



Saint Louise Overlake Council 4385

Knights of Columbus

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Grand Knight Steven Canzano



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“Saving Lives, Changing Lives”

Dear Brother Knights,

I was fortunate enough to attend the State Regional Meeting that was held in Everett on January 15th. The Winter Regional Meeting marks the halfway point in our fraternal year. It’s hard to believe I have been in office for 6 months now. We are headed for the finish line and its time to push to complete our annual goals

I really like going to all of the State sponsored meetings because they are very inspiring. As the State Officers go over each of the many programs that the Knights are participating in, I can see that we are truly the hands and feet of Christ. These programs are helping the knights *“Save Lives and Change Lives.”* Yes that right, The Knights are not just about Pancakes anymore!

How do we save lives? Since 2009, Knights of Columbus councils have raised funds to purchase ultrasound machines for pro-life pregnancy care centers. Research shows that 80-90% of women considering abortions choose to keep their baby after viewing ultrasound images. The Knights also support Blood Drives. With you help we were able to collect over 200 pints of blood during our drives here at St Louise in 2010.

We change lives by helping those that are less fortunate. The Knights support the Special Olympics, and Seminarians who will become our future priests. We give coats to kids and wheelchairs to those in need. Our money helps Supreme buy prostheses for the children in Haiti who have lost limbs, and replace them as the children grow. These are just a few of the programs that help change lives.

Membership in the Knight of Columbus continues to rise every year and that is understandable. Why wouldn’t every Catholic man want to join a cause like

This? It’s our duty to be our brothers keeper and what better way than to be a Knight. This is why I joined.

Vivat Jesus

Steve Canzano, Grand Knight 4385

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Up Coming Events

Feb 20	Crab Feed
Feb 24	Planning Meeting @ 7:30pm in the Parish House (4 th Thursdays),
Feb 31	No potluck this month, we will rest after the Crab Feed
Mar 10	Business Meeting @ 7:30pm in the Parish House (2 nd Thursdays)
Mar 13	Pancake Breakfast
Mar 21	Blood drive
Mar 24	Planning Meeting @ 7:30pm in the Parish House (4 th Thursdays)
Mar 26	1 st Communion Breakfast
Mar 31	Potluck 6:30pm in the Parish House (5 th Thursdays)
Apr 14	Business Meeting @ 7:30pm in the Parish House (2 nd Thursdays)

Ultrasound Initiative

“A Matter of Life or Death.”

There was a great article in the January issue of Columbia magazine. Donna-Marie Cooper O’Boyle wrote “Living Proof” a story about a college student named Faith, who thought she had no other option but to have an abortion. Faith went to the Problem Pregnancy Center in Worcester, Mass near her university. The Center gave Faith a free ultrasound screening. Donna wrote:

For Faith, the experience of seeing the image of her unborn baby was enlightening. She said “When I heard the heartbeat, I thought, this is a human being”

Faith decided that it was not up to her who lives or who doesn’t. A life saved!

The state-of-the-art ultrasound machine used at the center was one of the first machines placed through the Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Initiative. This program, which was made possible by the Order’s Culture of Life Fund, matches funds raised by councils like ours toward the purchase of a machine. Ultrasound machines go for around \$26,000, meaning if we could raise \$13,000 we could have a machine installed in Washington State. There are 88 clinics in the State of Washington that are qualified for this program. Washington State councils have placed 8 machines as of December 2010. That’s only 10%, We could do much better

We are going to have a special meeting to discuss how our council and St Louise can participate in this program. Please come to the March 10th Business meeting to help us decide on the best course of action to get a machine installed this year. If you have any questions please call Steve Canzano, 206-730-3749 or email at sm.canzano@comcast.net

New Insurance Agent

“Protecting Families for Generations”

Sheldon Sweeney has been assigned to our council as our field agent. He can be reached at (425) 941-1921 or email at sheldon.sweeney@kofc.org

Wheel Chair Program

“Changing Lives Through The Blessing Of Mobility.”

Brother John Rowly, the State Wheelchair Program Chairman needs our help in supporting this initiative. He has challenged us to hold a “Wheelchair Sunday” Parish Drive to raise funds for the delivery of wheelchairs.

For those of you that haven’t heard of this program, the Knights of Columbus and the Global Wheelchair Mission have teamed up to bring wheelchairs to those who lack the freedom of mobility. Our State Council can buy wheelchairs that normally sell for \$500 in a medical supply store for \$150 in half or full containers loads. A half container holds 100 chairs.

John has earmarked the first container of wheelchairs to come to the State of Washington to be used for our veterans and retired religious. In our next planning meeting, scheduled for Thursday Feb 24, we will discuss how to go about having a Wheelchair Sunday Drive. Please come to participate in this important program

Blood Drive

Our regular blood drive was held on Monday January 10 in the parish hall. Don Schafer, the Blood Drive activity director, reported that there were 50 pints of blood donated. We have had 3 blood drives since July 1, 2010. Thanks to all who participated.

The next blood drive will be held on March 21st. If you want more information, please contact Don Schafer at 425-883-0023.

Pancake Breakfast

We will be holding our next Pancake Breakfast on Sunday March 13th. Please keep that date open

Pancake breakfast attendance has been down since the new Mass schedule started. We only serve at the 7:30AM and 9:00AM Masses. There are only a small number of parishioners at the 7:30AM mass. When we have breakfasts please spread the word in advance and let’s see if we can get a few parishioners to come to an earlier mass that day.