

The Lookout

September 2003



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



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Grand Knight's Message:

Dear Brother Knights:

It may be summertime, but Fr Diamond Council is keeping as busy as ever. As you will read in this month's newsletter, we had many activities during the past two months. Now that summer is over and school is back in session, things are about to get busier. Be sure to take a look at the calendar and find what events you can assist with during September and October.

As many know, Larry Gottschalk resigned his position as our Financial Secretary in July. While we are sad to see him do so, we thank him for all his hard work and dedication, and we look forward to seeing him remain actively involved in the Council. In the meantime, with the approval of the Trustees, I have submitted the name of Paul Cooke as our new Financial Secretary. I am happy to announce that Supreme Knight Anderson has accepted this nomination and appointed Paul to this important office. We congratulate Paul and wish him the very best in his new office.

In the meantime, with the recommendation of Fr Kelly and the approval of the Trustees, I have also submitted the name of Fr Jerry Wooten as our new Chaplain. We eagerly await word from Bishop Loverde on this appointment. We thank Fr Kelly for all his support and the guidance he's given us, and look forward to continuing to work with him in the days to come.

As a personal note, I would like to thank all who participated and attended the Installation of Officers in July. I have to say it was one of the best-attended Installations I've seen in a long time, and I know all in attendance were truly impressed. We were honored to have several dignitaries from the State Council visiting, including State Deputy Head and District Master McCusker. A special thanks to the members of Fr Malloy Assembly who provided a distinguished Color Corps. As usual, they added great distinction and beauty to our ceremony.

Also, a word of thanks to all who have stepped forward with fundraising ideas... keep them coming! We have been doing well so far, but have a long ways to go. Likewise, if you have any thoughts on programs we can do, please do not hesitate to talk to our Program

Director, Greg Hartley, or me. We are always open to ideas, and would like to hear what you have for us.

Finally, I have a request for all. As many of you are well aware, the cause for the canonization of Fr McGivney is on track, and we hope to hear good news from Rome soon. To help with this, I am asking all Knights and their families to do two things. First, pray for Fr McGivney that he might be raised to the Altar of Sainthood. Secondly, and just as important, join the Fr McGivney Guild. This is a way for the Congregation for Saints to see the impact a potential Saint has had on others. You can join for free by going to the Supreme website at www.kofc.org/founder/guild/register.cfm, or by filling out the registration form found in each issue of *Columbia* magazine.

Fraternally,
Dave Todd, Jr

Submissions for Newsletter

Do have some news for members of the Council? Do you have some feedback for the newsletter editor? Both are welcome and encouraged. Please submit to Bill Weich, Lookout Editor at Wweich@aol.com no later than the 15th of the month for the next issue.

My sincerest apologies for the delay this month. I was on work-related travel and then a much needed vacation for a total of three weeks. I will try to be more timely in getting this to you. – Bill Weich

Program Director's Report

Council Web Site

Visit the council web site at www.6292.kofc.org. It has been upgraded and now includes the ability to download 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.

Redskin Games at the Hall

As usual, the Hall will be open for all Redskin season games this Fall. All One O'Clock Games will have hot dogs, sauteed onions, saurkraut and other trimmings and maybe hamburgers for a reasonable price. All Four O'Clock Games will have a meal served at half-time (about 6:00PM) again for a reasonable price. Note that the Giants 4:00PM Game will have smoked turkey as the main entree' (That's whole turkey smoked by Jack Cerny unless he deep fat fries it.) All Sunday one and four o'clock games: All beverages (except free coffee) at Warden's prices and into his cash box. (Food goes into a separate cash box to pay for next game day.) Munchies, nacho cheese, peanuts etc provided at no charge. The first game is a Thursday night and, as is the practice, no food will be served and only munchies and cheese available. Hot dogs can be microwaved for those who skip dinner at home or elsewhere. Same for the other two non-Sunday games. Everybody welcome--wives, families, friends, kids, prospective members, in-laws etc. New beverage prices -Premium Beer will be \$1.50 - ex. Corona, Heineken, Dominion and others. Draft price: \$1.00

Knights Fall Fishing Extravaganza

Trip is being planned for Saturday, October 25. The trip is scheduled out on Jennifer-Ann out of Solomons. Jennifer-Ann is a two-year old 53 foot fiberglass Chesapeake Bay Boat 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 \$65 per person and includes all bait, tackle and licenses. Need reservations by September 23 and money by October 7. First 16 guys get on...if more sign up, I will take alternate reservations. 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.

Fairfax City Fall Festival

Help is needed to support the Council's annual concession at the Fairfax City Fall Festival on October 12. We will be selling kielbasa, hot dogs, sodas and beer. 13 to 15 people will be needed for the two later shifts, so please consider volunteering for one or more of the following time slots:

~06:30 to 10:30 AM Meet at hall and convoy to festival site. Setup lot. Exact meeting time will be announced.

10:30 to 14:30 Sales

14:30 to 18:30 Sales, teardown and loading of truck. Please bring a hat with you to satisfy the health department and pray for good weather. Should it rain, the festival will be held the following day, Sunday, October 13. This is a very important fund raiser for our council. Help is needed. Please call Tim Hogan at 703-385-1292.

Parish Picnic

The annual St. Leo the Great Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday September 14th starting at 12:30. We will need volunteers to work pouring soda and beer; cooking and serving food; making cotton candy; and cleaning up. Contact Tim Tilson at 703-273-9436 or hmslydia@msn.com to volunteer.

Family Day at Kings Dominion:

Come join your Brother Knights and their families for a day of fun in the sun at Kings Dominion. For more details, contact Nick Lellock at (703) 378-1723, or at NLellock@compuserve.com.

Fraternalism Night

Come and join your fellow Knights at Fraternalism Night on Friday 26 Sept at 7PM at the Hall. Enjoy cards, darts, and meeting you brother Knights. The cost is \$5 a person and covers food and drink.

Early Bird Christmas Card SALE!!

We have a limited supply of last years Christmas Cards on hand (all types). Christmas Cards are "timeless" in that they are not dated. We will be selling them to Members of our council and their families, and to parishioners AT COST over the next 3-4 weeks. Here's your chance to save big dollars, Keep Christ in Christmas, and help us to get room in our inventory for the 2003 cards. Cards will be available at the breakfast this Sunday, at the Meeting on the 26th, and at the Parish Picnic. Call me (703-385-9455 - I deliver) or catch me at the three places I mentioned above. Your budget will really appreciate these great LOW PRICES!!!

Family Breakfast

For those members who haven't helped out at Breakfast, here are some fun facts:

- Breakfast is served at the hall on the 3rd Sunday of each month
- Since we moved back to the hall we serve 120 - 130 people each month
- We have made profits of \$18, \$25, \$120, and \$55 in the 4 months at the hall
- Menu consists of real French toast, pancakes, bacon, sausage, scrambled eggs, scrambled eggs with ham, toast, omelet's (cheese, ham, western), custom eggs (over easy etc), coffee, tea, and orange juice.
- Breakfast is served after the 7:30, 9:00, and 10:30 masses.
- If you would like to help just show up! We can always use more help. Or call Dave Miller at 703-319-8832

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!!

Blue Mass

Our Council will be hosting a Blue Mass to honor those responsible for protecting and defending our community and nation on Thursday, September 11, at 7:30PM. All members are encouraged to attend... any active duty military, police, or fire personnel should attend in dress uniform. A small reception will follow in the gym. Any questions, contact Dave Todd, Jr. at 703-385-2195 or djtoddjr@erols.com

Spanish First Degree:

We will be hosting a First Degree in Spanish on Saturday, September 27, at 12 Noon. Please promote this event to any Catholic gentlemen you know that speak Spanish. Any questions, contact Chancellor Dave Miller.

Deacons' Dinner:

On Saturday, August 16th, Fr Diamond Council hosted a dinner for Bishop Loverde and the Permanent Deacons of the Diocese. Thanks to Nancy Rosenkranz, Dave & Ann Todd, Larry Gottschalk, and Greg Skorupski for helping with set-up, serving, and clean up for this event. Following the dinner, Grand Knight Todd presented the Bishop with a Council shirt and named him an honorary member of Fr Diamond Council.

Potomac Challenge:

On Thursday, July 10, Fr Diamond Council had the opportunity to host a softball game for the seminarians from the Diocese of Arlington and the Archdiocese of Washington. The good news... Arlington won the game! Following the game, the seminarians joined together in praying Vespers, and then feasted on a gourmet dinner of hot dogs, hamburgers, baked beans, and the works. Thanks to Paul Cooke, Larry Gottschalk, Larry Novack, Greg Skorupski, and Dave Todd, Sr for their help, and to Denis Brosnan for the nice write-up in the *Arlington Catholic Herald*.

2003 –2004 Council Year Budget

Below is this years Council Budget. As you can see there is a projected deficit due to the loss of a number of fund raising activities. New fund raisers are needed, see below.

Ordinary Income:

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| 3000 General Operating | 13,500 |
| 3100 Program Income | 4,385 |
| 3200 Rentals | 600 |
| 3300 Fund Raisers | <u>13,400</u> |
| Total Income | 33,915 |

Expenses:

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|-------------------------|--------------|
| 4000 General Operations | 13,656 |
| 4100 Programs | 9,645 |
| 4200 Hall Expenses | 4,346 |
| 5000 Charities | 3,170 |
| 6000 Special Projects | 3,300 |
| 7000 Building Fund | <u>1,720</u> |
| Total Expenses | 35837 |

Net Ordinary Income (1,922)

Net Income (1,922)

New Fund Raising Ideas Needed

The 2003-2004 Budget is enclosed. As you see our budget is out of balance for the year. As many Brother Knights know, Charity is the first principle of the Order. We Knights of Father Diamond Council are justifiably proud of the charity programs that have been funded over the years. However, because of the loss of some of our significant fund raisings, we need ideas for ways to replenish our financial resources. Any help you can give in resolving this crisis will be beneficial. Don't think that your idea is too bizarre. We won't know if it works unless we try it. Give your input Dave Todd Jr. (GK) or Greg Hartley (DGK).

September Birthdays

| | |
|---------------------|------|
| William Stevenson | 9/1 |
| Gerry Stegmair | 9/2 |
| Paul Ketcham | 9/3 |
| Doug Fehrer | 9/3 |
| John Warzinski | 9/3 |
| Mike Hamilton | 9/6 |
| Gene Sheehan | 9/6 |
| Ray Kruep | 9/7 |
| Larry Lynch | 9/7 |
| Richard Ressa | 9/8 |
| Francis Minneham | 9/8 |
| Mark Woznack, PGK | 9/9 |
| Bill Davis | 9/9 |
| Ed Ittner | 9/10 |
| Dr. Ed Gallagher | 9/10 |
| Victor L. Warzinski | 9/11 |
| Allen Dobey | 9/11 |
| Matt Cuccias | 9/11 |
| Dan Crowley | 9/13 |
| John Brophy | 9/14 |
| Jim Witek | 9/14 |
| Redentor Lasamana | 9/14 |
| Fred White | 9/14 |
| Jim McIntyre | 9/15 |
| Douglas Okay | 9/16 |
| Mike Clifford | 9/16 |
| Fr. D. Rooney | 9/17 |
| Jason Young | 9/17 |
| Tony Conques | 9/18 |
| Cy Greenwalt | 9/19 |
| Dick Chapman | 9/19 |
| Bill Hamilton | 9/22 |
| David Guditis | 9/22 |
| Dennis Cate | 9/22 |
| Brian Knapp | 9/23 |
| Bill Ward | 9/25 |
| Kurt Pfluger | 9/26 |
| Mike Tully | 9/26 |
| Chris Duda | 9/27 |
| Mike Cole | 9/30 |

Missed August Birthday

Nick Lellock 8/11

September Wedding Anniversaries Years Married

| | |
|-------------------|----|
| Larry Novack, PGK | 40 |
| Joe Rusicka | 48 |
| Tim Hogan, PGK | 15 |
| Jim McMahon | 50 |
| Dr Rafael Madan | 50 |
| Dr Ed Gallagher | 46 |
| Roger Azar | 02 |
| Jonathan Hadfield | 46 |
| John White | 54 |
| Tom Gross | 33 |
| Bob Echert | 41 |

Missed August Anniversary

Nick Lellock 11

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Dennis Riley,
Fraternal Benefits Advisor



Officers

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|----------------|----------------|----------|
| Grand Knight | David Todd, Jr | 385-2195 |
| Chaplain | Vacant | |
| D Grand Knight | Greg Hartley | 352-2797 |
| Chancellor | Dave Miller | 319-8832 |
| Treasurer | Al Leightley | 273-2089 |
| Lecturer | Mike Purtill | 528-6965 |
| 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

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|-----------|------------------|----------|
| Programs | Greg Hartley | 352-2797 |
| Church | Edward Cuccias | 934-4000 |
| Community | Jack Cerny | 255-9484 |
| Council | John Eldred | 631-6480 |
| Family | Nicholas Lellock | 378-1723 |
| Youth | Pat Leffas | 934-9716 |

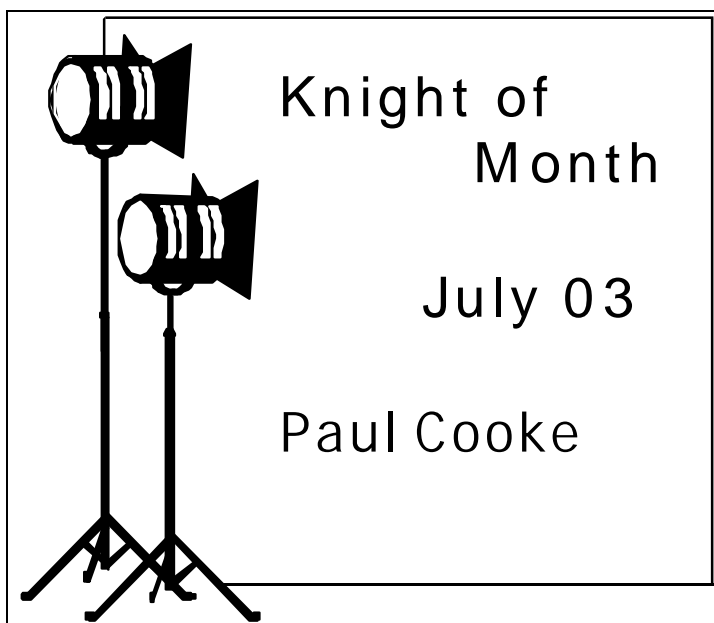
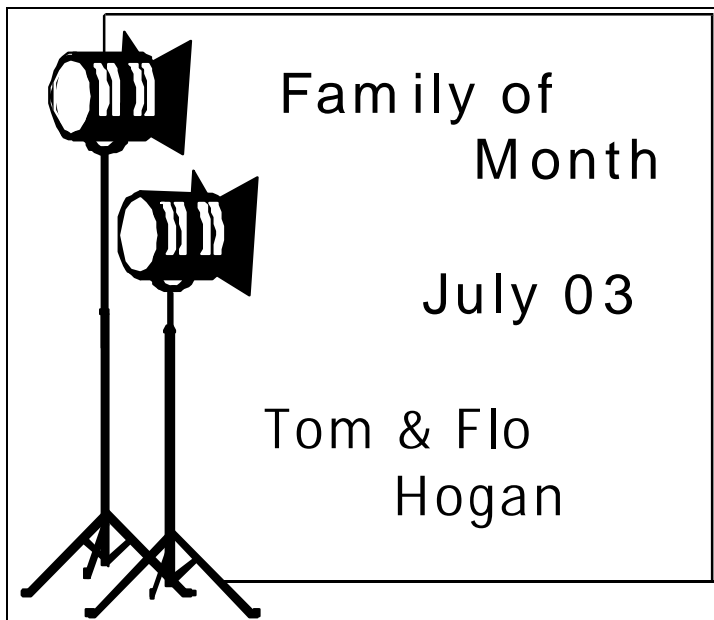
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| Membership | Dave Miller | 319-8832 |
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Committee Chairman

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|---------------|----------------|----------|
| 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

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|------------------|-------------------|----------|
| 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 | Vacant | |
| 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 | 273-9436 |





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Dates to Remember in September

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| Sept 2 | Officers Meeting |
| Sept 6 | Fairfax City Fun Fest |
| Sept 9 | Rosary/Business Meeting/Lecturer's Program |
| Sept 11 | Blue Mass |
| Sept 12 | Golf Tournament |
| Sept 13/14 | Food Drive |
| Sept 14 | Parish Picnic |
| Sept 14 | Open House |
| Sept 16 | Grey Ghosts |
| Sept 18 | Admissions Committee |
| Sept 20 | Rosary at Abortion Clinic |
| Sept 20 | Adopt-A-Spot |
| Sept 21 | Breakfast (Blue Team) |
| Sept 23 | Mass/ 1 st Degree /Business Meeting |
| Sept 26 | Fraternalism Night |
| Sept 27 | Spanish 1 st Degree |
| Sept 27/28 | Food Drive |

