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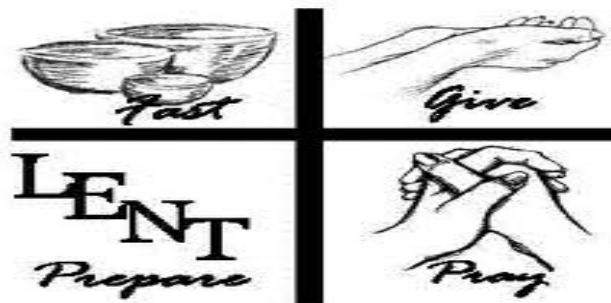
CALENDAR

February

04	5:00 pm	Spaghetti Dinner	K of C Hall
05	5:30 pm	BINGO	K of C Hall
07	6:30 pm	Council Officers' Mtg	K of C Hall
07	7:30 pm	Club Board Mtg	K of C Hall
12	5:30 pm	BINGO	K of C Hall
14	7:30 pm	Council Mtg	K of C Hall
18	12:30 pm	4th Degree Exemplification	Oak Harbor
19	5:30 pm	BINGO	K of C Hall
21	7:30 pm	4 th Degree Assembly Mtg	K of C Hall
22	Ash Wednesday (Lent begins)		
26	5:30 pm	BINGO	K of C Hall
27	5:00 pm	Agape Outreach Meal	St. Augustine's
28	7:15 pm	1 st Degree Exemplification	K of C Hall

March

04	5:30 pm	BINGO	K of C Hall
06	6:30 pm	Council Officers' Mtg	K of C Hall
10	9:00 am	Council Grounds' Cleanup	K of C Hall
11	5:30 pm	BINGO	K of C Hall
13	7:30 pm	Council Mtg	K of C Hall
18	5:30 pm	BINGO	K of C Hall
19	5:00 pm	Agape Outreach Meal	St. Augustine's
20	7:30 pm	4 th Degree Assembly Mtg	K of C Hall
25	5:30 pm	BINGO	K of C Hall





NOTES FROM THE EDITOR...

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 01 Ernesto Galvez
- 01 Maurizio Tonini
- 03 Josefino Villamarin
- 04 Murdoch MacDonald
- 05 Hector Doctor
- 09 Michael Szczerbinski
- 11 Leo Doyle
- 11 Joaquin Laguana
- 13 Dale Holzboog
- 15 Ed Witt
- 19 Nilo Jornales
- 19 Robert Novack
- 20 Jared Baird
- 21 Felix Pangelinan
- 22 Patrick Bohan
- 22 James Wirfs
- 23 Barry Madsen
- 26 Bertis Broxon
- 26 Joshua Rich
- 27 Thomas Hiestand

Happy Birthday Brother Knights

We seem to be doing something wrong. It's Winter – a time when we “hibernate” in doors, we take our cues from what little sun we get, we “should” be slowing down in our daily lives.

And yet, our Council is anything BUT slowing. The calendar for February is chocked full of events and activities. Perhaps the most important is the 4th Degree Exemplification that we are hosting, coordinated by our Whidbey-Fidalgo Assembly. If you aren't already a 2nd or 3rd degree knight, I encourage you to talk with your sponsor, or a fellow knight and find out when and where the next 2nd/3rd Exemplifications are; or you could visit the State website listed at the bottom of the page. If you're a sponsor If you're looking for someone to ask, why not come to the Spaghetti Dinner on the 4th – there'll be PLENTY of brother knights there.

But in all this “busy-ness,” let's not forget that February also marks the beginning of Lent, although it seems a little early to me - feels like it was only last week that I was taking the Christmas tree down (oh wait, it was). And while Lent is that time for inner reflection – praying, preparation, and reflection– I encourage everyone to also look at it as a period of greater sacrifice and giving. Let's reflect on sharing the graces we've been given with those less fortunate.

This past Monday I had the pleasure of attending the quarterly Charitable, Religious, Education Committee meeting. I was moved by the

level of giving we reached in the last six months, nearly \$15,000 to various community programs, needy families, and special interests. Imagine the level we'll reach by the end of the fraternal year. To do that though, we need the help of you, our brother knights. We need more knights to take part in our council events – from the Spaghetti Dinner, to the golf tournament, to the weekly Agape Meal Service. Please step up and get to our events – show your support, give your assistance and God Bless.



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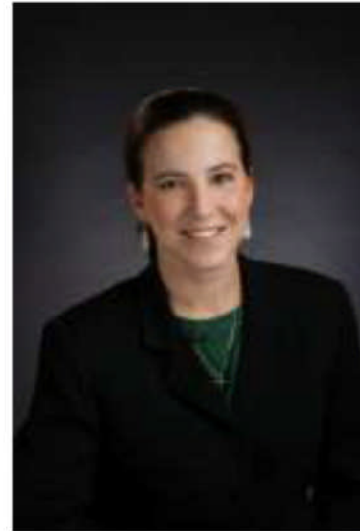


Guest Speaker Dr. Theresa A. Deisher, Ph.D.

will address

The growing, pervasive use of aborted children as a commodity for biomedical research.

**St. Mary Catholic Church
Anacortes, WA
Wed. Feb. 8 at 7:00P**



Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Councils 3361 and 3611, Human Life, Anacortes, WA

"(Most) people would be shocked if they knew the extent to which fresh aborted fetal tissue and aborted fetal cell lines are used in biomedical research," says Debi Vinnedge, Executive Director of Children of God for Life, an industry watchdog group.

Sound Choice Pharmaceutical Institute (SCPI) of Seattle, Washington says it is the only non-profit biomedical research institute that refuses to use any morally objectionable research method at any step in the process. Founded by world-renowned adult stem cell scientist Dr. Theresa Deisher, the organization's mission is "dedicated to providing scientific research, education and resources to encourage safe, moral, pro-life medicines and therapeutics." The organization is also investigating the health consequences of aborted human DNA and cellular contaminants in medicines.

And that includes the "hot button" issue of childhood vaccines.

About the presenter:

Dr. Theresa Deisher, President and founder of Sound Choice Pharmaceutical Institute and CEO of AVM Biotechnology, obtained her Ph.D. in Molecular and Cellular Physiology from Stanford University, graduating with honors and distinction. Dr. Deisher is an internationally renowned expert in the field of adult stem cell therapies and regenerative medicine, with 22 issued US patents and 3 discoveries that are in clinical trials. Dr. Deisher applies common sense and humor as she explains to lay people the 'stem cell debate' and the moral abuses that are prevalent in biomedical research.

Visit Dr. Deisher online:
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Parts of the information above is reprinted from the following web page: "Bioethical company studying possible aborted fetal cell vaccine/autism link by John Henry Westen"
<http://www.lifesitenews.com/news/pro-life-produced-a-label-to-assure-pro-life-investors-of-moral-investments/>

There is no charge to attend the presentation

A FREE WILL OFFERING WILL BE TAKEN UP FOR SUPPORT OF DR. DEISHER'S WORK



Spaghetti Dinner

When: Saturday, February 4th
Where: KofC Council Hall
Time: 5pm - 7pm
Price: \$5/person (children under 5 eat free)
POC: Walt Daspt or Fel Catabay



Annual Golf Tournament

July 14, 2012, 8am shotgun start
Gallery Golf Course (Oak Harbor)
4-person Scramble (BEST BALL)
Sign up at the Pro Shop

Contact: Robert Villagomez
(601) 831-1833
Larry Phillips
(425) 299-2822

WELCOME ABOARD...

Please take a moment to welcome our newest brother knights and members of the John E. O'Brien Council: Carlos Espiritu, Lester Agana, Albert Lorica, and Christopher Lorica. They successfully completed their 1st degree exemplification on December 27th. In addition to our council, Dick McGraw also joined the Order as a member of the council from St. Mary's in Anacortes.

CLUB NOTES:

I would like to thank the following Brother Knights that have decide to continue to serve as Club Board members: Larry Phillips (VP), Doug Warren (Treasurer), Dave Morgan (Vice-Treasurer), Rich Rezabeck (Secretary), Joe Blackburn (Director), and Ben Lorica (IPGK). Also wish to thank the following managers for staying on: Rich Mueller (Gaming), Del Swatosh (Rentals), Jack Newman, Jr (Admin), and Joaquin Laguana (Ass't Building).

We are still looking at filling the Club Building Manager position. Any Brother Knight that might be interested in helping out a few hours a week to help with the upkeep of our hall, please don't hesitate to call me.

This coming March 10th, we will be having a Club field day to clean the interior of the building from 0900 to 1800. Bring the whole family; lunch (1100) and dinner (1700) will be served.

As a reminder, there will be training for Bingo Workers and Club Board Members at the DH Buffet on January 28, 2012 at 1830. Any Brother Knight that might interested in helping out during our Sunday Bingo, please call Rich Mueller, Doug Warren or Del Swatosh.

May the Good Lord continue to bless and keep all Brother Knight and their families this year.

Peter T. Rivera, Club President

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED.

The Bud Dorr Council in Coupeville will be hosting a Fish Fry Friday on February 24th, and March 9th, and 23rd. Dinner will be served at St. Mary's Harrington Hall from 5pm-7pm. Cost is \$10/plate. All are welcome.



FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

The second of six 4th Degree Exemplifications will be held on **Saturday, February 18, 2012** at St. Augustine’s Parish Hall located at 185 N. Oak Harbor St. in Oak Harbor, WA.

HOST ASSEMBLY

Whidbey-Fidalgo Assembly 2276: **FN**-Ben Robinett (360-929-8991) / **FC**-James R. Waters (360-240-0633)

DEGREE TEAM

Western Washington 4th Degree Team

EXEMPLIFICATION HONOREE

FMFD Henry Therrien

EVENT SCHEDULE

ACTIVITY	DAY	TIME	LOCATION
Exemplification Set-up/Rehearsal	Friday	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	St Augustine Parish Hall
Color Corps Rehearsal	Saturday	10:00 am - 12:30 pm	St Augustine Parish Hall
Degree Team Rehearsal	Saturday	12:30 pm - 1:45 pm	St Augustine Parish Hall
Registration	Saturday	12:30 pm - 1:45 pm	John E. O’Brien KofC Hall
Lunch	Saturday	12:30 pm - 1:45 pm	John E. O’Brien KofC Hall
4 th Degree Exemplification	Saturday	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	St Augustine Parish Hall
Ladies' Program	Saturday	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	John E. O’Brien KofC Hall
Public Knighting/picture taking	Saturday	4:15 pm - 4:45 pm	St Augustine Parish Hall
Mass	Saturday	5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	St Augustine Church
Banquet/Social	Saturday	6:30 pm - 9:00 pm	NAS Chief Petty Officer Club

BANQUET MENU

Plated Herb-Rubbed Roast Prime Rib or Northwest Wild Salmon with Dill Sauce (**specify choice in advance**), Fresh Green Garden Salad, Vegetable Du Jour, Roasted Baby Red Potatoes, Warm Rolls and Butter, Coffee, and Iced Tea. No Host Bar

FEES

The exemplification fee for each candidate, **except priests**, is **\$70**. The fee includes a social baldric, U.S. Flag and 4th Degree lapel pins, and one banquet ticket. There are no exemplification fees for priests; however, their assembly will pay **\$13.00** to cover the cost of the social baldric and lapel pin and **\$25** if the priest attends the banquet. The candidate’s or assembly’s check is to be made payable to the **District Master, Knights of Columbus**. Lunch is by donations for Sir Knights, candidates, and ladies/guests. Banquet tickets are **\$25.00** for candidates’ wives, Sir Knights, and guests. Advance reservation and payment is required. Make checks for **banquet tickets** payable to **“KofC Assembly 2276”** and **send to:** Assembly 2276 FC James R. Waters, 31080 State Route 20, Unit A102, Oak Harbor, WA 98277.



ATTIRE

MEN: Plain black tuxedo, plain-collared white shirt, and black bow tie, shoes, and socks. Military/policemen/firefighters may wear their dress uniform. Sir Knights must wear their social baldric and jewel of office (council or assembly).

LADIES: As men are dressed formally, most ladies prefer dressy attire.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

The sponsor will ensure that all information is legibly printed on the Form 4. The applicant, his sponsor, and the applicant's Council FS will sign the Form 4. After the assembly's Admission Committee's action, the FN and FC will sign the Form 4. The FC will forward the signed Form 4 (all copies) and the applicant's check to the District Master. After the degree, the District Master will sign and send the Form 4 to Supreme with copies to councils and assemblies.

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

"A 3rd Degree member in good standing in his council and who was initiated in the Admission (First) Degree at least six months prior to his initiation in the 4th Degree."

Any Third Degree candidate who has received his **First Degree on or before August 17, 2011**, is eligible to attend the Fourth Degree Exemplification in Oak Harbor on February 18, 2012. Contact the District Master for special consideration for a waiver (terminal illness, military, extreme distance). Priests do not require a waiver, but must state they are a priest on the Form 4.

SUPPORTING 2nd AND 3rd DEGREES

Bremerton (12/10/11), Puyallup (1/7/12), Bellingham (2/4/12)

4th Degree Membership Dues:



January 15th was the first date that Due Notices went out. Dues are now \$30. When you receive your notice, please pay promptly, and make checks payable to "KofC ASM 2276". If you may have an issue paying your dues due to some unforeseen circumstances, please contact the ASM 2276 FC at my edress or call 360-240-0633 to make different arrangements.

