



The Lookout



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Grand Knight's Message:



Brothers,

Our newsletter is back in business. My heartfelt thanks to Greg Skorupski and John Eldred for working to bring us back online!

We have had a successful Christmas season. Tree sales went very well, bringing in needed funds for our charitable works. We had lots of fun watching the Redskins games at the Hall. We had a great Christmas party. We delivered baskets to the needy at Thanksgiving and Christmas. We collected for KOVAR. There are simply too many brothers to thank individually, so I'll simply express my gratitude to the whole Council for making this another successful Christmas season.

Though we began the year slowly, we have made some real progress in recruiting new members, thanks in large part to the efforts of our Worthy Chancellor. Let's keep up the good work on this front. I encourage everyone to invite potential members to join us for socializing after a business meeting or for a Fraternalism Night, one of which is coming up this month. Sometimes it helps to just allow a potential recruit just meet the guys and see the Council.

I know we're all busy, with little hope of relief in sight. Family, work, KofC all draw on our limited resources. I find that I sometimes need to be reminded to also tend to myself. Keeping my own spiritual house in order is a constant effort. I encourage everyone to pray regularly, especially with your family. Also, as we all know, we are in the midst of the Year of Faith. This is a perfect time to take the opportunity to become better informed in our Catholic faith. I know most, if not all, local parishes are sponsoring special programs to help us grow in our faith. I encourage everyone to take advantage of these opportunities. I know I can always use a little fine tuning!

Vivat Jesus
Dan Purtill



Happy but cold Right-To-Life collectors.

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Deputy Grand Knight's Report:



I would like to congratulate all those that participated in the Right-To-Life March.

Matt West
Deputy Grand Knight

The new March For Life President, Jeanne Monahan, who took over reigns due to Nellie Gray's passing, made sure the event proceeded like clock work. Our own Tom Hogan served as Marshall Head for the march and led the start of the parade. This year the Knight's were able to collect \$33,367 which was the highest amount collected to date. This can be attributed to the large turnout of the Knights, their families, and the input from Paul VI High School. There ended up being 30 collectors, at least 20 counters, and the staff that prepared food. Thanks to Mike Purtill for cooking up some great chili, Julie Clinch for cream of potato soup, Sue Buchanan & Li Plumstead for some great desserts, and other cooking by our warden, Chris Botticelli.

This year's March marked the 40th anniversary of Roe v. Wade, since which an estimated 55 million babies have been killed by abortion in America. An EWTN sponsored headcount was 650,000 this year with more than 20 states represented. The youth have turned up in greater numbers each year with this year estimated at almost 70% of that total.



The collectors from Paul VI High School
Jacob Rozmajzl, James Hogan, Brendan McAlevy, Sean McAlevy, Will Holley, Jason Lookwood, Katy Morrison, Victoria Clinch and Gregory Clinch



Waiting for the parade to begin & collecting to start.

Before opening the march rally with an opening prayer, Cardinal Sean O'Malley announced to cheers that Pope Benedict had just tweeted his support for the marchers. "I join all those marching for life from afar, and pray that political leaders will protect the unborn and promote a culture of life," the pontiff tweeted from his @Pontifex account.

Rick Santorum, Rand Paul and the other activist and political leaders who addressed the crowd were certain they are on the right side of history.

Columbiettes' Corner

Our next meeting will be Monday February 18, 2013 in Providence hall at 7:00 PM. Hope to see you all there. There will be no meeting in March as we will be having the Soup Supper/Night of Reflection on Tuesday, March 19th in its place.

We will be assisting the Knights with the annual Pancake Breakfast to be held starting at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, February 12. As you can see Lent comes very early this year.

The Knight's annual Valentine's Day Dance will be held on Saturday, February 16 starting at 6:00 PM. This is always a fun event with great food, great friends, and a lot of dancing led by a DJ. The price is \$14 which includes one drink ticket. If your last name begins with A-G please bring an appetizer to share; H-N a side dish; or O-Z a dessert.

Remember, all wives, mothers and daughters are automatically members of the Columbiettes. If you would like to assist with any upcoming events or want to know more please contact Julie Clinch at Clinch5VA@yahoo.com or call at 703-385-2146.





RIGHT-TO-LIFE MARCH
Washington, DC-January 25, 2013



Knights and Knight Families Honored

Knight of the Month January

Patrick McGuire

Pat was a busy bee last month as he was responsible for coordinating the 3rd Degree Exemplification, helping to bring in new knights as the Admissions Committee chairman, and ushering during many Sunday masses in the church. With the help of his son Kevin he also caters some of the Knight's events in the hall.



Family of the Month January

Mike & Li Plumstead

Mike was in charge of the Right-To-Life collections this year. Mike has been involved in this event for 10 years and Li for almost as long. Mike works heavily with the Knight's Church committee and is a perfect choice as he and his wife attend mass on a daily basis. Mike was even considering life as a priest prior to meeting Li.

Catholic Diocese of Arlington 2013 Men's Conference

Fact vs. Fiction: Knowing And Loving Your Catholic Faith

On Saturday, March 2nd, the fourth annual Arlington Diocese Men's Conference will be held at St. Joseph's in Herndon. The theme for this year's conference is *Fact or Fiction: Knowing and Loving Your Catholic Faith*. Featured speakers are Dr. Peter Kreeft and Father Thomas Joseph White, who will explore commonly misunderstood aspects of the Catholic faith. Breakfast and lunch are included. The conference program begins at 9 am, and will close with Mass celebrated by Bishop Paul Loverde at 2:30 pm. For more information and to register, go to www.arlingtondiocese.org/men. You can also contact Tom Gross at 703-273-0631, Juan Velasquez at 703-624-7783, or Al Leightley at 703-273-2089.

Newsletter Deadlines

In order to ensure timely delivery of the newsletter, the deadline for submissions to The Lookout is the **28th of the month** prior to when you want your information published. Early submissions are appreciated. You can send your info to [John Eldred at johnboyva99@verizon.net](mailto:JohnEldred@johnboyva99@verizon.net) or call at **703-932-1322 (C), 703-631-6480 (H)**.

Use Food Cards to Buy Presents (Gift Cards) for your Loved Ones — A Great Deal for Everyone !



Food Gift Cards (AKA scrip) for Giant, Safeway and Shoppers Food Warehouse is sold by our council. Profits go toward the Scholarship funds and St. Leo's PTO. Call Larry Novack—703-978-6137 or email—ZLRN01@aol.com for information. Available at the **Old Parish Hall every weekday at 3:00 PM** or at meetings.

How does it work? Father Diamond council buys food gift cards at a discount (5% for Giant and Shoppers Food Warehouse, and 4% for Safeway). We sell them to anyone at face value. If you, your family, friends or neighbors shop at any of these stores you can help the Council raise money for our scholarship funds.

How you can save even more by using Safeway food Gift Cards?



Safeway sells gift cards for many stores (Home Depot, Kohls, Toys-R-Us, Bed Bath & Beyond, I-Tunes, Marriott, Best Buy, Barnes & Noble, Nordstrom, Sears, Macy's, Old Navy, Blockbuster, Southwest, etc.). They can be purchased using Safeway Scrip. **Win – Win**



Council News & Events



Nursing Home Bingo

Each month the council runs a bingo game for the seniors at the Fairfax Nursing Center. Brothers and their families are encouraged to meet on **Monday, February 11 at 7:15** to

help run bingo for the residents. We should be finished by 8:30PM. The next is on March 11. What a wonderful opportunity to give the most valuable gift—**your time and love**. Call **Matt West at (703) 359-4652** to volunteer.

Rosary to End Abortion —

Please join us in praying the Rosary across the street from the abortion facility (located on Eaton Place... we will meet across the street from the Best Western) on **Saturday, February 9** and again on **March 9** at 8 AM. Even if you can only come for part of the Rosary (we pray all 20 decades of our Lady's Rosary, usually ending by 8:45), your time will be well spent. Family members are also



welcomed to join us in praying for Mary's intercession for an end to abortion. **THE ROSARY IS WORKING!!!** Our efforts have contributed to the closing of one of the two abortion clinics on Eaton Place. Lets keep up the effort!!

Third Degree — well attended

On January 19th, our council held a 3rd Degree Exemplification in the Parish Center. There were 60 new candidates present including the priest from the George Mason Council. There was a strong volunteer showing to make setup of the gym quick but since Mike Purtil and Greg Hartley did most of the work before everyone got there it made it setup almost too easy. Mike Purtil also cooked spaghetti and meatballs with the assistance of Chris Botticelli for the 150 or so persons in attendance.

Family Breakfast — February 17th

This is a great family event enjoyed by all. There is no set price as only donations are accepted. As usual it will be at Providence Hall (the KofC meeting building).

Fraternal Benefits Advisor Message

Raising Awareness About Life Insurance

As life expectancy increases, the number of people in need of long-term care, in their homes or outside facilities, has grown also. Since its addition to the Order's product portfolio in 2000, long-term care (LTC) insurance has provided the Order with an excellent opportunity to further serve Knights and their families. Since 2005, every Knights of Columbus long-term care policy comes with an added value.

That added value is in the form of a service called "Provider Pathway," a program offering access to a network of long-term care providers at discounted rates. The network covers: home health care, personal emergency response systems, adult day care, assisted living, skilled nursing facilities and durable medical equipment.

Eligibility for participation in this program is open to Knights of Columbus long-term care insurance policyholders, their spouses, dependent chil-

dren, parents and parents-in-law. All providers are fully credentialed and meet state licensing requirements.

If you are not currently an LTC policyholder, I suggest that we schedule some time together so that I can provide additional information on how you can avail yourself of this significant, value-added benefit.

Dennis Riley, FICF, CSA

Field Agent

A little humor: A will is a dead giveaway.

There was a person who sent 10 puns to friends with the hope that at least one of the puns would make them laugh. No pun in 10 did.



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February 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 9:30 AM Council Audit
3 Scout Sunday	4	5 7:30 PM Officers' Meeting	6	7	8	9 <u>8 AM Rosary to End Abortion</u> Food Drive
10 Food Drive	11 7:15PM Bingo @ Ffx Nursing Ctr	12 5:00 PM Pancake Supper 7:30PM Rosary 8:00PM Business Meeting	13 Ash Wednesday	14 Valentine's Day	15	16 <u>1800 Valentine's Dance</u>
17 Blood Drive	18 7:00PM Columbiettes	19 11:00AM Grey GOSTs	20 1930 Fr. Malloy Assembly	21	22 2000 Fraternalism Night	23 Food Drive
24 Food Drive	25	26 7:00PM Dinner 7:30PM Rosary 8:00PM Business Meeting	27	28		

March 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 <u>Diocesan Men's Conference</u>
3	4	5 7:30 PM Officers' Meeting	6	7 Admissions Committee Grand Knight's Birthday	8	9 <u>8 AM Rosary to End Abortion</u> <u>Diocesan Women's Conference</u> Food Drive
10 Food Drive	11 7:15PM Bingo @ Ffx Nursing Ctr	12 7:00PM Dinner 7:30PM Rosary 8PM First Degree/Bus Mtg	13	14 2000 Second Degree	15 Food Transfer	16 10 AM Food Basket Delivery Open House St. Patrick's Party
17 St. Patrick's Day Open House	18 Columbiettes Soup Supper/Night of Reflection on Tues (no mtg)	19 11:00AM Grey GOSTs	20	21	22	23 Food Drive
24 Palm Sunday	25	26 7:00PM Dinner 7:30PM Rosary 8:00PM Business Meeting	27	28 Holy Thursday	29 Good Friday Founder's Day	30 Feed the Homeless
31 EASTER! <u>Easter Egg Hunt</u>						

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The Jewish mother —

A Jewish mother gives her son two ties on the first night of Hanukkah. The following morning, when he comes down for breakfast, he is wearing one of them.

The mom says, "What's the matter – you didn't like the other one?"

The new priest —

The new priest is nervous about hearing confessions, so he asks an older priest to sit in on his sessions. The new priest hears a couple confessions, then the old priest asks him to step out of the confessional for a few suggestions.

The old priest says, "Cross your arms over your chest and rub your chin with one hand."

The new priest tries this. The old priest suggests, "Try saying things like, 'I see,' 'yes,' 'go on,' 'I understand,' and 'how did you feel about that?'"

The new priest says those things, trying them out. The old priest says, "Now, don't you think that's a little better than saying, 'Whoa... What happened next?'"

God's infinite wisdom —

A man climbs to the top of Mt. Sinai and gets close enough to talk to God. Looking up, he asks the Lord, "God, what does a million years mean to you?"

The Lord replies, "A minute."

The man then asks, "And what does a million dollars mean to you?"

The Lord replies, "A penny."

Then he asks, "Can I have a penny?"

The Lord replies, "In a minute."

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