There is no reason for Coats for Kids activity to stop after Christmas. Keep those orders coming!

Fraternally,

Robert J. Ennis, FICF  
Director, Fraternal Operations & Programs



*Knights make Winter Warmer for Needy Children*

*This winter will not be so cold for a group of Clallam County children because of gifts of coats provided by the Knights of Columbus of St Joseph's Church, Sequim. Over 60 coats were received by the Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Program, Clallam County Juvenile and Family Services and 11 coats were received by the St Vincent dePaul, Sequim from the Knights. Coats will be distributed by CASA and St Vincent dePaul directly to children through schools and to agencies in Clallam County who serve children in need.*



*The "Coats for Kids" program is an outgrowth of the Knights "Help a Child in Need" campaign, which began in 2006. Altogether, the Knights of Columbus expect to distribute more than 30,000 coats this winter across the U.S. and Canada. Helping children in need was a fundamental reason for the formation of the Knights of Columbus in 1882 and continues to be a very important component of their work today.*

*The Knights of Columbus is the world's largest lay Catholic organization with more than 1.7 million members worldwide. Last year, Knights gave more than 70 million hours of their time to charitable causes and donated more than \$158 million to charity.*

*With the current cold snap these coats will have a huge impact on children in need in Clallam County.*



## 4th Degree Exemplification January 2014

### FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

The first of six Fourth Degree Exemplifications will be held on **Saturday, January 25 2014**, at **Holy Family Parish**, 5502 W Chestnut Ave and 5315 Tieton Drive, Yakima, WA 98908

The Host Assembly is **Fr. Joseph Caruana Assembly 1171**

**District Master Thomas J. Sokol 509 993 2903 or email [thomas@tjsappraisals.com](mailto:thomas@tjsappraisals.com)**

The **Faithful Navigator** is Ronald Gamache (509-972 -2969)

The **Faithful Comptroller** is **Shane Smith** (509-576-0234)

The degree team is the Eastern Washington Fourth Degree Team

### EXEMPLIFICATION HONOREE

The honoree for this Fourth Degree Exemplification is Urban Beaudry

### EVENT TIME SCHEDULE

ACTIVITY	TIME	LOCATION
Registration	12:30 pm - 1:45 pm	KofC Hall, 5502 W Chestnut Ave
Lunch	12:30 pm	KofC Hall, 5502 W Chestnut Ave
Exemplification	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Fr Murtaugh Gathering Hall, Holy Family Church
Ladies' Program	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Religious Education Building
Public Knighting/picture taking	4:15 pm	KofC Hall
Mass	5:00 pm	Holy Family Church, 5315 Tieton Drive
Social and Banquet	6:00 pm	Fr Murtaugh Gathering Hall, Holy Family Church

### MENU

Prime Rib Dinner, Cesar Salad, Baked Potatoes, Carrots/Squash, Assorted Rolls, dessert

### FEES

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 US flag and Fourth Degree pins.

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, plus the cost of the dinner.

The candidate's or the assembly's check is to be made payable to the **MASTER FUND**.

Lunch is optional for the Sir Knights, Candidates, and Ladies.

**Luncheon cost is \$5.00 and the banquet cost is \$20.00.**

Advance reservation and payment required.

**Make checks for luncheon and banquet tickets payable to Assembly 1171.**

### 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

### 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.

After the degree, the Master will sign and send the Form 4 to Supreme with copies to councils and assemblies.

## 4th Degree Exemplification February 2014

### FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

The second of six Fourth Degree Exemplifications will be held on **Saturday, February 8, 2014**, at **Holy Family Parish Hall**, Corner of 11<sup>th</sup> St. and Chestnut Ave, Clarkston, WA 99403

The Host Assembly is Luke E. Hart **Assembly 1177**

**District Master Thomas J. Sokol 509 993 2903 or email [thomas@tjsappraisals.com](mailto:thomas@tjsappraisals.com)**

The **Faithful Navigator** is Gordon L. Rubenthaler (509-758-0407)

The **Faithful Comptroller** is Agapito Hernandez (509-552-0005)

The degree team is the Eastern Washington Fourth Degree Team

### EXEMPLIFICATION HONOREE

The honoree for this Fourth Degree Exemplification is TBD

### EVENT TIME SCHEDULE

ACTIVITY	TIME	LOCATION
Registration	11:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Holy Family Parish Center, 917 Chestnut
Lunch	12:30 pm	Holy Family Parish Center, 917 Chestnut
Exemplification	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Holy Family Parish Hall (Attached/Church)
Ladies' Program	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Holy Family Parish Center
Public Knighting/picture taking	4:15 pm	Holy Family Parish Hall and/or Church
Mass	5:00 pm	Holy Family Church, Corner of 11 <sup>th</sup> St & Chestnut
Social and Banquet	6:00 pm	Holy Family Parish Hall, Attached to the Church

### MENU

Sausage, Salad with Dressings, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Sauerkraut, Green Bean Casserole, Assorted Rolls, Coffee and Dessert

### FEES

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 US flag and Fourth Degree pins.

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, plus the cost of the dinner.

The candidate's or the assembly's check is to be made payable to the **MASTER FUND**.

Lunch is optional for the Sir Knights, Candidates, and Ladies.

**Luncheon cost is \$5.00 and the banquet cost is \$17.00**

Advance reservation and payment required.

**Make checks for luncheon and banquet tickets payable to Assembly 1177.**

### 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

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**SUPPORTING DATES OF 3RD DEGREES  
WALLA WALLA 12/14/2913**

## Free Throw



The free throw program is fast approaching, if you haven't ordered a free throw kit, your council should order this very soon. Use this link to order a kit from supreme - <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/forms/council/FT-KITOnline.pdf> Allow 4 weeks for delivery.

New this year is the addition of nine year olds. If your documentation does not include the 9 year box just add this to the form. 9 year olds shoot the same as 10 & 11 year olds.

If your council is participating, contact your district deputy so a district competition can be scheduled.

The state free throw program will undergo a major over haul this year. There will be no regional or state free throw competitions. Trying to compete against all the other activities the youth are involved with was taking away from the regional and state competitions. The state has decided to name winners from the district winners. The district competitions will be altered to have the winners shoot additional tie breaker shots.

Please feel free to provided feedback to these changes.

State Youth & Sports  
Ken DeVos

## Youth Director Message

### Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest (Not affiliated with Culture of Life contest):

If your council is participating in the Substance Abuse Awareness poster contest please let me know. All council winners need to be sent to the state youth chairman for judging to determine a state champion. The state winners will then be forward to supreme for consideration as supreme winner.

Link to Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest info - <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/service/youth/poster/>

Link to Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest kit order form <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/forms/council/SA-KITOnline.pdf>

### Essay Contest (Not affiliated with Culture of Life contest):

If your council is participating in the Essay Contest please let me know. All council winners need to be sent to the state youth chairman for judging to determine a state champion. The state winners will then be forward to supreme for consideration as supreme winner.

Link to Essay Contest info - <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/service/youth/essay/index.html>

Link to Essay Contest order form - <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/forms/council/EA-KITOnline.pdf>

State Youth & Sports  
Ken DeVos

## Shining Armor and Silver Knights Award Programs

We encourage you to recognize deserving and outstanding members of your council by giving them the following awards:

### SHINING ARMOR AWARD PROGRAM

This Program is open to all new members: Requirements  
Within the year, the new member must have:

1. Worked on 3 Council Service Programs
2. Attended at least 3 Council Business meetings
3. Received his Third Degree
4. Met with Council Insurance Representative
5. Recruited one new member

Upon completion of the requirement, the new member must submit his completed form to the Grand Knight for approval.

### 2. SILVER KNIGHT AWARD PROGRAM

This Program is open to all 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree members: Requirements  
Within the year, the member must have:

1. Attended at least 3 Business meetings
2. 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree member in good standing (FS attest)
3. Insurance member (FS attest) or date meeting with Field Agent
4. Participate in 3 Programs with the Council;
5. Recruited 2 new members

Upon completion of the requirements, the member must submit his completed form to the Financial Secretary and Grand Knight for approval. The Grand Knight will then submit the form to:

Silver Knight Coordinator: Attention: Romy Ablao, District Deputy Mentor

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

Name: _____	
Council No. _____	
District No. _____	
<b>Silver Knight Award</b>	
Recruit 2 New Members: Name: _____	1 <sup>st</sup> degree date: _____
Participate in 3 Programs with your Council:	
- Event: _____	Date: _____
- Event: _____	Date: _____
- Event: _____	Date: _____
Attend 3 Business Meetings of your Council:	Date: _____
Date: _____	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree Member in Good Standing (FS attest): _____	
Insurance Member (FS attest) or date of meeting with Field Agent: _____	
Grand Knight Signature: _____	Date submitted to the State: _____



**EXEMPLIFICATION FUND REPORT - JANUARY 1, 2014**

COUNCIL #	FEE BALANCE	COUNCIL #	FEE BALANCE	COUNCIL #	FEE BALANCE	COUNCIL #	FEE BALANCE	COUNCIL #	FEE BALANCE
676	\$ 28.00	3307	CREDIT	8201	\$ -	11253	\$ 7.00	13606	\$ 14.00
683	\$ 21.00	3361	\$ 14.00	8266	\$ 35.00	11357	CREDIT	13761	\$ -
763	CREDIT	3455	\$ -	8297	CREDIT	11408	\$ -	13794	CREDIT
766	\$ 7.00	3598	\$ 7.00	8311	\$ 7.00	11478	\$ 7.00	13831	\$ -
809	\$ 21.00	3611	\$ -	8398	\$ 7.00	11611	\$ -	13834	\$ 49.00
829	CREDIT	3645	\$ 35.00	8437	\$ 7.00	11642	\$ 7.00	14046	\$ 28.00
894	\$ 35.00	4196	\$ 28.00	8455	\$ -	11736	\$ 49.00	14162	\$ 7.00
1327	\$ -	4322	\$ 7.00	8476	\$ -	11762	\$ 14.00	14268	\$ 7.00
1379	\$ 68.00	4367	\$ 35.00	8672	\$ 105.00	11780	\$ -	14394	\$ -
1401	\$ 105.00	4385	\$ 35.00	8768	\$ -	11789	\$ 7.00	14510	\$ -
1449	\$ -	4782	CREDIT	8872	\$ 7.00	11906	\$ 14.00	14689	\$ 35.00
1460	\$ -	5177	\$ 7.00	9145	\$ 49.00	11948	CREDIT	14852	\$ 7.00
1488	\$ -	5495	\$ 14.00	9237	\$ 28.00	12002	\$ -	14922	\$ -
1545	\$ -	5816	\$ 42.00	9238	\$ -	12175	\$ 14.00	14926	\$ -
1550	\$ -	6097	\$ 56.00	9434	\$ 70.00	12251	\$ -	15136	\$ 7.00
1565	\$ 7.00	6686	\$ -	9605	CREDIT	12273	\$ -	15143	\$ 91.00
1606	\$ 7.00	6706	\$ -	9617	\$ -	12420	\$ -	15338	\$ -
xxx		6806	\$ -	xxx		xxx		15462	\$ 7.00
1620	CREDIT	7117	\$ (21.00)	9637	\$ 14.00	12483	\$ (7.00)	15538	\$ 21.00
1629	\$ 35.00	7149	\$ -	9664	\$ 49.00	12583	\$ -	15684	\$ 14.00
1643	CREDIT	7356	\$ 49.00	9721	\$ -	12591	\$ -	15689	\$ 14.00
1674	\$ 28.00	7360	\$ -	9833	\$ 21.00	12786	\$ (7.00)	15721	\$ 7.00
1699	\$ 14.00	7528	\$ 14.00	9910	\$ -	12889	\$ 56.00	15730	\$ 7.00
1758	\$ 7.00	7642	\$ 84.00	9941	\$ 14.00	12899	\$ 42.00	15838	\$ -
1823	\$ 7.00	7863	CREDIT	10532	\$ -	12983	\$ 28.00		
2103	\$ 7.00	7907	\$ 35.00	10534	\$ 7.00	13186	\$ 7.00		
2126	\$ -	7908	CREDIT	10543	\$ 42.00	13238	\$ 63.00		
2155	\$ -	8015	\$ -	10652	\$ 21.00	13364	\$ -		
2260	\$ 14.00	8079	\$ 112.00	10653	\$ -	13374	CREDIT		
2303	\$ -	8102	\$ -	10664	\$ -	13395	CREDIT		
2763	\$ 28.00	8136	\$ -	11085	\$ -	13422	\$ -		
2999	\$ 7.00	8137	\$ -	11134	\$ -	13462	\$ -		
3044	\$ 28.00	8150	\$ 7.00	11217	\$ 28.00	13560	\$ -		
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