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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 June 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th. 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 maintaining a contact list for Knight's Ladies.

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Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights, The big news for the month if not the year was that Dani and Ed Sauley and Family have been named "**Family of the Year**" for the Knights of Columbus in the State of Washington at the State Convention held in Vancouver, WA, May 13th thru 15th . It was the highlight of the convention and caught both



Dani and Ed totally by surprise. Three of their 6 children with spouses and grandchildren joined in the surprise. What a wonderful way to end a fantastic convention. CONGRATULATIONS DANI, ED AND FAMILY FROM COUNCIL 1643!!! They now move to the National competition where I am sure they will represent us well.

Our Council ended up as one of the top 5 finalists in three of the 6 major award categories as well as the winner in the "Family of the Year" competition. That speaks volumes for who we are and what we do as a council in the Church and local communities. Ray DeTerra, Kim Washburn and Sam Pellegrino deserve special recognition for all of their efforts writing the reports of our activities. Good Job!!!

We held a dinner for all of the Past Grand Knights as well as the current Council officers on Thursday, May 19 and had a wonderful evening. We once again owe our many thanks to our own council chef Sam Pellegrino for another scrumptious dinner highlighted by his special secret horseradish WOW!!! Nearly all of those who came to the dinner are still active in the council, some of them who served as far back as 1986.

I am coming to the end of my time as Grand Knight for Council 1643. What a wonderful experience it has been. I have had the support of a very dedicated and hard working group of officers. The officers meet each month on the Tuesday preceding the Council meeting and we have had most of the officers in

attendance each month. I would like to publically thank each and every officer and Council member for their help this year. I need to especially thank Kim Washburn for a fantastic job. Kim stepped up for me when I was out of town on business for Santa and he did a great job. I also need to particularly thank John Zyrkowski for his efforts as Financial Secretary. I don't know how anyone can keep up with the financial affairs of a council this size other than by putting in a lot of hard work. Only Ed Harrison and Mike McElliott, our past financial secretaries really know. Other key members to whom I owe special thanks include our immediate Past Grand Knight Tom Pursley and Sean Johnson for their efforts as membership co-chairmen. I can't leave office without singling out our editors of this newsletter Jim Pivec and Tom Brignole for their dedicated work for the council. I think they put out the best newsletter in the State!

Some 40 men have joined this council as either new members or members who transferred in from other councils this year. If you add that to the numbers for last year approximately 20% of our members are new in the last two years. I have seen many of those new members jump right in and get involved. It is imperative that ALL members get involved in something. You will meet other Catholic men who share your values so that you can experience the real joy and blessings of being a Knight of Columbus.

We had three more new men invested in the first degree this past month; Ken Manubay, an active duty member of the Army, Ian Barkis, an 18 year old young man and Ed Schilter. WELCOME ALL!!! As a side note the officers approved the purchase of a \$100.00 annuity for any new member joining our council who is under the age of 21 years.

PRAY THE ROSARY!!! Remember with Mary at our side there is nothing we cannot accomplish.

**May God Bless you all,
Ron DeGroot, Grand Knight Council 1643**

Proposed 2011-2012 Council Officers
Final Vote Takes Place at the June 2, 2011 Council Meeting

<u>Chaplain:</u>	Father Pat McDermott
<u>Grand Knight:</u>	Kim Washburn
<u>Deputy Grand Knight:</u>	Marc Litten
<u>Financial Secretary:</u>	John Zyrkowski III
<u>Chancellor:</u>	Sam Pellegrino
<u>Recorder:</u>	Andy Wodka
<u>Treasurer:</u>	Ray Grothe
<u>Advocate:</u>	Bob Hauth
<u>Warden:</u>	Mike Colosi
<u>Lecturer:</u>	Mike Mallinger
<u>Inside Guard:</u>	Alex Coleman
<u>Outside Guard:</u>	Mike McDermott
<u>Trustee 3 Year:</u>	Ron DeGroot
<u>Trustee 2 Year:</u>	Tom Pursley
<u>Trustee 1 Year:</u>	John Anderson

FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S MESSAGE

Brother Sir Knights



As we approach the final stretch of our current fraternal year, I am amazed at the number of activities which are close at hand. If you receive this publication by email, this is a reminder that Memorial Day is upon us. Fr. Jim Lee will celebrate Mass at Calvary Cemetery at 9:00am Monday, morning the 30th of May. This Mass is said for all

veterans and deceased military personnel. It is our tradition to pay particular honor to our fallen Veterans by having our 4th Degree Honor Guard present before, during, and after this Memorial Liturgy. Our K of C Schola will also be on hand to assist with the music. I am counting on the usual enthusiastic participation by as many 4th Degree Knights as possible. Just as we did last year, Pam and I will host an Open House Breakfast for all Sir Knights and families at our home immediately following the ceremonies at the Cemetery.

Saturday morning, June 4th at 9:00am, Sir Knight Mike Hayes will be leading the effort of our quarterly Highway Cleanup Commitment out on "our stretch" of I-5. Please show your support for this most worthwhile activity by showing up and pitching in at the rendezvous point at Southgate True-Value parking lot on Capital Blvd. in Tumwater.

On Sunday, June 5th, all Sir Knights and Brother Knights are cordially invited to attend the annual "Blessing of the Fleet" sponsored by K of C Council 9238 and St. Nicholas Parish Gig Harbor. Procession and blessing will occur after the 11am Mass. All Color Corps members are invited to participate in Regalia. For more information, contact Sir Knight John Oldham (253) 858-1700, orcaone@centerylink.net or Brother Knight John Moist (253) 851-2250, arabellas@harbornet.com.

On Sunday, June 12th, St. Michael parishioner, Father Paul Burnet will say his First Mass of Thanksgiving at 11:30am in the Downtown Church. All Brother Knights, Sir Knights in tux attire, and Color Corps members in Regalia are urged to attend. We are truly

blessed to see so many recent vocations to the Priesthood from our area. It is increasingly important that we continue to pray fervently for increased vocations to all walks of Religious Life. Father Paul's Ordination to the Priesthood will take place on Saturday, June 11th at St. James Cathedral in Seattle.

***CORRECTION** from last month's newsletter: Father Steve Gallagher was ordained by the Most Reverend Edward J. Burns, head of the Diocese of Juneau, Alaska, **NOT** Archbishop J. Peter Sartain as previously printed. Our most sincere congratulations to Father Steve. Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you begin your priestly ministry. For more information and some great photos, go to www.dioceseofjuneau.org.

The following slate of officers to our Assembly was nominated at our last meeting. The election of new officers is scheduled for the May 26th General Assembly Meeting.

Faithful Navigator	Sam Pellegrino
Faithful Comptroller	Phil Kelley
Faithful Friar	Fr. Jim Lee
Faithful Captain	Mike Colossi
Faithful Admiral	Ron DeGroot
Faithful Purser	Jim Pivec
Faithful Pilot	Larry Weniger
Faithful Scribe	Corbett Thornton
Faithful Inner Sentinel	Robert Riley
Faithful Outer Sentinel	Gary Lawson
Trustee – 3 Year	Mike Mallinger
Trustee – 2 Year	Ed Sauley
Trustee – 1 Year	Ed Harrison

The Installation of Assembly Officers will be hosted this year by our Sister Assembly in Centralia at St. Mary's Church on Saturday, June 18th. Installation Ceremony begins at 4:00pm followed by Mass at 5:00pm, followed by the Social and Banquet. The banquet menu includes: Lasagna, salad, bread, hot vegetable, dessert, coffee. The cost will be only \$10.00.

Sam Pellegrino

Faithful Navigator
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JUNE BIRTHDAYS			
MEMBER NAME	Date	MEMBER NAME	Date
John S Scotto	June 2	Robert M Johnson	June 15
Kevin L Bonagofski	June 3	George R Blank	June 19
Paul A Bourgault	June 4	Frank S Cisneros	June 20
Patrick D Swan	June 6	Kenneth L Malm	June 21
Michael J Rogers	June 7	Rodney P Catron	June 23
Harold T Wolfe Jr.	June 8	David W Wigger	June 23
Dr. Peter R Rotar PGK	June 9	Anthony J Lirette	June 24
Phillip W Sanford	June 11	Cletus D Nnanabu	June 25
Richard K Cunningham	June 12	Rev Mark A Guzman	June 26
Gary W Lawson	June 14	Reynaldo R Ronquillo	June 28
Garth E Hamilton	June 15	Dean W Schmitz	June 29

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Pro-Life News

Umbert the Unborn

by Gary Cangemi



In addition to our important message from Umbert there are two important announcements on the two pages that follow.

- Human Life of Thurston County is sponsoring their annual picnic at Millersylvania State Park on Sunday, June 26. This will be one of your last opportunities to use a Washington State Park without paying a fee.
- We are looking for Volunteers to work at the Thurston County Fair from August 3 through August 7. We have opportunities to work at our Pro-Life Education Booth and also at Andy's Pizza.

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COME ONE COME ALL TO OUR ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC
MILLERSYLVANIA STATE PARK
SUNDAY, June 26th BEGINNING AT 2:00 P.M.

You are invited to come and enjoy the famous "Pro-Life Hotdogs" plus hot and cold drinks. It is all FREE not even a donation can! We do ask you to bring something to share, such as a bag of chips or pot of beans, etc.

The children's fishing derby has become something the kids really look forward to. At 5:00 P.M. fishing trophies will be given out for the three largest fish caught by those under 15. If you are 15 and older you must have a state fishing license.

We will have the picnic tables set up in the beautiful setting just to the left of the boat launch and fishing dock. The swimming beach and showers are only 50 yards away. Look for the balloons. C U THERE

Hope to see you there,

Mary Brandon

NOTE: STATE PARKS ARE FREE UNTIL JULY, 2011.

FOR ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL 360-491-0610



ADULT AND TEEN VOLUNTEERS
AUGUST 3RD to AUGUST 7TH



EDUCATION BOOTH

New educators will be trained by one of our seasoned counselors. (O. J. T.) Each shift is of four hours duration and is staffed by one or two counselors and a trainee. The first shift is from 10AM to 2PM, the second shift is from 2PM to 6PM and third shift is from 6PM to 10PM. Fair passes are provided.



ANDY'S PIZZA AND DELI FOOD BOOTH

This is a very important activity. Much of the funding of our local pro-life activities comes from the profits of this concession.

Besides being a fun and worthwhile activity, this is a good opportunity for high school

and college students to volunteer and be exposed to private business. Over the years, many youth have used their work experience at Andy's as a reference when applying for other employment or college. The first shift is from 10AM to 4PM and the second shift is from 4PM to 10PM. Fair passes are provided and a reasonable, on site, lunch or dinner is furnished.

Parents, this is a great place to work with your son or daughter

Please call Dani Sauley: 360-491-0610

Knight of the Month – Ray Grothe

Council 1643, Knights of Columbus is proud to announce the Knight of the month as Brother Ray Grothe. This month the officers of the council have selected Ray Grothe, a Knight who has proven himself amongst the ranks of worthy Knights which he now joins!! Ray has been a Knight of Columbus for several years and has always provided his assistance and support to the council when needed as well as being supportive of his community and the membership of St. Michael's Catholic Church where he is a parishioner and Sacristan for the Sunday 9:30 Mass. Under his guidance and direction, the 9:30 Mass is celebrated flawlessly each week. Older and infirmed attendees of this Mass are also thankful for Ray's giving of the Holy Eucharist to those who can't make the trip down the aisle. His wife of 36 years, Carol, also participates in the church, along with Ray, by teaching Confirmation classes. Perhaps the most meaningful event in Ray's recent life is his active participation in the **Cursillo** movement, a short course in Christ that was initiated in Spain after WWII, to make one's life better and more meaningful, enhance the Faith through Mass and biblical readings, and generally provide an evangelical approach to bring people closer to Christ in their lives. Ray's philosophy, developed and reinforced by the Cursillo movement, is that everyone is important and that everyone should treat each other as a fellow Christian, no matter what! In the community, and as part of his vocation as a case manager for the Department of Social Services, Ray counsels people who need the benefit of work and education so as to make their lives better and release them from the burdens they experience in our community. In the council, Ray has held the elected offices of Recorder and Treasurer and has been extremely diligent in carrying out his duties as an officer. For all he has done as a human being, a Christian, and a Knight and because of his years of service to God, the church and his community, we believe that Ray is very deserving of the honor bestowed upon him by his Brothers in Christ. Congratulations and God Bless.

Family of the Month – Hal Wolfe Jr. and Carol Wolfe

Father Nicholas Rausch OSB Council 1643 is proud to announce the Family of the month for June as the Brother Harold T. Wolfe Jr. family. Hal and his wife Carol have proven themselves to be very worthy of this honor. Hal is a hard working member of the council and is always there when asked for assistance by a fellow Knight. His wife Carol is a constant supporting presence to him ensuring that her family runs smoothly and with as little strife as possible. The Wolfe family's involvement in the community, in the church, and with the Knights Council 1643 is a prime example of what Knights and their families should be to their Faith and to their Community. In particular, they have been instrumental on the Auction Committee. Our annual auction is our major fund raiser. It is an event that requires extreme dedication. The work that Hal and Carol have put into the auction has been an important contribution in helping to make the Auction the great event it has come to be. Without the Wolfe's involvement the Auction might be a lesser event. We congratulate the Wolfe family for their achievements and their deserving award of Council 1643 Family of the Month.

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“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
812 Bowker St.
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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

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2. **Advertise in the catalog.** For information, contact Sam Pellegrino – (360) 259-7337 or e-mail pampellegrino@comcast.net.
3. **Make a donation to either live or silent auction.** Contact Elaine DeGroot – contact information above.

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Sat 04 First Saturday Rosary 8 AM @ St. Mike's
Highway Cleanup 9 AM – See page 4 for details
Sun 05 Blessing of the fleet in Gig Harbor – see page 4
Mon 06 Hall Board Meeting 6 PM @ Columbian Hall
Auction Committee 6:30 PM @ Pellegrino Home
Tue 07 KC Choir Practice 7 PM @ Pellegrino Home
Thu 09 4th Degree Officers Mtg 6:00 PM @ Pellegrino Home
Tue 14 KC Choir Practice 7 PM @ Pellegrino Home
Thu 16 3rd Degree Installation of new Officers,
Social 6 PM Installation of Officers 6:30 PM;
Potluck dinner 7:30 PM @ Columbian Hall
Sat 18 4th Degree Installation of new Officers @ St. Mary's
in Centralia - see page 4
Sun 19 Donut Sales @ St. Michael
Mon 20 Squires Circle meeting 7:30 PM @ Columbian Hall
Tue 21 Hall Board Meeting 6:30 PM @ Columbian Hall
Thu 23 4th degree Assembly Meeting @ Columbian Hall
6:30 PM dinner; Rosary at 7:15; meeting at 7:30
Sat 25 Park Board Meeting 9 AM @ Columbus Park
Sun 26 Human Life Thurston County Annual Picnic
Millersylvania State Park – see page 8

July 2011

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Sartain @ St. Martin's Abbey Church 10 AM Mass
Sun 17 Donut Sales @ St. Michael
Mon 18 Squires Circle meeting 7:30 @ Columbian Hall
Tue 19 Hall Board Meeting 6:30 PM @ Columbian Hall
Thu 21 4th degree Assembly Corporate Mass and Clam Bake
6 PM @ Pellegrino Home
Sat 23 Bernie Tourney – Capital City Golf Course
Sat 30 Park Board Meeting 9 AM @ Columbus Park