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Saving Lives and Changing Lives

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from the grand knight

Brother Knights,

We welcomed 1 new Brother Knight at a 1st Degree ceremony on January 23rd. Please join me in congratulating and welcoming Manuel Sanchez to our Council! I would like to especially thank Brother Frank Beaudry, PGK, for filling in as Grand Knight in the absence of Brother Bill Forsythe who is on a travel assignment.

We are counting on everyone to be actively engaged in encouraging their Catholic gentlemen friends and acquaintances to join this extraordinary Council while moving us ever closer to Star Council award again this year. To help us toward that end, we are planning our Spring Membership Blitz on March 16-17 to coincide with the upcoming 4th Degree Exemplification that our Council will be hosting on March 17th in Dillon Hall.

Until then, our focus needs to be on a successful *It's About Life Conference* as more detailed planning takes place over the next few weeks as we are less than a month away from the event on February 25th. We will be welcoming Bishop Tyson to open the conference, followed by Austin Ruse, then a live ultrasound demonstration, followed by an inspirational talk by Fr. Daniel Barnett, pastor of St. Patrick's in Pasco. The conference will then culminate in a speech by Cathy Ruse. The conference will close with the vigil Mass said by Bishop Tyson. As we enter the home stretch, I am especially grateful to the planning committee for all their hard work for the past several months. The Planning Committee will be calling on the Knights of the Council to provide additional help and support as we work to get the remaining tickets sold, to help setup the hall, prepare and serve the luncheon, and to clean up afterward. I look forward to a strong effort as we close in on this important event to strengthen our resolve to work to protect the lives of the most vulnerable.

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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Joe Gallegos	Community and Health 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
Don Wieber / Jay Wildgen	Food Buyer / Inventory
Kirby Mathews	It's About Life Chairman

it's about life conference

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. As we close in on February 25th, our extraordinary slate of speakers, including Bishop Tyson, has tickets sales picking up so if you haven't already done so, please go online to get your tickets or contact Ben St. Hilaire at 509-308-2585, Kirby Mathews at 509-628-7716, or myself to get your tickets now!

insurance

As you know, for the Council to achieve Star Council for this fraternal year, we must meet various targets assigned by the Supreme Council. One of those targets is 7 new insurance members. If you are not an insurance member, you should strongly consider it. The fraternal year is over half completed and we are performing as Insurance Agent Michael Wise had feared as we have no new insurance members as yet. You might recall that he had advised us early in the year to be more proactive in meeting our

Insurance Member goals so that we don't end up in a scramble at the end of the year. Unfortunately, that seems to be where we're headed. We are working hard toward our other goals to achieve Star Council and it would be unfortunate if the insurance goal is the one that holds us up. Therefore, since there is now a sense of urgency please set up a time to meet with Michael at your earliest opportunity. He is available to meet with you at your convenience. (Cell 509-308-5150 or email at Michael.Wise@kofc.org).

sanctity of marriage

The state legislature is in the process of redefining marriage, departing from the current definition of marriage being between one man and one woman. As it looks now, they have the votes they need in both chambers to radically redefine marriage. Our next step will be to help in any way we can to get an initiative on the ballot in the next election. In the meantime all Knights and their friends and families should continue to contact their respective State Representatives by calling 1-800-562-6000 during normal working hours to let them know what you think about these issues. More information is available at www.fpiw.org.

4th degree exemplification

Our council will be hosting the next 4th Degree Exemplification at Dillon Hall on March 17th. This is an excellent opportunity for anyone who has not yet received their 4th Degree to do so at our own Parish. 3rd Degree Knights who have been members for at least 6 months are eligible to receive their 4th Degree. Contact Brother Karl Hadley at karlkyle@earthlink.net or 509-531-4898 for more details or to submit a Form 1.



good of the order

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

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

msgr. dillon's birthday celebration



Our esteemed Council Chaplain, Msgr. Dillon, celebrated his 97th birthday on January 29th in Dillon Hall with the help of Bishop Tyson and over 300 people in attendance. We cannot overstate the importance that this fine Priest is to our Council, our Church, and our Country! We are a most fortunate Council to have him as our Chaplain as we cherish his foresight, commitment, and blessings that he bestows on us every day.

family of the month

The family of the month for January is the Jeff and Imelda Jewell family. Jeff had his encore Deputy Grand Knight 1st Degree performance where he did an exemplary job on only his second time out. But, his family is expressly thanked for their help and support in setting up Dillon Hall for Msgr. Dillon's 97th birthday party. They all jumped in and helped set up tables and chairs and place tablecloths on all the tables. The Council is deeply appreciative of Jeff and his family for all that they do for us. They can be counted on to answer the call when needs arise. Many thanks to the Jewell Family!

knight of the month

Fr. John Vogl is our Knight of the Month for January. Fr. John, our Associate Council Chaplain, informed and inspired the congregation during his homilies to reject the redefinition of marriage activities going on in Olympia. He expertly showed sensitivity while delineating the teachings of the Catholic Church on marriage. Fr. John, you are an inspiration to all of us through your example of strength in "walking the talk." Thank you Fr. John, for all you do!

attendance drawing

David Haren, a regular Business Meeting attendee, had his name drawn but he was not present to win \$50 on January 9th! I remind you that the odds are better than the lottery! It pays to attend our Business Meetings!

WEBSITE

Our website was recently refreshed and replatformed, Please refer to it at www.kofc8179.org. The regularly updated calendar and activity information are key to the success of the Council. If anyone is interested, the Council calendar is now available real-time for your iPhone or Android phone. Contact me if you need help in setting it up.

Also of importance is a new feature for on-line signups for the various events that we plan each month. Signups available now include the upcoming Car Moves on 15 and 20 February as well as the various support help options for the upcoming *It's About Life Conference*.

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 know.

Also of interest is the Assembly 2258, 4th Degree website at www.kofc2258.org which was also recently refreshed.

newsletter topics

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

breakfasts

Our next breakfast is February 12th where the proceeds will go the Central Washington University Campus Ministries to help defray their expenses for a mission trip to Tijuana where they will:

- Build a house or finish building a house started by another group

- Make a pilgrimage to the border between the US and Mexico
- Listen to a talk about what the border symbolizes
- Visit a facility where men caught crossing the border are helped
- Visit clinics for AIDS patients
- Have a nightly small group reflection on the day's experience

As the group is double-booked on the 12th, they will not be able to bring as many students to help out so Knights will be needed to staff this breakfast. Stay tuned to Brother George Nuxoll's phonevite message. As those who regularly help can attest, the breakfasts are incredibly enjoyable opportunities for fraternalism and getting to know your Brother Knights better. *Please, please* join in and help during one of the 3 shifts throughout the day. We look forward to seeing you there!

important upcoming events

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

february

- 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd – 7 pm – It's About Life Planning Meetings – New Church conference room or as announced
- 6th – Officers Meeting – 7:30 Chapel Basement
- 9th – Life Dynamics at Dick Gilmore's house
- 10th – Hispanic La Elegante Valentine Party – 6pm Dillon Hall
- 12th – 6am to 2pm- Campus Ministries Benefit Breakfast, Dillon Hall
- 13th – Business Meeting – 7:30 Chapel Basement
- 13th – Spanish Language Roundtable, Old Church Basement Day Care Room – Contact Deacon Jose Cortez
- 15th – Car Move – 8:30 am Pasco Auto Plex
- 15th – 4th Degree Exemplification Planning Meeting – 7pm Holy Spirit Hall
- 18th – District Free Throw Championship – 9am Tri-Cities Prep Gym
- 20th – Foundation of Christian Faith and Culture – 7:15 – Msgr Dillon's House
- 20th – 6:30 pm, District Deputy Meeting – Holy Spirit Hall
- 20th – Car Move – 5:30 pm Pasco Auto Plex
- 21st – Blood Drive – 12-5 pm Dillon Hall
- 24th – 6pm – It's About Life Meet and Greet Dinner, Holy Spirit Hall
- 25th – 10 am – It's About Life Conference, Dillon Hall
- 25th – 3rd Degree, Clarkson and Wenatchee
- 26th – 7:00 pm – 4th Sunday KC Mass
- 27th – 7:30 pm – Social Meeting, Chapel Basement
- 28th – 7:00 pm – Parish Council Meeting, Conference Room
- 29nd – 7:30 pm, 4th Degree Business Meeting – Pasco KC Hall

march

- 2nd – Fish Fry, 5-7 pm Dillon Hall
- 3rd – 4th Degree District Meeting - Sammamish
- 3rd – Regional Free Throw Championship – 10 am Tri-Cities Prep Gym
- 5th – 7:30 pm – Officers Meeting – Chapel Basement
- 8th – Life Dynamics at Dick Gilmore's house
- 11th – 6 am to 2 pm- KC Breakfast for Leukemia/Lymphoma Society, Dillon Hall
- 11th – 12-4 pm 2nd/3rd Degree – Walla Walla KC Hall
- 12th – Business Meeting – 7:30 Chapel Basement
- 12th – Spanish Language Roundtable, Chapel Basement Day Care Room – Contact Deacon Jose Cortez
- 16th – Fish Fry and Clergy Appreciation, 5-7 pm Dillon Hall
- 16th – Setup Dillon Hall for 4th Degree Exemplification – 7 pm
- 16th – 17th – Membership Blitz- After all Masses
- 17th – 4th Degree Exemplification – 2pm Dillon Hall
- 19th – 6:30 pm, District Deputy Meeting
- 19th – Foundation of Christian Faith and Culture – 7:15 – Msgr Dillon's House
- 21st – Ash Wednesday
- 22nd – KC Soup Night – 5pm Dillon Hall
- 25th – 7:00 pm – 4th Sunday KC Mass
- 26th – 7:30 pm – 1st Degree, Old Church Basement
- 27th – 7:00 pm – Parish Council Meeting, Conference Room
- 28th – 7:30 pm, 4th Degree Business Meeting
- 30th – Fish Fry, 5-7 pm Dillon Hall
- 31st – Lead Like Jesus Seminar w/ Owen Phelps – Dillon Hall