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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

"BE MEN OF ACTION"

Message from State Deputy



My Brothers All,

Welcome to February! Our number one role as a leader of our Councils is to make sure that our beloved Order continues to grow. All Councils change, people move away, or they decide the Knights aren't for them....we must at least replace those that leave us. We should

actually strive to grow in numbers so we can do more of God's work here on earth. We must keep our programs fresh and inviting so we keep people engaged and draw new parishioners to help. Your programs should match your parish membership......if you have mostly young families - make sure you have programs that meet what they are wanting to support or be part of.

We are moving closer and closer to our State goals, however, we are nowhere close to our ultimate goal. Nor are we even half way there. Washington State is ranked 58 out of 74 jurisdictions. We are better than that! We have some ground to make up but know that we can do it with all our collective support. Don't hold those candidates.....exemplify them! Get them into the Knights so they can put some of that new enthusiasm working for your Council! If each of you recruit just one new member.....we would make up the ground needed to put your Council into the running for Star Council. And, put Washington State back on track, too. Please see to it that you ask that new parishioner, that new Catholic, that new 18 year old, that man that sits in the pew next to you!!!

Lent is coming and it is a good time to conduct/host prayer services. Maybe bring in a speaker on some spiritual topic. Maybe conduct that simple soup supper or fish fry or lead the Stations of the Cross. I am sure your parish priest would be happy that some of you step up to assist.

On the housekeeping side....let's strive to get and keep your Council current on bills and reporting.

- The State Per Capita has been out, as well as your Council's Pennies For Heaven goal.....please help do your part to keep state costs down by PAYING YOUR COUNCIL BILL! The longer you postpone payment, the more the State has to spend by producing, printing and mailing another invoice. Let's just get it done take care of your Council State Per Capita and other funds owed to the State......
- Supreme and State Reporting you are the leader of your Council and it is up to you to set the stage for those that follow you. Make sure all reports are filed on a timely basis. We still have a few Councils that haven't filed their "Officer's Chosen for the Fraternal Year" those were due in JUNE!!

Finally, my wife Dawna, and I wish you a very worthwhile and prayerful Lent. Use Lent to bring yourself, your family, and your Council closer to God. Give something up that is just taking up time - and replace it with moving more closely to God (more spiritual reading, more prayers, etc.).

God Bless. Vivat Jesus!

Ed Parazoo State Deputy StateDeputy@kofc-wa.org

State Chaplain Message

As a child sitting at the piano for my weekly lesson, I would hold my hands in position to begin playing, and my teacher would say, "Ready.....go!" Only then could I begin. It was never, "Start whenever you want," or "Just play!" There was always a brief moment of preparation and then the direct instruction to begin playing.

The other day, I was thinking about the upcoming season of Lent, and how Lent corresponds roughly to the "Ready....." part, while Easter is like the "Go!" Lent is clearly for preparation, and Easter is for celebration.

Then I came to an important realization: usually there are *three* stages to this kind of thing. At the races, you always hear, "On your marks.....get set.....go!" Or, similarly, you would hear, "Ready.....aim.....fire!" Or one more: "Everybody smile: one.....two.....three!" No one snaps a photo on the count of two!

Maybe for Lent and Easter, we actually need a *three*-step process instead of just two. Many of us scramble when the Sunday before Lent—or even Ash Wednesday—comes around, and we realize we don't have much of a plan formed for our Lenten journey of spiritual preparation for the celebration of Easter.

Wouldn't it be a lot better if we spent some time this month really praying and deliberately putting together an itinerary for Lent that would bear abundant fruit in our lives at Easter and beyond? Instead of the default sacrifice of chocolate or some other food or drink that we like, what would happen if we examined our conscience, recognized a particular area of our life that needed work, and came up with a Lenten practice that would help us grow in that area?

Let's be honest: giving up a certain pleasure for Lent and then taking it back up again on Easter Sunday doesn't have much of an effect in our spiritual life in the long run. It can be a good offering to God for a time, but I imagine God would be even more pleased if we did something that had a lasting positive impact on our life and the life of our neighbor.

A lot of people have become somewhat skeptical of the benefit of giving up anything at all for Lent, so they have decided instead only to *do* something positive—to take up a charitable practice, for example.

That's all well and good, but I would not be so swift to dismiss the long-standing tradition of embracing some form of self-denial during Lent. Clearly, the Church has good reason for encouraging prayer, fasting *and* almsgiving, instead of just one or two of the three. The self-imposed hardship we bear during Lent has the effect of improving our self-discipline, decreasing our attachment to creaturely things, and helping us focus on what is truly important in our life.

I encourage you, Brother Knights, not to launch into Lent unprepared, but to give some serious thought to the matter. Now is the time for the first step in the process. If we pray now and ask the Holy Spirit to help us know what Lenten practices would be of greatest benefit to us and our neighbors, we won't find ourselves scrambling on Ash Wednesday (March 1) to get our act together. God bless you and your family with a fruitful Lenten journey!

Vivat Jesus!



Fr. Kenneth St. Hilaire State Chaplain

State Secretary Message



Hi Brothers,

This had to be the busiest month that I have ever had as a Knight of Columbus! Your response to the Per Capita Billing has been remarkable so far. I must have collected 40% of it already this month! **AWESOME JOB YOU GUYS!!!** For those that haven't sent it in yet, just a reminder that it is due now and we really would appreciate it if you would handle that payment now.

I also had the joy of doing the State Fraternal Survey! That's right, I get to do one for the State Officers, State Chairman and Distict Deputies. For all of you that sent in your data: **THANK YOU!** For all of you that didn't, **May A Diseased YAK back into your Clothes Closet**.

Many Councils have also chosen to make their Pennies for Heaven donation at this time. That's wonderful! A Penny a Day and A Prayer a Day for Vocations has always been a premier program in this State. Keep it up guys!

Next, Resolutions that you wish to put forward for the State Convention need to be in my hands no later than March 15 - with Council seal attached. No exceptions.

Next, each Council received a Certificate of Election with your Per Capita bill that needs to be filled out after your Election of Delegates to the State Convention and sent back to me. I need this data to input into the State database if you want to have your Council delegates to receive their Mileage & Per Diem payment.

Also, all Councils need to submit a summary of yearly accomplishments that are due to your District Deputy on April 1, 2016. Then the District Deputies compile them and submit their summary to me for publication in the Convention Booklet. It's really great for your Council to read this and to be proud of it, so don't miss the chance! The State Chairmen also submit a summary of their area accomplishments and then those along with the DD summaries are submitted to me by April 10. Please guys, send these reports electronically in a MS WORD file format.

Finally, how about my Packers? They had a great game against the Cowboys, but really ran out of gas for the Falcons. We will win it all next year for sure!!!

God Bless & Go Packers! Vivat Jesus!

Bob Baemmert State Secretary

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State Treasurer Message



My Brothers,

Great job on the Fraternal Surveys...they are flying in faster than we can record them...fantastic. Audits are a bit less but still coming in quite well. A few more of the delinquent audits have also been filed with Supreme... wonderful.

So time is running down and we are still far from our Membership Goals. Please make that effort this week and go ask that man you have been putting off forever. Don't deny him the opportunity to join the Order that you enjoy so much...

For your reading pleasure... the Supreme Reports:

COUNCILS NOT SUBMITTING REPORT OF OFFICERS CHOSEN FOR THE TERM Form185 02/02/2017

03153 08398 13831 15721

COUNCILS NOT SUBMITTING SERVICE PROGRAM PERSONNEL REPORT Form 36502/02/2017
01545 01699 02999 03153 04367 08201 08266 08294 08398 12273 13831 14510 14922 15684 15721 15838 15968

TOTAL COUNCILS NOT REPORTING 17 DELINQUENT SEMI-ANNUAL COUNCIL AUDIT REPORTS RUN DATE: 02/02/2017 FOR PERIOD ENDED 06/30/2016 DUE BY 08/15/2016

COUNCIL			LAST REPOR	RT
NUMBER	STA	TUS CITY	PERIOD	RECEIVED
1401 *	Α	ELLENSBURG	12/31/2014	03/08/2015
1460 *	A	POMEROY	12/31/2016	12/05/2016
2126 *	A	MOUNT VERNON	06/30/2015	01/04/2016
3153 *	A	EPHRATA	06/30/2015	02/25/2016
4367 *	A	MOSES LAKE	12/31/2013	06/08/2014
7149 *	A	GOLDENDALE	06/30/2012	07/30/2012
8179	A	KENNEWICK	12/31/2015	02/07/2016
8294 *	A	YAKIMA		
8398 *	A	SPOKANE	12/31/2013	04/14/2014
8672 *	A	SEDRO WOOLLEY	12/31/2016	09/29/2016
9941 *	A	BURLINGTON	06/30/2015	09/30/2015
12483 *	A	TACOMA	06/30/2015	07/12/2015
12583 *	A	SPOKANE	06/30/2015	04/28/2016
13831 *	S	SPOKANE	12/31/2014	04/07/2015
14268	A	NEWPORT	12/31/2015	02/11/2016
14510	A	SPOKANE	12/31/2015	02/07/2016
14926 *	A	GRANGER	06/30/2015	06/21/2015
15684	A	CLE ELUM/ROSYLN	12/31/2015	02/09/2016
15721 *	A	SEATTLE	12/31/2013	02/12/2014
15838	S	SEATTLE	12/31/2015	09/29/2015

Total Councils 20-5=15 2 or more

2 Suspended * LAST 2 REPORTS ARE DELINQUENT

COUNCILS NOT SUBMITTING ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY Form1728 02/02/2017

00683 00763 00766 01327 01449 01545 01699 02126 02999 03153 03455 03598 04367 05495 05816 06706 08079 08179 08294 08297 08311 08398 08437 08672 09145 09605 09833 10543 10664 11134 11217 11253 11611 11762 11780 12273 12483 12899 13560 13794 13831 14046 14394 14510 14852 14922 14926 15462 15684 15721 15838 15968 16186 **TOTAL COUNCILS NOT REPORTING 53**

State Treasurer Message continued

EXEMPLIFICATION FUND REPORT

COUNCIL	FEE	COUNCIL	F	EE	COUNCIL	F	EE	COUNCIL		FEE	COUNCIL		FEE
#	BALANCE	#	BAL	ANCE	#	BAL	ANCE	#	ВА	LANCE	#	ВА	LANCE
676	\$ -	3307	\$	56.00	8201	\$	-	11253	\$	-	13606	\$	-
683	\$ 14.00	3361	\$	35.00	8266	\$	7.00	11357	\$	-	13761	\$	-
763	\$ CREDIT	3455	\$	7.00	8294	\$	-	11408	\$	-	13794	\$	35.00
766	\$ 7.00	3598	\$	14.00	8297	\$	14.00	11478	\$	-	13831	\$	28.00
809	\$ -	3611	\$	-	8311	\$	-	11611	\$	-	13834	\$	-
829	\$ 21.00	3645	\$	7.00	8398	\$	-	11642	\$	35.00	14046	\$	7.00
894	\$ -	4196	\$	-	8437	\$	14.00	11736	\$	14.00	14162	\$	-
1327	\$ -	4322	\$	7.00	8455	\$	7.00	11762	\$	7.00	14268	\$	-
1379	\$ 7.00	4367	\$	21.00	8476	\$	-	11780	\$	7.00	14394	\$	-
1401	\$ -	4385	\$	14.00	8672	\$	-	11789	\$	14.00	14510	\$	-
1449	\$ 7.00	4782	\$	63.00	8768	\$	CREDIT	11906	\$	14.00	14689	\$	28.00
1460	\$ -	5177	\$	-	8872	\$	-	11948	\$	-	14852	\$	-
1488	\$ 42.00	5495	\$	-	9145	\$	-	12002	\$	-	14922	\$	7.00
1545	\$ 7.00	5816	\$	7.00	9237	\$	-	12175	\$	-	14926	\$	-
1550	\$ 7.00	6097	\$	-	9238	\$ (CREDIT	12251	\$	-	15136	\$	-
1565	\$ -	6686	\$	-	9434	\$	-	12273	\$	-	15143	\$	14.00
1606	\$ -	6706	\$	7.00	9605	\$	CREDIT	12420	\$	14.00	15338	\$	-
xxx		6806	\$	-	9617	\$	14.00	XXX			15462	\$	-
1620	\$ -	7117	\$	-	9637	\$	-	12483	\$	-	15538	\$	-
1629	\$ CREDIT	7149	\$	-	9664	\$	21.00	12583	\$	-	15684	\$	-
1643	\$ -	7356	\$	-	9721	\$	-	12591	\$	7.00	15689	\$	7.00
1674	\$ -	7360	\$	35.00	9833	\$	14.00	12786	\$	-	15721	\$	-
1699	\$ -	7528	\$	28.00	9910	\$	-	12889	\$	-	15730	\$	7.00
1758	\$ -	7642	\$	49.00	9941	\$	14.00	12899	\$	7.00	15838	\$	28.00
1823	\$ -	7863	\$	7.00	10532	\$	-	12983	\$	7.00	15968	\$	CREDIT
2103	\$ -	7907	\$	-	10534	\$	7.00	13186	\$	7.00	16176	\$	28.00
2126	\$ -	7908	\$	7.00	10543	\$	-	13238	\$	35.00	16184	\$	-
2155	\$ -	8015	\$	7.00	10652	\$	14.00	13364	\$	-	16186	\$	-
2260	\$ CREDIT	8079	\$	28.00	10653	\$	14.00	13374	\$	-	16361	\$	-
2303	\$ -	8102	\$	-	10664	\$	7.00	13395	\$	-			
2763	\$ -	8136	\$	-	11085	\$	-	13422	\$	-			
2999	\$ -	8137	\$	-	11134	\$	-	13462	\$	-			
3044	\$ -	8150	\$	-	11217	\$	-	13560	\$	-			
3153	\$ -	8179	\$	-	11252	\$	21.00	13597	\$	7.00			

Fraternally,

Pat Kelley State Treasurer

State Advocate Message

\$18,000 loss

Ok, so it's not a real \$18,000 loss. Got your attention though, didn't it?

Fred Meyer wants to give us money and we are not taking full advantage. Because of our Tootsie Roll Program, Fred Meyer wants us involved in their Community Rewards Program ,too. They are the biggest sponsor we have for the Tootsie Roll Program. All you need to do is sign up and renew each year.

Since I presented this program to you a year ago, we have only had 11 families sign up. Out of those 11 families, our Columbus Charities Endowment Fund has collected over \$200 the past two quarters. If we would have had at least 1,000 families sign up we would have realized over \$18,000 in two quarters.

The families will still enjoy their rebates, points and discounts. There would not be one change to that, but the total shopping would go in as a credit to our Columbus Charities account.

Here is the procedure I sent out a few months ago, please take a look again. It's free money!!

Fred Meyer Community Rewards Program

Fred Meyer has a Community Rewards Program where customers can link their rewards card to a non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization. I have registered Columbus Charities to this program ear marked for the Endowment Fund.

Fred Meyer's Community Rewards Program donates \$2.5 million to registered 501 (c) (3) organizations annually. The more cards linked to a non-profit, the more money is received.

NOTHING will change for your personal Fred Meyer rewards program. You will still receive your personal reward points, fuel credits and rebates. This Community Rewards program is in addition to your regular rewards.

Once you link your card to the Community Rewards program, every quarter, a check will be issued to Columbus Charities. The more cards that are linked, the more dollars will go to Columbus Charities for our Endowment Fund. It's that easy and there for the taking.

Here's how you can register/link to Columbus Charities:

- Obtain a Fred Meyer rewards card. If you already have a card, go online, sign in and follow the procedure listed below.
- Go to www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards
- Sign in or register if not already a member.
- Scan down the form and find Link Rewards Card
- Enter number 86675 or Columbus Charities
- A confirmation page will follow and you are set.

The check will go to our Columbus Charities Vice-President, Bob Baemmert, and he will earmark to the Endowment Fund.

Please help us add funds to our Endowment Program. It's free and easy.

If you have not signed up your family to another 501 (c) (3), please do so now with Columbus Charities. It's free.

Kim Washburn State Advocate

State Warden Message

The Family Fully Alive: February theme – The Sacrament of Marriage

Four Building the Domestic Church programs required for STAR Council; NEW Form SP-7; Program Service Awards; Regional Meeting and Council Anniversary Photos

Council Spotlight: St. Mary's Council 4196, Ahtanum Mission Council 6097, Fr. Nicholas Rausch, OSB Council 1643, Fr. Justin P. Garvey Council 6686

A huge THANK YOU to all of the Spotlight Councils for hosting the four Regional meetings this year. Look for photos of the degree teams with our Worthy State Deputy in the *read more*... section.

Remember, four programs must be designated *Building the Domestic Church* activities for Councils to qualify for Star Council. Those programs must be identified on the NEW Form SP-7, Columbian Award Application. Refer to my General Program Director page for more details.



Olympia Regional Meeting, January 7, 2017 – 1st Degree Team and new member Knights with Worthy State Deputy Ed Parazoo

Olympia Regional Meeting, January 7, 2017 – Worthy State Advocate Kim Washburn recognizes District Deputy Gary Scheifley, D34, for highest membership gain in quarter.



State Warden Message continued



Olympia Regional Meeting, January 7, 2017 – Worthy District Master (West) Phillip Clingan presents the 4th Degree Civic Award to Fr. John J Daly Assembly 2960.

Harry J. Tucker, Jr.
Council 11780, Covington –
Worthy State Deputy Ed
Parazoo presents the Double
Star Council Award to PGK
Tommy LaCour as GK
Darren Parsons looks on
during the annual Crab Feed
on January 7, 2017.
Congratulations Council
11780!!



Please go the WSC website for the rest of the Warden Message:

http://kofc-wa.org/FrontPageContent/messages/nnSWmessage.aspx

Vivat Jesus! Fraternally,



Greg Mahoney State Warden, WSC

General Programs

Brother Knights,

Family Fully Alive in February focuses on the Sacrament of Marriage. The foundation of the domestic church is the sacrament of marriage. It is therefore important to reflect often on the mystery and calling of this sacrament. Read more in the Family Fully Alive publication from CIS for meditations, questions and projects for your family.

Fraternal Leaders should be setting their eyes on Star Council. This is the time to assess how close you are to reaching that goal. You must conduct at least four of the designated programs from the Building the Domestic Church category listed below:

5th Sunday Rosary Program
Consecration to the Holy Family
Family Fully Alive Devotional Program
Family Week Celebrations

Father's Day Affirmation of Wedding Vows

Food for Families

Holy Family Prayer Program

Journey to the Inn

Keep Christ in Christmas Campaign

Spiritual Formation Groups (ex. Into the Breach)

The NEW Columbian Award Application (Form SP-7) can be found at the following link: http://www.kofc.org/un/en/forms/Council/columbian_awardap_p.pdf. This form includes boxes that you must mark to indicate your programs that pertain to Building the Domestic Church.

Grand Knights should review the Program Service Award Applications that are due to their respective State Chairmen by April 1 or April 15, depending on the award. The applications can be downloaded at the following link: http://www.kofc-wa.org/Family/Officers/nnGK.aspx.

Congratulations to our **Tootsie Roll Drive** participants. Thank you to all Councils participating in this effort to help raise money for people with disabilities. Worthy Tootsie Roll Chairman Tommy LaCour informs me that so far the gross proceeds total \$122,000. Well done!

Be Men of Action and help build up Christ's Church. Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,



Greg Mahoney State Warden and General Program Director, WSC GeneralProgram@kofc-wa.org or StateWarden@kofc-wa.org



Membership Director Desk



250+ STAR TRACK RECRUITER PINS ISSUED TO PROPOSERS TO DATE.....Do you have yours?

"Spread the Light"

We have two new qualifiers for the Vega Award (5 new members). Allen Farrand (7630) and James Bacon, Jr. (5495) will each receive \$25. They are only two new members away from Rigel (7 new members).

One ambitious recruiter has reached the Rigel level and that would be Felipe Catabay (3361). He has actually brought in 8 new members and is only two away from Alpha Centuri (10 new members). Felipe will receive \$50 for his efforts.

So far, we have five recruiters that have attained the Vega level and two have attained Rigel. Four recruiters are only one way from this prestigious award.

The top DD for the 2nd quarter in percentage net gain is Gary Scheifley. He will receive \$100 for his efforts.

WAY TO GO GUYS!!!!

December was the best month so far this year bringing in 83 new members. This has earned Washington State \$420 for 9% growth in December. The money issued by Supreme to our State Council will be issued in drawings at the State Convention.

You proposers, don't forget to mail in your Star Track Recruiter brochure to Marcel Bergeron (Lt. Libra). These will be added to the box for drawing at the State Convention. We are planning to offer great prizes.

YOU DON'T HAVE A PROPOSER APPLICATION!!!!!

Ask your District Deputy for a brochure, or go to our State website and search for past State Bulletins or website icon.

As of December, there are 12 Councils on track for the Father McGivney Award, a key to Star Council.

12583 Spokane – 216.67%	16186 Snoqualmie – 175%
9910 Monroe – 150%	7360 Pullman – 142.86%
11252 Woodland/Ridgefield – 140%	5495 Seattle – 140%
4322 Lakewood – 125%	8437 Seattle – 120%
8015 Arlington – 114.29%	12420 Lynden – 100%
3361 Oak Harbor – 100%	11642 Mercer Island – 100%

DO YOU KNOW SUPREME MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVES????

Supreme Incentives – January 1, 2017 – March 31, 2017

▶ Individual Recruiter Incentives

• Knights of Columbus members who recruit new members will receive 1,500 VIP points per new member that they recruit.

▶ Council Recruiter Incentives

- Councils that recruit six or more members will receive a Domestic Church Kiosk & Booklet Set.
- Councils that recruit twelve or more members will also receive an additional Domestic Church Kiosk & Booklet Set

▶ Star Council

• Waiver of all Supreme per capita for the fraternal year 2017-2018, a huge benefit to your Council.

▶ District Deputy

- Newly Designed Star District Plaque & Lapel Pins
- Pin delivered in the same box as your Star District plaque
- Number on lapel pin represents the number of Star Councils in your district regardless of Star Council level
- "All Star District" awards a jacket when all active Councils in your district achieve Star Council status
- Must meet membership and insurance goals and at least one Council in district must attain one of the levels of Star Council.

Please GO TO: http://www.kofc.org/en/members/members/membership/membership-awards.html#/ for further details on awards and future incentives from Supreme.

As a State Jurisdiction, we are doing a little better than last month.

- ▶ Our monthly State quota (Intake) for Circle of Honor is 78/month. Cumulative, we need 930 new members by fraternal year end.
 - We brought in 83 new members for December. Thank you guys!!!
 - 308 new members for the year and that places us 56th (33.12%) out of 74 jurisdictions.
- \blacktriangleright Yearly Net/Intake 560 (47/month) new members by fraternal year end.
 - We are ranked at 69th (16.07%) out of 74 jurisdictions.
- ► Yearly Net/Net 275 (23/month) new members by fraternal year end.
 - We stand at -45 for the fraternal year, ranking us 52nd (-16.36%) out of 74 jurisdictions.

WE ARE HEADED IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION!!!!!

Kim Washburn – SA Membership Director

				Membership							
1/31/2017				Т	HIS MONT	Н	YE	AR TO DA	TE	Mandala	V4-
District	Members hip as of 7/1/16	District Quota	Council Quota	GAIN	LOSS	NET	GAIN	LOSS	NET	Monthly Intake Gain (%)	Year to date Net gain (%)
001	522	26	37	0	0	0	0	4	-4	0.0%	0.0%
002	560	25	36	2	0	2	13	0	13	8.0%	52.0%
003	539	24	34	0	0	0	12	10	2	0.0%	8.3%
004	572	29	41	0	0	0	6	6	0	0.0%	0.0%
005	527	25	35	2	0	2	20	3	17	8.0%	68.0%
006	590	32	45	0	0	0	10	0	10	0.0%	31.3%
007	1327	62	89	3	0	3	25	37	-12	4.8%	0.0%
008	652	31	44	9	0	9	20	6	14	29.0%	45.2%
009	308	15	22	1	0	1	7	3	4	6.7%	26.7%
010	329	16	23	1	28	-27	3	30	-27	6.3%	0.0%
011	531	26	37	0	0	0	13	47	-34	0.0%	0.0%
012	868	40	60	5	0	5	18	0	18	12.5%	45.0%
013	794	37	53	4	0	4	18	0	18	10.8%	48.6%
014	418	20	28	1	0	1	16	1	15	5.0%	75.0%
015	380	20	29	5	0	5	7	13	-6	25.0%	0.0%
016	673	33	47	7	0	7	19	0	19	21.2%	57.6%
017	386	18	26	0	0	0	3	0	3	0.0%	16.7%
018	439	22	31	0	0	0	4	0	4	0.0%	18.2%
019	431	20	28	0	1	-1	13	2	11	0.0%	55.0%
020	379	22	31	0	0	0	5	4	1	0.0%	4.5%
021	627	31	44	1	0	1	7	19	-12	3.2%	0.0%
022	435	21	30	5	0	5	9	0	9	23.8%	42.9%
023	428	26	33	3	0	3	16	0	16	11.5%	61.5%
024	244	12	17	1	0	1	3	6	-3	8.3%	0.0%
025	303	15	21	0	0	0	11	20	-9	0.0%	0.0%
026	476	22	35	0	0	0	1	0	1	0.0%	4.5%
027	483	26	33	0	0	0	9	6	3	0.0%	11.5%
028	241	18	25	0	0	0	2	1	1	0.0%	5.6%
029	339	18	24	1	0	1	8	1	7	5.6%	38.9%
030	342	17	23	0	0	0	3	0	3	0.0%	17.6%
031	243	16	21	3	0	3	6	0	6	18.8%	37.5%
032	507	25	34	1	0	1	10	0	10	4.0%	40.0%
033	489	26	35	0	1	-1	9	7	2	0.0%	7.7%
034	245	14	18	0	0	0	15	0	15	0.0%	107.1%
035	398	20	27	2	7	-5	17	7	10	10.0%	50.0%
036	444	22	29	1	0	1	8	22	-14	4.5%	0.0%

January 31, 2017 Membership Standings by Division
(Division Leaders are Highlighted in Green)

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Council	No. of Members	Quota	Net gain/loss	% gain/loss	Council	No. of Members	Quota	Net gain/loss	% gain/loss	Council	No. of Members	Quota	Net gain/loss	% gain/loss
	Division	I - < 50	members		Divis	ion II - 50-9	99 mem	bers (conf	tinued)	Divisi	on III - 100	-149 me	mbers co	ntinued
1823	47	4	0	0	8437	79	5	6	120	10543	101	7	3	42.86
3044	47	4	0	0	8455	85	6	-3	0	10652	124	8	4	50
7149	41	4	1	25	8672	93	7	0	0	11478	114	8	0	0
8266	40	4	0	0	8768	83	6	1	16.67	11642	105	7	8	114.29
9237	46	4	-1	0	9145	72	5	1	20	11762	102	7	2	28.57
9605	47	4	0	0	9617	96	7	5	71.43	11780	138	9	3	33.33
9910	43	4	6	150	9637	62	4	-4	0	11789	112	7	5	71.43
10534	48	4	1	25	9721	55	4	2	50	12591	116	8	1	12.5
11085	38	4	0	0	9941	54	4	0	0	12899	130	9	-1	0
12002	47	4	0	0	10532	72	5	-1	0	13238	140	10	6	60
12420	46	4	4	100	10664	60	4	1	25	13374	149	10	-4	0
12889	42	4	0	0	11252	69	5	7	140	13560	105	7	4	57.14
13364	45	4	0	0	11253	76	5	1	20	13794	108	8	5	62.5
13422	48	4	-1	0	11357	77	5	0	0	14046	105	7	1	14.29
13462 13761	39 48	4	0	0	11408	88 87	6	2	33.33	14689 14922	116 102	8 7	5 2	62.5
13831	25	4	0	0	11611 11736	54	6	2	50	15136	102	7	0	28.57 0
13834	41	4	0	0	11906	51	4	2	50		Division IV			
14162	41	4	0	0	12175	51	4	2	50	683	198	13	2	15.38
14268	48	4	0	0	12251	61	4	1	25	809	245	16	1	6.25
14510	19	8	0	0	12273	96	7	0	0	829	158	11	0	0.23
14852	47	4	0	0	12483	50	4	2	50	1379	220	14	2	14.29
15338	42	4	0	0	12583	94	6	13	216.67	1620	163	11	-4	0
15462	42	4	0	0	12786	95	7	-4	0	2999	174	12	2	16.67
15538	38	4	0	0	13186	86	6	-1	0	3361	204	12	12	100
15684	24	4	0	0	13395	72	5	3	60	3598	228	15	3	20
15689	33	4	1	25	13597	57	4	1	25	4196	153	10	4	40
15838	22	4	0	0	13606	79	6	0	0	4367	150	10	3	30
15968	43	4	0	0	14394	66	5	1	20	4385	176	12	2	16.67
16176	32	4	4	100	14926	64	4	0	0	4782	186	12	-36	0
16184	24	4	3	75	15143	61	4	-1	0	5816	192	13	1	7.69
16186	28	4	7	175	15721	62	4	0	0	6097	216	15	3	20
16361	25	4	2	50	15730	68	5	2	40	6686	187	13	0	0
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1401	77	5	0	0	894	142	9	4	44.44	7642	250	17	10	58.82
1449	50	4	1	25	1327	137	8	3	37.5	7907	151	10	2	20
1550	99	/	-3	0	1460	126	8	1	12.5	7908	197	14	8	57.14
1606	59	4	1	16.67	1488	115	8	6	75	8201	159	11	1	0
1629 1674	97 69	6 5	0	16.67 0	1545 1565	139 131	8	-27 -6	0	8476 8872	164 222	11 15	0	9.09
1699	93	6	0	0	2103	128	9	0	0	9238	217	15	5	33.33
1758	68	5	1	20	2303	101	7	1	14.29	9434	156	11	-19	0
2126	86	5	0	0	2763	139	9	-12	0	10653	180	13	1	7.69
2155	68	5	0	0	3153	115	8	0	0	11134	164	11	1	9.09
2260	87	6	1	16.67	3455	136	9	1	11.11	11217	162	11	0	0
5177	74	5	1	20	3611	102	7	0	0	11948	158	10	2	20
5495	76	5	7	140	3645	116	8	-12	0	12983	170	12	-19	0
6706	75	5	2	40	4322	130	8	4	50	12000) members	
7117	69	4	0	0	6806	116	7	3	42.86	676	290	15	-4	0
7360	97	7	12	171.43	7356	104	7	0	0	763	330	22	1	4.55
8102	84	5	0	0	7863	140	9	5	55.56	766	274	18	1	5.56
8136	77	5	4	80	8015	110	7	9	128.57	1643	380	25	0	0
8150	97	6	2	33.33	8079	110	7	0	0	3307	339	22	8	36.36
8297	95	6	2	33.33	8137	123	8	-3	0	7528	292	20	7	35
8311	93	7	0	0	9664	123	8	3	37.5	8179	257	17	-18	0
8398	62	4	0	0	9833	142	10	5	50					



Council Chairman

You wouldn't know it but the deadlines for the Knight of the Year, The Harry Tucker Fraternalism Award, and Council Service Award will be due before you know it! The Knight of the Year & The Harry Tucker Fraternalism Award is due on April 1. That's NOT POSTMARKED! That is due in MY HANDS - on APRIL 1!

The Council Award is due IN MY HANDS on April 15th! So, you have a little more time for that one. But I would suggest that you start right now on your submissions for your Council's awards! Ask your fellow brother knights to help with this. Have a Brother Knight (or 2 or 3) take one of the award submissions and do the write up so you the GK or DGK don't have to do all of these write ups. Once done, pass them around among yourselves to see if you have everything down correctly. Have pictures, news articles, etc. Be as complete as you can with your submission & DON'T BE LATE!

The BEST of luck to each and every one of you! Let's see if we can get EVERY COUNCIL to submit an award for consideration this year!

God Bless!

Ed Miller Council Chairman

Membership Program Consultant

My Brother Knights,

I had the pleasure of attending two of the regional meetings held by your State Team, and the meetings were excellent, providing you all of the information you needed. Always attend any meeting or training session you can.

Half of the fraternal year is over, so take a moment to do a check. First, is your Fraternal Survey done? If so thank you, but if not please get it in as soon as possible. This helps us maintain our charitable status, but for you and your Council you can show your members of the Council and your parish the value of the Council, and the value of membership. There is nothing secret, and it goes a long way in educating your parish (and even some members) on what you do every year.

Double check all the other forms to see if they are done, especially those associated with Star Council, if they are not done it's not too late, so send them in. While you're at it, start filling in your SP7 for the Columbian Award. When you do this sometime you realize you have accomplished more than you thought and are well on your way to Star Council.

Speaking of Star Council, have you inserted Domestic Church programs into the mix? Remember you don't need more to qualify only add some to what you already do. Here is a list.

- Food for Families
- Keep Christ in Christmas
- Spiritual Formation Groups (Into the Breach)
- 5th Sunday Rosary Program
- Family Week Celebrations
- Journey to the Inn
- Father's Day Affirmation of Wedding Vows (any time works)
- Consecration to the Holy Family
- Family Fully Alive Devotional Program
- Holy Family Celebrations (Diocesan-wide)

Please feel free to contact your District Deputy, State Officers or even me if you have questions.

We do a great amount of good, but none of this is possible without members, and recruitment is key. This is one of our successes, the need to recruit. Schedule your church drives now, especially that Lent is just around the corner. During Lent we are asked to renew our commitment to the church, let's do this by service. Remember when you hold a church drive make sure you plan an admissions degree and a service project so those new Knights are immediately engaged.

Finally since we are talking renewal and Lent is around the corner, you can give up chocolate, sweets, anything. But how about this year you give up nothing, but commit yourself to just one hour. Will you give just one hour to the Knights in service to Christ? Just one hour is all I would ask. Just one hour to turn yourself around or to make something better. Give just one extra hour for Lent. Might it make more difference than all the chocolate you gave up?

Thank you all, and keep up the great work.

Ray L. Lopez PSD Membership Program Consultant Department of Membership Growth (203) 444-2921 ray.lopez@kofc.org

Church Chairman

Brother Knights,

We're past the half way mark of the fraternal year, and have just a few months to conduct those strong, visible Church Programs that will help your Council achieve its membership and BDC goals. But, perhaps more important, you only have a couple of months to prepare your Church Program Award Application due April 15th and your April MSR due May 1.

This is a good time to take stock of how you are doing toward your goal of meeting the Columbian Award requirements for Church Programs. Review the MSR noting the additional requirement for conducting a BDC signature program (Father's Day Renewal of Wedding Vows, 5th Sunday Rosary, Holy Family Celebrations, Family Fully Alive, Journey to the Inn, Food for Families) or a Council designed program.

If you held a fundraising activity to support one or more seminarians through the RSVP program, or will have held all four 5th Sunday Rosaries, you're in good shape. Make sure you have submitted the required paperwork. Then, identify an Officer or Brother Knight with effective writing skills to write up the Church activity or project you will submit for the Church Program Award and the Columbian Award.

Building the Domestic Church Themes

As mentioned last month, **February's** BDC theme is **THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE.** Suggested activities, readings and themes can be found on Supreme's web site at http://www.kofc.org/un/en/domestic-church/monthly-themes/february.html.

The theme for **March** is **Family Difficulties**. Suggested activities, readings and themes can be found on Supreme's web site at http://www.kofc.org/un/en/domestic-church/monthly-themes/march.html.

Vivat Jesus!

Paul Robertson, Church Chairman

Ritzville Council Progress

George Czerwonka, Jr., IPSD, and his son, Stephen are supporting the State Chaplain, Fr. Kenny St. Hilaire, in building his new Council one new member at a time. They used the Video CD on Tuesday, January 24, to hold the degree in the St. Agnes Hall and shared an experience of a lifetime bringing these men into the Order.

People in the photo are from left to right: Drew McKinney, new member at 1st Degree; George Czerwonka, Jr., IPSD; Fr. Kenny St. Hilaire, State Chaplain holding his Honoree Scroll signed by all present; David Niles, new member at 1st Degree; Ronald Greenwalt, 3rd degree transfer in; Henry Baumann, 3rd degree Reapplication; and, Leslie Gosselia, 1st degree transfer in.



Convention Booklet - Council/Assembly Agreement



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 114TH WASHINGTON STATE CONVENTION MAY 19, 20, 21, 2017 Olympia, Washington

COUNCIL/ASSEMBLY AGREEMENT

The following fraternal entity agrees to provide a greetings message in the $114^{\rm th}$ State Convention Booklet in the size and at the rate designated below:

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DEADLINE: April 1st, 2017

CONVENTION HOST: Fr Nicholas Rausch Council 1643

Master of the Fourth Degree - Western WA

The Western District will be conducting an exemplification on Saturday, February 11, 2017, at Lacey (Sacred Heart Parish), 812 Bowker St. SE. Lacey, WA 98509. The host Assembly is 1183 St. Francis of Assisi The host **District Marshal is Mike Colosi** (360-870-5597). FN's have registration forms, instructions, cost, and times.

Upcoming 4th Degree Schedule

Feb 11, 2017 Lacey, WA. Mar 4, 2017 JBLM, WA. Apr 1, 2017 Arlington, WA. Jun 3, 2017 Tacoma, WA.

Sponsor the candidate and ensure every member has a sponsor or mentor, whatever you want to call him, but members become strong knights when assemblies take the time and ask for new candidates to have a mentor. They are more likely to be a life member and recruit new member using the values of unity and fraternity toward all 4th degree business that was taught to him.

I had a mentor who taught me a great deal about KofC Council and Assembly business and made me a stronger member. Thank you to all the mentors who takes the time to make the district a stronger Patriotic Order



St Dominic Assembly 3565 pancake breakfast after Sunday Mass for the Parish Community. Good food and fellowship was had by all!!

Western Washington District Team wants to hear from you and help you conduct training.

Thank you brothers for all your great works to the Western District and continued support.

Phillip Clingan PGK, PFN, FDD District Master Western Washington Knights of Columbus Cell: 253-304-9955

Email: wmaster@kofc-wa.org

4402 183rd Ave. E.

Lake Tapps, WA. 98391



Master of the Fourth Degree - Eastern WA

The month of January has sure flown by, this is an indication of how the rest of the fraternal year will also fly by. Now is the time to start preparing that dreaded end of the year reports. The first one due now is the:

- "Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities"
- "To Be a Patriot Award" due to the master by April 30
- "Civic Award" submit this application form (#2321) to Supreme Council by June 30 (found in the "Assembly Reports Forms Booklet" (3325))
- "Report of Assembly Officers Chosen for the Term" due as soon as officers have been elected
- "Annual Assembly Audit Report" due August 1.

An Update on the Military Chaplins Support Fund has a total deposits of \$1,321,906.75 leaving us a balance of \$78,093.25. You still have time to make your personal donation of \$25.00 or any amount. Councils and Assemblies if you have not yet made your donation please do so before June 30, 2017. Thank you for your support, in the education of Catholic men, for our military service men and women.

The next Fourth Degree Exemplification is rapidly approaching, the date is March 25th, 2017 in Pasco, WA. It is not too late to sign a new member, we need younger men to carry on the theme of the Fourth Degree "Patriotism". See the information as to the time and location.

Celebrate Presidents' Day – Third Monday in February, fly your flag.

Darrell R Henn Master of the Fourth Degree - Eastern Washington

Fourth Degree Exemplification - Pasco

FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

Saturday, March 25th, 2017, at K of C Hall, 2617 W Sylvester St, Pasco WA 989301 The host Assembly is Fr Wm. A Schmitz 2258

District Master Darrell R Henn 509-528-4157 or email drhenn1@frontier.com
The host Faithful Navigator is Sir Knight Mark Schouviller (509-735-7222)
The Faithful Comptroller is Sir Knight John Walker (509-318-4465)
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
Exemplification Set-up/Rehearsal	Saturday	10:00 am - 1:00 pm	Pasco Council Hall
Color Corps Rehearsal	Saturday	11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Pasco Council Hall
Registration	Saturday	11:30 pm - 12:45 pm	Pasco Council Hall
Lunch	Saturday	12:00 pm - 12.45 pm	Pasco Council Hall
Degree Team Rehearsal	Saturday	12:15 pm - 1:00 pm	Pasco Council Hall
4th Degree Exemplification	Saturday	1:00 pm- 3:30 pm	Pasco Council Hall
Public Knighting/picture taking	Saturday	4:00 pm - 4:30 pm	St. Patricks' Church
Mass	Saturday	5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	St. Patricks' Church
Social/Banquet	Saturday	6:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Pasco Council Hall

Fourth Degree Exemplification - Pasco continued

BANQUET MENU

Choice of three meats, salad, vegetable, rice or potatoes, dessert and tea, coffee or water

FEES

The exemplification fee for each candidate, **except priests**, is \$70.00. The fee includes a social baldric and Fourth Degree lapel pins, and one banquet ticket. There is no exemplification fee for **priests or religious brothers**; however, their Assembly will pay \$20.00 to cover the cost of the social baldric and Fourth Degree pin, plus the cost of the dinner (if they attend). The candidate's or the Assembly's check is to be made payable to the **Masters**, **Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree**. Lunch is optional for Sir Knights, candidates, and ladies/guests and the cost is \$7.50. Banquet tickets are \$15.00 for candidates' wives, Sir Knights, and guests. Advance reservation and payment is required. *Make checks for luncheon and banquet tickets payable to* Fr Wm A Schmitz Assembly 2258.

FEES Continued

Important Note: The exemplification fee does not change if the candidate does not attend dinner. Nor does the exemplification fee pay for the candidate's name tag or annual Assembly dues or fees relating to the Assembly in accordance with Article XIII, Section 24(k). The exemplification is set forth by the Board of Directors under Article IX, Membership, Section 26.

ATTIRE

ARTICLE XI OFFICIAL DRESS

Section 38. Official Dress. The official dress for the Fourth Degree shall be: (a) black bow tie, plain white tuxedo shirt, black cummerbund, black footwear, black tuxedo and social baldric worn under the coat, from right shoulder to left hip. (b) A member serving in the armed forces of his country, fulltime police and firefighters shall be considered in proper attire when dressed in a Class A dress uniform. **LADIES:** As men are dressed formally, most ladies prefer dressy attire.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

The sponsor will ensure that all information is legibly printed on the Form 4. The applicant, his sponsor, and the applicant's Council FS will sign the Form 4. Ensure the candidates 3rd degree is updated with Supreme, so the Form 4 does not get kicked back. After the Assembly's Admission Committee's action, the FN and FC will sign the Form 4. The FC will forward the signed Form 4 (all copies) and the applicant's check to the District Master. After the degree, the District Master will sign and send the Form 4 to Supreme with copies to Councils and assemblies.

*** MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS***

ARTICLE IX MEMBERSHIP

Section 25. Eligibility for Membership. (a) Applications for membership in the Fourth Degree may be made to any Assembly provided the applicant is: (i) Over eighteen years of age. (ii) A citizen of the country in which he resides, or with permission of the Master of the District over the area where he claims citizenship, with the understanding that if permission is granted the pledge of allegiance will be to the country of citizenship. (iii) A Third Degree member in good standing in his Council. (iv) A former member whose membership was terminated for failure to pay dues or by a withdrawal card if he has been readmitted to good standing in his Council. (v) A practical Catholic in union with the Holy See.

SUPPORTING LOCAL DEGREES

Knighthood Degree Exemplification - Spokane District 5, 8, 18, 20, 28, & 33 February 4th

Knighthood Degree Exemplification – Tri Cities District 7& 17 March 2nd

Knighthood Degree Exemplification – Yakima District 6, 7, 10, 17 & 30 March 11th

Bishop White Seminary Update

Dear Ed,

Praised be Jesus Christ!

There is a hard-copy letter of thanks being sent to you in the mail, but in the interest of time I felt it important to write you this email as well to thank you for the incredible generosity of the Knights of Columbus to Bishop White Seminary and the Diocese of Spokane for seminarian education.

The Pennies for Heaven campaign, undertaken so consistently by all of our brother Knights throughout the State of Washington, has made it possible for our Diocese (as well as the Archdiocese of Seattle and the Diocese of Yakima) to fund the cost of seminarian education. What a tremendous testimony this provides both to our common faith and the bonds of fraternity which unite us as brother Knights. Thank you, most sincerely.

In a particular way, I want to express my *profound and sincere* gratitude on behalf of the Bishop White Seminary community for your persistent efforts to reduce the building debt for our seminary. I am pleased to report that after this donation, *our total building debt is now only \$21,030.98*! It is my fervent hope that we can retire this debt by the end of the fiscal year on June 30, 2017.

Brother Ed, please convey my sincere gratitude to our brothers throughout the State for their partnership in the Gospel. On behalf of the 13 seminarians at Bishop White (2 for the Diocese of Boise, 7 for the Archdiocese of Seattle, and 4 for the Diocese of Spokane), I assure you that we remember you, your families, and your communities as we pray each day. Please pray also for us, that we may know and follow God's holy will.

Vivat Jesus!

Sincerely in Christ,

Very Rev. Daniel J. Barnett, Rector Bishop White Seminary 429 E. Sharp Ave. Spokane, WA 99202



Youth Chairman

As I mentioned last month, there are more Council youth activities available to you before the end of the fraternal year; Free Throw, Substance Abuse poster contest and the Culture of Life poster and essay contest.

The Culture of Life poster and essay contest is run by the Culture of Life chairman, Culture of Life posters are taken to the state convention by your Council representative. Essays will be sent to the Culture of Life Chairman. Contact the Culture of Life chairman, Ron DeGroot, for more details.

DOMESTIC CHURCH

Continuing with theme of Building the Domestic Church, this month we here about the Sacrament of Marriage. As a family project we can involve our children. Read the nuptial prayer from the order of Celebrating matrimony. Share memories about your wedding day with your family over a nice family meal. At this meal, have each child share one thing they appreciate about their parents' marriage. Then, each spouse should share one reason why they are grateful for their marriage and how each one sees Christ as present in their marriage.

KCIC POSTER CONTEST

Thank you to those Councils who participated in the Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest. Your submitted poster are now in the hands of the of the state officers, who are busily judging the entries. The winning entries will be forward on to Supreme for International consideration.

SOCCER CHANLLENGE

State Soccer Challenge scoring has been completed. The state winners for 2016 are:

Ages	Girl	Boys
9	Aubrey Gregory (4196)	Bryce Kiguru (4322)
10	Laura Huellt (4196)	Jackson Hallett (4322)
11	Emily Rasmussen (4196)	Lucas Arteche (7907)
12	Robyn White (4196)	Owen Valdez (4196)
13	Shannon Kinney (4196)	Mario Esquivel (7907)
14		Nick Kaszewicz (4322)

Awards and certificates will be sent to the district deputy of the winners for presentation.

FREE THROW

Councils should be wrapping up their free throw contests and notifying their District Deputy that they are participation in the Free Throw.

District Deputies, you should contacting your Councils and your district free throw competitions. If you need district medallions or certificates please contact me and I will get those to you. It is the responsibility of the District Deputies in each region to work together and set up and run the regional competitions. Be sure that all districts are contacted and made aware of the regional time and location. This should be set and ready before the district competitions so the district winners know when the next competition is.

Youth Chairman continued

SUBSTANCE ABUSE AWARENESS POSTER CONTEST

Entries in the Knights of Columbus Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest must fall under one of these topics: Alcohol Awareness and Abuse & Drug Awareness and Abuse. Each poster must include a slogan reflecting either of the topics and an original visual image. Posters may only be entered under one topic.

ELIGIBILITY

The Knights of Columbus Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest is open to all young people between the ages of 8 and 14.

AGE GROUPS

Contest entrants compete in one of two age groups – ages 8 through 11, and ages 12 through 14. (Note: Some school systems may have different age brackets for their elementary and middle schools. In some areas, it may be appropriate to group students by grade rather than age. Sponsoring Councils should use their own judgment in deciding how to group participants. Each local, regional and state competition many have up to four winning entries, one from each age category.)

See the Supreme web site for more details - http://www.kofc.org/en/members/programs/youth-activities/substance-abuse-awareness.html

If you are participating in the Substance Abuse poster contest please contact me at youth@kofc-wa.org

Vivat Jesus!

Ken DeVos Youth Chairman

Community Chairman

From a homily by St. John Chrysostom on Marriage and Family Life

"How is marriage a mystery? The two have become one. This is not an empty symbol. They have not become the image of anything on earth, but of God Himself. ... They come to be made into one body. See the mystery of love! If the two do not become one, they cannot increase; they can increase only by decreasing! How great is the strength of unity!"

The above is the meditation from Building the Domestic Church for the month of February. We Brother Knights need to involve our wives in the Order. This will allow them to see the results of the time we spend away from home doing the charity work with our Councils. The community programs are a great place to not only get our wives involved, but the entire family can participate in the many different programs we sponsor. This is an especially wonderful way to get our teenage sons to see what the Knights of Columbus is doing in their community.

An example of a great community project is something that Tacoma Council #809, along with a Council from Seattle, did in November for the wife of Brother Karl Ilacqua's wife, Monica. They held a benefit dinner for her and raised \$18,500.00 in one evening. This the true meaning of the Knights of Columbus, helping a brother who is in need or for that matter, helping anyone in need. I know there are so many more of these works of charity throughout all the Councils in the state of Washington. Keep up the great work each of our Councils are doing.

Vivat Jesus!

Vince Mansanarez State Community Chairman

Culture of Life

Now is the time to organize your efforts in the Pro-Life Poster and Essay Contest. You will need to distribute the rules to each school, CCD program, Scout Troops and other interested youth groups in your area in early February.

The essays need to be returned to your Council in time for you to judge them and get them to me, Brother Ron DeGroot at: (ron1105@comcast.net or Ron DeGroot, 3420 78th Ave SE, Olympia, WA 98501) by April 1. The posters need to be returned to you in time for your Council to judge them and bring the winner in each classification to the State Convention to be held in Olympia, May 19. 20 and 21st. Drop off only the winning posters at registration on either May 19 or 20th. The state judging will begin at noon on May 20.

January was a busy month for Life. Bishop Daly, joined by concelebrating bishops and priests, kicked off the Walk For Life Northwest by celebrating Mass at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes. Mass was followed with the walk from the Cathedral to Riverfront Park in Spokane. The Mass and March For Life in Olympia followed on Monday, Jan. 23.

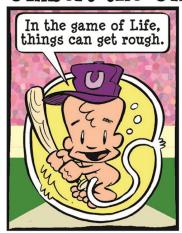
After the march Fr. Nicholas Rausch Council 1643 provided a wonderful soup and hot dog lunch for many hungry marchers. The annual March in Washington DC was the crowning jewel of the season. Hundreds of thousands of Pro-Life Marchers protested the Roe vs Wade Supreme Court decision.

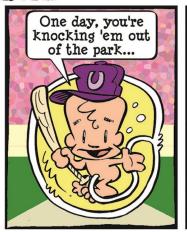
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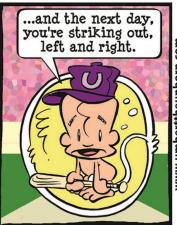


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Umbert the Unborn







by Gary Cangemi

That's OK, just as long as I get to be in the lineup.

Family Chairman

Brother Knights,

Just a reminder.....It's a new month.....Has your Council selected the Family of the Month???? Family is the what makes this Order so successful. Take the time to recognize those that stand out in your Council!! A big thanks to the Councils that sent in a submission last month, good job!!

In an effort to continue with our "Building the Domestic Church" the emphasis for the month of February is the life-giving spirit of your family!!

Because love is filled with hope when it is communicated, our family wants to promote the life-giving spirit of our families.

Life in its true sense is not something we have exclusively in or from ourselves: it is a relationship. And life in its totality is a relationship with him who is the source of life. If we are in relation with him who does not die, who is Life itself and Love itself, then we are in life.

Then we "live."

Each of us, whatever our state in life, are "in the world for a purpose — to receive God's love ourselves and to show God's love to others. God seeks to heal a broken universe. He asks us to be his witnesses and helpers in that work."

How would our family life be different if we did not love at all? In what ways has the faith and God's love shown me how to love? Why is having a relationship with God so important to really "living"?

Please take this invitation to bring your family closer to God through the Life-giving Spirit of your family!

Vivat Jesus!

Tommy LaCour Washington State Family Chairman 206-380-0749 family@kofc-wa.org

If I can be of any assistance to you or your Council please DO NOT hesitate to contact me!

Tootsie Roll Update



Tootsie Roll Corner

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Brothers All,

At present we are over \$120,000 so far this year with 56 Councils reporting. For those Councils done with your drive, but haven't sent in your Drive End Report and Funds Distribution Form, please do so ASAP. I need to close out this year's drive and need your help by sending me you paperwork.

We had an AWSOME drive this year. I want to thank each and every one of you for your hard work and dedication to the program. For you first timers, I hope you had fun with this program and learned how to be better next year....For the Veterans.... I thank you for your service and guidance to those just getting started. GOD BLESS YOU ALL!!

There is no better time than the present to start getting ready for next year. Get your stores secured early and worry about your chairman and staffing down the road. Getting the store in place early saves you heartache later. Fred Meyer & QFC are great and are both under the Kroger Umbrella. The process is simple. Get a "Doorway Activity Request" form, fill out and send to the address in Portland, OR that is on the form (don't turn in at the Customer Service desk), or just use the on line application, Just go to: http://fredmeyermedia.com/doorway_entry/index.html and follow the on screen instructions. They usually respond in a few days. You should have an approval/disapproval letter in three weeks or less. If you do not hear from them in that time frame, you can contact me and we'll go from there. Walmart is another good place and they too are Knight-friendly. These are merely suggestions, you know your area better than me and what will work for your Council.

This program does so much for so many people in our communities....THANK YOU for taking the time to participate!!

I can't wait for next year....Keep on Tootsie Rollin'

Vivat Jesus!

In Faith,

Tommy LaCour Washington State Tootsie Roll Chairman 206-380-0749 tootsieroller@kofc-wa.org

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> **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. January 2017

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R. Michael Stocking	Seattle 676
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George B. Elmore	Kennewick 8179
Jimmy D. Taylor	Kennewick 8179
William Cunningham	Sequim 8455
Raymond S Ozanich	Fife 14162
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Cathy Musa - Poulsbo 8297

Arthur G Rodriguez Jr., father of the GK Arthur G Rodriguez III - Woodinville 14046



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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