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A Message from the Grand Knight



At our May general meeting, we will honor six of our fellow Knights who have attained Honorary Membership or Honorary Life Membership. These brothers have maintained active membership in the Knights of Columbus for at least 25 years and are 65 years old or older. These members have demonstrated through the years that being a Knight is a lifetime commitment. Please plan to attend our May meeting to join in recognizing these six exemplary brother Knights.

I offer my thanks and gratitude to Mike Fay, Kevin Buck and the five committee chairman (Church, Council, Community, Family, and Youth) who worked together to prepare our annual achievement submissions. Each year recently, we have tried to give more emphasis to preparing these entries by mid-April. I greatly appreciate the efforts that Mike, Kevin, and our committee chairmen have made to submit these forms.

During our April planning meeting, we also finalized our slate of new officers for the 2005-2006 fraternal year. We will publicize the names at the May meeting, and vote on these candidates at the June meeting.

We've had a significant year to date. Thanks for all the efforts you have made through your volunteering to actively support our council.

Vivat Jesus!

Al Larpenteur, GK

From the Deputy Grand Knight



By Kevin Buck, DGK

Brother Knights, things are beginning to slow down for us as the end of the fraternal year is coming into sight. However, there is still plenty of activity around the Council as well as our Parish, Community, and the Church throughout the world. It is certainly good that we have a new Pope to shepherd the Church on Earth. I have found that our Church is fairly constant and therefore I am not often surprised by what it does. Although I didn't predict the selection of Pope Benedict XVI, the only thing that surprised me was how fast it happened. I honestly expected to see the black smoke several more times. It is rather humorous to me to listen to the secular "news" talk about the "pros" and "cons" of our Pope and make predictions or voice concerns about what he may "do" as Leader of the Catholic Church. I, for one, am comfortable in the knowledge that God selected this man to lead our Church at this time. He did so through the votes of the Cardinals, but it was He who selected Pope Benedict XVI.

As I stated above, there is still plenty of activity around the Council and a good time was had by all that attended the Mexican Pot Luck on April 16th.

A big thanks to Mike O'Connell, Dan Reeb, Eddie Cooper, Jose Vaquero and everyone that helped make the dinner a success. I enjoyed the meal as well as the camaraderie. If you receive this in time, I would like to remind you of the Dinner and Auction on Saturday, April 30th. It is to benefit Hospitality House, the homeless women's shelter. The evening promises to be a "social gala" event and if you would like to attend, contact Ted Gimlin or the parish office. If you would like to volunteer to help in the kitchen, contact Tony Robinson. In May, the annual Mother's Day Breakfast will be held on Sunday, May 8th (Mother's Day). If you are available to help in the kitchen for this event, your contribution of time and effort will be most appreciated. The State Convention will be the weekend of May 13th-15th and is being held in Tukwila this year. If you can attend, it should be a rewarding experience. Thursday, June

16th, is the next Council sponsored blood drive. Donate if you are able. And on Saturday, June 25th, the Council will be hosting our annual Awards Banquet. So, mark your calendar now and plan on attending.

Be sure to make the general business meetings on May 3rd and June 7th.

These are very important meetings as we will be nominating candidates for the officer positions for next year at the May meeting and the election will take place at the June meeting. Come and help shape our future. Of course, you are all welcome to join us at the planning meeting on Tuesday, May 17th.

As always, keep in mind that we must constantly be on the look out for that new member. Invite your friends, relatives and acquaintances to join us (as long as they are Catholic gentlemen). In the same way, help to keep our Squire Circle strong. Invite young Catholic men (10 to 17 years old) to join the Squires. If you have any questions about Squires, ask Jeff Markwith.

Rosary

Please note that we say the rosary before each General Meeting of the year. This month, we will be starting at 7:00 pm in the Chapel before the General Meeting on May 3rd, 2005.

Family of the Month

March – the Ben McGregor Family

Knight of the Month

March – Joe Penwell

Blood Drive



By Dave Caton - Blood Drive Chairman

The next parish-sponsored blood drive will be on June 16, 2005. For those who wish to donate between now and June 16th, please look at the schedule of local blood drives at http://www.psbcc.org/programs/drives_search.htm



The Chancellor's Corner



By Mike Fay, Chancellor

Spring has arrived and like clockwork the rains were close behind. With the limited snowfall this year we need all the rain we can get. But let it rain only at night. Each year there is always a great potential for many feet of snow to fall in the mountains and this year nature didn't live up to its potential. The jet stream pushed the rain to California while the Pacific Northwest experienced warm and dry weather for the most part, save for some occasional rain.

Did you reach your potential this fraternal year in service to others? Were there opportunities that passed you by? We know the Seattle Mariners didn't reach their potential last season, but with a new season recently begun, the team, players, and fans will think only of a winning season, and maybe a spot in the playoffs.

As a council, we did accomplish a lot of activities, raised valuable dollars for our charities, and enjoyed the company of each other with our families.

With a few months remaining in the fraternal and the majority of activities accomplished, we can look forward to our spring training season beginning in July and August to help set the tone for next year.

Look for an upcoming email requesting your service hours for the month of April. Due to the reporting schedule, I have to submit the monthly service report to the state by May 1. But I will log your hours even if they arrive to me after that date. You can report your service hours on the form provided or just list them as you find best works for you. I thank all who have taken the time to report any and all service hours.

You can contact me at mwfay@comcast.net.

Squires Corner



By Zachary Markwith, Chief Squire
Esto Dignus

The Washington State Squires held their 4th Annual Convention at St Thomas Moore parish in Lynnwood on April 22nd, 2005. Nine active members attended the convention from our Circle and three new members were installed during the proceedings.

At this meeting, we learned that our next two convention sites had already been chosen. Next year, the Convention will be in Edmonds; and in 2007 we will be traveling to Colville, Washington.

We are planning a trip to the Tri-Cities area on October 22nd of this year for the Salmon Derby. This event is sponsored by the area Squire Circles. Last year, everyone came home with a Salmon. All Knights

of Columbus are invited so stay tuned for more information.

I am pleased to announce three members of our circle #4571 that have been elected to state offices this year.

Mike Potter - Assistant Chief Squire
 Zachary Markwith - State Bursar
 Nate Markwith - State Notary

Congratulations to these young men and may they know that this Circle is proud of their accomplishments.

We are, at this time, in a big push for recruitment. We just invested three new members at the convention and at this time have 5 more interested in joining. The winner of this drive will be presented with a CD player but, even more than that, we will have insured the continuation of members to help our community and parish.

If you know of anyone that is interested in joining please contact any Squire or our Chief Counselor, Jeff Markwith.

We would like to show our appreciation to Ed Cooper for his assistance in Driving and staying with us Friday and Saturday of our convention. He took time out of his busy weekend to support us. We thank you all for your support and donation to the State Council of Squires for making the last convention a success. Thanks Mr. Cooper.

Again, Esto Dignus (be worthy)

Good of the Order

Listed are all of the those Brother Knights or family members who are Sick or in Distress

<i>Sick/Remember</i>	<i>Deceased</i>
Dave Ditter	Leo Ligad
Boyd Wilton	

Please keep these Knights and family members in your prayers. Thanks!

The Grand Knight and Nominating Committee wish to present the following slate of officers for the fraternal year 2005-2006:

Grand Knight	Kevin Buck
Deputy Grand Knight	Mike Fay
Chancellor	Ken Baune
Recorder	Bill Thomas
Treasurer	Tom Skoda
Advocate	Jeff Lee
Warden	Nestor Fernandez
Inside Guard	Ben McGregor
Outside Guard	Kurt Karasuda-Downing

Nominations will be taken at the General Meeting, May 3rd and Elections will be at the General Meeting, June 7th. Please try to attend both of these meetings to show your support for the candidates.

Knights from Council 7528 Visit Mt. Angel Seminary.

On Saturday, March 19th, 2005, a group of Knights from our council traveled to Mt. Angel Seminary in St. Benedict, Oregon. This trip was planned by our vocations chairman Juan Lezcano. The group was allowed to tour the facility and meet the Seminarians. "This was a great trip and a fantastic way to show our support for the Seminarians" said Al Larpenteur, the Grand Knight of Council 7528. Council 7528 is sponsoring 5 Seminarians this year, 3 of which are attending Mt. Angel.

Here are a few pictures to commemorate the trip.





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: Kevin Buck, 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
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Calendar of Events

May 2005

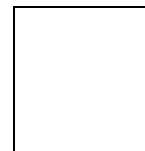
3rd	General Meeting	St. Vincent de Paul S. Narthex @7:30 pm with the Rosary in the Chapel at 7:00 pm
8 th	Mothers Day Breakfast	St. Vincent de Paul Hall after the 8:00am and 9:30am Masses
13 th -15 th	Washington State Convention	Tukwila, WA
17th	Planning Meeting and 1st Degree	Room "A" at 7:30 pm...1st Degree starts at 7:00 pm sharp!

June 2005

7th	General Meeting	St. Vincent de Paul S. Narthex @7:30 pm with the Rosary in the Chapel at 7:00 pm
16 th	Blood Drive	St. Vincents Hall
21st	Planning Meeting and 1st Degree	Room "A" at 7:30 pm...1st Degree starts at 7:00 pm sharp!
25 th	Annual Awards Banquet	After 5:00pm Mass
26 th	Coffee and Doughnuts	After all Masses
	Have A Great Summer!	

Check out our website at <http://www.kofc7528.org> for all of these events and more!

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