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Message from the State Deputy

STATE DEPUTY JULY 2022 (As of June 20, 2022)

Brothers All,

The record books are closed on a very successful year 2021-2022. As of this writing, we have brought in a total of 738 new members, or 134.43% of our goal set by Supreme. Pinnacle membership was attained April 4th and has continued to grow. 2022-2023 has yet to be written, so let's get started off on the right foot.

In the **first quarter**, we have a few incentives for membership recruitment by council and individual.

Pizza Party for Councils that successfully attain membership goal thresholds (maximum \$200). Last year this incentive was very popular and fun. All members at the council level shared in the success instead of just one person. Here are the criteria.

- Division I&II-75% of goal
- Division III-60%
- Division IV-50%
- Division V-40%

Each proposer of a new member will be submitted in a drawing for 10 prizes ranging from \$5-\$200. For each new member recruited from now until December 31st, State per capita will be waived. The council will not be billed State per capita for that new member until January 1, 2024.

Further incentives from Supreme will be forth coming.

Columbus Charities LAMB 1882 has been successfully launched. District Deputies attending the Summer Meeting July 8-10th will come home with details on this most honorable program. Already LAMB has raised over \$400, which became \$800 when matched by our generous donor. Please review comments from our Columbus Charities Giving Committee Chairman, Joe Kessler in this Bulletin.

The Supreme Knight opened the State Deputy Organizational meeting in New Haven with a new Supreme program. Your District Deputies will come home with information about this, too.

In essence the program, titled ASAP (Aid and Support After Pregnancy), Supreme will donate \$100 to any qualified pregnancy aid facility when a council contributes \$500. This operates much like the RSVP program only the \$100 per \$500 is donated to the facility, not the council. Supreme has set aside \$5

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The Ultrasound Program aids in awareness, now ASAP will take it from there. We have the Prepares Program that is similar and I'm sure ASAP will work hand in hand.

I have no further details at this writing, it is just hot off the press. More will be shared at the District Deputy Summer Meeting. Of course, we will bring it to each of our Regionals currently being scheduled.

Columbus Charities ordered 100 cases of tootsie rolls to be available at the Summer Meeting. Please get with your District Deputy and make arrangements for pickup and payment. We set a limit of no more than ten cases per council. You can order as little as one case.

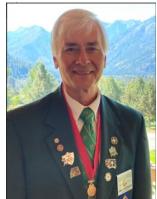
Remember, the only reason we provide tootsie rolls through Columbus Charities is to encourage smaller councils to participate. It is ideal if your council partners with other councils in ordering direct from the Tootsie Roll Company. To qualify, you must order a minimum of 18 cases. The plus is, tootsie rolls will be delivered to a business of your choosing near you and payment is not due until 30 days after your drive. This will allow your council to use tootsie roll drive funds to pay for tootsie rolls.

When purchased at the **Summer Meeting**, or from one of our storage points, you must pay up front before we can release the case(s) to you. Columbus Charities is not a financial institution, so councils must pay before we release.

The price for a case of tootsie rolls has not changed in ten years. It's still \$19.50/case for 300 tootsie rolls (about 7 cents a tootsie roll). You do the math, write the check to Columbus Charities, and they are yours.

Remember Fred Meyer Doorway activity authorization is back up and running. They are our greatest partner. Let's get this program back on track since Covid crushed our ability to raise funds.

Just so you don't fall asleep, I will stop now. I am looking forward to another successful year. Remember, we are all in the fisherman's boat together. How this year ends is up to us. I know your officer team is very capable and ready to help in anyway. I've said it before, Washington State Council has the finest officer team of men I have ever been associated with. We are all close friends and the collective knowledge in our team is unbelievable. We are here to serve our Lord, you and your family to promote Charity.



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<http://www.kofc-wa.org/ccnet/TootsieRollProgram.aspx#:~:text=The%20Knights%20of%20Columbus%20has%20no%20official%20tie.with%20the%20Knights%20of%20Columbus%20in%20the%20area.>

State Chaplain's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

With the beginning of the new fraternal year, it's a good time to take a fresh look at our mission and the context in which we carry it out.

I'm sure I've written before about the value of mentally and spiritually revisiting the events in which we made life-long commitments. The Church has us renew our baptismal promises at least once a year. Priests renew the promises of their ordination each year at the Chrism Mass. Members of religious communities make frequent – even daily – renewals of their vows. Married people may on significant anniversaries renew their vows (though I think they would do well to reread them every day!). The renewal of promises or vows brings us back into contact with the mission on which we embarked the day we made those commitments for the first time.

Though our degree ceremonies have undergone various revisions over the course of the years, our core principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism have consistently defined our unchanging mission. It's never a bad idea to think back to the time when we joined the Knights or took new degrees and to reflect on what was presented in those rituals. Being present to witness the ceremonies for new members today is another way to rekindle our zeal for the mission of our order.

Of course, the success of any mission depends at least in part on the manner in which it is carried out, and anyone trying to figure out how to carry out a mission successfully must take *context* into consideration. In my ministry as a priest, I may preach the same message to a lot of different people. However, I preach it differently to a kindergarten class than I would to a group of seminarians or at a Rotary Club meeting.

As Knights, our mission is as timely as ever, but the context – the “mission field,” if you will – is constantly changing. Granted, many of our good works will be effective without any change of approach over the years; when we find a really good way of doing something, why not stick with it? If everyone is still raving about the pancake recipe your council has been using for forty years, why change it now?

At the same time, some of our ways of doing things may have grown ineffective over time, and we would do well to take a fresh look. We see this happening in the Order, with new programs for reaching potential members, use of new media to get the word out, and redesign of ceremonials and regalia (whatever your opinion of it!) in an attempt to adapt to the changing context in which we operate.

I encourage all of you, brothers, prayerfully to reflect on your council's activities and see if they could be better adapted to the context of your families, parishes, and communities. A speaker at a conference I attended some years ago claimed that the seven deadliest words for any organization were, “*We have always done it this way!*” As Catholics, we have a strong sense of tradition – and that's good! – but we must also continuously work to make sure our mission is as effective as it can be in the current cultural context.

May God bless you and prosper all your charitable endeavors! Let us pray for one another daily.

Vivat Jesus!
Fr. Kenneth St. Hilaire
State Chaplain



A Message from the Bulletin Editor



Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful: and kindle in them the fire of Thy love.

July: Saint of the Month St Bonaventure



Lived: 1221-1274 AD

Feast Days: July 15

Patronage: Intestinal and bowel disorders

St. Bonaventure, the Seraphic Doctor, was born in Tuscany in 1221. He was given the name Bonaventure when he was miraculously cured of illness after the intercessory prayer of St. Francis of Assisi, who upon finding out that the young boy had been cured proclaimed, "O bona ventura!" At that point, St. Bonaventure's mother consecrated her son to God.

He joined the Franciscan Order as a young man and became an accomplished theologian. He is considered, alongside his contemporary and friend St. Thomas Aquinas, one of the great thinkers in the history of the Church, and his classic *The Soul's Journey Into God* remains widely read.

St. Bonaventure died in 1274 after leading the Council of Lyons to end the schism with the Greek Church. He is said to have spent his final moments beholding the crucifix. "The fear of God," says St. Bonaventure, "forbids a man to give his heart to transitory things, which are the true seeds of sin."

State Bulletin Editor
Ken DeVos

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State Secretary's Message

My Brother Knights,

Last fraternal year was a great year in membership growth for the Washington State Council. Congratulations to all the many Knights who worked hard to bring in new members and make our Councils and ultimately our Order stronger. Brother Michael Rutland, our State Membership Director, together with his team worked tirelessly with councils last year, and together we hit the ball out of the park in several innings. Many new members now experience the joy and benefit of being a member of the Knights of Columbus. Thank you, Councils, and thank you Mike Rutland for all that you have accomplished. Let's do it again!

I want to thank councils for a strong showing at the virtual convention last May and your cooperation in submitting all required documentation. Convention proceedings will be published within the next few weeks. The Necrology brochure honoring members and family members who passed away last year is now posted on the [WSC Website](#). Grand Knights/Financial Secretaries are requested to download a copy of the Necrology brochure and provide to families in their councils who lost loved ones. You may also refer families to the [website link](#).

New this year, is an electronic form that councils are to use to report member/family deaths to the State Council. You must complete all required fields to submit the form. Please do not send email notices to the State Secretary to report member deaths. When you submit the form, the information automatically uploads to a database. The Form link will be posted soon.

Several Fraternal Leader Advisories and a Supreme Webinar have highlighted significant work the Knights of Columbus is doing to provide aid and assistance to people of Ukraine. Thank you to all who have donated in support of this great mission. The work being done is a tremendous witness to our faith. The Order's quick and strong response should inspire all of us to step into the breach and thwart evil wherever it takes shape or form.

While writing this article, I am overjoyed knowing that the US Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade on June 24, 2022, on the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. This is a momentous and joy filled turn in human history setting right an egregious misstep in our system of government that occurred decades ago. We must not delay in continuing our work to build up the culture of life and to relentlessly pursue action protecting human life at all stages. Let us pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance as we act to reverse the destruction caused by one of the most horrific errors in human history. We must be faithful first and God will take care of the rest.

I encourage all Knights to review the resources on kofc.org focused on the [National Eucharistic Revival](#) initiative that began on Corpus Christi, June 19. I believe all councils should plan to assist their parishes in renewing a living relationship with Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament – the Source and Summit of a Christian life. By living closely in the life of Christ all things are made new.

State Secretary's Message Cont'd

I look forward to the Summer meeting in Wenatchee this month with District Deputies and Financial Secretaries and several Regional meetings with Grand Knights scheduled in September and October as we set course to execute God's plan. Let's pray for the Holy Spirit to keep us focused on what God wants us to do. All Grand Knights should plan to attend one of the Regional meetings. I highly encourage other council leaders to attend regionals – program and membership directors and council officers. All are welcome to attend and learn about what the Order and your State Council are planning for the fraternal year. Don't miss out on knowing what changes were made to the State Council and Columbus Charities Bylaws, the new State Council program, *Least of All My Brethren (LAMB)*, and the new Supreme initiative, *Aid and Support After Pregnancy (ASAP)*.

Liability Insurance billings will be mailed to FSs around the end of July. We have a rate increase; however, the cost is still very inexpensive considering the level of protection afforded councils. Refer to the *Next Six Months Letter* posted on the WSC Website for more liability insurance information and other important administrative information. As a reminder, send all checks for deposit to me: Gregory S. Mahoney, WSC SS, 9317 Ash Ave. SE, Snoqualmie, WA 98065.

Congratulations to all elected officers and appointed directors, chairmen and district deputies for Fraternal Year 2022-2023. An exciting year awaits us as we live and share the gospel with others. Let us pray for the Holy Spirit to lead and guide us in accomplishing God's plan.

Thank you for your trust and allowing me a second year as your State Secretary. Vivat Jesus!

"Until we have a passionate love for our Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament, we shall accomplish nothing."
Saint Peter



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State Treasurer's Message

My Brothers,

Happy New Year! Fraternal year, that is . . .

We have a chance to look back on a year of accomplishments while preparing for the new fraternal year. What did you learn in the past year that you can build upon this year? What programs and recruiting are already penciled into your Council calendars? Believe me, this is the time to set the foundations for the coming year! I remember an old football coach who believed in the six Ps: "Proper Preparation Prevents (Pitiful) Poor Performance!" I may have modified that slightly for this august publication . . .

Preparations are underway for the Summer Leadership meeting in Wenatchee, where the District Deputies will learn the priorities for the WSC for the coming fraternal year. Financial Secretaries will also receive training from our crack trainers, too. Look for updates in upcoming bulletins.

To all the outgoing officers in Councils, my sincere thanks for your efforts this past year. We started in the depths of the pandemic and still managed to accomplish great things!

To all the incoming Council officers, my sincere thanks to you for stepping up into a leadership position! You and your energy and efforts will be vital to your Councils' success in this new fraternal year. There are so many resources at your disposal, all you need to do is ask for help.

I look forward to seeing many of you in person at the Summer Leadership meeting and others at the Regional Meetings being planned. Stay safe and may God continue to Bless the Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,

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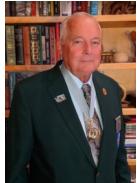
State Advocate's Message

My Brother Knights,

With the end of the fraternal year it is incumbent on all Knights to make sure that they tie up the loose ends and don't leave incomplete and unfinished tasks for those assuming their responsibilities during the new fraternal year. This means that District Deputies should assure that all their reports are complete and that the Councils for whom they are responsible have completed and submitted their audits, the SP-7 and all other reports. Retiring District Deputies and Council Officers should also participate in turn-over activities with those who will fill their roles during the new fraternal year to assure uninterrupted continuity in District and Council operations.

I personally would like to thank all Knights for their continued support of Faith in Action programs, all that they do for our Church and their communities as well as in support for the Knights of Columbus. Together, we do make a difference.

Vivat Jesus!
Scott E. Hulse



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State Warden's Message

My Brother Knights,

Welcome to the new Columbian Year! Now is the time for councils to do their planning. The "Next Six Month's" letter published by the State Secretary is a great place to start. In my councils, we usually take the Columbian Award Application (Form SP-7, https://www.kofc.org/un/en/forms/council/columbian_awardap_p.pdf) and plan which activities we will do for the year to qualify. We then plan our membership drives. Using the Fraternal Planner (<https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/membership/fraternal-leader-success-planner5033.pdf>) helps a great deal. We also try to watch the webinars that Supreme offers to new officers. None of this is original, but it works!

As I write this, the Supreme Court has announced the revocation of Roe v. Wade and the return of the issue of regulating abortion to the states and to the people. In many states, existing laws will now kick in to protect life. However, in Washington, we have a long way to go to protect life. But at least we know have a chance to take the moral arguments for the sanctity of life, especially unborn life, to our fellow citizens and to advocate for more protections for the unborn. This will remain a major focus of the Washington State Council.

In the meantime, we can all feel a sense of accomplishment and joy that so many prayers and good works were answered on the Feast of the Sacred Heart!

I look forward to the summer meetings in Wenatchee 8-10 July, and hope to see many of you there.

Vivat Jesus,
Dave Olwell
State Warden



State Membership Director's Message

My Brother Knights,

I am honored to again be asked to serve you as Membership Director. I thank the Worthy State Deputy Kim Washburn and the all the state officers for their vote of confidence. I again look forward to meeting as many of you as I can during the Summer Leadership and Regional Meetings.

There are a lot of things I look forward to seeing in the rearview mirror and COVID Lockdowns is one of them. Even though we spent a good portion of the Fraternal Year in Washington State mandatory lockdown, you all rose to the challenge and made 2021-2022 a banner year. While we fell short on our Every Council Active and New Council Development goals, all your hard work and efforts blew all the other categories out of the water. We haven't seen that kind of numbers in quite a while. Your efforts have kept the vision of Blessed Michael J. McGivney alive and growing.

<i>Washington State Scoreboard - as of Jun 27, 2022</i>				
<i>Intake</i>	<i>Goal</i>	<i>Cumulative</i>	<i>Need</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Circle of Honor	549	750	-201	136.61%
Pinnacle Goal	603	750	-147	124.38%
Achievement Goal	494	750	-256	151.82%
18-50 Year Old Recruitment	104	381	-277	366.35%
<i>Goals</i>	<i>Goal</i>	<i>Cumulative</i>	<i>Need</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Membership Active Councils	146	91	55	62.33%
1728 Submissions	146	146	0	100.00%
DD Exemplifications Reports	140	154	-14	110.00%
New Council Development	2	0	2	0.00%
Star Councils*	19	34*	-15	178.95%
Holy Hours	3	3	0	100.00%

(*= Councils on track for Star and above)

Going into Fraternal Year 2022-2023 we have momentum and a great opportunity to have a huge impact in the lives of our parish and council members. The doors are wide open. Will you rise to the occasion? Will you be the example that other men will look toward? Will you reach out your hand and ask them to join us?

Our rally cry this year, – “Together We Can Achieve Greatness”. Our goal is again “Every Council Active”. This is achieved by remembering the first three principles of the order.

CHARITY - increase your council's manpower to assist parish and community members by providing for those in need

UNITY - provide the opportunity for eligible Catholic men to work together and accomplish great deeds that they could not accomplish alone

FRATERNITY - provide every man the opportunity to build the bonds of friendship with council members that will last a lifetime

Again, I am grateful and honored to serve you again. Stay strong and be vigilant my brothers and keep up the work of building God's Kingdom here on earth.

State Membership Director's Message Cont'd

June 27, 2022 Membership Standings by Division (Division Leaders are Highlighted in Green)																	
Council	No. of Members	Quota	Net gain/loss	% gain/loss	Council	No. of Members	Quota	Net gain/loss	% gain/loss	Council	No. of Members	Quota	Net gain/loss	% gain/loss			
Division I < 50 members								Division II 50-99 members (continued)									
1449	43	3	-1	0%	8672	85	4	0	0%	4385	104	5	2	40%			
1823	38	3	0	0%	8768	71	3	0	0%	4782	137	6	1	17%			
3044	42	3	0	0%	9145	76	4	0	0%	6806	117	5	5	100%			
7149	38	3	0	0%	9605	53	3	2	67%	7863	125	6	6	100%			
8266	31	3	1	33%	9617	90	4	14	350%	7907	104	5	5	100%			
8294	38	3	0	0%	9637	62	3	2	67%	8015	127	6	-6	0%			
8398	49	3	0	0%	9721	62	3	1	33%	8137	120	5	0	0%			
9237	43	3	0	0%	9910	55	3	4	133%	8201	114	5	-1	0%			
9941	38	3	-1	0%	10534	50	3	0	0%	8297	118	6	1	17%			
11085	30	3	3	100%	10543	89	4	0	0%	8872	133	6	3	50%			
11906	49	3	4	133%	10664	60	3	4	133%	9434	122	5	9	180%			
12002	42	3	3	100%	11252	82	4	-3	0%	9664	131	6	1	17%			
12420	47	3	0	0%	11253	91	4	1	25%	9833	104	5	1	20%			
12889	47	3	0	0%	11357	60	3	-2	0%	10652	120	5	3	60%			
13364	44	3	0	0%	11408	79	4	0	0%	11217	145	7	1	14%			
13761	47	3	0	0%	11611	79	4	0	0%	11478	111	6	4	67%			
13834	37	3	0	0%	11736	51	3	-3	0%	11642	100	5	-1	0%			
14162	21	3	0	0%	11762	90	4	-2	0%	11780	112	5	8	160%			
15338	46	3	2	67%	12175	66	3	3	100%	11789	149	7	17	243%			
15462	32	3	2	67%	12251	65	3	4	133%	12591	105	5	2	40%			
15538	39	3	-1	0%	12273	72	3	1	33%	12899	137	7	16	229%			
15684	25	3	0	0%	12483	60	3	2	67%	13238	140	7	2	29%			
15689	33	3	4	133%	12583	83	4	2	50%	13374	143	7	13	186%			
16176	38	3	2	67%	12786	99	5	3	60%	13794	101	5	-1	0%			
16184	37	3	1	33%	13186	85	4	0	0%	14046	130	6	1	17%			
16667	30	3	5	167%	13395	82	4	-1	0%	14689	135	7	4	57%			
17152	37	3	4	133%	13560	81	4	5	125%	14922	110	5	6	120%			
17257	31	3	8	267%	13597	55	3	6	200%	Division IV 150-249 members							
Division II 50-99 members								676	200	7	3	43%	676	200	7	3	43%
1401	84	4	3	75%	14268	51	3	5	167%	683	157	7	3	43%			
1550	94	4	1	25%	14394	57	3	0	0%	763	234	10	5	50%			
1606	62	3	1	33%	14852	59	3	4	133%	766	223	10	2	20%			
1674	61	3	0	0%	14926	62	3	0	0%	809	214	10	1	10%			
1699	86	4	0	0%	15136	96	5	3	60%	829	162	8	1	13%			
1758	62	3	2	67%	15143	60	3	3	100%	1379	177	8	10	125%			
2126	80	4	4	100%	15721	59	3	0	0%	2999	161	8	1	13%			
2155	57	3	-1	0%	15730	78	4	8	200%	3361	222	10	5	50%			
2260	85	4	-1	0%	15968	76	4	6	150%	3598	233	11	0	0%			
2303	92	4	0	0%	16186	50	3	1	33%	4196	154	7	9	129%			
3153	86	4	0	0%	16361	50	3	7	233%	5816	181	9	1	11%			
3611	89	4	1	25%	16690	64	3	-3	0%	6097	178	9	2	22%			
3645	87	4	2	50%	0	0	0	0	0%	6686	158	7	10	143%			
5177	56	3	0	0%	Division III 100-149 members								7908	178	9	7	78%
5495	88	4	1	25%	894	142	7	3	43%	8179	216	10	6	60%			
6706	87	4	-1	0%	1327	109	5	0	0%	8476	164	8	3	38%			
7117	58	3	7	233%	1460	119	6	0	0%	9238	208	10	8	80%			
7356	98	5	1	20%	1488	114	6	0	0%	10653	195	10	4	40%			
7360	97	5	-2	0%	1545	109	5	-1	0%	11134	151	7	4	57%			
8079	97	5	0	0%	1565	122	5	3	60%	11948	158	8	6	75%			
8102	83	4	9	225%	1620	140	7	8	114%	12983	164	8	0	0%			
8136	73	3	0	0%	1629	104	5	1	20%	Division V 250+ members							
8150	80	4	-2	0%	2103	123	6	0	0%	1643	345	16	14	88%			
8311	81	4	-1	0%	2763	101	5	0	0%	3307	323	15	2	13%			
8437	83	4	0	0%	3455	111	5	-1	0%	7528	304	15	7	47%			
8455	76	4	1	25%	4322	125	5	16	320%	7642	267	13	-7	0%			
					4367	127	6	0	0%								

 Division Leader
 Columbian Award Qualified for Membership

Vivat Jesus,
Mike Rutland



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State Program Director's Message

My Brother Knights

This summer as we approach the summer leadership meeting in Wenatchee with your district deputies and financial secretaries, I am excited to have another year filled with programs. On a state level, we're resuming activities in every district. If your council hasn't resumed activities after the restrictions from COVID, I urge you to deeply look into the many programs and make yourselves available to them. The only way we can recover and bring our membership back is by having programs that interest them. Sometimes, that might mean you have to change what your council has been doing for decades. A fresh new look at the programs and your council's participation is necessary to revive and recover from COVID.

Speak to your district deputies about these programs. Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries should be receiving a packet of information from your district deputies. This packet isn't just "junk mail". Look at some of the new programs we are introducing at the summer leadership meeting or take a fresh look at some programs you've heard about before. The way your council got things done in the past prior to COVID may need some revisions in this new phase.

Big changes in the Coats For Kids program. There is a deadline of Sept 1 if your council wants to receive the matching coats from Supreme. Contact Chairman Mike Winkler: CoatsForKids@kofc-wa.org.

Also, a new program will be introduced at the summer leadership meeting called "One Parish, One Prisoner". Contact Chairman Derek Boyd: derek@undergroundministries.org.

Vivat Jesus!
Dang Nguyen
WSC General Programs Director

Membership



MEMBERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Set up a Knights of Columbus membership booth at the Coat Distribution to allow parents the chance to learn more about the Knights of Columbus.

Hold a church drive a week after the distribution to give men a chance to learn about the program and the good works of the Knights of Columbus.

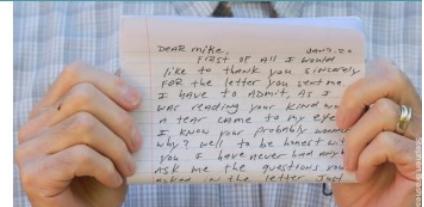
Calling all parishes:

One Parish

One Prisoner

Experience mutual transformation!

Start the One Parish One Prisoner program at your parish



State Faith Director's Message

My Brother Knights,

Faith In Action Our New Watch Word



July 2022 Faith Programs (links) continued

- [Building the Domestic Church Kiosk](#)
- [Holy Hour](#)
- [Into the Breach](#)
- [Marian Prayer](#)
- [Refund Support Vocations \(RSVP\)](#)
- [Rosary](#)
- [Sacramental Gifts](#)
- [Spiritual Reflection](#)
- [Pilgrim Icon \(Supporting Program\)](#)
- [Blessed Michael McGivney Prayer Hour \(Supporting Program\)](#)



A further fraternal year is upon us and a new attentiveness to mission requirements for the upcoming year. The summer training meeting is where we came together to reflect and absorb what we need to accomplish for the remainder of 2022 and 2023 Fraternal Year. This is especially true for our newly installed District Deputies. The District Deputies are the pivot point for success. I believe this initiative to focus on the District Deputies during the summer meeting is the correct course to take. Follow-on District training meetings with their Grand Knights and Officers is imperative. Our specific Faith Program categories are the base by which all other tasks are accomplished. Thoughtful prayer, reflection, and sustainment of the precepts of the church embrace all that we do as Knights. Everything else is secondary to that end. There is a renewal of effort presented to us for our new Fraternal year. Take action and have fun doing so. Please note Supreme Chaplin's reflection on Holy Hour.

Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge for July

But God said to him, ‘You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?’ Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God.” (Gospel for July 31, Lk 12:20-21) We may know the dates of countless upcoming appointments on our calendars, but we don't know the date and time of one of the most important events of our lives: death. The end of our lives could come slowly or suddenly. How can we plan for that? Jesus urges us to seek to be “rich in what matters to God.” Our earthly life is only temporary; may we keep our true focus on the next life, knowing that our real and lasting treasure can be found in heaven alone.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori: This month I challenge you to demonstrate what you truly treasure by making at least a brief visit — even just a few moments — to the Blessed Sacrament every day. Second, I challenge you to participate in the Faith in Action Holy Hour program.

Questions for Reflection: What do you treasure most? What is it that “matters to God”? Do you seek to be “rich in what matters to God”?

As always, devotion to Our Lady via the rosary, is the principal by which we contemplate and serve her Son as Knights of Columbus. While praying the rosary our faith is strengthened through Her intercession. Our prayers for the end of Abortion continue to be heard! There is nothing that cannot be achieved with the strength of the rosary.

Fraternally and Vivat Jesus
 Tom Pursley,
 Washington State Faith Director
 In God We Trust and God Bless America
 St. Michael Protect Us
pursleyt1@comcsat.net
 360-888-6833

State Family Director's Message

My Brother Knights,

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Brother Leon Garcia family of Fr. Justin P. Garvey Council 6686, Bothell for being selected as Supreme Council's "Family of the Month" winner for May.

FAMILY PROGRAMS



CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY FAMILY

Invite each family of the parish to consecrate themselves to the Holy Family.

[LEARN MORE](#)



FOOD FOR FAMILIES

Help end hunger in communities across North America.

[LEARN MORE](#)



FAMILY FULLY ALIVE

Help families place God and the faith at the center of their lives every day.

[LEARN MORE](#)



FAMILY OF THE MONTH/YEAR

Each month, the council selects a Family of the Month from its parish family that models Christian family values and visibly lives them every day, and names one of these recipients as its Family of the Year.

[LEARN MORE](#)



FAMILY PRAYER NIGHT

Families of council members, and other Catholic families, gather for prayer, dinner and fellowship.

[LEARN MORE](#)



FAMILY WEEK

Dedicate a week to celebrate our families.

[LEARN MORE](#)

<https://www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/faith-in-action-programs/family/index.html>

Have a save and enjoyable summer.

State Family Director
Edward Herbert
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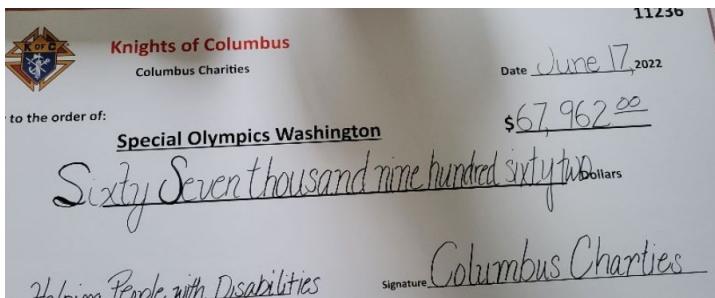
State Life Director's Message

My Brother Knights,

Knights servicing lunch at Special Olympics games



Darren Johnson presenting a check to Special Olympics Washington



God Bless
Gary Cloninger, Life Director

State Community Director's Message

My Brother Knights,

With the beginning of the new fraternal year, it's a good time to take a fresh look at our mission and the context in which we carry it out.

I'm sure I've written before about the value of mentally and spiritually revisiting the events in which we made life-long commitments. The Church has us renew our baptismal promises at least once a year. Priests renew the promises of their ordination each year at the Chrism Mass. Members of religious communities make frequent – even daily – renewals of their vows. Married people may on significant anniversaries renew their vows (though I think they would do well to reread them every day!). The renewal of promises or vows brings us back into contact with the mission on which we embarked the day we made those commitments for the first time.

Though our degree ceremonies have undergone various revisions over the course of the years, our core principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism have consistently defined our unchanging mission. It's never a bad idea to think back to the time when we joined the Knights or took new degrees and to reflect on what was presented in those rituals. Being present to witness the ceremonies for new members today is another way to rekindle our zeal for the mission of our order.

Of course, the success of any mission depends at least in part on the manner in which it is carried out, and anyone trying to figure out how to carry out a mission successfully must take *context* into consideration. In my ministry as a priest, I may preach the same message to a lot of different people. However, I preach it differently to a kindergarten class than I would to a group of seminarians or at a Rotary Club meeting.

As Knights, our mission is as timely as ever, but the context – the "mission field," if you will – is constantly changing. Granted, many of our good works will be effective without any change of approach over the years; when we find a really good way of doing something, why not stick with it? If everyone is still raving about the pancake recipe your council has been using for forty years, why change it now?

At the same time, some of our ways of doing things may have grown ineffective over time, and we would do well to take a fresh look. We see this happening in the Order, with new programs for reaching potential members, use of new media to get the word out, and redesign of ceremonials and regalia (whatever your opinion of it!) in an attempt to adapt to the changing context in which we operate.

I encourage all of you, brothers, prayerfully to reflect on your council's activities and see if they could be better adapted to the context of your families, parishes, and communities. A speaker at a conference I attended some years ago claimed that the seven deadliest words for any organization were, "*We have always done it this way!*" As Catholics, we have a strong sense of tradition – and that's good! – but we must also continuously work to make sure our mission is as effective as it can be in the current cultural context.

May God bless you and prosper all your charitable endeavors! Let us pray for one another daily.

God Bless
Abundeo Reponte
Community Director

4th Degree - Marshall's Message

For the members of the Knights of Columbus, for whom faith and patriotism go hand in hand, St John Paul II's is a concise description of the relationship between the two: the Fourth Commandment, which tells us to honor our father and mother, obliges us to honor our home land as well.

"The spiritual patrimony which we acquire from our native land comes to us through our mother and father," he says.

"Patriotism is a love for everything to do with our native land: its history, its traditions, its language, its natural features. It is a love which extends also to the works of our compatriots and the fruits of their genius. Every danger that threatens the overall good of our native land becomes an occasion to demonstrate this love. ... The native land is the common good of all citizens and as such it imposes a serious duty." St. John Paul II

Opinion: "Moral Relativism" (denying truth or right) or the normalization of evil (transforming perversion to normal) poses a danger to religious life and country, Catholic are losing our children as they turn away from the God and church as they embrace identity politics as a replacement. It is our mission is to remember history, teach our child patriotism keeping "God and Right" first, then country next.

Patriotism Ranking by state: Washington ranks 11 (score: 52 out of 100-middle score)

Religious Ranking By State: (low score) 38 of 50, and 15-19% attending any church service (source Gallup)



Abundeo Reponte
4th Degree Team Vice Captain
Community Director
Council Family Director #13238

4th Degree - Marshall's Message Cont'd

My Brother Knights,

Patriotism is and has been one of the four principals of the knights of Columbus since it was established in 1900. And the primary mission of the Fourth Degree Knights is to bring unity, brotherhood, mentorship to Catholic men.

I believe the Fourth Degree goes beyond "unity, brotherhood and mentorship," it's Patriotism and Faith that this Degree is rooted.

The last half of this fraternal year the Western Washington Fourth Degree district hosted 3 fourth degree exemplification: Bellingham, Vancouver and finally Tacoma welcoming new members to the fourth degree-patriotism. One Special Degree at Saint Martin University in Lacy.

Degree Ceremony-St Charles Borromeo, Tacoma June 4, 2022:



Special Olympics Opening Ceremony-PLU June 17, 2022



On the Knights of Columbus Supreme web site, I found numerous examples of what it is to be 4th degree member:

On Patriotism and Faith

"Whereas nationalism involves recognizing and pursuing the good of one's own nation alone, without regard for the rights of others," he wrote, "patriotism ... is a love for one's native land that accords rights to all other nations equal to those claimed for one's own. Patriotism, in other words, leads to a properly ordered social love."

St. John Paul II notes that the word patriotism comes from the root word *patria*, meaning "home" or "native land." It is related to the Latin word *pater*, meaning "father," and so we sometimes speak of "fatherland" or "motherland" as well. "The concept of patria includes the values and the spiritual content that make up the culture of a great nation," the pope wrote. "The very idea of 'native land' presupposes a deep bond between the spiritual and the material, between culture and territory".

4th Degree - Marshall's Message Cont'd

My Brothers,

St Ann's Council 15462, Tacoma hosted the 5th annual "Patriotic Rosary" at St. Ann's Parish Tacoma. July 1st, St Ann's Parish in Tacoma will be known as "Pope St. John XXIII Parish" due to the merger area parishes into one strong Parish Community serving South Tacoma area.

The Patriotic Rosary was held for our country and heads of Government. It began with a reflection by John Adams, July 3, 1776.

"It may be the will of Heaven that America shall suffer calamities still more wasting and distresses yet more dreadful. If this is to be the case, it will have this good effect, at least: it will inspire us with many virtues, which we have not, and correct many errors, follies, and vices, which threaten to disturb, dishonor, and destroy us. The furnace of affliction produces refinement, in states as well as individuals. And the new governments we are assuming, in every part, will require a purification from our vices, and an augmentation of our virtues or there will be no blessings... But I must submit all my hopes and fears to an overruling Providence; in which, unfashionable as the faith may be, I firmly believe."

Sir Knights from St Frances Cabrini Assembly served as the honor guard.



THE THIRD MYSTERY and Reading:

"Review the great scenes of history: you will find mankind has always been obliged to pay dear for the blessings they enjoyed... The struggles of a great people have almost always ended in the establishment of liberty.... Such a people are spoken of with admiration by all future ages...." "Their souls glow with gratitude for the virtue and self-denial of their forefathers. They consider them as patterns for their own conduct on similar occasions and are continually pointing them out to the reverence and imitation of their children. These are the glorious effects of patriotism and virtue. These are the rewards annexed to the faithful discharge of that great and honorable duty, fidelity to our country.... I pray to God that the fair character I have described may be that of America to the latest ages." – James Iredell, May 1, 1778.

Many thanks to the Grand Knight Monty, Council 15462 and St Frances Cabrini Assembly for hosting the Rosary for our Country. I hope, Councils and Assemblies in your area would host a Patriotic Rosary for your community.

Abundeo Reponte
Community Director

Coats for Kids

My Brother Knights,

The First Step in Planning for Coats for Kids is to Remember to Have it Included in Your Annual Budget!

Last year Washington State placed first among all of the states in the total number of coats purchased under the Coats for Kids program. Thank you for your commitment to helping those in need!

This year brings some significant changes to how we order our Coats for Kids from Supreme via Knights Gear. I will be sending out regular, short updates that will help us meet a much shorter timeline. A key point for us to remember is that other states have already been required to convert to this format and they have done so very successfully. We can do it too!

The first step for your council to take now so you'll be ready for these changes is to **make sure that you include your Coats for Kids expenses in your annual budget.** As a reminder, you should be approving your 2022-2023 budget either in May or June. Having Coats for Kids expenses programmed into the Council's approved budget allows for you to place your order without having to wait to the next meeting to take a vote. Timing is very important because you will be **placing your orders and paying for your coats in August** this year. I am finalizing a special order form that you will use when submitting your order and matching request to me.

Here is a broad overview of the timeline for your planning purposes

1. By 1 September: Rather than ordering coats directly from Knights Gear, each council will now place both their paid order and their matching request through the State Chair. (Order form will be provided).
2. By 1 September: Each council submits their payments to the State Secretary. (More information will follow).
3. By 6 September: Washington State Council will submit the consolidated order, which includes the matching request, to Supreme.
4. O/A 20 September: Coats arrive at one of our approved distribution points. We may have up to nine distribution points this year. Each council will be responsible for picking up their coats at their nearest distribution point.
5. O/A 1 October: Councils start delivering their coats to their designated charities, schools, churches, etc

In summary, the key point at this time is to have your Coats for Kids projected expenses in the approved annual budget!

Please feel free to call or email me directly if you have any questions.

Vivat Jesus!

Mike Winkler
Chair, Coats for Kids
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State Vocation Director's Message

Golfing opportunity to support seminarians



Golf Fore Seminarians – The Archbishop's Annual Golf Tournament

21st Anniversary

Tuesday, August 2, 2022

Calling on Knights who golf

and

Councils who can play in a foursome

Here is your chance to play in this special event in support of seminarians at Trophy Lake Golf and Casting Club in Port Orchard, WA

No golfers? – consider being a sponsor

To Register to play in or to sponsor this event, visit the [tournament website](#)

Or get a foursome together from your council and contact Laurie Campbell to register, 206.379.8196, email Laurie.Campbell@seattlearch.org

If you want to golf but need to connect with Knights from other Councils to form a foursome, contact Scott Bader, FS Council 763; Director of Parish Financial Services, Archdiocese of Seattle, at 206.382.4585 or email Scott.Bader@seattlearch.org



God bless
Tim Coyle
Vocations Chairman

State Vocation Director's Message Cont'd

McGivney Hall Renovation and Cor Christi Program Development

July 1, 2022

TO: Washington State Council Knights and Families

RE: McGivney Hall Renovation/Cor Christi Program Development

I am happy to report on the final status of the McGivney Hall/Cor Christi Program fundraising as we approach the close of the 2021-2022 Fraternal Year.

The total donations from Knight families, local Councils, special programs and Pennies for Heaven reached \$469,010.50. You exceeded the combined Washington State Council Goal of \$400,000 by \$69,010.50 reaching 117.252% of goal. Very Rev. Daniel Barnett is very pleased. He was recently selected by Bishop Thomas Daly to lead the Propaedeutic phase at McGivney Hall.

We will all share in the journey of the seminarian candidates coming to McGivney Hall, from the Archdiocese of Seattle, Diocese of Spokane, Diocese of Fairbanks, Diocese of Boise, Diocese of Baker, Archdiocese of Portland, Diocese of Oakland, Archdiocese of San Francisco and Diocese of Orange (Los Angeles), for their propaedeutic discernment. The first class will report in only a few months, September, 2022.

Your outstanding council leadership was the catalyst in advancing the Propaedeutic message, encouraging participation, and exceeding GOAL. We are fortunate to be favored with McGivney Hall, named by Bishop Thomas Daly, and the Bishop White Seminary in the Washington jurisdiction. Your continued prayers and generosity are much needed for both McGivney Hall/Cor Christi and Bishop White Seminary.

With prayers in Christ,

George Czerwonka, PSD
McGivney Hall/Cor Christi Committee



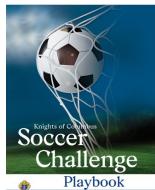
Father Jeff Lewis and the Knights of St. Mary's Knights, Council 4196 welcomed Father Daniel Barnett, Rector of Cor Christi and Bishop White Seminary, to a special dinner last week. After a delicious meal, Father was presented with a check for \$30,000 for the Cor Christi Program.

State Youth Director's Message

My Brother Knights,

Well, another fraternal year has crept up on us and I am looking forward to a fantastic year. Time to start putting your youth programs together. The big 4 programs are the Soccer Challenge, Free Throw, KCIC poster contest and the Catholic Citizenship essay. All of these are Supreme sponsored contest. Don't be limited to these programs. Many councils reach outside the box and create their own events. Past events over the years have included Halloween trunk or treats, Christmas plays, altar server recognition as well as first communion and Confirmation programs.

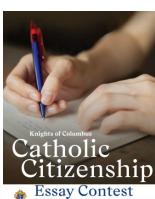
Your council has a wealth of talent available, use family resources to assist. Have a parish school? Partner with the school and ask the school to help with your community efforts.



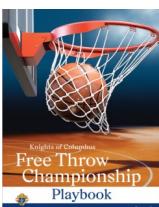
Soccer Challenge
Council completed in September 2022
State Final October 29th 2022
Holy Family Auburn



KCIC Poster Contest
Council completed in January 2023
Council winning posters sent to Youth Directory Feb 1st 2023



Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest
Council completed October 2022
Council winning essays sent to Youth Director December 1st 2022



Free Throw Competition
Council completed January 2023
District if needed February 2023
State Final March 18th 2023 Yakima

Free Throw final may change as the wheels are spinning to have a separate west and east final. Stay tuned as developments happen.

I am looking to make this my last and final year as Youth Director. 12 years has been a great ride but it is time for new ideas and a vision to move the youth programs ahead. If you know of a candidate for this position let me know, if have a year to pass along my knowledge.

State Youth Director
Ken DeVos

Members and Family in need of Prayer**CouncilSeattle 676**

Carol Costello; Paul Heneghan; Dan Schweitzer; Rose Boyle; Georgene Ulrich; Gerry Joyce, wife of Tom; Albert & Regina Freedman; PGK Wes Duffield; Joe Salle; Jonathan Mylius; Bill Joyce; brother of PDD Tom Joyce; Larry & Arlene Boulanger; John Costello; Walter Brazelton; Ann Heneghan, daughter of Paul; Edgar Pitre; Roman Miller; Father Robert Eagan

CouncilSpokane 683

Joseph Francis Mc Ginn, Michael W. Nestor, Joseph S. Destefano, Frank J. Ross, David E. Sweet, Charles L. Biegler, Francis Reichert, Cherie Beznaugia, David Garski, Corky Dashbach, Matthew J. Formanek, Carl Brazank, Debra Wallace, Marilyn Covey, Muriel Holland FFL, Jerri Stanley, Vivian Hollingsworth Ingram, Joseph "Phil" Martin, Joseph Patrick Tully, Darryl M. Stephens, Ronald RF Rivard, Dennis Bauch, Xavier Kasbar, Dick Daschbach, Steve Muto, Darryl Stephens, Patrick T. Kenney Sr., Karen Liebe, Rev. Paul G. Czerwonka, David Lohran, Blake Lohran, Judy Kostelecky, Joanne Kupice, Rachel Kupice, Carole Oliveri, Lloyd Firkus, Mrs. Kostelecky, Donald Wadina, Trina Owen, Geraldine Ploch, Wayne Stanley, Anthony Davis, Daniel Myron, Pamela Tully, Daniel Hoogstad

CouncilWalla Walla 766

John Biagi, Carl Bossini, Antonio Caso, Joe Chvatal, Brent Caulk, David Hall, James Gaffrey, Chris Grasso, Michael Fazzari, Leo Lapke, Rick Magnaghi, Larry Meliah, Clifford Nesteby, Father Nicks, Harry Olson, Jack Pinza, Frank Sannar, Steve Snell, Richard Spiess Sr., Terry Teske, Ron Warzinski, Douglas Wolff

CouncilBellingham 829

Kim Washburn, Nora Pylilo, Charlie Dunn, Henry Therrien, Sam Raines, Louise Murphy, and for the repose of the souls of Patrick St. Hilaire and Leonard Roy

CouncilYakima 894

Msgr. Ecker, Patti & John Soden, Laurie Browning, Sandy Lamm, Mike Cunningham, Harry Cambeis, Darrel Jones & Family, Jeff Penuel, Ann Hill, Carey Hill, Kody Weldon, Josh Jones Family, Thomas McCormick, Gary Mitchell, Tony Lesich, Jackie Gamache, Tina Wanamaker, Rod Allen, Derick Pemberton's Fiancé, Mike dean's Good Friend, Yakima Transit's Drivers and their families, this can be a very nerve-wracking season for them and "Bridgett" whose Marine Son may be being redeployed to Afghanistan (a wonderful lady who offers rides to Veterans)

CouncilWenatchee 1545

Frank Peipel, John Aumell

CouncilPasco 1620

Karen Smith, Gabriel Scheel, Robert Delarm, Corky Hutzles

CouncilOlympia 1643

Walt Dale • Ron DeGroot • Ray DeTerra Family • David Gedrose • Charles Woodrow Hubbell III • Mary Rutledge-Harrison • John Kramer • Florante Jayme • Harold Watson Mrs. Edna M MacKay • Pam Pellegrino • Sam Pellegrino • Meg Pivec • Dennis Perez • Ed Sauley • Greg Squires • Jose Ybarra • Nancy Zyrkowski

CouncilOak Harbor 3361

Udo Poos, Al & Carol Bakker, Bernie Mueller, Betty , Bob Ellis, Dale Auburg, Del & Arline Swatosh, Denise Albertelli, Sister of Ed Witt, Fel Catabay, Glenn Mueller, Ida Ancheta, Jim Brady, Kevin Butler & Family, Kimberly Harper, Laven Cajigal, Leo & Marci Doyle, Maurice & Philysse Lund, Oncee Hedeent, Ralph Byars, Rey & Maria Parungao, Rey Akdana, Rudy Gelacio, Sandra Galloway, Sandra Lanlow, Mother of Tom Karney

CouncilSpokane 4196

Nick and Susan Curalli, Greg Curran, Kevin Curran, Mark Curran, Russ Curran, Richard Diehl, Ed Galles, Ann Gunning, Russell and Jackie Howell, Michael Lockwood, Don McCabe, Jennifer McCabe, Jim Majeskey, Mark Mendiola, Mike Rount, Larry Smoot, Jill Gfeller, Max Moss, Laura Bevan, Shauna Lemoine, Thomas Stuber, Mark McLean, Darleta Woodbury, Max Moss, Laura Ohland, Ron Connell, Bill Foster, Tony and Rozanne Caruso, Joe Reincke, Jake Dwyer

CouncilPoulsbo 8297

Ron Wernke family, Mary T. Bartlett, Ross & Sharon Smith, Roger Fritz family, Michael Thatcher, Tom & Rosie Bennett, Tom Musha family, William Smith jr, Larry Devlin family, Lee Metzger, Nathan Wernke family, Bill & Nancy Hepp, Robert Brainerd, Storm & Caroleen Smole, Chuck Hackett, Jerry Almeda, John Wahlfors family, Brian Cross

CouncilCamano-Stanwood 8476

Bill Vincent, Don Maile, Frank Olson, Gary Cloninger, Gary Baumgartner, Gary Bibbs, Greg Bloom, Mark Grumbine, Jim Devine, John Keefe, Preston Laine, Richard & Mary Jo Chavarrie, Roger Docken, Tom, Mary and Daniel Connerton, Bud Dubay, Ray Fossum, Dennis Lindsay.

Members and Family in need of Prayer**CouncilBurlington, 9941**

Pat Lyons, Bob Zimmerman, Dave Lustik

CouncilBellevue, 10664

Alan Newhouse, Ken Yarab, Phil Morrisey, Paul Herrick, friend of Steve Duncan

CouncilBelfair 12002

Carlos Craff, Bob Giesert, Harry and Dotty Tachell, Richard Helriegel, Fr. Dennis Sevilla, Howard Riggelman family, Nevinger family, Lanny and Diane Zwan, J.J. MacPherson, Keith Taylor

CouncilLakewood 11762

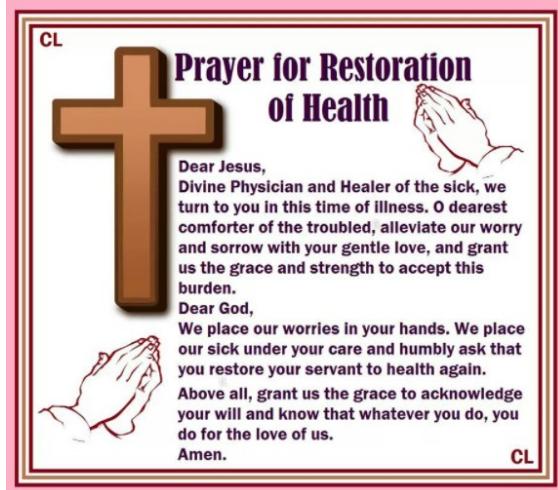
Everett and Mira Roberts, Maria Havens, John McInnes, Franklyn Hyke, Dorian Diaz, John Silbaugh, Janet Wachter, James Daly, John Wallace, William Wells, Linda Hansen, Brent Carney, Robert Nuccio, James Self, Maria Suazo

CouncilSeattle 13794

Rene Sacramento, son of Renato Sacramento

CouncilPend D'Oreille 14268

Family of Warren Foersch, Family of Jim Hines, Ray Springsteen, Gary Brooks, Rowland Busskohl, Bob and Nellie Graham, Buc Buckley, Jerry Tefft, Judy Herrin, Dave and Barbara Floyd, Gladys Bishop, Nancy Sanger, Bill Burrell, Sister Nancy, Bishop Skyllstad, Diana Tefft, Katherine, Liliana, and Victoria Freeman (grandchildren of Peter and Kathy Freeman), Jack Lopresti, Jim Flanagan, Kathleen Pasquale, Robin Baylow, Phyllis Kardos.



> 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.

Family Members' Deaths

*Eternal rest grant unto
them, O Lord.*

*And let the perpetual light
shine upon them.*

*And may the souls of all the
faithful departed, through
the mercy of God, rest in
peace.*

Amen.

State Historian's Report

My Brother Knights,

When I look back at the Knights of Columbus, I cannot help thinking about the men who have created this organization. These dedicated men who were called to action by Father Michael J. McGivney (founder), had heard his message of deep concern for improving the welfare of his poor parishioners. Father Michael J. McGivney's mission was to help the poor, vulnerable and discriminated people and provide them with a better life. He communicated his vision to the best and brightest man that he could find in his church. To awaken their moral compass and forge ahead their talents in improving the parishioner's economic conditions. Over the years these men recruited more men like themselves to continue Fr. McGivney's legacy. And in-turn those new members recruited more men, until today we have an army of families who are the best and brightest men applying Fr. Michael J. McGivney's dream. However, Father was not exactly possessed with a dream, but a drive. That drive created the need for many men to step forward and join the Knights and bring with them their talented families, to help the poor, vulnerable and the discriminated. One such family is the weber family (Klan).



Father Michael J. McGivney and a group of men began a fledgling organization bolstering the Catholic identity of young immigrant families. It began to spread throughout North America. Soon the Order began making inroads into the Pacific Northwest. In the early 1900s Colton Council #1565 was formed and Barthol Weber and his sons were among the first members. LeRoy the grandson of Barthol became a member of the Council in 1949. Bennie Druffel, the father of LeRoy's wife, Trudy, was also a member. LeRoy's father George was the Charter Advocate of Uniontown Council (#1823) which was founded in 1916 by members of the Colton council. All of LeRoy's son - Tom, Jerry, Marty, and Patrick became members of Colton Council. Additionally, Jerry's son Nathan and nephew Chad Ryle joined, as well as Marty's two sons Ryan and Nick. Brady Morrow, the husband of granddaughter Katie, become a member of the Msgr. Pautler Council #3455 in Clarkston. All these families' men ended up in leadership roles. They served as GK, DD, State Officers, Chairmen, and Directors of programs in their communities by providing support through charitable works and giving back to their churches and communities the blessing that GOD gave them. Countless volunteer hours and projects made this family a powerhouse group, which cannot be measured. The men received numerous awards and accolades for their good works. A family inspired by generation after generation building on tradition of Faith, Family, Unity, and Fraternity. Today this family of men continues its phenomenal legacy in the Hartland of Washington State. A quintessential model of a new family order of men recruited by the Knights. I may have missed giving recognition to all the members of this family, but GOD bless them all.

Your Brother in Christ,
Anthony L. Farrell
State Historian

General Insurance Information

K of C Insurance Members:

Welcome to the Whiteaker Agency!

There is now one K of C agency for all of Washington State.

To find your local council-assigned agent, please click the link below:

<https://kofcWhiteakerAgency.com>



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