The Lancer

Knights of Columbus - Council 1379
Bremerton, Washington

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New newsletter format and process

21st century communication

Joe Kohler, Council 1379 Webmaster

For many years, the newsletter of Bremerton council 1379 was mailed to members and their families. In concert with the Washington State council, The Lancer will be available electronically via the council's website (http://www.kofcbremerton.org/). This will make the newsletter available to a wider readership while saving on mailing and printing costs.

In order to ensure those without computer access are kept informed on the council and its activities, a hardcopy edition will be printed and made available for interested parties during the monthly Knights of Columbus Breakfast, (second Sunday of the month). We will also mail copies to widows of our brother knights who have passed on.

The newsletter and website will provide news and information on the Council, Fourth Degree Assembly and the Squires Circle.

Our Leadership

Grand Knight	Bob Geisert
Deputy Grand Knight	John Baux, Jr.
Program Director	David Bauld
Membership Director	Tom Davis
4th Degree Assembly Faithful Navigator	Jack Schmidt
Squires Circle Mentor	Mark Clemen

Vivat Jesus!

Squires Circle Elections & Planning Meeting, Feb 20

The next Squires Circle meeting is set for Saturday February 20th 6:30-8:30 PM at the Parish Center. This meeting will include Elections and discussion of Annual Planning for the Circle.

Squires Circle Outing a Success

Boys share faith and fun!

The Squires Circle jumped into 2010 with enthusiasm!

About 30 boys of the Squires Circle, sponsored by Council 1379, enjoyed a day at the paint ball field in Central Kitsap following morning Mass on Monday January 18th. Squires mentor Mark Clemen has done a fine job in making these events happen along with other brother knights. Please see Mark Clemen if you are interested in the Squires Circle. Contact Mark at lclemen40@comcast.net or 782-2958.

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Council Supports Manhattan Declaration

Call to all Christians to bring society back to God

Catholic Action Committee

Brother Bob Struble reported on and the council adopted a statement of support for the Manhattan Declaration. This document reaffirms fundamental truths about justice and the common good, and to call upon our fellow citizens, to join defending them. These truths are (1) the sanctity of human life, (2) the dignity of marriage as the conjugal union of husband and wife, and (3) the rights of conscience and religious liberty. To find out more on the Manhattan Declaration, visit *http://www.manhattandeclaration.org/* or contact Brother Bob Morash or Brother Bob Struble. A summary of the declaration is on the council webpage, *http://www.kofcbremerton.org/*

Kitsap 4th Degree Color Corps has new commander

District Deputy and Sir Knight Bill Smith was appointed the new color corps commander for the Kitsap Color Corp. The Kitsap Color Corps includes 4th degree members from the Kitsap and Olympic Peninsula Assemblies.

A webpage for Msgr. Joseph Cameraman Assembly 1540 was added to the Knights website (www.kofcbremerton.org). More information on the 4th degree (Patriotism) is there including the Color Corps Manual. 3rd Degree members interested in becoming 4th degree members are welcome to join via contacting Sir Knight Bill Smith or Faithful Navigator Jack Schmidt.

-Calendar of Events-

Council Meeting

KC Hall, Burwell & Montgomery
Tuesday, February 16, 2010 – 5:30 PM
Social Potluck before Latin Mass; wives and families invited.

Squires Circle Meeting

Parish Center
Saturday February 20, 2010 after 6:30 PM in the parish center – elections and annual planning meeting All interested boys ages 10-18 are welcome to join the circle.

Council Meeting

KC Hall, Burwell & Montgomery
Tuesday, March 2, 2010 – 7 PM
Regular Business Meeting

Membership blitz

Coming in March! A screening of the film, *"Knights of Columbus-men of faith who made a difference"* is planned. This documentary provides a history of the order and its mission in today's world. Pope John Paul II called the knights the "Strong right arm of the church".

Help needed for Awards Committee

Help is needed to draft award submittals to recognize members of our council for the outstanding volunteer work they do. We need folks who are good at writing recommendations per the requirements of the Supreme Council. Help our Brothers receive recognition for their good works! Interested members should contact Dave Bauld for more information.

Men's Spirituality Group News

The men's spirituality group meets on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month after Saturday morning Mass. This ministry is associated with the council. Please contact David Ball at daveandkathyball@msn.com for more information.

Lenten Fish-Fry Fridays Coming Soon

Volunteers needed to help with this fellowship ministry

Lent is just around the corner and the Lenten Fish Fry Friday Dinners are now being planned. This ministry brings parishioners together in a spirit of fellowship during this important time in the church year. Help is needed and volunteers may contact Brother Dave Bauld or Grand Knight Bob Geisert for more information on how to help out.

Thanks received

Benedict House and the Olympic Peninsula Kidney Center provided letters of thanks during January to the Council for providing financial and material support for their work. Charity is one of the virtues of our order and we are pleased to help our neighbors in need.

Council supports Catholics Come Home

Catholic Action Committee

The Council recently approved posting of a "Catholics Come Home" sign to on the KC Hall. This will get the attention of the many hundreds of people who travel on Burwell Avenue each day. Council members donated the funds for fabrication of the sign. Contact Brother Bob Struble for more information.

Help needed to begin "Katie Kitsap" pageant

For several years, the council has sponsored a 5 year old girl to be a member of the Kitsap County Rodeo Princess Court as "Katie Kitsap". Volunteers are needed to help direct the solicitation of applications, selection of candidates, and general facilitation of the event in concert with the Kitsap County Rodeo Princess Court. Interested members are requested to contact Gerry Shapiro or Grand Knight Bob Geisert.