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The Lookout



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Grand Knight's Message:



Brother Knights and family members,

We have passed another busy month in our Council Year and are looking at one more. February saw the monthly repetitive items such as the Rosary at the Abortion facility, Bingo at the Fairfax Nursing center, and Family Breakfast, but the biggest event of the month was our Annual Valentine Dinner-Dance. Thanks to the hard work of event Chairman PGK Tim Hogan and his crew it was a well-attended (over 60 people) and very successful party. PGK David Todd, Jr., prepared the green bean casserole, au gratin potatoes and ham. PGK Greg Hartley was the roast beef cook and all dishes were excellent. Our illustrious Chancellor, Matt West, donned an apron and took over kitchen duties, and cleaning up after the cooks. Carlos Jaramillo, our Recording Secretary, took control of the bar for the evening and made sure everyone had their choice of beverages. The hall was beautifully decorated by the Columbiettes and provided atmosphere for the large crowd. Thanks to all of them for their work.

Eight Brother Knights served as bartenders at the St. Leo's School Annual Gala and collected more than \$170.00 for this year's KOVAR pot.

On February 22nd we held the Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and our Brother Knights came through again to prepare a delicious meal. Our Pancake Chef Roger Rosenberger met the challenge and kept the food coming at his usual record speed. I want to thank all of you who helped to setup, serve and cleanup for the dinner.

The second meeting of the month was our Fraternal Benefits Night and was open to wives and members of St. Leo's parish. In addition to our Fraternal Benefits Advisor Dennis Riley, we had a guest speaker who gave us advice on making sure we made plans for our families when the Lord called us home. Sincere thanks to our Worthy Lecturer PGK David Todd, Sr. for making arrangements for the evening.

March is a very important one since Father Diamond Council is hosting the quarterly meeting of the State Council. We will be hosting more than 300 fellow Knights as well as the Ladies of Virginia. The meeting will be held on Saturday, March 10th starting at 8:45 am. Plenty of assistance is needed to setup the PAC gym and adjacent classrooms, Guadalupe Room in the Olde Parish Hall and of course Providence Hall. The task of serving lunch to the group is most important one and we need as many of you as can make it to help even if it is only for an hour or two. Please e-mail your availability to District Deputy Steve Kehoe at dd16@vakofc.org or by phone at (703) 591-6813.

Our Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner will be held on March 17th which is unusual since it is rare that the Feast Day falls on a Saturday. We will have our regular menu of Corned Beef and Cabbage and we will have an Irish dance group. More information on this is elsewhere in this newsletter.

Newsletter Deadline

In order to ensure timely delivery of the newsletter, the deadline for submissions to The Lookout is the **15^h of the month** prior to when you want your information published. Early submissions are appreciated. You can send your info to **Herb Zimmerman** at herb2777@yahoo.com or call him at **703-385-9455**.

Deputy Grand Knight's Report:



Brothers,

The year just continues to fly by! March is upon us and marks the beginning of yet another busy stretch for the Council.

On March 10th, the Council has the honor of hosting the quarterly State Meeting. We will be using just about every space on the St. Leo's campus in order to accommodate the various meetings that will go on. All hands are needed to help with set-up beginning on Friday the 9th and with all the activities (lunch, sign in, clean up, etc.) on the 10th. Please try to make some time to lend a hand.

March also marks our annual St. Patrick's Day party. We are fortunate that St. Patrick's Day falls on a Saturday this year, so we will actually have our party on the 17th after the 5:00 Mass. Please RSVP to (dpurtill@gmail.com) if you plan to attend.

We are also breaking with tradition a bit this year and will be conducting our KOVAR drive this month instead of April. This is another effort where we really need all hands on deck. We will be collecting March 22nd through the 25th. This is an important effort for a very worthy charity, so please help out.

One other change this month is that we will be praying the Rosary at the abortion facility on the FIRST Saturday of the month. That's March 3rd for those of you who don't have a calendar.

We will also be delivering our Easter baskets on March 24th at 10:00am. Please contact Al Leightley at 703-273-2089 or Leightley8@verizon.net if you can help out.

We will, of course, have our regular events. Business meetings on the 13th and 27th. Bingo on the 12th. Family Breakfast on 18th. There are plenty of opportunities to get involved.

Vivat Jesus!

Dan Purtill
Deputy Grand Knight

KOVAR 2012 – (please note the date change)

In 1971, the Virginia State Council formed the program known as KOVAR. KOVAR originally stood for Knights of Virginia Assisting the Retarded and uses the specially wrapped Tootsie Roll as a reward to those who contribute to the drive that assists people with intellectual disabilities. Since the collections began in 1972, more than \$13 million in Grants and Group Home Loans have been awarded to over 250 organizations including the Special Olympics.

Father Diamond Council first participated in KOVAR in 1975. We have collected over \$550,000 of that total which is remarkable considering there are 140 Councils in Virginia. The campaign was originally scheduled to conduct the drive in mid-April 2012. However, due to the availability of certain stores, the drive has been changed to **March 22-25**. Please contact **Nelson Clinch** by e-mail at clinch5va@yahoo.com or by calling **(703)-385-2146** for the complete schedule and locations. This list and schedule will be posted in Providence Hall shortly.

Sources toward our goal include contributions to KOVAR through the annual **United Way, Combined Federal Campaign and Combined Virginia Campaigns**. If you made a pledge to KOVAR this past year, please give a copy of your pledge document to **Treasurer Herb Zimmerman**, or leave it in his box in the office of Providence Hall.

KOVAR's main source of income is from Brothers Knights who stand three-hour shifts at various stores in the area. Wives and children are convincing collectors, so please consider volunteering and making it a family affair. If you can't help, please consider making a tax deductible donation to help us achieve our goal. Make checks payable to KOVAR and send it to the Council or bring it to a meeting no later than May 12.

Columbiettes' Corner

Saturday March 10th is the Knights State Meeting at St. Leo the Great. A Luncheon for the Ladies of Virginia will be held in the Guadalupe Room. The Columbiettes will be assisting with the set up for this luncheon.

On March 20th we will host our annual Soup Supper with Lenten Reflection to be provided by Father Whitestone in Providence Hall beginning at 7PM. Brother Knights and their wives are invited to participate. Please bring a homemade soup to share along with a serving utensil.

Future events to be discuss are the Spring Bake Sale and Fall Craft Show.

All wives of Knights are Columbiettes and are welcome to join us at our monthly meetings or at any of our other events. If you would like more information or would like to be placed on the email distribution list to be kept to update with meetings and our events, please contact **Linda Baringhaus at 703-385-9455** or Email lin-damb3510@yahoo.com.

Council News & Events

Nursing Home Bingo— This is Fun!

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, March 12** at 6:45PM to run bingo for the residents. We should be finished by 8:15PM. What a wonderful opportunity to give the most valuable gift—**your time and love**. Call **Bob Bilko at (703) 359-6824** 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 meet across the street from the Best Western) on **Saturday, February 3** 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.



Ladies, Save the Date -

2012 Women's Conference on Holiness and Interior Healing to be Led by Renowned Speaker and Popular Author, Dr. Ralph Martin.

Ladies, steal some time away with the Lord this Lent at the annual Diocesan women's conference on **Saturday, March 10th**. Dr. Ralph Martin, President of Renewal Ministry who was recently appointed by Pope Benedict XVI to the Pontifical Council on Evangelization will lead each of the talks centering on "Holiness and Interior Healing". The conference will be held at St. Raymond of Peñafort in Springfield from 8:45 am to 2:30 pm. For more details on how to register go to www.arlingtondiocese.org/women. The conference is co-hosted by the Arlington Diocesan Council of Catholic Women and the Office for Family Life.

Men, Save the Date -

Diocese of Arlington 2012 Men's Conference.

On **Saturday, March 3rd**, the third annual Arlington Diocese Men's Conference will take place at St. Joseph parish in Herndon. For more information and to register, go to www.arlingtondiocese.org/men. You can also contact Tom Gross at 703-273-0631, or Juan Velasquez at 703-624-7783.

(See Grand Knight's Message)

Newsletter/Bulletin Box Editor(s) Needed

Herb Zimmerman has been assigned to a new job that will require his travel out of town to Long Island for the next two years. As Newsletter Editor he also provides the Parish Office with the Bulletin box information. We need one or two guys to step forward and help get the Newsletter out once a month and to provide the Parish with Bulletin Box information once a month. Herb is willing to work with anyone interested. Call herb at **703-623-7180** or email to herb2777@yahoo.com



KOVAR Award In Memory Of Hank Urban

The Board of Directors of the KOVAR Corporation donated \$6,000.00 to Project Lion in memory of Henry "Hank" Urban (Capt. USN, Ret.). Project Lion provides stuffed animal lions to hospitals as gifts for children who are suffering from serious illnesses. The plaque was delivered to the Council by KOVAR President Charles "Chuck" Curran at our meeting on January 10th which coincidentally was the day of Hank's interment in Arlington National Cemetery. Grand Knight, Greg Skorupski, presented the award to Hank's wife, Florence.

The KOVAR Board recognized Hank's many years of chairing the Father Diamond Council Tootsie Roll campaigns. Hank was the main reason we have collected more than \$500,000 in donations. His service in the program is only one example of his dedicated service to both Father Diamond Council and the many programs of the Knights of Columbus. Hank will always be a treasured memory to his brother Knights.

Columbiettes Soup Supper — March 20

This year's Soup Supper event, which everyone eagerly looks forward to, will be held in the K of C Hall on March 20 starting at 7:00 PM.

It is **FREE to all Knights and Columbiettes**. You are invited to bring a crock pot of your favorite concoction to share with everyone. However, if you don't want to cook, just come out and taste and enjoy the fellowship. This is a fun and tasty evening!!! MMM-MMM Good!!



Shrove Tuesday's Pancake Supper—Huge Success

Our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper was held at the KofC Hall on Tuesday, February 21. We had lots of people show up for the delicious pancakes, sausage, apple sauce, orange & apple juice and lots of fellowship. Pancake maestro, Roger Rosenberger, once again took over the grill and was assisted by Pat McGuire. Not only did these two guys do a great job at cooking, but the kitchen was spot-

Knights and Knight Families Honored



Knight of the Month **February** **John Cesarini**

Knight of the Month for February is John Cesarini for his work on the Providence Hall television set move and construction and installation of the cabinet which will be used by the Columbiettes. When they move their materials into the cabinet the closet they are now using will become a much needed

Family of the Month **February** **Mike and Li Plumstead**

February's Family of the Month is the a delayed recognition for our Pro-Life Chairman Michael Plumstead and his wife Li for their work on the March for Life. They made the arrangements with the District of Columbia for the permits



Here is a picture of our own Tim Tilson and Big Mountain Jesus. If you remember this was in the Columbian magazine in February.

The Forest Service ruled in early Feb that the local KofC council could have another 10 year lease on the site where the statue stands. In fact Tim ran into the Forest Service representative who was the Special Use Permits Supervisor on the slopes. The statue is in a great location overlooking the town of Whitefish. Unfortunately the left hand is now broken off. The Center for Freedom from Religion is not planning to sue again. The locals all support the presence of the statue. In fact people have had their ashes scattered there and been married/proposed to there.

While there Tim attended Mass. The alter servers and the lay Eucharistic Ministers were all Knights.

The picture was taken by Tim's buddy Tom Evans.

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 Novak—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**





St Patrick's Day Dinner

Saturday – March 17

6:00 PM (after 5:00 Mass) to whenever - at Providence Hall

**Who is Invited? – Everyone who feels like being “IRISH” for a night !!!
Bring your “Irish” family & friends**

What is it? – an evening of:

FOOD - Corned Beef & Cabbage, Potatoes,
Colcannon (special Irish delicacy), salad

BEVERAGE – **Cold beer** (all you want),
Sodas, Water

FUN – Great Irish music



What Does it Cost? –\$10 per adult
\$5 per child 14 and under
\$30 **MAXIMUM** per family!!

RSVP: So that we can be sure to have enough food, contact:

Dan Purtill
(703) 641-8948 (home)
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Cover two people with one policy

In this month's article, I want to discuss a type of life insurance product with which you might not be familiar. This product offers a way for you to help your heirs meet estate settlement costs without subtracting from the total value of your estate. After all, you've worked hard to accumulate wealth or build a business over the years and you want to pass along that value to your family, charity or church in its entirety.

To this end, the Knights of Columbus designed a Survivorship Universal Life (SUL) product. SUL is a second to die, or survivorship, life insurance program that covers two people, (usually husband and wife) and the death benefit is paid upon the death of the surviving second person — which is normally when an estate would be taxed. This can be an important part of an estate plan.

Keep in mind, an SUL policy is one policy that covers two people. This has advantages, including a lower cost than

Fraternal Benefits Advisor Message

two individual life insurance policies. It is a great option for a married couple with children. It can provide funds for the legal guardians chosen to care for children in the event both parents die, which is especially attractive to parents of a special needs child.

If you have a child or children, you need life insurance. If you intend to pass on any property or wealth, you need life insurance. A SUL policy is one option that we can discuss when we meet for an insurance review.

Dennis Riley, FICF, CSA
Field Agent



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 0800 Rosary to end Abortion 0900 Diocesan Men's Conference
4	5	6 1930 Officers' Meeting	7	8	9	10 Quarterly State Meeting Food Drive
11 Food Drive	12 1845 Bingo at Ffx Nursing Ctr	13 1930 Rosary2000 Business Meeting	14	15	16	17 1800 St Patrick's Party
18 Family Breakfast - Blue Team	19	20	21 1930 Malloy Assembly	22 KOVAR1930 Admissions Committee	23 KOVAR	24 KOVARFood Drive 1000 Food Basket Delivery
25 Food Drive	26	27 1900 Mass 2000 Business Meeting First Degree	28	29 Founder's Day	30	31

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Palm Sunday	2	3 1930 Officers' Meeting	4	5 Holy Thursday	6 Good Friday	7 Holy Saturday Feed the Homeless RCIA Reception
8 EASTER!	9 1845 Bingo at Ffx Nursing Ctr	10 1930 Rosary2000 Business Meeting	11	12	13	14 0800 Rosary to end Abortion Food Drive Open House State Bowling Tourney-Richmond
15 Family Breakfast - Gold Team Food Drive Open House State Bowling Tourney-Richmond	16	17 1100 Grey GOSTS 1930 Columbiettes	18 1930 Malloy Assembly	19 1930 Admissions Committee	20	21
22 1100 Corporate Communion	23	24 1930 Mass2000 Business Meeting	25	26 1800 Second Degree	27 2000 Fraternalism Night	28 Food Drive Salute to Seniors Night of Magic
29 Food Drive	30					

Officers, Directors, and Program Chairmen—2011-12

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Outside Guard	David Todd, Jr	703-463-1499

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Those Kids.....

A police recruit was asked during the exam, "What would you do if you had to arrest your own mother?" He answered, "Call for backup."

This is why we love children!

OPINIONS

On the first day of school, a first-grader handed his teacher a note from his mother. The note read, 'The opinions expressed by this child are not necessarily those of his parents.'

KETCHUP

A woman was trying hard to get the ketchup out of the jar. During her struggle the phone rang so she asked her 4-year-old daughter to answer the phone. 'Mommy can't come to the phone to talk to you right now. She's hitting the bottle.'

SCHOOL

A little girl had just finished her first week of school. 'I'm just wasting my time,' she said to her mother. 'I can't read, I can't write, and they won't let me talk!'

THE POSITIVE SIDE OF LIFE:

Living on Earth is expensive, but it does include a free trip around the sun every year.

How long a minute is ... depends on what side of the bathroom door you're on.

We could learn a lot from crayons:

some are sharp, some are pretty, some are dull, some have weird names, and all are different colors....but they all exist very nicely in the same box.

A truly happy person is one who can enjoy the scenery on a de-tour.

Don't cry because it's over; smile because it happened.

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