

The Lookout

October 2003



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



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Grand Knight's Message:

It's hard to believe that three months of this Fraternal Year are already behind us. We've been busy this past month, and many Knights deserve our gratitude for their service and leadership. Specifically, a special word of thanks to PGK Tim Tilson for once again heading up the Parish Picnic, and thanks to all who helped out with it. Despite rain the day before and cloudy skies, we had a great turnout, and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves thoroughly.

As we look toward October, we have a lot on our plate. A few of us will be traveling to Newport News on the 4th for the State Quarterly Meeting. The following weekend is the Fall Festival in downtown Fairfax, as well as Columbus Day. And on the 25th, we will be hosting a Hawaiian Luau in the school's gym. Not to mention, we will be hosting a 2nd Degree, participating in a 3rd Degree, and enjoying the hospitality of the Columbiettes at their annual Wine n' Cheese, along with all of our normal list of activities.

On Saturday, October 18th, the Diocese of Arlington will be hosting its Pilgrimage to the National Shrine. You will find more details elsewhere in the newsletter, but I would like to encourage all who can do so to participate in this spiritual renewal. Members of the 4th Degree are being asked to participate in regalia, and all Councils have been asked by the State Council to promote this event well. Let's make a good showing!

As November approaches, we prepare to fulfill our civic and patriotic duty by voting. Just as a reminder, we are each called to vote our conscience, and to vote for those persons who support the right to life for all, including the born and the unborn. Please plan your schedule for Election Day to allow yourself time to vote!

While I'm on the subject of November and patriotic duty, I'd like to extend a warm invitation to all 3rd Degree members who have been Knights for at least 6 months to consider taking the 4th Degree this year. The Exemplification will be conducted at the Cavalier Hotel in Virginia Beach on November 8, and is a full day event (those who plan to attend should consider getting a room for the weekend). It is only when a Knight takes the 4th Degree that he reaches the fullness of Knighthood and all that the Order has to offer (and NO, you don't have to wear the "hat with the feathers"!). Additional details can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

Finally, I want to commend all of our members, and especially all of our officers for the great work everyone is doing. It is hard to believe that three months have already passed, but when we think of what all has been accomplished, it's harder to believe it's only been three months. The next quarter is our truly busy time, and I look forward to working with each of you in conquering each of the challenges that lie ahead!

Breaking News!! Fr. Jerry Wooton Named Chaplain of Fr. Diamond Council!

Fraternally,
Dave Todd, Jr
Grand Knight

Combined Federal Campaign

KOVAR contributions via United Way and Combined Federal Campaign

You can contribute to KOVAR via the CFC or United Way. Just make your donation slip out and write in the appropriate code number. If there is no coded number enter: KOVAR, c/o 10806 Moore Drive, Manassas, VA 20111-2926. Please provide a copy of your donation slip to Al Leightley, the Treasurer so it can be properly accounted. For more information contact Tim Cooke, KOVAR Chairman.



Program Director's Report

Council Chaplain

We would like to officially welcome Fr. Jerry Wooton of St. Leo's Parish as the new Chaplain to Fr. Diamond Council. Fr. Wooton was named Chaplain by Bishop Paul Loverde in September 2003. Fr. Wooton is also a 4th Degree SK and is in process of transferring to our Fr. Malloy Assembly. Congratulations Fr. Wooton! We look forward to seeing you in our activities.

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 prices. Hot dinner at half-time at 4:00PM games. Munchies at Night Games but will cook snacks to order as needed. All prices designed to cover cost of food. The Redskins will be playing the Eagles on Sunday October 5. Mr Philadelphia himself, Bill Murray, will be on hand to make his famous Cheese Steak Sandwiches. Come join your brothers at 4PM to root on the Hogs and enjoy a piece of Brotherly Love!

Knights Fall Fishing Extravaganza

Trip is being planned for Saturday, October 19. The trip is scheduled out on Jennifer-Ann out of Solomons. Jennifer-Ann is a brand new 53 foot fiberglass Chesapeake Bay Boat and capable of cruising at 21 knots. The boat has a large open space, a heated/air-conditioned dinette/cabin capable of seating 10-12, a full-size toilet and fresh water. Cost is \$60 per person and includes all bait, tackle and licenses. Need reservations by September 15 and money by September 30. First 20 guys get on...will take alternate reservations... if we get enough a second boat possible. Everyone is welcome to bring coolers to keep their favorite refreshments cold and to carry home the fish they catch. The captain says this is a good time of the year because the fish are schooling up to migrate south. Lots of action. Contact- Herb Zimmerman at: (W)703-385-9455, (H)202-728-4191, (cell) 703-623-7180 or (e-mail) - herb2777@yahoo.com.

Fall Festival

Gentleman of Fr. Diamond council are request to help out on Saturday October 11, 2003 at the annual Fall Festival in downtown Fairfax City. This is a major fun raiser for the council. We will Be located in the parking lot on Main Street behind Subway. Help is needed beginning Friday at 7pm till 8pm loading the truck at the hall. On Saturday, help is needed for 3 to 4 Hour shifts as follows: 6am till 1000am setting up in the parking lot; 10:00am till 2pm cooking food, selling and pouring beer; and 2pm till 6pm doing the same, cleaning up and returning to the hall. If you, your spouse or older children can spare a little of Smoothly. Please contact Tim Hogan at (703) 385-1292. This is a great way to get to know others in the council and help raise money for are many charities. Thank you for your assistance.

Christmas Trees

It is with great joy that we announce that we have someone to take charge of our Christmas Tree Program. A new transfer to the Council, Steve Smith has discussed the program with Larry Gottschalk and has agreed to take on the program. Additionally, Greg Skorupski has

agreed to assist Steve with it. We thank both Steve & Greg for their generosity and wish them the very best (we also pledge all our help!).

Life Chain

One of the most important events on the area pro-life calendar is the Life Chain. This year it falls on Sunday October 5th between 2:00pm and 3:30. If you want to carpool, meet in the St. Leo's parking lot at 1:30 p.m. You can go directly to the event by going to the intersection of Broad Street (Route 7) and Washington Street (Route 29) between 2 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. The past few years, attendance has decreased, so we urge all Knights and their families to make this sacrifice for just an hour and a half. Of course you might have to give up a little Sunday football, but its important to be at the Life Chain as a witness to life. In spite of lowered attendance in the past few years, an overwhelming number of motorists honk their approval of this witness. It's unusual to see people expressing disapproval. Please join us for this important event.

Scrip Program

We regret to announce that Bill Ward has decided not to continue heading up the Scrip Program. As such, we are in need of someone to take charge of this fundraiser for the Council. In particular, we are looking for someone who is good with accounting and can work with a team in selling the scrip. Anyone interested in taking this on should contact Deputy Grand Knight Greg Hartley at pghartley@hotmail.com, or Grand Knight Dave Todd, Jr at djtoddjr@erols.com. In the meantime, we thank Bill for his hard work these past few months.

Sponsor Bill Ward – Baltimore Marathon

Brother Knight Bill Ward will be running in the Baltimore Marathon on October 18th. If you would like to sponsor Bill with a contribution to KOVAR, call Bill at (703) 273-6289 or see the following link (<http://members.cox.net/billyjoe/Marathon-KOVAR.htm>).

State Quarterly Meeting

The Virginia State Council will be holding their second meeting of the year in Newport News on Saturday, October 4. This meeting will be a shortened meeting (no break for lunch!). Any 3rd or 4th Degree members who would like to attend should contact Grand Knight Dave Todd, Jr at djtoddjr@erols.com as soon as possible (there's a group driving down and back the same day!).

Diocesan Pilgrimage

The Diocese of Arlington will be hosting a pilgrimage to the National Shrine on Saturday, October 18. The Pilgrimage begins at 9:30AM, and will end about 2:30PM. Anyone interested in carpooling to the Shrine should contact Grand Knight Dave Todd, Jr at djtoddjr@erols.com.

Shining Armor Award

New members take an important step in becoming members of our glorious Order. There is so much the Knights can do in support of the Church. New members bring fresh insight, ideas, suggestions and this helps keep the council alive and healthy as it tries to address problems it encounters. Our Order encourages new members to become involved and even has a special program to channel and reward their efforts. To qualify for the Shining Armor Award, new knights must do the following during their first year of membership: 1) be involved in at least three council service programs; 2) attend at least three business meetings; receive their Second and Third egress; 4) meet with their council's insurance representative; and 5) recruit at least one new member.

Stroke Screening Successful at Hall

On August 12, 2003, Father Diamond hosted a stroke detection day at the Hall conducted by LifeLine Screening. The sold-out day involved three health screenings to detect the risk of strokes, abdominal aortic aneurysm and heart disease with a separate bone density screening for osteoporosis. All involve painless, ultrasonic, non-invasive procedures, the results of which are reviewed by physician and reported to the individual participant for follow-up with their own doctors.

-Of the 65 people screened for Carotid Artery Disease, 40 were in the normal range, 23 in moderate and 2 in severe with no one deemed critical.

-Of the 66 screened for peripheral arterial disease, 64 were normal, and 2 abnormal

-Of the 66 screened for abdominal aneurysms, one was detected.

And of the 32 screened for Osteoporosis, 13 were low risk, 7 were at moderate risk and 12 were found to be at high risk.

What these numbers mean is that several individuals will have their lives extended or literally saved by these screenings. More than half of all people who suffer heart attacks have low cholesterol, don't smoke, drink or are overweight—jog every day and generally feel great. But, as doctors know, you can still have plaques in your system that are lethal. These can be detected by the above tests and medications now exist to take care of most situations. But since the testing is preventative, few insurance plans cover them.

Hawaiian Luau

We will be hosting a Hawaiian Luau on Saturday, October 25, in the school gym. Doors will open at 6PM (right after the 5PM Mass). We will have roast pig, an assortment of side dishes, ice cream (thanks to Jamie Connelly), and some finger poi! We are also working to provide some entertainment (Filipino dancers). Cost is \$15 per adult, \$10 per child (under 14 years), with a maximum of \$50 per family. Net profit will be directed toward the expenses of the Pro-Life Memorial. Reservations can be made thru Grand Knight Dave Todd, Jr at djtoddjr@erols.com, or at (703) 385-2195 (be sure to leave a message!).

2nd Degree

Fr Diamond Council will host a 2nd Degree on Thursday, October 9 at 8PM. Any 1st Degree members interested in taking the 2nd Degree should contact Chancellor Dave Miller at dmiller@nthdime.com as soon as possible.

Third Degree

Fr Nudd Council (located at St Timothy's Church) will be hosting a Third Degree Exemplification on Saturday, October 25. Those who plan to attend (either as a candidate or as an observer) should contact Chancellor Dave Miller at dmiller@nthdime.com, or Grand Knight Dave Todd, Jr at djtoddjr@erols.com to make arrangements prior to October 20 (we need to let Fr Nudd Council know how many are coming!). We will be leaving from Providence Hall at 10:30 (candidates should be escorted by an officer!), and returning around 4PM.

4th Degree Exemplification

The Virginia District of the Fourth Degree will be conducting an Exemplification for those who seek to receive the fullness of Knighthood in our Order on Saturday, November 8, in Virginia Beach. All members who have taken the 3rd Degree prior to November 8 and have a minimum of six months membership in the Order is eligible to take the 4th Degree. Cost is \$65 per candidate, and each candidate must wear a black tuxedo with a white pleated shirt (no wing-tip collars), black bowtie & cummerbund, and white gloves. For additional information, contact Faithful Comptroller, Sir Knight Larry Novack at zlm01@aol.com, or Faithful Captain, Sir Knight Dave Todd, Jr at djtoddjr@erols.com.

Council/Parish Cruise

The first cruise (and hopefully many more) will take place April 25 thru May 2 2004. Join your Brother Knights and their families as well as members of St. Leo's Parish for a great time on the seas and on the Western Caribbean. Ports of call include Grand Cayman, Cozumel, Mexico and a private island. Cost of the trip ranges from \$870-\$1100. For more info, please visit the Council website or contact Bill Weich, Council Cruise Coordinator at 703-385-2195 or Wweich@aol.com. See you on the high seas!!



October Birthdays

Alvin Lion	10/1
Michael Webb	10/1
John Analone	10/2
Eldon Hughes	10/3
Mike Collins	10/3
Mike Trentacoste	10/3
John Jenkins	10/4
John Downey	10/5
Jay Gruendl	10/5
Frank Nava	10/5
Francis Harrison	10/7
Barrington Jefferson	10/9
Fr. Heet	10/9
Adam Gruendl	10/10
Cristobal Salas	10/13
Malcom Harris	10/13
Daniel Boyce	10/15
Mike Purtill	10/15
Tim Tilson PGK	10/18
Robert LeBlanc	10/18
Donald Conway	10/19
Dr. Edward Pisani	10/21
James O'Mara	10/21
Jose Ramos	10/21
John Ouellete	10/21
Brian Hogan	10/22
John Allen	10/23
Bill Tuohy	10/23
John Hogan Jr	10/25
John Trujillo	10/25
Louis Quinonez	10/26
Fr. Wilson	10/27
Pat Lacour	10/27
Fr. Weston	10/28
Victor Young	10/29
Gab Migala	10/31

October Wedding Anniversaries

	Years Married
Paul & Louise Desbiens	24
Matthias & Joan Joyce	6
Russ & Kathy Harrison	5
Tim & Vicki Holleran	13
Scott & Susan Smullen	9
Brian & Lisa Sharkey	4
Tom & Ann Heinz	16
Tim & Martha Malloy	25
Michael & Kathy Webb	1
Pat & Carol Lacour	8
Bern & Dorothy Schaefer	49
Mike & Li Plumstead	3

Missed September Anniversary

Bill & Beth Ward	12
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FROM OUR FRATERNAL BENEFITS ADVISOR

Roth IRAs: A Less Taxing Way to Save

Did you know that you can establish a Roth IRA through the Knights of Columbus? If you haven't set up a Roth IRA for this year, there's still time to take advantage of this great way to save for retirement.

You can now save up to \$3,000 per year, minus the amounts contributed to other IRAs. The limit is \$3,500 for people over 50. The total you can contribute also depends on your income, but you can do so regardless of whether you participate in a pension plan.

Although your contributions aren't deductible, the long-range benefits of a Roth IRA should be compared to those of a traditional IRA. For starters, many people earn too much for a traditional IRA to be a tax deduction. And with a Roth IRA you avoid the age-70 1/2 minimum distribution requirements that come with a traditional IRA.

You can establish a Roth IRA, and make your yearly contribution, up to the date you file your tax return for that year (excluding extensions). But annual contributions to a Roth IRA aren't required. All interest you earn is federal income tax-free, provided you withdraw your funds under certain "qualified distribution" rules.

If you'd like more information about Roth IRAs – or traditional IRAs - I can help. But do it soon. Saving as much as you can for retirement is always a wise move, and the earlier you start, the better. Call me today at 703-450-6100.

Dennis Riley
Fraternal Benefits Advisor



Officers

Grand Knight	David Todd, Jr	385-2195
Chaplain	Rev. Jerry Wooten	273-5369
D Grand Knight	Greg Hartley	352-2797
Chancellor	Dave Miller	319-8832
Treasurer	Al Leightley	273-2089
Lecturer	Mike Purtill	527-1529
Financial Sec.	Paul Cooke	569-5755
Recorder	Dan Purtill	641-8945
Advocate	Herb Zimmerman	385-9455
Warden	Pete Smith	503-1082
Inside Guard	Mike Plumstead	352-0848
Outside Guard	Ben Stack	359-6258
Outside Guard	Scott Smullen	691-2273
3yr Trustee	Tim Cooke	766-2911
2yr Trustee	Larry Novack	978-6137
1yr Trustee	Marion Kuhlman	378-7860

Program Directors

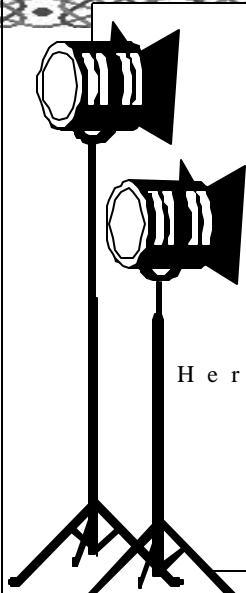
Programs	Greg Hartley	352-2797
Church	Edward Cuccias	934-4000
Community	Jack Cerny	255-9484
Council	John Eldred	631-6480
Family	Nick Lellock	378-1723
Youth	Pat Leffas	934-9716
Membership	Dave Miller	319-8832

Committee Chairman

Charity	Greg Skorupski	978-8280
Admissions	Larry Novack	978-6137
Retention	Tim Cooke	766-2911
Vocations	Dave Miller	319-8832
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	323-5785
Right-to-Life	Mike /Li Plumstead	352-0848
Christmas Trees	Steve Smith	941-4284
Scout Troop	Paul Cutlip	691-0712
Deg. Team Capt.	Tim Hogan	385-1292
Fall Festival	Tim Hogan	385-1292
Family Breakfast	Dave Miller	319-8832
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	385-2195
Fourth Deg.	Larry Novack	978-6137



Family of
Month

Aug '03

Herb Zimmerman &
Linda Baringhaus



Knight of
Month

Sept. 03

Greg
Skorupski



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Dates to Remember in October

Oct 7	Officers Meeting
Oct 7	Death of Father Diamond
Oct 9	2 nd Degree
Oct 11	Fall Festival
Oct 11/12	Food Drive
Oct 14	Rosary/Business Meeting
Oct 15	4 th Degree Assembly Meeting
Oct 18	Rosary at Abortion Clinic
Oct 18	Adopt-A-Spot
Oct 18	Diocesan Pilgrimage
Oct 19	Breakfast (Gold Team)
Oct 21	Grey Ghosts
Oct 21	Columbiettes Wine & Cheese
Oct 25/26	Food Drive
Oct 25	Fall Fishing Trip
Oct 25	Hawaiian Luau
Oct 28	Mass/Social Meeting

October

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
			1	2	3	4 State Quarterly Meeting @ Walter Pollard (Newport News)
5 Family Day @ Kings Dominion 1615 Redskins @ Eagles	6 VS #2	7 1930 Officers' Meeting	8	9 2000 2 nd Degree	10	11 Fairfax Fall Festival Food Drive
12 Food Drive 1300 Buccaneers @ Redskins	13 Columbus Day VS #3	14 1930 Rosary 2000 Business Meeting	15 1930 Rosary 2000 Assembly Meeting	16	17	18 0800 Abortion Facility
19 Family Breakfast -Gold Team 1300 Redskins @ Bills	20 VS #4	21 1100 Gray GOSTS 1930 Wine & Cheese	22	23	24	25 1100 3 rd Degree @ Fr Nudd Council Fishing Trip Food Drive 1800 Hawaiian Luau <i>Edited: September 29, 2003</i>
26 Food Drive	27 VS #5	28 1930 Mass 2000 Social Meeting -Oktoberfest	29	30	31	

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November

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
						1 Server Trip to the Mount
2 Blood Drive Health Screening 1300 Redskins @ Cowboys	3 VS #6	4 1930 Officers' Meeting	5	6	7	8 Food Drive 4 th Degree Exemplification
9 Food Drive 1300 Seahawks @ Redskins	10 VS #7	11 Veterans' Day 1930 Rosary 2000 Business Meeting	12	13	14	15 0800 Abortion Facility Servers Trip to the Mount 1800 Veterans' Dance
16 Family Breakfast -Blue Team 1300 Redskins @ Panthers	17 VS #8	18 1100 Gray GOSTS	19 1930 Rosary 2000 Assembly Dinner	20 1930 Admissions Committee	21	22 0900 Food Basket Assembly 1100 Feed the Homeless Food Drive
23 1000 Food Basket Delivery Food Drive 2030 Redskins @ Dolphins	24 VS #9	25 1930 Mass 2000 1 st Degree 2100 Business Meeting	26	27 Thanksgiving Day	28 1000 Tree Lot Set-Up	29 0700 Tree Delivery 1800 Crèche Lighting
30 0900 Memorial Mass 0900 Tree Sales Begin 1605 Saints @ Redskins						<i>Edited: September 29, 2003</i>

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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS****SEMIANNUAL COUNCIL AUDIT REPORT**FOR PERIOD ENDED June 30, 2003Due By: August 15COUNCIL NO. 6292 CITY FARMER STATE VIRGINIA**SCHEDULE A - MEMBERSHIP**

ADDITIONS . . .	INS	ASSO.	TOT
Total Members Start of Period	184	212	396
Initiations	1	9	10
Transfers from other councils	3	3	6
Transfers--Assoc. to Ins.	7		7
Transfers--Ins. to Assoc.		2	2
Reinstatements & Readmissions	1	1	2
Total for Period	196	227	423
Minus Total Deductions	5	10	15
Number Members End of Period	191	217	408

DEDUCTIONS . . .	INS	ASSO.	TOT
Suspensions Initiations	0	0	0
Deaths	2	0	2
Final Withdrawals	0	0	0
Transfers--Assoc. to Insurance		7	7
Transfers--Ins. to Associates	2		2
Transfers to Other Councils	1	3	4
Total Deductions	5	10	15

SCHEDULE B - CASH TRANSACTIONS

FINANCIAL SECRETARY		
Cash on Hand Beginning of Period	\$	-
Cash Received--Dues, Initiations	\$	12,867.50
Cash Received from other Sources: (Explain Kind and Amount)		
Kovar \$ 20,262.26		
Program \$ 6,581.00		
All Others \$ 23,360.61		
	\$	50,203.78
Total Cash Received	\$	62,891.28
Paid to Treasurer	\$	62,891.28
Cash on Hand at End of Period	\$	-

Cash on Hand Begin. Period	\$	19,921.85
Received from Fin. Sec	\$	62,891.28
Interest Earned on Investments	\$	1,300.16
Total Receipts	\$	84,113.29
Disbursements		
Per Capita: Supreme	\$	874.25
State Council	\$	821.12
General Council Expenses	\$	46,411.99
Transfers to Sav. & Invest. Accts	\$	4,317.18
Miscellaneous	\$	21,697.00
Total Disbursements	\$	73,621.44
Net Balance on Hand	\$	8,591.85

SCHEDULE C - ASSETS LIABILITIES

ASSETS		
Cash:		
Receivables/Prepaid Expenses	\$	4,478.18
Bank -- General -- Acct.	\$	8,691.65
Special Acct.	\$	26,130.29
Savings & Investment Acct	\$	89,092.97
Due From <u>37</u> Members	\$	1,882.50
Total Current Assets	\$	130,273.79
Less: Current Liabilities	\$	6,523.66
Net Current Assets	\$	123,750.13
Investments:		
*Real Estate	0.00	
*Furniture	0.00	
*Stocks & Bonds	0.00	
Total Investment	0.00	
Less: Investment Liabilities	0.00	
Net Investment Assets	\$	-
Total Assets	\$	123,750.13

Due Supreme Council:		
Per Capita		0.00
Supplies		0.00
Catholic Adv.		0.00
Other		0.00
Due State Council		0.00
Advance Pa: 320	\$	8,397.96
Misc. Liabilities		
Vendors	\$	-
PKD & KOVAR	\$	126.00
	\$	-
Total Current Liabilities	\$	8,523.96

Signed this 29 day of July 2003

[Signature] Grand Knight
[Signature] Trustee
[Signature] Trustee
[Signature] Trustee