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WHEN, WHAT, WHERE

Mark your Calendars

July

- 12th 7:30 pm Rosary and Council Business Meeting
13922 W. Utah Ave.
21st 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplification, Queen of Peace
Council, Aurora
21st Charity Bingo
21st 7:30am Rosary for Life, E. 20th Ave. at Vine St.
31st 6:00pm Long Term Care Informational Benefits Night,
Englewood

August

- 9th 7:30 pm Rosary and Council Business Meeting
13922 W. Utah Ave.
18th Charity Bingo
18th 7:30am Rosary for Life, E. 20th Ave. at Vine St.

REPORTS AND ACTIVITIES

Major Degree Exemplifications

Queen of Peace Council 10122 has announced Exemplification of Major Degrees (Second and Third) for Saturday, July 21, 2007, at Queen of Peace Catholic Church, 13120 East Kentucky Avenue, Aurora, CO. Please contact Ken Riedel, 303-988-9049 or email Ken at kdriedel@comcast.com for more information.

Election of Officers

By John Bistranin

The election of officers for the 2007-2008 fraternal year was held at our last business meeting. Thanks to the brother Knights who volunteered and were voted in to serve as Council leadership.

Grand Knight - Don Ferega
Deputy Grand Knight - Brian Morman
Chancellor - Fred Keller
Treasurer - Ken Riedel

Recorder - Don Sena
Warden - John DeMaio
Advocate - Warren Howard
Inside Guard - Jeff Alimenti
Outside Guard - Rustin Gersch
Trustee 3 Year - Ron Day
Trustee 2 Year - John Bistranin
Trustee 1 Year - John Garbarino

Mai's Story

By Leo Mantei, Pro-Life Chairman

Back in 2003, Mai was a frightened young Vietnamese girl who became pregnant at age 17, by her 17 year old boyfriend Ken.

My friend Mike and I first met her when she and Ken showed up at the Planned Parenthood abortuary in Denver for an abortion. She was very shy, so Ken did most of the talking. He told us that their parents did not know, and were told that she was "staying with a friend for a while". Ken also told us that Mai had been given "something" to end the pregnancy, and that the baby was damaged.

We talked to them about letting God decide about their baby's life. They decided to leave, but then drove around to the back door and started to go in. We walked around to the back door and, with God's help, convinced them that we would help, including a place for her to live and receive loving care. We called the Maternity of Mary Home, and one of their kindly woman came down there, invited Mai to stay at their Home, and promised to help talk to her parents.

Mai soon gave birth to little Angelina, who was born with only a small part of her brain developed. Mai has spent many days at the hospital with Angelina struggling to live. She is reconciled with her catholic parents and extended family. Each time we visit them the other pro-life picketers give us extra money to give to Mai.

Last month when we visited, little Angelina had just survived hip surgery to relieve pain in her frail little body. She can barely swallow, but smiles when she hears her name. This helpless little girl is loved and cherished by all of the family. It is a beautiful thing to see!

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Mai has grown into a very responsible, happy and competent young mother. Her story is just beginning. Pray for her and her baby Angelina.

New Fraternal Year Right-to-Buy

Greetings Brothers,

A new fraternal year is upon us. Congratulations to the newly elected and appointed council leaders. I'm sure you have a list of things that you want to accomplish during the coming year. I'm eager to help.

One of these goals is likely the attainment of the Star Council award - the most prestigious award the Order offers at the council level. I'm certainly committed to helping on the insurance side, but I'll be glad to help on the membership side as well.

If you know an eligible Catholic man who might be interested in joining the Order (and who among us doesn't), he's probably just waiting to be asked. I can help you, either by approaching him myself, or by "coaching" you - transferring sales skills that you can use to recruit him and other prospects. As always, I'm at your service.

What would be helpful to all of us would be an early start on those goals, rather than waiting until May or June. Let's get an early start on award season this year.

The laws and rules of our Order, as well as state (provincial) laws, specify that the Knights of Columbus may accept insurance applications from members only. As a member, you may apply for insurance on yourself, your wife and your minor children.

The Order's Board of Directors has taken action, though, to assure that a Knight's widow maintains the right to purchase additional insurance for a limited time. This can be of great benefit and comfort to those we leave behind.

This "right to apply" is available only to the widows of insured members. If a member has not availed himself of our highly rated life insurance program, or purchased an annuity or long-term care policy, this benefit is not available to his widow.

But if the member was an insured member, his widow has the right to apply for additional insurance on her life and on the life of the member's minor children. This right must be exercised within one year following the Order's receipt of proof of the insured's death.

Know two things. First, I'll assist your widow and children in any way possible if you should die, both with your Knights of Columbus insurance and any other life insurance you may have. Second, I'll provide them my best professional advice and service, to assure that they have adequate insurance protection.

I have no greater responsibility.

Vivat Jesus, Patrick Feldman (Field Agent)
Cell: 303-915-2776 or E-mail: Patrick.Feldman@KofC.org

ATTENTION!!

If YOU are 40 or over

If YOU have \$2000 or more in assets

If YOU want to control your future

If YOU want to know how changing legislature might affect YOU

Come join us for a Long Term Care Informational Benefits Night featuring: Knights of Columbus Long Term Care Specialist Paul Ochs, FIC, CSA from our home office in New Haven, CT on either:

July 31st at Council hall 3340 located at 3800 S. Windemere Street Englewood from 6:00 to 8:00 pm (dinner will be served)

Or

August 1st at St Patrick's located at 6455 Brook Park Dr. Colorado Springs from 9:00 to 11:00 am (coffee and donuts will be served)

Limited seating please R.S.V.P. by July 23rd to: Patrick Feldman 303-915-2776

Experience of a Lifetime



For the 2007-08 fraternal year, our council is asked to show qualified men that becoming a member of the Knights of Columbus will be the "Experience of A Lifetime." This campaign mirrors the goal of the Knights of Columbus to make a difference in the lives of our members and potential members and their families by offering them the opportunity to be of service to our Church and our communities. As we continue the celebration of our 125th anniversary under the theme of "faith in action," we endeavor to expand the vision of our founder,

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Father Michael J. McGivney. Recruiting new members is essential to the continued growth and well-being of our council and the Order.

JULY:

Officers Challenge

At the start of the new fraternal year, during this normally slow summer month, give our recruitment efforts a jump by participating in the Order-wide "Officers Challenge." Under this challenge, every council officer is urged to recruit at least two new members during July and August to set the example that recruitment is everyone's job.

Carron Group Home Bingo

Each third Saturday of the month Council 7640, along with Council 12567, Council 13301, and family members of the group home aid Council 5161 work at Bingo City, 3820 So. Federal Blvd. The concern is that only 1, 2, or 3 individuals of the various groups participate in this very worthy project. Due to a recent law change every bingo facilities are now smoke-free.

Why not give a little of your time to help out. Call, fax, or email Ken Riedel, 303-988-9049, 303-987-3171, kdriedel@comcast.net.

Welcome Newest Council Members

Please welcome into Christ on the Mountain Council 7640 with your congratulations and well-wishes the following new members who received the honor of their First Degree June 13: Timothy B, and Kathryn and family; and, Kent D. And Jennifer Langfield and family.

In addition, the following Knights and their families have transferred their Third Degree memberships into Council 7640: Lenn E. and Jane Bailey; and, Rev. Mr. Milton G. "Mickey" and Beverly Webre.

Colorado Reaches 14,000 Membership Target!

Some interesting statistics for our state and nationally!

- Colorado as of June 30th has over 14,100 Knights.
- Over \$143 million given to Charity
- Over \$1 million in Colorado alone. and 1.5 Million man-hours volunteered.



The 24 –Hour Knight

Today's young man has many commitments. From his duty to family to his obligation to his workplace, there are constant calls on his time. How many times have your council's recruiters heard the reply, "I don't have much time to give to the Knights, so why should I join?" It's a common concern among many prospects that they just don't have the time to be a part of the Knights of Columbus.

Imagine if you were able to tell a man that if he could just give 24 hours a year to the Knights of Columbus he could make a positive difference in his community and Church. Below is an illustration of just how little time it takes to be an active part of the Order. Even with this minimal commitment he can be an important part of his council, and reap the benefits membership has to offer him and his family. When talking to a prospect about joining our Order, try breaking down the time commitment in this way:

- 12 hours a year reading the weekly parish bulletin, the state and local council newsletters, *Columbia* magazine, and surfing the state council and Supreme Council Web sites.
- Two hours a year volunteering at the council's annual drive for people with intellectual disabilities.
- Two hours a year attending, with his family, two corporate Communion or council prayer services at his parish.
- Two hours a year on a council-sponsored Church, community, council, family or youth project of his choosing.
- Two hours a year attending one council meeting. (If it's a well-run, interesting meeting he might even come back for a second).
- Four hours a year enjoying (again, with his entire family) a council social function such as a dinner, dance, picnic, etc.

That's only 24 hours a year, which practically any man can fit into his schedule. When you present the time commitment of joining the Order in this way, it doesn't seem very intimidating at all. Once a man becomes a member and sees how rewarding being a part of the Knights of Columbus is, He'll want to dedicated more of his time to the order.

If your council doesn't conduct some of the types of programs mentioned above, consider implementing them or similar ones. If your council doesn't have a newsletter consider starting one – there is no better way to keep your members informed and active.

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There are 8,760 hours in a year. By giving the Knights of Columbus 24 of those hours (less than .3 percent), a man can be a better Catholic, a better father, a better husband and a better person. Think of the difference the Knights of Columbus can make in our communities if these men join us. We only have to let each qualified prospect know that he has the time – only 24 hours – to join and make a difference in his Church and community.

Extracted from Knights of Columbus, Program Supplement, May 17, 2007 issue

It is Time To Pray

Prayers are welcome for:
Frank Contreras who is suffering from cancer
The monthly intentions of Pope Benedict XVI,
Our Service Personnel serving our nation in countries around the World,
Ending abortion.

Please submit names to be included in this item of the newsletter via e-mail, mdelp6@comcast.net or any other means available to you. We can't pray for those needing spiritual help unless you tell us who they are. I personally know prayer works in times of illness or pain

WEB SITES

Council's Website

By Mike Delp - Webmaster

5889 hits (as of the writing of this article). That's how many times that someone has logged on to Christ on the Mountain Council 7640 on the Internet at www.kofc7640. Check it out and fill in our guest book. We know it's a bit hard to find; but if you click on "Contact Us" on the home page and look near the bottom where it reads, "If you like, you can see and sign our guest book as well." We'd like to here from all of you who have access to the Internet. What was the count when you logged on?

ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

July

12th David Mendias, 24th Dr. Kelly LeTourneau, 27th Ralph Dinkel, 31st Frank Babkiewich

August

1st Martin Kuhls, 4th John McLaurin, 5th Raymond Stevens, 7th William Tobin, 11th Ed Sleeman, 15th Donald Ferega

Weddings

July

11th Sally & Antonio Jimenez, 14th Kathleen & David Mendias, 16th Anna Mae & Robert Duffy, 22nd Deborah & Leon Campbell, 29th Kathy & Warren Howard

August

3rd Liz & Martin Kuhls, 5th Pat & Jack Swanzy, Mary Ann & Robert Fairbank, 7th Christine & Gerald Chafin III, 12th Elizabeth & Donald Ferega, Charlene & Charles Kelley, 13th Bridget & Patrick McGarrity

Do You Use Email?

By Ken Riedel – Membership Director

The Council's monthly newsletter, *Mountain News*, could be emailed to you saving the council over \$0.53 per issue. I know you're thinking that's not much of a savings, but multiple your issue by the 148 total members in the council (and continuing to grow). You may call Ken Riedel, 303-988-9049 or email Ken at kdriedel@comcast.com with your email address. Also, **if you change your mailing address or telephone (home and/or work)** please call or email Ken with the changes.

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Any member of the Knights of Columbus may contribute items for publication in this newsletter. If the item is publicizing an event be sure to answer the Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How questions and include any digital photos that may have been taken. **The e-mail address is mdelp6@comcast.net** Notice; the article and photograph submitted may be sent to the "KNIGHTS IN ACTION" editor of the "Columbia"

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