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Brother Knights,

Father Jim has requested that the Knights of Columbus pray for religious Vocations @ St. Joseph Adoration Chapel one or more hours per week.

We have designated Sunday AM hours of 1AM, 2AM or 3AM on April 3rd, 10th, 17th, and 24th. Please call Tom Hruska at 561-5548 or e-mail hruska@wwdb.org to sign up for one or more of the above hours.

Thank You. God bless you and your family,
Tom Hruska

Ladies of The Knights of Columbus

Barbara Washburn is compiling a contact list for Knight's Ladies.

She can be reached by phone at (360) 943-1992, or email: Sonnenblumen1962@cs.com

Attention All Knights

We are trying to price our Hall competitive with the local market. If you have any information on meeting halls in the area, prices, or contacts, please call Tom Brignole at 360-753-9785, or email at

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Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights, we began the Spring 40 Day for Life Campaign with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament with Fr. Pat at a Kick off Meeting at Sacred Heart Church on Tuesday March 8th. Our campaign officially began on Ash Wednesday March 9th.



The Squire program officially began with the investiture of 10 young men into the program on March 12, 2011., The investiture team of 5 young men and 2 adults travelled from north of Seattle spending the whole day on this event and we thank them. The color core was also present and the young men were dressed in their Sunday attire. The ceremony was wonderful and the new Squires were excited. Tom Pursley began the wheels rolling on this new venture nearly 2 years ago and with the help of Jered Boyd and Mike Mallinger the Squires are officially open for business and growing fast as I will mention later.

We celebrated St Patrick's Day with a fantastic Irish dinner of corn beef and cabbage catered once again by our Master Chef Sam Pellegrino. The Irish Dancers performed and we sang many Irish songs. While the attendance was lower than in the past, all those that came had fun. Two days later we celebrated the Feast of St. Joseph with Mass celebrated by Fr. Jim at St. Michael's downtown. After Mass we had the un-veiling of a portrait of Fr. Jim and an elegant display box, the outside of which had a beautiful portrait of a chalice and inside was a collage of photos of memorable moments with Fr. Jim. The display box was built by Ray Grothe and the beautiful portrait and art work on the box were done by David Wickersham. What a talent. The presentation was made by Jeff Smith who did a fantastic job.

This year Mills & Mills Funeral Home & Memorial Park co- sponsored the Saint Joseph Feast along with Pellegrino's Italian Kitchen and the Knights of Columbus Council 1643. Mills and Mills picked up all of the costs associated with this event which will fatten the pot for the charities that

we support. You may recall that Mills & Mills also covered the costs of the calendars for Sacred Heart and St. Michael's this year. A special *THANK YOU* to Mills & Mills & Pellegrino's Italian Kitchen. This year we fed over 600 people and we received \$2,040 in donations. These proceeds will be distributed to St. Vincent DePaul, Thurston County Food Bank, Sacred Heart Outreach and Pregnancy Aid.

The next day we held a combined membership blitz and pancake breakfast at Saint Michael's downtown. Sean Johnson, Jered and his son Luke Boyd as well as Joe Mc Dermott son of Mike spoke at all of the Masses at Saint Michael's downtown and the Westside. Jered, Luke and Joe spoke recruiting for the Squires and Sean for the Knights Dennis Johnson, Sam Pellegrino and Florante Jayme served as our master pancake makers and were supported by many Knight's. Once again many hands made light work for all. The blitz was truly historic – we recruited 6 new Squires, 3 new Knights, got signed applications for 3 transfers and one readmission. We also gave out 9 or 10 applications to interested folks. I guess that you call that SUCCESSFUL!!! What a busy 4 days!

We continue in April with the 40 Day For Life campaign which will end on Palm Sunday, April 17. Don't miss the closing celebration at Saint George on Sunday, April 17. We will have pot-luck lunch and enjoy sharing stories.

The centennial committee is quite active getting ready for fundraisers. We will be selling K of C hats with the centennial info on one side and the 50th anniversary for the Assembly on the other. We will also be selling wine and beer glasses with special etchings for the centennial on them. They are also busy deciphering historical info. We need the old timers to help!

Continue to pray the Rosary and ask Our Blessed Mother to ask her Son to continue to bless our work..

**May God Bless you and yours,
Ron DeGroot, Grand Knight**

FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S MESSAGE

Brother Sir Knights, This past month has proven to be a marathon month for Assembly and Council combined activities. I for one can say I am tired - but truly a *good tired*. The event which has made the most lasting impression on me was the induction of a very special group of young men into our newly formed Squires Circle. Among them were two of my



own sons, Anthony, 16, and Dominic, 12.

Collectively, these young men will be the leaders of our Assembly and Council in years to come and I encourage all Sir Knights to lend them as much support and prayers as possible. I was privileged to be one of the Color Corps members who helped with the ceremonials of the day and I would like to thank Color Corps Commander, Mike Colosi and the rest of his troops for helping to make the day a memorable one for the boys and all the Knights in attendance.

As we rapidly approach the Great Feast of Christ's Resurrection, let us be ever mindful of the tremendous Sacrifice Jesus made for us on Calvary. Are we taking the necessary steps this Lenten Season to follow the Way of the Cross with Him? There is still plenty of opportunity: weekday Mass, Stations of the Cross, 40 Days, a Good Confession, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, etc. Near and dear to my heart is Holy Week - beginning with Palm Sunday through the Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the always most beautiful and uplifting Easter Vigil.

These have been a solemn tradition for me since I was a young altar server at Holy Angels Parish back in Buffalo, New York. I consider these days to be extra special Gifts of Holy Mother Church to benefit our path of salvation. If Holy Week Services have not yet become part of your or your

family's annual traditions, give it a try and I guarantee you will reap the rewards.

For those of you who may not be able to attend at your parish due to work or other conflicts, a full host of Holy Week services are conducted in the Abbey Church at St. Martin's in Lacey. You can get their itinerary by calling 491-4700.

A very Blessed Easter to all.

COMING SOON!

4TH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION Saturday, April 9th at Sacred Heart Church. All Fourth Degree Knights are encouraged to attend in formal attire and regalia if you are a Color Corps member. If you have not already done so, please get your lunch and/or banquet reservation to me via phone: 259-7337 or email: sam@pellegrinoscatering.com no later than Monday April 4th.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE continues through Sunday, April 17th at Planned Parenthood. It's not too late to join any of our 2 hour prayer groups on Wednesdays or any other day of the week.

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday, Sunday April 17th.

Holy Thursday, Thursday April 21st.

Good Friday, Friday April 22nd.

Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil), Saturday April 23rd.

Easter Sunday, Sunday April 24th.

TENTATIVE CORPORATE COMMUNION AND BRUNCH Sunday May 1st, 9:30am Mass at St. Michael Church Downtown with K of C Schola Cantorum.

Sam Pellegrino, Faithful Navigator
St. Francis of Assisi Assembly 1183

FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

The fourth of six Fourth Degree Exemplifications will be held on Saturday, **April 9, 2011**, at **Sacred Heart Parish**, 812 Bowker St SE, **Lacey**, WA 98503-1210
The host assembly is **St. Francis of Assisi Assembly 1183**
The **Faithful Navigator** is **Sam Pellegrino** (360-259-7337)
The **Faithful Comptroller** is **Phil Kelley** (360-459-1499)
The degree team is the Western Washington Fourth Degree Team

EXEMPLIFICATION HONOREE

The honoree for this Fourth Degree Exemplification is **Ed Sauley**

EVENT TIME SCHEDULE

<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION-SACRED HEART PARISH</u>
Registration	12:30 pm - 1:45 pm	Admin. Building, Fellowship Room
Lunch	12:30 pm	Hallen Hall, HH1-4
Exemplification	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Hallen Hall, Multi-Purpose area
Ladies' Program	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Admin. Building, Fellowship Room
Public Knighting/picture taking	4:15 pm	Hallen Hall, Multi-Purpose Room
Mass	5:00 pm	Church Building
Social with Cash Bar and Banquet	6:00 pm	Hallen Hall, Multi-Purpose area

BUFFET MENU

Chef carved Roast Beef, Italian Herbed Baked Cod, Mixed Bowtie Pasta with Marinara and Alfredo Sauces, Steamed Vegetable Medley, Caesar Salad, Marinated Antipasto Blend, Soft Warm Breadsticks. Dessert: Sicilian Cassata Cake with Fresh Strawberry Topping, Coffee, Tea, Decaf.

FEES

Exemplification fee for each candidate, except priests, is **\$70.00** as set by the Supreme Board of Directors.

Included in this fee is one banquet ticket for the candidate, a social baldric, and US flag and Fourth Degree pins. There is no exemplification fee for **ordained priests or religious brothers**; however, their assembly will pay **\$13.00** for their social baldric and Fourth Degree pin, plus the cost of the dinner.

The candidate's or the assembly's check is to be made payable to the **Master, Knights of Columbus**.

Lunch is optional for the Sir Knights, Candidates, and Ladies.

Luncheon cost is \$5.00 and the banquet cost is \$25.00.

Advance reservation and payment required.

Make checks for luncheon and banquet tickets payable to Assembly 1183.

DRESS

MEN: Plain black tuxedo, plain-collared white shirt, black tie, black shoes and socks. Military/police/firefighters may wear their dress uniform. Sir Knights are to wear their social baldric and jewel of office (council or assembly).

LADIES: As the men are dressed formally, most ladies prefer a dressy dress. Some wear a simple dress or a cocktail dress although skirt and blouse is acceptable.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

The sponsor is to make certain that all information is legibly printed on the Form 4.

The applicant, his sponsor, and the financial secretary of the applicant's council promptly sign the Form 4.

After admission committee action, the faithful navigator and faithful comptroller promptly sign the Form 4.

The faithful comptroller will promptly forward the signed Form 4 and the applicant's check to the Master.

After the degree, the Master will sign and send the Form 4 to Supreme with copies to councils and assemblies.

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Third degree candidates who received their **first degree on or before October 8, 2010**, are eligible to receive their Fourth Degree Exemplification in Lacey on April 9, 2011.

Contact the Master for special consideration for a waiver.

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MEMBER NAME	Date	MEMBER NAME	Date
Warren J. Ballew	Apr 1	Kevin E. Murphy	Apr 16
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Richard Hermosillo	Apr 4	Andrew P. Heinley	Apr 19
Rev Joseph M. Attah	Apr 5	Daniel A. Goff	Apr 20
Thomas J. Brignole	Apr 6	Robert W. Hutt	Apr 22
Jose A. Mendez	Apr 9	Martin D. Meyer	Apr 22
Nicholas W. Germain	Apr 11	Rodney G. Franzen	Apr 24
Matthew J. Zepeda	Apr 11	Thomas A. Caristi	Apr 25
Kieran C. Nichols	Apr 12	Fr. Patrick O'Hogan	Apr 25
Theodore H. Finney	Apr 13	Jason R. Ginn	Apr 26
John N. Frey	Apr 13	Mark Dauer	Apr 28
Wil Van Uffelen	Apr 13	Vince L. Mosser	Apr 30
William P. Freer PGK	Apr 16		

If you live in Olympia, Tumwater, or Lacey, and you are unable to attend Mass but you wish to receive Holy Communion at home, you can contact

BENEDETTA REECE at Saint Michael Catholic Church Phone # (360) 754-4667, ext 143

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**TOM HRUSKA,
PGK,PFN**

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Pro-Life News

Sometimes we think that abortion is something which is legally new to modern day society and thus a new evil. The following is a quote attributed to St. Augustine an early bishop and Doctor of the Church. (Lived 354-430)

St. Augustine says: "Praise be to Jesus. Today I have come to ask you to pray for the conversion of all government leaders and religious leaders whose hearts have been won over by misguided self-love. When I say 'misguided', I refer to love which is not based upon the law of Holy Love but upon self-gain of some sort. It is this disordered self-love which has motivated abortion, terrorism and all other evils, be it love of money, power or reputation. God looks only at the heart, not position or title or outward appearance. He cannot be fooled or manipulated, for He is Truth Itself. When all is stripped away, each soul is responsible for the way he influenced those whom he had an effect upon. The greater a person's influence over others, the greater his responsibility before God."

That last sentence is a real gotcha! As Knights of Columbus, we have a lot of influence in our community and church. Thus, we should reflect to see if our actions are those required of us. In this regard, the Knights are doing a wonderful job on Wednesdays and also helping out on other times during our 40 Days for Life.

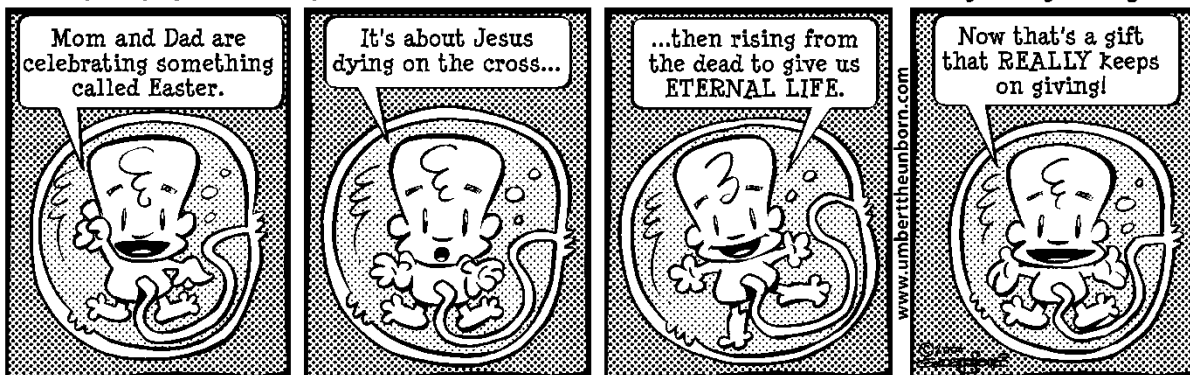
If you have as of yet not participated, it is not too late to help save the lives of the unborn and the spiritual lives of his or her parents. You are certainly welcome to begin. Just call me and let me know what day and time you would like.

God bless,
Tom Hruska – (360) 561 – 5548



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Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner, March 17 at Columbian Hall

Knights of Columbus: Father Nicholas Rausch Council 1643; and St. Francis of Assisi Assembly 1183, held the Knights' annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner on Thursday, March 17, 2011, at the Knights' Columbian Hall in Lacey, Washington. Attendees, all Irish of course (at least for the evening), feasted on such culinary delights as Corned Beef and Cabbage and Irish Soda Bread, thrilled with smilin' eyes to Irish Dancers, and harmonized to Irish ballads, led by the Knights' own Schola. Many thanks to Chef Sam O'Pellegrino for another grand evening. A fine tribute to St. Patrick, patron saint of the Emerald Isle!



St. Joseph's Day Meal, March 19 at St. Mike's



Mills and Mills Funeral Home, Pellegrino's Italian Kitchen, and Knights of Columbus: Father Nicholas Rausch Council 1643; and St. Francis of Assisi Assembly 1183, co-sponsored a St. Joseph Day Dinner on Saturday, March 19, 2011, at St. Michael Catholic Church in Olympia, Washington. The St. Joseph Day Dinner has become an annual tradition under the inspired leadership of Brother Sam Pellegrino, the Faithful Navigator for Assembly 1183 in 2010-2011. A traditional meatless Italian meal was offered free of charge to all guests, honoring St. Joseph with this Italian tradition, in gratitude for God's abundant blessings. The meal followed a Noon Mass and the blessing of the St. Joseph Day table. After an evening Mass, the feast continued into the evening. Over 600 people were blessed by this special day. Donations totaling \$2,040 were collected and distributed to St. Vincent de Paul, the Thurston County Food Bank, Sacred Heart Outreach, and Pregnancy Aid.



Columbian Squires News



The recruitment blitz on March 20th was an apparent success. We have applications for six new squires. That will make a total of 8 for our first investiture.

Knight of the Month – Tom Hruska

Council 1643 Knights of Columbus again congratulates Brother Tom Hruska on being the Knight of the Month for the month of March 2011. The Knight of the Month honor is reserved for those Brothers who consistently demonstrate the highest levels of devotion and service to Church, council, Community, and their own family. Tom certainly does all of these and the officers of the council once again have decided that Tom Hruska is most worthy.

Tom has been a key worker in Western Washington in the effort to preserve the dignity and sacredness of life. All life is important to God and Tom has striven to make everyone aware of this fact. He has been involved with weekly prayer and sidewalk counseling to save the unborn, and also to save their Mothers and Fathers from the act of aborting God's children. There have been several "saves" that he and the Knights can be proud of. He has also traveled outside his comfort zone on 5 day state tours with teens and adults visiting colleges and universities all over Washington State.. In a world where too many people claim to be for the right to life without providing the education and support to show the youth and adults, Tom is at the forefront of providing that support and proof of the value of a human life in every aspect from conception to natural death. He is also involved with the Lenten prayer vigil, the Planned Parenthood Legion in Olympia, and 40 days during September and October. He also works at the church (St Mikes) on the donut line, a favorite of after Mass families.

Tom is a constantly involved in Council 1643 activities and social events, from the preparation to the clean-up. He can be depended upon to assist his brother knights in whatever task he is assigned and many that he simply sees a need and acts accordingly.. Tom is a communicant of St Michael Parish and is a credit to that Parish, his council, and the community. He is a candidate for Washington State Knight of the Year and well deserves every kudos bestowed on him by his Brother Knights.

Family of the Month – Fred & Mary Lee Iverson

Council 1643 Knights of Columbus congratulates the Fred Iverson family for being chosen the Family of the Month for March 2011! Every month the officers of the council look to the membership to find a deserving family, one that represents the ideals and principles of Father Michael J. McGivney. This months Family of the Month was chosen with these ideals and principles in mind.

Fred and Mary Lee are long time communicants of St Michael Parish. They are retired and have two grown children who live and worship in Seattle and provide their services there to church and community. Mary Lee is a Eucharistic Minister participating in the awesome ministry of bringing the Body of Christ to two care facilities in the Olympia area. Without this selfless activity, Catholic men and women would not be able to participate in this Blessed Sacrament. Mary Lee is also a lector at both the downtown church and at the Westside Chapel of St. Mikes. Fred has been a stalwart member of the council and last year was involved with solicitation of donors for the annual auction in support of our council's vocation ministry. As a former solicitor of donations for council silent auctions in Alaska, I can testify to the importance and difficulty of the job that Fred did. He does other volunteer work in the community and church as well, and is a key volunteer in the St Vincent DePaul assistance program for rents and utilities. Without this key service, many other families would fall short of paying their bills in our community. Fred is also a member of the St. Michaels Men's Group.

Being retired, the family of Fred Iverson could sit back and concentrate on their home life after a lifetime of working. They could travel as many retirees do. They could belong to secular organizations that pepper our community and do good things as well, but Fred and his family have chosen the non-secular path of the church and organizations that relate to the support and welfare of church members in our community. This is significant and by itself makes this family worthy of note and a successful Knights of Columbus Family of the Month!

Father Nicholas Rausch OSB Council 1643

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Fr. Jim Lee



“Light the Way, Western Style” *Gala Auction Invitation*

Saturday, September 24, 2011

You are cordially invited to participate in this year’s Knights of Columbus Auction for Vocations. Silent auction will be followed by dinner and live auction.

Where: Hallen Hall, Sacred Heart Church
512 Bowker St.
Lacey, WA 98503

Time: Social and Silent Auction at 6:00pm. Dinner and Live Auction at 7:30pm.

Purpose: To support vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. 100% of the money raised at this auction goes to Seminarians and Religious.

Cost: \$50.00 per person or \$400.00 per table of 8.

Dress: Casual Western.

Auctioneer: Chuck Beck

What you can do:

1. ***Attend the auction with family and friends.*** For tickets, please contact Elaine DeGroot – 412-1675 or e-mail ron1105@comcast.net. Please indicate when making reservations if a vegetarian alternative is desired.
2. ***Advertise in the catalog.*** For information, contact Sam Pellegrino – 259-7337 or e-mail pampellegrino@comcast.net.
3. ***Make a donation to either live or silent auction.*** Contact Elaine DeGroot – contact information above.

We need your help to make this the best auction ever!

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Sat 02 First Saturday Rosary 8 a.m. @ St. Mike's
Tue 05 Council Officer's Meeting 6:30 pm @ Washburn's
Thu 07 Council Bus. Meeting @ Columbian Hall 6:30PM
gather for visiting & prayer; 7:30PM meeting
Sat 09 4th Degree Exemplification @ Sacred Heart
See page 4 for schedule of events
Mon 11 Show the Truth Cross State Tour begins
Mon 11 Squires Officers' meeting @ location TBA
Tue 12 KC Choir Practice 7 PM @ Pellegrino Home
Thu 14 4th Degree Officers Mtg 6:00 PM @ Pellegrino house
Thu 14 Centennial Crew Mtg 7:30 PM @ Pellegrino house
Sun 17 End of 40 Days For Life – Closing Ceremony Noon
@ St George's
Mon 18 Squires Circle meeting 7:30 @ Columbian Hall
Tue 19 KC Choir Practice 7 PM @ Pellegrino Home
Sat 23 Park Board Meeting 9 AM @ Columbus Park
Sun 24 Easter Sunday
Tue 26 Hall Board Meeting 6:30 PM @ Columbian Hall
KC Choir Practice 7 PM @ Pellegrino Home
Thu 28 4th degree Assembly Meeting @ Columbian Hall
6:30 PM dinner; Rosary at 7:15; meeting at 7:30

May 2011

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Thu 12 4th Degree Officers Mtg 6:00 PM @ place TBA
Sun 15 Donut Sales @ St. Michael's
Tue 17 KC Choir Practice 7 PM @ Pellegrino Home
Thu 19 Dinner in Honor of all Past Grand Knights & Past
Officers 6:30 PM @ Columbian Hall
Mon 23 Squires Circle meeting 7:30 @ Columbian Hall
Tue 24 Hall Board Meeting 6:30 PM @ Columbian Hall
Tue 24 KC Choir Practice 7 PM @ Pellegrino Home
Thu 26 4th degree Assembly Meeting @ Columbian Hall
6:30 PM dinner; Rosary at 7:15; meeting at 7:30
Sat 28 Park Board Meeting 9 AM @ Columbus Park
Mon 30 KC Choir Practice 7 PM @ Pellegrino Home
Mon 30 Memorial Day Mass @ 9 AM Calvary Cemetery
Tue 31 Council Officer's Meeting 6:30 pm @ Washburn's