

FATHER DIAMOND COUNCIL 6292



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THE LOOKOUT



2015-16 Fraternal Year, Issue 10

May 2016

Grand Knight's Message



Dear Brother Knights,

For years, as a Knight in the Father Diamond Council, I could not understand why some of our members were very much involved in the Virginia State Council and their activities. I know that we have had two revered members of our council serve at the State level as State Deputies (Don Kehoe and Tom Hogan) and Don Kehoe served many years as the Supreme Secretary. I never understood the reasons they, and other council members expended so much energy on Virginia State activities.

This past year, as your Grand Knight, I have had the experience of attending 5 State meetings including this past weekend at our Annual Convention held in Herndon. I think I understand a little more why so many of our past Council Leaders were so involved at the District and State levels. What I have witnessed at these meetings is amazing. The State has 145 councils and 30 Districts. We are only 1 of the 145 councils in Virginia performing amazing works of Charity throughout the State. In last month's GK Message, I expounded on everything that our council has done. Imagine that much energy and commitment to our faith and helping our fellow man multiplied by 14,500% !!! The power and energy of a united team of outstanding KofC Councils in the State of Virginia has an unlimited capability to spread the Catholic Faith and provide assistance to our communities through Charity, Unity and Fraternalism.

This weekend I heard about many outstanding councils of brother Knights who have many diverse programs of charity and fraternity helping their communities. The ways we can serve are limitless and every story is inspiring. We are extremely proud of our candidates for Outstanding Young Man and Outstanding Young Woman, our Knight of the Year, and our Family of the Year nominees, all of whom were recognized as Finalists in this year's judging.

You are reading an award winning newsletter right

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The Chancellor's Chronicle

Brothers,

Father Diamond Council "Bienvenido (Welcome)"
Primero Punto Caballero (First Degree Knight)

Arnaldo Morello!

Father Diamond Council Congratulations To:

Brothers **Doug Bricker** and **Lars Gustavson** who were recognized as First Degree Knights here, at St. Leo's, Father Diamond Council on Tuesday, 12 April!

Brother Knights, Father Diamond Council needs you as we savor the spring of our Fraternal Year - Form 100s for new members welcome!

May "Degrees of Interest"

Proximate Exemplifications

First Degree:

Wednesday, 11 May, 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM
Council 10723, Falls Church

Wednesday, 11 May, 8:00 PM to 9:30 PM
Council 6153, St. Bernadette School, Springfield

Tuesday, 17 May, 7:15 PM to 8:45 PM
Father Cilinski Council 10947, Clifton

Wednesday, 18 May, 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM
Council 7369 Father Nudd Council, Chantilly

Thursday, 19 May, 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM
Council 12579, St. Veronica, Chantilly

Tuesday, 31 May, 8:00 PM to 9:30 PM
Council 11922, Holy Spirit, Annandale

Second Degree:

Wednesday, 18 May, 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM
Council 12791, Our Lady of Hope, Potomac Falls

Again, thank you all for your continued support of Council 6292 Recruitment!

Your friend in Christ,

Joe Gesker

Chancellor, Father Diamond Council, 6292

Grand Knight's Report

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now. Our Lookout received First Place in Large Council News-letter judging – congratulations to Joe Paratore (newsletter editor) and all those who have contributed to the Lookout's content.

I was privileged to accept the State Deputy's Award given to the Father Diamond Council. This is YOUR award, you did all the work that went into earning this award! I was excited to accept, as the Grand Knight, the certificate representing a Father Bader Scholarship awarded to Jordan Kehoe, daughter of Wendy and Steve Kehoe. Jordan and the whole Kehoe family are ideal examples of the families that make up this council. I'm sure, that part of her application included all the things that she has helped with here in our Council along with her family.

We were extremely proud when our own Steve Kehoe was elected as the State Secretary for 2016-2017. Steve was also applauded by the State Audit committee for the outstanding work he did this past year as State Treasurer.

Every time our Council #6292 was mentioned or District 16 (our own Bill Weich is the District Deputy) was recognized, I could not help but feel the joy of being associated with such an outstanding group of men. Don Kehoe (Finance Chairman), Dave Todd, Sr. (Diocesan Vocations Chairman), Tom Hogan (Audit Committee), and Dave Todd, Jr (Memorial Mass Coordinator) were all recognized for their contributions to the State's Annual convention.

We were reminded several times at the State meeting that we still have 60 days left in this Fraternal Year. We want to finish strong and we want to continue to deliver the KofC love and charity to our community. I encourage all of you to continue being proud and dedicated members of the greatest Catholic Men's Organization in the world, the Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus

Herb Zimmerman

Grand Knight

Antique Car Show Concessions Sales

On Saturday, May 21st from 8am until 5pm, the Father Diamond Council will once again be selling concessions at the Antique Car Show outside Fairfax's City Hall on Armstrong Street.

The event takes place from 10am to 3pm, but help is needed for both set-up and clean-up.

Help Is Needed

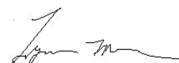
Please contact Nelson Clinch by e-mail at clinch5va@yahoo.com OR by either calling or texting 703-209-8505.

Ladies of Father Diamond Council

OUR MEETING NIGHT HAS CHANGED!

We now meet on the third Tuesday of each month. Please join us for our next meeting on Tuesday, May, 16th at 7pm.

God Bless,



Lynne Morrison, President

Officers Nominated for Elections On May 24

The Nominating Committee comprised of PSD Donald Kehoe, PGK George Billy, PGK Timothy Tilson, and PGK David Todd, Jr. recommends the following slate of officers for Fr. Diamond Council for the 2016-2017 fraternal year:

Grand Knight: Robert Keith Morrison

Deputy Grand Knight: Joseph M. Gesker

Chancellor: Daniel J. O'Malley

Warden: John F. Eldred

Advocate: Joseph A. Burg

Recorder: James T. Hogan

Treasurer: Thomas J. Gross

Inside Guard: Charles A. Kraiger

Outside Guard: Gilbert J. Flodine

Outside Guard: Alphonso Munevar

Three Year Trustee: Herbert F. Zimmerman

Grand Knight Delegate: Robert Keith Morrison

Alternate Grand Knight Delegate: Joseph M. Gesker

Past Grand Knight Delegate: Herbert F. Zimmerman

Alternate Past Grand Knight Delegate: Patrick A. McGuire

On behalf of the Committee, I hereby place this Slate of Officers in Nomination.

Finally, if anyone seeks nomination or intends to nominate someone from the floor during the election of officers on May 24, 2016, I request that they discuss this with a member of the Nominating Committee prior to May 17. This will allow us to assist them in making the nomination in the correct fashion, and further allow us to notify the necessary parties to ensure that they are properly prepared for the balloting process.

Respectfully submitted,

George H. Billy, Chairman, Fr. Diamond Nominating Committee



May Birthday Wishes

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

Robert Silva	5/01	John Markus	5/11
Anthony Rizzuto	5/02	John Rust	5/12
Mark La Croix	5/02	Michael Metzger	5/12
Roger Rosenberger	5/02	Bryan Ericksen	5/16
Gerard Tumelty	5/03	Patrick Leffas	5/17
Alvaro Ugaz	5/05	John Muller	5/21
Anthony Simon	5/05	Jeremy Gandy	5/22
John Curtin	5/05	Victor Kuchar	5/22
Dale Allen	5/06	Jerry Kidwell	5/24
Dennis Lamb	5/06	Gerald Kelso	5/25
Juan Velasquez	5/07	Benjamin Gomez	5/26
Joseph Janiak	5/08	Howard Pierce	5/26
Michael Reisz	5/09	Wenceslao Cerezo	5/28
William Schouviller	5/09	Joseph Lukas	5/29
Douglas Hazelgrove	5/11	Joseph Monnin	5/29
Gilbert Flodine	5/11		

**Regular Meetings Held Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the Month.
Rosary at 7:30pm; Meeting Starts at 8:00pm.**

KOVAR Goal Is Within Reach

A big thank you goes out to all of the Brother Knight's who participated in the KOVAR collection the week of April 21st to the 24th. This year's KOVAR Campaign, under the able management of PGK Pat McGuire, has a total collection, to-date of \$17,100 (including donations by Knights through CFC, etc.). This year's goal is \$17,400. We are only \$300 away and have until the end of June to achieve that goal. If you were unable to volunteer for a shift to collect for KOVAR or were otherwise unable to contribute to KOVAR, this is your chance to help. Personal donations to KOVAR can be mailed to our Financial Secretary at:

David Todd, Sr., Financial Secretary - Father Diamond Council #6292, 3137 Plantation Pkwy, Fairfax, Virginia 22030

Please make checks payable to KofC. Put "KOVAR" in the memo line. Remember, donations to KOVAR are tax deductible.

Special thanks goes out to PGK Pat McGuire for an excellent job, and to Tim Tilson, Nelson Clinch and Gib Flodine who gave Pat much support during the collection period.



Jack Cotner, KOVAR Chairman PGK Pat McGuire and our Financial Secretary Dave Todd, Sr.

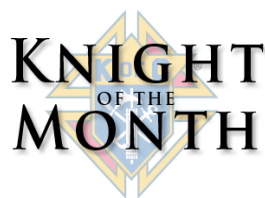


Bill Weich and Nelson Clinch enjoy collecting on a beautiful day.



Charlie Kraiger with our KOVAR Chairman PGK Pat McGuire.

April 2016 Knight of the Month



This brother Knight has been selected as Knight of the Month once before during my fraternal year, but he continues to shine and exemplify what being a Knight of Columbus is. This brother knight continues to be everywhere that the Knights are needed.

He has sold tickets for the Comedy Knight, he serves as a committee chairman for refreshments for that event, he has been active at all meetings this month, he was a volunteer bartender for our sup-

port of the Crimson and Gold event at Blenheim supporting St Leo the Great School. He worked all four days of the KOVAR Campaign helping count money and covering shifts collecting at the stores. He has been the "Energizer Bunny" for this council during the Month of April. When I am down or tired, he is there with his special smile. He was at the Virginia State Annual meeting participating in the meetings and volunteering to work the Northern Virginia Hospitality room. I am proud to award Knight of the Month, once again, to a Knight who has been with the council less than a year, **Gib Flodine**.

April 2016 Family of the Month

"It was a cold and rainy day..." and still this brother Knight organized his son and a bunch of his son's friends (who were in need of community service hours) and a couple Knights to clean up Old Lee Highway for our Adopt-A-Spot program. Our Family of the month once again has been very involved with the Council during the month of April. He and his wife worked bingo at Fairfax nursing home, assisted in ticket sales for the Comedy Knight, and worked really hard on our KOVAR Campaign. For KOVAR, this brother was at the hall nearly all the time assisting our KOVAR

Chairman every way he could and he even went out on 4 shifts to collect in front of the stores. His wife cooked 6 huge pans of apple crisp for our successful Spanish Community brunch. Both participated in the Virginia State Annual Convention held in Herndon. We are blessed to have **Nelson, Julie** and **Greg Clinch** as members of our Knight Family and are proud to choose them as Family of the Month for April, 2016.



Request for Sponsors - Odyssey of the Mind

There is a journey to success that each inventor, creator, and an innovator embarks upon in their lifetime. This journey shapes their ideas, influences their character and inspires their dreams. Today I am writing to you as a mentor for a group of 11 -12 year old students who are on such a journey. In fact, you just might call it their odyssey.

Since September, this group has been competing in Odyssey of the Mind for their school, St. Leo the Great Catholic School, Fairfax, Virginia. Odyssey of the Mind is an international educational program that provides creative problem-solving opportunities for students from kindergarten through college. Coached through the Socratic Method, the team members apply their creativity to solve problems that range from building mechanical devices to presenting their own interpretation of literary classics. Thousands of teams throughout the U.S. and from 25 other countries participate. Each State and Country sends their top teams for each problem and division to the World Finals.

This year, the team will be going to the **World Finals on May 24-29, at Iowa State University, in Ames, Iowa** as the Virginia State Champions in the vehicle problem, "No Cycle, Recycle". The youngest team in their division, this team took first at both the regional and state competitions. In addition, they placed 10th at last year's World Finals when competing in at the international level against 75 teams.

This remarkable experience of 800 teams and for the US and 25 countries is a culmination of 7 months of hard work. It is also very expensive. The teams have 5 weeks to raise money to crate and ship their props, airfare, and room and board which totals \$2000 per student.

I am asking that you consider sponsoring this team on the journey. Sponsors contributing \$500 + will be prominently displayed on t-shirts and mailings from the team. Donations, of any amount can be made online at <http://gofund.me/StLeoOMTeam>. If you prefer to make a tax deductible donation by check, please make it payable to: St Leo the Great School, 3704 Old Lee Hwy, Fairfax, VA 22030. Important:

Please put **OM TEAM** on the memo line.

Thank you for your consideration - Coaches Heidi Travis and Carol Ann Ogletree



Salute to Seniors Appreciation Lunch , Sunday, May 22nd

All Senior Citizens are invited to this free event, Salute to Seniors Appreciation Lunch on Sunday, May 22nd at 12:30 in the afternoon. It will be held in the council hall which will include lunch and bingo (with prizes)! Additional bingo cards will be available for a small donation.

Please email Nelson Clinch with any questions clinch5va@yahoo.com or call 703-209-8505.





knights of columbia - Fr. Francis J. Diamond COUNCIL 6292

PRESENTS

Comedy Knight

Saturday, May 7, 2016 at St. Leo's Parish Gym

Doors Open at 6:00pm; Show 7:30 - 9:30 pm

Only \$25 per Person and Includes:

Social Hour with Beer, Wine, Soft Drinks, Snacks, Music, Coffee,
Deserts, Door Prizes, Silent Auction Items and 50/50 Raffle

Contact John Berg for tickets: (703) 219-2096 or jvaberg@aol.com

Bengt Washburn

- Entertaining audiences in 50 states, 7 countries and 4 continents for over 19 years
- Winner of the San Francisco International Comedy Competition
- Performed on Comedy Central, The Late Late Show with Craig Ferguson and most recently on Conan on TBS.
- Comedy is broadcast on NPR, PRI, The Bob & Tom Show, KQRS Morning Show and every day on XM Sirius Radio.

Joey Vincent

- Fresh & Original
- A fast-paced blend of musical impressions, stand-up comedy, singing, dancing and trumpet virtuosity.
- Entertaining audiences throughout the US, Canada and Europe for over 30 years.
- Appearances at Carnegie Hall, Philadelphia Academy of Music and Toronto Symphony Hall, and America's Got Talent.

You'd Better Hurry Because...

Comedy Knight is Here!

Saturday May 7, 2016

Still time to get your tickets. If you still need tickets, contact John Berg [\(703-219-2096\)](tel:703-219-2096) jvaberg@aol.com or Greg Hartley [\(571\)-238-6273](tel:571-238-6273) pghartley@hotmail.com

Come out and enjoy a fun evening!

3rd Annual
Take a bite out of Breast Cancer!
Fundraiser Dinner

Join Chef Kevin (and his friends from the USPCA) for a night
of INCREDIBLE Food / Wine



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



Saturday, May 21, 6 - 9 pm
Providence Hall (behind St. Leo's)
3702 Old Lee Highway
Fairfax City, VA 22030

Tickets \$50 —
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 only
\$40 until May 18

Get In The Picture

On Sunday, May 1st, Father Diamond Council hosted a brunch for the St. Leo the Great Hispanic community. A very big thank you to Thelma & George Billy for preparing & cooking most of the fabulous dishes for over 200 people!



Knights assisted at the fundraiser for St. Leo the Great School. Our Brothers set up tables & chairs, hauled ice, stocked coolers, collected trash and bartended. PGK Pat McGuire wisely used the KOVAR Collection Can as a tip jar and we received \$250.00 in KOVAR donations!



Charlie Kraiger, Gib Flofine, PGK and Head Bartender Patrick McGuire, and Mark Walters

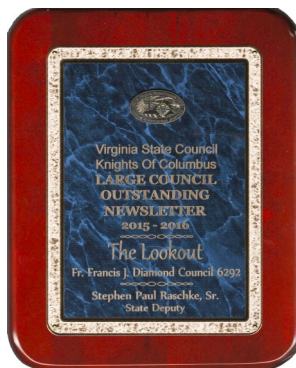
The Annual State Meeting held in Herndon April 29th through May 1st proved to be a fun and productive time for the approximately 20 Brother Knights from our council that attended. Both our council and our district were recognized multiple times throughout the weekend.



Our District Deputy, Bill Weich (far right) had 3 of his councils in District 16 win the State Deputy's Award.



Wendy and Stephen Kehoe (VA State Treasurer; VA State Secretary-Elect)



The plaque presented to our GK, Herb Zimmerman, for Outstanding Newsletter, Large Council 2015-16



Kathy and Bill Weich (District Deputy, District 16)

May 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Annual State Meeting - Herndon Spanish Community Brunch	2	3 Officers Mtg 7:30pm @ Hall	4	5	6	7 Comedy Knight 6pm
8	9 Bingo - FFx Nursing Home 7:15pm	10 7:30 PM Rosary 8:00PM Meeting @ hall	11	12	13 Fraternalism Night 7:00pm	14 Rosary to End Abortion 8:00 am
15 Family Breakfast after 7:30 & 9:00 Masses @ Hall	16	17 7:00PM Ladies of #6292 Mtg 11:00AM- Gray Gost Luncheon	18 7:30 Fr Malloy Assembly Mtg Election of Officers	19	20	21 Antique Car Show
22 Salute to Seniors 12:30 pm	23	24 7:30 PM Rosary 8:00PM Meeting @ hall Election of Officers	25	26	27	28
29 Family Picnic @ Hall	30 Memorial Day	31	1	2	3	4

June 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 Family Picnic @ Hall	30 Memorial Day	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7 7:30-Officers Mtg @ Hall	8	9	10	11 Rosary to End Abortion 8:00 am
12 Family Breakfast after 7:30 & 9:00 Masses @ Hall	13 Bingo - FFx Nursing Home 7:15pm	14 7:00 Rosary 8:00 Meeting 1st Degree	15 7:30 Fr Malloy Assembly Mtg	16	17	18 Grand Knight's Dinner
19	20	21 7:00PM Ladies of #6292 Mtg 11:00AM- Gray Gost Luncheon	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 6:30 Rosary 7:00 Steak Night 8:30 Brief Mtg	29	30	1	2

Officers, Directors, and Program Chairmen—2015-16

Officers

Grand Knight	Herb Zimmerman	703-385-9455
Chaplain	Deacon Marques Silva	
D Grand Knight	Keith Morrison	703-304-8540
Chancellor	Joe Gesker	703-435-4811
Financial Sec.	David Todd, Sr.	703-352-2724
Treasurer	Tom Gross	703-273-0631
Recorder	Joseph Burg	484-883-9537
Lecturer	Ed Cuccias	703-408-0180
Advocate	Greg Savitske	703-385-8007
Warden	Dan O'Malley	703-385-2010
Inside Guard	Nate Rasmussen	703-385-2991
Outside Guard	Charlie Kraiger	703-667-0241
Outside Guard	James Hogan	703-385-1292
3yr Trustee	Pat McGuire	703-218-2986
2yr Trustee	Matt West	703-359-4652
1yr Trustee	Dan Purtill	703-641-8948

Program Directors

Programs	Keith Morrison	703-304-8540
Church	Mike Purtill	202-251-8424
Community	Nelson Clinch	703-385-2146
Council	John Eldred	703-932-1322
Family	Pat Leffas	703-436-2717
Youth	James Hogan	703-385-1292

Committee Chairmen

Charity	Mark Walther	703-766-5054
Admissions	Joe Gesker	703-435-4811
Retention	Dan Purtill	703-641-8948
Culture of Life	Mike Plumstead	703-250-2367
Vocations	Jack Cotner	703-323-5785

Budget & Fin.	Keith Morrison	703-304-8540
Hall Manager	TBD	703-385-9455
Frat. Benefits	Leo Durán	703-622-2068
Ins. Promotion	Ed Cuccias	703-408-0180
Providence Hall	Kitchen	703-385-8007

Project Chairmen

1st Deg. Team	Dennis Makurat	703-383-0233
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	Matt West	703-359-4652
Comedy Knight	Greg Hartley	703-352-2797
Email Updates	Nelson Clinch	703-385-2146
Fall Festival	Tim Hogan	703-385-1292
Family Breakfast	Joe Monnin	703-266-9741
	Tim Tilson	703-273-9436
	TBD	TBD
Food Drive	Dave Todd, Jr	703-463-1499
Fourth Deg.	Jack Cotner	703-323-5785
Fraternal Prayer	Larry Novack	703-978-6137
Gray GOSTs	James Hogan	703-385-1292
KCIC	Pat McGuire	703-218-2986
KOVAR	Joe Paratore	703-283-4515
Newsletter	Pat Leffas	703-436-2717
Night of Magic	Tim Tilson + deputy	703-273-9436
Parish Picnic	Mike Plumstead	703-250-2367
Right-to-Life	Roger Rosenberger	703-591-7750
Scout Troop	Larry Novak	703-978-6137
Scrip Sales	Dan & Mike Purtill	703-641-8948
St. Patrick's Party		



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Thought for the Day:

“The world tells us to seek
 success, power and money.
 God tells us to seek
 humility, service and love.”

Pope Francis



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 Larry Novak at 703-978-6137 or email ZLRN01@AOL.COM for information. Available at Providence Hall every weekday at 3:00 PM or at meetings.

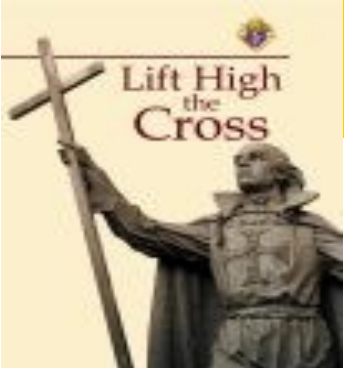
How does it work? Father Diamond council buys food gift cards at a discount (5% for Giant and Shoppers Food Warehouse and Safeway). We sell them to anyone at face value. If you, your family, friends or neighbors shop at any of these stores you can help the Council raise money for our scholarship funds.

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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