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It's About Life Conference

SUPPORT AND DEFEND OUR TROOPS!

Last month President Bush sent reinforcements to the war front in Iraq to defend us against the scourge of international terrorism. Who are these troops? A great poet-philosopher, Toby Keith, defined an American Soldier this way:

> Up and at 'em, bright and early I'm all business in my suit Yeah, I'm dressed up for success, from my head down to my boots. I don't do it for the money, there's bills that I can't pay I don't do it for the glory, I just do it anyway.

Providing for our future's my responsibility Yeah I'm real good under pressure, being all that I can be And I can't call in sick on Mondays when the weekend's been too strong I just work straight through the holidays and sometimes all night long.

You can bet that I stand ready when the wolf growls at the door Hey, I'm solid, hey, I'm steady, hey, I'm true down to the core And I will always do my duty no matter what the price I've counted up the cost, I know the sacrifice.

> Oh, and I don't want to die for you But if dyn's asked of me I'll bear that cross with honor 'Cause freedom don't come free

I'm an American soldier, an American. Beside my brothers and my sisters I'll proudly take a stand When liberty's in jeopardy I will always do what's right I'm out here on the front lines, sleep in peace tonight.

I'm an American soldier, I'm an American.

L.I.B.K

Feb 2—Presentation of the Lord

Feb 9-11—Pre-convention Meeting in Bellevue

Feb 11—2nd & 3rd Degree in Seattle

Feb 14—Valentine's Day

Feb 15—Semi-annual Audit Report (#1295)DUE

Feb 17—4th Degree in Bellingham

Feb 21—Ash Wednesday (Fast and Abstinence)

Feb 24—2nd & 3rd Degree in Port Townsend

I suggest we Knights have no higher calling than to support our deployed soldiers, sailors, and marines not only when they are deployed with activities such as the awardwinning Operation Knightflight, but also when they return home. We are also spiritual warriors and can offer prayers for their safety.

> Karl A. Hadley State Deputy

Message from State Deputy Karl Hadley "PEACE ON EARTH GOOD WILL TO MEN"

Worthy Brother Knights:

Congratulations to Ygnacio Calderon and Jeff Schumacher and John McGrath for recruiting 13 and 9 and 8 new members, respectively, in the first six months! It's now up to the rest of us to follow their excellent example.

Congratulations also to councils 829, 1401, 2103, 2999, 3044, 3361, 3611, 4385, 5177, 7117, 8872, 9145, 9238, 9434, 9721, 11357, 11642, 12175, 12591, 12786, 12983, 13560, 13606, 13761, and 14046 for having already achieved 100% or more of their membership quotas – 8872 already is at 200%, 3611 is at 220%, and 12983 is at an amazing 300%!!!! - and councils 2103, 3611, 7528, 8102, 8137, 8201, 11357, 11408, 11642, 11762, and 14046 for achieving 100% or more of their insurance quotas – 14046 is at 200%!!!

Councils 2103, 3611, 11357, 11642 and 14046 have achieved both and are on their way to being a Star Council!!!

And more congratulations to those councils who have established Round Tables! Thanks to you, we have now exceeded our goal of 50 Round Tables (we're now at 52, with more in the offing). THANK YOU!!!! Now it's on to meeting the New Council goal!

Typically, about 500 new members are recruited during the last six months of the fraternal year. Since our total intake for the year stands at about 450, we have a much steeper hill to climb – over 600 if we are to reach the record of 1,056. I am confident you will do it! And here's how:

In January, even with the unusual snowstorms in Western Washington, you brought in 85 new members, a much better total than prior years. However, there is still a huge number of potential members that are waiting to be exemplified.

For instance, of the **338 Form 100s** and **Prospect Cards** signed during the **October Membership Blitz**, only 200 or so new members have been recorded in November through January – please ensure the **over 100 plus candidates** are exemplified in the near future, even if you have only one candidate!

As of January 31, 2007, 3/4 of the councils are now membership active, but 35 of 140 councils (25%) have not recorded any new members with Supreme. Imagine if those councils conducted a blitz in February that effort alone could bring in 150 to 200 new members!

I challenge each member of the state leadership team (State Officers, District Deputies, Regional District Coordinators, State Chairmen, Grand Knights, and Financial Secretaries) to recruit at least one new member for their council – that would amount

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to about 340 new members.

Every new member should be asked to bring in another new member and attain the Shining Armor Award – that would be over another 400 new members in the next six months!

I am again pleased to announce that **during the month of January we only lost 23 members!!!** Even so, with the 126 suspensions to date and a goal of 270,

we have room for only 144 for the remainder of the fraternal year, or only 28 per month. With the dues cycle starting in January, the temptations will increase to suspend delinquent members. Before suspending anyone, please have the member's original proposer make a personal contact to ensure some economic hardship is not precluding participation as a Knight.

Don't suspend a brother in need!

Our total membership as of January 31 stands at 15,894. We're still creeping up on that 16,000th member but we still have a way to go!

No doubt many of you heard or sang a song during the Christmas season that had the following verse:

I heard the bells on Christmas Day Their old, familiar carols play And wild and sweet The words repeat

Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

The penultimate verse to the song just as well could have been written today:

And in despair I bowed my head;
"There is no peace on earth," I said:
"For hate is strong,
And mocks the song
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!"

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow penned the above poem as he sat nursing his son from wounds incurred in the Civil War. He could have ended it on that pessimistic verse, but instead he wrote a final optimistic verse that I suggest **should be our prayer for American Soldiers** and, indeed, the free world:

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:
"God is not dead; nor doth he sleep!
The Wrong shall fail,
The Right prevail,
With peace on earth, good-will to men!"

Vivat Jesus!

Karl A. Hadley Karl A. Hadley State Deputy

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by Fr. Wilmar O Zabala Lenten Season: Rend Your Hearts And Return to the Lord

In the gospel reading that we proclaim every Ash Wednesday, Jesus tells us to perform the rituals of conversion - almsgiving, prayer, and fasting - in secret. Doing them for public approval robs us of God's approval. Most importantly, doing them for public approval interferes with the real work of conversion that takes place in secret. And that secret place Jesus describes in that gospel reading is the place where God "sees" us in our truest, simplest, and most unadorned state. Because God is the source of our existence. God knows us not as the "personas" we wear like so many costumes and masks to gain the approval of others, but in our purest form. We don't fool God, and here, in this secret place, we can't really fool ourselves either.

We all have fallen into that temptation of working hard to impress everyone, keep up our reputation, maintain our dignity, act our age, be respectable, or stay ahead of the game. But instead of this ideal person, God knows us in our more primordial state: who we are in the bathroom mirror in the morning or standing on the scale, the person we are when alone in the car, the things we say to other drivers to help them "drive" better. Believe it or not, this is the secret place where God lurks, always on to us and alert to our tricks.

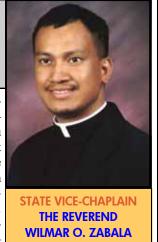
Lent is mostly a secret affair. If we give alms, fast, and pray, these will only be the outward expression of some deeper honesty we maintain with God in our secret selves. Conversion is first an adjustment of the heart, a turning toward God and away from self-deception. God can deal with us when we are real, and really there, not spread thin all over the place playing games with everyone, working our deals, scoring points. Giving God this

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COUNCILS NOT SUBMITTING AUDIT REPORT FORM 1295 (NOTE: THIS IS FOR THE AUGUST 2006 AUDIT) 03153 12583 13831 TOTAL COUNCILS NOT REPORTING 3 secret place where we are simply ourselves, alert, attuned, keeps us centered, grounded and clear-eyed. You know, Jesus went out into the desert to salvage who he really was from the rush of offers he was getting from every imaginable source after his baptism revealed just how special he was. Even the devil was interested in helping him be a terrific and very successful messiah! Jesus needed time alone,



apart from everyone except God. He went to his secret place. We need to go there, too, to know just who we are.

May the ashes we receive on Ash Wednesday remind us of our need to make that spiritual commitment this Lent to go to our secret place to think about our behaviors, to listen to our conscience, to our hearts, to reflect on what's happening in our lives: how we are affecting others; how we are growing in our faith; how our family is surviving with such hectic schedules; how we are sharing the goods we have – though meager – with others; what we are doing to bring peace to the world; how we spend our Sundays; how well we strive to be people with integrity.

May those ashes remind us, most importantly, of the love, mercy, and forgiveness of God, who is not out to catch us in our sin, but is constantly reaching out and hanging on to us, embracing us in love in spite of our sins and always willing to forgive us. The immense love God has for us came alive to me when I drove to a parishioner's house to burn the palms the other parishioners brought to church. The way this parishioner handled these insignificant ashes reminded me of how God lovingly attends to us. This parishioner got down to his knees, and, with his bare hands, meticulously removed from the grill, now cooled off, of course, the palms that were not completely burned. With his bare hands. too, he scooped up all the ashes, leaving the bottom of the grill completely bare, seemingly not wanting anything to be left behind because it's too precious to be wasted. That gesture reminded me of who we are, only ashes, insubstantial and unimportant, but in God's eyes, we are precious, one of a kind, too good to lose.

With those words in mind, I repeat the invitation of the Prophet Joel as we begin this Lenten season: "Rend your hearts and return to the Lord, your God, for gracious and merciful is he, slow to anger, rich in kindness, and relenting in punishment."

May this Lenten season help you grow deeper in your relationship with God!

Father WilmarRev. Wilmar O. Zabala
State Vice-Chaplain

Message from Membership Chair



I thoroughly enjoyed spending two weekends in January visiting with many of you during the Regional Meetings. As always I finished the tour tired and relieved to be done, yet energized by speaking with you and hearing your ideas

Also as usual, I finished the tour wishing I had done or said more to encourage your efforts to

bring more men into our Order and give them the opportunity to enjoy the Experience of a Lifetime. Our efforts in membership this year are lagging behind what I know is our potential. It is especially important when I think about the nearly two dozen men who joined the Knights during the four excellent First Degree exemplifications conducted during the Regional Meetings. Those two dozen men did not represent numbers, goals, or quotas. They represented brother Catholic men who need and deserve both the opportunity and the encouragement to fulfill God's will for them. A recurring theme I heard from several of them during their introductions after the degrees was that they were looking forward to being more active in their faith or that they had recently returned to the Church after having drifted away for a time. Sometimes I think one of the most valuable gifts of the Knights is providing this evangelical impetus to those who might otherwise drift away. I know that in my own Faith journey, a coworker who talked me into joining the Knights of Columbus 18 years ago is probably the biggest single reason I am an active, practical Catholic today. I'll never forget the gift brother Bob Wilson gave me in doing that. It has changed and enriched my life in so many ways that I have a hard time imagining what my life would have otherwise become. Thank God for the Knights of Columbus. Think about this...what if the decision of whether you approach that man next to you in the pew this Sunday, very literally makes a difference in whether he lives a life of faith and achieves eternal life? It is a terrifying responsibility but I believe it is a very real one.

Luckily there are tools to make it easier to successfully approach and recruit men to become Knights. We talked about many of them during the Regional Meetings, such as the excellent video Experience of a Lifetime and other videos and brochures available from the Supreme Council supply catalog and the website, www.kofc.org. Also I encouraged you to develop a brochure or handout specific to your Council. One thing I failed to mention to some of you is that there is a kit available from the Supreme Council supply catalog for preparing a professional looking pamphlet. You can order an instructional booklet, as well as blank brochures to print your materials on. I encourage you to give it a try.

One of the enjoyable aspects of the regional meetings was being able to present the winners of the incentive prizes for participants in the November Support Our Parish Priests Blitz. The top Blitz council in each of the five size divisions received a copy of the important book Parish Priest, personally inscribed by the State Deputy, and a randomly selected winner in each division won a \$10 gift certificate to the Country Store. The winners for Division I (<50 members) were Councils #13560 (book) and #1606 (gift certificate); Division II (50-99 members), Councils #11642 (book) and #11789 (gift certificate); Division III (100-149 members), Councils #8476 (book) and #8150 (gift certificate); Division IV (150-249 members), Councils #4385 (book) and #6686 (gift certificate); and Division V (250+ members), Councils #3361 (book) and #3307 (gift certificate).

Another treat was presenting the winners of last year's "Double Your Success" challenge (200% of quota by June 30, 2006) with their copy of the book Parish Priest, personally inscribed by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson. Councils receiving this prestigious award were 829, 2999, 8150, 8201, 9238, 9434, 9637, 11134, 12583, 12899, 12983, and 13560.

Finally, the Grand Knights and District Deputies that achieved 100% of their membership quota by December 31, 2006 were recognized. The Grand Knights of the following councils, and three District Deputies, will be receiving a Knights of Columbus jacket for their excellent efforts thus far this year:

Councils 829, 1401, 2999, 3044, 3361, 3611, 5177, 7117, 8872, 9145, 9238, 9434, 11642, 12175, 12591, 12786, 12983, 13606, and 14046; Districts 11 (Bob Howell), 14 (Mike Gazarek), and 22 (Dutch Dolney).

In last month's bulletin and during the Regional Meetings I introduced a brand-new program to support membership and retention, the Silver Knight Award. Feedback to date has been very positive and I'm excited by the possibilities for this award. The Silver Knight Award is similar in many ways to the excellent Shining Armor program, which encourages new Knights to become active by attending three meetings, helping with three service programs, taking their Second and Third degrees, meeting with their insurance agent, and recruiting another new Knight-all during their first year of membership. Similarly a Silver Knight must attend three meetings, help with three service programs, achieve or maintain Third degree membership in good standing, meet with their insurance agent if not already an Insurance member, and recruit another two new Knights-during any single year of membership.

I distributed a supply of qualification cards for this award to Grand Knights and District Deputies at the Regional Meetings. If more cards are needed, they can be obtained by printing from the State Council website (www.kofc-wa.org) or by contacting me at mem-bership@kofc-wa.org.

One more incentive program is ongoing through the end of this month. As announced in last month's bulletin, any council recruiting four or more new members (or readmissions) between January 1 and February 28 will receive a dinner gift certificate worth \$25. A few councils already achieved this by bringing candidates to the Regional Meeting exemplifications. Be sure to get all Form 100's promptly submitted to Supreme so they can be credited in February!

Last but not least, it's time to plan your March Blitz to Support Our Parish Priests. Order-wide, Supreme is suggesting celebration of our 125th anniversary of Founder's Day (March 29th). What better way than to hold a Blitz the weekend of March 24-25th (or another weekend if preferred by your Pastor). It's time to start ordering and preparing your recruiting materials. With an effective Blitz you can expect to gain anywhere from a few to literally a few dozen new members for your council. Even if your Blitz doesn't immediately result in new members, it will increase your visibility in the parish and plant seeds for future success. Don't miss this opportunity!

Vivat Jesus!

<u>**Don McBride**</u>, State Advocate

Membership Chairman

February 1, 2007 Membership Standings by Division (Division Leaders are Shown in Bold Face Type)

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Messages from General Program Director



Worthy Brother Knights:

It was a pleasure to meet with all of you at the regional meetings. Several of you indicated you would like to read more positive writings than those focusing on what hasn't been done. Good point. You can only flog a dead horse so long and those who haven't you can join in at

any time.

Finally getting my printer back on line I downloaded the December reports and we have a 58% participation this month. Congratulation Brothers! Some you stated you would submit your missing reports and many of you already have. Thank you for following through. For those who haven't yet you still have time. Judging by the response I feel we had great regionals.

As we head to the home stretch we must turn our attention to the state awards process. There are five state awards:

Herbert Liebert Right to Life Memorial Award due April 1st; write up is sent to:

State Right to Life Chairman, James Toth

Harry J. Tucker Fraternalism Award and Knight of the Year due April 1st; Write up sent to:

State Council Chairman, John Rowley

Family of the Year due April 1st; Write up sent to:

State Family Chairman, Robert Baemmert

The following Service Awards are due April $15^{\rm th}$ and are sent to the respective State Chairman.

Church Award write up sent to: William Loranger Community Award write up sent to: Edward Caballero Council Award write up sent to: John Rowley Family Award write up sent to Robert Baemmert Youth Award write up sent to: Ed Parazoo

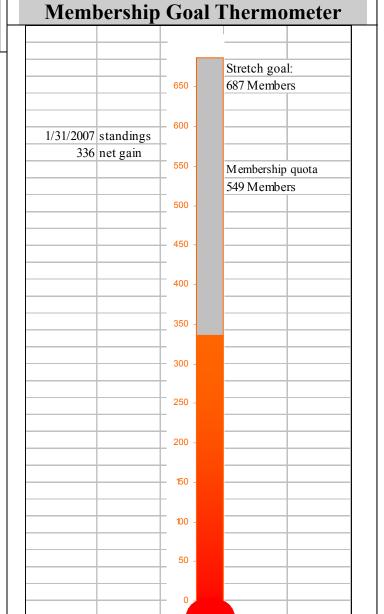
Good luck to all council who submit award applications this year. If you have any questions please call me.

God Bless **£d Hebert, Sr.**

General Program Director

Eagles may soar, but weasels don't get sucked into jet engines.

Borrow money from a pessimist - they don't expect it back.



The Natural Choice is Life

Message from Vocations



\$63,500 was donated during the fraternal year 2005-6 to the Pennies for Heaven fund. This is a record donation - never have we been above the \$60,000 mark in a single year. This year's goal is \$54,180, an amount that we should easily surpass. From the Pennies for Heaven burse, Washington State Council will this fraternal year give each of the 3 Bishops a check for \$23,000.

RSVP totals for 2005-6 are not yet available from Supreme, but should be about \$115,000, an astounding 40% increase in one year. At that level, I expect that we will have given approximately 4% of all the donations made through RSVP - in other words, about one out of every 25 dollars came from Washington State Council members.

Currently, we anticipate 204 RSVP grants, averaging \$500 for a total of \$102,000. More grants are expected as the fraternal year progresses. I have provided Grand Knights a complete listing of seminarians and candidates for the consecrated life of a nun. If there are any errors, or if your Council can support yet another seminarian, please let me know.

96 Councils representing all 29 Districts participate in RSVP, along with 8 Assemblies.

For several years now, Washington State Council has ensured that "Every Seminarian Supported" is fact, not an empty watchword. This is due to the generosity of our Brother Knights. "All I have to do is *ask*".

For the first time in my eight years as Chairman for Vocations, Pennies for Heaven and RSVP, we are now supporting <u>every</u> seminarian needing financial support studying for the Dioceses of Seattle, Spokane and Yakima by at least two Councils or Assemblies.

I have provided each District Deputy with a list of seminarians for the Dioceses of Seattle, Spokane and Yakima, and whether or not they are Knights of Columbus.

Surprisingly, only 23 of the 53 seminarians are Knights of Columbus. I must most emphatically ask "Why not? They are certainly eligible. Encourage your Councils to invite them to join the Knights of Columbus and to pay their dues while they are in the seminary.

The Maronite Catholic Poet of Lebanon, Kahlil Gibran has written that "Work is Love made visible". Truly, promoting vocations has for me been a work of love. This is my eighth and final year as your state chairman for Vocations, Pennies for Heaven, and RSVP. Perhaps it is because I myself am a convert to our faith - it will be fifty years on March 9th, 2007 since I was received into the Church - that promoting vocations has been so dear to my heart. God's gift of faith has sustained me all of these years.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for the work that you do for vocations.

Duane L. Vincent FDD PFN PGK

Chairman for Vocations/PFH/RSVP e-mail: vocations@kofc-wa.org

WHEN YOU HEAR GOD'S VOICE TODAY, HARDEN NOT YOUR HEART!

Vocations Are Everybody's Business

Interesting February Historical Dates

Feb 16, 1804 - Lieutenant Stephen Decatur, with volunteers from frigate *Constitution* and schooner *Enterprise*, enters Tripoli harbor by night in the ketch *Intrepid* to burn the captured frigate *Philadelphia*. Decatur's raid succeeds without American losses. England's Lord Nelson calls this "the most daring act of the age."

GENERAL ORDER UNITED STATES NAVY DEPARTMENT,

Washington, February 18, 1846

It having been represented to the Department, that confusion arises from the use of the words "Larboard" and "Starboard," in consequence of the similarity of sound, the word "Port" is hereafter to be substituted for "Larboard."

GEORGE BANCROFT.

Feb 5, 1971 - Moonwalk by CAPT Alan B. Shepard, Jr. USN, Commander of Apollo 14 and CDR Edgar D. Mitchell, USN Lunar Module Pilot. During the 9 day mission, 94 lbs of lunar material was collected and Shepard became the first person to hit a golf ball on the moon. Recovery was by helicopter from USS *New Orleans* (LPH-11).

Feb 20, 1962 - LCOL John Glenn, USMC becomes first American to orbit Earth. His flight in *Friendship* 7 (Mercury 6) consisted of 3 orbits in 88 minutes at a velocity of 17,544 mph with the highest altitude of 162.2 statute miles. Recovery was by USS *Noa* (DD-841).

Feb 22, 1909 - Great White Fleet returns from round the world cruise to Hampton Roads, VA. Click on blue underlined text to see article on internet.

The early bird may get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese.

Message from Recruitment



Remember to carry your form 100. Brothers ask 1 2 be 1 is the theme for February. Remember you and your parish benefit by asking one to be one. By asking 1 to be 1 you create a relationship with a fellow parishioner this strengthens our parish community and you have meet someone new. I would like to ask all brother Knights to ask to ask an eligible Christian brother to be a Knight during the month of February. Remember they can't say yes if they are not asked.

I figured if all almost 16,000 members would ask someone to be a Knight 40% would be interested that is 6400 potential candidates. Out of the potential candidates, only 20% might become a Knight, which would still be 1280! These numbers may be somewhat optimistic but brothers all it takes sometimes is to ask.

Remember it is not too late to plan for the blitz in March, if you have not started. If you need help ask!! If I can't help I'll find someone who can.

The State Deputy recently received a listing of the recruiters who are responsible for the new members that have joined us for the first six months of the fraternal year, from July 1 through December 31, 2006. Interestingly the list shows 83 recruiters for 141 members. But guess what... 377 new members joined our ranks during that time, so apparently not every proposer is remembering to fill in his membership number on the Form 100. That means there are a lot of recruiters missing out on VIP club membership, recruiter rewards points, and opportunities for incentive prize drawings. Don't forget to fill in the proposer's membership number!!

The following recruiters have brought in two or more members during these six months. That means that most of them are well on their way to being among the first winners of the Silver Knight award! Be sure to thank them for their efforts and encourage them to pursue the award.

Name	Council	# of New
Ygnacio Calderon	12983	13
Jeff Schumacher, Field Agent	13606	9
John McGrath, GK	14162	8
Dennis Wilson, GK	3611	4
Stanley Gruenberg	4782	4
Mike Gazarek, DD14	11642	4
James Theofelis	12175	4
Christopher Bly	763	3
Joe St. Hilaire, DD9	829	3
Maynard Hoing, GK	3361	3
Kevin Buck	7528	3
Carlos Marcelino	11789	3
Ernest Wilmott	12899	3
Gregory Schmidt, FS	14046	3
Steven Johnson, GK	763	2
Garfield Sandoval Jr., GK	3044	2
Ron Rourk	3307	2
Don Maile, GK	8476	2
John Oldham	9238	2

I would encourage all knights to strive for the Silver Knight Award. It is still not too late earn it!

Please email your recruiting experiences. I want to start a knowledge base on the recruiting page of what recruiting ideas worked and what didn't.

Vivat Jesus!!

Ray Pratt, PGK, State Recruitment Chairman,

New Financial Secretary Appointment Procedures



Supreme has released new revised Financial Secretary Appointment forms for Immediate use. Application for Appointment, Form 101, 11/06; Nominations for Appointment, Form 103, 11/06; and

Evaluation Of Financial Secretary, Form 1938, 11/06 will be posted to the Online Reports soon. Grand Knights have been furnished appointment procedures and asked to comply with the rules when filling this most important position.

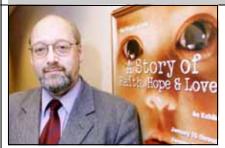
Edward R Himebaugh WSC Executive Secretary





Don't forget to remember Valentine's day. It is important to let your better half know that you appreciate and love her and all that she does for you. For those who are married, you know the expression "Behind every successful man is a woman" is not only true, it is comforting to know she is there for you. Let her know how much she means to you!!

Fact vs. Politics on Stem Cells by Richard M. Doerflinger, Deputy Director of the Secretariat for Pro-Life Activities, USCCB



An unusual thing happened on the way to Congress's latest vote on stem cell research: A science journal, and secular news media, got something right on this issue.

Media bias in favor of

the (speculative) 'promise' of stem cells obtained by destroying embryos has been obvious for years. As for the journals, three of the most prestigious 'Nature, Science and the New England Journal of Medicine' had to retract part or all of articles extolling advances in that field in the past two years when it turned out they were misleading or falsified. But on January 7 the journal Nature Biotechnology reported a real breakthrough, and the media accurately noted how it changes this debate.

The advance comes from researchers at Wake Forest University in North Carolina and Children's Hospital in Boston, who isolated extremely useful and versatile stem cells from the amniotic fluid surrounding unborn children in the womb. The cells were found in fluid left over from amniocentesis procedures, but could also be obtained from this fluid or the placenta at the time of live birth. The cells grow rapidly and easily, and apparently produce a wide variety of cell types for research and future therapies, without forming the tumors that have plagued many animal trials using embryonic stem cells.

In short, these cells (along with similar cells recently found in cord blood, bone marrow and elsewhere) may have the practical advantages of embryonic stem cells for helping patients, with none of the practical or moral disadvantages. And the 4 million live births in this country every year offer an ample

supply of such cells for treatments without harming anyone.

A win-win situation, you might say? A development everyone can praise? Maybe even a reason to stop trying to force taxpayers to help kill embryos?

Not if you're immersed in the political drive for embryo destruction. Researchers committed to that approach, and their allies on Capitol Hill, quickly recovered from this surprise and marshaled their arguments against taking the new study too seriously.

Those arguments are, to say the least, weak. One scientist/advocate, Lawrence Goldstein, even criticized the new cells for not making tumors, saying that this makes him doubt they are really 'pluripotent'. (So embryonic cells are better because they would give patients tumors?) Another, George Daley of Harvard, said the cells are "not a substitute for human embryonic stem cells, which allow scientists to address a host of other interesting questions in early human development".

To be more candid Dr. Daley should have added that to study early human development, embryonic stem cells are no substitute for being able to develop and manipulate embryos themselves as research material, the real goal of some of his colleagues. He could have noted as well that stem cells from so-called 'spare' embryos (the subject of the House vote) are no substitute for the tailor-made embryos he is now pursuing through human cloning research at Harvard. Congressional supporters of the embryonic stem cell bill actually rejected an amendment designed to keep federal stem cell grants from encouraging human cloning for stem cell research -- because cloning may be their next necessary step in trying to derive benefit from the destruction of life.

Supporters say they will keep bringing up the embryonic stem cell bill, again and again, until it is law. Or, perhaps, until suffering patients and their families cry "Enough!" and remind them they were supposed to be working for cures.

Make plans now for celebrating the 125th Anniversary of the Order on Founders Day – March 29, 2007 - with press releases to local papers, clergy appreciation dinners, recruitment blitzes, council masses, church bulletin articles, posters on parish bulletin board posters, and council brochures.

Remember, you do Make A Difference--

An old man walked up a shore littered with thousands of starfish, beached and dying after a storm. A young man was picking them up and flinging them back into the ocean. "Why do you bother?" the old man scoffed. "You're not saving enough to make a difference." The young man picked up another starfish and sent it spinning back to the water. "Made a difference to that one," he said.

New Council Development, Round Table



Dave Olson, NCD/RT East

Dear Brother Knights,

As we move forward after the four Regional Meetings, both East and West, it might occur to some that Council Growth and Round Tables are worth looking into. The potential for membership was clearly explained to those in atten-



Del Treichel, NCD/RT West

dance and the goals are still the same - 4 New Councils and 50 Round Tables. The most recent count indicates we still need 3 more New Councils, but have exceeded the goal for Round Tables!

If your Council can help form new Round Tables or a new council at other parishes, membership growth will be automatic. I guarantee you can recruit 20 to 25 new members in the process of forming a new council!

Grand Knights with a Round Table should have the Coordinator ask the pastor of the sponsored Parish if your Council can conduct a membership drive. The Blitz dates are fast approaching (basically during the month of March), so NOW is a good time to start the planning process.

The first Grand Knight to read the paragraph and send me an email at bulletin@kofc-wa.org will win a prize. Make the subject line "I saw it".

Six councils had Round Tables last year, but have not resubmitted the Report of Round Table Coordinator form for this year:

Location Seattle	Parish St. Anne	Council 12889	2250220	t Coordinator Javier Ortiz-Aponte
Spokane	Sacred Heart	683	5	Michael Lynch
Friday Harbo	or St. Francis	3611	19	Wayne Helgoth & Bruce Mitchell
Spokane	Holy Family At Fairchild AF	8137 B	20	Dean Martinez
Spokane	Assumption	8137	20	Manuel Aguilar (Change to Dan Carney)
Spokane	St. Joseph	13831	20	Carl Shaw

So here we are, wondering what to do about all these goals and due dates.

If you need a good start, with all that is needed to form Round Tables, Del Treichel (West side), and Dave Olson (East side) are standing by to help.

Council Bulletin Contest

The Washington State Council offers several means for councils to be rewarded for their efforts throughout the fraternal year. One of these is the Council Bulletin Contest. Showcasing your council's membership and programs in a monthly publication is a good way to keep your council members apprised of activities. When a member sees himself recognized in the newsletter, it also contributes to your retention efforts because he knows he is part of the Knights family and his efforts are appreciated.

The rules for the Bulletin Contest are as follows:

- 1. Publications must be the product of council members.
- 2. Councils must submit four (4) editions of their newsletter with publication dates between July 1, 2006, and April 1, 2007.
- 3. All entries must be received by the State Bulletin Editor by April 15, 2007.
- 4. The newsletter must list, on each issue, the council name and number and the editor's name.
- 5. Judging will be conducted by the State Bulletin Editor.
- 6. Publications will be graded on a 100 point system, using the following criteria:
 - a. Editing -20 pts
 - b. Format 10 pts
 - c. Newsletter Name 5 pts
 - d. State Council News 5 pts
 - e. Supreme Council News 5 pts
 - f. Insurance News -5 pts
 - g. Membership, Recruitment, Retention News (e.g., blitzes, first degree dates, names of new members) – 5 pts
 - h. Church, Council, Community, Family, Youth Activities 10 pts
 - i. Knight and Family of the Month 5 pts
 - j. Calendar of Events and Meetings 10 pts
 - k. Names of Council Officers 5 pts
 - 1. Recognition of Members (e.g., birthdays, Honorary Life, honors, participation in activities) 5 pts
 - m. Votes taken or to be taken at General Meeting 5 pts
 - n. Fourth Degree News 5 pts

Here is the current status of the bulletins I have reviewed:

West Side: Current Leader—Bremerton, #11789 with 77 points East Side: Current Leader—Colton, #1565 with 65 points

The final winners will be announced at the State Convention. If you have not yet submitted your newsletter to me, please do so at bulletin@kofc-wa.org or mail it to me at:

2020 215th Place NE Sammamish, WA 98074

You still have time to be the ultimate winners!

Vivat Jesus!

Frank Tyson, Bulletin Editor

Message from Bulletin Editor



Please keep the cards and letters (email) coming folks. I need your inputs for the Bulletin each month by the 20th so I can have time to organize all the articles in the bulletin and get it

to the printers a on the 1st of each month.

Also please don't forget that I can help you submit articles in the Columbia Magazine.

Please try to send any pictures in JPEG format if possible. They take up a lot less room than TIF or bitmap.

Don't forget to send me your council bulletins. We will have the "Best Bulletin Contest" again this year.

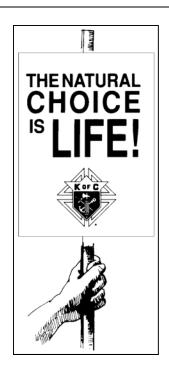
Lastly, remember each council is entitled to two copies of the printed version of the bulletin in black and white, one to the GK and one to the FS. You can also download the bulletin from http://www.kofc-wa.org and print the color version.

Vivat Jesus!

Frank 7yson, Bulletin Editor

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Family Message



Brother Knights,

It sure was great to see you at the Regional Meeting. If I didn't see you, hopefully you received my status report on the Family of the Month Participation. Like last year, we are running at about 33% participation. I encourage all Councils to participate.

You also should have received a copy of the Family of The Year Write-ups: A Weak and A Strong Example. Please use them as go-bys for the Family of The Year write-ups that are due to me April 1st, 2007 at my address: 1927 Peach Tree Lane, Richland WA 99352. I also included the examples on the State web-site for your use.

The Family Service Program Award is also submitted to me and it is due April 15th, 2007. Get busy now, so that the deserving program that your Council is sponsoring receives it's proper recognition at the State level.

The "Best Family of The Month" submission for the State (December 2006) came from Council #2999 Camas, David Casteel Grand Knight. The write-up is honoring the Robert & Patty Mozzacavallo family. The write-up reads:

Our Council's "Family of The Month" was elected for the following reasons:

Bob is a key member of the parish finance council. Bob and his wife Patty perform as extraordinary Eucharistic ministers. Both were involved with the council Thanksgiving day meals delivered to the needy. They are key members of the quarterly parish Newcomer Welcoming Committee. Both are St. Vincent liaisons with Camas/Washougal Community Pregnancy Center.

Brief, succinct and precise write-up that highlights the incredible involvement of this committed Catholic family. Bravo/Zulu to Camas Council- You've Got The Power!!!

Congratulations to the 31 Councils that participated in the Family of The Month Program November 2006. They are:

1620, 629, 1643, 2999, 3307, 3611, 4196, 4322, 4385, 5495, 5816, 6686, 8015, 8079, 8201, 8768, 8872, 9145, 9238, 9637, 9941, 10653, 11357, 11408, 11762, 11789, 12273, 12786, 12899, 12983, 13395

Congratulations to the following Washington State Families that were selected to receive the Holy Family Statuette in November 2006 from the Supreme Council:

Richard & Lois Krema......Council 1620-Pasco Sheryl & Joan Kerner....Council 12983-Vancouver

God Bless You,

Bob Baemmert, State Family Chairman

Fast and Abstinence

Abstinence is a penitential practice of refraining from the consumption of meat and is to be observed by all Catholics who are 14 yeas of age and older. Ash Wednesday (Feb 21), Good Friday (Apr 6), and the Fridays of Lent are the days of abstinence. Pastors and parents are encouraged to see that children who are not bound by the obligation to fast and abstain are led to appreciate an authentic sense of penance.

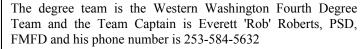
Fast and Abstinence—In addition to abstinence, fasting is to be observed by

all Catholics between the ages of 18-59 years (inclusive). On the days of fasting, one full meal is allowed. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids are allowed. Note: If a person is unable to observe the above regulations due to illness or oth serious reasons, they aer encouraged to practice other forms of self-denial that are suitable to their condition.

Fourth Degree Exemplifications

FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION BELLINGHAM—FEBRUARY 17, 2007

The fourth of seven Fourth Degree Exemplifications will be held on Saturday, February 17, 2007 at Church of the Assumption Parish, 2116 Cornwall Ave, Bellingham, 98225. The host assembly is San Juan Assembly 1176. The Faithful Navigator is Lyle Nelson and his phone is 360-738-8223. The Faithful Comptroller is Joe St Hilaire and his phone number is 360-671-4836.



EXEMPLIFICATION HONOREE

The honoree for this Fourth Degree Exemplification is William L Maris, PGK, PFN, FDD. Bill is a member of the Bellingham Council 829 and the San Juan Assembly 1176. Bill joined the Knights of Columbus in 1956 and became a Fourth Degree Sir Knight on March 1, 1980. In 2007 he will celebrate fifty-one years as a Knight and twenty-seven years as a Sir Knight.

EVENT SCHEDULE

Registration	11:30am.	. Church of the Assumption Gym
Lunch	12:00pm.	. Church of the Assumption Gym
Exemplification	1:00pm.	. Church of the Assumption Gym
Public Knighting a	nd	
Picture Taking	3:30pm.	. Church of the Assumption Gym
Mass	5:00pm .	Church of the Assumption
Social & Banquet	6:00pm	Church of the Assumption Gym

FEES

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

DRESS

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

FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION BURIEN—MARCH 31, 2007 The fifth of seven Fourth Degree Exemplifications

The fifth of seven Fourth Degree Exemplifications will be held on Saturday, March 31, 2007 at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, 15226 21st Ave SW, Burien, 98166. The host assembly is Fr. John A Walsh Assembly 2376. Faithful Navigator Joe Capita's phone is 425-271-6546. Faithful Comptroller Denis Taft's phone number is 253-631-4561.

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

EXEMPLIFICATION HONOREE

The honoree for this Fourth Degree Exemplification is George Turk, PSD, FVSM. George is a member of the Bellevue St Louise-Overlake Council 4385 and the Rev William J Power Assembly 1630. George joined the Knights of Columbus in December 1962 and became a Fourth Degree Sir Knight on February 1, 1972. In 2007 he will celebrate forty-five years as a Knight and thirty-five years as a Sir Knight. George was the State Deputy of Washington from 1985 to 1987 and the Vice Supreme Master from 1989 to 1993.

EVENT SCHEDULE

Registration	11:30am	Parish Hall (North of Church)
Lunch	. 12:00pm	Parish Hall (North of Church)
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Fourth Degree Exemplifications

Washington District 2007 Schedule Fourth Degree Exemplifications Schedule for the Remainder of 2007

January 26, 2007

February 17, 2007

Bellingham - Church of the Assumption Parish, 2116 Cornwall Ave, Bellingham 98225

Host-San Juan Assembly 1176

Faithful Navigator - Lyle Nelson, phone 360-738-8223

Faithful Comptroller - Joe St Hilaire, phone 360-671-4836

Degree Team - Western Washington

Degree Team Captain - Everett 'Rob' Roberts, phone 253-584-5632

Honoree - William L Maris, FDD, PGK, PFN

March 31, 2007

Burien - St. Francis of Assisi Parish, 15226 21st Ave SW, Burien 98166

Host-Fr John A Walsh Assembly 2376

Faithful Navigator - Joe Capita, phone 425-271-6546

Faithful Comptroller - Denis Taft, phone 253-631-4591

Degree Team - Western Washington

Degree Team Captain - Everett 'Rob' Roberts, phone 253-584-5632

Honoree - George C Turk, PSD, FVSM

April 28, 2007

Spokane Valley - St John Vianney, 503 N Walnut Rd, Spokane Valley 99206

Host-John J Mertens Assembly 2414

Faithful Navigator - James Pugh, phone 509-534-4920

Faithful Comptroller - George Czerwonka, phone 509-270-1228

Degree Team - Eastern Washington

Team Captain - Tom Weber, phone 509-334-3817

Honoree - Thomas L Weber, PSD

June 2, 2007

Lakewood - St John Bosco Parish, 10508 112th St SW, Lakewood, 98498

Host-Archbishop Thomas J Murphy Assembly 2685

Faithful Navigator - Phil Sheridan, phone 253-964-2809,

Faithful Comptroller - Chuck McCollough, phone 253-226-9794

Degree Team - Western Washington

Degree Team Captain - Everett 'Rob' Roberts, phone 253-584-

Honoree - Horace Suinn, FDD. PGK, PFN

Remarks:

The dates and locations remain as previously announced. The only change is the honoree for the Burien Exemplification (See previous page) will be George Turk, PSD, VSM and the honoree for the Lakewood Exemplification is Horace Suinn, FDD, PGK PFN. The change of honorees was due to a conflicting family schedule.

Parish Bulletin Inserts

February 4—"Women who have had abortions suffer an increased risk of anxiety, depression, and suicide. A study published in a recent edition of the Journal of Anxiety Disorders found that women who aborted their unintended pregnancies wer 30% more likely to subsequently report all the symptoms of generalized anxiety disorder than those women who had carried their unintended pregnancies to term. A study of a state-funded medical insurance program in California published in the American Journal of Orthopsychiatry in 2002 showed that the rate of mental health claims for women who aborted was 17% higher than thow oho carried their children to term. And, according to a 1996 article in the British Medical Journal, and a 2002 article in the Sourhern Midical Journal, the risk from suicide is tow to six times higher for women who have had abortions when compared. again, with women who have given birth." From "How Abortion Hurts Women: The Hard Proof," by Erika Bachiochi.

February 11—The battle to save Terri Schiavo's life prompted Pat Anderson, an attorney on the case, to rethink her position on abortion. "Killing babies is not the way out of social or personal problems. Killing off your elderly or disabled is not the way to keep your healthcare budget in balance." she stated. (*LifeNews.com*, 4/11/06)

February 18—Prenatal testing for some 450 diseases may seem to give couples more power, but it often actually takes choices away. Society's demand for physical perfection places enormous pressure on couples to "comform to the norm" by aborting less-than-perfect children. (Rev. Tadeusz Pacholczyk, Ph.D., *The Southern Cross*, 8/17/06)

February 25—Those who favor destroying embryos for scientific research argue, "spare embryos are doomed anyway and will be discarded if not used for research." Well, then, what about other doomed people such as death row inmates, terminally ill patients, and patients in a persistent vegetative state? Why not use them for research as the Nazis did with those condemned to the gas chamber? (Gary Cangemi, *Pro-Life Reporter*, Fall, 2006)

*From National Right to Life "Choose Life..." Pamphlet

Petitions

February 4—That with God's grace we may conquer fear whenever we are asked to choose life in difficult situations, we pray.

February 11—For all pregnant women and those caring for the disabled and terminally ill, that their trust in God may strengthen them in their life-protecting choices, we pray.

February 18—That all may come to see the image of God in each human being regardless of age, disability, or size, we pray.

February 25—That during the season of Lent, all believers may resolve to be more vocal ambassadors for Christ's message on the sanctity of every human life, we pray.

*From National Right to Life "Choose Life..." Pamphlet

Exemplification Fund Fee



The following list is a reminder to councils of exemplification funds due. The \$7.00 fee is based on Supreme's total list of new members as of Nov. 30. It does not distinguish priests, seminarians, transfers, re-admissions, reactivations, or re-initiations. Please inform me of any members in these categories so corrections can be made. Payments received after January 20 will appear on the March, 2007 list.

As with all funds, exemplifications fees are to be sent to the **State Secretary***.

Councils may request a review of

their balance by emailing: StateTreasure@kofc-wa.org .

John M. Wassace

State Treasurer

* John L. Walker State Secretary 805 S. Morain Kennewick, WA 99336-4417

COUNCIL	FEE	COUNCIL	FEE	COUNCIL	FEE	COUNCIL	FEE	COUNCIL	FEE
#	BALANCE	#	BALANCE	#	BALANCE	#	BALANCE	#	BALANCE
676	\$7.00	2303	\$ -	7642	\$ -	9637	\$ -	12002	\$4.00
683	\$6.00	2763	\$14.00	7863	\$14.00	9664	\$ -	12175	\$35.00
763	\$ -	2999	\$ -	7907	\$20.00	9721	\$14.00	12251	\$14.00
766	\$ -	3044	\$50.00	7908	\$14.00	9833	\$ -	12273	\$ -
809	\$ -	3153	\$21.00	8015	\$14.00	9910	\$7.00	12420	\$ -
829	\$ -	3307	\$9.00	8079	\$150.00	9941	\$7.00	12483	\$ -
894	\$ -	3361	\$21.00	8102	\$21.00	10532	\$ -	12583	XXX
1327	\$ -	3455	\$7.00	8136	\$25.00	10534	\$ -	12591	\$35.00
1379	\$ -	3598	\$122.00	8137	\$7.00	10543	\$ -	12786	\$ -
1401	\$ -	3611	\$ -	8150	\$7.00	10652	\$ -	12889	\$14.00
1449	\$ -	3645	\$ -	8179	\$ -	10653	\$ -	12899	\$ -
1460	\$8.00	4196	\$35.00	8201	\$ -	10664	\$ -	12983	\$7.00
1488	\$7.00	4322	\$ -	8266	\$ -	11085	\$ -	13186	\$16.00
1545	\$ -	4367	\$ -	8297	\$12.00	11134	\$28.00	13238	\$ -
1550	\$ -	4385	\$42.00	8311	\$14.00	11217	\$7.00	13364	\$14.00
1565	\$ -	4782	\$ -	8398	\$ -	11252	\$7.00	13374	\$ -
1606	\$ -	5177	\$7.00	8437	\$14.00	11253	\$14.00	13395	\$14.00
1620	\$42.00	5495	\$8.00	8455	\$ -	11357	\$28.00	13422	\$7.00
1629	\$ -	5816	\$ -	8476	\$ -	11408	\$ -	13462	\$8.00
1643	\$7.00	6097	\$ -	8672	\$7.00	11478	\$ -	13560	\$ -
1674	\$ -	6686	\$53.00	8768	\$ -	11611	\$ -	13597	\$ -
1699	\$ -	6706	\$ -	8872	\$ -	11642	\$15.00	13606	\$14.00
1758	\$ -	6806	\$ -	9145	\$22.00	11736	\$ -	13761	\$21.00
1823	\$ -	7117	\$43.00	9237	\$ -	11762	\$ -	13794	\$ -
2103	\$16.00	7149	\$7.00	9238	\$ -	11780	\$7.00	13831	\$ -
2126	\$ -	7356	\$ -	9434	\$21.00	11789	\$14.00	13834	\$ -
2155	\$ -	7360	\$ -	9605	\$7.00	11906	\$ -	14046	\$26.00
2260	\$ -	7528	\$21.00	9617	\$8.00	11948	\$ -	14162	\$ -
Total	\$93.00		\$460.00		\$377.00		\$148.00		\$229.00
\$1,307.00									

> 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.

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Stanley Prebo	Kirkland 7642
Joseph Ruscio	Spokane 4196
John J. Grady	Bellingham 829
	Tacoma 809
Casper Scherr	Tacoma 809
	Walla Walla 766
	Burien 5495
	Richland 3307
	Federal Way 7528
	Marysville 7863
Jim Herman	. Gig Harbor 9238 and Assembly 2501
William S. Dangel	Camano-Stanwood 8476
David A. Gallant	Pasco 1620
William "Bud" Lubesh, Jr.	
Bill Richardson	Bothell 6686
	Olympia 1643
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Family Members' Deaths

Lucille Porten (widow of Edward J. Porten)Port Angeles 2260
Jean Liebel (mother of Jeff Liebel)
Betty Cribbs (mother of Dave Cribbs) Seattle 676
Nels H. Johnson (father of Peter Johnson and Matthew Johnson
and grandfather of Michael Kithcart) Port Townsend 10532
Rudy de Grood (father of Steve de Grood, FDD) Selah 8768
Betty Markwith (mother of Jeff Markwith)Federal Way 7528
Carol Elizabeth Gazarek (mother of
Mike Gazarek, DD 14 Mercer Island 11642
Tillie Horner (mother of Ralph Horner)Federal Way 7528
Helen Shepard (mother of Gerald Shepard, PGK) Moxee 2303
Theresa Vigue (mother of Kerry Vigue) Kennewick 10653
Sister Marcel (aunt of Kerry Vigue)
Temoteo Maratas (father of Arturo Maratas)Sammamish 9833

Sick Notices

Sick Notices	
Jim Duran	Selah 8768
George Bozlee	Buckley-Enumclaw 9637
Lew T. Trudeau	Buckley-Enumclaw 9637
Larry D'Hondt	Selah 8768
Jim Bemis	Bremerton 1379
Mike Gazarek, DD 14	Mercer Island 11642
Greg Reed, PGK	Tacoma 12483
Adam Wurtz	Selah 8768
Ann Melton (wife of Alan Melton)	Selah 8768
James "Bob" Puhr, PGK, PFN Coupeville	13422 and Assembly 2276
Helen Maher (wife of Jack Maher)	Bainbridge Island 12251
Paul Lamb (Father-in-law	
of Rick Wessling, RD)	Bainbridge Island 12251
Ann Cordero (Mother of Steve Cordero)	Ellensburg 1401
James Carey	Kennewick 10653
Andy Kopriva, PGK	Kennewick 8179

Membership Blitz

Don't forget to start this month planning for the March *Support Our Parish Priests* Blitz! The Supreme Council has suggested the weekend of March 24-25th as the dates for the Blitz, in honor of the 125th Anniversary of our founding by Fr. Michael J. McGivney. It's time to start ordering supplies and making your plans and approaching your pastor with the request for the dates.

Don't forget that some great incentive prizes will be available for those councils that report their participation in the Blitz. The top Blitz in each of the five size divisions will earn their choice of a copy of the book *By Their Works* or a portrait of Fr. McGivney, and another randomly selected council in each division will earn a gift certificate to the Country Store that can be redeemed at the State Convention.

For a reminder on how to conduct the Blitz, check out the information on the Supreme Council web page, www.kofc.org. It includes a downloadable form for easily ordering supplies. Also here are some suggestions for appropriate Blitz materials:

Prospect Cards (#921A) Membership Documents (#100) Posters and flyers such as

"As Knights we not only act on faith..." flyer (#4497),

"Our Future Knights..." flyer (#9116),

"The Potential of a Man..." flyer (4496),

"What this organization stands for..." booklet (#4495),

"Make a Difference" recruiting poster (#4498), Fraternal Membership folder (4494),

"Did You Know?" flyer (#1267),

Family Fraternal Benefits flyer (#2761),

Member/Spouse Fraternal Benefit flyer (#2773)

DVD/video: "Experience of a Lifetime"



Resolutions for State Convention

Although the State Convention is still months away, if your council is considering submitting a resolution for consideration by the Washington State Council, you need to take action very quickly to meet the timetable for submittal. Resolutions must be submitted to the <u>State Secretary</u> (NOT the State Advocate!) by March 15, 2007.

Also remember that before submitting a resolution, you should make certain that the resolution is printed on council's letterhead with the council's seal affixed. The council's resolution must be signed by the Grand Knight and Financial Secretary.

Preparing a Resolution

Because the resolutions adopted by council membership represent a formal expression of the official opinion or will of the council, extreme care should be devoted to both their preparation and content. Resolution guidelines and suggestions that relate to the form a council resolution should take, can be found in the Washington State Council's Grand Knight's Handbook-pages II-16 through II-19. A council preparing to submit a resolution for consideration should consult this section in the Grand Knight's Handbook.

When considering resolutions, keep in mind that any proposal transmitted beyond a council and submitted for review with the corporation of the Knights of Columbus should be relevant to the purposes for which the Knights of Columbus exist.

Remember, a well written resolution stands a better chance of getting favorable considerations at the State Convention than a resolution that is vaguely worded and carelessly formulated.

Considerations for Resolutions

Very often a committee may be able to present a more comprehensive resolution that meets all the requirements.

Resolutions must be read aloud to the council and submitted in writing to the entire membership to approve or disapprove prior to the next regular business meeting.

The regular business meeting at which the membership will vote to approve or disapprove the resolution must comply with the council's by-laws as they pertain to the requirements of a quorum.

The resolution and the council votes must be recorded in the council's minutes.

A change to by-laws must identify the source, paragraph and section to be changed, modified or added.

If the resolution is attempting to initiate or change the use of Washington State funds, the resolution must identify the source of the funds and make clear its intended use.

Remember, that one council may never direct other councils to adopt a program using the other council's funds. If, however, the resolution is deemed to be beneficial, and with supporting information, the resolution may be presented for consideration by all the councils in the State of Washington.

If you have any questions or need assistance, feel free to contact Don McBride at StateAdvocate@kofc-wa.org.

Pro-Life Message



Dear Brothers,

This month our councils showed a strong commitment to the March for Life in Olympia on January 22nd. The weather for the March and rally was excellent, and many Knights of Columbus "Defend Life" signs were present. The attendance at the March for Life this year was

significantly higher than last year, at least about 2,000 present by one count. The March for Life was preceded by a wonderful mass at St Michael's Parish. The luncheon provided by the Olympia Council was a great success, provided lunch for greater numbers.

During the rally it was pointed out that House Bill 1321 is designed to support Parental Notification Requirements. Human Life of Washington strongly supports this legislation. You may want to educate your councils on this important legislation being discussed in the legislature, and contact your representative. As citizens, you can contact your representative at 1-800-562-6000.

For the past year we have been indicating the importance of the Board of Pharmacy in Washington to allow the conscience clause in dispensing prescriptions. The Church supports pharmacists who follow Catholic moral teaching. Right now again the Board of Pharmacy is still receiving comments on how to rule on the proposal to require pharmacists to prescribe to fill prescriptions that go against their conscience. Consider supporting the right of a pharmacist to maintain his/her right of conscience by contacting the Board of Pharmacy at the address or phone number below.

Department of Health Board of Pharmacy, P.O. Box 47863 Olympia, WA 98504-7863 Phone: 360.236.4829 or 360.236.4700

WHEN AND WHERE TO SUBMIT ESSAY AND POSTER ENTRIES

Essays: The winning 7th/8th grade essay is to be mailed to reach the Pro-Life ESSAY Chairman on or before April 1st, (J. Toth).

Posters: Bring the winning posters for your council for the 1-2, 3-4, and 5-6 grades when you come to the state convention in May.

Important Notice about the Poster Rules—Minimum Poster Size is: 11 x 14 inch. *Not 11 x 17 inch.*

LIEBERT PRO-LIFE AWARD PROGRAMS

Submit to **ProLife@KofC-wa.org** or by mail to Pro-Life Chair by April 1st.

See the Grand Knights Handbook or log onto www.kofc-wa.org and pick "Service Programs" and "Pro-Life" to obtain your Liebert application.

Vivat Jesus!

Jim Toth

Pro-Life Chairman

Message from State Secretary



LOOKING AHEAD

The second half of the fraternal year is upon us. The Six Month letter was sent to all Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries in January. The following is a follow up of the happenings for February, March and April.

The per capita assessment notices were mailed in January. They are due upon receipt and should be sent to John Walker, State Secretary. Remember, you do not have to wait for a vote on this expenditure. Sign the check and forward.

FEBRUARY

ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO THE STATE CONVENTION

The Certificate of Election and Credentials for delegates and alternates to the State Convention in Bellevue on May 18-20, 2007 are in the mail with copies to the Grand Knight and Financial Secretaries. Grand Knights should hold the elections as soon as possible after you receive the mailing and return the Certificate of Election after the election but no later than **April 19, 2007**. Remember the Grand Knight and Financial Secretary is to sign the form and affix the Council seal. Return to the State Secretary. Note the particulars on who can be a delegate or alternate. The actual credentials are to be completed and hand carried to the Convention and deposited at registration. If you have any questions, please contact the State Secretary.

MARCH - APRIL

MEMORIAL MASS AT THE STATE CONVENTION

In March you will receive the names of all deceased council and family members that have been received during the year. They will be listed by council. You will need to verify the accuracy of the list by correcting spellings, adding titles, or adding deceased members that were not provided previously. The additions or corrections must be returned to the State Secretary not later than **April 1, 2007** so that will be available for the Necrology to be read at the State Convention.

RESOLUTIONS

The State Secretary must receive any resolutions for consideration at the 2007 State Convention by <u>March 15, 2007</u>. All proposed resolutions will be printed and forwarded to councils by April 15, 2007. See Grand Knights handbook, Part II, State Council Information on the proper format.

GROUP LIABILITY INSURANCE

A "Group Liability Insurance Offer" will be mailed to each Grand Knight and Financial Secretary in <u>April</u> along with a summary of charges for the policy based on the Supreme membership roster of April 1, 2007. The cost per member this year will be <u>\$ 1.00</u> which is a reduction of 25 cents. The policy year runs from June 1, 2007 to May 31, 2008. Payment is due prior to <u>June 1, 2007</u>.

CONVENTION BOOKLET

Every year each council's annual activities will be published in the Convention Booklet. The writing of the summary is the responsibility of the Grand Knight, District Deputies, and State Chairman. The council report is due to your District Deputy by **April 1, 2007.** Please refer to the six months letter for the proper format. The District Deputies will finalize their district's report and convert any handwritten council reports to a typed format prior to submitting it to the State Secretary by **April 10, 2007.** We are shooting for 100% participation from every council and District Deputy. You owe it to your council members to publicize your accomplishments.

LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD

Looking for an experience as a **State Chairman**, here's your chance. The pay is good; the satisfaction of a job well done and time off in purgatory.

As we make preparation for the 2007 – 2008 fraternal year, we are in need of help from Knights who desire to serve as chairman of various committees at the State level. At the present time there are vacancies in the following chairs: <u>VOCATIONS/PFH/RSVP</u> (Pennies for Heaven and Seminarians), <u>Columbus Charities</u> (handling our annual raffle tickets), and <u>KCIC</u> (handling the sales and bookwork associated with Christmas card sales).

If you are interested in any of these chairs or wish to participate in any other way, please contact the State Secretary.

John Walker
State Secretary
StateSecretary@kofc-wa.org

KCIC Accounts Payable January 1, 2007

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Council	KCIC#	<u>Amount</u>		Council	KCIC#	<u>Amount</u>
<u>Number</u>	1010 #	<u>Due</u>	-	<u>Number</u>	1010 #	<u>DueDue</u>
790	113-06	\$33.25		11217	153-06	\$39.70
829	066-06	\$330.50		11762	054-06	\$135.00
1699	131-06	\$179.50		11762	087-06	\$224.75
1699	162-06	\$17.50		11762	099-06	\$538.50
2126	055-06	\$135.00		11762	122-06	\$32.55
3611	053-06	\$135.00		11762	135-06	\$38.40
4385	123-06	\$259.05		11789	104-06	\$154.25
6097	150-06	\$179.50		11948	071-06	\$142.00
6686	044-06	\$135.00		12273	152-06	\$181.90
7642	067-06	\$142.00		12420	141-06	\$64.75
7642	078-06	\$17.00		12591	130-06	\$179.50
7642	080-06	\$72.55		12591	159-06	\$182.50
7642	093-06	\$65.05		12889	138-06	\$28.50
7642	127-06	\$102.90		12889	146-06	\$16.25
7642	142-06	\$50.85		12889	157-06	\$65.55
7907	065-06	\$142.00		12889	161-06	\$23.00
7907	072-06	\$8.50		12899	084-06	\$228.50
7907	158-06	\$19.50		12899	139-06	\$132.35
7907	160-06	\$14.25		13186	129-06	\$191.50
8455	058-06	\$212.65		13364	147-06	\$65.90
8455	069-06	\$34.80		13364	155-06	\$39.30
9721	030-06	\$307.50		13395	082-06	\$22.00
9721	115-06	\$30.00		13395	132-06	\$138.80
9833	121-06	\$15.50		13831	134-06	\$224.30
10532	081-06	\$247.50		2999RT	110-06	\$15.00
10652	119-06	\$143.75		2999RT	128-06	\$150.75
11134	026-06	\$307.50		9721RT	029-06	\$135.00
11217	091-06	\$208.40		PFH	073-06	\$15.87
11217	108-06	\$15.50				



Give
Blood
Often

KCIC Message—2006 Sales Recap



First, let me thank all Councils that participated in the Keep Christ in Christmas program this year. KCIC Coordinators and your respective council members did a tremendous job in keeping Christ's Birthday front and center during this Advent Season.

Michael and I tried to do the very best we could in filling your orders knowing that your

sales are what keeps the KCIC program relevant in today's environment. We processed 164 orders beginning with the Summer Meeting and continuing through December 15th when we shipped the last order.

KCIC sales to councils, roundtables, circles and assemblies were \$24,740.27...a modest sales increase of \$646.77 (+3%) over the prior year. We can do a much bigger job this year if we start planning early. We will help you get an early start in coming sales window with an early notice sent to all council coordinators. I know that we can deliver 100 cases to you at the Summer Meeting this year...an open challenge to each of you.

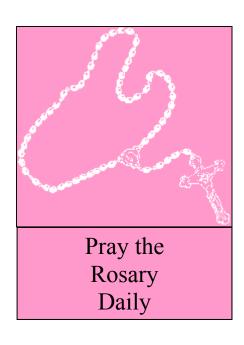
In the interim, we need your help in getting all open accounts settled within the next 30 days. We have 86 shipments still unpaid, and the KCIC Home Office is looking for their payment from the Washington Council too.

Please check the accounts payable table to see if your Council has an outstanding account...and send your Council check to the State Secretary today.

Vivat Jesus!

George Czerwonka

State Warden & KCIC Chairman



Veterans Administration Volunteer Service (VAVS)

Help Make the VA Puget Sound Fisher House a Home Away from Home and Support America's Military and Veterans Families during a Medical Crisis

Worthy Grand Knights and Faithful Navigators:

Over the past several weeks, several major news networks have carried stories about the Fisher House Foundation, and on several occasions have featured the Fisher House on Ft. Lewis, WA. Many of us in the local community over the years have assisted in one form or another devoting some time to this worthwhile project. When our Past Grand Knight Frank McFall came to us as a council to volunteer and assist, we jumped in to serve meals at the house for some special occasions. Other times we were asked to host a function to provide food for a special presentation at the house.

We have seen on the networks the good works that these houses are doing, and in the program issue have highlighted many Iraq and Afghanistan veterans who have returned to the states and have spent time in the military hospital facilities. They have had their families there to help provide the support they needed at this particular time in their life and they have stated how important this has been in their recovery from their different and varied injuries.

Well, what has this to do with us as a Catholic Fraternal Organizations, and I answer everything, from the Patriotic Degree of our Order to Charity, Unity and Fraternalism which we display in all of our works. Prayers, gifts to our service personnel, and many other acts are still needed but now we have a chance to really as they say, "put our money where our mouth is", and support our veterans and military personnel when they need us the most.

The Fisher House makes it possible for families of wounded soldiers and veterans to be near the men and women they love when they are need the most.

Let me give you some facts:

- Last year, 17,105 veterans and newly returning soldiers traveled from Alaska, Oregon, Idaho and Eastern Washington to receive their care at the Seattle VA Puget Sound Health Care System. Without Lodging on the medical center campus, families must find hotel accommodations in the community for extended periods of time and often at their own expense.
- More than 14,000 lodging nights were provided locally to veterans and their families.
- Since the beginning of the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan, more that 4,645 have been treated at VA Puget Sound.
- In 2005, 19 such soldiers and their families required extended hospital stays due to the complex nature of their injuries; however, with a Fisher House family members were forced to find lodging elsewhere at their own expense.
- Fisher houses are built to meet this need allowing veterans' family members to be close in the most stressful times – treatment of serious injury, disease or illness.

<u>The Fisher House Foundation has committed Funds to build a</u>
<u>VA Puget Sound Fisher House in Seattle. Now more that ever</u>
your financial support for the Fisher House is needed.

- Supported by the Fisher House Foundation and the Fisher Family, thirty five Fisher houses have been built at VA medical centers and military hospitals; fifteen additional houses are being planned across the country including one at the Seattle division of VA Puget Sound.
- Like other Fishes Houses located around the country, the two story residence will include 21 private suites. In addition, there will be shared family living space, dining and laundry rooms, a full size kitchen, a study/computer/quiet space as well as a backyard patio and BBQ area. All furnishings and finishes will be the highest quality. Gardens and private space will ensure comfort, privacy and a welcoming home environment for families. Access to patient care programs will with east walking distance.
- Construction is planned for early 2007 and will be completed by the end of the year. The Fisher House Foundation, thanks to its efforts, has committed \$5 million toward this critically needed residence, and challenges the local community to raise an additional \$2 million through "Friends of VA Puget Sound Fisher House" to support the house now and in the future.

This is your opportunity to support Military Veterans families, and to tell all veterans, "Thank you for a job well done, we appreciate your sacrifice."

The Friends of VA Puget Sound House are raising funds locally to augment construction and furnishing costs of the house, and to seed an endowment that will support the VA Puget Sound Fisher House now and into the future. VA Puget Sound Fisher House will be funded through the contributions made to the Fisher House Foundation as well as local support from the community. Federal Law prohibits use of government funding for this purpose, which is why the community and business support is critical.

How to Make a Gift to the Fisher House Foundation. You can bring a Fisher House to Seattle by making a donation. All gifts are Tax-Deductible and may be made via check. Credit cards or gifts of securities, directly to the Fisher House Foundation locally:

VA Puget Sound Fisher House General Post Fund – Voluntary Services 1660 S. Columbian Way MS-005 VOL Seattle, WA 98108

Now more than ever, we owe these brave men and women, and their families our gratitude. Help Honor those who are currently serving and those who came before them by supporting the VA Puget Sound Fisher House.

I sincerely hope that the councils, assemblies and the State Jurisdiction get involved in someway to support this worthwhile program. If you have any doubts about the worthwhile value of this program visit www.fisherhouse.org for more information. If every council or assembly would donate, think of the tremendous impact it would have for the foundation and the Knights of Columbus.

Everett J. Roberts PSD/FMFD

"...one nation under God" one phrase

Telephone (253) 584-5632.

Columbus Charities Message from IPSD

It was great having an opportunity to see many of you this past month at the Regional meetings. From many of the discussions, it's easy to see that you should be extremely proud of your contributions and participation in making this the first class jurisdiction.

I trust that every Grand Knight will help our state rise to the challenge this year in Columbus Charities. As I shared with you in this newsletter in the past and at the meetings in January, this is a major fund raiser for Special Olympics of Washington and the Cancer and Kidney Care Centers through out the state. Other jurisdictions have different type fund raisers to support Special Olympics. For the past several years, our state has committed to support his program state wide as its fund raiser. Our sales and efforts have remained constant in numbers the past 5 to 7 years. It's time to get serous and to get busy to rise to new heights in this program's activities.

I want to share with you some of those organizations across the state that have benefited over the years from our ticket sales and involvement in Columbus Charities: They include:

- * Special Olympics Washington
- * Kidney Centers in Spokane, Central Valley & Seattle
- * Cancer Care Centers in Spokane, Tri-Cities, Yakima & Seattle
- * Camp Prime Time
- * Natural Family Planning
- * Washington State Association for the Blind

The challenge that I shared with you at the regional meetings was that as a jurisdiction, we should be able to sell a minimum of one book of tickets per member. As a whole, I think that everyone there agreed with me that this is a reasonable goal. Making this would give us a minimum of a 35% boast over prior years. But don't stop at just that goal, work hard to help make this year's effort exceed even that goal.

Pat Maloney, IPSD

Happenings **Around the State**

Renton 3645 & 13376—On March 17, the Renton councils will host a Senior's breakfast at the Renton Senior Center. For more information contact John Peyton at 253-520-6752.

Sammamish #9833—Sammamish council will hold their annual Crab Feed on Feb 3 featuring all you can eat crab with all the trimmings, as well as all the beer and wine you can drink (until it runs out) providing you have a designated driver! Contact Jim Bachesta at 425-391-4820 or j.bachesta@comcast.net. Cost—\$30 per person.

Richland #3307—The Richland Council will have a Salmon and Halibut feast on Saturday Feb 3. Social from 6-7pm with dinner at 7pm. Adults—\$25, Children 5-12—\$10, Families—\$60. Contact Jerry Rhoads for info at 509-946-3391.

Bothell # 6686—The council will have a Father Daughter dance on Saturday, Feb 3 at 6:30pm. Contact Bill Paulson at 425-941-5576 for more details.

Lynwood #5816—Join the members of the Lynwood Council on February 2nd & 3rd for an evening of contemplation and prayer with the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Call John Alexy at 425-742-0239 for more information.

Mill Creek #9434—On March 3, the North creek Council will be having their 4th annual CrabFest in the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Social Hall, 2316 – 180th Street SE, Mill Creek. The cost is \$30 per person and includes all you can eat Dungeness Crab. For the non Crab eaters, you may opt for Pasta Primavera for \$22. Soda, coffee, tea, water, beer and wine is included in the price.

Menu: Hors D'oeuvres

Barnacle Bill's Shrimp Tast

Soup and Salad

Special Pacifica Clam Chowder (available to purchase after dinner

@ \$5.00 per quart).

Seton Seasonal Greens Fruit Ambrosia

Summer Cole Slaw Variety of Rolls

Entrees: Westport Dungeness Crab

Robin's Pasta Premavera

+ Dessert

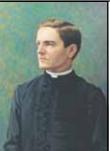
For more information, contact Joe Muller at 425-369-7421.

Action Required to Oppose Legislation for Domestic Partnerships

It is important for the Knights to take a stand to oppose SB 5336 and HB 1350. This precursor to legalizing gay marriage is intended to grant individuals in domestic partnerships certain rights and benefits. Supporters of this legislation have said quite publicly that this is a bill that prepares the way for gay marriage. It is feared that a bill like this will be used as the basis for overturning our DOMA laws in federal court. This legislation is a critical bill for the eventual imposition of gay marriage upon an unwilling public.

Please call or email your Washington State legislators and ask them to oppose SB 5336 & HB 1351—Domestic Partnerships

Father McGivney Guild



The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild serves as a source for information about the life, works and spirituality of Father McGivney. The Guild distributes informational materials about him, receives reports

of favors granted through his intercession and oversees the distribution of relics. Guild members receive regular updates on the progress of Father McGivney's cause for canonization and are invited to participate in promoting devotion to this Servant of God. Members of the Knights of Columbus are not automatically Guild members and must elect to join the Guild. The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild Newsletter is published bimonthly except July-August, and is sent free to Guild members. To join the Guild go to:

http://www.fathermcgivney.org





Important Dates to Remember

Degrees, Reports and Miscellaneous

2006 - 2007 Fraternal Calendar

FEBRUARY

Feb 9 - 11	Pre-convention Meeting—Bellevue
Feb 11	2nd/3rd Degrees - Seattle (Districts 1, 26)
Feb 14	Valentine's Day
Feb 15	Semi-annual Audit Report (#1295) DUE
Feb 17	4th Degree Exemplification - Bellingham
Feb 24	2 nd /3 rd Degrees – Port Townsend (Districts 2, 24)

MARCH (Vocations Month)

March 2 - 4	Special Olympics Winter Games – Wenatchee
March 3	2 nd /3 rd Degrees – Lynnwood (Districts 13, 16, 21)
March 10	
March 10 - 11	Membership Blitz Weekend
March 17	St. Patrick's Day
March 24	State Free Throw Championships - Yakima
March 25	2 nd /3 rd Degrees – Walla Walla (Districts 7 , 8, 17)
March 29	Founders Day (125th Anniversary of the Order)
March 31	4th Degree Exemplification Burien

APRIL (Squires Month)				
April 1	Family of the Year/Knight of the Year DUE			
April 1 He	erbert M. Liebert, PGK Right to Life Memorial DUE			
April 1 Harr	y J. Tucker, Jr., FSW, PSD, FVSM Memorial DUE			
April 1 George C. Turk, PS	SD, FVSM Gift of life Blood Donor Honor Roll DUE			
April 1 Wade S. Wald	den, FDD Platelets Heroes Aware Honor Roll DUE			
April 8	Easter Sunday			
April 10	Grand Knight & District Deputy Reports DUE			

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2006 - 2007 Fraternal Calendar

April (Continued)

April 15	
April 15	Church Award DUE
	Community Award DUE
	Council Award DUE
	Family Award DUE
	Youth Award DUE
April 21	
April 22	2 nd /3 rd Degrees – Wenatchee (Districts 6, 10)
	CDA Convention – Pasco
•	4th Degree Exemplification—Spokane Valley
April 28	State Bowling Tournament – TBD
	2 nd /3 rd Degrees – Lakewood (Districts 2, 3, 22, 29)

MAY

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May 13	Mother's Day
May 18 - 20	State Convention – Bellevue
May 26	2 nd /3 rd Degrees – Vancouver (Districts 11 , 25)
May 28	Memorial Day

JUNE

June 1 - 3	
June 2	4th Degree Exemplification – Lakewood
	2 nd /3 rd Degrees – Spokane (Districts 5, 18 , 20)
June 10	2nd/3rd Degrees – Everett (Districts 13 , 16, 21)
	Father's Day
June 23 - 24	State Golf Tournament – TBD
June 30	Columbian Awards (#SP-7) & RSVP Application (#2863) DUF

2007 REGIONAL FREE THROW COMPETITION

REGION	East	Northwest	West -North	West - South	Olympic	Central	Southwest
DISTRICTS	5, 8, 18, 20 & 28	9, 13, 19, & 21	1, 14, 16 23 & 26	3, 12, 15, 27, & 29	2, 4, 22 &24	6, 7, 10 & 17	11 & 25
HOST	District 18	District 9	District 23	District 12	District 22	District 7	District 25
DAY DATE REGISTER COMPETE	Sunday 3/10/2007 12:00noon 1:00pm	Saturday 2/24/2007 11:00am 12:00noon	Saturday 3/3/2007 10:00am 12:00 noon	Saturday 3/24/2007 9:00am 10:00am	Sunday 2/25/2007 1:30pm 2:00pm	Saturday 3/10/2007 1:00pm-1:30pm 1:30pm	Saturday 2/24/2007 9:30am 10:00am
LOCATION ADDRESS CITY	St. John Vianney School Gym 401 N. Farr Road Spokane	St. Joseph Center School 215 N 15th Mt Vernon	St Monica Parish Gym 4301 88th Ave SE Mercer Island	St Vincent De Paul Church Gym 30525 8th Ave S Federal Way	Star of the Sea School Gym 5th St & Veneta Ave Bremerton	Tri Cities Prep Gym 9612 St. Thomas Dr. Pasco	Longview
CONTACT ADDRESS CITY ZIP PHONE	Don Spragg 2309 S. Herald Spokane 99206 (509) 926-0294	John Williams DD#21 1717 Casino Rd Apt A102 Everett 98204 (425) 355-4189	Alan Newhouse 6947 Coal Creek Pkwy SE, PMB 2500 Newcastle 98059-3136 (425) 271-4020	Frank Grant 1408 N Cedar St Tacoma 98406-6424 (253) 759-0214	Rick Wessling 7425 Trica Ave NE Bremerton 98311-4062 (360) 613-2844	Bob Baemmert 1927 Peach Tree Ln Richland 99352-9672 (509) 627-5126	John Rowley 9708 NE 10th Way Vancouver 98662-3524 (360) 892-5853

Sports Messages

2007 STATE FREE CHAMPIONSHIP

We need councils to host and attract our youth to participate with lots of publicity.

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is open to all boys and girls in your community, ages 10 to 14. Age eligibility is determined by the age of the contestant as of January 1. Proof of age is required. High school-age athletes should be advised to check with their school athletic directors or their state high athletic associations regarding possible eligibility conflicts.

The time frame for the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship in the State of Washington is as follows:

Council - January District - February Regional - February/March State - March

Please check the State web site for District and Regional information. If you don't see your district information, please send it to me so I can get it posted on the web site for your councils to see.

The Free Throw Championship is one of the Order's most successful youth programs, and the program is poised to reach new heights during the coming years.

We'd like to see more councils conducting free throw competitions, and there's really no reason not to.

I have all the contact information for the DD's. I need day, date, registration time, competition time, location, address and city.

John Rowley
Free Throw Chairman

WASHINGTON STATE wants YOU!

Bids for State Bowling & Golf Tournament are needed now!

These tournaments were formed for the purpose of promoting, en-

couraging and fostering a spirit of friendliness and good will among the members, and for maintaining and increasing the interest in bowling and golf.

The following is a list of some of the things to consider should your Council wish to host the bowling or golf tournaments. Please refer to the Grand Knight's handbook for more details.

- Secure a golf course in writing for the last full weekend in June.
- Secure a bowling establishment in writing for the last full weekend in April
- Use bowling center(s) with at least 12 lanes
- Secure hotel(s) in writing with a good room rate
- Optional Tournament program
- Optional Banquet

If interested in bidding, the Council must submit a letter to the State Deputy or State Secretary on Council stationery, signed by the Grand Knight and the Financial Secretary. Please make sure the Council seal impression is included on the letter.

Time is of the essence!!

John Rowley
Sports Chairman

Knight of the Year Award

Annually the National Fraternal Congress of America (NFCA) recognizes a Fraternalist of the Year. The Knights of Columbus, as a member society of the NFCA, is eligible to submit a nomination of a member who has conducted outstanding service to his Church, community and Order.

Since the State of Washington does conduct a Knight of the Year program in conjunction with our State Convention – the winning application will be submitted to the Supreme Council office for consideration.

The NFCA also regularly awards "Fraternal MVP's" (Most Valuable Participants). The Order submits four submissions a year for these prestigious awards. The Order submits these entries from those which were not chosen as our nominee for Fraternalist of the Year. In this way every state has an opportunity at winning an award.

According to my records for last year, we had 17 councils out of 138 submit Knight of the Year applications which was just 12% reporting. I know that in 139 councils, there is one individual in each that is deserving of the recognition of Knight of the Year. Give that man the honor of being Knight of the Year and submit his application to the State for consideration as the Knight of the Year for the State of Washington and possibly the Fraternalist of the Year.

John Rowley
Council Chairman



Father Queen Gym—Holy Family Parish 56th & W. Chestnut Avenue Yakima, Washington

Saturday March 24, 2007 Registration Starts 10:30am Competition Starts 11:30am Completed 4:30pm (Estimated)

Host District Contact: Terry Wauzynski, GK Council 6097 905 S 32nd Ave Yakima, WA 98902-4023 (509) 452-9513

Lunch Hosted by Ahtanum Mission Council 6097

Remember that Council and District Free Throw Contest should be held in January and Districts should be held in February or early March.



COLUMBIAN SQUIRES 6th ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION PROGRAM BOOKLET

On April 21, 2007 at St. Vincent's Parish in Federal Way - Auburn/Federal Way Circle 4571 and St. Joseph's Council 7528 will host the 6th Annual State Columbian Squires Convention.

To capture this historic event, a Convention Program Booklet will be published as a memento. Would your council, assembly, circle or you personally like to acknowledge these Columbian Squires? You can purchase advertisement space in the Convention Program Booklet. All proceeds will go the Washington State Columbian Squires Circle to assist in the activities of the State Circle (no other forms of funds are available for the State Circle).

The advertising sizes and rates are:

Ad Size	Full Page	Half Page	Quarter Page	Sponsor*
Rate	\$100.00	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$10.00

*Example: Mr. and/or Mrs. Joe Smith, Council 676 or in memory of Past Grand Knight Bob Jones, Council 4322 The names will be listed together on a separate page.

Should you wish to assist with the creation of this program booklet by taking out an advertisement:

Make checks payable to: Washington Columbian Squires.

Please attach copy of advertisement with return copy.

Note: all copies are to be supplied in camera ready format

Your advertisement must be submitted to Ed Parazoo, State Squires Chairman, as soon as possible, but no later than April 1st.

Any questions, please call Ed at (509) 680-3627. You may E-mail your advertisement to Ed at Squires@kofc-wa.org and mail the check later.

Mail check and photo ready copy to:

Ed Parazoo, State Squires Chairman 708 Hoffman Rd #I Kettle Falls, WA 99141-9707.

We ask you to help us make this a memorable event in the lives of these Catholic boys.

!!ATTENTION GOLFERS!!

!!Endangered Sport!!

As of this state bulletin, we have **no** official bid from any of the 139 councils to host the 2007 Washington State Knights of Columbus Invitational Golf Tournament. It is scheduled to be held the fourth full weekend (Saturday and Sunday) in June. The dates would be June 23 - 24, 2007.

From and including February 1 to, but not including June 23, we have 3,408 hours to tee time (maybe). We need at least one of our 139 councils to step forward and make a bid! Time is not a luxury that a potential host council or the State has to make this happen.

We need a host council!

We need golfers to attend!

We need both to succeed!

We need both to continue!

Endangerment could lead to extinction!

John Rowley
Sports Chairman



Message from Youth

Do you remember your youth? No, I'm not talking about when you were a kid. I'm talking about the youth in your community. Do you have active programs to support the youth in your community?

You do? GREAT!

Are your programs making a difference? Are they designed for your youth or are they easy for the council?

Scholarships – a chance for youth to reach and achieve those goals. Help them get there. Show them a way. Use your Supreme resources to point your youth to all the various options for scholarships. Start a local scholarship program in your council or assembly.

Consider this:

There was a burglary.....caught, two 18 year old locals. In some way could we as a council have failed these two young men? Did we offer support, guidance, programs to make a difference in their young lives? I wonder....

I'm here for you if you need ideas or help,

Ed Parazoo

State Youth Program Chairman youth@kofc-wa.org (509) 680-3627

Knights of Columbus
Washington State Directory
Changes as of January 31, 2007
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SUBORDINATE COUNCILS

LYNNWOOD - FR. CHIROUSE COUNCIL 5816

GK - Mike Williams (Cathy)......(425).385-2417 9821 23rd Ave. SE, Everett, WA 98208-3861

1st Thurs., 7PM Bus.; 3rd Thurs, 7PM Off......(425) 774-5816 K of C Hall, 21242 67th Ave W, Lynnwood

SEATTLE COUNCIL OF JESUS 13606 (1)

 $1^{\rm st}$ Monday, 7:30PM Bus, Blessed Sacrament Church, 5050 $8^{\rm th}$ Ave. NE, Seattle

Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.

Message from Squires



On Sunday the 21st of January, the State Squires Officers conducted an investiture to bring 23 new Columbian Squires into the Order! The investiture was conducted at Fr. Blanchet Council 2999 Camas/Washougal. This class is the largest I have seen since I have been your State Chairman.

This class of new Squires will be the charter members for a new Circle in Camas! What an excellent start to your program – thank you Knights of Council 2999. The excitement is alive and well – you could see and feel it!

The following are the new Columbian Squires joining the state:

Jared T. Borja Timothy R. Branson Jimmy E. Connell Ricardo E. Diaz Perez John Dovle Noah D. Enke John G. Hyder Mark N. Hyder Joseph Kashas Anthony Kern Brandon L. King Keith C. Kuzis Henry L. Midles Robert J. Nelson Nathaniel B. Paugeliuan Christopher P. Powell Scott J. Powell Sean Powell John M. Steinke Luke J. Sonderen Andrew D. Wareham Tino G Waters Davis K. Zepponi

WELCOME!!

Thank you to Jeff Markwith for bringing the State Squires down and giving up your Sunday to travel from Federal Way to Camas to conduct this very important ceremony! I would like to personally thank the State Officers for performing a fine ceremony for our young men!!

Coming up, our 6th Annual Squires State Convention – April 12, 2007 to be held at St. Vincent's in Federal Way. Please find elsewhere in this bulletin information on how you can help finance our State Circle – by simply taking out an ad in our program booklet. This is the only place we receive funds to conduct State business. Please consider it....

Esto Dignus, Be Worthy, **Ed Parazoo**

State Squires Chairman squires@kofc-wa.org (509) 680-3627



General Agent Message

"I already have insurance at work {but who controls it?}."

Some jobs offer some form of group life insurance. Sometimes, there is no charge and sometimes we pay. Sometimes the cost seems competitive sometimes we don't check.

Sometimes having group coverage may even convince us that we don't need to discuss **personally owned life insurance** with an agent. That could be a mistake.

With group term, you don't get to choose how much or what form your employer decides to provide. Most group life insurance programs are capped. These means you are **not allowed** to buy more than the specified amount. That cap may be dangerously low for your family's protection should you die.

In fact, without a needs analysis (which The Order well provide, free *of charge*), your family's protection may be completely unrelated to your family's at death.

If you lose your job, change your job or even if you retire your family's protection could be lost or seriously impacted. If your health has

changed in the meantime, your family could be out of luck.

I am writing from sad experience.

Remember, no one is going to tap you on the shoulder, the day before your health fails, and tell you that you are about to become uninsurable. (If you don't believe me, just ask around.)

While group life helps, it does not replace the need for individually owned life insurance.

THINK ABOUT IT... and remember;

Your Brother Knight's, those superb Washington field agents, well be happy to meet with you, at your convenience, and provide free, custom-tailored needs analysis.

That way you'll know exactly where you stand.

Please give your Knights of Columbus agent a call.

Vincent Polis, PGK, FA

General Agent, Eastern Washington 208-743-0890



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KENNEWICK KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL

Saturday, March 10, 2007 St. Joseph's Parish, Dillon Hall, Kennewick

Check-in at noon, program begins at 1 pm

Featuring three internationally renowned pro-life speakers:



Suzanne Vitadamo

Suzanne is the sister of Terri (Schindler) Schiavo, who died by way of court-ordered dehydration and starvation on March 31, 2005. Suzanne and her family continue to

wage a battle to save other people with disabilities through the Terri (Schindler) Schiavo Foundation established by the Schindler family in 2000.



Barbara McGuigan

Barbara is Open Line's Tuesday host on EWTN Global Catholic Radio Network and one of the foremost pro-life, pro-chastity educators in the world. She is the founder and President of VOICE OF VIRTUE INTERNATIONAL, and has produced several CDs and television programs.



Norma McCorvey

Norma, the Jane Roe in the landmark Supreme Court case Roe v. Wade, is now a widely acclaimed international pro-life speaker. She has authored two books, appeared on numerous television shows and is president of Crossing Over Ministry.

Conference Information

- Cost: 530 if pre-registered by Friday, March 2, 540 at the door. Lunch included.
- · Youth/Student tickets: 510
- RSVP for conference by Friday, March 2, 2007

Lodging: Kennewick Best Western Inn is offering a preferred room rate of \$72 per night (queen bed). For room reservations call 509-586-1332 and mention the It's About Life conference.

For more information contact Doug DuVon, 509-845-0306 or e-mail: itsaboutlife07@verizon.net

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