



Knight Letter



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OCTOBER

6 Wednesday

Lunch Social
Lobby
12:00 noon

9 Saturday

ProLife Mass
Lobby
8:00AM

11 Monday

Officer's Meeting
Council Chambers
6:00PM

Council Meeting
Council Chambers
7:00 pm

13 Wednesday

Board Meeting
Council Chambers
7:00pm
Members are encouraged to attend this meeting.

18 Monday

Frat Night Dinner
Council Chambers
Octoberfest
7:00 pm

25 Monday

1st Degree
Exemplification
Council Chambers

October 2010

Charity • Unity • Fraternity • Patriotism

+++++MEMORIAL MASS+++++

This year's Memorial Mass Honoring our Deceased Brothers and Family members will be held, most appropriately on All Souls Day, Tuesday November 2nd. The Mass will be celebrated by Father John Egan S.J. at 6pm with dinner to follow.

Those we will be remembering are:

Eugene Dolney
Vincent Lawsin
Ralph Hyneman
Hilde Brazelton

John Costa
Sister Elizabeth Joyce
Tom Sifferman
Patrick McGinley

Shirley Guerci
Georgette Logan
Don Loeffler
Carl Anderson Sr.

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Tuesday October 5th our Council will be hosting the State Road Show with State Deputy John Wallace and PSD Pat Maloney from Supreme. All Knights are invited and current council officers are encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Fraternal Night Dinner on October 18th and we will celebrate Octoberfest in style. Don't forget to RSVP by the 15th

Upcoming Events: Mark your Calendars

Theology of the Body Seminar on 10/19, 11/16 & 12/7

Teens ages 15-21 will benefit from this informative seminar for Catholic principles of spiritual development. Cost is \$25.00 per student. More information can be obtained from Sheldon Sweeney at sheldon.sweeney@kofc.org or 425-941-1921

To all 3rd Degree members:

4th Degree Exemplification schedule for 2010/2011.

- A. November 13, 2010 Holy Rosary in Kirkland
- B. February 26, 2011 at Council 763 in Everett
- C. April 9, 2011 at Sacred Heart in Lacey
- D. May 21, 2011 at Holy Family in Auburn

** SAVE THE DATE **

Tuesday November 2nd—Memorial Mass
Monday December 6th—Grand Knight's Christmas Party

Game Day...will depend on which Sunday has the best game.

Members, families and friends are welcome for favorite sports game in Council Chambers.

Free popcorn, pretzels & nuts. Beer and Pop will be sold.
F.S. Israel Romero will Host.

Knights of Columbus
Seattle Council 676
722 East Union Street
Seattle, WA 98122
Monday • Friday
8am — 2pm

Council #676 Officers		K of C Club Officers		
Ben Noma	Grand Knight	Ben Noma	Grand Knight	2009-2010
Henry Jay Rathbun	Deputy Grand Knight	Wesley Duffield PGK	At Large	2009-2012
Tom Joyce	Chancellor	Don Luby PGK	At Large	2008-2011
Bernard Blazuk	Warden	Dirk Bartram	At Large	2007-2010
Phil Philbrick	Recorder	Matt Ulrich	Trustee	2010-2013
Albert Freedman	Treasurer	Alan Bonaci PGK	Trustee	2009-2012
Mike Lombardi	Inside Guard	Joseph Kessler	Trustee	2008-2011
Vacant	Outside Guard			
Eric Oberschmidt PGK	Financial Secretary			
Jerzy Radka	Lecturer	Chaplain	Deacon Roy Harrington	
Sheldon Sweeney	Advocate			
Matt Ulrich	Trustee 2010-2013	Fraternal Benefits Advisor	Sheldon Sweeney	
Alan Bonaci PGK	Trustee 2009-2012			
Joseph Kessler	Trustee 2008-2011	Building Manager	Penny Kessler	

Happy Birthday to Our October Born Brother Knights!

1 Patrick Burns	13 Anthony Corrigan	23 Thomas Joyce
Timothy Kelly	14 Frank Buty	26 Thomas Voiland
Angel Salangad	15 Michael McKay	27 James Alexander
James Skraba	16 Eric Creery	28 Leo Costello
Patrick Smith	17 Kenneth Dobson	30 James Guerci
5 Glen McCann	John Hiltenbrand	Phil Hasenkamp
10 Blake Holman	18 Dennis Kihlstrand	31 Arthur Grunke
11 Richard Bowman	21 Thomas Galioto	Malcolm McKay
Jeff Liebel	22 Steven Altman	Armand Stibre
12 Sergio Acena Jr	Matthew McKay	

You are invited for dinner on Fraternal Night Monday **October 18th** at 7 pm or for lunch on Wednesday **November 3rd** at noon. Included with your Birthday Card will be a Dinner/Lunch ticket good for one meal. Please confirm your reservations at 206 325 3410 so we can have an accurate headcount.

“Kudos to Brother Knight Coach Roman Miller and his featured article in the Catholic NW Progress.”

A Plea From your Grand Knight: Each month our Seattle Council throws away printed copies of the Knight Letter because of unknown addresses and other reasons. Member Knights likewise read and throw away the Knight Letter. The cost to you is large and as your Grand Knight, I request that you sincerely ask yourselves if you need a printed copy. Copies of the Knight Letter are on our website at www.kofc676.org and are archived for the future. Please help us save printing cost. Email Council@kofc676.org to cancel your paper subscription.

Important announcement: All members are encouraged to update their email with Seattle Council 676 by sending an email to Council@kofc676.org. Events can change and timely notices via email will keep you informed including special announcements that missed the deadline for inclusion in the Knight letter.

Round Table volunteers wanted. Contact Grand Knight at council@kofc676.org

We are looking for a computer jockey that will update our website monthly with announcements, calendar pages, uploading the newsletter and other maintenance needed to keep our home page running smooth. Please contact Ben Noma if interested at 206 325 3410 or email council@kofc676.org

Prolife Corner By: Matt Ulrich

40DaysforLife kicked off today (Sep. 22) and 8 different communities in Washington are joining 238 other locations in the U.S. and Canada and Europe in praying for the end to abortion. For the next 40 Days in front of Planned Parenthood centers in Bellingham, Everett, Spokane, the Tri Cities, Olympia, Vancouver, Tacoma, and just down the street at 2001 E. Madison, people with a heart for the pre-born and their mothers will be praying rosary after rosary for both of them, hoping the mother will choose life. These are probably the only prayers that will be said for them as they enter the killing centers of Planned Parenthood. October is designated as Respect for Life month and I'm inviting the members of 676 to join us for Mass and prayer vigil on Oct. 9th at the Knights hall. Mass is at 8:00 a.m. and it would be great for you to see how we set up for Mass with Fr. Egan and car pool down to the abortion mill for rosaries and the Devine Mercy chaplet. We will have a chair waiting for you, so bring the family and join us

Membership growth is everyone's goal

The membership blitz is a tried and true way for councils to increase their numbers. We see these pushes often in March, in celebration of Founder's Day, and again in October. These drives are successful because brother Knights are more visible than normal, during and after Masses and at special events. We remember to ask each and every Catholic gentleman to join our ranks for the good of the Church, community and Order.

At the beginning of the fraternal year, we set our eyes on the goal of achieving the Star Council Award. This means running many successful and varied programs throughout the year and using this activity to spread the word about the Order. This will bring in new members.

Don't forget the strength of our life insurance, long-term care and annuities products is also a selling point of membership. For more than 125 years, our insurance has been "making a difference for life." Our ratings are among the best in the business. For the 16th consecutive year, the Knights of Columbus insurance program has earned Standard & Poor's highest rating, and for the 33rd consecutive year, A.M. Best Company has given us its highest financial strength rating.

I can help not only in explaining to prospects our outstanding insurance products, but also on the many other benefits of becoming a knight. I am happy to be an advocate for the Order and for our council. Even better, I can help you feel more comfortable in making the

As your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, I look forward to helping us grow in fraternity.

Please contact Sheldon Sweeney at 425.941.1921 or shel_sweeney@msn.com with any questions.

Beginning November 1st a fee will be assessed for the use of the gym. \$25.00 per month/per night a week. This motion was passed by the Council at the September 13th Business meeting.

LET US PRAY FOR FAMILY MEMBERS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY:

*August 26th, **Hildegard**, wife of Brother Knight Walter Brazelton, passed away after fighting cancer for several years.*

*August 26th, **Don Loeffler**, father of Karen Donohue, wife of PGK Mike.*

*September 18th, Brother Knights **Pat McGinley**.*

Carl Anderson Sr., father of our Supreme Knight.

PRAYERS ARE NEEDED FOR OUR AILING BROTHERS AND FAMILY:

Dave Cribbs; Betty Norton, wife of George Norton; **Rosie Moriarity; Bob Kessler; John H Schumacher & John M Schumacher; Mac Henderson, Jeff Schumacher; Mike McKay; Robert Blazuk**, son of Bernard & Henryka Blazuk; **PGK Larry Mahoney; GK Brad Peterson** with Council 8311; **Dennis & Kathi Kihlstrand; Edgar Pitre; Leo Costello; Wilma Duffield**, wife of PGK Wes Duffield; **Walter Brazelton.**

Edward M. Dougherty would like to stay on the prayer list. He says the prayers are working.

Earlier this month Seattle Council 676 launched its new website. I invite you to visit the site at www.kofc676.org. There you can browse our events calendar, the Knight Letter, Insurance help and information plus much more. Check it out. I think you will find it very user friendly.

October Reflection from Chaplain Roy Harrington

Summer has just faded into fall as I write these few thoughts to you with great joy and hopefulness. I pray that you all have had a relaxing summer that has re-energized you for service to all of God's holy people, especially those who are most needy among us. This year I challenge my brother Knights to find more ways to contribute to the building up of God's Kingdom on earth because I believe that this can be our greatest gift to those around us.

First, let me share a shining example. Two of our brothers, Dan Donohue and John Heider, have been hard at work much of the summer rebuilding couches that were originally purchased by a generous donor two years ago for the Lazarus Day Center at 2nd and Yesler. The "Laz", as it's called by the hundreds of men and women over the age of 50 who use its services on a daily basis, is run by Catholic Community Services as a day shelter, a safe haven for older people who are homeless in downtown Seattle. John and Dan have given generously of their skills to renovate the internal frames of 14 black leather couches that are the majority of the furniture at the Laz. I simply mentioned it to them as a potential service project and they made it happen. Thank you so much, Dan and John. You exemplify the type of servants that we are all called to be by virtue of our baptisms and our membership in the Knights of Columbus.

In future columns, I will share more opportunities to serve with you but let me share one this month: The St. James' Cathedral Parish and Catholic Community Services operate the Solanus Casey Center at 1008 James Street, just a couple blocks from the Cathedral. Three days per week from 1 to 4 pm, volunteers at the Center provide hospitality and referral services to people in need, many of them homeless and some just coming out of incarceration. They need help with finding lodging, getting new identification, reestablishing financial support, etc. The Center could operate more hours per week if they had additional help. The coordinator at Solanus Case Center is John Uusitalo who would like new volunteers to commit to working there 4 hours per week for 6 months to a year. If this appeals to you, please give John a call at 206-223-0907 or email him at johnu@ccsww.org

We in Council 676 are blessed with many gifts. Let's all strive to find new ways to share our gifts with those in need in our community. Blessings to you all.

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