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GRAND KNIGHT'S LETTER

Greetings Brother Knights of Council 8150,

I wanted to let you know that I appreciate all of your efforts. As you know, it takes many hands to put our various functions together and to ensure its success. Be it a breakfast, a bingo event, or something else. These events do not manage themselves, no matter how we wish they would or how we may wish they operated themselves. The reality is, hard work spread across many backs and hands is required to put an event together and have it run smoothly and successfully. To those of you who consistently volunteer your time, your efforts are greatly appreciated and I thank you mightily.

If you think you cannot help with an event, I challenge you to rethink and even pray about it. When many participate, the load is shared and balanced across the group and no one person is expected to do everything. Even 30 minutes spent taking out the garbage or putting some cleaned dishes away or drafting up a banner or newsletter article will contribute to the success of our endeavors. So, again I challenge you to carve out 30 minutes from your busy life and donate it to one of the many projects or events sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 8150. Just ask, what needs to be done. Just show up at one of the events (beginning with the setup, attending the whole thing, or at the end during the cleanup) and lend a hand. It will be worth your while.

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Many thanks, to the Kapule and Palea families for managing and running the Lenten Fish Fry. Thank you to all those who helped during the Lenten Fish Fry by setting up, taking orders and serving those of us at the tables. Please make sure you let these brothers and their families know how much you appreciate their efforts. The surest way to do so would be to bring one or more extra guests with you this next Friday or to any of the remaining Lenten Fish Fry Fridays (say that 10 times fast). By enthusiastically welcoming more people to this event we will show others how proud we are of this event and how much we appreciate the hard work that goes into this event. In addition, we demonstrate our love for our Lord and His Church Community as well as pride at being a member of the Knights of Columbus.

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As Knights of Columbus members we are challenged to care for our brothers and sisters in this world.

We are "Saving Lives and Changing Lives" in all that we do as brother Knights.

We do so because it is how we can pay, in some way, our debt to Jesus for all He did for us by dying on the cross. We are able to demonstrate the love of Jesus for others by our efforts. When we donate our time, talent and treasure to causes and events that enable our Council to provide for the Church, we all contribute to this endeavor. Every hour we provide helping run an event, set up tables, serve a meal, pour coffee, wash a dish, cook a meal, etc. enables the council to leverage that effort and maximize the proceeds generated. From these proceeds, our Council will be able to provide things for our local Church Community and support our selected charities and sponsor seminarians.

We will all, as brother Knights, walk the walk and our actions will loudly proclaim that we are fulfilling our mission of "Saving Lives and Changing Lives."

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One of the focused themes in Father Vince's homilies has been the willingness to live and act by the Will of God. As Father Vince has stated, we may not know what the Will of God is for our lives, especially for every moment of each day. We can pretty much figure out what is not the Will of God. When we take time out of our busy schedule and pray the Rosary or the Our Father, if we listen closely enough, God may whisper instructions to us. He may touch our heart and stir in us a desire to be His hands or provide a service of some kind for someone else. Let's focus on doing God's Will and living for Him.

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I am also reminding everyone that we need some newsletter support. I am asking someone or multiple individuals to step forward and assist in the electronic compilation and dissemination of the newsletter. In addition we need someone to print out copies and mail them to those brother Knights who do not receive email.

Vivat Jesus, Chet Johnson

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S LETTER

Brother Knights

We have begun the season of Lent. It is during this time that we evaluate our own lives and see if we are truly following in the footsteps of Jesus. We are reminded during Lent of the Sacrifices of Jesus Christ for us. How are we as Knights doing his works?

We have all heard at one time or another that 'I need to spend more time with my Family.' I can truly relate to this. However there is a way for you to participate in the works of the Knights and spend time with your family. Some Knights are already doing this! Maybe it is time for a shift in our thinking. Why can't the Knights bring you closer together as a family? Have you considered inviting your family members to help in the next Knight's function? I have, over the past several years, invited my wife and daughter to help out and they have happily agreed. We spend quality time together working at a charitable event to benefit others. I say the Knights should bring our family closer together and not cause them to spend more time apart.

I am very proud of all the councils in our district. There have been so many wonderful things happening at each council over the past few months. It is hard to believe we are already looking towards our State Convention on May 13-15, 2011 in Vancouver WA. It is time to think about honoring those in our council who have performed above and beyond in each of the council service areas. It is also time to start thinking about the Slate of officers for next year. Our councils are only as strong as its members. No one does this job alone. We need men to step up and take on the roles of organizers; if you are attending meetings you are already involved. Take a chance, be bold take on a role as an officer or program director. Your new ideas and fresh thoughts are needed and encouraged. Think about what a difference you can make for your council and for our Order. You will be happy you did. **If not you then who and if not now when??**

Keep up all of your good works. Make an effort to ask 3 men to join the Knights one of them should say yes and if not ask 3 more. Have a blessed Lenten Season.

In Faith,
Larry Frampton
District Deputy 27

Editor's report

There is a challenge for the Knights of Council 8150 to continue the newsletter; this is the last newsletter that this editor will be able to issue because of travel plans. It has been an interesting 5 years that I have edited the newsletter and it is time that another Knight has the opportunity to be the reporter for the council. The job involves being aware of and going to the functions of the council and writing about them. The Grand Knight is still looking for a new editor for the newsletter so someone among you will need to step up to this challenge if the newsletter is to continue. I have had a ball at this job but I've been ready to move on for over a year now. Due to travel, I'm away too much to accurately report on the council's activities in a knowledgeable manner.

HOME Program Support

During the month of February, Holy Spirit Parish hosted the HOME program that provides shelter for the homeless men of Kent. On the 22nd of February, the Knights of this council made dinner and the next day's lunch for the men. They served 25 dinners to the HOME men and their menu for dinner was:

Vinnie O.	Dogs and buns
Jim S.	World famous Beans
Rod K.	Chili
Phil R.	Cheese and Onions (WOW they were strong)
Ben P.	Juice
Clyde S.	Fruit
Bob B. and Rob U.	Supervisors (helpers?)

When you see these Knights remember to thank them for their efforts for charity.
It was reported the men totally enjoyed the meal.

MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND OUR ST PATRICK'S DAY DINNER ON SATURDAY MAR 19

Tickets are on sale now - \$15 per person

Washington State KofC Newsletter

This newsletter gives you the view from the top of the events and plans for the State. You can read the State of Washington Newsletter on line. It comes out before mid-month each month and the current one can found at: <http://www.kof-wa.org/Bulletins/2011/mar.pdf>. Other months and years will be at same address with the month /year changed as appropriate.

State Convention

At the March 8 Council meeting we voted on who will be our delegates for the convention to be held in Vancouver, Washington on May 13-15. The delegates are Chester Johnson, GK and Phillip Rudolph, DGK. First alternate is Rob Ugarte and second alternate is John Woomer.

Relief for White Swan

Sister Tina and the Teen Program implemented a drive to get relief donations for the White Swan citizens who were whipped out by a disastrous fire in February. On Friday, March 4th, 15 Knights were asked to help load the relief food and clothes. Thirteen of the Knights asked were there Saturday morning to load the relief goods. Jim Sheffield trailered our offerings over the pass to White Swan. He was accompanied by his son Jim. In the lead car were Phil Rudolph, Sister Tina, Trevor Burns and Carlee Goulet. All members of Holy Spirit Parish should be proud of the support we gave to these disaster victims and a special thanks go to the Knights that helped with the loading of the relief food and clothes.

Fish Fry and Stations of the Cross

Friday Mar 11 was first Friday of Lent. The KofC cooked a Fish dinner for Holy Spirit Parish and then we hosted a Stations of the Cross devotion that was led by Rod Cosgriff. We had about 60 at the fish Fry and about 35 at the Station's of the Cross. The message is for more of the Knights to talk up the Fish Fry Dinners and the Lenten devotion as a great thing to do during Lent.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mar 18 - Friday - #2 Fish Fry - Bring the whole family to the best fish and chips with really good coleslaw in Kent. We also have great clam chowder. 5:00pm to 6:30pm in the Parish Activity Hall. (After dinner you may stay for the Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm in St. Anthony's Chapel)

Mar 19 – Saturday - St. Patrick's Day Dinner Celebration-6:00pm (After 5:00pm Mass) in the Parish Activity Hall - Start planning and talk this event up to your friends and neighbors. You don't have to be Catholic or IRISH! Tickets are on sale now at \$15 per person. Talk up this event with your family and friends. This is less than a dinner out. Let's pack the hall for this dinner.

Mar 22 – Tuesday - Council Meeting at 7:30pm

Mar 25 - Friday - #3 Fish Fry - Bring the whole family to the best fish and chips with creamy coleslaw in Kent. We also have terrific clam chowder. 5:00pm to 6:30pm in the Parish Activity Hall. (After dinner you may stay for the Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm in St. Anthony's Chapel)

Apr 1 - Friday - #4 Fish Fry - Bring the whole family to the best fish and chips and terrific coleslaw in Kent. We also have excellent clam chowder. 5:00pm to 6:30pm in the Parish Activity Hall. (After dinner you may stay for the Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm in St. Anthony's Chapel)

Apr 8 - Friday - #5 Fish Fry - Bring the whole family to the best fish and chips and outstanding coleslaw in Kent. We also have incredible clam chowder. 5:00pm to 6:30pm in the Parish Activity Hall. (After dinner you may stay for the Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm in St. Anthony's Chapel)

Apr10 – Sunday - Breakfast/Brunch will be served from 9:00am until Noon in the Parish Activity Hall.

Apr 12 – Tue - Council Meeting 7:00pm – Rosary - 7:30pm- Meeting

Apr 15 – Friday - #6 Fish Fry - Bring the whole family to the most scrumptious fish and chips and sublime coleslaw in Kent. We also have exquisite clam chowder. 5:00pm to 6:30pm in the Parish Activity Hall. This is your last chance this year for the great fish and community get together. (After dinner you may stay for the Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm in St. Anthony's Chapel)

Apr 18 - Blood Drive

Apr 22 - Good Friday

HAPPY EASTER!

Apr 26 – Tue - Council Meeting 7:00PM

Apr TBD – Saturday - Family Bingo Night - Sponsored by KofC - 6:30pm in the Parish Activity Hall

May 8- Sun-Mothers Day Breakfast/Brunch --Served from 9:00am until Noon in the Parish Activity Hall.

May10 - Tue - Council Meeting 7:00pm- Rosary---7:30pm- Meeting

May 13-15-Fri-Sun-Washington State KofC Convention

May24- Tue - Council Meeting 7:00PM

May 27-Knights Night- Talk this up, plan ahead. This is for males 18 and older.

CELEBRATION OF BIRTHDAY “MILESTONES”

March Birthdays

Mar 2 Alex Fernandes
Mar 7 Darrell Ehlers
Mar 9 Floyd Tudor
Mar 16 Joseph Auvaa
Mar 16 Thomas Walker
Mar 31 Philip Bailey

Mar 4 Alfred Fettig
Mar 7 Joe Siemens
Mar 13 Maurice Kinzler
Mar 16 Benjamin Peralta
Mar 23 Romeo Pattuinan

April Birthdays

Apr 4 Dennis “Buzz” Arndt
Apr 13 Jerry Mayer
Apr 14 Elmer Dalisky
Apr 18 Joe Booker
Apr 22 Frank Peters
Apr 29 Joseph D’Rosario

Apr 10 Donald Iverson
Apr 13 Mario Zapata
Apr15 Devin Craig
Apr 19 Edgar Herrera
Apr 28 James Meucci

Insurance Agent's Corner

As your Knights of Columbus field agent, I can help you to plan for future income streams which guarantee you and your family minimal or even no taxation. Call me at 206-356-2098 or at Michael.stergios@kofc.org.

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