

THE LOOKOUT



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Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights and Families,
I would like to first thank everyone who is praying for my daughter

Abby. Abby has made great progress as she recovers from anxiety and depression. Please continue to keep her in your prayers as she continues to heal. The Knights displayed to my family the mission for the Knights that Father McGivney started over 100 years ago and for that we will be forever grateful.

As we are now just past the half way point in lent I'm reminded by some this that St. Catherine of Siena said centuries ago: "Nothing great is ever achieved without much enduring." These words often keep me going when times are tough. Even though the sacrifices we make in lent pale in comparison to the sacrifice the Jesus made for us, they do work to keep us focused on the love God has for each and every one of us.

I would like to thank **Pat** and **Janice Murray** and their family for the wonderful job they did with the St. Patrick's Day Party in March and I would also like to thank **Joe Gesker** for the great leadership he showed with managing the KOVAR collections this year.

Vivat Jesus!
Dan O'Malley
Grand Knight

*Christ
is
Risen!*



Deputy Grand Knight's Report

Brother Knights,
With Easter coming so late this year it had an effect on our activities.

Sunday April 7th, we have Family Breakfast in Providence Hall after the 7:30 AM and 9:00 AM masses. Help is always needed to setup, cook, serve and clean-up at the end of the meals. **Pat McGuire**

(ffxmacman@gmail.com) has volunteered to take this month while Tim Tilson is out of town. If you are willing to help out, please contact Pat. You don't have to stay for the whole time. Whatever you can give it will be appreciated. Any students making their Confirmation can volunteer at this activity to receive credit service hours. Table set-up usually begins around 6:00AM, clean-up commences around 10:30AM.

Friday April 12th, at 6:00PM in the Guadalupe Room, we have the Soup Supper sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Come join us for some delicious soups prepared by our knights (or their spouses)!

Saturday April 13th, at 8:00AM we will have the Rosary to End Abortion at the church. All members of the church are invited to participate.

Sunday April 21st is Easter. Bring your children to the Easter Egg Hunt after the 9:00AM, 11:00AM and 1:00PM masses. Young children, up to the age of 5, will have their own hunt on the side of the church near the Parish Hall. Older children will be out front of the church.

Saturday April 27th is a busy day. Fairfax History Day is taking place at Historic Blenheim. The Knights of Columbus will be running the concession stand there.

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2019 Yard Sale Coming up on June 1

This year's Giant Yard Sale will be on Saturday, June 1. It is time to do spring cleaning. If your unwanted stuff still has some good life in it, put it aside for our yard sale. You can bring your treasures to the KofC Hall May 29, 30 and 31.



Chancellor's Corner

At the Formation (2nd) Degree Celebration held on Tuesday, March 26 at Providence Hall, **Bill Lane** of our Council was one of six candidates who advanced.

On Saturday, April 13 at 11:00 AM, Council No. 15256 in Ashburn will be holding a Knighthood (3rd) Degree Celebration. Any Brother Knight in possession of a valid 2nd Degree membership card may participate. Interested candidates are asked to contact WGK **Dan O'Malley** (omalley1017@gmail.com), WDD **Joel Levesque** (mainejjl@aol.com), and myself (markwalther7@yahoo.com).

On Tuesday, April 23 at 8:00 PM (candidate registration at 7:30), an Admissions (1st) Degree Celebration will take place at Providence Hall. Immediately afterward, a brief Council business meeting will be held, followed by a dinner.

Vivat Jesus,

Mark Walther, Chancellor, Father Diamond Council 6292

Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee has begun the process of interviewing prospective Candidates for the various Officers for the upcoming Fraternal Year 2019-20. Anyone interested in an office should contact a member of the Committee as soon as possible to make the interests known. The members are:

David J. Todd, Jr., PGK, Chairman djtoddjr@gmail.com

Joseph M. Gesker, PGK, jgesker@verizon.net

Herbert F. Zimmerman, PGK, herb2777@yahoo.com

We look forward to meeting with each of our prospective candidates!

Fraternally,

David J. Todd, Jr., PGK, Nominating Committee Chairman

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Anyone who can help setup, cook, serve or cleanup is appreciated. Contact **Nelson Clinch** (clinch5va@yahoo.com) for more details and time.

That same evening, Night of Magic will be providing an enjoyable night of entertainment in the gym \$10.00/adult, \$5.00/child, \$30.00 maximum for a family. Each person gets 2 slices of pizza and a soda or water.

Coming in early May:

Please consider joining us on Friday evening, May 3rd, in the Fairfax Marriott at Fair Oaks, 11787 Lee Jackson Memorial Hwy. in Fairfax, VA. at 7pm as WWII, Korean, and Vietnam War Veterans traveling with the North East Tennessee Honor Flight arrive for their Tour of Honor in our Nation's Capital to see their respective memorials.

Because this Honor Flight HUBs travel into our area by bus, these brave men and women who served so many years ago do not get the opportunity to experience the Hero's Welcome Reception other veteran groups receive when they arrive at Dulles, Reagan, and BWI airports. This is a very Family Friendly Patriotic event. Consider inviting your neighbors and make this a community event.

As the late Will Rogers once said, "We can't all be Heroes. Some of us have to stand on the sidelines and cheer." We can never repay these Veterans for the sacrifices they made for our country but we can show them our appreciation. We hope to see you and your families there.

Virtus training will take place on May 7th in the Guadalupe Room from 6:00PM – 10:00PM. All knights working around children must complete this training and complete a background check. If you wish to take this class or need the background check forms, please contact Dan O'Malley (omalley1017@gmail.com).

Your friend in Christ,

Gib Flodine, Deputy Grand Knight

Tax Day Cometh

April 15th, the tax day, is not far off. It's a time when most of us focus on the income we've made...and how much of that we have to hand over to the government. Nobody's happy about that. However, you have options with some careful planning.

The focus around this time of year is saving tax money by contributing to an IRA for retirement. And whether you're getting close or whether you're fresh into a career and working life, it's not too early to plan.

As your Knights of Columbus field agent, I can help. Our annuities can be used as a Traditional IRA or a Roth IRA. A traditional one may help you save money on your taxes, and the Roth has some amazing tax advantages, too. Our annuities pay a competitive interest rate, consistent with our primary goal of the absolute safety of principal. They all include a guaranteed interest rate, so you never have to worry. One of the best features of an annuity is that it is designed to provide retirement income you cannot outlive—guaranteed! You can open a retirement annuity for as little as \$300.

So here are some facts about our annuities: Low contribution to get started; guaranteed lifetime interest rate; an even higher competitive rate being paid now; tax advantages whether or not an IRA; absolute safety of principal; an income you cannot outlive...all from the Knights of Columbus—How does that sound?

Call or email me I'd be happy to meet with you in your home and at your convenience to explain the advantages of a Knights of Columbus annuity. Leo Durán 703-622-2068 or leo.duran@kofc.org



April Birthday Wishes

We want to wish all of our Brother Knights born in the month of April a very Happy Birthday:

Thomas Kearney	2	Andrew Wankum	19
Bob Ratay	2	Matthew Baumgartner	20
John Cotner	4	Paul Besson	20
Edmund Janiszewski	4	Thomas Feehan	20
Allan Rush	5	Philip Coletti	21
Edward Rodriguez	6	Tim Ku-Dipietro	21
Nilson Herrera	9	Ramon Matias	21
James Allen	10	James Chapman	23
David Nava	11	Edson Chavez	23
Francis Cuccias	12	John Berg	24
Jeffrey Stevens	12	William Fowler	26
Thomas Heinz	15	John Weinheimer	27
Paul Quast	19	Kevin Mc Guire	29
Gustavo Solares	19		

2019 CAR RAFFLE

If you are a St Leo the Great parishioner, by now you should have received your 10 tickets for the 2019 Car Raffle. Although the letter asks you to return the money and stubs for 20 tickets, we decided to only ask you to sell/buy ten tickets. Please forgive our mistake in the letter. Return the 10 tickets/stubs in the enclosed envelope.

The Father Diamond Council Knights of Columbus, is the volunteer organization coordinating all the 2019 Car Raffle activities. Look forward to seeing on April 20/21 the Honda Odyssey Van (yes, the Easter Bunny will arrive in the van).

If you did not receive tickets, have any questions or want more tickets to sell, please contact Herb Zimmerman at 703-623-6299 or via email at Herb2777@yahoo.com.





March 2019 Knights of the Month

Joe Gesker provided leadership by not only managing this year's KOVAR collects, he was also on the front lines taking multiple

One of the greatest strengths of our council is we all benefit from the leadership provided by our Past Grand Knights. In March we saw the leadership in full display by two of our Past Grand Knights.

shifts at stores raising money for this important charity. Another Past Grand Knight that provided leadership was **Dave Todd, Jr.** Dave worked in the Hall both counting money as it was collected he also helped to organize the Past Grand Knight pictures as well as other important organization projects that all help make our hall a home away from home. Please help me and congratulate both Joe Gesker and Dave Todd, Jr. as Knights of the Month for March 2019.

March 2019 Family of the Month

Pat and Janice Murray, in the authentic spirit of the Irish Blessing, and through their personal industry and obvious love for their parish, enabled the "sun to shine warm" upon those St. Leo's families who were, indeed, fortunate to attend the St. Patrick's Day dinner celebration in Providence Hall on Saturday, March 16th. Their priceless gifts of joy, laughter and gratitude were bountiful and inspirational as they touched the hearts of so many. They, the gifts, too, were testimony to the hard work, exhaustive planning

and attention to detail by Pat, and Janice so conspicuous in the production of this grand affair. By their exhaustive efforts they made the occasion a magnificent "Catholic family affair." For their thought and kindness, we are truly grateful.



Father Diamond Council, 6292: Steadfast In Support Of Charity!

The Father Diamond Council Spring "Tootsie Roll" Drive, 28 to 31 March significantly energized the council's 2019 effort to share love and support to our intellectually challenged sisters and brothers in Virginia. Over sixty Brother Knights selflessly contributed hours as collectors in front of selected commercial venues, or, even more dramatically, as a daring vanguard in the celebrated Road Runners "Dawn Patrol" in order to reinforce the dignity, hope and peace of needy children of God. Their magnificent endeavor, to this point, has accrued over \$17,000 (over \$7,000 just this past weekend. With sincere ap-

preciation and gratitude, we proudly recognize the following who graciously lent their "hearts and hands" to the Spring KOVAR Drive:

John Paul Balsarek	Bill Lane	Jim Beauchamp	Al Leightley
John Berg	Tim McCarthy	George Billy	Kevin McGrail
Doug Bricker (contribution)	Pat McGuire (+food/admin)	John Cesarini	Ken Miller
Mark Maple	Philip & Felicia Coletti	Joe Monin	Nelson Clinch & family (+food)
Peter Coniglio	Leone Monticone	Tony Conques	Keith Morrison
Larry Cook	Bill Mundy	Jack Cotner	Alfonso Munevar (contribution)
Richard Deitos (Road Runner)	Pat Murray & family	Jim Essig	Dan O'Malley (work contribution)
Doug and Nick Fehr	Gib Flodine (CFC)	Mike Pipan Sr.	Ed Geiger
Mike Pipan Jr.	Joe Gesker and grandson, Patrick Kiernan		Mike Purtill (contribution)
Stanley Greer	Nate Rasmussen	Adam Grendle	Stephen Rodgers
Jack and Dawson Grigg	George Rosenkranz	Tom Gross	Ben Schafer
Greg Hartley (Road Runner)	Sipa Sikaulu	James Hogan	Tim Tilson (Road Runner)
Tim & Priscilla Hogan (Road Runner)		Dave Todd Sr. (Road Runner + Admin)	
Tom Hogan	Dave Todd Jr. (Admin)	Tim Holleran	Al Trapal
Ed Janiszewski	Eric Vallone	Joe Kanyan	Mark Walther (Road Runner)
Kevin Kleponis	Bill Ward	Charlie Kraiger	Bill & Kathy Weich
Mark LaCroix	Sean Wilson	Mark Woznak	Herb Zimmerman (Admin)

Again, sincere thanks for all that you do for our church, our school, our community and for each other.

Joe Gesker, PGK, Chairman 2019 KOVAR Campaign



6th Annual Take a Bite Out of Breast Cancer Fundraiser Dinner

Join Chef Kevin & his friends for a night of INCREDIBLE Food & Wine

What you get: 5 Course Meal (5 Star) and 2 Drink Tickets

Saturday, May 18, 6 - 9 pm

Providence Hall (behind St. Leo's)

3702 Old Lee Highway

Fairfax City, Virginia 22030

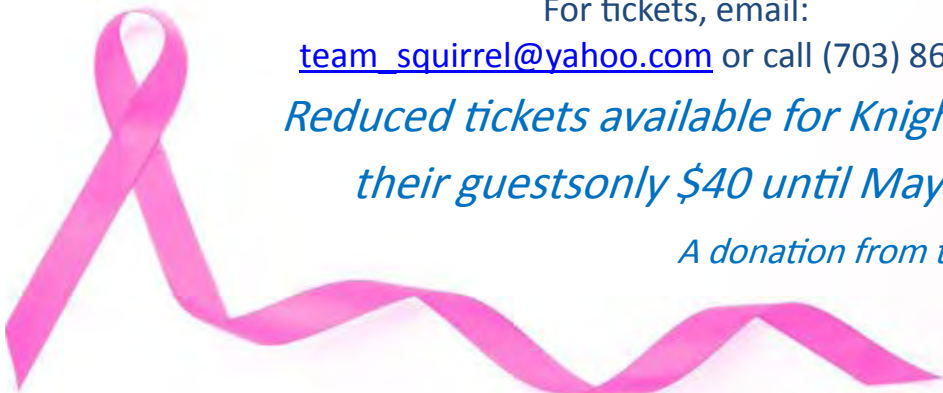
Tickets \$50 per person; must be purchased in advance (Seating is Limited)

For tickets, email:

team_squirrel@yahoo.com or call (703) 868-6464

Reduced tickets available for Knights and their guests only \$40 until May 11

A donation from this event will be made to:



April 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 11:00AM Corporate Communion KOVAR Car Raffle Honda Civic	1	2 7:30 PM Officers Meeting	3	4	5 6PM Parish Soup Supper - in Guadalupe Room	6 9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts
7 Family Breakfast after 7:30 and 9 AM masses	8 7:15 Bingo@Fairfax Nursing Ctr	9 7:30 Rosary - 8:00 Meeting	10	11	12 6PM Parish Soup Supper - in Guadalupe Room (KofC Sponsored)	13 8 AM Rosary to End Abortion 9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts
14	15	16 11 AM Gray GOSTs Luncheon 7:00PM Ladies Meeting	17 7:30PM 4th Degree Mtg	18	19	20 9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts 11AM Feed the Homeless 11PM RCIA Social
21 EASTER! Easter Egg Hunt (9, 11 & 1:00)	22	23 7:30 Rosary 8:00 1st Degree & Meeting	24 7:30PM 4th Degree Officers Mtg	25	26	27 6 PM Night of Magic 11AM 4th Degree Richmond, VA 9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts Fairfax History Day
28	29	30	1	2	3 State Annual Meeting 7PM - Honor Flight N.E. Tenn. Fairfax Marriott at Fair Oaks	4 Annual Meeting 9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts

May 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	1	2	3 State Annual Meeting 7PM - Honor Flight N.E. Tenn. Fairfax Marriott at Fair Oaks	4 Annual Meeting 9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts
5 Annual Meeting	6	7 7:30 PM Officers Meeting 6-10 VIRTUS Training	8	9	10	11 8 AM Rosary to End Abortion 9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts
12 MOTHER'S DAY	13 7:15 Bingo@Fairfax Nursing Ctr	14 7:30 Rosary - 8:00 Meeting	15 7:30PM 4th Degree Mtg Election of Officers	16	17	18 9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts 6:00PM Take a Bite Out of Cancer Shredding Activity
19 Family Breakfast after 7:30 and 9 AM masses	20	21 11 AM Gray GOSTs Luncheon 7:30PM Ladies Meeting	22 7:30PM 4th Degree Officers Mtg	23	24	25 9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts Men's Retreat- Providence Hall
26	27	28 7:30 Rosary 8:00 Mtg- Election of Officers	29	30	31	1 8AM-1PM Yard Sale 9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts 6:30PM KOVAR Play - Gym

Officers, Directors, and Program Chairmen—2017-18

Officers

Grand Knight	Dan O'Malley	703-385-2010
Chaplain	Rev. Christopher Tipton	703-273-5369
Deputy GK	Gib Flodine	703-201-0477
Chancellor	Mark Walther	703-766-5054
Financial Sec.	David Todd, Sr.	703-352-2724
Treasurer	Tom Gross	703-273-0631
Recorder	Kevin Kleponis	304-804-1407
Lecturer	David Todd, Jr.	703-463-1499
Advocate	Pat Murray	703-383-3436
Warden	Pat McGuire	703-209-5288
Inside Guard	Charlie Kraiger	703-667-0241
Outside Guard	Nate Rasmussen	703-385-2991
Outside Guard	John Johnson	802-236-2192
3yr Trustee	Joe Gesker	703-435-4811
2yr Trustee	Keith Morrison	703-304-8540
1yr Trustee	Herb Zimmerman	703-385-9455

Program Directors

Programs	Gib Flodine	703-201-0477
Faith	Herb Zimmerman	703-385-9455
Family	TBD	
Community	TBD	
Life	Joe Gesker	703-435-4811

Committee Chairmen

Charity	Joe Burg	484-883-9537
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Project Chairmen

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Bowling Team	Dave Whitcomb	703-591-7739
Christmas Trees	Tim Tilson	703-273-9436
Car Raffle	Keith Morrison	703-304-8540
Comedy Knight	Greg Hartley	703-352-2797
Email Updates	Nelson Clinch	703-385-2146
Fall Festival	Tim Hogan	703-385-1292
Family Breakfast	Pat McGuire	703-209-5288
	Tim Tilson	703-273-9436
Food Baskets	Joe Burg	484-883-9537
Fourth Deg.	Matt West	703-359-4652
Fraternal Prayer	Jack Cotner	703-323-5785
Gray GOSTs	Larry Novack	703-978-6137
KCIC	James Hogan	703-385-1292
KOVAR	Joe Gesker	703-435-4811
Newsletter	Joe Paratore	703-283-4515
Night of Magic	Pat Leffas	703-436-2717
Parish Picnic	Tim Tilson + deputy	703-273-9436
March-for-Life	Mike Plumstead	703-250-2367
Scout Troop	Roger Rosenberger	703-591-7750
Scrip Sales	Larry Novak	703-978-6137
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Giant, Safeway and Shoppers Food Warehouse Food Cards Buy Food - Buy Gift Cards — Support the Knights

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 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 Shoppers Food Warehouse 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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