



The Lookout



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Grand Knight's Message:



Brother Knights,

Let me welcome you to a new fraternal year. I want to start by expressing my thanks for your support in electing me as your Grand Knight for

the 2013-2014 fraternal year. I look forward to working with you to make this an outstanding year for our Council.

I also want to extend my appreciation to our immediate Past Grand Knight Dan Purtil, and all of the officers from 2012-2013, for the steadfast work he and his team did in keeping Father Diamond Council on a strong and steady course.

The start of a new year is a time to reflect on what you have done, but more importantly on where you want to go. As I have thought about what our Council has done and where we are going, it is clear that the strength of our organization, the spirit that keeps us together, is that we are a Fraternity of Service. As we go forward this year, I want us to focus on what being a Fraternity of Service means and how we can strengthen this spirit.

The first part of this spirit that unifies us as Brother Knights is that we are a fraternity, a unified Catholic band of brothers who come together to provide spiritual, personal and social support for one another. In this fraternal year, we should continue to strive to bring in new members, but also to develop the opportunities that will encourage our existing members to be an active part of our organization. This year we will hone our programs to provide meaningful opportunities for Brother Knights and their families to come enjoy the company of the Father Diamond family. As an example of

this new programming, we will be sponsoring fraternal family game nights during the year, where members and their families can come to Providence Hall to enjoy family friendly fraternity.

In addition to having a strong fraternal program, what sets us apart from being a mere social club is that our fraternity revolves around service to others. Father Diamond Council has a long and proud tradition of providing support to St. Leo the Great Church as well as a number of charitable organizations. Ranging in size from KOVAR to our recent support for the Catholic college missionaries with FOCUS, our Council regularly provides thousands of dollars in charitable contributions to worthy organizations. In addition to gifts of money, the Brother Knights of Father Diamond Council come together to donate thousands of hours of their time in support of our Church as well as those in our community most in need of assistance. Whether it is banding together to pray the rosary to end abortion or simply giving a kind word to a resident of a nursing home while playing Bingo, Knights and their families from our Council graciously give of their time to make a difference in our

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Installation of Matt West as the new Grand Knight

community. This is truly a tradition we all should be proud of, and should be the foundation on which we build new opportunities and future traditions of service.

In order to keep this tradition alive in the Council, this year I want to us to sharpen our programs and our commitment to our members and those in the community we serve. We are in the process of reviewing all of our past programs to see where we can improve. We are also adding new programs, such as the fraternal family games night. The fraternal year calendar is updated. Please look at this on the Council website and see where you and your family may be able to come and join us for an event. In addition to what you see on the calendar, we are still looking for more ideas for new programs that are of interest to our members. If you have an idea of an activity, please let one of the officers or me know. Particularly if you are new to the Council, or if you just haven't been able to come around much, let us know what would inspire you to be a more active member of our Council. We can only make our Fraternity of Service stronger if we are providing the experiences that are most interesting and relevant to our members.

Father Diamond Council has a long and proud tradition of forty years of fraternal service at St. Leo the Great Church. This is a past that I am honored to inherit as Grand Knight this year. I strongly believe that the Council is well placed to use this tradition to grow programs and develop new opportunities for our members to be an even stronger and greater Fraternity of Service. *Vivat Jesus!* Matt West



Installation of Pat McGuire as the new Deputy Grand Knight

Family of the Year Nelson & Julie Clinch

Knight of the Year John Cesarini

Columbiettes' Corner

As we begin a new Columbiettes' year, I wish to say thank you to my fellow officers for all the assistance they and their families provided over the past year. Thank you also to the members who participated in any way over the past year.

I'm pleased to announce that the officers will remain the same for the 2013-2014 year: Julie Clinch, President; Kathy Weich, Vice President; Wendy Kehoe, Secretary; Ruth West, Treasurer. We look forward to a great year! All Knights' wives are invited to help make the year even better by offering ideas, assistance, or other contributions at meetings or events. The more, the merrier!

Our summer meetings are July 15 and August 19 at 7:00 PM in Providence Hall. Newer members may not be aware of this building's location. It is the building furthest away from Old Lee Highway on the campus of St. Leo's Church and School, adjacent to the ball field. There is a Knights of Columbus sign in front of it and the numbers 3702 above the door.

We are currently in the planning stages for the Craft Fair from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM on October 20, as well as other planned events like the Fiesta Fundraiser Dinner October 12, the Wine and Cheese Social at 7 PM October 15, the Atlantic City Trip, and the Amish country visit.

Please let me know if you are interested in helping with these events, other events, or just want more information. I can be reached by phone at 703-209-8106, or by e-mail me at clinch5va@yahoo.com.

I hope to see you soon!
Julie Clinch, President

P.S. This article can be found both in the K of C newsletter for Fr. Diamond Council online at <http://www.6292.kofc.com/kofc.cgim?template=newsletters> and at the Columbiettes Corner link on their website at http://www.6292.kofc.com/kofc.cgim?template=columbiettes_corner.



Catholic Cursillo of the Arlington Diocese - Answering the Call of the New Evangelization in The Year of Faith

"To be Christian means to be missionaries, to be apostles. It is not enough to discover Christ - you must bring him to others!" - Pope John Paul II, Fourth World Youth Day

My Brother Knights,

I am writing to you today in light of the New Evangelization and the Year of Faith. I write to you as an apostle of Christ and as a witness to and active participant in the "Cursillos de Cristiandad," or "Short Course in Christianity." The aim of this letter is to introduce you to the Cursillo movement, if you are not familiar with it, and to invite you to consider how the Cursillo movement might serve to intensify your personal relationship with Christ and enable you to more effectively respond to the call of the New Evangelization.

Why you should think of Cursillo when you think of the New Evangelization?

The foremost fact about Cursillo is that it is Christian evangelization to other Christians. Explicitly endorsed by His Holiness Pope Paul VI, the Cursillo movement exactly fulfills the mission expressed in his Apostolic Exhortation, *Evangelii Nuntiandi* (On Evangelization in The Modern World).

Just as [every Christian is called to live an authentic Christian life and has been given a mission to bring Christ to others](#), and just as the New Evangelization is clearly a call to action in this regard, what Cursillo clearly offers is a **specific response** to this call to action.

What Cursillo proposes is a practical **plan of action** for achieving the Christian mission. With a charism focused on **piety, study, and action**, the Cursillo method is summed up in the maxim, "**Make a friend; be a friend; bring a friend to Christ.**"

To the question, "Why Cursillo?" we say, "Because there is no better gift one can give to a friend than an introduction to the Master of the Universe." This is why, when you think of the New Evangelization, you should think of Cursillo (and vice versa). In short, Cursillo *is* the New Evangelization.

What Is Cursillo?

The word, "Cursillo" simply means "short course," a reference to our "Short Course in Christianity," a three-day weekend retreat centered around the Eucharist and focused on the question of what it means to live an authentic Christian life, and how to accomplish this.

The *vocation* of the Cursillista (one who has been through the Cursillo weekend retreat) is not personal salvation; the *vocation* of the Cursillista is to radiate God's love to others and bring them to Christ. Within the body of Christ, the Cursillista strives to be the backbone.

The Weekend

Cursillo begins with a weekend retreat, but **Cursillo is more than just a weekend.**

That said, the Cursillo method begins at the beginning - with an encounter. The Cursillo weekend changes lives because the Cursillo weekend is above all, an encounter with Christ. The real presence of Christ is at the heart of the Cursillo weekend retreat. As such, the Eucharist plays a central role on a Cursillo weekend.

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Organized by a team of lay leaders with the help and participation of priests, deacons, and spiritual directors, the weekend begins with a night of silent meditation before three full days of talks, small group reflections, personal sharing, prayer, Mass, Reconciliation, learning about the Sacraments, Eucharistic adoration, singing, fine dining, and much more.

Beyond the weekend

While the weekend retreat is a once in lifetime event, the Cursillo community offers a daily, weekly, monthly, and yearly structure to the universal Christian life and mission.

The capacity to fulfill this mission requires continual formation, which the Cursillista accomplishes through **Piety, Study, and Action**.

1. For the Cursillista, **piety represents the authentic Christian ideal**: a life oriented in service to God.
2. The Cursillista seeks **continual formation** pursued through active study, not that we should become theologians, but that we should become **saints**.

The Cursillista is committed to **apostolic action** by sharing Christ with others.

Cursillistas are invited to meet once a week in small groups to reflect on the mission we share and how this is being achieved in our lives. There are currently about 25 active groups meeting in the Diocese of Arlington. Cursillo is about living the authentic Christian life, together as a Christian community. In addition to these weekly group meetings, the Cursillo community offers larger monthly gatherings, programs of spiritual direction, and study programs.

Testimonials

From His Holiness Pope Paul VI, First World Ultreya, Rome, May 28, 1966:

“Whether some methods become old, whether new manifestations of the Spirit arise, the permanent task of the layman will continue to be the infusion of Christianity into life through the encounter and personal friendship with God and in communion with his brothers. ... Cursillos in Christianity, Christ, the Church, and the Pope, are counting on you!”

From the Most Reverend Paul Loverde, Bishop of Arlington (who is himself a Cursillista):

“The Cursillo is a unique opportunity in which to deepen your awareness of Christ’s love and of our sharing in His saving mission through prayer, study and witness – all rooted in a true spirit of community. The Cursillo will change your life immensely! I know from personal experience!”

Upcoming Weekends

For you brother knights, the next **Men’s Cursillo Weekend** is being held **October 17-20, 2013** at San Damiano Retreat Center, White Post, VA. Cost is \$250 for meals, lodging, and all materials. Transportation to and from is provided.

And for your ladies, the next **Women’s Cursillo Weekend** is being held **September 19-22, 2013** at San Damiano Retreat Center, White Post, VA. Cost is \$250 for meals, lodging, and all materials. Transportation to and from is provided. **Note:** The women’s weekends typically fill up fast (several spots already taken by those wait-listed from the maxed out women’s weekend this past March), so it is highly recommended that your ladies apply/register as soon as possible.

If you’d like to get more detailed info, or submit an application for an upcoming weekend, please give me a call (703-597-3638) or e-mail (jwolfhope118@hotmail.com). Additional information about Arlington Cursillo can also be found at: <http://www.arlingtoncursillo.org>.

Vivat Jesus! Jeff Wolfhope

Council News & Events



Nursing Home Bingo —

Always looking for volunteers to come out at the Fairfax Nursing Center for the monthly bingo game. Brothers and their families are encouraged to meet on **Monday, August 12 at 7:15**. We should be finished by 8:30PM. Call *Matt West at (703) 359-4652* to volunteer. This is also the day of our founder's birthday.

Family Breakfast — Sunday, September 22nd

There will be a breakfast served in the hall after the 7:30AM & 9AM masses. This is a great event for the entire family. The price is donations only. Help is always needed at this labor intensive event. Call Joe Monnin at 703-266-9741 if you can help or just show up. Noted there will be no breakfast in August due to vacations.

Crab Feast — Saturday, August 17th

The event starts at 6pm. If you RSVP by Aug 13,

the price is \$35 or it will be \$45 otherwise. The price is \$10 for kids and non-crab eaters (hot dogs). If you would like to RSVP, help shuck corn or assist with this project you can contact Greg Hartley at 571-238-6273 or pghartley@hotmail.com

Rosary to End Abortion —

Please join us in praying the Rosary in front of the church on **Saturday, August 10** at 8AM usually ending by 8:45.

Family members are also welcome to join us in praying for an end to abortion.



Blood Drive — August 4th

The Red Cross will be holding its quarterly blood drive in Providence Hall starting at 8AM. To schedule an appointment you can call John Brophy at 703-425-7169. A light breakfast will be served after your donation.

Fraternal Benefits Advisor Message

The Urgency of Buying Long Term Care Insurance

There are very few people who do not have a "long term care experience" somewhere in their family – a loved one in a nursing home facility, or a family member being cared for at home because of advancing age, a disability or both. If you have heard of or undergone this situation, you know firsthand the catastrophic effects these events can have on a family, crossing all generations.

What you may not know about is the urgency of taking action. The ability to buy long-term care insurance is based on your health. Putting the decision off, "waiting until next year" or otherwise dragging your feet can be problematic. You never know when your health could change and make you ineligible for coverage. In addition, the required premium commitment increases every year with your age.

When you make the decision to talk about LTC, come right to the Knights of Columbus. In addition to providing life insurance and guaranteed annui-

ties to our members and their families, we also have a very competitive long-term care product.

Since entering this market in 2000, nearly 35,000 LTC policies have been sold to K of C members and their wives. While some companies in this line of business have had difficulty (or stopped selling the product altogether), our product continues to perform well with no premium increases on existing policies.

I can help you select the plan that's right for you and meets your budget. I can show you several different options – facility only coverage, home care, a combination of both. Let's talk today.

Dennis Riley, FICF, CSA, Field Agent



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August 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	31	1	2	3 9:30AM Council Audit
4 Blood Drive 8 AM to 1 PM (?)	5	6 7:30PM Officers' Meeting	7	8	9	10 8AM Rosary to End Abortion
11	12 7:15PM Bingo @ Ffx Nursing Ctr Founder's Birthday	13 7:30 PM Rosary 8:00 PM Business Meeting	14	15 Assumption	16	17 Crab Feast
18	19 7:00PM Columbiettes	20 11AM Grey GOSTs	21 7:30PM Fr. Malloy Assy Mtg	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

September 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Labor Day	3 7:30 PM Officers' Meeting	4	5	6	7
8	9 7:15PM Bingo @ Ffx Nursing Ctr 8:30PM Redskins	10 7:30 PM Rosary 8:00 PM Business Meeting	11	12	13	14 8AM Rosary to End Abortion Parish Picnic Soccer Challenge
15	16 7:00PM Columbiettes	17 11:00AM Grey GOSTs	18 7:30PM Fr Malloy Assy	19	20	21
22 Family Breakfast	23	24 7:30PM Rosary 8:00PM First Degree/Reg Mtg	25	26 8:00PM Second Degree	27	28
29	30	1 7:30PM Officers' Meeting	2	3	4	5 State Qtrly Meeting- Fred'sburg

Officers, Directors, and Program Chairmen—2013-14

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Bowling Team	Dave Whitcomb	703-591-7739
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Ent'ment Books	Dave Todd, Sr.	703-352-2724
Fall Festival	Tim Hogan	703-385-1292
Family Breakfast	Joe Monnin	703-266-9741
Food Drive	Al Leightley	703-273-2089
Fourth Deg.	Dave Todd, Jr	703-352-2724
Gray GOSTs	Larry Novack	703-978-6137
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One morning a man came into the church on crutches. He stopped in front of the holy water, put some on both legs, and then threw away his crutches. An altar boy witnessed the scene and then ran into the rectory to tell the priest what he'd just seen.

"You've just witnessed a miracle!" the priest said. "Tell me where is this man now?"
 "Flat on his back over by the holy water," the boy informed him.

APHORISMS (a short, pointed sentence that expresses a wise or clever observation of the truth)

- There are no new sins; the old ones just get more publicity.
- I've reached the age where 'happy hour' is a nap.
- The trouble with bucket seats is that not everybody has the same size bucket.
- Money can't buy happiness -- but somehow it's more comfortable to cry in a Cadillac than in a Yugo.
- After 60, if you don't wake up aching in every joint, you're probably dead.

- How come it takes so little time for a child who is afraid of the dark to become a teenager who wants to stay out all night?
- Why is it that at class reunions you feel younger than everyone else looks?
- Do you realize that, in about 40 years, we'll have thousands of old ladies running around with tattoos in strange places? (And rap music will be the Golden Oldies!)
- Always be yourself because the people that matter don't mind ...and the ones that mind don't matter.
- A good time to keep your mouth shut is when you're in deep water
- Life isn't tied with a bow but it's still a gift!

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