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A Message from the Grand Knight

A Knight sign up table will be at each Fish Fry this year. Please make an extra effort to help recruit new members. There will also be an advertisement in the bulletin. Our strength to provide charity lies within our ability to remain a healthy council, the parish and our council are receiving additional request for assistance.

The crab feed profits exceeded our estimate, the fish fries, should be as profitable. Tony was able to secure a \$2,000.00 donation towards the purchase of the fish. Thee other products needed have increased in price, but we feel confident our profits will be adequate at the same prices as last year.

Discussions to hold our famous spaghetti dinner mid April are in progress, please give me a call if you agree or have another fundraising suggestion. We feel obligated to try to help Father Bill with the parish, especially during this economic downturn. I ask you to continue to support our fundraiser by working, attending or both to help make them successful.

In closing, thank you for paying your dues!

Vivat Jesus!

Ken Baune, GK

COUNCIL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH 2009

3RD	General Meeting	7:30pm Narthex and Rosary 7:00pm Chapel
6th	Lenten Fish Fry	5:30 in the Parish Hall
7th	2nd and 3rd Degree	Seattle
13th	Lenten Fish Fry	5:30 in the Parish Hall
17th	Planning Meeting and 1st Degree	7:30pm in "Room A" 1st Degree at 7:00 PM
20th	Lenten Fish Fry	5:30 in the Parish Hall
21st	2nd and 3rd Degree	Lynnwood
27th	Lenten Fish Fry	5:30 in the Parish Hall

APRIL 2009

3rd	Lenten Fish Fry	5:30 in the Parish Hall
7th	General Meeting	7:30pm Narthex and Rosary 7:00pm Chapel

KNIGHTS PICTURES OF THE MONTH



Dave McArdle and Joe Penwell



Joe Penwell

Preparing for Easter

March is at times called the month preparing for Easter. We look past March at times because the only important date in March is St. Patrick's Day. There are many other things in March that we can look forward to. Here are a few. March is women's history month, March 2nd is Dr. Seuss' Birthday, March 3rd is Alexander Graham Bell's birthday, Mar. 3, 1931 The Star-Spangled Banner, written by Francis Scott Key, officially became the National Anthem, Mar 8th is International Women's Day, Mar. 13, 1781 Uranus discovered, Mar. 14, Albert Einstein's birthday, Mar. 17: ST. PATRICK'S DAY, March 19th The swallows return to Capistrano, The first day of spring, March 24th is Harry Houdini's birthday, The season opens for baseball, Also March is "Music in our schools month". The one Holiday that is missed is one of the most important for us Catholics. Wednesday the 25th of March is "The Annunciation of the Lord". In the Bible, the Annunciation is narrated in the book of Luke, Chapter 1, verses 26-38

²⁶ In the sixth month, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, ²⁷to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you."²⁹Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. ³⁰But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God. ³¹You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus. ³²He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, ³³and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end."

³⁴"How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?"³⁵The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God. ³⁶Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be barren is in her sixth month. ³⁷For nothing is impossible with God."³⁸"I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May it be to me as you have said." Then the angel left her.

What a great time to reflect on what the FOCA bill will do to the miracle that God gives us. I can't see how it is any man or women's choice to terminate a miracle God has given them. One that is for the FOCA bill states it is their body, and it is their choice to terminate a pregnancy if the child will be born with a defect, or they are unable to care for a child due to monetary reasons, mental or physical limitations. I know that the life God gives, is a life that has purpose and meaning. I can honestly say that I have never met anyone that is perfect without defects. I know that there were many times Karen and I had wondered where the money would come to feed, cloth or shelter our kids, God has alwa provided. When it comes to mental stability there isn't a time a parent doesn't feel that they may not be completely sane for having a family.

God prepares us for raising children in every lesson we learn and every person we meet. You can never convince me that God has not put us on the earth for a reason. Every Man, Women, Child, Animal is a gift from God. We can't abuse our gifts from God with the FOCA bill. Please stand up to this bill and know that what you do to help defeat this bill may be one of the reasons you are here.

God bless you and your families during this important Month of March.

Jeff Markwith DGK

The Sixth Annual Charity Crab Feed Another Huge Success!

What a terrific event! You always outdo yourselves! Wow! Fantastic!

You see, most everyone who attended the Sixth Annual Crab Feed walked away saying that or something very similar. But the best part of hearing that kind of feedback is that WE truly are an extraordinary group of ordinary men who come together for a wonderful event and make it look as easy as one, two, three. Thank you and job well done doesn't seem to be enough for me to say to all of you, so.....how about "that's like you". Because it really is *like you* to make a 458 seat, full spread, five-course dinner look so effortless. Now, think about it, that's a lot of folks rolling up their sleeves and enjoying the fresh Dungeness crab, Italian salad, chowder and desserts, let alone the beers and wine. Well my friends it's easy to see why our "Annual Crab Feed" has become the best crab feed bar none, so says those who attend other "feeds" around the State. Ours is unique, take a look at how we do it..... not a buffet stand in line, but an honest to goodness dining experience.

From my standpoint, the best part of heading up this event is the opportunity to work with such an amazing group of men and woman.....yes we have the 5 ladies who yearly volunteer and serve the beer and wine. As well as the Mission Trekkers....the young women and men (with some of their parents) who provide the outstanding service we've come to enjoy.

In order for an event this size to be so successful, it takes a well-orchestrated group under the direction of strong team leaders who know what needs to be done and work with their team to get it done in a timely fashion. Jerry Sandschulte, with his room schematics for precision table placement, and Bill Martin and his hard working crew transformed an empty hall into a precisely measured grouping of tables set and ready for business. The Kitchen leader and go to guy Tony Robinson and the chowder stirrers and salad makers and garlic bread slicers and cheesecake swizzellers. Then there's the one-man team of Dan Reeb who can't say no to anything. Raffle tickets sellers lead by Kevin Buck exceeded previous years raffle sales expectations selling over \$2,500 for a chance to win \$500, \$300, and \$200. And when the winning ticket numbers were called, every winner gave back to either the Knights or the Mission Trekkers. Then you have clean up headed by my trusted and loyal partner in crab crime.....Ken Baune a terrific co-chair. And finally **all you Knights** (and you know who you are) who helped in so many ways and made the evening go so smoothly.

So how well did we do? Very well thank you. With combined ticket sales and beer and wine sales.... after expenses, we collected \$10,226. So you can see it was a very good night.

Lastly, I'm blessed to spearhead this yearly occasion and grateful for all of your support and effort. It's no wonder this Council continues to grow and make a name for itself. Thank you.....you all did another magnificent job.....it's just like you. Can't wait till next year!

David Myers
Crab Chairman PGK

Council Website

All members are encouraged to create an account at the council's website. The address is: <http://www.kofc7528.org>. Follow the instructions which are given on the "Before you try to login" page. There is a link to that page at the upper left of the home page. You will need your membership number to create your account and log in, but once you do, there will be additional material available to you. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact Tim Philomeno or me at webmaster@kofc7528.org.

Feel free to explore the site and come back often to see what has changed. We will continue to update information throughout the year, and new items will be added as fast as we can think them up and create them. There are several new pages in the works, and will be added as time permits. Feedback and suggestions are welcome. Just send an email with your ideas to: webmaster@kofc7528.org.

The "members only" pages include the Council Roster. The Council Roster provides the contact information of all of our brothers in the council. It is as accurate as the information that has been provided to us. If your information is incorrect, or not listed, please contact us at webmaster@kofc7528.org with the corrections.

Another page that anyone can visit is the "Introduction to Knights of Columbus" article. The link on the left side of the council home page will take you to a version that is easily viewed and read on line. From that page there is a link to a printable version (PDF) that can be a useful tool when you are recruiting new members. Remember to refer your candidates to our website as they can access a multitude of information about us and there are a number of links to other websites with even more information.

There are a number of pages and lots of information available to everyone without logging in... and links to other important websites. As information that is posted on our site does change from time to time, it is a good idea to check back often. One option to help you see some of the changes would be to make our site your browser home page. Then each time you open your

Internet browser, you would at least glance at our council site.

Kevin Buck
Webmaster

Good of the Order

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

Sick

- Jeanne Hitchcock and family
- Taylor Freyberg and family
- Tom Appleton's mother
- Cameron Lathan
- Dave Paux
- Jim Slawson—Tony Robinson's nephew
- Samantha Slawson—Tony Robinson's niece
- Jake Slawson—Tony Robinson's ousin
- Bob Valley—Tony Robinson's cousin
- Amanda Potter—Bill Thomas' Stepdaughter
- Corinne Kessler—Richard Peterson's Mother-in-law
- Dave Myers' father
- Dave Barrow's son
- Alma lang—Joe Penwell's Aunt
- Mark Bianchi—Jim Bianchi's son
- Evelyn Boyd - Maureen Fay
- Dave Green - Gilson Neil
- Nilda Fernandez - Charles Hyde
- Donna Vicars - Ben McGregor

Deceased

- Ronald Compton
- Lowell Larson
- Bob Pirolo's brother-in-law

All those who have joined Our Lord in Heaven this year
Please keep these Knights and family members in your prayers. Thanks!

NOTE: Please contact Joe Penwell if you have knowledge of anyone sick or in distress.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

January - Craig Scheidermayer Family

Knight of the Month

January - Dave Myers

The Joseph M Clemens Memorial Rosary

Brothers...Please consider attending this recitation at 7 PM prior to our Council's monthly meetings. See you there.
Dave McArdle

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MARCH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1 Thomas Thornton	15 Robert Bowell	8 Gary Hunter	20 Ken Landreth
23 Mark McGregor	13 Vi McGregor	6 Zora Fernandez	29 Cindy Vicars
9 Nestor Fernandez	21 Thomas Vandenberg	7 Shirley Hemmer	30 Nicole Karasuda-Downing
3 Steven Gentry	15 Roy Saylor	24 Scott Baukol	15 Lois Moritz
3 Gerald Wilson	15 Daniel Dornoff	28 Alejandro Paves	23 Betty Payappily
6 Richard Coe	17 Adam Werner	31 William Herbert	26 Teresa McDonald
7 Benjamin McGregor	18 Michael McDonald	31 Michael Erwert	26 Mary Owen
7 Matthew Tavares	18 Jeffrey Lee	1 Margie Fredrickson	27 Marilyn Courtney

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

1 Ricardo and Cynt	3 Kevin and Pamela Buck
5 Roy and Bunny Nelson	6 Thomas and Joanne Howell
15 Ken and Elizabeth Landreth	19 Thomas and Barbara Skoda
31 Tony and Carol Robinson	

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