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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

"Friends In Christ Doing God's Work"

Message from State Deputy

DISCOVER MENTORSHIP

This month most everyone has turned their attention to Growth; recruiting new members, having church drives and "asking that guy you've been meaning to ask" to join the Order. Well, me too! I brought my grand nephew into the Order this month and I have to say it's been fun and a learning experience for me. My grandnephew KJ (Kevin) is 21 years old and while I wish I was his age again, it is clear to me that I have a long way to go to get him to understand the culture of the Knights of Columbus. He is a very motivated young man and so he is the best of the best when it comes to potential. He has gone through the first three Degrees this his first month and he has helped our Council with our Tootsie Roll Drive and he is driven to get a new member so that he can get the Shining Armor Award. Whatever I put in front of him he wants to do—so long as we do it together. His dad who I brought into the Order about five years ago is also wanting to transfer to my Council so that he can do the things we do with KJ and I.

What I discovered through this experience is that this is what **MENTORSHIP** is. Somebody needs to take a new member into the Order, introduce him, and get him started. If this happens then the new guy gets a chance to meet new people knowing that he always has his mentor if things don't go so well. We like to think that everyone will like us instantly and that everyone will try to make friends instantly, but for some it takes longer. We often overlook how the Knights of Columbus has its own culture and having someone to ask questions really makes it easier to understand what's going on and why we do what we do.

After you do your recruiting and you have a chance to be a mentor to a new guy, I ask you to please don't shy away from that opportunity. It really has been a positive experience for me. I have gotten a lot closer to KJ and even his dad through this. It also makes me proud that he is off to a good start in the Order. This is a gift that you can give too—one that will mean more and more to your new guy as time goes by.



God Bless you all and have a great month!

Bob

Bob Baemmert
State Deputy - Washington State

State Chaplain Message

During the month of November, the Church intensifies her prayer for the dead. Indeed, in the liturgy we pray for the souls of the faithful departed every day of the year, but in this month we pay particular attention to the importance of assisting our brothers and sisters in Christ with their final preparations en route to eternal life. I would like to bring to your attention a few matters about which there seems to be some confusion in our day and age—matters concerning death and cremation in particular.

The first is one of my favorites. I don't know how many funerals I've attended where the deceased has been referred to as "the newest angel in heaven" or the equivalent. The belief that humans become angels when they die has become very popular, but it is mistaken. Angels and humans belong to two different species, and there is no reason to believe that death turns us into a different kind of creature. Angels are purely spiritual creatures, while humans are both spiritual and bodily. *The body is essential to being human.* We shouldn't think that we are merely spiritual beings trapped inside bodies, and that death frees us from that "prison."

Death separates the soul from the body, thus doing the greatest possible violence to the human being. Thanks be to God, Jesus has conquered sin and death, and thus we can profess our belief in "the resurrection of the body and life everlasting." We believe that when Jesus returns in glory, the bodies of the dead will rise and be reunited with their souls. Thus the violence of death will be overturned, and we will have our glorified bodies for all eternity. We will be *with* the angels, glorifying God for all eternity, but we will not *become* angels.

Second, there are many who believe that the Church is still opposed to the practice of cremation. There was a time when cremation was practiced as a direct denial of our belief in the resurrection of the body. The Church is still opposed to cremation if it is carried out with this intention. However, if cremation is chosen because of sanitary, economic or social considerations, it is permissible.

The Church's preference is still for bodily burial as the fullest expression of our expectation of the resurrection of the body. Even when cremation is to take place, the Church urges us to delay that process until after the funeral Mass has been celebrated.

Finally, with the increasing popularity of cremation (perhaps mainly due to its economic benefit) have come a variety of practices involving the cremated remains of the deceased. Sometimes the ashes are scattered in the environment, often in various places. Sometimes cremation urns are kept in people's homes. Sometimes the ashes are divided among family members or friends and kept in lockets or other small containers.

The Church is very clear in teaching us that none of these practices are to be accepted. When cremation is chosen, the cremated remains of the deceased are either to be buried in the ground or laid to rest in another place specifically designated for that purpose (i.e., a niche in a columbarium or mausoleum). We must treat the remains in a respectful and dignified manner, keeping in mind that these loved ones of ours are awaiting Jesus' Second Coming, when they—and we!—will rise from the dead.

Vivat Jesus!



Fr. Kenneth St. Hilaire
State Chaplain

State Secretary Message

An Important Message about Pennies for Heaven and Vocations Support

Gentlemen:

First, here's a bit of the PFH history:

The PFH program here in Washington State started in 1991 and was based on the slogan "A Penny a Day and a Prayer a Day for Vocations." Over the years many Councils decided to increase their support of this program and started sending additional annual donations to the State Council over and above the original \$3.65 per member per year. These funds, originally distributed each year to the Bishops of the State to support seminarians, continued to grow. After a few years, it became apparent to the then State Council Officers that creating an actual investment fund, by-laws, rules and a Board of Directors to help provide for the future of this vocations support effort was possible.

A base fund (or *burse*) was created and invested for the future. After several years, the Fund reached a total of one million dollars and disbursement rules then changed. It had become possible, with donations from Councils and investment income to distribute any excess beyond the burse to the three Bishops of the State and an additional grantee chosen by the PFH Board each year. This meant larger and larger amounts were granted while still maintaining the protected burse to continue growth and increase grants.

In 2011, an effort began to help paydown the construction debt at Bishop White Seminary in Spokane, the only seminary in Washington state, and today that debt is retired. The PFH fund paid over \$160,000.00 towards that debt while continuing to send each Bishop of the three Dioceses in Washington an annual average Check for \$25,000.00 in support of Vocations. This is in addition to the annual support many Councils send to individual seminarians under the Supreme Council RSVP program. From 1992 to April 30, 2017 We have donated \$1,695,500.00 and of that \$1.4M to the Bishops alone. An additional \$1.2 M went to other grantees from Columbus Charities.

In recent years, this support has fallen very short of its goal of \$3.65 per member, per year, from every council. Currently we have 64 of the councils in Washington State that have not donated this year. That translates to about \$26,000.00 not received so far this Fraternal year. To offset the lack of contributions and still send annual support checks to each of the three Dioceses in Washington, the PFH Board will have to ask our investment house to sell off part of the current portfolio used to create earnings. This creates a downward spiral for the fund and jeopardizes our ability to continue to support vocations directly.

While a voluntary effort, the amount suggested to each council appears on the bills they receive from the State Secretary of the Washington State Council in hopes that the individual Councils will pay this amount or more. Although a small few do donate considerably more than their share that does not offset those that do not participate.

PLEASE BE AWARE: According to the by-laws of the corporation, the investment burse of just over one million dollars CANNOT be spent and if it were would eventually erase the investment, the corporation, and our ability to support vocations for the future.

State Secretary Message (Cont.)

My Brothers, the fund needs your help. Please bring this up at your next Council meeting and pass a motion to return to actively supporting this most important program. Please do not consider this a trade-off against the Supreme RSVP program which only supports individual seminarians, whereas this supports all seminarians in our state. Wherever possible, please do both.

Saint Pope John Paul II reminds us that “There is no church without the eucharist and there is no Eucharist without the PRIEST.”

Fraternally,
Pat Kelley, Secretary
Washington State Council



PENNIES FOR HEAVEN LAPEL PIN

The Pennies For Heaven program will soon celebrate 60 years of continued support for our seminarians development. Since its small beginning in 1959 by Brother Clyde Boyle this program has become a powerful financial support to our Dioceses. To commemorate this milestone we have designed this special lapel pin. The cost is \$5.00 per pin and all proceeds above cost are donated to Pennies For Heaven Program. You can obtain a pin through the Brother Ed Hebert (360-373-0592) or ephebert@comcast.net. This is a limited edition. Brothers, let continue to strongly support our Bishops and Priests.

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State Treasurer Message

State Treasurer Report November 2017

Brothers all,

Here is the most current Exemplification Fund summary. \$7/new member is required from each council. If your council is listed here with an amount next to it, you owe this to the Exemplification Account in support of our full Knighthood Degree State Exemplification efforts.

If you have a reactivation or readmission, please send that name and membership number to me for adjustment to your account. Your council does not owe the \$7 for this new member.

Please get your account up to date and mail your check payable to Washington State Council with exemplification in the memo area to:

WSS Pat Kelley
4122 S 130th St.
Tukwila, WA 98168-3132

Advent is coming—GET INVOLVED!!!!

Fraternally,



Kim Washburn
State Treasurer
StateTreasurer@kofc-wa.org

State Treasurer Message (Cont.)

EXEMPLIFICATION FUND REPORT

COUN-CIL #	FEE BAL- ANCE	COUN-CIL #	FEE BAL- ANCE	COUN-CIL #	FEE BAL- ANCE	COUN-CIL #	FEE BAL- ANCE	COUNCIL #	FEE BAL- ANCE
676	\$ -	3307	\$ 7.00	8201	\$ -	11253	\$ 21.00	13606	\$ -
683	\$ 14.00	3361	\$ 49.00	8266	\$ 7.00	11357	\$ -	13761	\$ -
763	\$ -	3455	\$ 21.00	8294	\$ 14.00	11408	\$ -	13794	\$ -
766	\$ 14.00	3598	\$ 28.00	8297	\$ -	11478	\$ 7.00	13831	\$ 28.00
809	\$ 21.00	3611	\$ -	8311	\$ -	11611	\$ -	13834	\$ -
829	\$ 35.00	3645	\$ -	8398	\$ -	11642	\$ 7.00	14046	\$ 14.00
894	\$ -	4196	\$ -	8437	\$ -	11736	\$ 14.00	14162	\$ -
1327	\$ 21.00	4322	\$ -	8455	\$ -	11762	\$ -	14268	\$ -
1379	\$ -	4367	\$ -	8476	\$ 28.00	11780	\$ 7.00	14394	\$ -
1401	\$ -	4385	\$ -	8672	\$ -	11789	\$ 7.00	14510	\$ -
1449	\$ -	4782	\$ -	8768	\$ -	11906	\$ -	14689	\$ 84.00
1460	\$ -	5177	\$ -	8872	\$ -	11948	\$ 7.00	14852	\$ 14.00
1488	\$ -	5495	\$ -	9145	\$ -	12002	\$ -	14922	\$ -
1545	\$ 14.00	5816	\$ -	9237	\$ -	12175	\$ 14.00	14926	\$ -
1550	\$ -	6097	\$ -	9238	\$ -	12251	\$ -	15136	\$ -
1565	\$ 7.00	6686	\$ -	9434	\$ -	12273	\$ -	15143	\$ -
1606	\$ -	6706	\$ -	9605	\$ -	12420	\$ -	15338	\$ 28.00
xxx		6806	\$ -	9617	\$ -	xxx		15462	\$ -
1620	\$ 14.00	7117	\$ -	9637	\$ -	12483	\$ 28.00	15538	\$ -
1629	\$ -	7149	\$ -	9664	\$ -	12583	\$ -	15684	\$ -
1643	\$ 7.00	7356	\$ -	9721	\$ -	12591	\$ -	15689	\$ 7.00
1674	\$ -	7360	\$ 35.00	9833	\$ 7.00	12786	\$ 7.00	15721	\$ -
1699	\$ -	7528	\$ 56.00	9910	\$ 7.00	12889	\$ 35.00	15730	\$ -
1758	\$ -	7642	\$ 7.00	9941	\$ -	12899	\$ -	15838	\$ 28.00
1823	\$ -	7863	\$ -	10532	\$ -	12983	\$ -	15968	\$ -
2103	\$ -	7907	\$ -	10534	\$ -	13186	\$ -	16176	\$ -
2126	\$ -	7908	\$ -	10543	\$ 7.00	13238	\$ 42.00	16184	\$ -
2155	\$ -	8015	\$ -	10652	\$ -	13364	\$ -	16186	\$ -
2260	\$ -	8079	\$ -	10653	\$ -	13374	\$ -	16361	\$ -
2303	\$ -	8102	\$ -	10664	\$ -	13395	\$ -	16667	\$ 56.00
2763	\$ -	8136	\$ -	11085	\$ -	13422	\$ 7.00	16690	\$ 7.00
2999	\$ -	8137	\$ -	11134	\$ -	13462	\$ -		
3044	\$ -	8150	\$ -	11217	\$ 7.00	13560	\$ -		
3153	\$ -	8179	\$ -	11252	\$ 7.00	13597	\$ -		

Fraternally,

Kim Washburn
State Treasurer

State Advocate Message

State Advocate

Happy Thanksgiving!!

Safe Environment Program; Home Corporations-based Councils

Brother Knights,

I wish all of you and your families a very Happy Thanksgiving. We have much to be thankful for because all that we have is a gift from God. Let us all pray that we become the best Stewards of God's many gifts.

It is hard for me to believe that we are in the second quarter of the fraternal year. The Winter District Deputy meeting is approaching in December. **During the Winter meeting, District Deputies should plan to give an update on each council's Youth Protection training status and, if applicable, an update on the Home Corporation facility review process.** Let's revisit specifics on these two important areas.

As a refresher, the Safe Environment Program slides below indicate who must be trained and the timeline to complete the training. Leaders must ensure compliance. Leaders listed below should have received notification from Supreme to complete the requirements listed in the chart.

Safe Environment Program

Knights of Columbus Safe Environment Program Requirements by Role

Member Officer Role	Safe Environment Program Training	Safe Environment Program Background Check
State Deputy	✓	
State Advocate	✓	
State Squires Chairman	✓	✓
State Youth Director	✓	✓
Faithful Navigators*	✓	
Grand Knights	✓	
Youth Directors	✓	✓
Council Squire Chairman	✓	✓
Chief Counselors	✓	✓
Adult Counselors	✓	✓

*Only required if assembly sponsors a Columbian Squires Circle

Safe Environment Program

- Members occupying these leadership roles must complete these requirements within **30 days** of written notification (typically email)
- Members in certain youth leader roles who do not comply within **45 days** are deemed **ineligible to serve** as a youth leader and will be removed
- Grand Knight will be advised of ineligibility and will have the option to appoint a new member to the role



Also as a refresher, on the Home Corporation facility review process, the following councils and their district deputies are to complete the review this year (refer to *Handbook for Councils Using Home Corporation Facilities*, #10155 10-16):

Council 676, Seattle, DD1
 Council 683, Spokane, DD5
 Council 763, Everett, DD13
 Council 1629, All Saints, DD3
 Council 1643, Fr. Nicholas Rausch, OSB, DD4
 Council 2260, James G. Caldwell, DD24

State Advocate's Message (Cont.)

Council 3307, Richland, DD7
 Council 3361, John E. O'Brien, DD19
 Council 3645, Fr. Thomas Lane, DD27
 Council 4322, St. Frances Cabrini, DD35
 Council 4782, St. Joseph, DD11
 Council 6686, Fr. Justin P. Garvey, DD16
 Council 9238, St. Nicholas, DD29
 Council 14268, Pend Oreille, DD33
 Council 14853, St. Matthew, DD26

During your review, the main questions you are to answer and the two possible outcomes are summarized in the following slides.

Council/Corporation Relationship

KEY QUESTIONS

- Is the council more or less likely to grow in the corporation facility?
- Is the council best positioned to gain new members?
- Where do the officers see the council in the next five years? 10 years? 20 years?
- Does it make sense financially to continue using the corporation facility?
- Is the council more likely to flourish by returning to a parish?

THESE DECISIONS CAN ONLY BE MADE BY THE COUNCIL.



Council/Corporation Relationship

DECISION TO MOVE TO A PARISH

If the officers recommend **moving to a parish**, and the members agree, then the council should follow the procedure set forth in II.2, III.2, IV, and V on pages 18-19.

1. Approved Written Motion (Appendix C) (with complete list of names of all those in attendance);
2. Disengagement Letter; and
3. Charitable Distribution Agreement (For use without Terms of Use Agreement), if needed.

Grand Knights send to council.handbook@kofc.org



Council/Corporation Relationship

DECISION TO STAY IN CORPORATION FACILITY

If the officers recommend **staying**, and the members agree, then the council should follow the procedure set forth in II.3, III.3, VI, VII, VIII, and IX on pages 18-20.

1. Approved Written Motion (Appendix E) (with complete list of the names of all those in attendance);
2. Copies of the completed Agreements (Terms of Use and Charitable Distributions); and
3. COUNCIL'S Certificate of Insurance (showing the council has insurance)

Grand Knights send to council.handbook@kofc.org



Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,

Greg



Greg Mahoney
 Washington State Council
 State Advocate, WSC
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State Warden's Message

State Warden Article

Brother Knights,

I hope you are enjoying fall and getting ready for the holiday season. I wish you and your families a most Happy Thanksgiving, as we gratefully acknowledge God's bounteous blessings.

A special acknowledgement to all our veterans as we approach Veteran's Day. We appreciate your service to our country and all the sacrifices made by you and your families in the line of duty.

Monthly Service Reports – please continue to fill out your MSRs each month - - I am tracking your progress toward the 1000 point club. A few of you have mailed the form to me, please remember that it is always preferable to use the online version which e-mails the copy to me since I track everything electronically.

Worthy District Deputies, Directors, GA's and PSD's --- The District Deputy Mid-Year Leadership Meeting is almost upon us – December 1 – 3, 2017, in Bellevue. Your participation in this meeting is required in assessing the fraternal year to date and guiding the remainder of the year towards Star Council and Winter Meeting registrations are due for those attending. Please note that there is an error in the mailing address and you should use this address:

State Warden
22909 40th Pl W
Mountlake Terrace, WA 98043

Finally, I want to lay to rest the rumor that the only things in Wisconsin are football and mosquitos. Worthy State Deputy Bob assures me that they have bowling, too, so I think that discussion is over now . . .

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,



Tom Williams
State Warden
StateWarden@kofc-wa.org

Membership Director Desk

State Membership Director

Order-Wide Church Drive Results; Member Mission Results; Star Recruiter Pin 2017-2018

Brother Knights,

How did your Church Drives go in October? I ask all Grand Knights to assess what went well and what can be improved for future membership drives. As a Grand Knight, one of your main objectives is for your council to grow, and an effective church membership drive is a great way to meet that objective. District Deputies are to submit their reports to me soonest. I encourage Grand Knights to implement monthly or quarterly membership drives to maximize resources and to sustain your visibility within the parish. Refer to the planning steps beginning on page 14 of the Membership Recruitment and Retention Manual (#10237). You can download the manual at the following link: http://www.kofc.org/en/resources/membership/membership_recruitment_6.pdf. The State Membership Team is eager to help you during your planning and execution of Church Drives. Send us an email or call one of us for questions or help.

Check out the **Member Mission results as of November 1, 2017**. We should be recruiting close to 78 new members per month to meet our State intake goal of 930 this year. If all councils are membership active, we can easily attain our goal. If your council has not recruited a new member this year, please make membership growth a priority in November and December by recruiting six new members.

We have 165 councils – all should be membership active!

Congratulations to the Division Leaders in Membership growth as of November 1, 2017:

- Division I – Council 14852, Seattle, 200% of membership goal; District 26**
- Division II – Council 6706, Port Orchard, 60% of membership goal; District 29**
- Division III – Council 7360, Pullman, 57.14% of membership goal; District 8**
- Division IV – Council 1620, Pasco, 40% of membership goal; District 7**
- Division IV – Council 13238, Tacoma, 40% of membership goal; District 22**
- Division V – Council 3307, Richland, 13.64% of membership goal; District 7**

A number of councils are on track with membership to earn the Star Council Award. Keep up the good work.

For Proposers to receive their **Star Recruiter Pin** per new member this year, Grand Knights should submit the Proposer's name, mailing address and phone/email address to me soon after each Admission Degree to the following email address: Membership@kofc-wa.org. I am behind on mailing the Star Recruiter Pins to Proposers. I will get those pins in the mail before the Winter District Deputy meeting in December. My apologies for the delay.

Please see this month's membership report, immediately following, pages 10-14.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,



Gregory S. Mahoney
State Membership Director
Washington State Council
MembershipDirector@kofc-wa.org



Membership Director Desk (Cont.)

**November 1, 2017 Membership Standings by Division
(Division Leaders are Highlighted in Green)**

Council	No. of Members, 7/1/17	Quota	Net gain/loss	% gain/loss
Division I < 50 members				
1449	47	4	-5	0
1823	45	4	0	0
3044	41	4	0	0
7149	41	4	0	0
8266	37	4	0	0
8294	34	4	0	0
9237	45	4	0	0
9605	44	4	0	0
10534	47	4	2	50
11085	37	4	1	25
12002	46	4	0	0
12889	43	4	0	0
13422	48	4	1	25
13462	35	4	0	0
13761	48	4	0	0
13831	25	4	0	0

Membership Director Desk (Cont.)

13834	40	4	0	0
14162	39	4	-1	0
14510	18	9	0	0
14852	47	4	8	200
15338	46	4	0	0
15462	43	4	0	0
15538	38	4	0	0
15684	22	4	0	0
15689	35	4	-2	0
15838	22	4	0	0
15968	49	4	0	0
16176	35	4	0	0
16184	29	4	2	50
16186	36	4	0	0
16361	27	4	6	150
16667	22	4	4	100
16690	31	4	1	25

Membership Director Desk (Cont.)

Division II 50-99 members

1401	83	5	0	0
1550	97	6	-1	0
1606	62	4	0	0
1674	68	5	0	0
1699	92	6	0	0
1758	69	5	1	20
2126	82	5	0	0
2155	66	4	0	0
2260	89	6	2	33.33
2303	94	6	0	0
5177	73	5	0	0
5495	88	6	0	0
6706	78	5	3	60
7117	65	4	0	0
8102	82	5	0	0
8136	75	5	0	0
8150	95	6	0	0
8311	92	6	0	0

Membership Director Desk (Cont.)

8398	58	4	0	0
8437	82	6	1	16.67
8455	79	5	0	0
8672	92	6	0	0
8768	81	5	0	0
9145	68	4	0	0
9637	59	4	1	25
9721	56	4	1	25
9910	50	4	2	50
9941	52	4	0	0
10532	70	5	0	0
10664	66	5	2	40
11252	83	6	3	50
11253	78	5	0	0
11357	76	5	-4	0
11408	87	6	-8	0
11611	93	6	3	50
11736	57	4	2	50
11762	98	6	3	50

Membership Director Desk

11762	98	6	3	50
11906	53	4	0	0
12175	55	4	2	50
12251	65	4	2	50
12273	91	6	0	0
12420	50	4	0	0
12483	50	4	1	25
12786	92	6	3	50
13186	86	6	1	16.67
13364	50	4	0	0
13395	74	5	1	20
13597	58	4	0	0
13606	77	5	0	0
14268	53	4	1	25
14394	64	4	-1	0
14926	63	4	0	0
15143	61	4	-8	0
15721	62	4	0	0
15730	72	5	1	20

General Programs Director Report

General Program Article

Brother Knights,

We have some really good news about the Coats for Kids program – we have 45 Councils participating, with a pledge to purchase 192 cases of coats. Supreme has agreed to provide those Councils with an additional 214 cases of coats, thanks to the great stories of need in your areas. That means the Washington State Jurisdiction will put more than 4,800 coats into the community for children in need! That is an amazing testament to the dedication of the men of Washington and their desire to serve their communities. Please give yourself a hearty round of applause!

To save on shipping, we selected six central locations for the coats to be shipped and then distributed to Councils. Those locations are:

Eastern Washington

Colbert
Palouse
Kennewick

Western Washington

Bothell
Maple Valley
La Center

Supreme will ship the coats to the distribution sites the week of November 12 – 18. If you are participating in the Coats for Kids program, I will be sending you the contact information as we hear more details from Supreme, so that each Council can schedule pickup of their coats.

I am proud of the way you all came together to make this happen.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,



Tom Williams
General Program Director
GeneralProgram@kofc-wa.org

Message from the State Vocations Director

RSVP Reboot

This year we have begun an RSVP Reboot to insure that all seminarians receive the support they need. I asked that all councils and assemblies who participate in the RSVP program contact me prior to sending any money to the seminarians they supported last year. There are still councils that I have not heard from. I still need support for both Yakima and Spokane Diocese seminarians. Seattle Archdiocese seminarians are in better shape but a few seminarians could use additional support.

If your council is not supporting a seminarian, I hope at least you are using the prayer for vocations at all of your meetings (that includes officer meeting). If you need more prayer cards, please email me at vocations@kofc-wa.org

Tim Coyle
Vocations Chairman

*Tim Coyle
Knights of Columbus WSC
Vocations Chairman*

Message from the Bulletin Editor

Although there are no set themes for the Bulletin, two clear concerns emerge from the State Council messages this month: the need for mentorship for new members and the importance of seminarian support. Please take to heart the words of our state officers on these topics and apply them in your local councils and assemblies.

In a lighter vein, this month marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. In a celebratory mood, allow me to share the following two paintings, produced around 1710(?) by the minor Dutch painter Egbert Van Heemskerk II (so named because one Egbert Van Heemskerk just wasn't enough). They are entitled "Luther in Hell" and "John Calvin in Hell" respectively. Enjoy!



Culture of Life Chairman

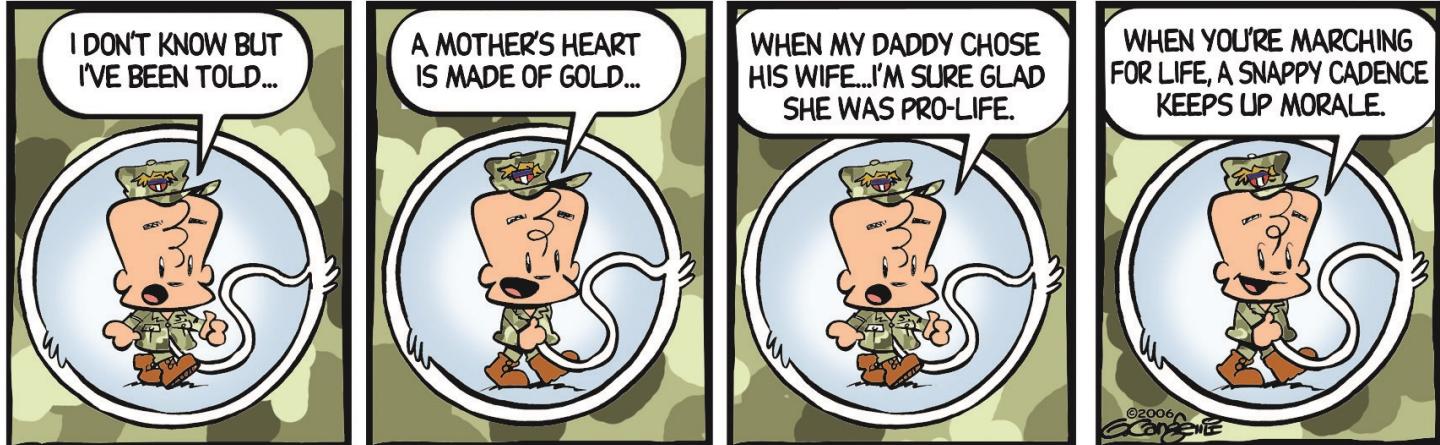


Angelorium, held an open house celebrating the installation of their new ultrasound machine that the Knights of Columbus funded. The executive director, Kathy Dizzard, and staff are shown along with Ron DeGroot, the WA. State Culture of Life Chairman around what appears as R2D2. It is actually a new ultrasound machine. I was shown an image of a 5 week, 5 day old fetus that was crystal clear and the heartbeat could be easily measured. Next step Pregnancy is making a difference! This machine replaced an older; worn out machine that was not able to get this clarity. The mom was euphoric, so very excited to see her baby. There was NO WAY she would terminate her pregnancy!

This was the first of 2 recently placed ultrasound machines that are up and operating now thanks to the K of C, Ultrasound Initiative. The second is now up and running- a mobile unit for Care Net of Puget Sound in the Tacoma and South King County. They will be operating in rural areas that have had limited availability to needy women and are truly thankful to the Wa. State K of C. Many of the sponsoring councils have partnered with 4US to expedite the fundraising process. By volunteering and sponsoring other volunteers for their annual fund raising event those councils tripled their funds and we were able to get these machines into the communities sooner. We need to find other pregnancy resource centers in need of an ultrasound machine. We need to get Archdiocesan approval for each organization and location. We need to find PRC's that can work together with Catholics. Finding and getting approval is the most difficult part of the process. I will be happy to help you and walk you through the process.—Ron DeGroot, Culture of Life Chairman

Umbert the Unborn

by Gary Cangemi



From the State Historian's Desk

Grand Knights: November is a Good Time to Write or Update your Council History

Surely by now things are slow enough that you have time to check your council's history. Go to: <http://www.kofc-wa.org/GKCD/State%20History/WSCHistory070113.pdf> and scroll down to see what your council's history looks like. If it was written for the 1990 or 2007 history books, it could be terribly out of date. If you can't find a history at all, then no written history has been submitted.

You can rectify this situation by assembling some facts about your council—just a few names and dates of your founding, including your date of charter, your charter members, charter officers,, honors, and activities of the council. Just a simple list. Submit them to me and I can write it up in a narrative.

The following councils have no histories in the state council collection: 9721, 9833, 11611, 11948, 15684, 15968, 16184, 16361, and 16667.

The following councils have submitted partial histories but are lacking substantial parts of what would be considered a complete history: 9910, 11085, 11217, 11252, 11253, 11948, 12175, 12483, 13761, 14046, 14689, 14852, 14922, 15143, 15338, 15462, 15730.

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A Message from the Immediate Past State Deputy

My Brothers All,

November brings Thanksgiving. Let us be thankful for all we have. Let us share with those less fortunate some of what we do have. Sharing can be gifts of many flavors, it can be time, talent, food, money, or assistance.

Are we ready for the coming in climate weather? Are there some opportunities in your community to aid others less fortunate? To help with getting them a bit closer to being comfortable? Everywhere you look, there are opportunities for assistance. As Knights and as families of Christ, we must jump in to assist.

I am looking for those Holy Family Icons that traveled the state these past couple of years. Please get in touch with me if you have one or know of where one is. There were three of them. Please let me know where they are so I can coordinate picking them up.

God Bless.

Vivat Jesus!



Ed Parazoo
Immediate Past State Deputy
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Church Chairman's Message

November 2017

Brothers,

Building Domestic Church initiatives will take some time and effort. Therefore, visit your publications and bulletins, read your Knightline News for Knights and Leaders, our Supreme Site, and lastly our State Bulletin. You would be astonished to know how many Knights are simply not in touch with these useful publications. Yep, I repeated myself again this November!! However, it's important enough to reemphasize the value-added purpose of these assets.

PRAYER FOR THOSE AT HOME-ESPECIALLY THIS THANKSGIVING

Comfort, we beg you, Lord Jesus Christ, the hearts of all who wait at home, and who pray for our dear ones in the armed forces of our country. Mercifully hear our prayers. Guard and guide our fathers, our brothers and sisters, husbands and sons, wives and daughters who fight for justice and freedom for our dear native land. Help us to trust peacefully in your almighty protection. Bring our dear ones safely home, healthful in body and soul, as we so ardently desire. We ask it of you by the sorrows of your most blessed Mother, and by the sufferings and anxiety which you so lovingly endured for us all during your holy agony in the garden while you hung on the cross. Who lives and reigns, God with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, world without end. Amen. (taken from *Prayers Old and New*)

As always, asking our Holy Mother to intercede for us to Her Son, Jesus, for assistance at developing His Church. Simply ask Her: "Holy Mother, dispenser of heavenly treasures, I shall always ask your help with lively confidence for your never-failing assistance." My Brothers, pray to our Holy Mother for her intercession – and recite all or part of the rosary often.

Vivat Jesus!

Tom Pursley,
Church Chairman



Brother Knights and Council Church Chairmen,



The relief efforts encompassing disasters of the last couple of months continue. Our Supreme Knight Carl Anderson has encouraged us to continue contributing to the Knights of Columbus relief effort. Send contributions to kofc.org/disaster-relief. The need is great, and the need continues...Also spread the word by checking out "Hurricane Relief: How You Can Help" at kofc.org/news. Two flyers are available on this page. Print copies and distribute them in your community. Give copies to your pastor and ask if you can insert them in your parish bulletin.

October 8th, I had the pleasure of meeting a six year old young lady by the name of Taytum. Taytum's grandparents, Bill and June, had indicated that their granddaughter wanted to do something special for her birthday. Little did I know...

Ms. Taytum was so moved by the destruction of the recent hurricanes, that she opted to raise money for those affected by the storms instead of receiving gifts for her birthday. Taytum celebrated her sixth birthday on October 7th. Taytum raised a total of 200.00 dollars. Taytum's grandparents suggested that portions of the money be split between the Knights of Columbus and or Red Cross. Taytum requested that 150.00 dollars go to the Knights with the remaining 50.00 dollars to go to the Red Cross. I was so impressed with Taytum's understanding of human suffering and an unprompted desire to give to those in need that I couldn't resist sharing this little girls unselfish response.

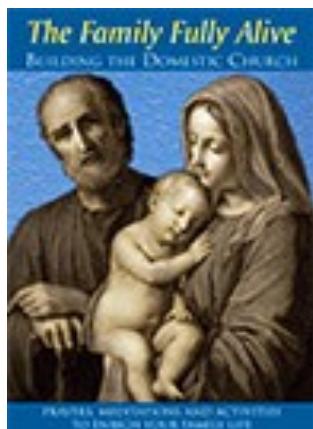
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(Fraternal Leader Success Planner...Your Council Action Plan...Do You Have a Church Chairman?)

The family as a domestic church is central to both the work of the new evangelization and to the future sustainability of our parishes – also the future sustainability of the Order

- Carl Anderson, Supreme Knight

Program Spotlight: Family Fully Alive



The Family Fully Alive program provides monthly themes, reflections, meditations, and family projects designed to help each family place God and the Catholic faith at the center of their lives. Through prayer and reflection the family has the opportunity to grow in holiness together. Council Church Chairmen should be speaking with their pastors about launching a parish program. The Family Fully Alive program can be used as a devotional for all families thought-out the liturgical year... Full details and resources are available at kofc.org/familyfullyalive.

Keep Christ in Christmas Campaign Kickoff...Are You Prepared?

State Retention Chairman's Message

Knights of Columbus of the State Washington: **Lend me your Ears, then your Hearts!**

With a heavy heart I must report the suspension of six (6) Councils in the State of Washington. In order combat this we must:

- 1.) Renew our pledges once a year for each of the Degrees you have attained.
- 2.) Remind yourself of the Mission of the K of C.
- 3.) Recommit yourself in front your Brothers, our God and our Country.

We must establish a Retention Committee in each Council to examine reasons why Knights become inactive and let their membership lapse. This committee plans programs to conserve the council's membership and anticipate and solve problems that may cause membership suspensions.

The **Deputy Grand Knight** should be named to the position of retention chairman and his committee be composed of the council's **trustees**. After discovering problems, the committee should work with council officers to remedy them.

The financial secretary should provide the retention committee with a list of members in danger of being suspended. *The Retention Committee needs to contact these members, discuss their reasons for being inactive, and urge them to become active again.* The Retention Committee also needs to contact former Knights who still meet membership eligibility requirements and ask them to rejoin; the Financial Secretary can also assist in this by furnishing a list of suspended members.

Grand Knights can help by keeping council meetings interesting and relevant. If a member asks himself "Why am I here?" then something is wrong. Start meetings on time and keep discussions, comments, etc., within proper limits. The grand knight should refer any nonessential matters to the appropriate committees. Hold meetings on a night convenient to most members, try to keep meetings open and relaxed, and allow all members to voice their opinions in an orderly way.

The WSC Retention Chairman and Membership Director are working on creating teams to step in and help you approach these members.

In order to help keep new members active, assign each Shining Armor Award winner to be a mentor for the new members they have recruited during their first fraternal year, and help them walk the path with brother Knights, especially by

- a.) Attending and take an active part at least 3 council business meetings.
- b.) Working a Charitable Event together.
- c.) Engaging in a prayerful activity together.
- d.) Attending all of this member's degrees through full Knighthood.

If you walk this path with your brother you will make a difference in our world today.

Vivat Jesus!

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State Youth Chairman's Message

News and Notes for November

With Halloween passed us, we look forward to November and giving thanks to all we have and what we have to offer. From the youth programs stand point, there are a few Supreme programs to get the youth and your councils interested in; Free Throw, Substance Abuse Awareness and Keep Christ in Christmas poster contests. If your council is looking at participating in any of these programs, have you Financial Secretary order the program kits; Free Throw - FT-KIT; Substance Abuse Awareness - SA-KIT & KCIC - CPC-KIT

To continue with this fraternal year's theme of presenting a select council's youth program, this month's feature program comes to us from Colfax, council 1488. Event Name - Raise your paddle for FOCUS

Purpose of this activity was to raise funds to assist the four FOCUS missionaries located at Washington State University so they may continue their mission work among WSU students and to provide financial support for their projects at WSU.

95 Knights and their wives and guests socialized with drinks and snacks and then feasted on a Prime Rib and Shrimp dinner. A silent auction ensued, followed by a talk on FOCUS by missionary Ryker Harger. An additional event of Raise your paddle for FOCUS began afterwards, attendees of the dinner, raise their paddle to pledge funds for FOCUS, when it was all done \$3420 were raised in support.

Thank you to all the councils and district that responded and participated in the Soccer Challenge program. Although there was not the numbers to hold a state championship, I will be naming state winners once the score sheets have been turned in.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving!

Ken DeVos
Youth Chairman

Family Chairman

FAMILY REPORT

It is my pleasure to announce the winners from Supreme's monthly "**FAMILY OF THE MONTH**" drawing:

SEPTEMBER:

Council 8201 Spokane—the David Morrison Family
 Council 9434 Mill Creek—the Robert Iwamoto Family
 Council 13374 Renton—the Bernard Wittgens Family

Congratulations to the winners and to all 13 councils who participated this past month. Let us see if the remaining 152 councils in the State Council will join in submitting the "Family of the Month" form.

Fraternally,

Edward P. Hebert Sr.
 State Family Chairman

Council Chairman

On September 30th at Oak Harbor, CO Wayne Hogan, PFC Lou St Hilaire & myself (as Warden) welcomed in an energetic group of Brother Knights to the Knighthood Degree! (See flanking pictures.) If you haven't gone through your degrees yet, I would highly encourage you to attend one when they become available in your area. If you need a special date or time, talk to your District Deputy & he will contact our Ceremonials Director Marcel Bergeron to see if something can't be worked out. Once you've gone through your degrees, you'll have a better understanding of who we are & what we do. Remember, "Together We Change Lives and Save Lives!"



Some reminders of what your council needs to accomplish this month:

- Report on your Church Drive results
- Conduct a Formation Degree
- Conduct a Knighthood Degree
- Soccer Challenge
- Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest
- Christmas Poster Contest
- Coats for Kids
- Free Throw

Some thoughts that you might ask yourself or your council:

- How many members were recruited or reactivated this month?
- Of the prospects that were recruited in October, have they all been welcomed into your council? If not, why?
- What is your council's progress toward earning the Star Council Award?

Wishing each & every one of you & your families a VERY HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Vivat Jesus!
 Ed Miller, State Chairman

Tootsie Roll Update



Tootsie Roll November 2017



Brothers,

By now, most of the drives for this year has been completed. Thanks to all of you who participated for your hard work and dedication to this program. This is one of the most worthy causes we as knights support. It has been a good year with amazing results, Good job!! I was glad to see many of the councils using the Special Olympic Athletes at your locations, This was great!

Now continue with the process and get your drive completion paperwork done and get it sent in. This is VERY important. For the councils using Fred Meyer or QFC, they are our best partners so please make sure you report your location totals to their home office in Portland, OR. If you need the forms or the address, let me know and I'll get it to you. You need a total for the weekend, not a daily figure. Please share your pictures with the facility you used for your drive and PLEASE send them to me so I can get them on our Website. Everything you need to complete your drive is on the Tootsie Roll website (columbuscharities.net) If you need any assistance with any of this please don't hesitate to call me.

If you ordered Tootsie Rolls from the Tootsie Roll Company, you need to pay them for product received ASAP. This check needs to be payable to:

TRI Sales Finance LLC
P.O. Box 99435-File 99435
Chicago, IL 60693-9435

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Please send your funds, Council Drive Report, Request for Distribution and the disabled organization(s) you wish to donate to to me, or leave with Columbus Charities for Special Olympics and like programs, ASAP. It makes it difficult when a council or two drag into the next calendar year with my other duties increasing. Remember, 80% of the net funds may be requested for return to benefactor(s) in your area, as long as it qualifies. I encourage you to do this, for visibility and continued success of our program.

When you are done, start getting ready for next year. You can never be too Early in planning for this program.

Brothers I would like to Thank Each and Every one of you for your Dedication to this program. God Bless you all!

Blessings,
Tommy LaCour
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Tootsie Roll Chairman
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Members and Family in need of Prayer November, 2017

Archbishop J. Peter Sartain, Diocese of Seattle. Sister Sharon Park, Exec Dir WA State Catholic Conference. Myra Mickles, sister of Abbot Neal
Council **Seattle 676**
 Matt Ulrich; Dan Donohue; Roman Miller; Archbishop Sartain; Father Robert Egan; Amadeus Amador; Don Luby; Paul Heneghan; Mac Henderson; Edgar Pitre; Tom Hoagland; Walter Brazelton; John Costello; Joe Robinson PGK PFN PDD; Bridget Dobson; Ann Heneghan, daughter of Paul; Archbishop Emeritus Brunett; Albert Freedman; Bernard Blazuk.
Council **Spokane 683**
 Pete Budig, John Oliveri, Dennis Bauch, Henry Crapo, Thomas Giblin, John 'Jack' Stockton, Xavier Kasbar, Dick Daschbach, Doug Jones, Steve Muto, Cindy Kromholtz, wife of FS Tim Kromholtz; Sean Huetmaker, nephew of Scott Huetmaker; Corky Daschbach, wife of Dick Daschbach; Mrs. Kostelecky, mother-in-law of Greg Fong, PGK; Rachel Kupice, wife of John Kupice, GK; John Kupice, father of John Kupice, GK; Joanne Kupice, mother of John Kupice, GK; Mary Lacy, wife of Tom Lacy, deceased; Mathew Formanek, brother-in-law of George Czerwonka, PSD; Mike and Emma Stephens, parents of Darryl Stephens; John and Payton Stephens, brothers of Darryl Stephens
Council **Walla Walla 766**
 Fred Piek, Gordon Cresci, Frank Sannar, Larry Meliah, Brent Caulk, Terry Teske, Carl Bossini, Joseph Yragui, Harry Olson
Council **Bellingham 829**
 Mike Vailencour, Bill Maris
Council **Yakima 894**
 Fr. Richard House, Frank Schneider, Tom McCormick and his sister, Josh Jones, Katie Eschbach (Marc D. niece), Alice Walker, Norm Ives, Bob Wilson, Elena Kasberg (Bishop Sevilla sister), Leo Schmidt, Steve Szibert (Larry Ziegler friend), Aunt Linda (Shane Smith), Jean Simard-stroke (Keith's mother in law)
Council **Puyallup 1629**
 John B. Moran
Council **Olympia 1643**
 Walt Dale • Ron DeGroot • Ray DeTerra Family • David Gedrose • Mary Rutledge-Harrison • John Kramer • Florante Jayme • Harold Watson • Mrs. Edna M MacKay • Pam Pellegrino • Sam Pellegrino • Meg Pivec • Dennis Perez • Ed Sauley • Greg Squires • Jose Ybarra • Nancy Zyrkowski
Council **Oak Harbor 3361**
 Andy Valrosa, Dale Auburg, Del Swatosh, Denise Albertelli, sister of Andy Valrosa, Denise Henderson, sister-in-law of Ralph Byars, Jack Newman, Jim Brady, John Hiestand, brother of Tom Hiestand, Kevin Butler & family, family of Leo & Marci Doyle, Maria Parungao, wife of PGK Ray Parungao Maurice Lund, Mike Gerrity, Monique Olvera, wife of Dan Olvera, Rey Parungao
Council..... **Clarkston 3455**
 Howard Connnelly
Council **Spokane 4196**
 Pansey Marro - mother of Brothers Anthony & Michael Marro, Phyllis Lamb - wife of Brother Roy Lamb, Brother Ken Jansen, Richard Diehl - father of Brother Jim Diehl, Jan Schulhauser - wife of Brother Tony Schulhauser, Harold Zeutschel, Jr - son of Brother Harold Zeutschel Sr, Brother John Klepinger,, Laura Martinez - wife of Brother/Deacon Chalo Martinez, Paisley Burger - Granddaughter of PGK Shelley Hays, Brother Orval Wood, Joe Oscar Marmolejo - father of Brother Oscar Marmolejo, Brother & Msgr Frank Bach, Brother Ed Galles, Brother Jim Hibbs
Council **Lakewood 4322**
 Bill & Sarah Jones Thomas Wiese Wallace L. Jordan Sr Lori Hogan Ralph Klein Joshua Mamerto Isabella Chavez Marge Warren Robert Anderson, brother of Br. Estrada Dan Anderson, brother of Br. Estrada Elaine Kowalski Aurora & Larry Villagracia Barbara Jerue Rose Hansen AT HOME! Leo Pavone

Members and Family in need of Prayer November, 2017

Council **Yakima 6097**
 Urban Beaudry
Council **Lynnwood 5816**
 Jo Bonin, wife of Marty Bonin; John Balch, Dan Thulin
Council **Bothell 6686**
 Jim Riddell, DD16; Diana Munko, wife of PFS Dan Munko; Leo O'Dore; Harold Zebert and wife Pat
Council **Marysville 7863**
 Tom LeMere, Ted Mikula, Tom Lester, Shirley Dockendorf, Gary Way, Don Francisco, Fred Chrisaden
Council **Issaquah 7907**
 Ron Smith, brother-in-law of Jim Nold, Deacon Jack Bleile
Council **Arlington 8015**
 Bob Dietz
Council **Kennewick 8179**
 John and Tess Walker
Council **Poulsbo 8297**
 Ron Wernke family, Mary T. Bartlett, Ross & Sharon Smith, Roger Fritz family, Michael Thatcher, Tom & Rosie Bennett, Tom Musha family, William Smith jr, Larry Devlin family, Lee Metzger, Nathan Werneke family, Bill & Nancy Hepp, Robert Brainerd, Storm & Caroleen Smole, Chuck Hackett, Jerry Almeda, John Wahlfors family, Brian Cross
Council **Camano-Stanwood 8476**
 Reinhold Schmidt, PGK
Council **Colbert 8872**
 Del Murray, George and Marie Benton, Ida and Jewell Smalley, mother and wife of PGK Art Smalley
Council **Mountlake Terrace 9605**
 Adrian Calvillo-Reyes; Robert M Shay , Bob Dixon
Council..... **Lakewood 11762**
 John M Wallace PSD
Council..... **Puyallup 11948**
 Kevin Foster
Council **Belfair 12002**
 Jim Berry, Bob & Louise Houghtelling, Nick Aadadas, Susan Montes, Crista Elder, Grandson Liam Riggelman Howard, Archbishop Peter Sartain, Howard & Brenda Riggelman, Bob Giesert, John Quigley, Grace Hochhaus, Mary Ann Shutty, Mary Larson, Joann LeBlanc, Earl Lincoln, Jace Erickson, Janet Moisan, Bob Cates, Lachell family, Dave Tebow, Fr. Henry, Alicia Peredo, Thomasina Peredo, J.J. Macpherson, Melissa and Curtis Tade, Dana Smith, Sarah Nevinger, Larry and Barb Nevinger, Jim Stark, Jim Leblanc, Dianna Zwan, Tom Lynch
Council **Colville 12273**
 Maxine Davenport, mother-in-law of State Deputy Eddie Parazoo
Council **Tacoma 12483**
 Debbie Schueller, sister-in-law to Matt Schueller
Council **Spokane 12583**
 Tim Coyle, Vocations/Church State Chairman
Council **Edmonds 12591**
 Paul Bailey, Bill Brayer, Donna Bruce, wife of David Bruce, Joe Cadden, Marty Casey (bro.-in-law of Kevin Giblin), Patricia Collins, wife of Jim Collins, Bridget English (dau. of Dan Thulin), Frank and Barbara Fanger, Jim Hughes (bro. of Tom Hughes), Gil Martelino, John McAleney, Tom McCarthy, Jer Minerich, Ethel Moons (wife of Tom Moons, PFS), Tom Moons, PFS, Frank Rocco, Jr., Frank Rocco, Sr. (father of Frank Rocco, Jr.), Alberto "Joe" Romero, Joseph Zampardo (son of August Zampardo, PGK)
Council **Vancouver 12983**
 Tamara Rowley, wife of John Rowley, PGK, PFN, FDD
Council **Newport 14268**
 DGK Jim Hines, Trustee Jerry Tefft, Ray Springsteen, Phil Wareham, Mike Murray, Gary Brooks, Rowland Busskohl, William Pahler Sr., Darrell Wehr, Dave Floyd, Rose Kirby, Mike Kardos, JoAnne Gosse, Marty Karr, Lloyd Lund, Tom and Kathy Langworthy, Marty Grieshaber, Judy and Don Deerwester
Council **St. Luke 14689**
 John Markert

> 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.

November, 2017

Fr. John G. Birk, former Chaplain Council 1620, a Knight for 53 years and 4th Degree for 25 years.

Family Members' Deaths

November, 2017

Evelyn Broxson, wife of Bert Broxson,



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

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As a father, you worry about your children and do everything you can to protect them. You try to raise them right and make sure they are prepared to become adults. But have you ever thought about buying life insurance for your child?

When you insure a child, you are protecting his or her future. Did you know that one out of every six adults get rated, postponed, or denied for insurance coverage? If you purchase a policy for your child from the Knights of Columbus with a guaranteed purchase option, it guarantees that more insurance can be purchased for that child at certain set dates, without proving insurability.

Unfortunately, as fathers we don't have a crystal ball, and we don't know what the future may have in store for our children's health. But did you know that right now you can purchase a child's policy, in many cases, for less than \$25 a month?

I've heard it said that people don't want to "profit" from the death of a child, so they won't purchase coverage on their children. God forbid something tragic happens, those funds can come in handy at a time when finances will be the last thing on a parent's mind. I have never heard a story about someone who regretted buying coverage on their child.

Contact me today to discuss the many policy options for child plans, including 10- and 20-Pay life insurance.

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State All-Forms Chairman's Reports

Billing and Retention Procedures

First Billing:

Most councils and assemblies bill annually for the calendar year. The annual billing statement for 2018 is to be dated December 15th and should be in the mail on or just before that date so as to arrive on that date. The bill should include annual assessments for 2018 dues and for Culture of Life (a special assessment), as well as the voluntary assessment for Pennies for Heaven (a miscellaneous assessment) and any other assessment levied by your council/assembly. All bills are due and payable on receipt and become past due 30 days following the statement date. It is very important that the billing be done on time as your council's bill for per capita is due January 1st and you will need a third or so of your bills paid by then to cover it.

The first step in preparing the bills is to "clean up" and bring up to date your council/assembly billing records in K of C Member Billing. We recommend that billing proceed with all member accounts at zero balance, although specific cases may require a different method. Waive outstanding amounts through an account adjustment, not a receipt. As always with Member Billing if not totally familiar, practice using training mode before making changes "for real." Make sure your council/assembly and FS/FC information is up to date so payments can be sent to the correct address. You will need to separately assess each charge (dues, Culture of Life, Pennies for Heaven, etc.) to all members before you can proceed with printing billing statements. Call me if you need help.

We recommend that you take advantage of your billing as an opportunity to communicate with your members to better serve them and your council. You should send out billing statements as part of a packet containing several items:

- The billing statement dated December 15th. Add a friendly message about Christmas but mention that bills are due and payable on receipt and become past due on January 14th. Include here a line that any overpayments will be accepted as donations to Pennies for Heaven or other such funds. If you do not state this on the bill then you must apply any overpayments to 2019 dues. Make sure the statement includes all amounts due.
- The member information report. This two page report from Member Management shows all personal and fraternal information we have on the member. You probably don't need children or occupation information but you must have all street addresses, all telephone & cell numbers, all e-mail addresses, degree dates, spouse information including full birth date and anniversary date, and parish information. If possible you should have full next-of-kin information for every member. Circle blank items needed and ask in your cover letter that the member fill in the blanks and return to you. Some members will require multiple requests.
- A blank form 1728A (Individual Member Worksheet for Survey of Fraternal Activity). Ask in your cover letter that the member fill out and return to you. You will need this information to fill out your form 1728 that is due in January.
- A "next six months" schedule of all your council's meetings, ceremonials, and major program activities for the January 1st to June 30th period. This is especially important if your council/assembly does not have a monthly bulletin or newsletter.
- An empty return envelope stamped or labeled with your council's billing address (normally your home address).
- A blank form 1842 (member interest survey). Ask in your cover letter that the member fill out and return to you. Collect these when returned and pass on to your Chancellor, Council Director, or other appropriate officer.
- Holy cards, K of C pamphlets, or other inserts as desired.
- 2018 membership cards, signed by both Grand Knight/Faithful Navigator and Financial Secretary/Faithful Comptroller and embossed with the council/assembly seal, for all non-billed members (Supreme recognized Honorary Life and Disability members).
- A brief cover letter explaining your inserts.

This packet should be sent in 9 x 11.5 or larger white or manila envelopes. Each envelope should be stamped or labeled with your return address at the upper left, stamped or labeled "Address Service Requested" and "Billing Statement Enclosed" (this stamp not used for members not billed) at the lower left, and labeled with the member's address at the center. Once you have mailed off all the packets send an e-mail to all members letting them know it is on its way to them.

All 2018 membership cards should be prepared at this time. FS/FC information is printed on the back of each card; the front is for each individual member. Each card must be signed by both the Grand Knight/Faithful Navigator and the Financial Secretary/Faithful Comptroller and each must then be embossed with your council/assembly seal. Since a signed sealed card is considered proof of payment in full, hold onto these and pass them out after full payment is received.

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COUNCIL

Second Billing:

The second billing is dated no earlier than 30 days following first billing (January 14th if first notice sent on December 15th), by which time all unpaid bills become past due and delinquent. It is best to include nothing in the envelope but the second billing statement. Again ask the Postal Service for Address Service on the outside of your envelope. Create Retention report with contact info on delinquent members and give to Grand Knight for his assignments of personal contact given to Retention Committee members. All personal contact must occur between 30 to 60 days after first notice (Jan. 14th to Feb. 13th if on original schedule) and the results promptly reported in writing back to the Grand Knight and to you. Please note that while you (the FS) work very closely with and set the schedule for the Retention Committee, you are NEVER a committee member or chairman. This is the primary job each year of the three Trustees, and we expect them to do it promptly and thoroughly.

Knight Alert:

Beginning February 1st, prepare Knight Alert letters dated no earlier than 30 days following second billing (Feb. 13th if on original schedule) for all members still delinquent. Obtain signatures on all Knight Alert letters from the Grand Knight and emboss them with the Council seal. Mail these letters on or just before their official date to all members still not paid in full by the mailing date. Do not mail this notice to any member until personal contact has been made.

Notice of Intent to Retain (Suspend):

Immediately after printing the Knight Alerts (and dated no earlier than 15 days following Knight Alert date), move all remaining delinquent members to "Notice of Intent" status. Obtain signatures on the officially dated letter, emboss with the Council seal, and mail on or just before that date. An electronic copy of each "Notice of Intent" letter is sent to the State Deputy, District Deputy, State Retention Chairman, Supreme Council Membership Department, and your Council Recorder for inclusion in his official minutes record book. Keep a copy in your own files. Note that this is not a final step and that the member is not yet suspended at this step.

Suspension:

About 45 days following the Notice of Intent the Grand Knight and Financial Secretary should meet and determine exactly what should happen to each member still delinquent on all or part of his bill. This could include an approved payment plan, forgiveness of all or part of the amount owing, or suspension. Suspensions must be filed on a form 100 which can be electronically transmitted to the Membership Department at Supreme. Suspension form 100's will not be accepted until at least 60 days have passed following the Notice of Intent, and will not be accepted later than 90 days following the Notice of Intent). Any member not suspended by the end of this 90-day period will have to have a new second notice sent and the process begun anew from that point. Every effort should be made to retain rather than suspend members. No member should be suspended if their delinquency is due to reasons of financial or medical hardship.

ASSEMBLY

Second Billing:

The second billing is dated no earlier than 30 days following first billing (January 14th if first notice sent on December 15th), by which time all unpaid bills become past due and delinquent. It is best to include nothing in the envelope but the second billing statement. Again ask the Postal Service for Address Service on the outside of your envelope. Create Retention report with contact info on delinquent members and give to Faithful Navigator for his assignments of personal contact given to Retention Committee members. All personal contact must occur between 30 and 60 days after first notice (Jan. 14th to Feb. 13th on original schedule) and the results promptly reported in writing back to the Faithful Navigator and to you. Please note that while you (the FC) work very closely with and set the schedule for the Retention Committee, you are NEVER a committee member or chairman. This is the primary job each year of the three Trustees, and we expect them to do it promptly and thoroughly.

Final Notice:

The Final Notice letters are dated no earlier than 30 days following second billing (Feb. 13th if on original schedule) for all members still delinquent. Sign the officially dated letter, emboss with the Assembly seal, and mail on or just before that date. An electronic copy of each "Final Notice" letter is sent to the District Master and your Scribe for inclusion in his official minutes record book. Keep a copy in your own files. Note that this is not a final step and that the member is still in good standing at this step.

Message from the State All-Forms Chairman (Cont.)

Suspension:

No earlier than 30 days following the Final Notice (March 15th if on original schedule) a member may be suspended for non-payment of dues. About 25 days following the Final Notice the Faithful Navigator and Faithful Comptroller should meet and determine exactly what should happen to each member still delinquent on all or part of his bill. This could include an approved payment plan, forgiveness of all or part of the amount owing, or suspension. Suspensions must be filed on a form 4 which can be electronically transmitted to the Membership Department at Supreme. Notice of suspension must also be given to the Supreme and District Masters and the Financial Secretary of the member's council. Every effort should be made to retain rather than suspend members. No member should be suspended if their delinquency is due to reasons of financial or medical hardship.

Please distribute these instructions and procedures to all council/assembly officers, trustees, and other members of the retention and membership committees.

Revised 10/2017

Respectfully submitted
Kevin Fraley, State All-Forms Chairman

Survey of Fraternal Activity

Every year In January all Knights of Columbus councils and assemblies are required to submit a report of all charitable and fraternal activity in the just completed calendar year. This report covers all council/assembly funds spent and all volunteer hours worked by all members and their families during the year. This report is very important as Supreme must combine the reports from all councils/assemblies and report the totals each year to the Federal Internal Revenue Service to justify our tax-exempt status as a 501 c8 organization.

You should begin working on this in October. Obtain a quantity of Form 1728A (Survey of Fraternal Activity – Individual Member Worksheet). These can be ordered (free) from the Supply Department, or simply make photocopies of the attached file (2 worksheets per page, make copies and then cut). Pass these out at your November and December meetings and insert one into your November and December bulletins and into each packet as part of your December 15th billing. Ask everyone to fill them out and return to you by mail or in person no later than the January meeting.

By mid-January you can begin work on your Form 1728 (Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity) for your council (Form 1728C for assemblies). Parts I, II, and III must be completed by the Financial Secretary/Faithful Comptroller from Member Billing and Budget records. You may want to have your budget line items and your Member Billing payee/payor lists set up to match the categories on the Form 1728. Part IV you fill out based on the totals your members have reported to you. Since some of your members will fail to respond, you will have to make a good faith estimate of their volunteer hours during the year. Note that 4th degree members are expected to make separate reports to the assembly for their hours worked there and to the council for their other K of C hours.

It is not yet possible to submit this report in Member Management, but it can be sent to Supreme Department of Fraternal Services either by postal mail, attachment to e-mail, or electronically at the K of C website. Keep a copy in your FS/FC records and be sure to forward copies to the State Deputy, District Deputy/Supreme and District Master, and your council Recorder/Scribe.

This report must be submitted in January and is due January 31st. Please be sure to submit it to Supreme on time to minimize the number of councils listed on the delinquent report the state council will receive from Supreme.

Please distribute these procedures to your Grand Knight/Faithful Navigator and Trustees.
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Respectfully submitted—Kevin Fraley, State All-Forms Chairman

NOVEMBER FORMS REPORT

Supreme reports to us that the following councils are delinquent in submitting the following:

Report of Service Program Personnel (formerly Form 365) due 8/1

Council 3153 Ephrata
Council 4367 Moses Lake
Council 8079 Des Moines
Council 8179 Kennewick
Council 11762 Lakewood

Semi-annual Audit for 1st half 2017 due 8/15

Council 3153 Ephrata
Council 4367 Moses Lake
Council 7149 Goldendale
Council 8294 Yakima
Council 12583 Spokane
Council 14926 Granger
Council 15338 Seattle

Semi-annual Audits for previous periods

Council 3153 Ephrata
Council 4367 Moses Lake
Council 7149 Goldendale
Council 14926 Granger

Newly suspended Council

Council 14926 Granger

Long Term suspended Councils (also missing all above forms)

8398 Spokane, 13831 Spokane, 15721 Seattle, 15838 Seattle

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Fraley
State All-Forms Chairman

If you are not receiving your Columbia Magazine, please contact your Council's Financial Secretary. The issue may be that your address is incorrect in our roster. The FS can contact the Membership Department with a correction and you will begin to receive the Columbia within 60 days.



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