



The Lookout



2014-15 Fraternal Year, Issue I

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Grand Knight's Message



Dear Brother Knights,

First of all, thank you, for the trust you have placed in me to lead the Council for the fraternal year that began July 1st. The one thing I know is that it will take all of us to continue to make the Fr. Diamond Council the strong council it has become.

My thanks goes out to Matt West, now PGK, for his effort and hard work to guide this Council to where it is today. We grew by adding new members, we added a new fund raiser, ie. The Comedy Knight, etc. All these make us stronger and able to meet our goals.

As we start the new fraternal year we need to focus on who we are. The Knights of Columbus are a Fraternity of Catholic men. Nearly 1.8 million men world wide, and more than 26 thousand here in the State of Virginia. The Knights must keep growing stronger by new members each year. The State uses a statement "one new member each month". As one of my goals I ask all Knights to help me increase our membership to 24 new Knights for the 2014/2015 fraternal year.

We start this fraternal year strong, not only financially strong, but our programs under the leadership of our Deputy Grand Knight, Herb Zimmerman will be stronger than ever.

The Fr. Diamond Council has a strong relationship with not only St. Leo the Great Catholic church but with St Leo's School. We

support many other groups that need our help throughout the year. One particular group is KOVAR. Thanks goes out to Brother Dan Purtill for organizing the event and the other Knights for collecting funds and those who counted the funds and those who cooked the chili and hot dogs. KOVAR was given a check from our Council for over \$19,000 the last fraternal year.

Also, it takes many thousands of hours to support not only our church but what we do in the community. We need to stay strong by our continued presence at church programs. Matt West PGK. while the Grand Knight has strengthened our council with St. Leo the Great School. We hope that not only will they participate in our programs but they are going to put in the first packet going home with the children in September information about the Knights and how to join.

We will have the same material given to the nearly 500 CCD students.

The Fr. Diamond Council has a long 41 year history of strong leadership. I will, with the help of the officers that were elected, continue strive to make this year successful. I am open for any suggestions.

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Vivat Jesus
Patrick M. McGuire
Grand Knight

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Deputy Grand Knight's Report



Brother Knights,

It is an extreme privilege to be serving you as the Deputy Grand Knight for the next fraternal year. We are starting out the 2014-15 Fraternal year on a high note. We have just had an outstanding year of programs, events and service projects led by our Past Grand Knight

Matt West and our now, Grand Knight Pat McGuire.

It is amazing that you, members and officers of Father Diamond Council #6292, have participated in or have led over 45 different projects or events in the past year. We have donated over \$14,500 this past year to charitable/ service organizations, students, and individuals in need within in our community. We collected and donated another \$19,400 for assisting the Mentally Disabled community in Virginia. And we collected over \$16,000 for the March For Life foundation at the annual march on the Mall in DC. **You should be very proud of your part in all of that.**

You have supported our parish, St Leo the Great, through support of the Parish Picnic, RCIA, Family Breakfasts, Lenten Soup Suppers, SVDP Food Drive, Easter Egg Hunt, bingo at the Fairfax Nursing Home, and Holiday gift baskets for needy families. You supported the youth of our parish through donations to the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, our scholarship and outstanding youth programs, and sponsoring Free Throw and Soccer Challenges for State and National competition.

To fund all these charitable and community activities you conducted 12 successful fund raising events including tree sales, auto raffle, Christmas card sales, antique car show concessions, Magic Night and the Comedy Knight to name a few. What a dynamic organization this is!!!!!!

As the incoming Deputy Grand Knight, I will assume the role of Programs Director as well. Besides supporting our Grand Knight, Pat McGuire, as his deputy, my focus will be on coordinating and supporting the efforts of all the other Directors and Event Chairmen throughout the year. At each meeting you will hear from me or, preferably, from our event chairmen, about what is coming up in the near future and the opportunities to join in the great works we do here in Fairfax and at St. Leo the Great.

The most impressive thing that I see with the membership of this council is their loyalty and support. We have a very active membership of all ages. We have a very loyal supporting membership as well and that is needed to

make the council as vibrant as it is today. I want to personally thank each and every one of you for being brother knights of Father Diamond Council. I look forward to meeting and working with you at council meetings and at events throughout the coming years.

Our full year's calendar is now posted at the KofC 6292 website at <http://www.6292.kofc.com/> so you can look ahead to what is happening in 2014-15. Plan on coming out to some meetings or some of the events, it will be great to see you.

Highlights of July & August:

- July 12 – Installation & Banquet – St. Leo the Great and KofC Hall – 5:00 PM
- July 22 – only meeting in July – Starts at 7:30 in the KofC Hall
- August 16 – Crab Feast – 6:30 in the KofC Hall
- August 26 – only meeting in August – Starts at 7:30 in the KofC Hall

Fraternal Benefits Advisor's Corner

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Upcoming July Council Events

Rosary to End Abortion — July 12

We will meet at 8:00am on Saturday outside the church next to the statue of Mary to pray the Rosary. It takes about 45 minutes for the entire 20 decades and is a great way to start your day. If there is inclement weather the group moves inside to the left side of the church near the statue of Mary. Come join us, and bring the whole family. We usually have a very good turnout.



Corporate Communion — July 12

All knights are encouraged to attend the 5pm mass with their families and other brother knights. A few pews will be reserved in the front of the church. This shows a good solidarity to the community.

Installation of 2014-2015 Council Officers Saturday July 12 at 6 PM in St. Leo's Church

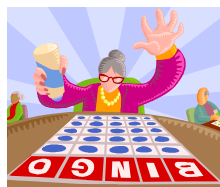
Dinner afterward in Providence Hall

The Council will provide roast beef and ham. Members whose last names begin with A through H are requested to bring hors d'oeuvres. Those with last names starting with I through P are requested to provide side dishes. People with last names from Q through Z are asked to bring desserts. There is no charge for this event. Incoming officers are requested to wear coat & tie, others business casual. Council officers should e-mail availability to GK Pat McGuire at ffxmacman@gmail.com.

ALL KNIGHTS AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE INVITED.

Nursing Home Bingo — July 14

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 at 7:15pm to help out. We are usually finished by 8:30pm. What a wonderful opportunity to give the most valuable gift—your time and love. Call Tim Tilson at (703) 273-9436 to volunteer.



Grey GOSTs Luncheon — July 15

All knights are welcome to join some of the older guys for a monthly social meeting starting at 11am followed by a luncheon at 12 noon. Greg Skorupski usually cooks up a delicious meal for the cost of \$5. Usual wrap-up is around 1pm.



Council Meeting — July 22

This is the only council meeting this month. Rosary begins at 7:30pm led by Deacon Maurer with the meeting beginning at 8pm.

— STATE ORGANIZATION MEETING —

Districts 13 & 16 will be hosting the annual State Organizational Meeting in the gym at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church on Saturday, July 19. Help will be needed beginning on Friday the 18th at 5PM with the set-up, on Saturday the 19th at 7AM with parking, 3PM with resetting the gym, at 7PM with bartending, and around 10PM with clean-up. Anyone willing to assist, please contact Dave Todd, Jr. at djtoddjr@yahoo.com, or at (703) 463-1499.

Columbiettes' Corner

I hope everyone is enjoying a beautiful summer! As we begin a new year, I wish to say thank you the Ladies of Father Diamond Council 6292 for a terrific past year. We have accomplished so many fabulous things to promote community within the St. Leo Parish such as the Fall Amish Trip and the annual Atlantic City Trip. We worked with the Knights to make the Spaghetti Dinner and the new Comedy Knight memorable experiences. We also reached out to the larger Fairfax community by hosting a Craft Fair and sponsoring a family to have a beautiful Christmas. And of course, there is the wonderful parties such as the Wine and Cheese Party, Mardi Gras, and the Casino Spring Fling.



This was all accomplished with the guidance of our past officers, Julie Clinch, Kathy Weich, and Wendy Kehoe and a few special Columbiettes Committee Heads such as Ann Todd, Flo Hogan, Katharine Seburnia, Beth Ward, Linda Baringhaus, Lynn Morrison, and Debbie Buchanan.

I'm pleased to announce that the new officers for 2013-2014 are the following: Ruth West, President; Katharine Seburnia, Vice-President; Julie Clinch, Secretary; Beth Ward, Treasurer. Our meetings are held the third Monday of the month, beginning August 18, 2014 at 7:00 pm at Providence Hall. All wives (and daughters over 17) are welcome! We love looking for new ways to volunteer as a group that promote faith, family, and community. All are welcome to join us at the meetings to help us continue being an active part of the St. Leo family.

See you at the August Meeting!

Ruth West

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Grand Knight's Ball – was a huge success. We had a full room at the Army Navy Country club. The weather was spectacular and the view from the bar on the veranda was beautiful. The only thing that went wrong for the evening was that our Grand Knight, Matt West, was not there. It was unavoidable in that Matt was in Russia on business, plans were changed at the last minute and he couldn't catch his planned flight back. Matt was with us in spirit and thought. He provided us, via emails, all the things he wanted to say about the "State of the Council" and the awardees for Grand Knight's Award, Knight of the Year and Family of the Year. The evening ended with a performance of the Retro Quartet from the Fairfax Jubil-Aires. Fun was had by all. Here are Matt's comments.

While many, many Brother Knights have contributed to the success of the Council this year, I would like us to take a few minutes to recognize those Knights and their families that have made exceptional contributions to our Council.



Grand Knight's Award

The Grand Knight's award, to me, represents the award to the person who the Grand Knight knows he could count on to be there to support the Council. For this year's award, I want to recognize a Brother Knight who does not hold an office in the Council or is not a chairman. Rather he is man who steps up to service when he sees a need. He is often seen taking charge of the kitchen at breakfasts, running programs like the car show when we need an experienced hand to jump in and lead, or making gallons of coffee, because that is just what needs to be done. Many may not know the hours he has contributed to the Council because much of his work is often done in the wee hours of the dawn getting ready for a project. Or, the time he has spent when most have gone home and he is cleaning and closing out a program. The recipient of this Year's Grand Knight's Award is a man that I knew I could count on to make an event a success. He could take a task and run with it. He truly has been a trusted servant to the Council, without seeking recognition for himself. Even though he hasn't sought it, I think his service is worthy of recognition.

This year's Grand Knight's Award goes to Joseph Monnin

Knight of Year award

This award recognizes the contribution of that Knight who best symbolizes the principles of the Order - Charity, Unity and Fraternity over the last year. This year's recipient is a Knight who has given an enormous amount of his time to this Council and to the community that it serves. While we don't have time here to list everything he has done, I want to touch on a few of the ways he exemplifies the principles of the Order. As a matter of charity, this Knight regularly contributes his time and talents, often behind the scenes, to make sure that all of the charity work we do is supported and best highlights the giving spirit of the Council, even if it means he's sitting in the Hall boiling eggs for the homeless. For Unity, he has brought us together as a faith community to continue to pray the rosary to end abortion as our Church chairman. And for fraternity, while the rest of us are off enjoying ourselves, this man is often working and toiling away to keep our Council home running; many times with not enough thanks for as much time as he is in Providence Hall. Without him our fraternal year would not have been the success it was. He is truly a brother to all Knights and a good friend of mine. He is our Hall manager and deservedly this year's Knight of the Year.

This year's Knight of the Year award goes to Michael Purtill.



NEW YORK CITY TRIP - DECEMBER 10, 2014

Cost: \$110 per person—includes the bus fare and a ticket to the show, and in addition, we will serve coffee and doughnuts on the bus. Reservations for this trip is essential, as we will only have a limited amount of tickets available. Please contact Paul Cooke for any questions at 703-691-0825 or to make a reservation send a note to paulcooke@cox.net.

Itinerary:

8:30AM — Leave St. Leo's

1:00PM — Arrive Radio City Music Hall (visit St. Patrick's Cathedral, Rockefeller Plaza, 5th Avenue or have lunch at many of the fine restaurants)

5:00PM — Show starts

6:45PM — Leave for Fairfax

11:30PM — Arrive at St. Leo's



Family of the Year Award.

This award recognizes the contributions made to the Council by not just a brother Knight, but by those people in a Knight's life who are most important to him, his family. It is in the example of a family's support of the Council and the Knights of Columbus that we see the real power of family.

For this year's award, I would like to recognize the importance of multi-generational families of Knights. Having a family involved with the Knights of Columbus is great, but having generations of family members involved with the Knights should be truly celebrated. In Father Diamond

Council we have a long tradition of generations of a family providing service to the Knights. The Hogans, the Kehoes, the Todds and many others are examples of generations of a family being committed to the Knights. For this year's Family of the Year award I want to recognize a new family name as joining this proud tradition of family service in our Council. This family, from "Grandma and Grandpa" all the way down to the grandkids and all the family members in between, have been there this year to support, and where necessary, take charge of events ranging from early morning breakfasts to late night Comedy Knights. You might say it has been an around the clock commitment by this extended family to making sure the programs of this Council succeed.

This year's Family of the Year award goes to the Patrick and Kevin McGuire Families

July 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	1 7:30PM Officers' Meeting	2	3	4 Independence Day 4Th Degree Marches in Parade	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 8 AM Rosary to end Abortion 5 PM-Corporate Communion 6 PM-Install. of Officers 7:30 PM-Reception in Hall
13	14 7:15PM Bingo @ Ffx Nursing Ctr	15 11AM Grey GOSTs	16 7:30PM Fr Malloy Assy	17	18 4:00PM State Org Meeting Setup State Officer's Dinner @ Hall	19 State Organizational Meeting
20	21 7:30 PM-Columbiettes Mtg	22 7:30 PM Rosary 8 PM - Business Meeting	23	24	25	26 10 AM - Financial Audit @ Hall
27	28	29	30	31	1	2

August 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3	4	5 7:30PM Officers' Meeting	6	7	8	9 8 AM Rosary to end Abortion
10	11 7:15PM Bingo @ Ffx Nursing Ctr	12 Founder's Birthday	13	14	15 Assumption	16 6:30 Crab Feast @ Hall (Postponed - date in September being considered)
17	18 7:30 PM-Columbiettes Mtg	19 11:00 AM Grey GOSTs	20 7:30PM Fr Malloy Assy	21	22	23
24	25	26 7:30PM Rosary 8:00PM Business Meeting	27	28	29	30

September 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	1 Labor Day	2 7:30 PM - Officer's Mtg @ Hall	3	4	5	6
7 1:00 Redskins Game @ Hall	8 7:15 PM-Bingo@FFx Nursing Home	9 7:30PM Rosary 8:00PM Business Meeting	10	11	12	13 8 AM Rosary to end Abortion 11 AM - Parish Picnic Free Throw & Soccer Challenges
14 1:00 Redskins Game @Hall	15 7:30 PM-Columbiettes Mtg	16 11 AM - Gray GOST Luncheon	17 7:30PM-Fr. Malloy Assmby Mtg	18	19	20 2PM - 7PM - Zimmerman's Oktober Fest @ Hall
21 Family Breakfast after 7:30 & 9:00 AM Masses 1:00 Redskins Game @ Hall	22	23 7:00 PM Rosary 8:00 PM - 1st Degree & Bus Mtg	24	25 8:30PM Redskins Game @ Hall	26	27

Officers, Directors, and Program Chairmen—2014-15

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Outside Guard	Joseph Burg	484-883-9537
Outside Guard	James Hogan	703-385-1292
3yr Trustee	Matt West	703-359-4652
2yr Trustee	Dan Purtill	703-641-8948
1yr Trustee	Greg Skorupski	703-978-8280

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Council	TBD	703-385-8007
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Youth	Mike Tocci	469-877-3285

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Retention	Greg Skorupski	703-978-8280

Vocations	TBD	703-385-8007
Budget & Fin.	Herb Zimmerman	703-385-9455
Hall Mgt	Mike Purtill	202-251-8424
Frat. Benefits	Phill Freda	703-638-8904
Providence Hall	Kitchen	703-385-8007

Project Chairmen

1st Deg. Team	Dennis Makurat	703-383-0233
2nd Deg. Team	Dave Todd, Sr	703-352-2724
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Bowling Team	Dave Whitcomb	703-591-7739
Christmas Trees	Tim Tilson	703-273-9436
Car Raffle	Dan Purtill	703-641-8948
Comedy Knight	Mike Torrey	703-273-2588
Email Updates	Nelson Clinch	703-385-2146
Fall Festival	Tim Hogan	703-385-1292
Family Breakfast	TBD	703-385-8007
Food Drive	TBD	703-385-8007
Fourth Deg.	Dave Todd, Jr	703-463-1499
Fraternal Prayer	Jack Cotner	703-323-5785
Gray GOSTs	Larry Novack	703-978-6137
KCIC	James Hogan	703-385-1292
KOVAR	Matt West	703-359-4652
Newsletter	John Eldred	703-932-1322
Night of Magic	Pat Leffas	703-436-2717
Parish Picnic	Tim Tilson + deputy	703-273-9436
Right-to-Life	Mike Plumstead	703-250-2367
Scout Troop	Roger Rosenberger	703-591-7750
Scrip	Greg Skorupski	703-978-8280
St. Patrick's Party	Dan & Mike Purtill	703-641-8948

PUNology

- * Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.
- * A soldier who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran.
- * I stayed up all night to see where the sun went. Then it dawned on me.
- * Did you hear about the cross eyed teacher who lost her job because she couldn't control her pupils?
- * I wondered why the baseball was getting bigger. Then it hit me!

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and posted on the apple tray: "Take only ONE. God is watching."

Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. A child had written a note, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples."



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