

The Cross and Compass

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From The Grand Knight

Brother Knights, Come Back

Worthy Brothers All of Council #7528, our year is off to a fantastic start! In September we rebuilt a fence for the widow of a Brother Knight who had passed away, participated in the Ministry Fair, started selling Crab Feed tickets, held the first of this year's three parish Rosaries, and cooked 300 hot dogs for the Grapevine/Edge kickoff BBQ. In October we held a fundraiser in front of Fred Meyer to benefit Birth to Three and Special Olympics. We also hosted a dinner to raise money to help financially support five seminarians. This dinner was so successful and well liked we have put a second dinner to help our seminarians on the calendar, February 16th. We just ordered 120 winter coats as part of our Coats for Kids Program, and will receive them and distribute them to needy children in Federal Way before winter. Hopefully Supreme will match that order and provide another 120 coats for us to deliver to our school children. We started collecting gifts for the Christmas stockings for Wounded Warriors. Yes, we are already thinking ahead



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Chancellor

This past month there was a well-written and informative article in "Northwest Catholic". It was all about a stranger in a strange land, far from her home in Kenya. I am sure you have read it, but if you haven't, please do. It is the tale of Jemimah Mwaura, the strong hand and guiding light behind one of our illustrious Officers, Anthony Mwenda. The article describes the astonishing diversity found at St. Vincent de Paul Parish, and the ability of both Father Bill and the parishioners of so many different backgrounds and heritage to build a strong and growing parish with common cause and goals.



The "sawdust ministry" reports two projects: Mobility improvements at the home of a parishioner, and improvements to a fence previously installed. A 4x4 fence post shaped like a banana was ripped out of the ground, concrete and all, and replaced with a straight one.

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Life

By David Myers, PGK



This month, I'd like to have you reflect on the people in your life who have made an impact on you. You know, a significant impact that caused you to do or become better in how and what your life has become. If it hasn't happened yet, then perhaps this article might lend itself to helping you to take a stroll down memory lane. Enjoy. Sometimes people come into your life and you know right away that they were meant to be there, to serve some sort of purpose, teach you a lesson, or to help you figure out who you are or who you want to become. You never know who these people may be – a spouse, a neighbor, a professor, a friend, a fellow worker, or even a stranger – but when you lock eyes with them, you know at that very moment they will affect your life in some profound way. Sometimes things happen to you that may seem horrible, painful, and unfair at first, but in reflection you find that without overcoming those obstacles you would have never realized your potential, strength, willpower, or heart. Illness, injury, love, lost moments of true greatness, and sheer stupidity all occur to test the limits of your soul. Without these small tests, whatever they may

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November will be just as busy. On November 10th we will be taking part in the Veterans Day Parade in Auburn, one of the largest Veterans Day Parades in the country. More details will be forthcoming, but keep in mind all Knights of Council #7528 are invited to participate along with your families. The 30 minutes or so it takes us to walk down Main Street for the parade is honestly one of the most inspiring and heart warming 30 minutes of the year. Many of us carry the flag of the United States and the pride of seeing hundreds of veterans lining both sides of Main Street saluting the flags we carry is absolutely spectacular. Council #7528 also thanks every one of our Brother Knights and members of their families who served the United States in the military. On November 18 we will gather to assemble and then deliver Thanksgiving baskets to those in need in our community. November 25 we will host the first of three Coffee and Donuts for the parish in the South Narthex.

I would like each of us to think as a recruiter constantly, but especially so during the month of November. I have asked Mike Rutland to be a guest speaker at our upcoming General Meeting Tuesday, November 6. For those of you who do not know Mike, he has been a Knight for over 30 years and is a Past Grand Knight and Past Faithful Navigator, and served 24 years in the United States Air Force. Mike had been a long time Brother in our council, but transferred to Issaquah when he became a Field Agent serving the Issaquah area. He will now become the Field Agent for Federal Way with the retirement of Ron Scholtz and will rejoin our council. On top of all that, Mike is an outstanding recruiter which is why I have asked him to share his skill with us.

In addition, the Knights will be holding a Church Membership Drive after all Masses the weekend of November 17 and 18. I met with our pastor, Father Bill, several days ago to ask for his support in such a recruiting drive and he agreed. Thank you Father Bill! We will have a notice in the Bulletin two weeks before the membership drive weekend, as well as the weekend of the drive. We will man a table in the Narthex after each Mass to talk with, recruit and sign up Catholic gentlemen to become Knights.

We had a huge General Meeting October 2nd, and saw several Brothers attend the planning meeting for the first time October 16th. Let's all continue to get more involved in our council activities as your time allows, and also think of yourself as a recruiter to personally invite Catholic gentlemen to join the Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus,
Rick Lowman, Grand Knight

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A NOTE FOR THE LADIES

We are a very busy and caring community. Many wives and widows of 7528 are part of the Legion of Mary, Mothers and Others, Eucharistic Ministry, RCIA, Youth Activities, and Commission and Council groups. However, the Fall season provides opportunities for us to have fun together. All are welcome to participate. Activities include:

Gift card holders for Wounded Warriors
Auburn Veteran's Day Parade
Christmas Potluck (bake cookies, decorations, and Christmas crafts for kids)

We look forward to seeing you.

Paul Savino, Chancellor

Continued from page 1 ... David Myers be, life would be like a smoothly paved straight flat road to nowhere. It would be safe and comfortable, but dull and utterly pointless.

The people you meet who affect your life, and the success and downfalls you experience, help to create who you are and who you become. Even the bad experiences can be learned from. In fact, they are sometimes the most important ones.

If someone loves you, give love back to them in whatever way you can, not only because they love you, but because in a way, they are teaching you to love and how to open your heart and eyes to things.

If someone hurts you, betrays you, or breaks your heart, forgive them, for they have helped you learn about trust and the importance of being cautious to whom you open your heart.

Make every day count. Appreciate every moment and take from those moments everything that you possibly can for you may never be able to experience it again. Talk to people that you have never talked to before and listen to what they have to say.

Let yourself fall in love, break free, and set your sights high. Hold your head up because you have every right to. Tell yourself you are a great individual and believe in yourself, for if you don't believe in yourself, it will be hard for others to believe in you.

You can make anything you wish of your life. Create your own life and then go out and live it with absolutely no regrets.

And if you love someone tell them, for you never know what tomorrow may have in store.

Learn a lesson in life each day that you live! Today is the tomorrow you were worried about yesterday.

Think About it? Was it worth it? And of course, it's in your hands. David Myers PGK

November Birthdays!

1st	Garnett Beadle	20th	Walter Anderson
1st	Thomas Beyke	20th	Christopher Andersen
1st	Richard Henderson	21th	William Smith
3rd	Alexander Gard	22th	Terrence Wilbur
3rd	David Lesinski	23th	Henry Anusiem
4th	Matthew Robic	25th	Anthony Mwenda
4th	Romeo Mayor	26th	David Green
5th	Sean Lezcano	29th	Michael Weber
5th	John Luu	29th	Rick Lowman
6th	J Robert Ward	30th	Steve Sciscente
6th	Leonardo Herrera		
9th	Maurice Tessier	2nd	Stacey Werner
10th	Rafael Contreras	9th	Kathleen Alley
10th	Vernon Johnson	12th	Marianne Savino
10th	Willy Pagarigan	16th	Diane Shell
11th	Leo Fanene	18th	Anna Toby
12th	Duc Nguyen	21th	Kirsten Baune
18th	William Shell	25th	Meschelle Miloscia

October Anniversaries!

2nd	Jerome and Mary De Gagne	28th	Juan and Karen Lezcano
17th	Michael and Maureen Fay	29th	Lawrence and Linda Weigel
20th	William and Linda Herbert	29th	Gary and Pamela Mesick
21th	Michael and Pam Ross		

Don't see your Birthday or Anniversary? Send the dates to our FS, Vince Mansanarez fs@kofc7528.org, he will update our database and next time, you will be included.

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Lecturer—Bill Shell

Last month our worthy Grand Knight offered one reason that he joined the Knights of Columbus was for the fellowship it offered with like minded Catholic gentlemen. I would like to expand on that thought in this month's article.

Men in general and it seems to me Catholic men in particular have a problem with sharing their faith journey with others. Is it because our faith is weaker than others? I don't think so. I believe that it is because of the past experience that we have as Catholics. Prior to the Second Vatican Council, we had our religious experience fed to us from the clergy. We were not encouraged to open and study the bible. Nor were opportunities available for discussion with others of the laity regarding the Church or our own faith journey. This developed because historically, lay Catholics were uneducated while the clergy were the most educated in society. Vatican II though open the doors of the church and brought a welcome breath of fresh air which encouraged all to read and study the bible like our Protestant brethren have been doing for centuries.



The bible is a good place to start, but not for demonstrating how well we can quote a particular passage. It is a wonderful means to enable us to share how God is working in our lives or how we wish to know how He is working in our lives. The process is not complicated. For example, one can take the reading of the day and discuss what the passage means to you in your life. I personally like the Liturgy of the Hours for reflection using the "Laudate" App on my phone.

The most important thing is to get other Catholic Men to join you. Be it other Knights, your golf or bowling buddies or the like. I believe that men it seems open up better to other men rather than in mixed groups. I am sure your golf game could use some help from God.

I know that many of you are in groups that share your faith, but I am hopeful that more of us will take the challenge to help each of us grow our faith by sharing it with our brother knights.

Bill Shell, Lecturer

Remember Our Veterans and Wounded Warriors

Our Council has 3 opportunities this month to remember and support our veterans and wounded warriors.

Stuff a Stocking for a Wounded Warrior runs now until November 25, 2018. Please donate to this great cause. You can find information on our website and in the church bulletin.

Veterans Day Parade in Auburn on Saturday November 10, 2018. All Knights and their families are invited to participate in this great event. This is the 3rd largest parade on the west coast. We assemble at F street SE off E. Main near the 76 gas station at 10:30. Parade starts at 11 but we don't start marching until 1(Hurry up and Wait). Attire: KC apparel or regalia or slacks/polo shirt, no jeans please, but do dress for the weather. Direction Maps and parking information will be available at the November General Meeting and at http://www.auburnwa.gov/Assets/Parks/AuburnWA/Docs/veterans_day_parade_map.pdf

Brunch Knights for Military Support Sunday November 11, 2018 from 10:00am to 1:00pm St. Vincent de Paul Social Hall. This donation event gives you, your family and friends an opportunity to have a great brunch while raising money for this great cause.

St. Joseph Council 7528 walks the walk when it comes to supporting our Veterans and Wounded Warriors. Please support these great events. -----Tony

Good of The Order	Nativity House!
<p>Listed are all of the those Brother Knights or family members who are Sick or in Distress.</p> <p>Joe Penwell, Mike Fay, Jerry Koch, Joey Romero, Deacon Jerry Graddon, Jim Yokum, Joe Martinez Peggy Horner wife of Ralph Horner Joe Jarrell father of Randall Jarrell Dennis Tavares father of Matt Tavares Bernice (Bunny) Nelson widow of PFN Roy Nelson Joi Holter wife of John Holter</p> <p>Pray for our soldiers and first responders (Police & Fire) as they perform their duties protecting us.</p> <p>Pray for the Church to heal all wrong doing and lead us to follow Christ's way.</p> <p>Pray for an end to abortion and the killing of the unborn.</p>	<p>Brother Knights,</p> <p>Come help feed the homeless Saturday November 17th! Everyone will be meeting in the church parking lot at 7:45 and leaving promptly at 8AM. From there everyone will be heading to the Tacoma Nativity House to feed the homeless pancakes and sausage! This is a great opportunity to help those in need! Contact Ted Colby at nhb@kofc7528.org for any additional information.</p> <p>Next Business Meeting!</p> <p>Brother Knights,</p> <p>Just a friendly reminder. We will be having our next general meeting Tuesday, November 6th. Come down and see the fun we have in store.</p> <p>Vivat Jesus!, Rick Lowman, Grand Knight</p> <p>Meeting Raffle</p> <p>Brother Knights,</p> <p>Each meeting, we draw a members name for a chance to win the Meeting Raffle. We start the year with \$25.00 and add \$5.00 each month that there is no winner. <u>You MUST be present to win.</u></p> <p>The winner for October was Andy Dena. Andy was NOT present so the winnings will be carried over to November.</p> <p>Jim Roten, Warden</p>
Help Wanted	
<p>This is early but I am recruiting as many knights as possible to help with our Fri. fish breading this coming lent. We currently try to have at least 3 volunteers helping from 1:30 PM till done (around 3PM) We will have a schedule for each week & make any accommodations needed for any new member of our crews. This is a great way to help with our weekly fish fry & get to know many of our present Knights. If interested please contact me at: 253 735 6035 or Rhusky1@gmail.com</p> <p>Looking forward to another great weekly fish fry during lent.</p> <p>PS we do have a GREAT time working (if that's what you want to call it). Ralph Osman 253 735 6035</p>	

Upcoming Events!

November		December	
11/06/2018	Council Business Meeting	12/04/2018	Council Business Meeting
11/10/2018	Veterans Day Parade	12/08/2018	Council Christmas Potluck
11/11/2018	Breakfast - Knights 4 Military Support	12/15/2018	Nativity House
11/18/2018	Thanksgiving Basket Delivery	12/16/2018	Christmas Basket Delivery
11/20/2018	Planning Meeting	12/18/2018	Planning Meeting
11/25/2018	Coffee and Donuts	12/20/2018	Christmas Tree Lighting
11/25/2018	Christmas Stocking Collection for Wounded Warriors Ends	12/25/2018	Christmas
		12/30/2018	Coffee and Donuts

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