



# Knight Letter



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## JULY

### Wednesday 6TH

Lunch Social  
12:00 noon  
In Colonial Room

### WEDNESDAY 6th

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

### 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

## COUNCIL OFFICERS 2016-2017

**Grand Knight—Joseph Kessler**

**Deputy Grand Knight—Thomas Joyce**

**Chancellor—Alan Bonaci**

**Recorder—Phil Philbrick**

**Treasurer—Albert Freedman**

**Advocate—Donald Luby**

**Warden—Ben Noma**

**Inside Guard—Kevin Kessler**

**Outside Guard—Drew Dungan**

**1 Year Trustee - Albert Freedman**

**2 Year Trustee - Alan Bonaci**

**3 Year Trustee - Thomas Joyce**

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## JULY FRATERNAL NIGHT DINNER



## WE'RE HAVING A PICNIC IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

**MENU: FRIED CHICHEN, HOT DOGS,  
POTATO SALAD AND DESSERT.**



Knights of Columbus  
Seattle Council 676  
722 East Union Street  
Seattle, WA 98122  
Monday • Friday  
8am — 2pm

Council 676 Officers

K of C Club Officers

Joseph Kessler	Grand Knight	Joseph Kessler	Grand Knight	2016-2017
Thomas Joyce PGK	Deputy Grand Knight	Lawrence Kessler PGK	At Large	2016-2019
Alan Bonaci PGK	Chancellor	Ben Noma PGK	At Large	2015-2018
Ben Noma PGK	Warden	Phil Philbrick	At Large	2014-2017
Phil Philbrick	Recorder	Thomas Joyce PGK	Trustee	2016-2019
Albert Freedman	Treasurer	Alan Bonaci PGK	Trustee	2015-2018
Kevin Kessler	Inside Guard	Albert Freedman	Trustee	2014-2017
Drew Dungan	Outside Guard			
Vacant	Financial Secretary			
Paul Heneghan	Lecturer	Chaplain	Father Lyle Konen	
Don Luby PGK	Advocate			
Thomas Joyce PGK	Trustee 2016-2019			
Alan Bonaci PGK	Trustee 2015-2018	Fraternal Benefits Advisor	Romy Ablao	
Albert Freedman	Trustee 2014-2017	Facility Manager	Penny Kessler	

**Brother Knights born in JULY “Happy Birthday to You!”**

Jonathan Mylius	Dan Schweitzer	Mark Gerling
Christopher Mooney	Joseph Zaffiro	Ernest Hickox
James Madden	Alex Nguyen	Paul Heneghan
Rev. Lyle Konen	Brian Aleshire	Thomas Barbano
Michael Beck	Thomas Farkas	Michael Murray
Steven Kessler		

You are invited to our Fraternal Night dinner on **MONDAY JULY 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 two meals. Cost is **\$10.00** per person. **RSVP for dinner by July 15th** at 206 325-3410 so we can have an accurate headcount.

**Board News:**

**Join us on WEDNESDAY JULY 6TH for our next meeting. Rosary is said at 6:30pm and the meeting begins at 7:00pm. Sustenance will be supplied; so let us know you plan on attending so that we have enough on hand.**

**A MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT**

As we end the fraternal year and begin the new this month, it is a good time to reflect on where we have been and where we are going in the next year. It has been a great year and the council has had the privilege of supporting a number of worthy charities and endeavors that promote the sanctity of life. It is only through the hard work and generosity of our members that we are able to make a difference in the lives of so many people and especially, the unborn. We are looking forward to keeping up this work in the next year.

I would like to thank our incoming officers for their commitment to the mission of the Knights of Columbus and the legacy of all those who have come before us. It is only through their willingness to step up that the organization can continue to thrive. Finally, I would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to Larry Kessler for doing an amazing job as Grand Knight for the past two years. It is only through his work and leadership that many of our programs have continued to make a difference, not to mention ensuring that our facility has become a destination for so many functions. I will do my best to continue to move the Council forward in the spirit of Father McGivney.

Fraternally yours,  
Joseph Kessler

**HEADLINE:** Judge says public hospitals have to provide abortions!

Thanks to ACLU of Washington who filed a suit against Skagit Valley Hospital in Mount Vernon who referred those seeking an abortion to Planned Parenthood because the employees did not want to participate in providing abortions (religious freedom right). The judge ruled that if the hospital offers maternity care that they also have to offer abortion services. The state of Washington continues to be the #1 state for abortion services so the ACLU doesn't want to lose their ranking-RIGHT. How sad it is that we are the only state that has NO restrictions on abortion, is it any wonder that 50 abortions every day are the result at the more than 25 abortion facilities here in Washington. We can do Better!

**Four parts of retirement: Phase four**

Okay, if you've been following along in my articles, you've read about the first phases that lead to retirement. Protection and accumulation of savings are the first time, followed by de-accumulation of those funds while making them last.

The final phase is care. At some point, at some age (hopefully a very advanced age), you will need to slow down. You will no longer be able to care for yourself. At that point, you will need to have assets available to provide much needed care, either at home or in a care facility.

As you probably know, the cost of care continues to rise. I cannot quote you a number here (I could give you specific details in a face-to-face meeting), but the nationwide average grows by leaps and bounds. How do you plan to cover these costs? Government programs might not be available, or might require you to spend down your assets leaving your family with little.

The best way to handle the cost of care in the future is to plan ahead today. The Knights of Columbus offers long-term care insurance that can cover at home or facility care costs. And our product is backed by the financial strength of the Order. It has many benefits and our premiums are competitive with any other company.

The Knights of Columbus – the organization you trust – is in a position to help you with every phase. Life insurance, disability insurance, guaranteed retirement plans that turn into guaranteed income streams when you retire, and long term care. There is no reason to go elsewhere as you prepare for the four phases!

Contact me today to schedule a meeting.

Romy Ablao, FIC PGK PFN FDD (206) 399-35125 Email: romarico.ablao@kofc.org

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

**Father Robert Egan; Jim Kessler; Amadeus Amador; Albert Freedman; Tom Joyce; Don Luby; Phil Philbrick; Paul Heneghan; Mac Henderson; Edgar Pitre; 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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