



Knight Letter



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JANUARY

Monday 2nd

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

Wednesday 4th

Lunch Social
12:00 noon
In Colonial Room

Monday 9th

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

Saturday 14th

ProLife Mass
8:00am
St. James Cathedral

Monday 16th

Fraternal Night
7:00pm
In Council Chambers

Monday 23rd

1st Degree
7:00pm
In Council Chambers

Monday 30th

2nd Degree
7:00pm
In Council Chambers

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

January 2017

Charity • Unity • Fraternity • Patriotism



HAPPY NEW YEAR 2017

Family of the Year: Tom & Gerry Joyce

Knight of the Year: Henry Rathbun

Golden Mic Award: Don Luby

Grand Knights Christmas Party 2016



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			
Lawrence Kessler PGK	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	

Happy Birthday to our January born Brother Knights

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| Christopher Pirnke | Carl Peterson | Skye Lewis |
| Leo Wolfe | MRV Alexander Brunett | Alan Bonaci |
| Wayne Gunderson | John Skomorowsky | Jerome Mathews |
| Ralph Dobson | Father Anthony Bawyn | Ben Noma |
| Jerzy Nawrot | Timothy Harn Jr | Norbert Gastonguay |
| Father Joe Altenhofen | Lawrence Boulanger | Edward Welch |

You're invited to our Fraternal Night dinner on **MONDAY JANUARY 16, 2017 at 7:00PM in the COUNCIL CHAMBERS. Social hour is at 6:00PM.** Included on your birthday card will be a ticket good for two meals. Cost is **\$10.00** per person. **RSVP for dinner by January 13th** at 206.325.3410 so we can have an accurate headcount.

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Message from the Grand Knight

As we wind down from the Christmas season, I would like to take a moment to thank all of you who give selflessly to help us meet our mission as Knights of Columbus. We all have much to be thankful for and especially for the gifts of your work and support. Special thanks to Larry, Penny, Alan, Mona and all who worked so hard to make the Grand Knights Christmas Party a great success.

I would also like to acknowledge the many years of service and contributions of my father, Jim Kessler, as he recently celebrated his 91st birthday. He is the epitome of what it means to be a Knight of Columbus and a Catholic gentleman. Please keep him and all of our sick brothers and friends in your prayers.

Take care and we hope you had a blessed holiday season. May the peace of Christ stay with you throughout the New Year.

Fraternally yours,

Joseph Kessler

You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream. C.S. Lewis

Prolife Washington, the “billboard people” have 20 new billboards going up the first week in January, and our Council 676 is responsible for 5 of those educational, life changing messages that drivers in King County will witness. More than 1 million impressions are projected for this campaign, and my prayers are for those who just might see when Life begins, and the heartbeat starting at 3 weeks in the womb. You Knights at 676 have been life savers with your efforts in support of Prolife, and Georgene and I can’t thank you enough for your commitment to our organization.

I also want to say how sorry I am for bringing politics into play in the last newsletter, as far as I am concerned Prolife and politics don’t mix and Prolife Washington has always been proud about being educational and not political! I won’t be doing that again anytime soon; in fact, never again!

Matt and Georgene, Directors of Prolife Washington

You also should know that we are a 501c3 non-profit and all donations are tax deductible.

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Protecting Widows – A Founding Goal

As a member of this council, you know how important spouses can be to the charitable works of the Order. If you’re married, your wife is probably involved in a few of the many events that happen each fraternal year. This support adds great value and impact to what a council can achieve.

When the order was founded in 1882, Father Michael J. McGivney and other brave men were setting out to protect Catholic families, but especially wives and children. Today, we remain committed to this mission by offering insurance products and fraternal benefits designed with that goal in mind. One specific policy rider that you may not know about is called Spousal Waiver of Premium. This rider is unique to the Knights of Columbus philosophy of helping our widows. This rider is available on most permanent and Discoverer plans purchased at standard rates by a member and his wife on the same day. When both spouses apply, the rider provides for waiver of premiums on the spouses’ contract in the event of the insured’s death. Best of all, for members and spouses ages 18 to 60, this waiver can be added at no charge. The rider stays in effect until the spouse attains age 65 or certain other triggering events occur.

Our products are designed with your needs and budget in mind. With a solid portfolio of life insurance, long-term care, disability income and retirement products, the Knights of Columbus can help you meet all of your financial goals. To learn more about these solutions, contact me today.

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PRAYERS ARE NEEDED FOR OUR AILING BROTHERS AND FAMILY MEMBERS

**Matt Ulrich; Archbishop Sartain; Jim Kessler; Tom Joyce; Father Robert Egan;
Amadeus Amador; Joseph Zimmerman; Albert Freedman; Don Luby;
Paul Heneghan; Mac Henderson; Edgar Pitre; Tom Hoagland; Walter Brazelton;
John Costello; Joe Robinson PGK PFN PDD; Bridget Dobson;
Ann Heneghan, daughter of Paul; Archbishop Emeritus Brunett; Thomas Barker.**

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