

The Lookout

June 2006



Knights of Columbus
Fr. Francis J. Diamond Council #6292



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Grand Knight's Message:

My Brother Knights,

This is my last newsletter message as Grand Knight of our great council. Below is the first paragraph I wrote for my first newsletter, back in July 2005:

I am pleased and honored to assume the position of Grand Knight of Father Diamond Council. I thank all of you for trusting me with this duty and I hope to show myself worthy of the honor. When I think of my fellow council members - stalwart Knights all - I know that we will have another wonderful year of supporting the Church, growing in our faith, and performing charitable works.

I want to thank all of you again for electing me and for supporting me all year. We have supported St. Leo's parish in new ways, especially by reconstituting the parish Welcoming Committee, chaired by Columbiette LaVerne McGrail and PGK Dave Todd. I know the experience of being Grand Knight has helped me grow in my faith and I trust that the past year has brought the same growth to all of you; our Lord is an inexhaustible fountain; we never have to fear that we have learned the last thing there is to know about God! We can always quench our thirst for more. Lastly, we have continued our great charitable tradition, especially with our support of the Hurricane Katrina victims and our recent adoption of Our Lady of the Gulf parish. Many thanks to Brother Knight Patrick Reeder and PGK Tim Tilson for leading this effort.

As I write this message on May 16, May has already been a busy month, with more to come. I especially want to thank everyone who helped with the Salute to Seniors on May 6, which once again was pulled together at the last second (thanks to procrastination on the part of your Worthy Grand

Knight). Thanks to Al Leightley for volunteering to head this program next year! I'm sure it will be better run in 2007.

More people showed up for our monthly Abortion Facility rosary on May 13 than we've had all year (about 20 people); thanks to everyone who showed up, and I encourage everyone to come to this great program every month! Our witness for the unborn is one of the most important programs we have; abortions are by far the leading cause of death in Fairfax City.

The next two weekends are about the busiest of the whole year; in consecutive weekends, we have the Antique Car Show; a 1st Degree; we are passing out postcards to support the pro-marriage amendment after all Masses; a blood drive; a bake sale; a Family Breakfast; and a pig roast! And to tell the truth things don't slow down all that much in June. Nothing like closing out the year with a bang!

A week from today (I'm writing on May 16) is our Election of Officers, on May 23, when we will elect our next worthy Grand Knight. I ask that you give him the same excellent support and encouragement that you've given me.

Vivat Jesus!

Dave Miller
Grand Knight

Father Francis J. Diamond Council, 6292 June 2006

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Chancellor's Message:

With the fraternal year nearly over, it's time to thank everyone once again for their efforts in recruiting and retaining new members. We've all done a great job this year!

Don't forget to keep up your efforts during those summer barbeques and parties. The Knights of Columbus often comes up in my conversations, and I always invite the guys to come by and check us out at an event or after a regular meeting. I don't ask them to join, just to come see for themselves. Remember, most men just need to be asked.

Question – where is your Form 100? Just checking. If you know of any one interested in joining the Knights, please contact me with their info. Also, if you have any ideas for recruiting new members, please do not hesitate to contact me at 703-307-9163 or Wweich@yahoo.com. I am always interested in new ideas!

Fraternally,

Bill Weich
Worthy Chancellor

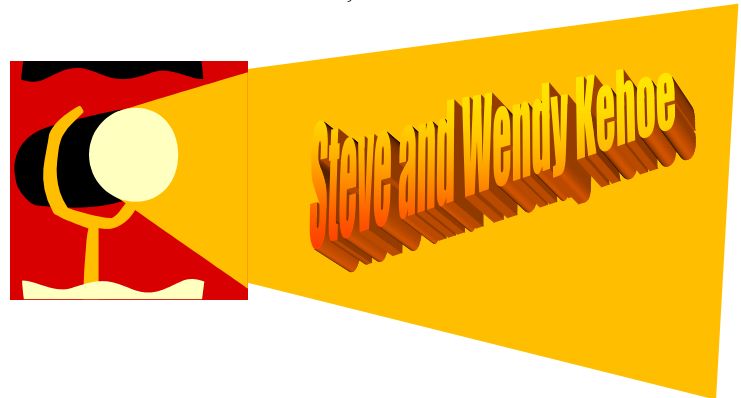


Awards & Items of Note

Knight of the Month
May 2006



Family of the Month
May 2006



New Fraternal Coordinator

Brother Jack Cotner, PGK has volunteered to take on a new position in our Council, Fraternal Coordinator. Jack will be available to all Brothers and their widows in need or distress, whether it due to illness, death, or other issues. He'll also help the Council keep in touch with the widows and families of our Brothers who have gone before us to receive their Heavenly reward.

If you are experiencing problems in your life, know of a Brother in need, or just want to make sure you're still in contact with the Council, please contact Jack at cotnerjohn@aol.com

News & Events

Prayer After Holy Communion

Our Worth Grand Knight has provided us the following prayer for use after receiving Holy Communion:

Lord, Father all-powerful and ever-living God, I thank You for even though I am a sinner, Your unprofitable servant, not because of my worth, but in the kindness of Your mercy, You have fed me with the Precious Body and Blood of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. I pray that this Holy Communion may not bring me condemnation and punishment but forgiveness and salvation. May it be a helmet of faith and a shield of good will. May it purify me from evil ways and put an end to my evil passions. May it bring me charity and patience, humility and obedience, and growth in the power to do good. May it be my strong defense against all my enemies, visible and invisible, and the perfect calming of all my evil impulses, bodily and spiritual. May it unite me more closely to You, the One True God, and lead me safely through death to everlasting happiness with You. And I pray that You will lead me, a sinner, to the banquet where You, with Your Son and Holy Spirit, are true and perfect light, total fulfillment, everlasting joy, gladness without end, and perfect happiness to Your saints. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

-St. Thomas Aquinas

Council Steak Night

Tuesday, June 27th will be the Council's last meeting of this fraternal year. As is tradition, we will pray the Rosary, and then have a social meeting. This is our annual Steak Night. Come and join your brother Knights for a great meal and fraternity. The Rosary starts at 7:30 followed by dinner. Come early to help set up and grill the steaks!

Rosary at the Abortion Facility

On the third Saturday of each month, Knights meet at 8:00 A.M. to pray the rosary in front of the abortion clinic at 10400 Eaton Place (building next to the Holiday Inn at Route 123 and I-66). This month the date is Saturday, June 10th.

Council Election of Officers

The Election of Officers for the upcoming Council year was held at the Council Business Meeting on May 23, 2006. The slate of Officers as proposed by the Nominating Committee was adopted. The following Knights were elected as Officers:

Grand Knight	Bill Ward
Deputy Grand Knight	Bill Weich
Chancellor	Stephen Kehoe
Treasurer	Al Leightley
Recorder	Michael Purtill
Advocate	Dennis Makurat
Warden	Bob Eckert
Inside Guard	Matt West
Outside Guard	Nelson Clinch
Outside Guard	George Schuld
3 Year Trustee	David Miller

The following Officers are remaining in their previously elected positions:

Financial Secretary	Allan Botticelli
2 Year Trustee	Greg Hartley
1 Year Trustee	Hank Urban

The installation of Officers will be held in July.

Congratulations, and many thanks, to these men as they take on their responsibilities for the coming fraternal year.

Family Breakfast

The monthly family breakfast will be on Father's Day, Sunday, June 18th. The Gold Team has the honors. This is a great way to let the kids take you out for brunch. Come out and help, even if you're not on the Team. If you like it, the Team Captain will be happy to sign you up!

GRAND KNIGHT'S BALL
FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 2006
6:30PM – 10:30PM
OLD TOWN HALL in FAIRFAX
\$40 per person

MENU

Displayed Hors D'oeuvres

Vintners Cheese & Fruit Display

Dill Havarti, Cheddar, Smoked Gouda & Pepper Jack Cheeses
with Seasonal fresh and dried Fruits and Gourmet Crackers

Cocktail Shrimp Crown

Large Chilled Shrimp with Zesty Cocktail Sauce & Lemon Wedges

Classic Appetizers

Crabmeat & Brie Pastries, Chicken Cordon Bleu Pastries, & Asian BBQ Beef Skewers

Dinner Buffet

Beef Sirloin Tips Portobello

Breast of Chicken Marsala

Savory Herb Buttered Rice

Field Greens Salad with Honey Balsamic Vinaigrette

Cocktail Rolls & Butter

Dessert

Sweets Assortment

Sinful Sensations

Urban Decadence, Raspberry Lemon Squares, and White Chocolate Macarons

BEER, WINE & SODA IS INCLUDED IN YOUR ADMISSION

YOU MUST RSVP TO TIM COOKE AT 703-766-2911 or timcooke@cox.net by June 2, 2006. Late reservations cannot be accepted.



Anniversaries

June Birthdays

Thomas D. Quinn	6/1
Raymond E. Barbeau	6/1
Timothy J McCarthy	6/2
Albert L Leightley	6/3
Allan P. Botticelli	6/3
Robert J. Seldon	6/3
Anthony L. Conques Jr	6/5
Timothy J. Holleran	6/5
Gullermo Gonzales, Jr.	6/5
Ben G. Stack	6/6
Robert S. Cavaliere	6/7
Brian J. Young	6/7
Paul F. Cooke PGK	6/8
Almirante C Trapal	6/8
Charles M. Stevenson	6/8
William E. Ryan	6/9
Raymond J Mahoney	6/10
Michael A Gundling	6/11
Dennis W. McNaughton	6/11
Francisco S. Madan	6/12
James W. Turcol	6/13
Bernard J. Carey	6/14
Joseph P. Martin	6/15
Antoine F. Elachkar	6/15
Joseph D Drozd	6/15
Quinley Y. Johnson	6/16
Edward H. Cummings, Jr.	6/16
Emmanuel Kisob	6/18
Martin E. Bourke Jr	6/21
Ignacio C. Agustin	6/25
Christopher J. Bolan	6/26
Larry E. Gottschalk PGK	6/28
Dale E. Moser	6/30
William J Dearing	6/30
John F Hogan III	6/30

June Wedding Anniversaries

Years Married

Thomas & Merlita Shaver	22
William & Beth Ward Beth	44
John & Carloyn Muller Carolyn	8
George & Nancy Rosenkranz	22
Salvatore & Arlene Anzalone	49
William & Catherine Ryan	46
Bruce & Martine Stuebner	29
William & Lorraine Davy	64
David & Nancy Hahn	21
Pete & Celia Smith	16
Cyril & Ellen Barch	61
Anthony Kathleen Conques	29
Christopher & Colleen Colandene	13
Matthew & Jane Travers	47
Stanley & Carol Greer	14
Michael & Joanne DeMarco	20
Richard & Donna Larkin	54

Fraternal Benefits Advisor's Message:

Sometimes it is easy to overlook the simplest of things.

Take the beneficiaries on your life insurance policies. If your policy was applied for and issued several years ago, it could very well be that the beneficiary originally designated to receive the proceeds from that policy needs to be updated. If you bought the policy when you were single, for example, you may have named your parents as beneficiaries. If you have since been married, that could be updated to reflect your spouse, and even your children.

Most people list a primary beneficiary – that person is specifically designated as the first in priority to receive policy proceeds. We also encourage the naming of a contingent beneficiary – an alternate person designated to receive policy proceeds, usually in the event that the original beneficiary pre-deceases the insured.

When I call to arrange your annual “insurance check-up,” one of the matters that we can discuss is the status of your beneficiary designations. If they need updating, and they often do, I can usually complete the paperwork during the appointment.

I look forward to meeting with you to review all your life insurance policies.

You may contact me at 703-450-6100 or DRileyKofC@comcast.net.

Fraternally,
 Dennis Riley
 Fraternal Benefits Advisor



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Officers & Chairmen

Officers

Grand Knight	Dave Miller	517-3430
Chaplain	Fr. Augustine Tran	273-5369
D Grand Knight	Bill Ward	273-6289
Chancellor	Bill Weich	307-9163
Treasurer	Al Leightley	273-2089
Lecturer	Mike Plumstead	352-0848
Financial Sec.	Al Botticelli	278-0379
Recorder	Dave Mann	691-9160
Advocate	Dennis Makurat	383-0233
Warden	Stephen Kehoe	591-6813
Inside Guard	George Schuld	255-0362
Outside Guard	Stephen Davis	591-5694
Outside Guard	Matt West	359-4652
3yr Trustee	Greg Hartley	352-2797
2yr Trustee	Hank Urban	591-9244
1yr Trustee	Tim Cooke	766-2911

Program Directors

Programs	Bill Ward	273-6289
Church	Mike Plumstead	250-2367
Community	Matt West	359-4652
Council	Tim Cooke	766-2911
Family	Nelson Clinch	385-2146
Youth	Bob Bilko	359-6824
Membership	Bill Weich	307-9163

Committee Chairmen

Charity	Greg Skorupski	978-8280
Admissions	Tim Cooke	766-2911
Retention	Greg Hartley	352-2797
Vocations	Bill Weich	307-9163
Budget & Fin.	Al Leightley	273-2089
Hall Mgt	John Judge	385-3804
Frat. Bene.	Dennis Riley	450-6100
Insurance	Nelson Clinch	385-2146

Project Chairmen

1st Deg. Team	Tim Hogan	385-1292
2nd Deg. Team	Dave Todd	352-2724
Blood Drive	John Brophy	425-7169
Bowling Team	Dave Whitcomb	591-7739
Christmas Trees	Jac Cerny	255-9484
Ent'ment Books	Dave Todd	352-2724
Fall Festival	Tim Hogan	385-1292
Family Breakfast	Dave Miller	517-3430
Food Drive	Ben Schaefer	591-3188
Fourth Deg.	Larry Novack	978-6137
Gray Ghosts	Larry Novack	978-6137
KCIC	Herb Zimmerman	385-9455
KOVAR	Greg Hartley	352-2797
Newsletter	Dan Purtill	641-8948
Parish Picnic	Tim Tilson	273-9436
Right-to-Life	Mike Plumstead	352-0848
Scout Troop	Paul Cutlip	691-0712
Scrip	Larry Novack	978-6137

For Your Edification

From the Supreme Website...

Knights Work With Bishops to Defend Marriage

The Knights of Columbus, in cooperation with the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, sponsored a post card campaign for citizens to urge their U.S. senators to support [Senate Joint Resolution 1](#), known as the Marriage Protection Amendment, which proposes an amendment to the U.S. Constitution which would define marriage as the union of one man and one woman.

Because the vote is only days away, there is no longer enough time to mail post cards. Contact information for your senators can be found on the Supreme Website at <http://www.kofc.org/un/news/events/detail.cfm?id=81531>

You may use the text of the post cards in your message:

Dear Senator [name]:

I strongly support [Senate Joint Resolution 1](#) , the Marriage Protection Amendment, which will be brought up for consideration soon. It would amend the U.S. Constitution to state that "Marriage in the United States shall consist only of the union of a man and a woman."

Marriage is more than a lifestyle choice. It makes a unique contribution to the common good of society by providing a way for a man and a woman to bring children into the world and to care for them in the context of a loving, committed, lifetime relationship. I ask you to vote in favor of S.J. Res. 1, in order to permanently protect the institution of marriage.

Sincerely,

[Your name]

[Your address]



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Dates to Remember in June

Jun 3	Corporate Communion	Jun 16	Grand Knight's Ball
Jun 3 & 4	Parish Recruitment Fair	Jun 17	Adopt-A-Spot
Jun 4	Pentecost	Jun 17	Nationals Game
Jun 5	St. Leo's School Field Day	Jun 18	Father's Day
Jun 6	Officer's Meeting	Jun 18	Corpus Christi Procession
Jun 7	Ladies Night Out/BUNCO	Jun 18	Family Breakfast
Jun 8	Admissions Committee	Jun 20	Grey GOSTS
Jun 9	Ordination Holy Hour	Jun 21	4th Degree Rosary/Business Meeting
Jun 10	Rosary @ Abortion Facility	Jun 24 & 25	Parish Welcoming Committee
Jun 10 & 11	Food Drive	Jun 24 & 25	Food Drive
Jun 12	Bingo @ Fairfax Nursing Center	Jun 25	Coffee & Donuts
Jun 13	Mass/Business Meeting	Jun 27	Rosary/Business Meeting/Steak Night

June

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				1	2	3 1700 Corporate Communion Parish Recruitment Fair
4 Pentecost Parish Recruitment Fair	5 St. Leo's School Field Day VS #1	6 1930 Officer's Meeting	7 1930 Ladies Night Out	8 1930 Admissions Committee	9	10 Food Drive 0800 Abortion Facility Rosary
11 Food Drive	12 1845 Bingo @ Ffx Nursing Center VS #2	13 1930 Mass/Business Mtg/First Degree	14	15	16 1830 Grand Knights Ball	17 Adopt A Spot Yankees @ Nationals
18 Corpus Christi Father's Day Family Breakfast/Gold Team	19 VS #3	20 1100 Grey GOSTS	21 1930 Assembly Rosary/Meeting Steak Night	22	23	24 Food Drive Parish Welcoming Committee
25 Food Drive Parish Welcoming Committee 1145 Donuts & Coffee	26 VS #4	27	28	29	30	

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2	3 VS #5	4 Independence Day	5 1930 Ladies Night Out	6	7	8 Food Drive 0800 Abortion Facility Rosary
9 Food Drive	10 1845 Bingo @ Ffx Nursing Center VS #6	11 1930 Officers' Meeting	12 Potomac Challenge	13	14	15 1700 Corporate Communion 1830 Installation of Officers
16 Family Breakfast/Blue Team	17 1930 Council Audit VS #7	18 1100 Grey GOSTS	19 1930 Assembly Rosary/Meeting	20	21	22 Food Drive
23 Food Drive 1145 Donuts & Coffee	24 VS #8	25 1930 Mass/Business Mtg	26	27	28	29
30	31 VS #9					

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