

KNIGHTS OF  
COLUMBUS  
FR. FRANCIS J.  
DIAMOND  
COUNCIL #6292



# The Lookout



2009-10 Fraternal Year, Issue 9

April 2010

## Grand Knight's Message:



As I write this report, we are finally into the Spring season. It seems we have survived the great snow season of 2010. Hopefully we will be in for sunny and warm weather from here on in. As the flowers start to bloom outside the council hall, it brings one thing to mind, KOVAR. Once again, the council is called upon to help God's special people by collecting money at locations around town. This year, KOVAR will be taking place April 15<sup>th</sup> through the 18<sup>th</sup>, and we will need lots of help to make our goal and surpass it. The more shifts we fill, the more people we are able to help. Please contact Steve Kehoe at [steve.wendykehoe@verizon.net](mailto:steve.wendykehoe@verizon.net) as soon as possible to volunteer for a shift or two. I would like to thank everyone that helped out in the month of March, especially those individuals that helped out with the council's open house at the beginning of the month. It was very helpful to have members of the council speak with the parish and show everyone what it means to be a Knight. I would also like to thank the Columbiettes for putting on a wonderful Soup Supper on the 16<sup>th</sup>. Many soups were brought and everyone was delicious. Finally, I want to thank everyone who helped with the Family Breakfast this month. We had a great turn out and we were very busy the entire time. Each year we are lucky enough to have the Easter Bunny come visit the parish on Easter Sunday after the 9:00, 11:00, and 1:00 masses. The Bunny will be hosting the annual Easter egg hunt and taking pictures with the children. However, the

Bunny can't do it all alone and needs help. Please email the Bunny at [mvpurtill@gmail.com](mailto:mvpurtill@gmail.com) if you can help distribute eggs.

As everyone is aware, the Knights of Columbus are celebrating the Year of the Priest. In recognition of this fact, the Arlington diocese will be hosting a mass in celebration of all the priests in northern Virginia on April 20<sup>th</sup> at All Saints Church in Manassas. The mass will begin at 6:30pm. Please come and celebrate our priests and all they have done for us. Please arrive early to get a seat.

Speaking of the Year of the Priest, I would like to announce that Father Baez is our Knight of the Month for February for all the hard work he provides to the council and the community. Family of the Month for February is Nelson, Julie, Rob, Greg, and Vickie Clinch for everything they do for our council. Their silent work is too numerous to list, but I would especially like to thank the family for stepping in and taking care of running the council's annual Pancake Supper.

As always, if you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact me any time at [mvpurtill@gmail.com](mailto:mvpurtill@gmail.com). Until next time...

Mike Purtil, Grand Knight  
[mvpurtill@gmail.com](mailto:mvpurtill@gmail.com)  
202-251-8424

### Inside this issue:

Deputy Grand Knight's Message	2
Columbiettes' Corner	2
News & Events	3-5
Calendars	6
Contact Numbers	7

## Deputy Grand Knight's Report:



Looking back at past reports, I have found them verbose. If anyone has read them, thank you for bearing with my prose. I hope to present a more compact version of the same information this month: bullets of upcoming events under each program with the date, event, contact person, and needs. Feedback on the format is welcome and can be offered in person, by e-mail ([clinch5va@yahoo.com](mailto:clinch5va@yahoo.com)) or by phone (703-385-2146).

### Charity

**Easter Feed the Homeless** – April 3 – George Billy ([geobilly@aol.com](mailto:geobilly@aol.com) or 703-323-6470), lots of help needed in cooking, transporting, delivering, and serving food. Volunteers for transporting and serving will be leaving the Billys' house around 11:30.

**KOVAR** – April 15-18 – Steve Kehoe ([steve.wendykehoe@verizon.net](mailto:steve.wendykehoe@verizon.net) or 703-591-6813), volunteers needed EVERYWHERE to collect funds to support people with intellectual disabilities.

### Church

**Rosary** outside the local abortion facility – April 10 at 8 AM – John Berg ([jvaberg@aol.com](mailto:jvaberg@aol.com) or 703-219-2096), would like to increase those praying for an end to this scourge. Nine attended in the March rain.

**RCIA reception** – April 3 in the Guadalupe Room after the 7:00 Easter vigil – Joe Monnin ([joe\\_monnin@yahoo.com](mailto:joe_monnin@yahoo.com) or 703-266-9741) – help needed for setup, serving, and cleanup. Setup starts around 8 PM.

### Community

**Bingo at Fairfax Nursing Center** – April 12 at 6:45 PM – Bob Bilko ([rabilko@hotmail.com](mailto:rabilko@hotmail.com) or 703-359-6824), need a few volunteers to call bingo and help the center's residents to fill out the bingo cards.

**Salute to Seniors** – April 24 at 12 Noon in Providence Hall – Bob Bilko, need volunteers for setup, serving, cleanup, and bingo-calling.

### Family

**Family Breakfast** – April 18 in the school gym after the 7:30 and 9 AM masses – Mike Purtill ([mvpurtill@gmail.com](mailto:mvpurtill@gmail.com) or 202-251-8424), help needed on breakfast teams, with setup, with serving, and with cleanup.

**Night of Magic** – April 24 at 6:30 PM in the school gym – Pat Leffas ([pleffas@gmail.com](mailto:pleffas@gmail.com) or 703-934-9716), need volunteers for setup, serving, cleanup, etc. beginning around 2 PM.

### Youth

**Easter egg hunts** – April 4 after the 9, 11, and 1:00 masses – Tim Hogan ([thogan1@yahoo.com](mailto:thogan1@yahoo.com) or 703-385-1292), need volunteers for egg hiding, crowd control, and cleanup. The Easter Bunny is scheduled!

Nelson Clinch  
Deputy Grand Knight  
[clinch5va@yahoo.com](mailto:clinch5va@yahoo.com)  
703-385-2146

## Atlantic City Trip

Sponsored by Columbiettes

**April 19**

Contact Flo Hogan, at **703-280-2343** for reservation  
(more information—next page)

The Columbiettes hosted another successful Soup Supper in March. I think everyone enjoyed the many soups that were provided. A special thank you to Fr. Baez who provided a Lenten Reflection after the meal.

We are preparing for our annual bake sale over Memorial Day Weekend. Proceeds from this bake sale will go towards the Haitian Relief efforts. We will have access to the gym and kitchen for baking and arranging items again this year. More details to follow as we get closer to the date.

Mark your calendars for Saturday June 12. The Columbiettes will be hosting the Spring Fling that evening after the 5:00 Mass. This is our way of thanking the Knights for a great year. Look for more details over the next couple of months.

Looking well beyond the next few months, the Columbiettes have scheduled a date for our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual craft fair. We are excited to announce that this event will be held on Sunday October 24. We will be getting more information about this event out over the next few months.

Our next meeting is scheduled for April 20, 2010. At this meeting we will be accepting nominations for next year's slate of officers. Please prayerfully consider stepping forward to volunteer your time and talents.



All wives of Knights are Columbiettes and are more than welcome to join us at our monthly meetings or at any of our other events. Meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7:30 in Providence Hall. If you would like more information or would like to be placed on the email distribution list, please contact Wendy Kehoe at 703-591-6813 or [steve.wendykehoe@verizon.net](mailto:steve.wendykehoe@verizon.net).

## Columbiettes' Corner

## Council News & Events

### Atlantic City Trip—April 19, 2010 -



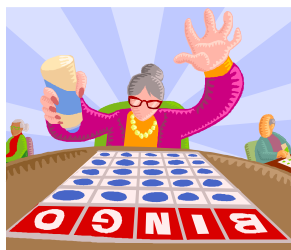
Sponsored by Columbiettes.  
Leaves at 6 AM from St Leo's parking lot, return by 10 PM.  
Cost is \$45.00 - Hilton Casino returns \$25.00 on arrival. Breakfast,

Bingo and Movies on bus.

Call Flo Hogan at 703-280-2343 for reservation.

### Nursing Home Bingo— This is Fun!

Each month Bill Ward, PGK, runs a bingo game for the seniors at the Fairfax Nursing Center. Brothers and their families are encouraged to meet on **Monday, March 8** at 6:45PM to run bingo for the residents. We should be finished by 8:15PM. Please contact Bill Ward at [bward@6292.kofcva.org](mailto:bward@6292.kofcva.org) or call at (703) 273-6289 with any questions about details or wish to volunteer to be the new chairman.



### Rosary at the Abortion Facility—

There has been a 40 day event throughout the Diocese to pray for the lives of the unborn in front of abortion clinics throughout the area

On the second Saturday of the May (8th), Knights will again meet at 8:00 A.M. to pray the rosary in front of the abortion clinic at 10400 Eaton Place (across the street from the Best Western at Route 123 and I-66). It doesn't take too long to pray the whole Rosary, and is a great way to start your day. Come join us, and bring the whole family.



**IT's WORKING!!! Our efforts have borne fruit. One of the two abortion clinics on Eaton Place has closed its doors. Lets keep up the effort!!**

### Want to Make a Difference? What to Lead Change in the Council?

The nominating committee is in the process of interviewing candidates for next year's slate of Officer candidates.

**WE WANT YOU!** The committee will be happy to talk to you after the business meeting on Tuesday, April 13 or before. Contact Bill Weich (301-527-1207), or Dave Todd (703-352-2724) or Dan Purtill (703-641-8948) right away.



### GRAND KNIGHT's BALL—June 5—Save the Date!!

This year's formal Grand Night's Ball, including dinner, dancing and awards ceremony, will be held at the Army-Navy Country Club on Old Lee Highway on Saturday, June 5. Chairman for this event is Herb Zimmerman. Watch this newsletter for more information.

### Easter Food Baskets Delivered -

Again thanks to Charity Chairman Greg Skorupski and all the brother Knights that helped out delivering nearly 60 food baskets hams, turkeys and food gift certificates to the needy on March 27. **GREAT JOB—GOOD FEELING !!**

### Catholic Educational Opportunities—

The Institute of Catholic Culture ([www.InstituteofCatholicCulture.org](http://www.InstituteofCatholicCulture.org)) is a stand alone group here in the diocese that does lectures. Here is a schedule of upcoming lectures :

**The Ancient Church: A History of the Church of the First Millennium** —Tuesdays, April 13, 20, 27 & May 4 — Saint Leo the Great Catholic Church, 3700 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax, VA

**The Age of the Martyrs: From Nero to Constantine the Great** — Saturday, April 17 @ 7:30 PM — Saint Ambrose Catholic Church, 3829 Woodburn Rd., Annandale, VA

## Knights and Knight Families Honored

**Knight of the Month**  
**February**  
**Father Baez**

**Family of the Month**  
**February**  
**Nelson, Julie, Rob, Greg,**  
**and Vickie Clinch**





**KOVAR**, an acronym for Knights of Virginia Assisting the Retarded, is a Virginia chartered statewide non profit organization providing funds to organizations that provide for those with intellectual disabilities. A major fund raiser is done once a year throughout the state, shortly after Easter, by distributing specially marked Tootsie Rolls in front of local businesses and asking for donations.

**Father Diamond Council #6292**, first participated in KOVAR in 1975 and since then we have raised **\$501,075**. Since KOVAR started our Council has been a major contributor of funds for the program. Our established goal for this years drive is \$25,290, last year we raised \$23,965. One of our sources of income toward our goal is your contributions to KOVAR through the annual United Way,

Combined Federal Campaign and Combined Virginia Campaigns. If you did make a pledge to KOVAR this past fall please give a copy of your pledge document to Herb Zimmerman, our Treasurer. We need a copy of your pledge so that we can have the documentation to get credit for that pledge toward our goal

This years drive is the **15<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> of April**. Please save some time that weekend to help in our collection effort, the more sites that we can cover the better our overall result will be. Please call **Steve Kehoe at (703) 591-6813** if you can help, enlist you wife and children to help, children make great collectors. If you can't help, please consider making a tax deductible donation to help us achieve our goal. Make out check to KOVAR and send it to the Council or bring it in no later than April 16th.



knights of columbus

Fr. Francis J. Diamond Council #6292

## 2010 Night of Magic

Saturday, April 24, 2010

Parish Activity Center ("The Gym")

Doors open at 6:00 pm / Show starts at 7:00 pm

Come enjoy a fun night of magic and mystery with your fellow parishioners and schoolmates!

Multiple magicians will be performing!

### Cost:

- \$10 per adult
- \$5 per child
- \$30 family cap

### Price includes:

- Admission to the show
- 2 slices of pizza
- 1 drink (soda / water)



### Please RSVP

With the number of adults and children to

**Patrick Leffas**

703-436-2717

[pleffas@gmail.com](mailto:pleffas@gmail.com)



## Fraternal Benefits Advisor Message

### Renew what's important to you

Spring is a time for renewal. Trees and plants will soon be blooming, and many animals will shake off the cold and become active again. As the winter doldrums end, you'll be ready to get outside with your family, too, and be part of this renewal.

It is also a perfect opportunity to take a few moments to consider your goals and what's important to you and your loved ones. Are you planning to welcome a new child or sending one to college? Are you looking forward to retirement? Will you have enough money to accomplish these goals? What would happen if something happened to you?

Whether or not you have life insurance with the Order, I'll be happy to meet with you and examine how you can meet your needs and goals. If you've had any life changes since you last bought a policy (new home, new child, new job, etc.), chances are your life insurance needs to be updated. Maybe an annuity or

long-term care plan appeals to your situation. Whatever the case, I'll work with you to make sure you have the coverage you need at a price you can afford.

When we meet, you'll discover that the time we spend together will be a commitment to your future and your family's well-being. Let's get together soon to renew your financial goals with the stable backing of the Knights of Columbus.

I'm at 703-450-6100 or [Dennis.Riley@kofc.org](mailto:Dennis.Riley@kofc.org). Call me – let's talk.

Dennis Riley, FICF, CSA  
Field Agent



**Knights of Columbus**  
**INSURANCE**  
*Making a difference for life.*

### Call for Information, Photos, etc.....

This year we hope to put together some eye catching, Father Diamond Council Posters to place on tables on Open House days and other events. Photos, flyers, and general historical information showing what Fr. Diamond Council is all about are needed—Contact Herb Zimmerman (703-385-9455) or [herb2777@yahoo.com](mailto:herb2777@yahoo.com) if you have anything to contribute.

### Fraternal Prayer Contact

Brother Jack Cotner is the Council's Fraternal Prayer Contact. If you wish to request prayers from the council for a brother Knight or relative who is sick or in distress (or has passed away), please contact Jack at [cotnerjohn@aol.com](mailto:cotnerjohn@aol.com) or (703) 323-5785. A special thanks to Jack for taking on this very important role in the council.

### Newsletter Deadlines

In order to ensure timely delivery of the newsletter, the deadline for submissions to *The Lookout* is the 15<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:herb2777@yahoo.com).

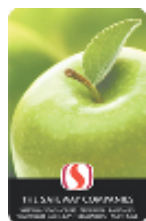
## Use Food Cards to Buy Presents (Gift Cards) for your Loved Ones — A Great Deal for Everyone !



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](mailto:ZLRN01@aol.com) for information. Available at **Providence 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-U's, 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**



# April 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 1130 Feed the Homeless RCIA reception
4 Easter	5	6 1930 Officer's Meeting	7	8	9	10 0800 Rosary to end Abortion Food Drive
11 Food Drive	12 1845 Bingo @ FFX Nursing Home	13 1930 Rosary 2000 Business Meeting	14	15 KOVAR	16 KOVAR	17 KOVAR
18 KOVAR Family Breakfast-Gold Team	19	20 1100 Grey Gosts 1930 Columbiettes	21 1930 Rosary 2000 4th Degree Meeting	22	23	24 1200 Salute to Seniors Food Drive 1830 Night of Magic??
25 Food Drive	26	27 1930 Mass 2000 Business Meeting	28	29	30	

Prev Month	May 2010					Next Month
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4 1930 Officer's Meeting	5	6	7	8 0800 Rosary to end Abortion 1700 Corporate Communion Mass Food Drive
9 Food Drive	10 1845 Bingo @ FFX Nursing Home	11 1930 Rosary 2000 1st Degree 2100 Social Meeting	12	13	14 VA Annual Mtg@Richmond	15 VA Annual Mtg@Richmond
16 <a href="#">Blood Drive 8 AM to 1 PM</a>	17	18 1100 Grey Gosts 1930 Columbiettes	19 1930 Rosary 2000 4th Degree Meeting	20 1930 Admissions Committee	21	22 Food Drive
23 Food Drive	24	25 1930 Mass 2000 Business Meeting	26	27	28	29 <a href="#">1800 Columbiette Bake Sale</a>
30 <a href="#">1800 Columbiette Bake Sale</a> 1700 Pig Roast	31 Memorial Day					

## Officers, Directors, and Program Chairmen—2009-10

### Officers

Grand Knight	Mike Purtill	202-251-8424
Chaplain	Fr. David Whitestone	703-273-5369
D Grand Knight	Nelson Clinch	703-385-2146
Chancellor	Keith Morrison	703-691-8838
Treasurer	Herb Zimmerman	703-385-9455
Lecturer	Mark Woznak	703-280-4124
Financial Sec.	Al Botticelli	703-278-0379
Recorder	Joe Monnin	703-266-9741
Advocate	Paul "Greg" Hartley	703-352-2797
Warden	Dan Purtill	703-641-8948
Inside Guard	Matt West	703-359-4652
Outside Guard	John Leonard	303-808-1245
Outside Guard	John Berg	703-219-2096
3yr Trustee	Stephen Kehoe	703-591-6813
2yr Trustee	Bill Weich	703-307-9163
1yr Trustee	Hank Urban	703 591 9244

### Program Directors

Programs	Nelson Clinch	703-385-2146
Church	John Berg	703-219-2096
Community	Bob Bilko	703-359-6824
Council	Charles "Scott" Buchannon	703-978-0045
Family	Pat Leffas	703-934-9716
Youth	Tim Hogan	703-385-1292

### Committee Chairmen

Charity	Greg Skorupski	703-978-8280
Admissions	Keith Morrison	703-691-8838

Retention	Stephen Kehoe	703-591-6813
Vocations	Keith Morrison	703-691-8838
Budget & Fin.	Herb Zimmerman	703-385-9455
Hall Mgt	John Judge	703-385-3804
Frat. Bene.	Dennis Riley	703-450-6100
Insurance	Nelson Clinch	703-385-2146

### Project Chairmen

1st Deg. Team	Dennis Makurat	703-383-0233
2nd Deg. Team	Dave Todd	703-352-2724
Blood Drive	John Brophy	703-425-7169
Bowling Team	Dave Whitcomb	703-591-7739
Christmas Trees	Tim Tilson	703-273-9436
Ent'ment Books	Dave Todd	703-352-2724
Fall Festival	Tim Hogan	703-385-1292
Family Breakfast	Mike Purtill	202-251-8424
Food Drive	Ben Schaefer	703-591-3188
Fourth Deg.	Larry Novack	703-978-6137
Gray Ghosts	Larry Novack	703-978-6137
KCIC	Dave Todd	703-352-2724
KOVAR	Steve Kehoe	703-591-6813
Newsletter	Herb Zimmerman	703-385-9455
Parish Picnic	Tim Tilson	703-273-9436
Right-to-Life	Mike Plumstead	703-250-2367
Scout Troop	Paul Cutlip	703-855-8547
Scrip	Larry Novack	703-978-6137
Fraternal Prayer		
Contact	Jack Cotner	703-323-5785
Email Updates	Hank Urban	703 591 9244



### Best-of-the-Worst Pun Challenge

Some people do not believe PUNS are real humor. However they can be both clever and funny. For this reason, I am willing to publish the "best of the worst" puns submitted to me by Brother Knights of Council #6292. Send your favorite pun to [herb2777@yahoo.com](mailto:herb2777@yahoo.com).

#### From Dennis Cate -

What is a dyslexic, insomniac agnostic?

A person who lies awake at night, wondering if there is a Dog.

### Topical Joke of the Month

A man is driving along a highway and sees a rabbit jump out across the middle of the road. He swerves to avoid hitting it, but unfortunately the rabbit jumps right in front of the car.

The driver, a sensitive man as well as an animal lover, pulls over and gets out to see what has become of the rabbit. Much to his dismay, the rabbit is dead. The driver feels so awful that he begins to cry..

A beautiful blonde woman driving down the highway sees a man crying on the side of the road and pulls over. She steps out of the car and asks the man what's wrong.

"I feel terrible," he explains, "I accidentally hit this rabbit and killed it."

The blonde says, "Don't worry."

She runs to her car and pulls out a spray can. She walks over to the limp, dead rabbit, bends down, and sprays the contents onto the rabbit. The rabbit jumps up, waves its paw at the two of them and hops off down the road.

Ten feet away the rabbit stops, turns around and waves again, he hops down the road another 10 feet, turns and waves, hops another ten feet, turns and waves, and repeats this again and again and again, until he hops out of sight.

The man is astonished. He runs over to the woman and demands, "What is in that can? What did you spray on that rabbit?" The woman turns the can around so that the man can read the label. It says..

"Hair Spray - Restores life to dead hair, and adds permanent wave."

**KNIGHTS OF  
COLUMBUS  
FR. FRANCIS J.  
DIAMOND COUNCIL  
#6292**

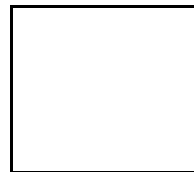
Providence Hall  
3702 Old Lee Highway,  
Fairfax, Virginia, 22030

Tel: (703) 385-8007

Website  
[www.6292.kofcva.org/](http://www.6292.kofcva.org/)

**2009-10 Fraternal Year, Issue 9**

**The Lookout**



**\*\*Meetings—every 2nd and 4th Tuesday—8:00 PM\*\***

**Inside: Nominating Committee Wants You!**

**Easter Bunny Coming Soon!**

**KOVAR — April 15-18**

**Atlantic City Trip — April 19**

**Night of Magic — April 24**

