

The Cross and Compass

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A message from the Grand Knight

As summer winds down and the days begin to get shorter, my wish is that everyone has had an opportunity to spend a large amount of quality time with family and enjoy the beautiful summer God has bestowed upon Washington State.

In our busy world today it's all too easy to take our loved ones for granted. Work schedules and deadlines have to be met, social obligations have to be honored, the lawn has to be mowed, bills have to be paid, etc.; and family unfortunately gets relegated to the end of the priority line. The welfare of the family of practical Catholic gentlemen is the reason Fr. McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus. So, let us all as Knights make a commitment to spend a few extra moments with the family that loves and depends upon us, as often as possible.

Changing gears for a second, I hope everyone is ready for a full, fun and rewarding fraternal year. We had a very productive planning meeting this past week and have established an ambitious agenda.

I want to thank Tim for all his work on improving the Cross & Compass, and all the officers and chairman who have contributed articles to the new format. It seems to look better every month.

I came across a quote from the great entertainer/comedian Bob Hope regarding the first principle of our Order. He said, "If you haven't got Charity in your heart, you have the worst kind of heart trouble".

I look forward to seeing everyone at our first general meeting!

Vivat Jesus

Marc Gonick, GK

Recruiting

By Dave Caton

Fellow Knights! I am honored to announce that Grand Knight Gonick has asked me to return as Membership Director for one more year. I am touched that he has the confidence in me to continue in this position, but let me tell you, YOU all are the ones who have been doing a most excellent job at recruiting! Already, as of the August planning meeting last Tuesday, we have 4 candidates for our First Degree coming up on September 17th at 7 PM before our September planning meeting. Also, remember that our Fall Festival-Saturday, September 14th is probably the best opportunity of the new Fraternal Year to recruit new Knights to our council, so let's repeat the success we had last year! Anyone interested in serving on the membership committee, please feel free to contact me before the September business meeting to help assist in the crucial process of increasing our enrollment for future generations; to continue this wonderful Catholic legacy of service to God, our Priests and to our church community. In my mind, being a good Knight carries an awesome responsibility for each and every one of us to ask a Catholic friend or neighbor or the fellow parishioner, who might sit next to you at Mass, to join our order.

Public Relations

by Jim Bianchi

Publicity will be very important during the upcoming fraternal year. The State Deputy and the Grand Knight have set record-breaking goals for membership recruitment. Marc Gonick has stated "Recruitment never ends"! We must all be alert and look for good Catholic men to join us as members of St. Joseph Council #7528. I will be issuing press releases about our council's activities throughout the upcoming year. Stories will be sent to the state newsletter and also to the Columbia. I also plan to contact secular media sources when applicable. If anyone has ideas or suggestions, you may contact me at southseattle@comfortkeepers.com

The Lecturer's Corner

By Joe Clemens, Lecturer

This corner will be devoted to those who would like to hear more about the history of our council and the Order, and to those who would like to make a little history by relating their experiences in the K. of C. Please read and participate in this "special corner." I am in a unique position to report this information because I have been with this council since the beginning. I was the Charter Grand Knight of Council 7528 when the council was formed in 1980. If you have any questions or anything to contribute, please call or email me.

Did you know?

That ALL Knights have an Accidental Death benefit for themselves and their spouses as long as their dues are kept current. This benefit is from \$1,000 to \$2,500 depending on your age and number of years of service to the Order

The "Did you know?" column will be a regular feature to help bring you information that you may not have heard about before or to answer questions submitted by our members. It can be anything from "where did the 4th degree regalia come from?" to "why do we do degree ceremonies?".

Please submit your questions to tphilomeno@sparling.com. I will endeavor to get the questions answered and publish them each month.

Service Hours

By Al Larpenteur

Each of us offers service in probably more ways than we realize, yet we are reluctant to tally up the time we give in these activities. When you prepare to come to our monthly meetings, try to jot down the time you spent during the month in helping others, and then pass this information on to me. Forming this little habit will help greatly in reporting our Council's service hours on a regular basis.

Sponsors Take Note

By Dave Caton

The following is a suggested checklist for Sponsors, especially for new Knights who might need guidelines for what is involved in being a sponsor to a new Knight:

(1.)"Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to practical Catholic men in union with the Holy See, who are at least 18 years old. A practical Catholic is one who lives up to the Commandments of God and the precepts of the Church." **Carry a "Form 100" or recruitment form with you to Mass or to Parish functions (or look in the usher's cabinet which we will keep well-stocked with these forms). Have a new Catholic candidate fill out this form as soon as you get their interest. Give the form immediately to me or to any officer to be voted on by the council, usually at our next business meeting**

(2.)"Candidates join local units, called "councils," most of which are based in one Catholic parish, or in the community at large. The candidate takes part in initiation degrees that explain the Knights of Columbus' four principles: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism." **Talk to a potential candidate about these principles and what they mean to you and invite the candidate to attend the next First Degree which will be held monthly on the third Tuesday of any month at 7 PM. Offer to drive the candidate to the degree, especially if the degree is taken at a church other than St. Vincent's.**

(3.)"A candidate is considered a "Knight" after taking his First Degree, but he is encouraged to advance through the Second and Third Degrees and on to the Fourth Degree, whose members promote the virtue of patriotism by serving in honor guards, color corps and promoting respect for country and the flag."

As a sponsor, it is your responsibility to mentor your candidate. This means, invite him to our business and planning meetings (every 1st and third Tuesday of any given month, September-June.) Encourage new candidates to fill out a "Member Interest Survey" which we will make available at all of the First Degrees.

The crucial thing here is to get new members involved right away before they lose interest. Also, keep your candidate informed when future degrees are being offered and plan on bringing them to the degree and being there for them during the degree! Remember that a new Knight is eligible for the second and third degrees immediately after taking his First Degree Exemplification, and eligible for his 4th Degree one year after taking his 2nd and Third Degree. Also, keep in mind that new Knights are much more motivated to become Council Officers after becoming Second and Third Degree Knights. Remember!! Being a sponsor doesn't stop after signing up a new member!

1st Degree Team

By Joe Penwell, 1st Degree Captain

Thank you, Gerald Duhamel, for volunteering to be the inside guard on the first degree team. We are still looking for backups for the other positions. If you think you might be interested, but are not sure how to get involved, please come to the 1st Degree on Sept 17th and watch the team. At that time, you can talk with us and find out how to get involved.

Family

By Chris Andersen

One of my duties as Family Chairman is selecting a Family of the month each month. I would like to solicit your input. This may or may not result in that Family's immediate selection that month but the object is to find the most worthy both short term and over the long haul of lifetime achievements.

We as a council do many good deeds for the Community, Church, and Youth. We should also bring our own families together for activities to start the year off. A suggestion at the planning meeting was for a kickoff potluck dinner for the New Fraternal Year. What do you think of this Family Event idea? Please let me know...

Rosary

Please note that we say the rosary before each General Meeting of the year. Plan to come early, 7:00, and meet in the Chapel to enjoy this very fulfilling event.

Correction....Last month I reported the wrong address of the Knights of Columbus State web-site. The correct address is:

<http://www.kofc-wa.org>

Sorry for the mix-up and thanks to our State web-master and former council charter member, John Williams, for giving me the heads-up ☺

Knights vs Squires Softball

By Tim Philomeno

On Sunday August 18th, the Squires of Circle #4751 and the Knights of Council #7528 squared off in the 1st annual Squires vs. Knights softball game at St. Vincent de Paul's baseball diamond. 8 Knights from the council and 11 Squires were joined by a few others to round out both teams. The Knights held there own and it is reported that the Knights won by a score of 22-18 This was a great event and plans are already in the works for next year. Thanks to all who participated.

Special thanks to Karen and Jeff Markwith for providing hot dogs and drinks. They raised over \$40.00 for the Squires Pennies for Heaven Fund.



"Mike Fay and Joe Penwell..., which way did it go?"



"GK Marc Gonick with another double..."



Squire Joe Armstrong... "We Surrender..."



"GK Marc Gonick eats dust as the runners advance"



"and the crowd goes wild..."

Council Members Help Fr. Clarence Move

The Magnificent Seven

By Joe Penwell

The magnificent seven rode in from the south in a U-Haul truck, a pickup truck, and a Bronco. They were on a mission to move the furniture of Frs. Clarence and Robert from Northgate to Burien. They manhandled (or in Joe's case, boyhandled) the furniture, took hinges off the wall, and carried bedroom furniture upstairs and around the chimney. Thanks to the expert loading of Brian Beaulac, they were able to move all the items in one trip and complete the move in under 5 hours. The other guys carrying and manhandling the furniture to and from the truck were: Dave Caton, Mark Mareko, Dave McArdle, Deputy Grand Knight Dave Myers, Moe Tessier, and yours truly Joe Penwell.

Blood Drive

By Dave Caton

Folks, our first blood drive for the Fraternal Year will be hosted by the Puget Sound Blood Center and supported by the Knights on Thursday, September 12th in our own Parish Hall from 2-4:15 and 5-8 PM. Sign-ups will be after Mass on the weekend of September 7th and 8th. As Knights, if you are able to give blood, please consider contributing a pint as our supply is precarious and more limited than ever! I could also use help signing up parishioners at the Life Teen Mass, if you happen to attend that Mass.

This is an easy, yet wonderful way to serve your community; one pint of blood can help up to 5 patients! Please give the gift of Life!

Council Officers Installed

By Tim Philomeno

The new officers for the fraternal year 2002-2003 were installed on July 28th, 2002 at St. Vincent de Paul church. Jim Miles, District Deputy, and Greg Vicars, District Warden were accompanied in the ceremony by Fr. Clarence Jones, the Council's new Chaplin. The ceremony was followed by a reception in Room "A". A big "thank you" to Jim and Greg for conducting a great ceremony.



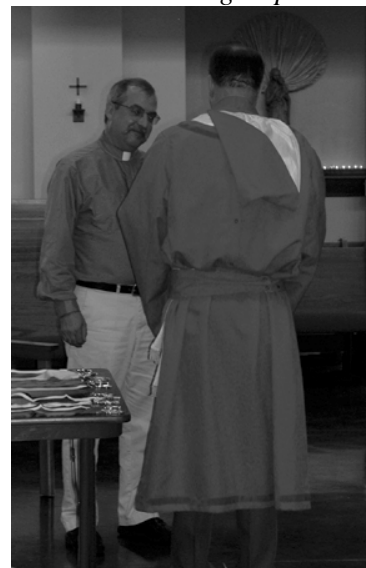
"The officers in the Sign of the Cross"



"District Deputy Jim Miles begins the ceremony while Fr. Clarence and District Warden Greg Vicars look on."



"The whole group"



"Fr. Clarence is Installed as the Council Chaplin"

Happy Birthday!

Date	Birthdays for Sept	Date	Birthdays for Sept
3 rd	James Lewis	13 th	Mark Miloscia
5 th	Andy Dena	15 th	Ralymond Garcia
6 th	Rev. Joseph Stocking	21 st	Carl Miller
7 th	Robert Knutson	29 th	Jose Bolanos
10 th	Juan Rodriguez	30 th	Joe Clemens
2 nd	Marie Wilson		
4 th	Carol Knutson		
8 th	Grace Hernandez		
21 st	Dail Anderson		
23 rd	Antoinette Miller		
24 th	Amy McGuire		
30 th	Jacqualeen Patterson		

Happy Anniversary!

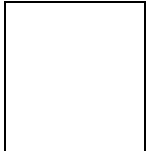
Date	Anniversaries for Sept
5 th	Richard and Laurel Schumacher
9 th	David and Shirley McArdle
12 th	Gregory and Cindy Vicars
13 th	Robert and Sunee Ward
18 th	Clifford and Mary Owen
19 th	Jack and Patty Winch
21 st	Joseph and Sharon Conner
23 rd	Patrick and Carol Ann Doherty
23 rd	James and Mary Miles
28 th	Christopher and Maureen Vaughan
28 th	William and Esther Clarke
30 th	Carl and Antoinette Miller

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Calendar of Events		
September 2002		
3 rd	General Meeting	Room "A" @7:30pm with the Rosary in the Chapel at 7:00pm
12 th	Blood Drive	Parish Hall from 2-4:15pm and 5-8pm
14 th	Parish Fall Festival	St. Vincent's Parish Courtyard, setup at 8:00am, teardown at 9:00pm
17 th	Planning Meeting	Room "A" @7:30pm
17 th	1 st Degree	After the Planning meeting in Room "A" @8:15pm
October 2002		
1 st	General Meeting	Room "A" @7:30pm with the Rosary in the Chapel at 7:00pm
12 th	Spaghetti Dinner	St. Vincent's Parish Hall
15 th	Planning Meeting	Room "A" @7:30pm
26 th	2 nd and 3 rd Degree	Auburn

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