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Grand Knight's Message



Dear Brother Knights and Families, "Hello. Hello, again, my dear friends!"

"Hail, holy queen, mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope!"

We especially dedicate our reverence, our thoughts and our prayers

to our Blessed Mother during the month of May. St. Leo the Great Catholic Church and Father Diamond Council Knights profoundly embellished this sentiment by their establishment in 2004 of the "Our Lady of Providence" Memorial immediately in the front of St. Leo the Great Catholic Church. The inscription for this beautiful tribute reads: "dedicated in memory of the unborn and to provide for the sanctity of life in all its stages." And, "I came that they may have life, and have it more abundantly." Often, while we pray the monthly Holy Rosary to end Abortion, my attention is drawn to the simple, poignant inscriptions on the bricks that lie at Our Lady's feet: "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you," "Holy Mother of God protect the unborn," "Pray for God's little ones," "God bless the unborn," "Life is precious," and "Save the unborn." What an inspiring collage in respect for the "Culture of Life!" Actually, one of the most appropri-



ate and fondest comments that I will remember was by Brother Knight, **Tom Kelly**, who, on his way to Mass one morning paused in front of the memorial, then cheerfully exclaimed, "I have to say 'hello' to Mom, first."

Father Diamond Council held true, by its many April activities, to respecting the sanctity of all phases of life. **Nelson Clinch** led Bingo at Fairfax Nursing Home. We joined together at Our Lady of Providence

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Chancellor's Corner

Brother Knights,

On March 27, 2018 we held a Formation Celebration in Providence Hall where our brothers Todd Bandolato, David Briggs, Francisco Klein, Brandon Salmeri, Zachary Foreman, Jason Johnsrud and Cualberto Garcia Jones moved up in our council. Congratulation to all.

That evening we welcomed a new transfer to our council, **Edward W. Geiger.**

On April 8, 2018 we had a video Admission Celebration in Providence Hall. During this event brother **Rodolfo Herrara** joined our council.

On April 24, 2018 we had an Admission Celebration in Providence Hall. Of the ten candidates for the evening, seven became members of our council. Welcome Russell Scott, Shae McMillan, Cyrus McMillan, Phil Jackson, Ken Miller, Franklin Hernandez and Ramon Matias.

Want to save some money? We have several brothers of Council 6292 very close to having their \$40.00 dues paid for the year. The first ten brothers who submit Form 100s for two candidates and the candidates participate in an Admission Celebration will receive their dues paid for a year.

Yours In Christ,

Gib Flodine, Chancellor, Fr Diamond Council 6292



May is Disability Insurance Awareness Month. Disability Insurance is insurance for your income in the event that you become disabled and lose your income. When you purchase disability insurance, you are insuring yourself – your skills, your experience and your ability to work. Contact me Leo Duran your local Knights of Columbus Insurance Agent today to discuss how to plan for the *unpredictable*.

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Memorial to pray the Holy Rosary to End Abortion. **Keith Morrison** and **Herb Zimmerman** planned, organized and
mentored a very productive **KOVAR** campaign to aid children with intellectual disabilities. **Tim Tilson** and **crew**, as
usual, graciously provided a superb Family Breakfast. **Nelson Clinch**, once again, stepped up to organize support
for Fairfax History Day at Blenheim. And, on almost the very
last day, **Pat Leffas**, as he usually does this time of year
treated us all to a very entertaining Night of Magic! **Dave Whitcomb**, as only Dave can by his warm and welcoming
manner, brought another Knights of Columbus Bowling Season to a joyful end.



May's schedule, too, portends more opportunities for Father Diamond Knights to excel: Knights of Columbus Virginia State Convention, 4 thru 6 May; Ascension Thursday, 10 May; Fairfax An-

tique Car Show, 19 May; Family Breakfast, 20 May; Comedy Night, 26 May; and, of course, Memorial Day, 28 May.

Reflecting on Memorial Day, two significant June dates come to mind: 4 June 1942, and 6 June 1944. Both dates



may be argued, from a United States point of view, as World War II turning points in their respective theaters that led to ultimate victory over Fascist powers. First, the Battle of Midway, 4 June 1942 in the Pacific, Admiral Raymond Spruance (pictured above left) the "Quiet Warrior," intercepted Japanese task forces on their way to

capture Midway. Ray Spruance, according to historian Thomas Alexander Hughes, ". . . . emerged after the war as a

nearly mystical figure in the hierarchy of naval heroes." Second, **D-Day, 6 June 1944, General Dwight D. Eisenhower** com-



mands the Allied invasion of **Europe. Ike**, pictured above, addresses U.S. Army paratroopers just before the invasion begins. In his address to the **Allied Expeditionary Force he exclaimed:** "I have full confidence in your courage, devotion to duty and skill in battle. We will accept nothing less than full Victory! Good luck! And let us all beseech the blessing of Almighty God upon this great and noble undertaking!"

"The works of God are all of them good; in its own time every need is supplied." *Sirach*, 39, 16-17.

"And, until we meet, again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand."

Vivat Jesus; Orare et Labore

Joe Gesker

Grand Knight, Father Diamond Council 6292



Fourth Degree Corner

The next Exemplification of the Patriotic Degree for the Virginia District will be conducted on Saturday, October 27th, at the Dulles Regency Hyatt. This is a great opportunity to receive the fullness of Knighthood in our Order without having to travel to the far reaches of the Commonwealth. Candidates merely have to be 3rd Degree Knights prior to October 27th. Attire for Candidates is dark suit (black, blue, or dark gray), white button down shirt, and conservative/traditional tie. Anyone interested in taking the 4th Degree should contact SK David J. Todd, Jr., PFN, at djtoddjr@gmail.com, SK Matthew T. West, at ask-mekofc@yahoo.com, or SK William W. Weich, PFN, at wwweich@yahoo.com.

Scholarships Awarded

The Scholarship board has meet and awarded scholarships as follows:

Father Diamond (\$500) Gabriella Henson-Vendrell

Lance Corporal

Nicholas C. Kirven (\$250) Dominic Navarro

PGK Gerald R. Broyles

Memorial Scholarship (\$250) Kevin P. Carchia

All are St. Leo's students.

Report of Nominating Committee for 2018-19 Slate of Officers

April 24, 2018

Committee Members:

Keith Morrison Patrick McGuire

Donald Kehoe Herb Zimmerman

Slate of Nominees:

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Grand Knight	Daniel J O'Malley		
Deputy Grand Knight	Gilbert "Gib" J Flodine		
Chancellor	Mark Walther		
Warden	Patrick A McGuire		
Treasurer	Thomas J Gross		
Advocate	Patrick J. Murray		
Recorder	Kevin A Kleponis		
Inside Guard	Charles A Kraiger		
Outside Guards	John A Johnson		
	Nathan "Nate" T Rasmussen		
Three Year Trustee	Joseph M Gesker		
Grand Knight Delegate	Daniel J O'Malley		
Past Grand Knight Delegate	Joseph M Gesker		
Alternate Grand Knight Delegate	Gilbert "Gib" J Flodine		
Alternate Past Grand Knight Deleg	ate Robert "Keith" Morrison		

May Birthday Wishes

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

Robert Silva	I	Gilbert Flodine	11
Mark La Croix	2	Gualberto Garcia Jone	s I I
Anthony Rizzuto	2	Douglas Hazelgrove	11
Roger Rosenberger	2	John Markus	11
Gerard Tumelty	3	Michael Metzger	12
John Curtin	5	John Rust	12
Anthony Simon	5	Edward Geiger	15
Alvaro Ugaz	5	Patrick Leffas	17
Dale Allen	6	Zachary Foreman	22
Dennis Lamb	6	Jeremy Gandy	22
Juan Velasquez	7	Victor Kuchar	22
Joseph Janiak	8	Gerald Kelso	25
Todd Badolato	9	Benjamin Gomez	26
Michael Dolan	9	Howard Pierce	26
Rogelino Lucero	9	Wenceslao Cerezo	28
Michael Reisz	9	Joseph Lukas	29
William Schouviller	9	Joseph Monnin	29

KOVAR a Huge Success

Thanks to the planning and organization of our KOVAR Chairman, **Keith Morrison**, and the hard work of 70+ Brother Knights, their wives and their families who collected at the stores, and 28 individuals who contributed by check, online donation, CFC, at-work charities, and even a car donation we raised ~\$20,000 this year. This is a full Council effort and we should all be very proud of our contributions of money and time to help God's "special children", those who are Intellectually Disabled and in need of our help. Below is a list of all those who volunteered time collecting at the stores and supporting at the hall. Out of respect for privacy the 28+ individuals who contributed financially are not listed here but their contributions added up to nearly \$7,000 of the total.

KOVAR Volunteers

David Bacungan Paul Balzerak Linda Baringhaus John Berg	Jim Essig Doug Fehrer & family Gib Flodine David Frazier	Nilsen Herrera James Hogan Priscilla Hogan Tim Hogan	Freddy Martinez Kevin & Dillon McGrail Pat McGuire Greg & Alex Miller	Dan Purtill Nate Rasmussen Steve Rodgers George Rosenkranz
Tom Biershenk	Scott Gaboury	Tom Hogan	Ken Miller	Ben Schaefer
George Billy	Gualberto Garcia-	Tim Holleran	Leone Monticone	Tim Tilson
Joe Burg John Censarini	Jones & kids Joe Gesker	Dennis Howley Ed Janiszewski	Marvin Muhat Bill Mundy	David Todd Sr Eric Vallone
Julie Clinch	Stan & Joe Greer	Joe Kanyan	Alfonso Munevar	Mark Walther
Nelson Clinch	Tom Gross	Don Kehoe	Pat Murray	Bill Ward
Phil Colletti	Adam Grundle	Kevin Kleponis	Dan O'Malley	Kathy Weich
Jack Cotner	Greg & Hunter Hartley	Al Leightley	Howard & James Pierce	Sean Wilson
Pat Dunne	Alex Hawk	Anil Marakal	Mike Pipan & son	Mark Woznak
Bob Eckhert	David Hebert	Mark Marple	Mike & Li Plumstead	Herb Zimmerman

April 2018 Knight of the Month



"If we listen to the Holy Spirit, he teaches us this way of wisdom, he endows us with wisdom. . . ." Pope Francis, General Audience, April9, 2014.

Kevin Kleponis, in his quiet, dignified way, has exerted a profound influence on Father Diamond

Council and St. Leo the Great Catholic Church. He serves as a

Lector for Holy Mass. He is a loyal, industrious member of our "Family Breakfast Team", just savor his waffles. He is an incisive, active participant in all of our council's business meetings and exemplifications. In fact, of all our younger Brother Knights, he best follows the constant guidance of our worthy District 16 Deputy to "get involved with council activities. As Pope Francis asks of us, Kevin listens to the Holy Spirit. We are very proud to witness his truly gracious performance as a Knight and to recognize his deserved stature as our April "Knight of the Month."

April 2018 Family of the Month

"The question stirs in our hearts: What can we do so that our children, our kids, can give meaning to their lives?" Pope Francis, Address to the Roman Diocesan Conference on the Family, June 16, 2014.

Dan and Daliah O'Malley and their two beautiful daughters, Hannah and Abby, on Easter Sunday, 1 April, 2018, responded to Pope Francis's challenge. While Dan managed the Knights of Columbus traditional Easter post Mass Egg Hunt for St. Leo the Great parish, to the obvious delight of all the children the persona of the "Easter Bunny" was masterfully portrayed by Daliah, Hannah and Abby. Thus, the Good Lord truly blessed our parish through the love expressed by Dan, Daliah, Hannah and Abby in making our

celebration of Easter an authentic "family affair." Actually, such selfless acts of charity are not extraordinary for Dan and Daliah. Over the years, they have been especially active in support of St. Leo the



Great and Paul VI Catholic High School student programs. Dan, too, serves as the Deputy Grand Knight, Father Diamond Council. We are proud to honor Dan, Daliah and their children as our April "Family of the Month."



You are cordially invited to attend the 2017-18

Grand Knight's Ball

Sunday, June 9th

At The Army/Navy Country Club

Complimentary Wine and Beverages starting at 6:00PM (and all evening)

Buffet dinner - 6:45PM -

(Sliced Roast Beef with mushroom sauce, Chicken Picata, Rice Pilaf, Potatoes, Chef's choice of Fresh Steamed Vegetables, Fruit Salas, Green Salad, Rolls, Desserts including Rhubarb Pie)

Awards Program – 7:45
Post Program Entertainment – Following Awards



Tickets - \$50 per person

(includes Dinner, Wine, Beer and Entertainment)

Please RSVP to

Herb Zimmerman at (703) 623-6299 or herb2777@yahoo.com

Save the Date – May 26, 2018

COMEDY KNIGHT



St Leo's School Parish Activity Center Doors Open: 6:00 p.m. Comedy Show: 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Only \$25 per person and includes:

Social Hour with beer, wine, soft drinks, snacks, music, coffee and desserts



Lots of Door prizes
Silent Auction Items
50/50 Raffle
2 FANTASTIC COMEDIANS
← Robert Mac &
Jason Douglas →

+ Surprise Guest Comedian who is a Graduate of St Leo the Great School



Robert's comedy is smart, subtle, brainy, and a bit dead-pan!

Credits Include:

- Comedy Central's National stand-up Winner
- Laugh Riots.
- Just for Laughs Festival in Montreal
- Boston Comedy Festival
- Great American Comedy Festival
- Ranked in Top 100 comedians by Entertainment Business Journal
- NBC's Last Comic Standing
- Comedy Central's Premium Blend

Jason tells it the way it is, the way it was, & the way it should be!

Credits include:

- CBS 60 Minutes
- SiriusXM Radio
- Fox Radio
- · The Bob and Tom Radio Show.
- Opening for Dennis Miller, Ron White, Brad Garrett, Carrot Top, Michael Buble, Foreigner, The Doobie Brothers, Beach Boys, & more

Invite family and friends to join the hilarious fun. Adults only.

Reserve a table of 6-8 and get seated down front near the stage.

For Tickets: Contact John Berg (JVABERG@AOL.COM) 571-237-2079 (cell) or 703-219-2096 (home) - Make checks payable to Knights of Columbus

Online Tickets can be bought at: https://KofC6292.regfox.com/comedy-knight

Make your reservations NOW!

5th 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, June 16, 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 and their guests only \$40 until June 8

Get In The Picture



Top Row: GK Joe Gesker and DGK Dan O'Malley and other Knights and their family members pitch in to feed the homeless in D.C. on Easter Saturday, March 31st; **Second Row**: Gray Gosts celebrate John Berg's and Jack Cotner's birthdays on April 10th; PGK Keith Morrison, Chancellor Gib Flodine, Greg Hartley and son Hunter collect for KOVAR; Jack Cotner, Nelson Clinch and John Elred assist master craftsman and cabinetmaker John Cesarini in making new cabinets for the kitchen on April 27th;

Third and Fourth Rows: a good time had by all, including the pony, at the Fairfax History Day on Saturday, April 28th.

May 2018

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	7:30 Officers Meeting	2	3	State Annual Meeting	5 State Annual Meeting
6 State Annual Meeting	7	7:00 Rosary 7:30 Meal 8:00 meeting	9	10 Ascension	11	8 AM Rosary to End Abortion
13	7:15 Bingo@Fairfax Nursing Ctr	15 11 AM Gray GOST Luncheon 7:00 Ladies Meeting	7:30 Fr. Malloy 4th Degree Mtg	St. Leo Race For Education	18	19 Antique Car Show
Pamily Bkfst-After St. Leo's 7:30 & 9:00 masses	21	7:00 Rosary 7:30 Meal 8:00 Mtg-Election of Officers	23	24	25	26 6PM-9PM Comedy Knight
27 Ladies' Bake Sale after St. Leo 7:30,9:00&11:00 masses	Memorial Day	29	30	31	1 St. Leo's School Field Day	5:00 Corporate Communion 8-11:30 Shed Cleaning

June 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 Ladies' Bake Sale after St. Leo 7:30,9:00&11:00 masses	28 Memorial Day	29	30	31	St. Leo's School Field Day	5:00 Corporate Communion 8-11:30 Shed Cleaning
3 3 PM First Degree	St. Leo School Awards	7:30 Officers Meeting	6	7	8	8 AM Rosary to End Abortion 6:00 Grand Knight's Ball
10 Family Bkfst-After St. Leo's 7:30 and 9:00 masses	7:15 Bingo@Fairfax Nursing Ctr	7:30 Rosary 8:00 1st Degree & Mtg	13	14	15	16
17	18	19 11 AM Gray GOST Luncheon 7:00 Ladies Meeting	7:30 Fr. Malloy 4th Degree Mtg open meeting - STEAK NIGHT	21	22	23
24	25	6:30 Rosary 7:00 Steak Night	27	28	29	30

Officers, Directors, and Program Chairmen—2017-18

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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 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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