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A Message from the Grand Knight

Would you believe the summer is slipping away and we're getting ready for the Fall Festival. Our first monthly meeting to start our Fraternal Year is Tuesday, September 2nd at 7:30pm in the Narthex.

Your officers were in Wenatchee for the summer meeting July 11-13, and talk about hot! Hot news that is; Tim Philomeno has been appointed Web Master for the Washington State Council Website, and Marc Gonick will be director for Youth and Free Throw at the state level. The Installation of Officers took place August 16th followed by a dinner and good company.

Your Chancellor Kevin Buck has helped assemble talented and eager committee chairmen with exciting and worthwhile activities that will make for a fun and memorable year (you will be reading about them and their ideas in this issue of Cross and Compass and future ones).

We are at full speed ahead starting with the Fall Festival Saturday, September 6th. We will be involved from morning setup, cooking brauts/hot dogs/chicken, beer/wine garden to tear down. We will have task/sign up sheets at the Tuesday meeting.

As we move into this new Fraternal Year, I'd like to focus on family through several programs. Quarterly we'll have potluck dinners to reacquaint new members with "seasoned" and "semi-active" members and we'll look into "dine-arounds" as another way to socialize and build relationships.

Our ability to recruit new members, as well as retain the 200 + brothers we currently have, becomes easier when we work together on fun and exciting causes. I hope to get our families to know one another better so they will participate in more of our activities. Speaking of family/spouse, State is encouraging a women's auxiliary, and I've been asked by members to get the ball rolling.

We will be using the Phone Tree to announce special occasions and get the word out to ALL our members (not relying only on the e-mail addresses we have and those that log onto kc7528.org to stay updated).

By popular demand you'll be getting the column with my collection of stories and inspirational ideas, thanks for your feedback this last year.

On September 13th, Juan Lezcano will be

ordained as Deacon and will celebrate at the 11:30am Mass on Sunday the 14th at St. Vincent's. Please plan to attend this mass as well as the reception immediately following.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve as your Grand Knight and know the Al Larpenteur, as Deputy Grand Knight, shares with me, looking forward to a truly outstanding and rewarding year. See you Tuesday the 2nd, and remember Rosary at 7:00pm.

Vivat Jesus!

Dave Myers, GK

The Chancellors Corner

By Kevin Buck, Chancellor

As the Chancellor of our council this year, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome each of you to Fraternal Year 2003 / 2004. I truly believe that it is going to be a great year for our council, parish, and community. Our Grand Knight, Dave Myers, has asked me to take on the duties of Program Director and I agreed to give it my best effort. However, let me say that I know our council is great and that it is not because of any one individual, but because we are a team. So, with that said, I thought that I would start by introducing myself and then move into a brief discussion of some of the ideas for this year.

I was raised in Des Moines and St. Philomena's parish (so I am sort of a local). In 1974 I enlisted in the Marine Corps and my specialty was maintaining the avionics systems on helicopters. However, over the next twenty years I did a variety of things from search and rescue swimmer, to military police, to career planner. I guess that I should have gotten the hint in Basic training when the Drill Instructor informed me that when he said jump, I was to ask "how high" after I left the ground.

My wife, Pam, and I were married after I had nine years in the military. We met because the wife of a Navy friend kept telling me "Kevin, I have this cousin you have to meet". I said, "right!" But we finally did meet, and the rest is history. Our daughter, Samantha was born in Hawaii and is now beginning her junior year at Holy Names Academy in Seattle.

GK Dave Myers and I have been talking over some ideas, and we are very excited about the possibilities for this year. Each of you can participate. In fact, that is essential! Your ideas and some of your time and effort are necessary for our council's programs to become reality.

We are looking into and gathering information about starting a Women's Auxiliary. If anyone has any information, or your wife might be interested in this, contact me. My e-mail address and telephone number are listed in the directory in back of the Cross & Compass.

Ted Gimlin is coordinating the Council's efforts for the Fall Festival. If you can volunteer to help in any way, contact him. Eddie Cooper is the Family Director this year and one of his projects is to coordinate some pot luck dinners so that our Knights and their wives can get to know each other. We would like to have some fun, as well as build camaraderie in our ranks. However, Eddie can't do this by himself. Some volunteers are needed (a committee) to plan and organize these events. The goal at this time is to try to have one each quarter. Please volunteer and help us make this happen! The only other project that I want to address at this time is what I have dubbed "Invite a Priest to Dinner". Those of us that have discussed this so far are trying to build on the relationship we have with our priests. Father Tom and father Clarence may not be available when you invite them, but that is because they are very busy with crowded schedules. Just think what message we will send to our priests by inviting them into our homes to break bread with our families. And when they can and do accept your invitation, they will have the opportunity to get to know you and your family and you will be bonding in a way that is absolutely necessary for the healthy growth of our community.

Lastly, remember, we submit service hours on a monthly basis. We owe it to ourselves and our Council to record the hours of volunteering and charity that we provide to the church, community, and to each other. Please email or call me to report all hours that you provide so I can include them in my reports to State and Supreme.

Recruiting

By Dave Caton - Recruitment Chair, Third Year Trustee

Hi Fellow Knights and Friends! I am honored again to be your membership chairman after a tremendous 2002-2003 Fraternal Year, thanks to all of your support. However, let's not rest on our laurels, as we need yet more new members to continue our good works for future generations. Our help is continually needed in the community of Federal Way as well as in the community of St. Vincent's and it is essential that we continue to grow to support God, community, our Priests/Deacons and our families. I'd like your help in recruiting at least 3 new members for our upcoming first Degree this month! The Degree team is restless and eager to get together again after 3 long months. Introduce yourself to the gent next to you or across the isle from you at Mass. Remember that many Catholic men won't volunteer to become a Knight unless they are asked!

On another note, we're starting the Fraternal Year off early with a 2nd and 3rd Degree in Tukwila on Saturday, September 20th. We have about 15 Knights who are eligible to take this degree. Sponsors-please contact your eligible folks and let them know about this great opportunity.

Blood Drive News!!!

By Dave Caton - Blood Drive Chairman

Attention All Blood Donors!

Our next blood drive is on Thursday, September 11th. Our blood supply is again critically low. Let's honor our fallen American citizens on this anniversary date of 9-11 by giving the "gift of life" on this date. I could use your help signing up parishioners at whatever Mass you attend on September 6th and 7th, but especially at our Life Teen Mass on September 7th.

1st Degree Team

By Joe Penwell - Degree Team Captain

Are you interested in joining the Council 7528 1st Degree Team? If so, we would love to have you. Contact me at JoePenwell@comcast.net or 253.941.6339

Church

By Joe Penwell, Church Chairman

I have been asked and have accepted to be the Church Chairman for this fraternal year. Some of the things that we will be trying to do this year will be to get as many seminarians as possible to come to on of our General Meetings and give a short briefing on their training. Another thing on the planning board is for the council to take a day trip to Mount Angel Seminary and tour the facilities. It would really be nice to get a group of young men from the parish to accompany us. They could get a 1st hand view of what it might be like to attend seminary. I would also like to see the council put more effort into the faith formation of the parish. More on this later. And lastly, I would like to see us get more involved with our parish priests. Let's start by taking them out for dinner from time to time.

Youth

By Mel Longley, OG and Youth Chairman

Hi brother Knights. My name is Mel Longley. Some of you know me as I have been a Knight and a member of this council for about a year. Last year I worked with then Youth Chairman Mark Mareko. This year I was elected to the officer position of Outside Guard.

I am blessed, too, this year to take on roll of Youth Chairman .I hope to see a lot of participation to help me make this a great year for the kids of our parish.

Rosary

Please note that we say the rosary before each General Meeting of the year. This month, we will be starting at 7:00pm, in the Chapel before the General Meeting on September 2nd.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Have you seen your birthday or anniversary in recent issues. If not, please call or email Tim Philomeno with those dates. We like to recognize birthdays and anniversaries of our members and their spouses.

For Sale

The council has 2 file cabinets that it needs to dispose of. 1 is a 4 drawer letter-size metal cabinet. The other is a 2 drawer letter size wooden cabinet. If you are interested, please call Tim Philomeno at 253.661.2296. Price = FREE!!!

Still looking for email addresses

Please call or email Tim Philomeno with your email address. This is the very best way to keep in contact. We want to send you the Cross and Compass via email and save postage \$\$\$\$.

2003-2004 Installation of Officers

On Sunday, August 16th, the officers of Council 7528 were installed into their respective positions by District Deputy Mark Busch and District Warden Jerry Duhamel. The installation took place at St. Vincent de Paul Church and a lite dinner was served afterwards. Many thanks to GK Dave Myers, his wife Connie, and their whole family for a wonderful event.



Yes we documented the event. Pictured from Left to right, Mel Longley OG, Fr. Clarence Chap, Mike Fay Warden, Dave Myers GK, Mark Busch DD12, Bob Pirolo Advocate, Al Larpenteur DGK, Kevin Buck Chancellor, Jerry Duhamel Recorder, Tom Skoda Treasurer, Chris Vaughan standin for Inner Guard, Tim Philomeno FS.

Council Members Attend State Golf Tournament

Council #7528 was represented at the Knights of Columbus State Golf Tournament held at Riverbend Golf Course in Kent on Saturday June, 28th.

Tim Philomeno, Chris Gruber, Matt Siverly, and Jerry Duhamel made up the foursome. It was a great event. By the time we got done with the first nine holes, Tim was able to hit his 1st drives behind the ladies tees.

Here's the group....



A Big Thank You

On the employment front

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you who have been very supportive in my current employment search, and especially to Tim Philomeno, Jim Miles, and Dave McArdle who took a couple of hours out of their Saturday morning to help me and a few of my St. Vincent Job Club members to stuff over 1,000 envelopes for my marketing campaign. It was truly a team effort and I couldn't have done it without you Knights.

I'm beginning to interview with several companies and I plan to be back to work by the end of September. Your prayers and thoughts mean the world to me.

THANKS! Chris Vaughan

The Chef's Corner???

By Chris Vaughan

At our August Planning Meeting, we discussed the possibility of adding more dining events to not only bring our brotherhood and their families closer together, but also to raise additional money for the things we Knights love to do – Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. Some of the new ideas expressed were a Crab Feed (formerly done by St. Theresa's), a 50-60's Steak Dinner/Dance, Quarterly Pot Lucks, Italian Dinners, Full Morning Breakfasts, etc. We will continue to do the Fish Fry during Lent, Coffee & Donuts, and Spaghetti Dinners, etc.

If anyone has any additional suggestions for events such as these, please contact Dave Myers, Kevin Buck,

or Chris Vaughan so that we can discuss the proposed dates and logistics for these events as soon as possible. We plan to work with other groups at St. Vincent's (Mothers and Others, Vincentians, etc.) to make these events happen.

I know many of you enjoy the cooking aspect of the many events we do. In addition to these events, we are talking about forming a group of Knights that are interested in being committed to organizing, purchasing, staffing, and running these culinary events. One of our goals this year is to put a comprehensive binder together that details all of the events that we do in terms those items above. I know that Tony Robinson has been doing this for the Fish Frys and we would like to expand this documentation to all of our food service events.

If approved by the Council, this group of Knights might be called the "Culinary Committee". I will be working with GK Dave to make this happen. In addition, if any of you work in the restaurant or food service industry, have previous restaurant experience, or work with a food or equipment supplier, we would really appreciate your help.

Bon Appetit! Chris Vaughan

God's waiting to use our full potential:

1. God wants spiritual fruit, not religious nuts.
2. Dear God, I have a problem, it's me.
3. Growing old is inevitable... growing UP is optional.
4. There is no key to happiness. The door is always open.
5. Silence is often misinterpreted but never misquoted.
6. Do the math... count your blessings.
7. Faith is the ability to not panic.
8. Laugh every day, it's like inner jogging.
9. If you worry, you didn't pray... If you pray, don't worry.
10. As a child of God, prayer is kind of like

calling home everyday.

11. Blessed are the flexible for they shall not be bent out of shape.

12. The most important things in your house -- and your parish-- are the people.

13. When we get tangled up in our problems, be still. God wants us to be still so He can untangle the knot .

14. A grudge is a heavy thing to carry.

15. He who dies with the most toys is still dead.

"God grant me the serenity to accept the people I cannot change... the courage to change the one I can... and the wisdom to know it's me".

From the Washington State Council

The Washington State Council of the Knights of Columbus has completed a major update of their website. If you haven't visited it for a while, please check it out at <http://www.kofc-wa.org>. You can receive the State Bulletin via email if you go to the site under "State Bulletins" and click on the "Bulletin Signup" link. You will be notified when each issue is ready via email.

The following is an excerpt from our State Vice Chaplain's Message in the August State Bulletin:

People don't realize how much goes on in our parishes that goes unseen and sometimes unappreciated. We want you to know that you are appreciated. We remind ourselves of the scripture passage of Jesus himself which says that all those things which go unseen by others are seen by our heavenly Father. We don't do these things for the recognition of others, we do them because they're the 'right thing' to do and we are called to do so by God. Thank you, brother Knights, for all you do for your parishes—seen and unseen. We know that all is seen by God.

Your in Christ

Father Scott

THE 365 CLUB BY MAIL

Supporting Vocations is simple! All you have to do is join The Pennies For Heaven Crusade. The best way to do this is by becoming a member of The 365 Club. Donate a penny-a-day for a year (\$3.65 or more if you can) and offer a prayer a day for a year for Vocations! Pennies add up quickly and the prayers help. For Brothers who cannot always join us at our meetings, here is your chance to stand up and be counted as a supporter.

CLIP AND MAIL

To: Al Larpenteur, 365 Chairman

Yes, count me in as a Member of The 365 Club! I want to do my part to support Vocations.

Here is my contribution of \$ _____ Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Mail your check to:

The 365 Club
Knights of Columbus, Council #7528
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Happy Birthday!

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

Happy Anniversary!

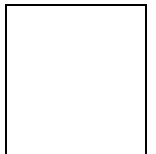
Date	Anniversaries for September
5 th	Richard and Laurel Schumacher
9 th	Dave and Shirley McArdle
12 th	Greg and Cindy Vicars
13 th	Robert and Sunee Ward
18 th	Cliff and Mary Owen
19 th	Jack and Patty Winch
21 st	Joseph and Sharon Conner
23 rd	Patrick and Carol Ann Doherty
23 rd	Jimnd Mary Miles
28 th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

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Calendar of Events		
September 2003		
2 nd	General Meeting	St. Vincent de Paul Narthex @7:30pm with the Rosary in the Chapel at 7:00pm
6 th	Parish Fall Festival	St. Vincent de Paul Parish Courtyard
11 th	Blood Drive	St. Vincent de Paul Parish Hall 2:00pm-5:00pm and 5:45pm- 7:30pm
14 th	Mass for New Deacon Juan Lezcano	St. Vincent de Paul Parish 11:30am mass
16 th	Planning Meeting	Room "A" at 7:30pm
22 nd	2 nd /3 rd Degree	Bellevue
24 th	4 th Degree Meeting Assembly #1955	TBA
October 2003		
5 th	2 nd /3 rd Degree	Oak Harbor
7 th	General Meeting	St. Vincent de Paul Narthex @7:30pm with the Rosary in the Chapel at 7:00pm
21 st	Planning Meeting	Room "A" at 7:30pm
22 nd	4 th Degree Meeting Assembly #1995	TBA

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