



# Knight Letter



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## APRIL

April 2016

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### Monday 4th

\*Rosary  
6:30pm-7:00pm  
\*Board Meeting  
7:00pm  
In Council Chambers

### Wednesday 6th

Lunch Social  
w/ special guests  
12:00 noon  
In Colonial Room

### Saturday 9th

ProLife Mass  
8:00am  
St. James Cathedral

### Monday 11th

\*Officer's Meeting  
6:00pm  
\*Council Meeting  
7:00pm  
In Council Chambers

### Monday 18th

Fraternal Night  
7:00PM  
In Council Chambers

### Monday 25th

1st Degree  
7:00pm  
In Council Chambers

## Sister's Luncheon

Join us on Wednesday April 6th at 12:00 noon for our annual Sister's Luncheon. We will have boxed lunches from Jimmy John's. Please arrive early so you have time to vote on ProLife posters and essays which were done by very talented students at Emerald Heights Academy in Bellevue.



The winning posters and essays in each category will be sent on to the State Convention in May.

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### A MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

Easter season is over and hopefully we can carry the Lenten spirit on and continue saying the rosary and attending mass more often.



GK Larry Kessler &  
Potentate Don Lane  
Photo courtesy of  
John O'Brien

We had our Annual Knights & Nobles dinner on March 12th. There were about 55 Knights and Nobles in attendance and I believe all had a great time. Susan Magan supplied us with corned beef and cabbage and we had the Emerald Bards duo entertaining us with old familiar Irish tunes. Thanks to all Knights and family members who attended, I appreciate your support for our 43rd annual event.

Our council is teaming up with St. Jude's Council in Redmond to raise funds for an ultrasound machine for the WAMS Clinic; a new women's clinic looking to open this summer. Our Brother Knight Dirk Bartram is on their Board of Directors. Anyone wishing to make a donation can send it to the council and designate it for 'WAMS' or 'ultrasound machine'. Once our fundraising goal is reached, Supreme will match that amount. Thank you in advance for your support.

Yours in Christ,  
Larry Kessler

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8am – 2pm

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**Brother Knights born in APRIL; we wish you a Happy Birthday!**

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|----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| James Beaulieu | Charles Huber    | Joseph Stocking |
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You are invited to our Fraternal Night dinner on **MONDAY APRIL 18, 2016 at 7:00PM in the COUNCIL CHAMBERS. Social hour is at 6:00PM.** Included on your Birthday Card will be a dinner ticket good for one meal. Cost is **\$10.00** per person. **RSVP for dinner by April 15th** at 206 325-3410 so we can have an accurate headcount. Dinner will be your choice of baked ham and/or baked chicken.

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**Board News:**

- **The metal under the overhangs is rusting through. Bids are being gathered from companies so that the situation can be fixed before serious damage occurs.**
- **A permanent sound system will be put into the Colonial Room. Bids have been collected and the board is in the process of deciding who to choose for the job.**

**Join us on Monday April 4th for our next meeting. Rosary is said at 6:30pm and the meeting begins at 7:00pm. Sandwiches are supplied; so let us know you plan on attending so that we have enough on hand.**

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**The Gift of Fortitude - Pope Francis**

... "Dear friends, sometimes we may be tempted to give in to laziness, or worse, to discouragement, especially when faced with the hardships and trials of life. In these cases, let us not lose heart, let us invoke the Holy Spirit so that through the gift of fortitude he may lift our heart and communicate new strength and enthusiasm to our life and to our following of Jesus." ...

**Prolife Corner**

**Matt & Georgene Ulrich - Council 676's Prolife Family**

“God calls us to be faithful, not successful.” Mother Teresa’s words when she spoke at the National Prayer breakfast years ago. Probably one of the most quoted statements I have heard in the ProLife mission to defend life for the past 20 years Georgene and I have been active. Another statement the incredible Mother Teresa made “How much does an abortion cost? One human Life”. On September 4th, Mother Teresa will be canonized a saint in Rome and what a saint she was. I remember story after story about her prolife efforts, and one that stands out was Mother and her Sisters of Charity going to the hospitals in India where they performed abortions and telling these abortion minded women “if you don’t want your baby, we will take your baby”. They would find homes for these unwanted children without exception. I could tell you many other prolife activities she and the Sisters of Charity performed every day, In America she exclaimed “ how can we ever stop the crime in our streets, when we let mothers kill the children in their womb”. One of the powerful saints we go to for ending abortion in our prayers, and prayer is ultimately what will end abortion, that’s not from me only, but the prolife stalwarts that pray daily to the Holy Spirit to stop the killing of Gods precious infants.

Some experts suggest that there are four phases of retirement: protection, accumulation, income de-accumulation and care. In this article, I will tackle protection.

Protection is the base element of any well-founded financial plan; the base of the pyramid, for example. Without basic protection against premature death or the inability to earn income due to disability, the remainder of the pyramid collapses. If you own mutual funds and die without life insurance, those funds will be needed to pay final expenses (collapsing), perhaps at the most inopportune time (after a market correction). If you own mutual funds and lose your ability to earn income due to disability and are without paycheck protection, those funds will be needed in order to pay living expenses (collapsing), perhaps at the most inopportune time (is there ever an opportune time?).

So, basic protection is a must. The good thing is that this protection is offered by the Knights of Columbus. Our whole life products and disability income insurance are designed with this goal in mind. For example, our Life Paid Up at 65 plan is perfect for this purpose because premier payments end right when retirement is upon you. There are many other options that I can discuss with you that will fit your needs and your budget.

A newer addition to our product portfolio, disability income insurance protects your most valuable asset: your ability to work and earn money. Plans can be customized and are available to cover many professions, from farmers to lawyers. Once you’ve established the proper protection, the next phase is accumulation of cash, which I will discuss in a future article. ROMY ABLAO (206) 399-3515 romarico.ablao@kofc.org

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**PRAYERS ARE NEEDED FOR OUR AILING BROTHERS AND FAMILY MEMBERS**

**Father Robert Egan; Leo Costello; Jim Kessler; Amadeus Amador; Albert Freedman; Tom Joyce; Don Luby; Phil Philbrick; Paul Heneghan; Mac Henderson; Edgar Pitre; Gene Posel; Vic Grieco; Pat D’Ambrosio; Tom Hoagland; Walter Brazelton; John Costello; Joe Robinson PGK PFN PDD; Bridget Dobson; Ann Heneghan, daughter of Paul; Archbishop Emeritus Brunett.**

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