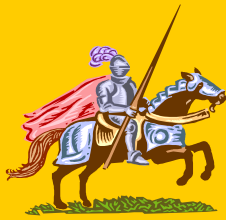


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COUNCIL #6292



The Lookout



2010-11 Fraternal Year, Issue 10

May 2011

Grand Knight's Message:



Vivat Jesus, Fraternal Families!

As we continue the Easter season through the month of May, I would like to thank those who helped in the month of April. With all that goes on around

Easter, it's impossible for me to thank all who helped in this space. Some notable efforts were provided by: Al Leightley, who helped organized Food Basket delivery for Easter, the Easter Bunny (Mike Purtill, PGK) and his crew for running the Easter Egg Hunts, Thelma and George Billy, plus all who helped feed the homeless in DC on Holy Saturday, and Jack Cotner with Greg Skorupski, who assisted with the RCIA reception.

In addition, I would like to thank March's Family of the Month for all of their efforts: the family of Kathleen and Patrick Leffas. In addition to Kathleen's help with the Night of Magic, activities with St. Leo's Mothers' Group, and part-time teaching at a local Catholic High School, Pat serves as the Council's Family Chairman and chaired the Night of Magic. Thank you for your efforts in the community!

March's Knight of the Month has been contributing his talents in often unseen ways for some time now. I would specifically like to thank him for all his insights and efforts that have gone into the Providence Hall renovations. For the last couple of months, his work has been visible in the vestibule of St. Leo's Church. The model of the renovated Providence Hall was assembled by our own John Weinheimer. Thank you, John, for your efforts in this project and for your contributions on the renovation planning as a whole.

The Hall renovations are being wrapped up and the building is being prepared for use. A final date for occupancy has not been established (as of Easter), but I look forward to the completion of a project that has seen the diocese, parish, council, and contractor work hard for final results!

May holds many more opportunities for our charitable and fraternal works. Among these, the KOVAR Campaign, Antique Car Show concessions, and Columbiette Bake Sale fundraisers support people with intellectual disabilities, the Knights' efforts, and the Columbiettes' charities, respectively.

The Pig Roast on May 29 is a fraternal event currently scheduled in the Our Lady of Guadalupe Room in the Olde Parish Hall. The winning tickets for the car raffle we have been selling tickets for will take place May 14. I encourage all Knights and their families to participate wherever possible. Please refer to the Calendar for upcoming events.

Hallelujah! Jesus is Risen!

Nelson Clinch
703-385-2146



Editor: This is an actual picture of our Grand Knight. The Bunny was cuter so he got "Top Billing" this month.

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Deputy Grand Knight's Report:



Brother Knights, April was a typical busy month for Father Diamond Council. The first event on April 6th was a Special First Degree Exemplification to help reactivate the George Mason University Council. A total of 23 candidates participated in the Exemplification with 21 from Mason and two from Father Diamond.

The monthly Bingo was held at the Fairfax Nursing Center on the 11th.

Our members assisted the St. Vincent DePaul Society prepare food baskets on the 15th and delivered 73 of them on the 16th. Our monthly Family Breakfast took place on Sunday the 17th and was a big success. The Easter Feed the Homeless luncheon was held on April 23rd under the direction of Mrs. George (Thelma) Billy with help from our members, their wives, children and grandchildren.



Easter Sunday brought about our Annual Easter Egg Hunt after the 9:00 and 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM Masses at St. Leo's Church. Despite threatening weather the event was a big success.

Our Fraternal Benefits Night was held on April 28th following the 7:30 PM Mass. The opening portion of the meeting was open to wives of members and as usual Fraternal Benefits Advisor Dennis Riley provided a complete picture of the various programs available to our members and their families.

The month ended with the Annual State Meeting at the Fairview Marriott Hotel from Friday April 29th through Sunday May 1st. District Deputy Steve Kehoe was in charge of the Registration Desk and was assisted by a number of Father Diamond Knights. We also assisted at the Hospitality Suite with several other Councils.

Vivat Jesus
Greg Skorupski
DGK

Newsletter Deadline

In order to ensure timely delivery of the newsletter, the deadline for submissions to The Lookout is the **15th** 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 or call him at 703-385-9455.**

**I asked my wife if old men wear boxers or briefs?
She said Depends.**

www.pncaregivers.com/Humor.htm

Chancellor's Message

At a special First Degree Exemplification held by our Council in the St. Leo gym on April 6th to reactivate the Council for **George Mason University** council, we inducted twenty one students for GMU plus two of our own, bringing our total of 15 new members to date. However, we recently lost Scott Sullivan who moved and transferred to Michigan. We wish him well and thank him for his help selling Christmas tress this past December.

Please congratulate and welcome our newest members - Mr. Frank Manja, Jr. and Mr. Paul Besson to our Council next time you see them! And, you can see their picture on the KC board in the church vestibule. Speaking of the board, I am trying to provide pictures of activities we as a council do. Any one with a good picture of an event where we as Knights are involved, please forward it to me at jvaberg@aol.com.

On May 12th, we will have another First Degree Exemplification. If you have a prospect, get him to sign up on a Form 100 as soon as possible as I need the name and form before May 8th. Thanks.

John R. Berg, Chancellor/Membership Chairman, Fr. Francis J. Diamond Council #6292. 703-219-2096, or jvaberg@aol.com

Columbiettes' Corner

Our April trip to Atlantic City's Tropicana Casino run by Flo Hogan was a success and enjoyed by all who participated.

The upcoming Memorial Day Weekend Bake Sale with Baking Day on Saturday beginning at 9AM until we have enough cakes, pies, cupcakes, cookies, brownies and other delectable bake goods to sell following weekend Masses. This year's sale will be coordinated again by Julie Clinch (clinch5va@yahoo.com) and Kathy Weich (kmweich@yahoo.com). If you wish any additional information, Julie or Kathy can be contacted at Email addresses listed. Additional hands will be most welcome.

The Craft Show date has been set for October 23. Additional registration information can be available by sending an Email to columbiettes6292@yahoo.com".

All wives of Knights are Columbiettes and are encouraged join us at our monthly meetings or at any of our other events.

Our Next meeting will be on May 17 with Election of Officers for the next year and finalizing details for the Bake Sale being the main focus of our agenda.

Meetings are held each month at 7:30 in the St. Mark Room of the Old Parish Hall pending the reopening of the renovated Providence Hall. If you would like more information or would like to be placed on the email distribution list, please contact Linda Baringhaus at 703-385-9455 or lindamb3510@yahoo.com.



Council News & Events

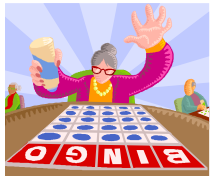
Rosary to End Abortion —

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!!

We will again meet at 8:00 A.M. on Saturday **May 14** to pray the rosary. 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.



Nursing Home Bingo— This is Fun!



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, May 9** at 6:45PM to run bingo for the residents. We should be finished by 8:15PM. What

a wonderful opportunity to give the most valuable gift— **your time and love.** Call **Greg Skorupski at (703) 978-8280** to volunteer.

K of C Hall—Remodeling Update

Father Whitestone has been keeping us updated on the progress on the Hall Renovation. Looks like they are almost finished. A couple of the air conditioner units arrived damaged and so needed to be reshipped. One unit is working. Kitchen equipment has arrived and should be completely installed by the end of the week. Bathrooms are finished. Hall partition is yet to be installed. Last week the contractor said they were well over 90 percent complete. The next couple



of weeks will see the phone connection taken care of and approval for the fire alarms. I Looks like we will be up and running within a couple of weeks.

KOVAR—May 19, 20, 21 and 22

This year's drive is from May 19th through 22nd. The Chairman for this year's drive is Mike Purtill. Please save some time that weekend to help in our collection effort.

Please call Mike at 202 251 8424 and sign up for your shift. **Wives and children are great collectors, so consider making it a family affair.**

John Judge's famous chili and pea soup are on the menu for all who help with collections and/or counting. (looks like we might be in the K of C Hall by then, too.

If you can't help, please consider making a tax deductible donation to help us achieve our goal. Make check's payable to KOVAR and send it to the Council or bring it to a meeting no later than May 20th.



Easter Food Basket Delivery

The Council assisted Saint Vincent DePaul on Saturday 16 April with distribution of Easter Food Baskets to 73 families living in the Fairfax area. The effort was coordinated by Al Leightley. He had excellent support from the following Knights: Dennis Riley, Herb Zimmerman, John Edred, Pat Kierchlin, John Cesearini, Kevin Crossin and family, Chris Duda, Charles Kraiger and daughter, Dan Fleming, Mike Mickney, Tom Gross, Ron DeSantis, Eric Vallone, Tim Tilson, Jack Cotner, and Pat Dunne. Special thanks to two

St Leo's Adventure Scouts who helped with loading and delivery, Anthony DeSantis and Joseph Sprowell. This completes the three Holiday Food Basket distribution effort for the Fraternal Year 2010-11.

Officer Nominations for 2011-12 Council Year

The Nominating Committee recommends the following slate of Officers for the 2011-2012 Fraternal Year:

Grand Knight – Greg Skorupski
Deputy Grand Knight – Daniel Purtill
Chancellor – (To Be Nominated)
Warden – Matthew West
Advocate – William Weich
Treasurer – Herbert Zimmerman
Recorder – Carlos Jaramillo
Inside Guard – John Cesarini
Outside Guard – Patrick Kierchlin
Outside Guard – Jeff Stevens
3-Yr Trustee – Nelson Clinch
2-Tr Trustee—Michael Purtill
1-Yr Trustee—Stephen Kehoe
GK Delegate – Greg Skorupski
Alt. GK Delegate – Daniel Purtill

PGK Delegate – Nelson Clinch

Alt. PGK Delegate – Michael Purtill

Financial Secretary: Appointed by Supreme

Chaplain: Appointed by Grand Knight

Lecturer: Appointed by Grand Knight

The election of Officers will take place at the Council Meeting on **May 26, 2011**. The above slate of Officers is only a recommendation. Nominations will be allowed from the floor during the election. To be eligible for an Officer position, candidates must be a 3rd Degree member in good standing.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Purtill, PGK - Chairman
 William Weich, PGK
 Dennis Makurat





Fr. Diamond Annual Pig Roast **Sunday 29 May** **5 PM - Providence Hall**

The Council will be celebrating its Annual Pig Roast for Knights and their guests on Sunday 30 May, 5 PM at Providence Hall.

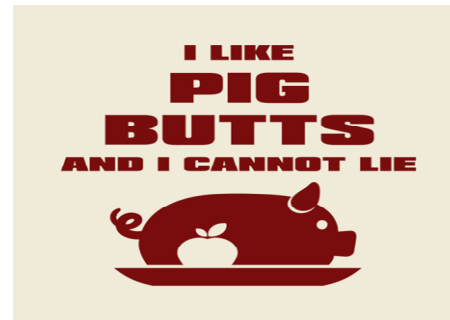
Serving: Cajun Style Roast Pig, Dirty Rice, Hot Dogs & Hamburgers will also be served.

Cost is \$10 per adult and \$5.00 per child under 12.
Maximum per family is \$30.

Bring the whole family for a great time!



If you can help: cook, set-up and/or clean up please contact Greg Hartley at 571-238-6273 pghartley@hotmail.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 for information. Available at the **Old Parish 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-Us, 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**



Knights and Knight Families Honored

Knight of the Month

February

John Weinheimer

Family of the Month

February

Kathleen and Patrick Leffas



Fr Diamond Council is Supporting Shepherd Center of Fairfax-Burke.

The Fairfax-Burke Shepherd Center provides driving services for seniors over 50 who can no longer drive and residing in the Fairfax-Burke community.

These services include:

- Transportation to medical appointments in the Northern Va. area.
- A new companion shopping program providing rides to local grocery stores and banks. Drivers for shopping are offered on Tuesday PM from 1-4 and on Friday AM from 9-12 only. In the months where there are 5 Tuesdays or 5 Fridays, no transportation will be provided on those days. Drivers will assist the clients in their shopping on request.

If you or senior members of your family need these services call the Shepherd Center Fairfax Burke office at 703-323-4788 to arrange for a ride to medical appointments or grocery shopping.

Additionally, the Shepherd Center is always looking for new volunteer drivers to support the above and other programs. Those Knights who would like to give this valuable service to our seniors please call Shepherd Center at the above number. For additional information on Shepherd Center, contact Brother Al Leightley (703-273-2089, leightley8@verizon.net).



Fraternal Benefits Advisor Message



Knights of Columbus
INSURANCE
Making a difference for life.

Don't wait, act today!

When your family is hungry, you see that this need is taken care of quickly. You don't put it off until tomorrow, you act immediately to the best of your ability. As a provider to your wife and children, your responsibilities are great and your time is spread thin. It is easy to forget important tasks or let them slip to the backburner for later.

Everything, including your health, can change in the blink of an eye. Don't put off today what can't wait until tomorrow. As your professional Knights of Columbus agent, I urge you to make securing life insurance for you and your family a top priority.

It is my fraternal obligation to make sure that every member has the opportunity to protect his family with the Order's top-rated insurance products. I'll work with you

to put a plan in place that will help your family when that help is what they needed the most.

Your Knights of Columbus insurance program is second to none. As the premier safety net for Catholic families for more than 126 years, our insurance program makes me proud. But I'm also concerned that too many of our brother Knights have not yet looked into the needs of their family. I suspect that, for many of them, life insurance has drifted to the backburner until tomorrow. Don't be one of them; move your insurance needs to the forefront today.

I'm at 703-450-6100 or Dennis.Riley@kofc.org. Call me. Let's talk.

Dennis Riley, FICF, CSA

Field Agent

Prev Month	May 2011						Next Month
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1 Car Raffle Sales Annual State Meeting - Fairfax	2	3	4	5 1930 Officers' Meeting	6	7 St. Leo's First Communion 1200 Salute to Seniors-GuadRm 1700 Corporate Communion mass	
8 Happy Mother's Day	9 1845 Bingo@Fairfax Nursing Ctr	10	11	12 1930 Rosary 2000 1st Degree and Business Meeting	13	14 0800 Rosary to end Abortion St. Leo's First Communion Food Drive Car Raffle Drawing	
15 Family Breakfast-Blue Team Food Drive	16	17 1930 Columbiettes -St. Mark Rm 1100 Gray Gosts	18	19 KOVAR	20 KOVAR	21 KOVAR Antique Car Show	
22 KOVAR	23	24	25	26 1930 Mass 2000 Business Meeting Election of 2011-2012 Officers	27	28 Columbette Bake Sale Food Drive	
29 1700 Pig Roast Food Drive Columbette Bake Sale	30 Memorial Day	31					

Prev Month	June 2011						Next Month
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
			1	2	3	4 Grand Knight's Ball ?	
5	6 St. Leo's Field Day	7 0900 St. Leo's Awards Assembly 1930 Officers' Meeting	8	9	10	11 0800 Rosary to end Abortion Food Drive	
12 Food Drive	13 1845 Bingo@Fairfax Nursing Ctr	14 1930 Mass 2000 Business Meeting Flag Day	15	16	17	18 1000 Adopt-a-Spot 1830 Movies Under the Moon	
19 Family Breakfast-Gold Team 1830 Movies Under the Moon	20 1830 Movies Under the Moon	21 1930 Columbiettes 1100 Gray Gosts 1830 Movies Under the Moon	22 1830 Movies Under the Moon	23 1830 Movies Under the Moon	24	25 Food Drive	
26 Corpus Christi Procession Food Drive	27	28 1830 Rosary 1900 Steak Night	29	30			

Officers, Directors, and Program Chairmen—2010-11

Officers

Grand Knight	Nelson Clinch	703-385-2146
Chaplain	Fr. David Whitestone	703-273-5369
D Grand Knight	Greg Skorupski	703-978-8280
Chancellor	John Berg	703-219-2096
Treasurer	Herb Zimmerman	703-385-9455
Lecturer	Dennis Howley	703-591-7186
Financial Sec.	Al Botticelli	703-278-0379
Recorder	Bob Bilko	703-359-6824
Advocate	Tim Hogan	703-385-1292
Warden	Matt West	703-359-4652
Inside Guard	John Leonard	303-808-1245
Outside Guard	Joe Monnin	703-266-9741
Outside Guard	David Todd, Jr	703-352-2724
3yr Trustee	Mike Purtill	202-251-8424
2yr Trustee	Stephen Kehoe	703-591-6813
1yr Trustee	Bill Weich	703-307-9163

Program Directors

Programs	Greg Skorupski	703-978-8280
Church	Jack Cotner	703-323-5785
Community	Bob Bilko	703-359-6824
Council	Dave Todd, Jr	703-352-2724
Family	Pat Leffas	703-934-9716
Youth	Dan Flemming	703-591-3032

Committee Chairmen

Charity	Al Leightley	703-273-2089
Admissions	John Berg	703-219-2096
Retention	Mike Purtill	202-251-8424

Vocations	John Berg	703-219-2096
Budget & Fin.	Herb Zimmerman	703-385-9455
Hall Mgt	John Judge	703-385-3804
Frat. Benefits	Dennis Riley	703-450-6100
Insurance	TBD	

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
	Jac Cerny	703-255-9484
Ent'ment Books	Dave Todd, Sr	703-352-2724
Fall Festival	Tim Hogan	703-385-1292
Family Breakfast	Joe Monnin	703-266-9741
Food Drive	Al Leightley	703-273-2089
Fourth Deg.	Larry Novack	703-978-6137
Gray Ghosts	Larry Novack	703-978-6137
KCIC	Dave Todd, Sr	703-352-2724
KOVAR	Mike Purtill	202-251-8424
Newsletter	Herb Zimmerman	703-385-9455
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
Fraternal Prayer		
Contact	Jack Cotner	703-323-5785
Email Updates	Hank Urban	703 591 9244



A teacher was giving a lesson on the circulation of the blood. Trying to make the matter clearer, she said, "Now, class, if I stood on my head, the blood, as you know, would run into it, and I would turn red in the face." "Yes," the class said. "Then why is it that while I am standing upright in the ordinary position the blood doesn't run into my feet?" A little fellow shouted, "Cause your feet ain't empty."

Paraprosdokian Sentences—A "paraprosdokian" is a figure of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected in a way that causes the reader or listener to reframe or reinterpret the first part. It is frequently used for humorous or dramatic effect.

- Do not argue with an idiot. He will drag you down to his level and beat you with experience.
- Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
- If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
- Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
- A bus station is where a bus stops. A train station is where a train stops. My desk is a work station.

A retired military friend of mine sent me these. Some Military "quotes" that apply at all times:

- "We are not retreating, we are advancing in another direction."
- "If it's stupid but it works, it isn't stupid." - Naval Ops Manual
- "Having lost sight of our objectives we need to redouble our efforts. "
- "If you see a bomb technician running, try to keep up with him." - Infantry Journal-
- "Sometimes I think war is God's way of teaching us geography." - Paul Rodriguez

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Providence Hall is UNDER CONSTRUCTION!!
Meetings held in Old Parish Hall (Guadalupe Room)
2nd and 4th THURSDAYS

Check Calendar and Watch Bulletin for Information

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