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November 2020



Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights and Families.

The month of October was marked by a couple events

that were successful beyond our initial expectations. We were truly blessed to have a sunny morning on Oct. 17th, which in turn, brought forth a lot of treasure seekers for our Yard Sale. Ensuring this event's success started with the initial planning and kickoff by Herb Zimmerman who passed the lead to Tim Tilson for the hands -on management. Our sincere thanks go to Herb, Tim, and to the many hands mentioned in the article on Page 5 who volunteered their time, labor, and vehicles to make it all possible.

God smiled on us again on Oct. 24, the day of the Chicken Pot Pie sales for KOVAR. Just as the potpies themselves were developed from scratch, the concept for selling them to the public was new, but it may become a KOVAR staple based on its clearly positive reception. The credit for all the successful planning and execution goes to Gib Flodine, KOVAR Chairman, and Julie Clinch, who together organized and participated in an army of volunteers for preparing them. See article on Page 3 for all who volunteered. This operation, which built upon the lessons learned from the Jambalaya Dinner, will become the model for other food offerings to come, including chili and Thanksgiving dessert pies. Get ready to place your orders for more delicious homemade food!

Congratulations to Herb Zimmerman on his appointment by Supreme as the Council's new Financial Secretary (FS) and a big Thank You to David Todd Sr. for his many years of outstanding service as our FS.

Pray the Rosary Daily

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Deputy Grand Knight's Report

I want to begin by thanking all the Brother Knights who worked so hard to make our

Garage Sale and our Chicken Pot Pie fundraiser for KOVAR so successful. It has been a difficult year so far with all the restrictions due to Covid -19 but I continue to be amazed at the creativity, passion, and dedication so many of you have shown in making sure we can continue fulfilling our mission of Charity.

I do want to highlight a big charity event coming up in the month of November. The week of November 16th through the 20th, we will be collecting food for our annual Thanksgiving food basket program. Deliveries (in some form or another) will take place at 10 o'clock in the morning on Saturday November 21st. We will need some volunteers to deliver food, but most of the work will be helping load food baskets into cars for families picking up at the Church. If you have the time to help, please send me an e-mail letting me know we can count on you.

Please consider making this a family service project, whether by shopping for the food as a family or in helping out with loading and delivering on November 21st. My father's Council in Miami, Florida used to do Thanksgiving meal deliveries every year when I was growing up. Helping my dad deliver Thanksgiving meals to families in need is my first and most lasting memory of the Knights of Columbus, and is a big part of why I am a Knight today. Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions we need to cancel the Spaghetti Supper after the Creche lighting as well as the Santa Breakfast in December. Please continue to ;pray for the safety of all Brother Knights and their families. Vivat Jesus!

Kevin Kleponis



KOVAR is listed with both the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) and United Way of the Greater Capital Area. **CFC - #42569**

United Way Campaigns in the Greater D.C. Area - #8838

and the Commonwealth of Virginia Campaign - State Employees - #200467,

If you or any family member make contributions through these campaigns, please consider KOVAR. If you do, please make a copy of your receipt and include:

Council number 6292
Council membership number
Signature of person contributing

Send or give this receipt to Gib Flodine KOVAR Chairman.

There are two ways you can donate directly by check: Make checks payable to KOVAR.

1. Send a check to:

KOVAR

5588 Needleton Ave

Woodbridge VA 22193

Please place Council #6292 in the memo field Make check payable to Knights of Columbus 6292

2. Send a check to;

Knights of Columbus

St. Leo the Great Church

3700 Old Lee Highway

Fairfax, VA 20230

Please place KOVAR in the memo field

Donations can also be made online through www.vakofc.org.

Again please enter Council #6292 in council number field.

Treasurer's Report – September 30, 2020

Net Assets \$127,572.61

INCOME for September \$1,312.98 EXPENSES for September \$7,433.23

ACCOUNT BALANCES:

United Checking \$24,632.24
United Checking (2) \$1,329.51
Invest Fund \$46,191.44
RTL Fund \$4,525.60
Building Fund \$45,431.98
KOVAR Collections (\$89.07)
PKD & VKCCI Collections (\$149.09)

(Grand Knight's Message—continued)

Finally, it is with sadness that we recognize our dearly departed Brother Knight, Paul Ketcham, who passed away suddenly on September 18 at age 73. Paul, a KofC member for 32 years, was most recently (pre-pandemic) known to attend 9:00 Mass on Sundays with his wife, Lourdes, where he would pinch-hit as an usher when needed and talk football afterwards. Always quick with a handshake and a smile, Paul will be greatly missed.



Chancellor's Report

October has been a good month for membership recruiting.

Please join me in congratulating
Matthew Lamer and Tony Kirkwood on

becoming 3rd degree members of our Council We look forward to their full involvement in our community as brother Knights.

Also, please consider assisting me with our recruiting drive after all masses on November 7th and 8th. Call me at 802-236-2192 to volunteer to help at lone Ir more masses.

Vivat Jesus

November Birthday Wishes

Name	Day	Name	Day
James Welch	1	Ben Schaefer	15
Peter Furey	2	Kevin Crossin	16
Greg Miller	2	David Mc Culloch	16
Michael Cuccias	4	Mike Dell	17
Keith Morrison	6	Peter Mburu	17
Mark Lundblad	7	Benjamin Ogletree	17
Joseph White	9	David Mancini	19
Robert Wright	9	John Natolly	19
Paul Desbiens	10	Danny Brosnan	22
Murph Murphy	10	Ricardo Silva	23
Chuck Stimley	11	Paul Bobowiec	24
Robert Phillips	12	Ryan Mc Guire	24
James Baker Sr	13	Bill Puschmann	25
John Griggs	13	Jose Marroquin	26
Philip Hogan	13	Matt West	28
Frank Munoz-Rovira	15		



Knight of the Month—October 2020

Tim Tilson, PGK, has been an invaluable member of our council for 27 years. His name has become synony-MONTH mous with our annual Christmas tree sales because of his dependable management of the sales teams and his command of the logistics involved in of one our most important fundraising operations. When the need arose last spring for assistance with the outdoor confessions, he saw an opportunity for those same teams

to help. The "confession marshals" have been assisting the priests and penitents on Fridays and Saturdays ever since, a different team rotating into service each weekend. Duty called again this fall when the Yard Sale Chairman, Herb Zimmerman, had to relinguish his role to attend to the medical condition of a family member, and the need arose for someone to take the lead for the project. Tim volunteered for the role, immediately setting about organizing volunteers to cover the scheduled "treasure" drop-off times at Providence Hall, sorting of the treasures on the eve of the sale, hauling of the items in multiple pick-up trucks from the Hall to the sale site next to St. Leo the Great School, sales and customer service during the yard sale, and final disposition of the leftovers and clean up of the site. As is his style, Tim was there in person to manage all aspects of the event. For his masterful management of the Yard Sale and everything else he does for the Council, we honor Tim Tilson as our October Knight of the Month.

Family of the Month—October 2020

This family has exhibited a an uncommon generosity of spirit through their loving contribution to this year's KOVAR charity campaign, ordering 14 chicken potpies from our council's food preparers and delivering them to the Lamb Center, a daytime drop-in shelter for individuals who are experiencing homelessness here in Fairfax. Thus, their acts of charity touch both the intellectually challenged residents of Virginia as well as local individuals in need of food assistance. It is with great honor, then, that we recognize the family of Nathan ("Nate") Rasmussen, including his parents Mary Jo and Gary, parishioners of St. Leo's Church who have lent support to the Lamb Center for quite some time, as our October Family of the Month.

Chicken Pot Pie Fundraiser for KOVAR A Huge Success !!

With Gib Flodine as Chairman and Julie Clinch as lead chef, our council has raised over \$2,000 for KOVAR by selling Chicken Pot Pies to-go. Because of the Corona Virus limitations., KOVAR Chairman Gib Flodine had to come up with some original ways to raise funds for KOVAR this year. With Julie's guidance and persistent Social Media campaign, we received orders for over 240 pies. The number of 9" and personal sized pies was evenly split. We exceeded our expectations and are very appreciative of all the Knights families, St Leo the Great parishioners and our neighbors in Fairfax for supporting the KOVAR charity. Many thanks to the many Knights and their families for helping with the cooking—Julie, Greg and Nelson Clinch, Beth and Mary Beth Ward, Kathy and Bill Weich, Pat and Carolyn McGuire, Lynne and Keith Morison, Charlie Kraiger, Mark Walther, and Gib Flodine.

Because our goal for KOVAR is large we are planning several other fund raisers throughout the year. Plan now to get your Thanksgiving Pies—see the flier on page 4. We hope to also have the Tootsie Roll Collection in the spring if permitted.



Cooking Chicken Pot Pies for KOVAR Fund Raiser-Greg Clinch, Beth Ward, Carolyn McGuire, Kathy Weich, and Julie Clinch.



Assembling pies ready for the freezer—Kathy Weich, Julie Clinch, and Carolyn McGuire.

Your KofC Field Agent's Message



To our brother Knights and their families.

I am pleased to announce that John Giordano has decided to move on to another chapter in his life, the retirement chapter. Why am I pleased? Because all of us at some point are going to say, "I am ready to retire" and when that point comes, we all need to celebrate that person. So, we are celebrating John. During his short time with our agency (two months), John did an excellent job for us and his members, we will miss his presence and his contributions.

Moving forward, our agency will be temporarily splitting his territory among the other financial professionals. When you have a question please as always either email us via our website at www.abbatekofc.com and or call us at our new number 1-866-868-1492 (yes we kept the 1492). We have 8 offices in Virginia so I am confident we will be able to quickly assist you.

Robert W. Abbate, FICF, CSA, LUTCF, LACP General Agent, The Abbate Agency Knights of Columbus Top Ten Agency in North America—2016, 2017, 2018 #2, 2019 #2 Office 757-495-1492 Visit our website for more information

www.abbatekofc.com

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The Knights of Columbus will be selling homemade Chili & Cornbread!

3 different varieties of Chili to choose from!



Vegetarian Chili

White Chicken Chili



K of C member Nate Rasmussen's Traditional Chili w/ beans

Cost \$20.00 for 32 ounces (feeds 4) or \$10.00 for 16 ounces (feeds 2).

When you place your order please indicate Size - 32 ounces or 16 ounces and variety

To order please email kofckitchen6292@gmail.com

This is an RSVP and Pick Up ONLY event, please order by
Tuesday November 3, 2020

Chili will be picked up on Saturday November 7, 2020 from 4:00 – 7:00 PM at the Knights Hall 3702 Old Lee Hwy Fairfax VA, 22030

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Homemade Dies!



Cost \$20.00 for 9-inch Apple Pie

or \$15.00 for 9-inch Pumpkin Pie.



When placing order please indicate number and kind of pies.

To order please email kofckitchen6292@gmail.com

<u>This is an RSVP and Pick Up ONLY event, please</u> <u>order by Friday November 20, 2020</u>

Pies will be picked up on Wednesday November 25, 2020 from 3:00 – 6:00 pm or by request at the Knights Hall 3702 Old Lee Hwy Fairfax VA, 22030



For more information about **KOVAR** please visit their website at http://kovarva.org/

Thank you for your support!

Christmas Trees



The council officers have decided to sell trees again this year. The officers considered not having sales and asking for a \$50 donation per man to make up for loss of revenue. However it was decided to continue with the sales. Had we closed and then reopened next year, we might have lost a number of customers. There was some thought to having an on line ordering system. However we have a wide customer base. Besides parishioners and Knights we have many sales from folks in the surrounding neighborhoods and people passing by. These people would not be aware of our restricted selling program. This is our biggest and most man power intensive annual project. The council raises around \$8,000 and it is our largest source of charitable funding...

Due to the pandemic, we are making a number of changes. First we have reduced the number of trees purchased from 460 to 370. This will reduce our financial exposure should the pandemic return in December and we can't sell trees or fail to sell out. It also means we will only make around \$6,000. Second we will not sell trees on Monday and Tuesday because we do not have enough men on Team 11 to operate the 330-600 pm shift. So I see no reason to open from 600-900 pm. Monday and Tuesday. Third, we will require all workers and customers over the age of 5 to be masked. We will have masks available for customers who don't have them. Hand sanitizer will also be available in the trailer. Fourth, we will allow no more than two men in the trailer at one time. I hope to have an outdoor pop up tent and propane heater for the trailer overflow. Other than that, things should be as they have been. We will set up the lot on Friday 27 November starting at 0930. The trees will arrive on Saturday 28 November at around 9:00 am. We start selling trees on Sunday November 29. We anticipate selling for three weeks ending sometime around December 19/20.

Sales this year will be a gamble. We could be closed by a resurgence of the pandemic. Demand may be down as folks do not wish to go out although we anticipate many folks will want some "normalcy" and so will buy a tree. In a good year, teams are often stretched thin. This year will probably be more so. No Knight should feel pressured to work, especially not at the expense of their health. However as the bishop would say, I would ask each Knight to prayerfully consider the situation and volunteer to help if appropriate. The Team Captains cannot do this by ourselves. It is a council operation. Feel free to contact me, Tim Tilson, at hmslydia@msn.com or 703 -273-9436.

GIANT K of C YARD SALE—A HUGE SUCCESS

Thanks to all who helped! And to all who donated items for sale!!

The council raised over \$1400 which is more than what we have done in the past. We had lots of help starting with Tim Tilson who assumed leadership of the project. Next were the In-



Take Duty guys who met people at the hall throughout the week and sorted the items for sale. Moving the treasures over went very smoothly. Charlie Kraiger supplied some great donuts. Thanks to all those on the list and Paul, Jason, George and Charlie for the use of their trucks. Also to Pat Murray and his PT & Jesus group. Those fellows are hard corps. They were at the hall at 0500 to do calisthenics followed by an hour of Bible study and then helped us load up. We were done in under an hour. Charlie, Mark Walther and especially Pat McGuire were great on handling the customers. Finally clean up went fast. Thanks to the men listed there some of whom had worked earlier and came back for more. Thanks also to George Billy for the loan of his truck. We would have been there another 30-40 minutes without it. Thanks to the following guys for their great help!

In-Take Duty:

- John Cesarini
- lack Cotner
- Joe Gesker
- Charlie Kraiger
- Al Leightley
- Tony Pierno
- Steve Rodgers
- George
- Rosenkranz
- Bill Schouviller
- aka Schoe
- Jose Trujillo
- Victor Young

Saturday Morning Crew:

- Paul Balserak
- James Beauchamp
- George Billy
- Phil Coletti
- Chris Duda
- John Federline
- Eric Valone

- Jason Johnsrud
- Pat McGuire
- Kyle Mandeville
- Joe Monnin
- Pat Murray
- Tony Pierno
- Mark Woznak

November 2020

The November calendar has been updated based on the latest information and directives from, the Diocese of Arlington, local, state and federal Government and the Supreme Council. Please watch your emails for last minute updates.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1		2	7:30PM Officers Meeting	4	5	6	7 Recruitment Drive After all Masses
	uitment Drive er all Masses	9	7:30 Rosary 8:00PM Business Meeting	11	12	13	8:00AM Rosary to End Abortion
9:00	AM Corp Com- munion	16	17 11:00AM Grey Gost Luncheon 7:30PM Ladies Meeting	7:00PM 4th Degree Mtg	19	20	10AM Food Basket Delivery 11AM Feed the Homeless
22		23	7:30PM Rosary 8:00PM Business Meeting	25	26 Thanksgiving	9:30AM Christ- mas Tree Setup	9:30AM Christmas Tree Delivery 6:00PM Crèche Lighting
29		30					

December 2020

The December calendar has minor updates based on the latest information and directives from, the Diocese of Arlington, local, state and federal Government and the Supreme Council. However, at this time we do not know which "PHASE" we will be in by that time. Revisions to the December Calendar will be distributed via the Council Membership Email server as well as the December LOOKOUT newsletter.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29		30	7:30PM Of- ficers Meet- ing	2	3	4	6PM Council Advent Party (tentative)
6		7	7:30PM Ro- sary 8:00PM Busi- ness Meeting	9	10	П	8:00AM Rosary to End Abortion
13		7:30PM Ladies Gift Wrapping (??)	11:00AM Grey Gost Luncheon	7:00 4th Degree Mtg	17	18	10AM Food & Gift Delivery
20		21	22	23	24	25	26
27		28	29	30	31	I	2

Officers, Directors, and Program Chairmen—2020-21

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Food Gift Cards (AKA scrip) for Giant, and Safeway is sold by our council.

Profits go toward the Scholarship funds and St. Leo's PTO. Call Tom Gross at 703-273-0631 for information.

Available at Providence Hall before or after meetings.

How does it work? Father Diamond council buys food gift cards at a discount (5% for Giant and 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, Southwest, etc.). They can be purchased using Safeway Scrip. Win – Win

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