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WHEN, WHAT, WHERE

Mark your Calendars

May

Every Saturday in May - Prayer vigil at the construction site of the new regional Planned Parenthood abortion facility,
7155 East 38th Ave. at Pontiac St., 9:30am
8th 7:30 pm Rosary and Council Business Meeting
13922 W. Utah Ave.
11th Pentecost Sunday
17th Rosary for Life, East 20th Ave. at Vine St., 7:30am
26th Memorial Day

June

12th 7:30 pm Rosary and Council Business Meeting
13922 W. Utah Ave.
21st Rosary for Life, East 20th Ave. at Vine St., 7:30am

REPORTS AND ACTIVITIES

Grand Knight's Request

Dear Brother Knights:

I hope each one of you will read this message, then find a moment of solitude and with the help and guidance of The Holy Spirit do what is in your heart.

June 30, 2008 will be the end of my second year as Grand Knight; two years being the 'normal' term for a Grand Knight. Being Grand Knight has been a very rewarding experience for me. I have grown as a leader, by attending Metro and State wide meetings and conventions and I have learned what it means to be member in full Knighthood, thus inspiring me to go through my 4th Degree. I have made new friends outside our Council and joined the St Padre Pio 4th Degree Assembly.

Now, I know what you are thinking..."I'm way too busy to consider being a Council officer." I thought the same thing two years ago. As many of you know I work full time for Wells Fargo in a job that sometimes takes me out of town 2-3

times during any given month. I volunteer each month on average 28 hours with the Lakewood Police Dept., 6 hours with the Colorado Irish Festival, 3 hours with the St Patrick's Day parade committee, and 2 hours with various other volunteer activities. Suffice it to say I could have easily used all that as a reason why I could not be Grand Knight. Honestly, I am glad I didn't!

Have I been the best Grand Knight this Council has ever had? Not by a long shot! In fact I know the best one is still out there; possibly in the current membership? Maybe that person is YOU!

Please seriously consider serving as a Council Officer! Self-nominations are now being accepted. Elections will be in June. Below are brief descriptions of each office. If you determine you are interested, please let me or one of the Trustees (John Garbarino, Ron Day & John Bistranan) know at your (and the Holy Spirit's) earliest convenience. If you have any questions, please call me at one of the following numbers:
H - 303-985-0011
W - 303-863-6775
C - 303-882-2972

Vivat Jesus!
Don Ferega
Grand Knight

GRAND KNIGHT DUTIES

What are you supposed to do?

1. Establish your program for the next year. How? Your council chair officers-elect should be your advisors. They are part of your team and need to be included in this process.
2. Sit down with the programs from the last year and determine which programs were successful and sufficiently far ranging to satisfy all your council members, which ones need to be improved and which ones need to be dropped. Use your Columbian Form, not only as a reporting tool for the council's activities at the end of the fraternal year, but also as a planning tool at the beginning of the upcoming fraternal year.
3. Remember, there is always room for new programs. Try them!!! The Council may like them and don't forget that

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programming your council activities needs to include all program areas, I.e. council, church, community, family, youth, charity programs and membership.

4. Remember, membership is a program!!! Plan 1st degrees, major degrees and your recruitment program. Include things like open houses, one-on-one recruitment or invitation programs or whatever you think will be the best membership activities to recruit and retain your members. Membership does not happen automatically, you have to plan for it.

5. To execute these programs your Deputy Grand Knight should be your program director. Remember, when your term is over, in most cases, he will be next to take your position. It will be his job to follow up with the chairman regarding their program and the needs of the committee and their budgets.

6. To assist the Deputy Grand Knight, establish time frames and dates for the standard functions in advance and assist him with committee selection. Let the council know of your plans for the success of the council and ask them to help you achieve that success. Set the dates, change what needs to be changed, then let them get to work.

7. Remember, most of this and the planning is to take place before you officially take office. That allows you to get the bulk of the upcoming year's planning done, ready and waiting for action. It is important to remember that successful teams always have a game plan before taking the field.

8. Concerns – Most councils who are successful remember that chair progression is important. The establishment of the practice of expecting candidates for each office to progress through the various chair positions is for the ultimate good of the Council. By the time a man becomes Grand Knight; he has worked all areas of the council and knows exactly what is expected of him. It is not a good practice to bring a man into the Order in March, electing him to Deputy Grand Knight in May and Grand Knight the following year. This practice is not fair to the member nor does it help the council be successful.

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT DUTIES

The Deputy Grand Knight of a Council serves as the Grand Knight's right hand. He should familiarize himself thoroughly with the procedures for conducting meetings and Robert's Rules of Order, the order, state and council by-laws, council programs, Knights of Columbus protocol and council finances.

The Deputy Grand Knight serves as the presiding council officer in the absence of the Grand Knight. The Deputy Grand Knight also performs other functions as designated by the

Grand Knight. These functions may include chairing or serving as a member of any of the programs, committees, membership committee, admissions committee, etc.

The Deputy Grand Knight and Trustees often serve as the council's retention committee.

The Deputy Grand Knight should attend the state convention and any leadership training sessions that may be available if possible. A close relationship should be built between the Deputy Grand Knight and the Council's District Deputy.

CHANCELLOR DUTIES

1. The Chancellor assumes duties of the Grand Knight when the Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight are both absent.

2. The Chancellor serves as the Council's troubleshooter, researching and finding answers for council problems relating to protocol, conduct of business meetings and assists the Lecturer in preparing programs for the "good of the order".

3. If the Council sponsors a Columbian Squires Circle, the Chancellor serves on the ceremonials team.

4. The Chancellor's duties also include:
- a. Acts as Chief Advisor to the Grand Knight;
 - b. Develops programs for members who are sick or in distress, i.e. sending cards or flowers to members or a family in the case of death, illness, marriage, etc.;
 - c. Take special interest in new members;
 - d. Help keep members active through personal contact;
 - e. Take special interest in widows of deceased members and invite them to all Memorial masses and family activities of the Council; and
 - f. Perform other duties as assigned by the Grand Knight.

ADVOCATE DUTIES

The Advocate serves as the legal advisor to the Council. Matters which may be affected by or administered by the rules and by-laws of the order and or with local/city/state/federal or territorial laws and regulations will be reviewed and ruled upon by the council advocate.

The Advocate shall serve as the legal advisor to the Council in legal matters dealing with members and non-members as directed by the Grand Knight.

As required, the Advocate shall serve as the legal advisor to individual council members engaged in council business with non-council members and entities.

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Familiarity with Supreme, State and Council by-laws, Roberts Rules of order and “Methods of Conducting a Council Meeting” (Supreme Council flyer #2937) are necessary tools for the Council’s Advocate.

TREASURER DUTIES

The Treasurer is charged with handling all council funds. He collects, records, deposits, disburses and maintains accountability of the council’s general funds. The Treasurer prepares records and assists council officers in the conduct of semi-annual council audits.

RECORDER DUTIES

The Recorder takes and maintains an accurate record of the Council’s actions and are his primary responsibility. The Recorder should also maintain the Council’s correspondence records. The Supreme Council “Recorder’s Minute Book” (#1403) should be used to record and maintain business meeting minutes.

LECTURER DUTIES

The Lecturer position in the Council is by appointment by the Grand Knight. His duties include:

1. Providing suitable educational programs and entertainment for the “good of the order” part of the meetings plus social meetings. The Lecturer should be familiar with all Knights of Columbus programs that the council sponsors or participates in through the fraternal year;
2. Develop sources that are available for use by the Council for programs, i.e. VCR and audio tapes available from Supreme, “live” programs presented by area religious, members of local groups such as “Special Olympics”, half-way houses, shelters, etc.

WARDEN AND GUARDS DUTIES

1. The Warden and Guards are responsible for maintaining order within the council during business meetings. They are responsible for council property, organize the meeting site in preparation for the business meetings, issue and retrieve jewels, setting up the colors, prepare for ceremonials, etc.
2. At the beginning of each business meeting, the Warden ensures each attendee is in possession of the current membership card. Each Guard must be fully aware and familiar with the duties of the Warden so that they may assume the Warden’s responsibilities in his absence. The Inside

Guard should check membership cards before allowing entry to the Council Chambers. The Outside Guard tends to the outer door of the Council Hall and admits visitors as far as the Inside Guard.

Don Ferega
Grand Knight

An Uplifting Story About A Politician!!

The Catholic News Agency(www.catholicnewsagency.com) gives us an unusual story about a politician who seems to have genuine respect for human life. They report about the Governor of Alaska, Sarah Palin, who recently gave birth to her fifth child, a son who has Down's Syndrome. Her loving response was that she and her family have been "truly blessed." Her family released a statement which said, "Trig is beautiful and already adored by us. We knew through early testing he would face special challenges, and we feel privileged that God would entrust us with this gift and allow us unspeakable joy as he entered our lives. We have faith that every baby is created for good purpose and has potential to make this world a better place. We are truly blessed."

Sincerely,
Leo Mantei – Pro-Life Advocate

New Field Agent Member!

Greetings Brothers,

I am pleased to say that my wife, Michelle, has joined up with me to help better service all of you, the members. Her office is at the General Agent’s, Doug Parsons office, at 2701 W. 84th Ave #101, Westminster, Co 80031. Her direct line is 303-657-8364.

She comes with a background of 6 years in the insurance industry, specializing in life and health. With raising three children we have been in a great deal of prayer to see if this would be the right path for her. We took a leap of faith and she has come on board with me, leaving the corporate world behind. We are both very excited about this venture. With her coming on, it has allowed me to better serve you as brothers and your families. She has really freed me up to be at your kitchen table which is where I need to be, with you. Your wonderful responses to her has been so appreciated when she calls you to schedule appointments and help with your needs. If we haven’t got a hold of you, please give us a call to schedule an appointment. May God Bless you and your family.

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Vivat Jesus,
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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:

On April 1, 2008 at Our Lady of the Luminous Mysteries Council 13301, Church of the Risen Christ, 3060 So. Monaco Pkwy., Denver; Scott F., Veronica Mitchell and family. Their son, Daniel, is competing for Council's \$500.00 college scholarship for this year.

On April 10, 2008 Richard S. and Dorothy Johnson transferred in from Council 4469 located in Silver Bay, Minnesota.

On April 12, 2008 at Dr. Earl C. Bach Council 3340, 3800 So. Windermere St., Englewood; Anthony J., Nadine Malensek and family; Todd C. and Amanda Ognibene,

Experience of a Lifetime



May: Conduct an Open House

Hold an open house and invite all of the candidates left on our prospect list (including any prospects from our March BLITZ not yet contacted, RCIA candidates, inactive insurance and former members who have not yet been approached). Have teams of husband-and-wife recruiters on hand to tell prospects and their families about benefits in the Order.

Since all current known prospect list, March BLITZ, RCIA graduates, inactive insurance and former members have either already received their First Degree or are unknown at this time, it is perhaps simply best to state that Council is still three new members short of its desired goal; and that all efforts are geared towards identifying additional prospects and contacting them prior our fraternal year end June 30th..

If you know of a Catholic gentleman at least age 18 or older that would make a good candidate, please contact Membership Director Ken Riedel at 303-988-9049

Degrees and Membership Initiatives to Honor Pope Benedict XVI

The Knights of Columbus must "prepare the way" for Pope Benedict XVI during his planned visit to the United States April 15-20, 2008 Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson urged attendees of the mid-year meeting of state deputies. Pope Benedict's visit is being described as an "Apostolic Visit to the United States of America and to the Seat of the United Nations." It will include pastoral visits and Masses in Washington, D.C. and New York City, along with meetings with President Bush, Catholic educators and leaders of non-Christian faiths. Supreme Knight Anderson outlined a three-point program of preparation for the Pope's visit tied to membership recruitment.

- All First Degree exemplifications through the end of the 2007-08 fraternal year will be held in honor of Pope Benedict XVI. Candidates will receive a commemorative certificate.
- Every Knight who proposes a new member now and April 20 will receive a small medallion with Pope Benedict's image.
- Every new Knight recruited between now and April 20 will have his name listed in a special book that Supreme Knight Anderson present to Pope Benedict.

Additionally, the current Marion prayer dedicated to Our Lady of Charity will continue to be offered for the Pope's intentions. At the program's conclusion next September, another book will be prepared and presented to the Holy Father listing the prayer services held and the number of people who participated.

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 at 303-988-9049, 303-987-3171, or kdriedel@comcast.net.

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Carron Coffee House Association
2008 Schedule

May 9..... Group 1
May 16..... Group 2

Jun 13..... Group 1
Jun 20..... Group 2
Jun 27..... Groups 1 and 2

DINNER DANCE

It is Time To Pray

Prayers are welcome for:
For Fr. John's quick return to good health
The Frank Contreras family,
The Daniel Leiker family,
Ray Scott,
Harry Bellegante,
The monthly intentions of Pope Benedict XVI,
Our Service Personnel serving our nation in countries around
the World,
Ending abortion

ANNIVERSARIES

Fr. John's Ordination May 30th
Happy Anniversary!

Birthdays

May
4th Donald Meanor, 7th Michael Saraco, 8th Joe Lopez, 10th
Quentin Smith, 13th Virgil Ranker, 15th Robert Fairbank, 23rd
Rustin Gersch, 25th William Longan, 28th Michael Campbell

June
4th Jeffrey Brown

Weddings

May
8th Delores & Louis Peressini, 11th Peggy & Harold Bogus,
Jolene & Ted Robinette, 20th Marie & John Downs, Jr, 21st
Connie & Michael Delp, 22nd Candace and Walter Aeckerle,
Veronica & Martin Gonzales, 23rd Marina & Matthew
Middlebrooks, 24th Bonnie & Robert Knievel, 25th Mary Alyce
& Christopher Rodriguez, 29th Fran & Gerry Kaveny

June

3rd Cathleen & John Danielson, Sheila & Dr. Francis Furman,
4th Janet & Steven Heisdoffer, 5th Darlyce & Ronald Day,
Mary Ann & Raymond Stevens, 6th Judy & Francis Ernest, 7th
Jeri & Stanley Smith, 8th Jeannette & Donald Heithoff, 11th
Jennifer & James Embury, 12th Barbara & Eugene Schaefer

Note – Dates above start from the time of publication until the
next monthly meeting (2nd Thursday of the month). Dates after
that will be included in the next issue.

Do You Use Email?

By Ken Riedel – Membership Director

Council's monthly newsletter, Mountain News, emailed to you
saving the council nearly \$0.60 per issue. I know you're
thinking that's not much of a savings, but multiply your per
issue unit cost by 167 current council members (and
continuing to grow), that's all most \$100 per month and \$1,
200 per year and growing.

Please contact Ken Riedel, 303-988-9049 (H), 303-987-3171
(Fax) or kdriedel@comcast.net if you change your email
address or obtain internet access and now utilize an email
account to communicate with your friends and relatives.

Also, if you change your Mailing Address or Home, Work
Telephone Numbers or Retire and no longer have need of such
a number, please contact Ken Riedel at via any of the means as
listed above.

What's New On Council's Website?

What is the count of visitors to Council's website:
<http://www.kofc7640.org> ? What's the change made to our
home page? What else is new on the other pages? When did
you last take a look at YOUR council's website? YOU should
check it out at least monthly.

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members free of any and all charges. Please notice there are
two versions of this newsletter. One which is sent via the
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version is the same except the clipart and photos are black and
white.

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The next issue deadline is 12:00 AM June 1st

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**



Grand Knight Don Ferega presenting a check to Father John Grabrian, pastor of Christ on the Mountain parish to help defray the cost of the new parish hymnals.

State Officers 2007 – 2008

- State Deputy: Claude Trujillo
- State Chaplain: Fr. Mark Bettinger
- State Secretary: Jerry Sauter
- State Treasurer: Roger Muller
- State Advocate: Chuck Page
- State Warden: Dave Jenkins
- Immediate State Past Deputy: Jay Nothstine

Metro District Officers 2007 - 2008

- Chaplain: Rev. James Abosike
- President: J. R. White
- Vice President: Dan Kucrea
- Secretary: Charles “Chuck” Moffat
- Treasurer: Ken Riedel
- Warden: Adolph Cordova
- Trustee: Mike Phelan

Council 7640 Officers 2007 - 2008

- Grand Knight: Donald B. Ferega
- Deputy Grand Knight: Brian L. Morman
- Chancellor: Frederick A. Keller, Jr.
- Recorder: Don M. Sena
- Treasurer: Kenneth D. Riedel
- Advocate: Warren A. Howard
- Warden: John A. DeMaio

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District 25 Deputy & Councils List

Richard Casias
3799 Queen of the Holy Rosary
4796 Bishop Tihen
4844 SW Denver
7640 Christ on the Mountain
12763 St. Rose of Lima
13301 Our Lady of the Luminous Mystery's

Trustee: Gary Dawson

Trustee: Tom Peacock

7640 Home Association

President: Ken Riedel

Vice President: J. R. White

Secretary: Virgil Ranker

Treasurer: Carl Johnson

Inside Guard: Jeffrey D. Alimenti

Outside Guard: Rustin T. Gersch

Trustee for 3 Years: Ronald R. Day

Trustee for 2 Years: John H. Bistranin

Trustee for 1 Year: John R. Garbarino

Chaplain: Rev. John J. Grabrian

Financial Secretary: Daniel G. Palese

Lecturer: vacant

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