

# Knights of Columbus

Harry J. Tucker Jr. Council 11780



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### Calendar for September

1	1 <sup>st</sup> Degree Exemplification Council Meeting	St. John's, Rooms C	7:00 PM
7	Labor Day	Relax and enjoy the day off.	
12	Soccer Challenge	St. John the Baptist	10:00 AM
15	Business Meeting	St. John's, Room 3	7:00 PM
17	Fourth Degree Assembly Meeting	Holy Spirit Parish Hall	7:00 PM
19	Blood Drive	St. John's MPR	7:00 AM
20	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree Exemplification	Shoreline, WA	Call to inquire
26	Soccer Challenge	St. Anthony's	10:00 AM

### Calendar for October

2	Eucharistic Adoration	Sanctuary	
6	1 <sup>st</sup> Degree Exemplification Council Meeting	St. John's, Rooms C	7:00 PM
10	District Soccer Challenge	St. John the Baptist	10:00 AM
10-11	Membership Blitz	St. John the Baptist	All Masses
11	Pancake Breakfast	St. John's, MPR	10:00 AM
12	Columbus Day	Honor our Patron Leader	
15	Fourth Degree Assembly Meeting	St. John's, Rooms 7	7:00 PM
17	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree Exemplification	Auburn, WA	Call to inquire
18	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree Exemplification	Everett, WA	Call to inquire
20	Business Meeting	St. John's, Room 3	7:00 PM
31	Halloween		

### Birthdays in August

Howard L. Baus	9/5	Michael P. Murphy	9/15	Duane E. Baus	9/30
Steven E. Baus	9/8	Michael D. Tulip	9/28		

### Wedding Anniversaries in August

James & Carol Boesflug	9/6/1969	Jim & Monica Battles	9/13/1991
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### K of C Anniversaries in August

John B. Mergens	'73	Walter, Kenneth J	'96	Nick D Bujanovich	'03
Edward J. Stamm	'77	Steve V Janicki	'00	Arthur S O'Neill	'03
Kirkley W. Igou	'94	Brian D Lund	'00	Daniel H Schmitt	'03
Richard G. Estlund	'96				

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## **Grand Knight's Message, Harry J. Tucker, Jr. Council 11780**

We have just completed a fundraiser that benefits our parish as well as our council. The Husky Seat Cushion Project is only half over. In December we will be removing the seat cushions. This fundraiser nets the parish about \$25,000 to assist in parish activities. The knights of Columbus receives \$1,500 which it puts toward the Joshua Blue Fund that was established to assist families in sending their children to Catholic High Schools and Colleges.



From left to right  
Dave Parks PGK, Joe Carrillo, Austin Carrillo, Carl Chilo PGK  
Austin is attending



From left to right  
Dave Parks PGK, Rose Racicot, Christian Rider, Carl Chilo PGK  
Christian is attending Kennedy High School

Supreme has established the theme this year to be "The Year of the Volunteer"; we will also emphasize the Holy Father's declaration of "The Year for Priests" by using the associated icon portrait as the membership prize for the councils with the top percent and net gains in the state.

Supreme has increased our membership goal from 5% to 7% for this year. With our membership at just over 100 members that means we need recruit 7 new members to meet that goal. Considering that recruiting is difficult for many of us, I have scheduled a membership blitz Columbus Day weekend. In the meantime ask your friends, family, brothers, fathers and sons to become a Knight and make a difference in our community and the world.

I am not sure you all have heard, or if it really has set in, but Pro-Life is now the sixth program area. Supreme has made it similar in "value/stature" as the other five program areas (Council, Community, Family, Youth, Church). So, what that means is in order for councils to attain Star status they will have to perform 4 service programs in the Pro-Life area in addition to 4 in each of the other areas!

On the 20<sup>th</sup> of Aug. four of our councils officers attended the potluck dinner / officers installation at St. Stephen the Martyr. After a delicious assortment of dishes, the officers were installed into their respective positions. The officers were Grand Knight Scott Gilyeat, Deputy Grand Knight Ed Rogers, Chancellor Keith Angus and Financial Secretary Al Myers. The rest of the officers were installed by abstention.

**Vivat Jesus! Scott Gilyeat, Grand Knight  
Council 11780**



From left to right  
Al Myers PGK, Scott Gilyeat, Ed Rogers PGK, Keith Angus

## **A note from our Insurance Agent**

To all my Brother Knights and Family Members,  
We are beginning a new and vibrant fraternal year and I am excited and enthusiastic about helping to increase membership in the council; as well as participation in the Knights of Columbus Insurance Plans.

Over the past few weeks, I have received a number of phone calls from brother Knights regarding how to plan for the future and secure their hard earned savings. The stock market continues to have some very large jumps up and down in value.

If you are within 10 years of retirement, or retired now, this can be very distressing. I want to remind all of you that the Knights of Columbus has a lifetime income plan that is guaranteed NEVER to lose money. The Knights of Columbus can insure that you will receive an income for the rest of your life. Being a non-profit insurance company, the Knights of Columbus charge you NO commissions, NO sales charges, NO investment fees, and NO management charges.

As your licensed fraternal insurance agent, I can provide you and your family with a financial plan, compliments of the Knights of Columbus. It comes free with no obligation to participate. Simply learning about what's-out-there (with KofC)... is good for you. So, call me at 206-356-2098 now to schedule a meeting to go over the possibilities.

Sincerely and fraternally,

**Vivat Jesus! Mike Stergios, FIC**  
**Field Agent, Knights of Columbus**



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## **Monitoring Emails**

Recent email traffic on the council email list has offended some of the membership. As a result some changes have been made to the distribution list. Any member of the council can still send a message through the email list. All messages will be monitored and approved or rejected by the Grand Knight or the Deputy Grand Knight. Messages to the council email list should be information directed to the entire membership. If you wish to reply to a message, reply to the member that sent the message. Messages to individual members will not be allowed.

## **Pro-Life vs. Pro-Choice**

There has been a considerable amount of discussion and debating the pros and cons of Pro-Choice and Pro-Life. The position of the Catholic Church as well as the position of the Knights of Columbus is Pro-Life. We are not trying to persuade you on your position on this subject. We are only trying to inform the membership of what the state and supreme consider to be important pieces of information.

## **Pennies for Heaven**

Pennies for Heaven program is one of the most important programs that the Knights of Columbus sponsor, because it supports our seminarians as they go through their vocation training. Consider making a donation to support those that serve the church.

## **Soccer Challenge**

All boys and girls ages 10-14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2009 Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge. The local competition will be held September 12, 2009 between 10:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. at St. John the Baptist

The Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge is sponsored annually, with the winners progressing through local, district, and state competitions. International champions are announced by the K of C international headquarters based in New Haven, CT, based on scores from the state-level competitions. All boys and girls 10 to 14 are eligible to participate and will compete in their respective age divisions. All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation in the event. Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent. For additional information contact Scott Gilyeat at (425) 433-0530.

## **Pancake Breakfast**

We have good news! (and it has nothing to do with car insurance!) The Knights of Columbus will host a Pancake Breakfast in the McMullen Center the second Sunday of Oct. from 9:30 AM to 12 PM. Come join us for pancakes, sausage, eggs, coffee and juice. Cost is free, but donations will be accepted. Proceeds will benefit the local seminarians.

## Degree Exemplifications

The Order is dedicated to the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. A First Degree exemplification ceremony, by which a man joins the Order, explicates the virtue of charity. He is then said to be a First Degree Knight of Columbus and after participating the subsequent degrees, each of which focuses on another virtue, rises to that status. To reach full Knighthood, members must also take the Second and Third Degrees, and all members are strongly encouraged to do so.

Upon reaching the Third Degree a gentleman is considered a full member. The first ritual handbook was printed in 1885 but contained only sections teaching Unity and Charity. Supreme Knight Mullen, along with primary ritual author Daniel Colwell, believed that the initiation ceremony should be held in three sections "in accord with the Trinity of Virtues, Charity, Unity, and Brotherly love." The third section, expounding Fraternity, was officially adopted in 1891.

Any Third Degree member in good standing, six months after his First Degree, is eligible for membership in the Fourth Degree. The primary purpose of the Fourth Degree is to foster the spirit of patriotism by promoting responsible citizenship and a love of and loyalty to the Knights' respective countries through active membership in local Fourth Degree groups (called "assemblies"). Certain members of the Fourth Degree serve as honor guards at civic and religious functions, an activity that has brought worldwide recognition to the Knights of Columbus.



## Anniversaries

We have only received 30% replies on the wedding anniversaries. Many more of you should reply to this call and honor our spouses for putting up with us for so many years.

## First Degree Ceremonial Books

Those that have first degree ceremonial books need to turn them into the Financial Secretary Al Myers PGK. Our council has only been assigned five books that have to go around to all that wish to memorize a ceremonial position. The books need to be recycled to other individual that wish to participate on the first degree team.

## First Degree Certification

At this moment our council does not have any prospect for new members. Our last First Degree was in July and several months before that. As a result our First Degree has not been certified for the year and needs to have some refresher training.

New members of the degree team are needed to replace those that are not able to fulfill the role any longer and also we need backups for all positions for when someone is not available. Please take this opportunity to fill a vital role in our council.

## Membership Blitz

On the weekend of October 10-11, the Knights of Columbus will be having its membership blitz after all weekend Masses in the front of St. John the Baptist Church. Please join us! You might find somebody who might want to join the order. Be his proposer and make it happen!

## Supreme Essay Contest

8<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> grade students are challenged to write an essay based on the topic "The responsibility of a Catholic Citizen in a Free Society" that comes from the Supreme Council office. A cash award is given to the winner and participation certificates are given to all.

## Honey Crisp Apples

It is almost apple time again. Howard Baus called just the other day telling me that the grower will be ready to start picking the apples in early September. Howard will be bringing a truck load of apples to church to sell. The apples will be \$1.00 per pound, \$5.00 for five pounds or \$10.00 for ten pounds.