



The Lookout



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Grand Knight's Message



Brother Knights,

I want to start this month's column by shouting out a big THANK YOU to all of the Brother Knights and their families who

have stepped up to get 2014 rolling with a bang for the Council. Already this year, we have had many successful activities:

Degree Week was a big success and not only brought in several new members for our Council, but culminated in a large third degree with over 70 candidates from around the state. We could not have done this without the Knights who helped out at the school gym as well as those at the Hall preparing and serving the lunch.

Knights and their families provided a strong showing as collectors for the March for Life. Despite the cold weather we had substantial collections -- all of which go directly to the national March of Life committee.

Another successful Family Breakfast packed the Hall after the 9:00 am Mass. Breakfasts have been a big hit this year; thanks to both teams for their work.

Scout Sunday appreciation breakfast was very well received. Though not part of our normal breakfast team rotation, we had a dedicated band of Brother Knights who came out, some quite early, to prepare and serve breakfast to the Parish's scouts and their families this past Sunday.

In the next month, we have our monthly praying of the Rosary to end abortion, Nursing Center Bingo and Family Breakfast. And, our Columbiettes will be throwing a Mardi Gras party with food that takes you back to New Orleans!

In the spirit of giving of one's time and talents, I want to recognize John Cesarini as our Knight of the Month for January. John works tirelessly in literally making sure this Council keeps standing. Many of you have seen John's handiwork around the Council without even knowing it came from him; such as the new crèche that graced the front of the church during the Advent and Christmas seasons.

For our Family of the Month, I want to recognize Doug and Sarah Fehrer. Doug and his family have been regular volunteers at Council events this year, such as the Family Breakfasts and the Scout Sunday breakfast. They have been pitching in wherever needed, regularly batting "clean-up"; an often unrecognized task.

I note these events, and the examples of John and the Fehrer family, both to show how active our Council is, and to highlight that this activity can only happen if Brother Knights continue to help out, and in particular, step up to take leadership positions in the Council. Before we know it, the Council year will be coming to an end and we will be looking for new men to take on officer and program chair positions within the Council. I will be announcing the nominating committee soon and they will be interested in talking to anyone who might consider helping lead the Council next fraternal year. For me, being an officer in the Council has been a very rewarding experience; and one that I have been glad I could share with my family. Nothing goes further in promoting the virtues of service to your children than demonstrating service through your own actions. As we look for the new leaders of the Council, consider what you have to give; and remember, "you make a living by what you get, but you make a life by what you give."

Vivat Jesus!

Matt West, Grand Knight

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Deputy Grand Knight's Report



Vivat Jesus, Brothers!

My son, Kevin, will be leading a team on a 60 mile "Walk For The Cure" against breast cancer in August. In order to make that happen he is doing fundraisers starting with a wine/hummus pairing on Feb 7 from 3:30-

7:00pm at The Perfect Pita in Alexandria. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. All you have to do is show up and enjoy each selection paired by a master sommelier!

The Perfect Pita is located at 3101 Park Center Drive (in Old Towne just off King Street). If you are interested you can purchase tickets from me or send an email to team_squirrel@yahoo.com.

Patrick McGuire, Deputy Grand Knight

FATHER DIAMOND COUNCIL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND THE COLUMBIETTES INVITE YOU TO A MARDI GRAS PARTY!

**At Providence Hall
Saturday, February 22, 2014
6:00—11:00**

**FOOD, MUSIC, AND FUN!
\$20 PER PERSON
R.S.V.P. By February 15, 2014
KofCcolumnbiettes@yahoo.com Or Sign up at
Providence Hall**

MENU

Salad ~ Cajun Deviled Eggs ~ Cornbread
Chicken Gumbo ~ Penne New Orleans
Jambalaya ~ Red Beans and Rice
Praline Cheesecake

Upcoming February Council Events

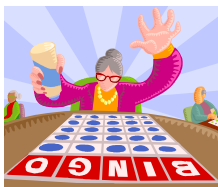
Rosary to End Abortion — Feb 8

We will meet at 8:00am on Saturday in front of the church to pray the Rosary. It doesn't take more than 45 minutes for the entire 20 decades and is a great way to start your day. Come join us, and bring the whole family. In the event of inclement weather we move inside the church next to the statue of Mary. We usually have a very good turnout.



Nursing Home Bingo — Feb. 10

Each month the council runs a bingo game for the seniors at the Fairfax Nursing Center. Brothers and their families are encouraged to meet on Monday at 7:15pm to help out. We are usually finished by 8:30pm. What a wonderful opportunity to give the most valuable gift—your time and love. Call Tim Tilson at (703) 273-9436 to volunteer.



Regular Council Meeting — Feb. 11

This meeting will begin at 8pm with a 1st Degree followed by a regular meeting. Rosary starts at 7:30pm led by Deacon Maurer. All new money requests are held off until the regular business on Feb 25.

Grey GOSTs — Feb. 18

All knights are welcome to join some of the older guys for a monthly social meeting starting at 11am followed by a luncheon at 12 noon. Usual wrap-up is around 1pm.

Fourth Degree Meeting — Feb. 19

Open monthly meeting for all those Knights that have achieved the level of 4th Degree.

Columbiettes' Mardi Gras Party—Feb. 22

See the flyer invitation on page 2.

Family Breakfast — Feb. 23

Cooks and helpers are always needed for such a labor intensive event. You can call Joe Monnin at 703-266-9741 or just show up. This event is open to all parishioners so even if you decide not to work bring your family out for a great hot breakfast.

Council Business — Feb. 25

This will be a business meeting beginning at 8pm. Rosary starts at 7:30pm led by Deacon Maurer.

Ash Wednesday — March 5

— Congratulations to our newest members —

1st Degrees taken on January 14:

Joe Janiak, Brian Goduto, Jason Johnsrud

2nd Degrees taken on January 16:

Joe Janiak, Brian Goduto, Brian Wilson, Chris Fedor
(28 total candidates in attendance)

3rd Degrees taken on January 18:

Chris Fedor, James Hogan, Jodi Balido, Brian Goduto, Scott Krushinski, Brian Wilson, Patrick Murray, Marc Surette
(70 total candidates in attendance)
+2 New Transferees: Rob Pauli, John Alexander

Congratulations to council member Mark Cameron and his family on the birth of Samuel William Cameron, who was born December 29, weighing 8 pounds, 13 ounces. Mother and son are doing well.

FOURTH DEGREE: Next Fourth Degree Exemplification in Virginia will be Saturday, April 26 in Roanoke. The only requirement is that the Knight must take the Third Degree prior to the Exemplification. Anyone interested in taking the Fourth Degree should contact Dave Todd, Jr. as soon as possible. You may reach him at 703-463-1499 (leave him a message), or at djtoddjr@yahoo.com.

Columbiettes' Corner

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 in Providence Hall on the 3rd Monday of each month starting at 7:30pm. If you would like more information or would like to be placed on the email distribution list to be kept up to date with meetings and our events, please contact me at 703-385-2146 or drop me an email at clinch5va@yahoo.com.
Julie Clinch, President



Knight of the Month
January
John Cesarini

Family of the Month
January
Doug & Sarah Fehrer



After the march two tables of busy counters tallied the donations. 100% of donations go directly to the March For Life Education and Defense Fund.



Just before the march started all the collectors took the opportunity to participate in a moment of prayer.



This banner near the start of the parade has letters that are big enough that the message is quite clear for all to read.



Fellow knight, Patrick Rozmajzl, talks with supporters getting ready to take a group picture in front of the George Gordon Meade Memorial statue on Pennsylvania Avenue.



Even with the freezing cold temperatures the crowd size was amazing.

March For Life

2014

The 41st annual March For Life took place in downtown Washington, DC on Wednesday, January 22, 2014. The Virginia Knights offer support services such as marshals that help with everything from crowd control to collecting donations. Our council #6292 does all the collections. Thanks to our own Tom Hogan who collects and serves on the M4L Board, Don Kehoe as the M4L Fund's Treasurer, and Mike Plumstead as our council collections coordinator. Schools were closed due to snow and it was 9 degrees while getting on the bus but the kids from Paul VI High School still came out. The temperature got to a blustery 11 degrees before the day was over.

The team collected over \$16,000. Everyone worked really hard, especially Joe Monnin who collected over \$200 before the march even started. Many of the Knights expressed surprise that the crowd was so large despite the weather. It took an hour and ten minutes for the marchers to pass the collectors, which is an outstanding turnout given the extraordinary weather conditions. Kimmy Eldred and Li Plumstead passed out hand and foot warmers to all who wanted them. Julie Clinch not only helped with the collection but made spaghetti for everyone back at Providence Hall to finish out the day. EWTN estimated the crowd at 600,000.

The theme of this year's event was adoption. "Adoption is a heroic decision for pregnant mothers who find themselves in a difficult situation," says Jeanne Monahan, March for Life President. Christian singer and songwriter Matt Maher kicked off the event. Republican Majority Leader Eric Cantor and Democratic Representative Dan Lipinski were some of the pro-life speakers during the day.



From l-to-r: Jacob Rozmajzl, Dennis Riley, Abby Rozmajzl, Tom Gross, Patrick Rozmajzl, Will Holley, Polo Leyendecker, Vicki Nelson, Mike Plumstead, Linda Baringhaus, Julie Clinch, Nelson Clinch, Jeffrey Stevens, Li Plumstead, Mark Cameron, Kimmy Eldred, Dave Todd Jr, Matt West, Joe Monnin. Also not pictured was Greg Hartley, Tim Hogan, Tim Tilson, & Jack Hartzell. Thanks also goes out to those who showed up to count donations in the hall.

February 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 Scout Sunday Breakfast	3	4 7:30PM Officers' Meeting	5 7PM Council Audit	6	7	8 8AM Rosary to End Abortion
9	10 7:15PM Bingo @ Ffx Nursing Ctr	11 7:30PM Rosary 8PM Regular Meeting	12	13	14	15 7PM D. Riley Retirement Party
16	17 7:00PM Columbiettes	18 11AM Grey GOSTs	19 7:30PM Fr Malloy Assy	20	21	22 Columbiettes' Mardi Gras
23 Family Breakfast	24	25 7:30PM Rosary 8PM Business Meeting	26	27	28 Help needed- School Casino Nite	1 State Qtrly Mtg - VA Beach

March 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3	4 7:30PM Officers' Meeting	5 Ash Wednesday	6	7	8 8AM Rosary to end abortion
9	10 7:15PM Bingo @ Ffx Nursing Ctr	11 7:30PM Rosary 8PM First Degree/Reg Mtg	12	13 8PM Second Degree	14	15 St. Pat's Party
16	17 St Patrick's Day	18 11AM Grey GOSTs Columbiettes' Soup Supper	19 7:30PM Fr Malloy Assy	20	21	22
23 Family Breakfast	24	25 7:30PM Rosary 8PM Business Meeting	26	27	28 Parish Soup Supper	29 Founder's Day

April 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	1 7:30PM Officers' Meeting	2	3	4	5 State Bowling Tourney
6 State Bowling Tourney	7	8 7:30 PM Rosary 8:00PM Business Meeting	9	10	11 1PM Food Transfer	12 6PM Night of Magic 8AM Rosary to end abortion 10AM Food Basket Delivery
13 Palm Sunday	14 7:15PM Bingo @ Ffx Nursing Ctr	15 11AM Grey GOSTs	16 7:30PM Fr Malloy Assy	17 Holy Thursday	18 Good Friday	19 Feed the Homeless RCIA Reception
20 EASTER!	21 7:00PM Columbiettes	22 7:30PM Rosary 8:00PM Regular Meeting	23	24	25	26

Officers, Directors, and Program Chairmen—2013-14

Officers

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Youth	Mike Tocci	469-877-3285

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Retention	Greg Skorupski	703-978-8280

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Frat. Benefits	Dennis Riley	703-450-6100
Providence Hall	Kitchen	703-385-8007

Project Chairmen

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2nd Deg. Team	Dave Todd, Sr	703-352-2724
Blood Drive	John Brophy	703-425-7169
Bowling Team	Dave Whitcomb	703-591-7739
Christmas Trees	Tim Tilson	703-273-9436
Car Raffle	Nelson Clinch	703-385-2146
Fall Festival	Tim Hogan	703-385-1292
Family Breakfast	Joe Monnin	703-266-9741
Food Drive	Al Leightley	703-273-2089
Fourth Deg.	Dave Todd, Jr	703-463-1499
Gray GOSTs	Larry Novack	703-978-6137
KCIC	Dave Todd, Sr.	703-352-2724
KOVAR	Dan Purtill	703-641-8948
Newsletter	John Eldred	703-631-6480
Parish Picnic	Tim Tilson	703-273-9436
Right-to-Life	Mike Plumstead	703-250-2367
Scout Troop	Roger Rosenberger	703-591-7750
Scrip	Larry Novack	703-978-6137
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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 Greg Skorupski at 703-978-8280 or email — gregskisr@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**

Financial Secretary's Note:

It is very important for members to keep their dues current. There are a number of benefits that arise to members whose membership is in good standing including an accidental death benefit for both the member and his family. Another is the benefit after accruing 25 years of consecutive membership. Members with 25 years who attain the age of 65 become Honorary Members and pay a reduced dues rate (\$10.00 for Fr. Diamond Council). Upon reaching 70 years of age with 25 years consecutive membership, the member becomes an Honorary Life member and all dues are waived.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JOHN BROSANAN for having completed 25 years of consecutive membership on December 13, and being over 65, became an Honorary Life member of the Knights of Columbus.

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