

The Lookout

June 2005



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
Fr. Francis J. Diamond Council #6292



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Grand Knight's Message:

My Brother Knights,

I would like to express my thanks to all of the Officers, Program Chairmen, Trustees, as well as our Chaplin, Fr. Wooten, and Pastor Fr. Kelly for their assistance this year. Words can hardly express all of my thanks and gratitude for everything that they have done. I find it hard to believe that my year as Grand Knight has come to an end. I guess it is true, "time flies when you are having fun." Without these gentlemen's hard work and support our Council could not have enjoyed the outstanding successes we achieved.

As many of you have heard Brother Jason Torres' wife Susan suffered a massive aneurism. She is currently in the ICU at the Virginia Hospital Center in Arlington, VA. Susan is approximately 16 weeks pregnant and the doctors are trying to keep her alive until at least July 11th, to give the baby the best chance at survival. She is brain dead, and being kept alive for the sake of her baby. The doctors have no hope that she will ever recover. Brothers Dan and Mike Purtil are spearheading the efforts to help raise funds for the family. It is in the finest tradition of our Order that their efforts will help the Torres family with the financial burden this tragedy has caused. The Council will be organizing several fundraising events so please watch your e-mail and be as generous as you possibly can.

At the beginning of the fraternal year I asked my Brother Knights to "Get Involved" and to make an attempt to participate in a Council activity. We can only do as much as the participation of our members allow. I'm glad to report that many of you answered this challenge and I saw many new and old faces at different activities. I just returned from the Annual State Convention in Virginia Beach and I can say with conviction that Fr. Diamond Council is a leading council in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Our Council has much to be proud of this year and winning the State Deputy's Award is just one indication of our success.

At the Grand Knights Ball, I awarded Knight of the Year to Brother David Mann; Brother Bill Ward et. al. (Beth, Glenn &

Marybeth) Family of the Year, and I presented my right hand man Brother Dave Miller with the Grand Knights Award. Dave's help this year was immeasurable and made my job a lot easier.

As we begin another Fraternal Year, the Council will be in the capable hands of Brother Dave Miller as he takes the reins as Grand Knight, and Brother Bill Ward who will be his deputy. These two gentlemen have been my steady council and support this year. I thank them for all of their hard work and I solicit the Councils' commitment and continued hard work to help them out this coming year.

Vivat Jesus,

Greg

Greg Hartley
Grand Knight

**LAST MEETING OF THE FRATERNAL
YEAR**

**STEAK NIGHT
28 JUNE
ROSARY: 6:30
MEAL: 7:00**

**COME JOIN YOUR BROTHER KNIGHTS
FOR AN EVENING
OF FRATERNALISM**



Program Director's Report

New Officers

Congratulations to the officers elected at the 24 May meeting for the fraternal year 2005-2006. They are:

Grand Knight	David G. Miller
Deputy Grand Knight	William J. Ward
Chancellor	William W. Weich
Treasurer	Albert L. Leightley
Recorder	David K. Mann
Advocate	John A. Cerny
Warden	Stephen J. Kehoe
Inside Guard	George P. Schuld
Outside Guard	Stephen E. Davis
Outside Guard	Matthew West
Three Year Trustee	Paul G. Hartley
GK Delegate	David G. Miller
Past GK Delegate	Paul G. Hartley, PGK
Alternate GK Delegate	William J. Ward
Alt. Past GK Delegate	Timothy J. Cooke, PGK

The above officers will take charge of their duties beginning July 1, 2005 and their installation as officers is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, July 16 after the 5pm Corporate Communion Mass at St. Leo's. More info on this will follow.

Upcoming Events June

Steak Night
Tuesday, June 28

State Organizational Meeting
Saturday, July 9

Installation of Officers
Saturday, July 9th
(Tentative)

Crab Feast
August

Upcoming Events

News from the Editor

First, the awesome good news! For those of you who do not know – my girlfriend Kathy and I will be married this fall – November 5th to be exact. Now for the bad news - this will be my last edition as editor of the Lookout Newsletter. While I have enjoyed being the editor of the Lookout Newsletter, it's time for someone else to take over. My election as Council Chancellor helped me make this decision. Dan Purtill has volunteered to take over as newsletter editor and will begin as editor with the July edition. I look forward to working with you all in my new position.

Rosary at Abortion Facility

Father Diamond Council Prays the Rosary at the Abortion Facility near the intersection of 123 and Eaton place on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 8AM. Please join us if you can to pray for the end to abortion.

Submissions for Newsletter

Do have some news for the Council? Do you have an upcoming event for the Council? Do you have some feedback for the newsletter editor? All are welcome and encouraged. Please submit to Dan Purtill, Lookout Editor at dpurtill@hotmail.com no later than the 15th of the month for the next issue.

Food Certificate (Scrip) Program

Larry Novack coordinates the Scrip program and has scrip available for Shoppers, Giant and Food Lion Grocery Stores. This is a much needed fun raising program for the Council so please consider using these food certificates -- it is a "no lose" situation, for every dollar of scrip you buy you can buy a dollar's worth of groceries. We buy the scrip at a discount which is how we generate the income. Call Larry at (703) 978-6137 or E-mail him at zlrn01@aol.com.

After a recent council meeting there were questions as to who was **St. Leo I [the Great]**? St. Leo was born in Tuscany and was a deacon in the Church. Even as a deacon his abilities were well known and while on a mission to Gaul when **Sixtus III** dies St. Leo was chosen to succeed him. He was consecrated on 29 September 440 and died on 10 November, 461.

During his reign he was challenged with many controversies including the **Pelagianism** [I can do it myself, therefore, we do not need God; a denial of original sin] and Manichaeism heresies [the spirit is good and the material is bad; therefore, the material world is bad; its outgrowth is communism, atheism, etc.; St. Augustine was a convert from this]. His greatest controversy was the **MONOPHYSITISM** [mono = one; physis = nature] of the priest **Eutyches**. After being excommunicated by Bishop Flavian, **Eutyches** appeals to St. Leo who answers that Jesus has two natures . . . divine and human . . . united in one body; he is the 'God man.' After the 'Robber Council' of 449 [not recognized by The Church]; St. Leo convenes the Council of Chalcedon in 451 that canonizes the dogma of Jesus' two natures in one body. With the Councils of Nicea, Constantinople, and Ephesus the Christology of Jesus is defined.

"When Northern Italy had been devastated by **Attila**, Leo by a personal encounter with the King of the Huns prevented him from marching upon Rome. The pope also succeeded in obtaining another great favor for the inhabitants of Rome. When in 455 the city was captured by the **Vandals** under Genseric, although for a fortnight the town had been plundered, Leo's intercession obtained a promise that the city should not be injured and that the lives of the inhabitants should be spared." These incidents show the high moral authority enjoyed by the pope, manifested even in temporal affairs.

"St. Leo also rebuilt and restored many churches in Rome. In 1754 **Benedict XIV** exalted him to the dignity of **Doctor of the Church** [due to his teachings and works]. In the Latin Church the feast day of the great pope is held on 11 April, and in the Eastern Church on 18 February."

[from: <http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/09154b.htm>]

An example of his teaching which is appropriate to the K of C: From a sermon by Saint Leo the Great, pope
(Sermon 10 in Quadragesima, 3-5: PL 54, 299-301)

The virtue of charity

In the gospel of John the Lord says: *In this will all men know that you are my disciples, if you have love for each other.* In a letter of the same apostle we read: *Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God; he who does not love does not know God, for God is love.*

The faithful should therefore enter into themselves and make a true judgment on their attitudes of mind and heart. If they find some store of love's fruit in their hearts, they must not doubt God's presence within them. If they would increase their capacity to receive so great a guest, they should practice greater generosity in doing good, with persevering charity.

If God is love, charity should know no limit, for God cannot be confined.

Any time is the right time for works of charity, but these days of Lent provide a special encouragement.

Those who want to be present at the Lord's Passover in holiness of mind and body should seek above all to win this grace, for charity contains all other virtues and covers a multitude of sins.

As we prepare to celebrate that greatest of all mysteries, by which the blood of Jesus Christ did away with our sins, let us first of all make ready the sacrificial offerings of works of mercy. In this way we shall give to those who have sinned against us what God in his goodness has already given to us.

Let us now extend to the poor and those afflicted in different ways a more open-handed generosity, so that God may be thanked through many voices and the relief of the needy supported by our fasting. No act of devotion on the part of the faithful gives God more pleasure than that which is lavished on his poor. Where he finds charity with its loving concern, there he recognizes the reflection of his own fatherly care.

In these acts of giving do not fear a lack of means. A generous spirit is itself great wealth. There can be no shortage of material for generosity where it is Christ who feeds and Christ who is fed. In all this activity there is present the hand of him who multiplies the bread by breaking it, and increases it by giving it away.

The giver of alms should be free from anxiety and full of joy. His gain will be greatest when he keeps back least for himself. The holy apostle Paul tells us: *He who provides seed for the sower will also provide bread for eating; he will provide you with more seed, and will increase the harvest of your goodness,* in Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.

“give us this day our daily bread”

Last year the **Grey GOSTs** [Gods Olde Sacred Trust] installed a statue of **St. Joseph the Worker** [**feast day: 1 May**] in front of the hall. The Worker statue is a symbol of the years of toil and labor the Grey GOST has expended in support of their families, Church, and country.

St. Joseph is carrying a loaf of bread which symbolizes “our daily” bread; both the spiritual and temporal bread we need for sustenance. As the foster father of Jesus, Joseph carried, taught, and toiled alongside Jesus as he grew and matured. At the Last Supper and with the Multiplication of Loaves [John 6] Jesus gave us the ‘Bread of Life’ [the Eucharist] for the salvation of our souls. Through this bread we gain grace from Jesus which sustains us in our daily struggles on earth.

St. Joseph is also carrying a pitcher. This symbolizes either the cleansing properties of water used for baptism that Jesus gave to the disciples and Church as the gateway to heaven or the temporal washing of the body. It can also symbolize the precious blood [again the Eucharist] that Jesus shed for us at the crucifixion.

The ax St. Joseph is holding symbolizes the value God places on our labors. Since Jesus was a carpenter, he sanctified work and placed great credence on temporal labors. As St. James states: 2: 14 *What does it profit, my brethren, if a man says he has faith but has not works? Can his faith save him? 15 If a brother or sister is ill-clad and in lack of daily food, 16 and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what does it profit? 17 **So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.** . . . 21 *Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he offered his son Isaac upon the altar? . . . 24 **You see that a man is justified by works and not by faith alone.** [RSV]**

By his labors, Jesus sanctified work; that is, he validated the need to work and that God views work as good. Work is not defined or confined only to that which is compensated by monetary gain; they include corporal works of mercy [feeding the hungry, etc.] . . . better known as charity to our neighbor. The Grey

GOST’s have persisted through many years with their labors, especially those that are long term Knights. They have a wealth of knowledge that is of great value to the council; a great seat of wisdom. St. Joseph the Worker embodied this charitable virtue . . . he carried the bread that brought redemption and light to the world. When we reflect on this statue we should remember the long history of our Grey GOSTs and their value to their families, the Church and the nation.

Food Drive

Throughout the world millions of families are in need of support to meet their basic nutritional needs. Since 1990, the Members of Fr. Diamond Council have been helping to meet the needs of those less fortunate right here in our own back yard, Northern Virginia.

Since 1990, Knights have been present to receive donations at masses on the second and fourth Sunday’s of each month to support the Saint Vincent DePaul Society. We collect donations of non perishable food items after all masses to provide food to the hungry on an ongoing basis throughout the year. We also collect and distribute food for the needy at Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter.

We are in need of additional support to cover several mass times. This support requires only taking the wagon of donated food to the Saint Vincent DePaul food closet in the Old Parrish Hall. If you can help out please give Ben Schaefer a call at 703-591-3188.

June Birthdays

Thomas D. Quinn	06/01
Raymond E Barbeau	06/01
Timothy J McCarthy	06/02
Albert L Leightley	06/03
Alan P. Boticelli	06/03
Anthony L. Corques, Jr.	06/05
Timothy J. Holleran	06/05
Guillermo Gonzales, Jr.	06/05
Ben G. Stack	06/06
Robert S. Cavaliere	06/07
Brian J. Young	06/07
Paul F Cooke PGK	06/08
Almirante C Trapal	06/08
Charles M. Stevenson	06/08
William E. Ryan	06/09
Raymond J Mahoney	06/10
Michael A Gundling	06/11
Dennis W. McNaughton	06/11
Francisco S. Madan	06/12
James W Turcol	06/13
Bernard J. Carey	06/14
Joseph P. Martin	06/15
Antoine F. Elachkar	06/15
Joseph D Drozd	06/15
Quinley Y. Johnson	06/16
Edward H Commings, Jr.	06/16
Emmanuel Kisob	06/18
Martin E. Bourke, Jr.	06/21
Ignacio C. Agustin	06/25
Christopher J. Bolan	06/26
Larry E. Gottschalk PGK	06/28
Dale E. Moser	06/30
William J Dearing	06/30
John F Hogan III	06/30

June Wedding Anniversaries

	Years Married	
Thomas Donovan	06/07	47
George & Nancy Rosenkranz	06/09	21
Salvatore & Arlene Anzalone	06/15	48
William & Catherine Ryan	06/18	45
Cyrus & Dorothy Greenawalt	06/19	61
William (PGK) & Loraine Davy	06/20	63
David & Nancy Hahn	06/22	20
Pete & Celia Smith	06/23	15
Cyril & Ellen Barch	06/25	60
Anthony & Kathleen Conques	06/25	28
Christopher & Colleen Colandene	06/26	12
Matthew & Jane Travers	06/27	46
Stanley & Carol Greer	06/27	13
Michael & Joanne DeMarco	06/27	19
Richard & Donna Larkin	06/29	53

FROM OUR FRATERNAL BENEFITS ADVISOR

Beneficiaries

Sometimes it is easy to overlook the simplest of things.

Take the 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 - Give me a call.

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

Fraternally,
Dennis Riley
Fraternal Benefits Advisor



Officers

Grand Knight	Greg Hartley	352-2797
Chaplain	Rev. Jerry Wooton	273-5369
D Grand Knight	Dave Miller	517-3430
Chancellor	Bill Ward	273-6289
Treasurer	Al Leightley	273-2089
Lecturer	Mike Plumstead	352-0848
Financial Sec.	Larry Gottschalk	569-5755
Recorder	Dan Purtill	641-8948
Advocate	Herb Zimmerman	385-9455
Warden	Greg Skorupski	978-8280
Inside Guard	Bill Weich	307-9163
Outside Guard	Jac Cerny	255-9484
Outside Guard	Dave Mann	691-9160
3yr Trustee	Hank Urban	591-9244
2yr Trustee	Tim Cooke	766-2911
1yr Trustee	Larry Novack	978-6137

Program Directors

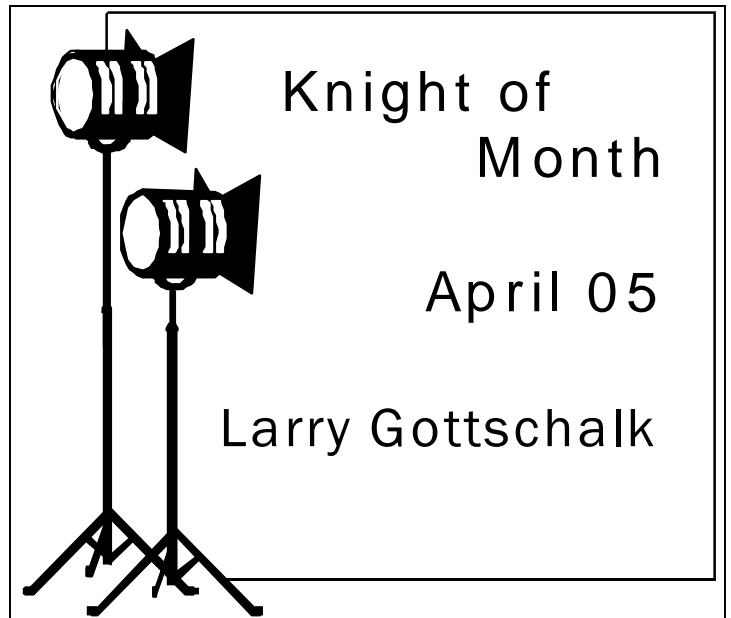
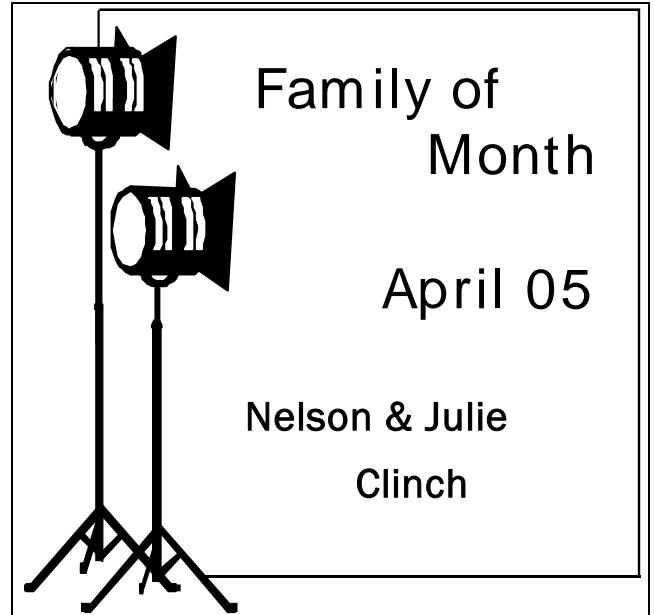
Programs	Dave Miller	517-3430
Church	Edward Cuccias	934-4000
Community	Dave Mann	691-9160
Council	John Eldred	631-6480
Family	Keith Morrison	691-8838
Youth	Vacant	
Membership	Bill Ward	273-6289

Committee Chairman

Charity	Mike Purtill	202-251-8424
Admissions	Tim Cooke	766-2911
Retention	Hank Urban	978-6137
Vocations	Bill Ward	273-6289
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

Blood Drive	John Brophy	425-7169
Parish Picnic	Tim Tilson	273-9436
Bowling Team	Dave Whitcomb	591-7739
Right-to-Life	Mike & Li Plumstead	352-0848
Christmas Trees	Jac Cerny	255-9484
Scout Troop	Paul Cutlip	691-0712
Deg. Team Capt.	Tim Hogan	385-1292
Fall Festival	Tim Hogan	385-1292
Family Breakfast	Dave Miller	517-3430
Food Drive	Ben Schaefer	591-3188
KCIC	Herb Zimmerman	385-9455
Gray Ghosts	Larry Novack	978-6137
KOVAR	Tim Cooke	766-2911
Newsletter	Bill Weich	307-9163
Fourth Deg.	Larry Novack	978-6137





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Dates to Remember in June

June 2	Admissions Committee
June 7	Officer's Meeting
June 11	Fishing Trip
June 11	Corporate Communion 5pm
June 11/12	Food Drive
June 14	Mass/1 st Degree/Business Meeting
June 15	Rosary/4 th Degree Business Meeting
June 16	2 nd Degree
June 18	Abortion Facility
June 18	Adopt-a-Spot
June 19	Family Breakfast – Gold Team
June 21	Gray GOSTS
June 25/26	Food Drive
June 28	Rosary/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 1930 Admissions Committee	3	4 1900 Grand Knight's Ball [Eldred]
5	6 VS #4	7 1930 Officers Meeting	8	9	10	11 Fishing Trip [Cerny] 1700 Corporate Communion Food Drive [Schaefer]
12 Food Drive [Schaefer]	13 VS #5	14 Flag Day 1930 Mass 2000 1 st Degree (Ward /Skorupski) 2100 Business Meeting	15 1930 Rosary 2000 4 th Degree Assembly Steak Night	16 2000 2 nd Degree [Ward / Skorupski]	17	18 0800 Abortion Facility [Cuccias] 1000 Adopt-A-Spot [Mann]
19 Father's Day Family Breakfast Gold Team [Miller]	20 VS #6	21 1100 Gray GOSTS	22	23	24	25 Food Drive [Schaefer]
26 Food Drive [Schaefer]	27 VS #7	28 1930 Rosary 2000 Steak Night	29	30		

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July

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
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3	4 Independence Day VS #8	5 1930 Officers Meeting	6 1930 Bunco – Ladies Night Out 0900-1700 Stroke Screening	7	8	9 Food Drive 0800 Rosary/Abortion Facility State Organizational Meeting
10 Food Drive	11 VS #9	12	13 Potomac Challenge (Diocesan)	14	15	16 1700 Corporate Communion 1830 Officers Installation
17 Family Breakfast Blue Team	18 1930 Council Audit VS #10	19 1100 Gray GOSTS	20 1930 Rosary 2000 4 th Degree Assembly	21	22	23 Food Drive
24 Food Drive	25 VS GG	26 1930 Mass 2000 Business Meeting	27	28	29	30
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