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from the grand knight

Brother Knights,

We welcomed 13 men into full Knighthood as 3rd Degree Knights on November 19th at Holy Spirit. Please join me in congratulating Alfredo Gabino, Garrett Schwehr, Herman Farias, James Young, James Harrison, Jesus Mendoza, Leslie Easley, Marty Yakawich, Michael Wetzler, Mikal Barnett, Richard Siekawitch, Robert DeLorenzo, and Robert Squires!

Christmas Tree sales are in full swing. We opened the lot on November 25th and will continue to sell trees until they are gone. This is our largest fundraiser of the year and mainly supports our scholarship donations to St. Joseph's School and Tri-Cities Prep. Thanks especially to John Hickman who is leading this important fundraiser and to all who have already helped with the unloading of trees and setup of the lot and who have already signed up for a shift (or several). I am gratified by your response and look forward to having our roster filled out entirely. You can sign up via our website (www.kofc8179.org) and select the menu option *Activity Signups* or stop by the office trailer at the lot to fill our remaining openings.

A new feature of our Christmas Tree lot is a trailer that we hope to fill at least once with non-perishable food items for the Knights of Columbus Food for Families program. We will make a donation to a local food bank when the trailer is filled. I encourage all Knights to donate and invite parishioners of St. Joseph's to do so as well. The trailer will be available for your donations during the hours when the lot is open. Please help us fill this trailer to help those most in need in our community!

I pray that you and your families have a Blessed and Holy Christmas as we celebrate the birth of Jesus.

Thanks to all of you, Brother Knights, for all the work you do to *Save Lives and Change Lives!*

Vivat Jesus!

Larry Devlin, Grand Knight



program / committee directors

Mark Schorzman	Program and Council Director
John Puhak	Church Program Director
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Kirby Mathews	Membership Director and Admissions Committee Chairman
Jeff Kadinger	Retention Committee
John Hickman	Youth Program Director
Joe Fischer	Family Program Director
Don Wieber	Kitchen Manager
Open	Food Buyer / Inventory
Kirby Mathews	It's About Life Chairman

responsibilities. If you would like to help in any way, please contact Kirby Mathews at 509-628-7716 as soon as possible.

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 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).

it's about life conference

Planning for the It's About Life Conference to be held on 25 February, continues. The Committee is meeting weekly on Thursdays. Thanks to Jennifer Hickman for also accepting the Subcommittee leads for logistics

good of the order

Please visit John St. Hilaire (PGK, FDD) at Fleur de lie Nursing Home. Please pray for John Walker, Pat Kenny, Hank Kinzel, Wayne Rexin, Kael Siemion, Frank Foster, Gil Gloria, Pat Loftus, Joel Valdovines, Patrick Murphy, Pete Braun and his grandson Colin Ward; Frank Beaudry

(PGK), DGK Mark and Judy 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 Jesse Lucas, and Jonathon Palmieri.

Also, please pray for our Seminarians: Dan Steele, Joel Valdovines, Kurt Hadley, Tony Lopez, Jose de Jesus Mariscal, and Peter Steele.

family of the month

The family of the month for November is Jeff and Jan Hylden and their son John who stepped up to anchor the Boy Scout wait staff at the Holy Spirit Council's 20th Anniversary Dinner. The success of this important event hinged on the Hylden's strong support both in identifying and bringing Boy Scouts to help out but also for their individual help throughout the evening. As everyone is aware, Jeff serves as our Financial Secretary and takes on a wide spectrum of responsibilities at St. Joseph's and Tri-Cities Prep as Jan and John also do. Thanks to this wonderful family for all they do for the Knights and for the Catholic community in the Tri-Cities region!

knight of the month

Jay Wildgen is our Knight of the Month for November. Jay took the lead and expertly managed the Holy Spirit Council's 20th Anniversary Dinner on November 12th. It was through Jay's calm and professional approach that the dinner was a resounding success based on rave reviews from all who attended the dinner and those of us who worked under Jay's direction. Thanks Jay, for orchestrating such a great success that will no doubt serve as a benchmark when Holy Spirit returns the favor next year as we celebrate our 30th Anniversary!

attendance drawing

Jimmy Taylor's name was drawn but he was not present to win \$30 at the business meeting on November 14th! 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.

Also of importance is a new feature for on-line signups for the various events that we plan each month.

Please refer to the website 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](mailto: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 are in full swing. Special thanks go to Donald Wieber who led the November breakfast and his sons who so ably helped with so many of the needed tasks. Our next breakfast is in January. Please

step up and support Don as we work to support 5 Seminarians through these breakfasts. Stay tuned to Brother George Nuxoll's phonevite message. As those who regularly help, I'm sure they will attest that breakfasts are incredibly enjoyable opportunities for fraternalism and getting to better know your Brother Knights when the workload is spread among several men. It can be, however, very tiring and laborious if we come up short-handed, especially during the clean-up phase. So, *please*, *please* join in and help whenever you can

important upcoming events

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

DECEMBER

- 1st, 8th, 15th – 7 pm – It's About Life Planning Meetings – Holy Grounds Café or as announced
- 5th – 7:30 pm – Officers Meeting, basement of Old Church
- 8th – Life Dynamics at Dick Gilmore's house
- 9th – 6pm, Tom & Jerry Party, Dillon Hall, All Knights and Spouses / Guests are invited!
- 12th – Business Meeting – 7:30 Old Church Basement
- 12th – Spanish Language Roundtable, Old Church Basement Day Care Room – Contact Deacon Jose Cortez
- 15th – 5 pm, St. Joseph's School Christmas Program, Scholarship Presentation
- 21st – Foundation of Christian Faith and Culture – 7:15 – Msgr Dillon's House
- 25th – Christmas Day
- 25th – 7:00 pm - 4th Sunday KC Mass

JANUARY

- 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th – 7 pm – It's About Life Planning Meetings – Holy Grounds Café or as announced
- 8th – 6am to 2pm- KC Breakfast, Dillon Hall
- 9th – Business Meeting – 7:30 Old Church Basement
- 9th – Spanish Language Roundtable, Old Church Basement Day Care Room – Contact Deacon Jose Cortez
- 12th – Life Dynamics at Dick Gilmore's house
- 16th – 6:30 pm, District Deputy Meeting
- 17th – 9am, March for Life Mass, St. Martin's, Lacey, WA
- 17th – 12pm, March for Life, Olympia, WA
- 17th – 1:30 pm, March for Life Luncheon, Sacred Heart Parish, Olympia, WA
- 18th – Foundation of Christian Faith and Culture – 7:15 – Msgr Dillon's House
- 22nd – 5pm, Youth Group Mentoring, St. Joseph's
- 22th – 7:00 pm - 4th Sunday KC Mass
- 25th – 7:30 pm, 4th Degree Business Meeting, Holy Spirit
- 28th – 2 pm, Council Free Throw Competition, PAC