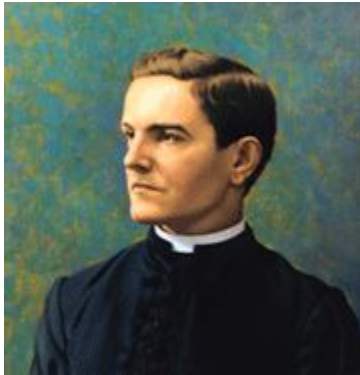


**THE 7<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT'S  
FEBRUARY, 2011 – NEWSLETTER  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

*STARTING HERE – STARTING NOW – A BOLD NEW BEGINNING*

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District 7  
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**WE ARE ONE!**

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District 7 is focused on Faith, Community, Family, Youth & Fellowship  
*Knights of Columbus are dedicated to Charity, Unity, Fraternity & Patriotism.*

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Marcel Bergeron & JP Kent - Chairman – “Holy Bowl”- 509-627-5664 & 509-629-7370

### DISTRICT 7’S WEBSITE

<http://www.rc.net/washington/kofcd7>

Marcel Bergeron – Web Master –509-627-5664 - marcelbergeron24@yahoo.com



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I HAVE A SAFE & HAPPY NEW YEAR |""";...\_\_\_\_.  
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2011 is HERE!!!... keep the truck rollin

ACCEPT  
SUCCESS &  
NOTHING LESS

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



*“The Chaplain’s Corner” is a monthly forum for a Pastor from one of the 6 Councils within District 7 or any religious by invitation of the Newsletter, to pass any message That they wish on to our readers.*  
Steve Snell DD7

## NOW THAT CHRISTMAS IS PAST

After the Advent and Christmas seasons, has Jesus Christ been born in you? Has he taken flesh and blood in you? Can people recognize Him clearly in you?

For God to have concrete flesh and power in the world and for us to have faith in God a certain pattern must occur. Mary models the paradigm for us, the paradigm of God taking on actual flesh in the world.

How did Mary give human birth to the Son of God? I see four steps in the process: (1) Mary was impregnated by the Holy Spirit; (2) Jesus grew within Mary’s womb; (3) Mary experienced the pangs of giving birth; and (4) she nurtured an infant to adulthood. Let’s take a look at each step:

(1) Mary pondered the word of God until she became pregnant with it. She became pregnant from the Holy Spirit, not from a human father. She so completely immersed herself in the word of God that the Word became flesh in her by the power of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit caused the word to become a living person within her: Jesus, God and man.

(2) Jesus began to grow within Mary’s womb; He takes his humanity from her in a pregnancy like others, with the joyful expectancy, the nausea, the discomfort, and eventually the push to be born.

- (3) The pangs of childbirth came as Mary gave birth, gave to the outside world the child she has lovingly gestated within her. Mary gives Jesus to the world so He can redeem us.
- (4) Then Mary had a baby, not an adult. Nevertheless, what Mary ultimately gave to the world was the adult Christ. Like all good mothers, after the baby was born, she had to spend years nursing, nurturing, coaxing her child to adulthood.

Our task is not just admiration; it is imitation. Mary shows us the pattern of how the incarnation is to continue, how God is to take flesh in this world. That pattern remains the same. We must ponder God's word until we become pregnant with the Word made flesh and with the fruit of the Spirit's action—love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, faith, gentleness, fidelity and chastity. Then we must let Jesus be formed and grow and develop more and more within us, even with some morning sickness at times. Whenever the time is right we give Jesus to the world as Mary did, a mature adult who comes to save us, comes as one of us to love us through dying into life.

Was Jesus Christ born more completely in you this past Christmas season? Is He growing in you now? Will you give Him to the world, YOUR world?

“Whoever does the will of God is brother and sister and mother to me.”  
(Mark 3:35)

We can mother Jesus Christ and give Him to our world as Mary did.

**Fr. Perron Joseph Auve, Holy Spirit Parish**

**Chaplin -- Council # 10653 Kennewick**

# US MARINE

*(My little girl)*

I am a daughter ...I am a sister to my brothers. I am a true friend...I am strong. I am determined...I am adored...I am a "steel magnolia"...I shoot weapons and I can also wear high heels. I am focused, rambunctious and most truly, **I am a US Marine ...** I love my title and. I live to the max of what each day contains...I love challenges and I love the tough ones... I'm glad to be alive; I'm trained by the best to survive.... I make sacrifices with objectives behind them...I live life to the fullest and no body will every hold me back...I am training to be the best and I am trained to destroy and defend. **I serve my God and country as a United States Marine.** I live each day fearlessly as if it's my own. I will forever remain true.... as I am and will be forever a woman. **SEMPER FI TILL I DIE!**

*For almost a century, the Knights of Columbus, the world's largest Roman Catholic fraternal service organization with over 1.8 million members, has walked hand in hand with the men and women of the United States Armed Forces. Since before World War I, the Knights have provided for the spiritual and temporal well being of our servicemen and women, and that work has continued into the 21st century.*

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**GOD BLESS OUR  
MEN AND WOMEN  
IN THE ARMED  
FORCES.**

**DISTRICT 7  
SALUTES  
YOU AND SAYS  
"THANK YOU!"**



## **DISTRICT 7 FREE-THROW COMPETITION**

**District 7 is set for Sunday February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011 for the Free Throw  
Competition at Tri-Cities Prep located at 9612 St. Thomas Dr.,  
In Pasco, WA - Registration @ 12:30pm and competition  
To start @ 1pm**

### **Contact information:**

**Steve Snell - District Deputy # 7 – Phone: 509-386-3462  
Dennis J. Samson – Chairman of Competition- 509-269-4230  
Tri-Cities Prep Phone: 509-546-2465 Fax: 509-546-2490**

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## **REGIONAL FREE THROW COMPETITION**

**MARCH 6, 2011**

**LOCATION WILL BE AT TRI-CITIES PREP**

**LOCATED AT 9612 ST. THOMAS DR. IN PASCO, WA**

**REGISTRATION @ 1:00 PM**

**COMPETITION TO START @ 1:30 PM**

### **Contact information:**

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**“State Competition—March 26th Yakima!”**

## REPORT ON THE REGIONAL MEETING

**Yakima - 01-09-11: 2011:** The Washington State Council of the Knights of Columbus Southeast Regional Meeting was held here today with representatives from Districts – 6, 7, 10, 33, 22, 30, 18, & 17 and over 20 Councils from the four Districts of the Mid & Southeastern sections of the State. Led by our State Deputy, a bevy of State Officers, six District Deputies, two insurance agents and a handful of State Program Chairmen, they laid out a program that offered and encouraged innovation, collaboration and transformation. The State luminaries re-energized all present by throwing light on the path leading to the promise of a positive thriving future for the Knights of Columbus in our State.

On the agenda were some new ideas along with some time tested reliable approaches crafted to help the Order focus itself and become more structured in an effort to help us achieve our vision for a vital, sustainable future.

One of the keys to success is the innovation and commitment that lives in our Districts and our Order, this is our lifeblood, we see it every day in the work of our State Officers, our Grand Knight's, and our Brother Knights in the Districts across the State. In Yakima we asked our Councils to draw upon that spirit of innovation and to put forward their best efforts to become the force for bold successful leadership we want and need in order to meet our goals during the remainder of our fiscal year

Truly, 2011 begins with much strategic work that bears on the future of not only our District, but of our Order in general. Yes, these may be times that challenge us. But thanks to the bold leadership of our State officers and the strength of our councils, our membership is equipped for, **“success and nothing less!!!”**

**To the State Officers I salute you.**

**To the Brother Knights of Washington's Councils, We are One!**

**STEVE SNELL DD 7**



### **WALKING WITH JESUS**

I wish we all could have spent some time on the road in Galilee with Jesus, we would have enjoyed sitting around a fire at night listening to him, just to be there in his circle. To watch him stir the fire by prodding at it with his staff sending the flames into the darkened night sky, the flicker of the fire light highlights his face as he effortlessly draws forth parables that are models of brevity, clarity, and force, laced with insightful truth and compassion, teaching that there is a deeper reason in things, a reason that is good, a reason which is God. The Son of God sitting by the healing quiet of a campfire at night surrounded by his apostles. Someday, someday my friends, we'll be there. **Steve Snell DD 7**

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E.B. White wrote a little essay called "Getting along with women". He ended with this - - *Twilight is setting down on the city, and with it comes the infinitely alluring prospect of going forth to meet a pretty woman, and of not making the slightest effort to get along with her, and of succeeding!*

**"Been there, done that!"**

## **UPCOMING 4<sup>TH</sup> DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATIONS:**

**March 19, 2011**

**Yakima** - 5315 Tieton Drive, Yakima, WA 98908

Host - Fr. Joseph Caruan Assembly 1171

Faithful Navigator - Bret Fleming, phone 509-697-5130

Degree Team - Eastern Washington

Honoree – Bishop Carlos A. Sevilla, SJ

Degree requirement - 1st degree on or before September 18, 2010

2nd and 3rd degree supporting schedules - October 16, 2010, in Yakima,  
November 21, 2010, in Kennewick, February 26, 2011, in Wenatchee, and  
March 13, 2011, in Walla Walla

**June 11, 2011**

**Spokane** – St John Vianney Parish, 503 N Walnut Road,  
Spokane Valley, WA 99206

Host - John J Mertens Assembly 2414

Faithful Navigator - Ed Schiffner, phone 509-928-3525

Degree Team - Eastern Washington

Honoree – Thomas J. Sokol

Degree requirement - 1st degree on or before December 10, 2010

2nd and 3rd degree supporting schedules - October 16, 2010, in Yakima, October  
24, 2010, in Spokane, November 21, 2010, in Kennewick, February 26, 2011, in  
Wenatchee, March 13, 2011, in Walla Walla, March 19, 2011, in Colbert,  
April 30, 2011, in Colton, and June 4, 2011, in Spokane

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### **BUILD BRIDGES**

In this New Year lets consider becoming bridge builders along with other people of faith, for the many Protestants desiring to reunify with Rome. The 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Protestant Reformation is 2017 – that’s just six years away. As Knights and Catholics we are charged with reaching out through evangelization, if we adapt the same attitude and live our faith with the same fire in the belly conviction as the apostles, it’s possible that we could see a major re-evaluation by many Protestants about Catholicism. Brothers “lets man up” and go fishing for men, Paul and his brother apostles left their footprints, **let’s follow them!**

## **VERSE**

*(You know a newsletter is cultured when  
It hangs a poem or two on the page.)*

**(~)**

*There was a young thing from old Natchez  
Whose garments were always in patches.  
When comment arose  
On the state of her cloths,  
She drawled, When Ah itches, Ah scratches!*

**(?)**

*YOU BUY SOME FLOWERS FOR YOUR TABLE:  
YOU TEND THEM TENDERLY AS YOUR ABLE:  
YOU FETCH THEM WATER FROM HITHER AND THITHER  
WHAT THANKS DO YOU GET FOR IT ALL? THEY WITHER.*

**(@)**

The day began with dismal doubt  
A stubborn thing to put to rout;  
But all my worries flew away  
When someone smiled at me today.

**(#)**

*Rudy Felsh  
Knows how to belch  
Better than anyone ever did  
Margo says that Rudy Felsh  
Is a nasty vulgar kid.  
Someday he will go to hell  
Or jail or Canada, but now  
Every night I pray that first  
Rudy Felsh will show me how.*

## “THE GUY WITH THE GUY”

In 2011 bring me your tired curmudgeons, your unashamed pessimists yearning to just say no – to any and all social change – lets see what happens when an opportunity to help people in need, people with faces and lives at risk come knocking on their comfort zone. *Let them look into the eyes of a young mother and her baby in need, its tough to admit that their hard won grumpiness can't withstand the plea for help from God's weakest.* It is even harder to resist an **invitation** to join in providing a helping and protective hand from a group of extraordinary men who care and respond to that plea with treasure and thousands of hours of community service, **these men are called Knights**. They have for generations won over the curmudgeons with a hands-on practicality of addressing the needs of their fellow man and putting together programs designed to promote the value of service and cooperation between men of goodwill and genuinely heartfelt concern for all of God's children.

Faith drives the Knight's engines, faith in their God, faith in their family, and faith in their fellow man and the dignity of the gift of life. I've never seen the Knights back down from any challenge to the rights and dignity of God's creations, they are truly a “band of brothers” united in faith. **No one man stands alone in our Order**. I once heard a Brother Knight challenged by a “tired curmudgeon” who asked if he was still the guy, “saving the world from all the wrongs in it?” The Knight reached out and gently touched the man's shoulder and with a smile said, “I'm the guy with the guy.”

**Steve Snell DD 7**

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Never be arrogant.

Don't waste words.

Whiskey or egoism makes you think you're smarter than you are

Always, always make sure you know who has the power

Don't mess with old men, they didn't get old by being stupid.

## **DISTRICTS 7 & 17**

### **SECOND & THIRD DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION, SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 2011**

*In compliance with the Host and Co-Host guide for Ceremonials the following information is provided.*

1. The 2nd and 3rd Degrees are to be held March 13 in Walla Walla at the Walla Walla Council Hall, 124 South 7<sup>th</sup> Ave, (509-525-8688) Walla Walla, WA 99362.

2. Districts involved are 7 and 17, with District 7 as Host

3. The Degree is scheduled to begin at 1:00 pm and candidates Should arrive for registration between 12:30 & 12:45 PM. No candidates will be allowed on the property Prior to 12:30 PM. The Degrees should be completed By 5:00 PM. (Times are approximate).

4. Refreshments will be served after the Degrees are concluded.

#### **5. Honoree for the 2<sup>nd</sup> degree**

Frank Locati PGK, Walla Walla Council # 766

#### **Honoree for the 3<sup>rd</sup> degree**

David Venneri PGK, Walla Walla Council #766

6. The HDD is: Steve Snell, 907 Woodlawn, Walla Walla, WA 99362, (509) 525-4534, curbstone@charter.net

7. The CO is: Karl Hadley, 386 McNary Ridge Rd., Burbank, WA, 99323 (509) 542-1338, karlkyle@earthlink.net

8. ADD is Marcel Bergeron, 106 Willowbrook Pl, Richland, WA 99352-8705, (509) 627-5664 marcelbergeron24@yahoo.com

9. The Host Grand Knight is: Paul Gerola,  
(509) 526-0328 gerola@charter.net

**Important Details;**

**All members must present current membership cards**

**2nd Degree starts at 1pm**

**3rd Degree immediately following**

**Refreshments will be served after the exemplification**

**Please e-mail your list of candidates to curbstone@charter.net**

**By 3/06/11 or call 509-386-3462**

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**WHEN TO START CUSSING!** A 6 year old and a 4 year old are upstairs in their bedroom. The 6 year old asks, "You know what? I think it's about time we started cussing." The 4 year old nods his head in approval. The 6 year old continues, "When we go downstairs for breakfast, I'm gonna say something with hell and you say something with ass." The 4 year old agrees with enthusiasm. When the mother walks into the kitchen and asks the 6 year old what he wants for breakfast, he replies, "Aw, hell, Mom, I guess I'll have some Cheerios. **WHACK!** He flies out of his chair, tumbles across the kitchen floor, gets up, and runs upstairs crying his eyes out, with his mother in hot pursuit, slapping his rear with every step. His mom locks him in his room and shouts, "You can stay there until I let you out!" She then comes back downstairs, looks at the 4 year old and asks with a stern voice, "And what do **YOU** want for breakfast, young man?" "I don't know," he blubbers, "but you can bet your ass it won't be Cheerios!"

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**STAR COUNCIL & STAR DISTRICT  
MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

**MAJOR EFFORT NEEDED IN THIS AREA!!!**

Our Districts should have a growth plan for the next five months:

**Every Council Active**

New First Degree Pilot -- Allowed to read the degree - Every council should  
Try it --especially if they have never done one.

**Every Council to hold a degree a month through the end of the year.**

Encouraging councils to strive for Star Council Districts - should plan there  
Way to Star District, Work with Field Agents to plan goals for next five months.

J. Michael Durbin  
Senior Vice President Membership Growth  
Knights of Columbus

*(Important words from the Supreme Membership Growth Office. Please note the  
last paragraph. I have asked each council to bring in a minimum of one new  
member per month for the next six months, and each district three or four new  
members per month. Make it Happen.)*

*John Wallace SD*

*St Joseph:*

*Pray for us.*



**Psst, Worthy SD,**

**WE ARE GOING FOR IT!!!!!!**

**THE COUNCILS OF DISTRICT 7!!!!!!**

**January 21 – 23, 2011**

**Father Michael Maher, SJ**

Sponsored by Richland  
Council # 3307  
G K - Mikhail Alnajjar

## **Family Life and Prayer in the Modern World**

Our family lives are often distracted by the events that come in to sidetrack us from what is important, and before we know it, valuable time is lost from the most important thing: saving our souls together.

Father Michael Maher, SJ, an experienced Knights of Columbus chaplain, is conducting a retreat open to all Knights of Columbus from the Northwest, and their families. The retreat will explore the journey of conversion to God in our daily lives through the practice of attendance at the sacraments, especially Confession, the Holy Eucharist, and prayer.

Also included in this retreat is daily attendance at Holy Mass, the daily recitation of the Holy Rosary, the Stations of the Cross and a quiet atmosphere of prayer and reflection.

**Cost, including meals and lodging**  
**\$170 per person / Commuters \$100**  
**\$270.00 per couple-double beds/or those with**  
**shared rooms-single beds**  
**Register at (509) 448-1224 or [www.IHRC.net](http://www.IHRC.net)**

Immaculate Heart Retreat Center  
6910 S. Ben Burr Rd.  
Spokane, WA 99223  
(509) 448-122



**ANTHONY WAYNE SAYS,**

### **A glass of wine**

to my friends who enjoy a glass of wine,  
and those who don't and are always  
seen with a bottle of water in their hand.

As Ben Franklin said:  
In wine there is wisdom,  
in beer there is freedom,  
in water there is bacteria.

In a number of carefully controlled trials, Scientists have demonstrated  
that if we drink a liter of water each day,  
at the end of the year we would have absorbed more than 1 kilo of  
Escherichia coli, (E. Coli) - bacteria found in feces.  
In other words, we are consuming 1 kilo of poop.

**However,**  
We do **NOT** run that risk when drinking wine & beer (or tequila, rum,  
whiskey or other liquor) because alcohol has to go through a  
purification process of boiling, filtering and/or fermenting.

Remember:  
Water = Poop,  
Wine = Health

Therefore, it's better to drink wine and talk stupid, Than to drink  
water and be full of...well you know!

## **TIME LINE**

**JANUARY 1** – Council per Capita (\$1.75) and Catholic Advertising (\$.50)

**JANUARY 9** – Regional Meeting – Yakima

**JANUARY 31** --Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (1728)

**JANUARY 31** –Free Throw Championship Competition Report – FT-1

**JANUARY 31** – Special Olympic Report 4584 -= Must be completed regardless of whether your council participated or not.

**FEBRUARY 15** –Semi Annual Audit Report #1295 as of Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>

**MARCH 13 - 2<sup>ND</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> degree Exemplification – Walla Walla, District 7 Host**

**APRIL 1** – Refund Support Vocations Program

**APRIL 10** – Council/Grand Knights Report – copy to District Deputy (electronic copy desired)

### **DUE APRIL 1**

- Pro-Life Essay – Frank & Rosemary Tyson
- Herbert Liebert -- Frank & Rosemary Tyson
- Harry Tucker Award – John Rowley
- Family of the Year – Duane Vincent
- Knight of the Year – John Rowley
- George C. Turk Award – Ed Parazoo SA
- Award Wade S. Walden– Ed Parazoo SA

### **DUE APRIL 15**

- Service Program Awards
- Church Award – Joseph Carson
- Community Award – Marcel P. Bergeron
- Council Award – John Rowley
- Family Award – Duane Vincent
- Youth Award – Bill Smith
- Pro-Life – Frank Tyson

**MAY 13 to 15** – WA. State Convention – Vancouver Hilton

**MAY 31** – Round Table Form 2630 – Supreme and State Deputy

**May 31** – Columbian Award – copy to Supreme and State Deputy/Warden

### **JUNE 30**

- Columbian Award (SP-7) due to Supreme
- Annual Report of K of C Round Table (#2630)

# **Diverse People Shared Goals**

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**PASCO – COUNCIL 1620**

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**RICHLAND – COUNCIL 3307**

*We don't just talk about diversity and family values, we welcome it; we know that they will power our Order to success – through new creative and imaginative ideas. We know that the power of prayer influences everything and everyone we touch.*

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