

# The Lookout

November 2004



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



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## ***Grand Knight's Message:***

My Brother Knights,

I called a fellow Council Member a few weeks ago and was surprised to hear his comment that he thought we have over done it in October. A quarterly State Meeting, Right-to-Life Memorial construction & Bishops dedication/reception, Open House, Yard Sale, Family Breakfast, Skins Games, 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, Columbiettes Wine & Cheese Social, Fall Festival, Luau, Alter Server Trip, and two Events at George Mason University. You Know What – I think he was right! First: I must thank all the Knights that helped out with all of these events – I appreciate it from the bottom of my heart. Second: I promise we will not over work all of our volunteers over the up coming Holidays.

I'd like to mention the Yard Sale, not because it was a great way to clean out my garage but we were able to raise \$620 to contribute to the Dominican Sisters in Baghdad, Iraq to support their Hospital and hopefully allow them to reopen their school.

Our October Blitz went very well thanks to the hard work of our Chancellor; Bill Ward has signed up another 9 new Knights. Bill still needs everyone's help recruiting. Sometimes all it takes is to ask the question, would you like to join the Knights of Columbus?

By the time this news letter reaches you the November General Election will be complete. We as Knights have an obligation to be involved in the process of our government and I hope that all of my brother Knights exercised their "right" to vote. No matter who won we must remember that the United States and our Republic is the greatest and strongest nation on earth. Our history and tradition of a

peaceful change of government leadership is foreign to a majority of the nation in the world. Our democratic system stands as a tribute to our founding fathers and as a beacon to others striving to make their country a better place.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving.

Fraternally Yours  
Greg Hartley  
Grand Knight

## **Corporate Communion Mass**

**On Sunday, 28 November we will celebrate the next Corporate Communion Mass for the deceased members of Fr. Diamond Council. Mass will be celebrated at the 9am Mass at St. Leo the Great. Please join your brother Knights and their families to remember those who have gone before us.**

**There will be a reception in Providence Hall immediately following the Mass. Please join us for refreshments.**

## Program Director's Report

### Thanksgiving Baskets

Our Council, in cooperation with the Saint Vincent DePaul Society of St. Leo's parish, will be collecting food and/or cash to provide underprivileged families with a meal for Thanksgiving and to fill their food pantries. The council donates a turkey and a gift certificate for purchase of perishables. The suggested food list is posted on our Website and is also available in Providence Hall. The aim is to provide staples for a family of 4 (2 Adults and 2 children), the Council provides a turkey and a gift certificate to Shoppers for consumables. It is suggested that you buy gift certificates from Larry Novack (703 978 6137) for your purchases, with prudent shopping the basket costs run about \$70. Please try to participate in this worthwhile program. We will be assembling the baskets on Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup> starting at 9:00 AM and deliveries will take place on Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup> beginning at 10:00 AM. Signup sheets for donating food, assembling baskets and delivery are also on the website and in Providence Hall. This is one of our most important charity events and we need your participation. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Purtill at [mpurtill@netzero.net](mailto:mpurtill@netzero.net) or 703 528 6965.

### The New 2005 Entertainment Books Are Now Available.

The price this year is \$25.00 and the books contain four (4) Safeway coupons worth \$5.00 each. The council earns a profit based on a percentage of the sales. All members are encouraged to market these books and help the council. Out of town books may be ordered on line. Please use our account number (760214-7) to give us credit for the sale. For more information contact David Todd at 703-352-2724 or [datodd@erols.com](mailto:datodd@erols.com).

### Redskin Games at the Hall

The Hall will be open for regular season Redskin games. Menu for all games: Nacho chips, hot cheese, munchies, peanuts and free coffee. All beverages at Council posted donations. Additional menu items served include hot dogs, hamburgers, and special selections offered at cost plus.

### Rosary at Abortion Clinic

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

### Council Web Site

Visit the council web site at [www.6292.kofc.org](http://www.6292.kofc.org). It has been upgraded and now includes the ability down load the fraternal year calendar for the entire year or month by month. There are

also news announcements on future events. Stay current by visiting the site.

### Keep Christ in Christmas

The council will again be selling Christmas Cards this holiday season. The cards will be available after the Saturday evening Mass and after Sunday morning and afternoon Masses. All brothers asked to support our effort to "Keep Christ in Christmas". If you can help sell after the Masses or for more information contact Herb Zimmerman at 703-385-9455.

### 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 Bill Weich, Lookout Editor at [Bweich@verizon.net](mailto:Bweich@verizon.net) no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month for the next issue.**

### Feed the Homeless – 20 November

Fr. Diamond Council will again be supporting the Feed the Homeless project. Thelma Billy will be heading up the effort to prepare a home-cooked Thanksgiving meal to be served at the Center for Creative Non-Violence homeless shelter in Washington, DC on Saturday, November 22nd. We will be departing from George & Thelma's at 11:30 a.m. and caravan downtown to the shelter on 2nd and D St. NW. We will set up tables outside and serve approximately 800 meals. A lot of help is needed - either helping Thelma cook, donations of food (turkey, chicken, mashed potatoes, stuffing, etc as well as paper plates, knives/forks/spoons, and cups), or helping to serve. This is an excellent youth activity and we normally have some of St.Leo's or St. Mary's confirmation teams help serve. Thanks for your support. Please call Thelma at 703-323-6470 if you would like to help.

## Christmas Tree Sales

Yes, that's right...it's that time again for our annual Christmas Tree Sales. This is one of our Council's major fundraisers. We will be setting up the Christmas Tree lot on Friday, 26 November with the trees to be delivered Saturday Nov. 27 at 7am. Tree sales will begin on Sunday Nov 28 at 9am. Each team is assigned 4-5 shifts lasting 3 hours. In addition, Christmas Cards and Christmas wafers will be sold. This is a great time for new Knights to meet and get to know the rest of us. Jac Cerny has graciously agreed to chair this project. If you have any questions, he will be happy to answer them. Thanks, Jac, for coordinating this large fundraiser.

### Christmas Tree Schedule

Date		Time			
		9-12	12-3	3-6	6-9
28-Nov	<b>Sun</b>	10	7	4	2
29-Nov	Mon	-	Day	Day	1
30-Nov	Tue	-	Day	Day	10
01-Dec	Wed	-	Day	Day	9
02-Dec	Thr	-	Day	Day	8
03-Dec	Fri	-	Day	Day	7
04-Dec	<b>Sat</b>	4	10	8	6
05-Dec	<b>Sun</b>	1	9	3	5
06-Dec	Mon	-	Day	Day	4
07-Dec	Tue	-	Day	Day	3
08-Dec	Wed	-	Day	Day	2
09-Dec	Thr	-	Day	Day	1
10-Dec	Fri	-	Day	Day	10
11-Dec	<b>Sat</b>	3	1	5	9
12-Dec	<b>Sun</b>	6	4	2	8
13-Dec	Mon	-	Day	Day	7
14-Dec	Tue	-	Day	Day	6
15-Dec	Wed	-	Day	Day	5
16-Dec	Thr	-	Day	Day	4
17-Dec	Fri	-	Day	Day	3
18-Dec	<b>Sat</b>	8	6	10	2
19-Dec	<b>Sun</b>	7	5	9	1
20-Dec	Mon	-	Day	Day	5
21-Dec	Tue	-	Day	Day	7
22-Dec	Wed	-	Day	Day	8

## Christmas Basket Support

As you rush from shopping mall to shopping mall searching for perfect gifts for your loved ones, please take time to remember the many unfortunate families that are struggling. During the past year thousands of area residents have lost their jobs. Many more saw their retirement funds seriously depleted by down turn in the economy.

Father Diamond Council will again provide support to the St. Vincent DePaul Society in the annual St Leo's Christmas Baskets for needy families. We will contribute 40 turkeys and gift certificates to the Christmas Baskets. Volunteers with trucks or vans are needed to transport gifts from the Giving Tree at St Leo's to the SVDP storage facility after Masses in December. Assistance also needed 17 Dec at 4 PM to transfer food from the SVDP pantry to the hall in prep for the assembly of the baskets. Assemblers and drivers are need on 18 and 19 December respectively to assemble and deliver the Christmas Baskets to the families. A volunteer sign-up sheet will be posted at the hall for sign up or contact Mike Purtill at (703) 528-6965. You can also send your name and phone number to him at

### Giving Tree Hearts

Remember take Hearts from the Giving Tree after Masses. If you provide a generic present from other then from the Giving Tree the present should not be wrapped and can be delivered to the trailer at the Christmas Tree lot.

### Fundraisers

The Council is looking for ways to increase our revenue. Increased revenue will in turn improve our budget outcome (right now, we are projecting a deficit), and will allow us to contribute more to various charities. If you have any ideas, please contact Grand Knight Greg Hartley at [PGHartley@hotmail.com](mailto:PGHartley@hotmail.com) or (703) 352-2797 or Deputy Grand Knight Dave Miller at 703-517-3430.

## November Birthdays

Peter F. Furey	11/02
Roger A. Azar	11/03
Bernard G Garlock	11/06
Robert K Morrison	11/06
Kelly M. Rodriguez	11/07
Joseph W. White	11/09
Peter G. O Neill	11/10
Paul L Desbiens	11/10
Philip A. Hogan	11/13
Marion W. Kuhlman PGK	11/13
Michael G. Mendrysa	11/14
Robert R. Wells	11/15
Bernard J Schaefer	11/15
D. Robert Mc Culloch	11/16
Bradford W. LaPolla	11/16
Kevin Crossin	11/16
F. Michael Dell	11/17
Brian M. Patti	11/21
Richard Powers	11/24
Joseph M Pepin	11/26
Carl A. Rich	11/26
Matthew West	11/28
Gregory J Skorupski	11/29
William L Naehle	11/29
Jerome R. Allen	11/29
Christopher D. Colandene	11/30

## November Wedding Anniversaries

	<b>Years Married</b>
Bill & Randi Jayne	35
Robert & Lou Hartnett	26
Ben & Cielo Stack	10
Joseph & Ileana Mele	50
Justin & Katherine Torres	5
William & Joan Bocker	18
Al & Linda Leightley	38
Doug & Mary Hazelgrove	3
Harry & Joan Glass	37
Ted & Betty Ittner	36

## FROM OUR FRATERNAL BENEFITS ADVISOR

### Roth IRAs: A Less Taxing Way to Save

We all know and appreciate the good work the Knights of Columbus does for the Church and charitable causes. But did you know that our insurance program is an essential part of the Order?

Protecting families from economic adversity has been a key part of the Knights of Columbus mission since its founding in 1882. Our founders passed the hat to support the widows and children of Brother Knights who had died. We've grown into one of the largest individual life insurers in North America – with more than \$38 billion of individual life insurance in force. Moreover, contrary to some misconceptions, our insurance program is not directed in any way by a “separate company” and never has been.

Our insurance is available exclusively to members, their wives, and their dependent children. All field agents – including me – are themselves Brother Knights. We all work full-time for the K of C, serving the needs of you and your family and answering any questions you have.

In this day and age, personal attention has become rare – but in the K of C, we specialize in it. In fact, it's our job to get to know you and your family, and to make ourselves available to you for assistance. We are different from other insurers – and that difference greatly benefits our members. Give me a call to find out more about how the K of C has been "Protecting Families for Generations."

Call me today 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.	Paul Cooke	691-0825
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**

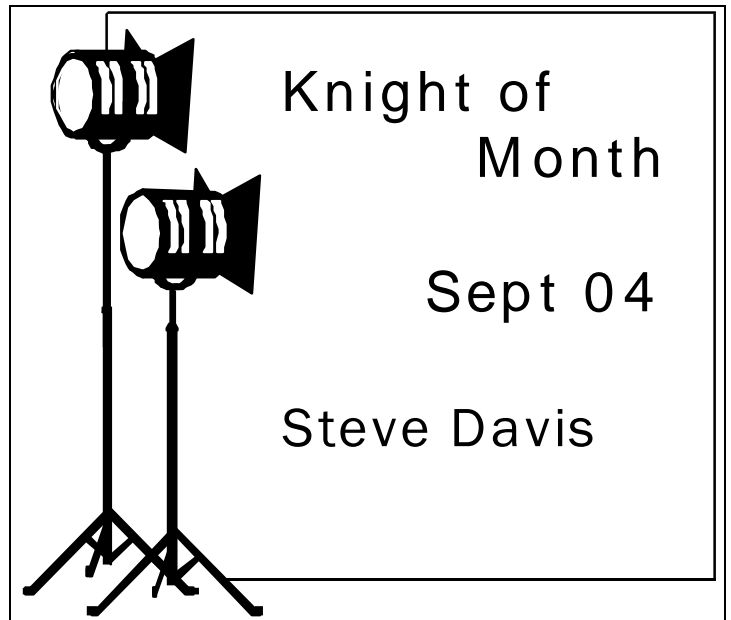
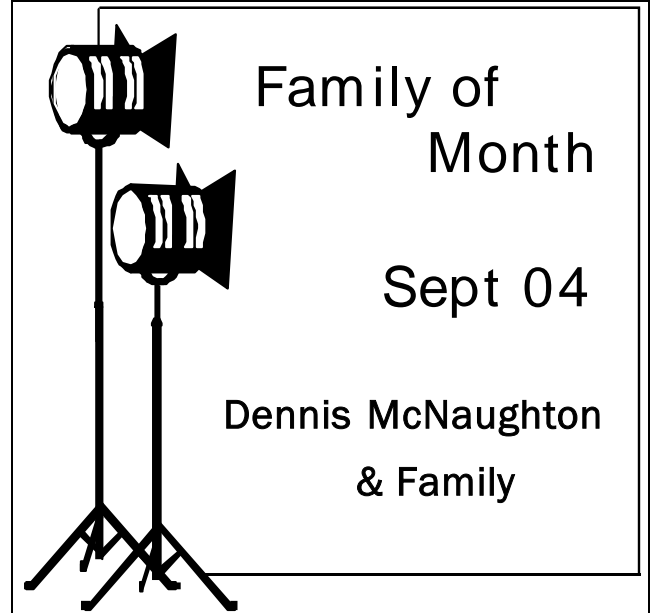
Programs	Dave Miller	517-3430
Church	Edward Cuccias	934-4000
Community	Dave Mann	691-9160
Council	John Eldred	631-6480
Family	Keith Morrison	691-8838
Youth	Martin Burke	501-0351
Membership	Bill Ward	273-6289

**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 November

Nov 2	Election Day
Nov 2	Officer's Meeting
Nov 4	Admissions Committee
Nov 6	Diocesan Youth Rally
Nov 7	Blood Drive
Nov 9	Mass/1 <sup>st</sup> Degree/Business Meeting
Nov 13	4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification
Nov 13/14	Food Drive
Nov 16	Gray GOSTS
Nov 17	Rosary/4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly Meeting
Nov 20	Rosary @ Abortion Facility
Nov 20	Food Basket Assembly
Nov 20	Feed the Homeless
Nov 21	Family Breakfast –Blue
Nov 21	Food Basket Delivery
Nov 23	Rosary/Business Meeting
Nov 27/28	Food Drive
Nov 27	Tree Delivery
Nov 27	Creche Lighting
Nov 28	Memorial Mass @9am
Nov 28	Tree Sales Begin

# November

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	<b>1</b> All Saints Day VS #6	<b>2</b> Election Day All Souls Day 1930 Officers' Meeting	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 1930 Admissions Committee	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Diocesan Youth Rally
<b>7</b> Blood Drive Health Screening Flu Shots 1300 Redskins @ Lions	<b>8</b> VS #7	<b>9</b> 1930 Mass 2000 1 <sup>st</sup> Degree 2100 Business Meeting	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Veteran's Day	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Food Drive 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification Fairview Park Marriott
<b>14</b> Food Drive 1605 Redskins vs. Bengals	<b>15</b> VS #8	<b>16</b> 1100 Gray GOSTS	<b>17</b> 1930 Rosary 2000 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly Dinner	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 1900 Food Transfer	<b>20</b> 0800 Abortion Facility 0900 Food Basket Assembly 1100 Feed the Homeless
<b>21</b> Family Breakfast Blue Team 0900 Food Basket Delivery 1615 Redskins @ Eagles	<b>22</b> VS #9	<b>23</b> 1930 Rosary 2000 Business Meeting	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Thanksgiving	<b>26</b> 1000 Tree Lot Setup	<b>27</b> Food Drive 0700 Tree Delivery 1000 Crèche Setup 1800 Crèche Lighting
<b>28</b> Food Drive Christmas Trees Sales Begin 0900 Memorial Mass 1300 Redskins @ Steelers	<b>29</b> VS #10	<b>30</b>				

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# December

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
			<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 1900 Fraternalism Night	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> 1615 Redskins vs. Giants	<b>6</b> (Saint Nicholas) VS #GG	<b>7</b> 1930 Officers' Meeting	<b>8</b> Hanukkah Begins at Sundown	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Food Drive 1000 Adopt-A-Spot
<b>12</b> Food Drive Our Lady of Guadalupe 2030 Redskins vs. Eagles	<b>13</b> VS #1	<b>14</b> 1930 Mass 2000 Business Meeting	<b>15</b> 1930 Rosary 2000 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 1900 Food Transfer	<b>18</b> 0800 Abortion Facility 0900 Food Basket Assembly 1100 Feed the Homeless 1700 Redskins @ 49ers 1830 Christmas Party
<b>19</b> Family Breakfast Gold Team 0900 Food Basket Delivery	<b>20</b> Christmas Caroling VS #2	<b>21</b> 1100 Gray GOSTS	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 1000 Tree Lot Clean up	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Christmas
<b>26</b> 1615 Redskins@Cowboys	<b>27</b> VS #3	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 2100 New Year's Party	

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