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from the grand knight

Brother Knights,

Kathy and I had a wonderful experience with our opportunity to represent you at the Supreme Convention in early August. Attending a Supreme convention is something that every Knight should try to do so. The highlight for us of course, was our Council being recognized with the International Service Program Award for Pro-Life. I continue to be overwhelmed with enormity of your accomplishments that positioned the Council for this prestigious award. Again, congratulations to all of you for having attained this rare accomplishment!

Our Council now has 5 members who are in the Seminary! This distinction brings with it an enormous responsibility to support these men with our prayers and encouragement in any way we can offer it. Please keep them in your prayers always: Brothers Peter Burger, Dan Steele, Kurt Hadley, Tony Lopez, and Joel Valdovines.

I would like to offer my thanks and appreciation to all of you Brother Knights who worked so hard to make the Patrick Murphy Spaghetti Feed Benefit such a huge success. Particular thanks go to Brother Don Wieber and his family who really rose to the occasion! His dad, Brother Knight Nick Wieber (from Montana), his 2 sisters and their husbands, his beautiful wife Kelin and their children started the sauce the day before and worked until the lights went out and the doors were locked after the dinner. Also, special thanks to Brother Timm Bettendorf for running an incredibly successful auction. Many other Brother Knights stepped up to help with many of the other parts of the event, for which we are all thankful. Finally, special thanks to the Women of St. Joseph's and the Catholic Daughters who contributed so generously to the wonderful auction items. Since attendance was not quite what we planned for, we were able to donate about 150 spaghetti dinners to the Union Gospel Mission afterward.

Near-term events include our concession at the 100th Kennewick Grapefest, again led by Brother Don. It is because of this event that we have decided to cancel our originally planned breakfast on September 11. However, on September 11, we are also planning a "Blue Mass" at 9 am to honor our local first responders. Brother Joe Gallegos and Mikal Barnett are working hard to make this a special and meaningful Mass.

Another upcoming event where we'll need participation is the Columbus Charities Tootsie Roll Program to benefit the intellectually disabled which will occur during the week-end of October 7-9. This is a long-term Knights of Columbus effort that has been very successful in the mid-west that Washington is now adopting. Brother David Martinez, along with Dick Petersen are coordinating the Tootsie Roll Program. This is definitely a family-oriented event! You should contact them to see how you and your families might help. David is available at 509-205-2443 and Dick is at 509-521-8603.

As you can see, just from these items, there is a lot in front of us but it's all important and will make a difference in our Community, Church, and Council, and we need your help! There are also several other activities identified in the schedule on the next page that we will be talking about in our next Business Meeting on September 12th. Please make plans to attend and contribute!

Finally, please welcome and congratulate new Brother Knights Gary Bullert, Kevin Liebe, and Wayne Rixin who received their 1st Degrees on August 22nd.

Vivat Jesus!

Larry Devlin, Grand Knight

program / committee directors are

Mark Schorzman	Program and Council Director	Kirby Mathews	Membership Director and Admissions Committee Chairman
John Puhak	Church Program Director	Jeff Kadinger	Retention Committee
David Haren	Vocations Director	John Hickman	Youth Program Director
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Joe Gallegos	Community and Health Director	Don Wieber	Kitchen Manager
Ben and Angel St. Hilaire	Pro-Life Couple	Doug Duvon	Food Buyer / Inventory
		Kirby Mathews	It's About Life Chairman

It's About Life Conference

Planning for the It's About Life Conference to be held on 25 February, is moving along in earnest. The Committee is meeting weekly on Thursdays. Subcommittee leads are needed for logistics, audio / visual, and lunch planning. If any of these are of interest, please contact Kirby Mathews at 509-628-7716 as soon as possible. The current members are being stretched very thin and could use extra help.

Information on speakers and on-line ticket purchasing is available at www.itsaboutlife.info. Please be aware that only 300 tickets will be made available. Our extraordinary slate of speakers will cause tickets to go quickly (and another special speaker is being considered) so you should avail yourselves of the opportunity now while tickets are still available.

Insurance

Michael Wise advises us to be more proactive this fraternal year in meeting our Insurance Member goals so that we don't end up in a scramble at the end of the year. That said, please set up a time to meet with Michael. He is available to meet with you at your convenience. (Cell 509-308-5150 or email at Michael.Wise@kofc.org).

Good of the Order

Please visit John St. Hilaire (PGK, FDD) at Quail Hollow Nursing Home. Please pray for Pat Loftus, Joel Valdovines, Patrick Murphy, Kyle Hadley, Pete Braun and his grandson Colin Ward; Frank Beaudry (PGK), DGK Mark Schorzman, Olga Hickman, Gene and Barbara Devlin, Gabbie Rehder, Dean Nuxoll family, Jerry Malloy, Terry Holt, Kathy Henn, Carol Thomas, Dan O'Neill, Bishop Skilstad, Jimmy Taylor, Paul McKinnon, Robert Miller, Jack Morrow, Sister Robert Joseph, Monsignor Dillon and his grand niece, the Men and Women of the Armed Forces, especially Brother Knights Trevor Lord and Jonathon Palmieri.

In particular, please pray for Brother Dick McAloon who suffered a debilitating stroke this past week.

Family of the Month

The family of the month for August is Shawn and Suzie Murphy. The Murphys have shown incredible strength and spirituality as they nurture their infant son, Patrick through his struggles with cortical dysplasia and his rehabilitation following brain surgery on August 18th.

Knight of the Month

Timm Bettendorf is our Knight of the Month for August. Timm did an incredible job orchestrating the auction associated with the Patrick Murphy Spaghetti Feed Benefit hosted by our Council on August 28th. Timm's auctioneering skills resulted in a significant fundraising effort that will assist the Murphys as they confront the medical costs associated with Patrick's surgery and treatment. Thanks, Timm for stepping up in such a special way to help the Murphy family.

Attendance Drawing

At the business meeting on August 12th, District Deputy Jeff Kadinger's name was drawn and he was present to win \$60! Congratulations Worthy District Deputy! I remind you that the odds are better than the lottery! It pays to attend our Business Meetings!

Website

Please refer to our website at www.kofc8179.org. The regularly updated calendar and activity information are key to the success of the Council. Please refer to it regularly for up to date information pertaining to our Council. If you have suggestions or would like to contribute content to any portion of the site, please let Larry Devlin know.

Also of interest is the Assembly 2258 4th Degree website at www.kofc2258.org.

Newsletter Topics

If anyone desires to contribute to this newsletter, please contact Larry Devlin at gk@kofc8179.org.

Breakfasts

Our breakfasts for the year will resume on October 9th after our summer respite. Please stay tuned to Brother George Nuxoll's phonevite message and step up to help. These events are incredibly enjoyable opportunities for fraternalism and getting to better know your Brother Knights when the workload is spread among several men. It is, however, very tiring and laborious if we come up short-handed, especially during the clean-up phase. So, *please, please* join in and help this year

Important Upcoming Events

Calendar (more details at <http://calendar.kofc8179.org>)

September	October
5 th -7:30 pm – Officers Meeting , basement of Old Church	3 rd -7:30 pm – Officers Meeting , basement of Old Church
1st, 8 th , 15 th , 22 nd , 29 th –7 pm – It's About Life Planning Meetings – Holy Grounds Café or as announced	6 th – 6am to 2pm- KC Breakfast, Dillon Hall
8 th – Life Dynamics at Dick Gilmore's house	6 th , 13 th , 20 th , 27 th –7 pm – It's About Life Planning Meetings – Holy Grounds Café or as announced
10 th – Grapefest, Downtown Kennewick, 7am – 6pm	7 th , 8 th , 9 th – Tootsie Roll Weekend – Contact David Martinez
11 th – 9 am – Blue Mass	10 th – Business Meeting – 7:30 Old Church Basement
12 th – Business Meeting – 7:30pm Old Church Basement	10 th – Spanish Language Roundtable, Old Church Basement Day Care Room – Contact Deacon Jose Cortez
12 th – Spanish Language Roundtable, Old Church Basement Day Care Room – Contact Deacon Jose Cortez	13 th – Life Dynamics at Dick Gilmore's house
19 th – Soccer Shoot-Out – Contact John Hickman	13 th – Fr. Richard's Birthday
19 th – 6:00 pm – District Deputy Meeting	15 th – 2 nd /3 rd Degree in Yakima
21 st – Foundation of Christian Faith and Culture – 7:15 – Msgr Dillon's House	17 th – 6:00 pm – District Deputy Meeting
24 th – Select Christmas Trees – Contact John Hickman	19 th – Foundation of Christian Faith and Culture – 7:15 – Msgr Dillon's House
25 th – 7:00 pm - 4 th Sunday KC Mass	23 rd – 7:00 pm - 4 th Sunday KC Mass
26 th – 7:30 pm Social Meeting - Old Church Basement	24 th – 7:30 pm 1 st Degree - Old Church Basement
28 th – 6 pm – 4 th Degree Social Meeting, Cinco de Mayo	26 th – 7:30 pm 4 th Degree Business Meeting
	28 th – Holy Bowl, DeSales High School, Walla Walla

