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1 GRAND KNIGHT MESSAGE

Brothers,

You are probably shocked to see this layout of the newsletter. As of this month, Joe Paratore Jr has stepped down, for personal reasons, being involved with the newsletter. We thank Joe for the 4.5 years he has organized the newsletter. As of February 2020, Herb Zimmerman will handle the newsletter. For a couple months, the newsletter will be in this similar format.

Thank you goes out to all those who volunteered to make our concession stand at the Fall Festival a success. Also I would like to thank all those who turned out to assist with the Recruitment Drive. We were certainly busy that weekend. It was nice to sit back, after that weekend, and relax at a wonderful wine & cheese event put on by the Ladies of Father Diamond. The month of November will be a busy month:

- collecting food baskets for the needy
- serving food to the homeless
- setting up for our Christmas Tree Sales,
- assembling the Creche
- preparing Spaghetti Dinner for after Creche Lighting

Step out and let your light sign. We are grateful for any assistance you can give to the organization or the church.

Churches are meant for praising God. But so are 2:00AM car rides, showers, coffee shops, the gym, conversation with friends, strangers, etc. Don't let a building confine your faith because we will never change the world by going to church. We should become the church.

Vivat Jesus

Gib Flodine

Grand Knight

2 DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT MESSAGE

November is here and there are plenty of activities this month that could use your help.

Sunday November 17th, we have Family Breakfast in Providence Hall after the 7:30 and 9:00AM masses. Helps is always needed to set-up, cook, serve and clean-up at the end of the at the end of the meals, please contact **Pat McGuire** (ffxmacman@gmail.com) if you are willing to help out. You don't have to stay the whole time. Whatever you can give it will be appreciated. Any students making their Confirmation can volunteer at this event to receive credit service hours. Table set-up usually begins around 6:00AM, clean-up commences around 10:30AM.

Thelma Billy can use help at her home (4773 Farndon Court, Fairfax, VA 22032) preparing food on Friday November 22nd. Please call Thelma is you are available to help (cell 703-887-8150 or home 703-323-6470).

Saturday November 23rd at 10:00AM, we will begin distributing the Thanksgiving Food Baskets. If you wish to contribute food baskets, monetary donations for gift cards, or be a driver to distribute baskets contact **Joe Burg** (J.Burg506@gmail.com).

All so that day, we will leave **George & Thelma Billy's** home at 11:15AM and travel to the Center of Creative Non-Violence (2nd and D Street NW) to serve food to the homeless. If you wish to assist, contact **George Billy** (geobilly@aol.com).

Friday November 29th, 9:30AM, we will begin the Christmas Tree Set-up outside the front entrance to the school. Bring your tools!

Saturday November 30th, 9:30AM the Christmas Trees will be delivered. Contact **Tim Tilson** (hmslydia@msn.com) if you can help on either of these days.

Later on November 30th at 6:00PM we have the Creche Lighting followed by our annual Spaghetti Dinner in the gym. Help is needed to set-up, serve and clean-up. Tables need to be set-up around 3:30PM. Clean-up occurs around 8:00PM. Contact **Pat McGuire** (ffxmacman@gmail.com) or **myself** (markwalther7@yahoo.com) if you can assist.

Hope to see you soon!

Your friend in Christ,

Mark Walther

Deputy Grand Knight

3 CHANCELLOR MESSAGE

I want to begin by saying thank you to all the brother Knights who assisted with recruitment over the Columbus Day weekend. Special thanks to our insurance rep Leo Duran for being there at all the Masses and to Freddy Martinez for speaking on the Council's behalf at the Spanish Mass. Our recruitment drive seems to have been relatively successful; we received five applications for membership and obtained the contact information for almost two dozen men at least interested in joining our Council.

I also want to say thank you to the brother Knights who came to the Columbus Day Nationals watch party, particularly Herb Zimmerman who helped in preparing snacks and food for the event. We have tentatively booked the Hall to watch Monday Night Football on November 4th, so please join us again and invite Catholic men you know who are not already Knights.

Our next Degree will be Thursday November 14th at 8:00 PM in Providence Hall. Please arrive early so we can begin on time.

Yours in Christ

Kevin Kleponis

4 KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

This Knight of the Month has shown years of dedication to this council. This person is always stepping forward help when necessary. The latest endeavor for **Tim Hogan** was organizing and handling the concession stand at the Fairfax Fall Festival. Planning any activity that involves purchasing food for the public can be stressful not knowing how many will be there. But Tim handled it well. Thank you Tim for what you do for the council, community and the church.

5 FAMILY OF THE MONTH

This past month we had the funeral for a beloved member of our council. Lynn and Keith Morrison did a great job at mass, preparing food, setting up the tables and cleaning up the hall afterwards. When it comes to floral arrangements, Lynn is right there volunteering to create beautiful arrangements for many of our special events. Lynn is currently active in the 2021 50th Anniversary committee. Keith is the head usher for the parish. Always making sure there is adequate coverage at all masses. Keith is also the Retention Chairman for our council this year. When they are not busy with parish activities, they are spending time with their beautiful granddaughter Violet. Thank you for your generous time sharing with the church and community.

6 2019 THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS PROJECT

Please contact Joe Burg at (484)883-9537 or J.Burg506@gmail.com if you would like to donate and shop for a food basket, donate cash (which will go towards the purchase of Food Gift Certificates to be included in the baskets), and/or help deliver the baskets the weekend before Thanksgiving. **Please bring food items in a box to Providence Hall on 11/21-11/22 from 6:00-8:30PM.** The following are suggested foods:

Broth (low sodium)	Jam or Preserves	Pancake Syrup	Spaghetti Sauce (2 jars)
Cake Mix/Frosting	Macaroni & Cheese (2)	Pie Crust Mix (1 box)	Spaghetti/Ravioli (2 cans)
Chile, Beef Stew, etc	Mashed Potatoes (Lg)	Baked Beans	Sugar
Cooking Oil	Milk (canned/powdered)	Pumpkin Pie Mix (1 can)	Stuffing Mix
Couscous (pearl)	Milk (condensed)	Rice (white/yellow/brown)	Tomatoes (2 cans)
Dry Cereal (2 boxes)	Noodles/Pasta	Salt and/or Pepper	Tuna/Sardines (2 or more)
Flour	Oatmeal (Hot Cereal)	Soup (6 incl condensed) Cream of mushroom/chicken	Turkey Gravy
Fruit (6 cans)	Pancake Mix (Bisquick)		Yams (1 can)

Another suggestion: Before shopping, contact Tom Gross (703-273-or tjgross40@gmail.com to purchase food gift cards for use at Giant, Safeway, or Shoppers Food. By buying food gift cards from the Knights, a portion of your purchase benefits our Council and St. Leo's School even as you are assisting the needy. You may also wish to consider picking up some food gift cards for yourself.

7 CHRISTMAS TREES SALES

Christmas tree season will soon be upon us. All new members of the council have been assigned to a Christmas tree team. If you have not been contacted by a team leader contact **Tim Tilson** at hmslydia@msn.com and he will tell you your team assignment. The teams work weeknights from 6:00-9:00pm and three-hour shifts on Saturday (9:00am – 9:00pm) and Sunday (9:00am-6:00pm). Team leaders have the schedule.

We will assemble the tree lot on Friday November 29th starting at 9:30AM. All are welcome to help, please bring tools. The lot is to the south side of the St. Leo's school. We have ordered 445 Frazer Firs and 15 Scotch Pines/Concolors. The trees arrive on Saturday November 30th at approximate 9:30am and will be unloaded immediately. The Boy Scout troops usually helps but it always good to have more men for this.

Sales start on Sunday December 1st at 9:00am and continue through December 22nd or until we sell out. This is our biggest fund raiser, because we raise around \$9,000. It is manpower intensive. We ask each Knight to participate as his family and work commitments allow.

8 FATHER DIAMOND COUNCIL KOVAR CAMPAIGN 2019-2020

Remember, KOVAR is a Virginia Knights of Columbus 501© (3) tax exempt charity established in 1971 to serve Virginians with Intellectual Disabilities (ID). Since 1971, KOVAR has distributed more than \$15,000,000 in grants and issued more than \$5,000,000 in interest free loans to assist with the purchase of group homes for Virginians with ID.

Contributions are welcome from individuals and corporations and may be made by:

Mail: payable to KOVAR (be sure to note **Father Diamond Council 6292**); Treasurer, 16933 Four Seasons Drive, Dumfries, VA 22025.

Credit Card: website www.kovarva.org; click **Donate Here** button; select **Donate by Credit Card**; again note **Father Diamond Council 6292**.

Workplace: #42569 Combined Federal Campaign; 8838 United Way Campaign in the DC Area; or 050735 Commonwealth of Virginia Campaign State Employees; again cite **Father Diamond Council 6292**.

Employer Matching Donations: Requests for verification should be sent to Treasurer, 16933 Four Seasons Drive, Dumfries, VA 22025.

Get Ready for Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve Collections!

For planning purposes, we are looking at April time frame for **Spring KOVAR Drive**.

9 SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Our Worthy State Deputy has challenged all councils to go the extra mile for Special Olympics.

You can make a contribution to Special Olympics Polar Plunge by using your credit card and our council will get credit. Click on this link www.bit.ly/kofc6292. Contributions can be anonymous. Follow the instructions on the screen.

Paying by check

Make check out to: "Special Olympics Va."

Memo field: Either name of individual donating to or "KofC6292"

Include a cover letter simply saying:

Dear SOVa,

Please credit the included check to [team name or individual registered plunger's name] Virginia Beach [or other plunge location] plunge efforts.

Thank you,

Mail to:

SOVa
c/o Polar Plunge
3212 Skipwith Road
Suite 100
Richmond, VA 23294

10 SPAGHETTI DINNER

Tired of turkey after Thanksgiving. Come to the Spaghetti Dinner Saturday November 30th at 6:30PM after the Creche Lighting. Dinner will be held in the Parish Activity Center. Cost \$10/person; \$25/family.

11 ADVENT/CHRISTMAS PARTY

This year's party will take place on Saturday December 7th in Providence Hall.

Appetizers- 6:00PM Cost: **\$15 per person**

Buffet Dinner – 7:00PM

Council provides: Main Dishes including Roast & Ham, Potatoes, Vegetables, Salad, Rolls & Butter and Beverages (beer, wine, soda, water).

Please bring an appetizer to share. **Do not** bring anything to be heated, warmed or otherwise prepared in the kitchen. Please advise how many and the names of those attending and what you will bring to share with others.

RSVP to **Mike Purtil** (mvpurtil@gmail.com) or **Gib Flodine** (gib1bkim@yahoo.com).

Please RSVP no later than Tuesday December 3rd.

12 KofC SPORT SHIRTS

KofC Sport Shirts On Sale Again!!

Many brother Knights have been asking about KofC Sport Shirts. Once again we are offering the shirts for sale at our cost. All shirts have the Council logo and your first name (or nick name) embroidered on them.

The following shirts are available for order:

Model # 8800 – Gildan 6-Ounce Jersey Polo – No Pocket

Cost: \$25 **Sizes:** S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL and 4XL

Colors: Navy Blue, White, Sport Grey, Maroon, Kelly Green, Red or Royal Blue

Model # 8900 – Gildan 6-Ounce Jersey Polo – With a Pocket

Cost: \$27 **Sizes:** S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL and 4XL

Colors: Navy Blue, White, Sport Grey, Red or Royal Blue

Anyone wanting to order a shirt, contact **Herb Zimmerman** at herb2777@yahoo.com or call 703-623-6299.

Please provide Model #, Size, Color, name for the shirt, and email & phone number.



13 TREASURER'S REPORT SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

Income for September was \$3,086.74; expenses were \$12,823.99.

Account balances as of September 30 were:

- United Bank Checking: \$ 18,758.75
- Capital One Investment Fund: \$ 47,263.78
- Capital One Building Fund: \$ 42,948.05
- Right to Life Memorial Fund: \$ 4,452.38
- Grocery Gift Cards: \$ 3,700.00

Total Assets: \$ 117,122.96

14 FRATERNAL BENEFITS NIGHT

Father McGivney created the Knights of Columbus to help support the widows of his parish. As current members of the Knights of Columbus it is our responsibility to make sure our

Families have protection. The only one that can do this is **you**. We are holding a fraternal benefits night on Wednesday November 13, 2019 at 7:30PM in Providence Hall. This meeting will be open to members and spouses. All current inductees are welcome to come with their spouses. Leo Duran will be conducting an information session. Please feel free to come and ask questions.

15 FRATERNAL BENEFITS

As Thanksgiving approaches at the end of the month, I like to take stock of all the things I'm thankful for.

It's easy to say, family and friends, those are blessings; and we sometimes take them for granted...but how about the little things in life. It might be that smile you get from person who hands you your cup of coffee in the morning; it may be relishing the crisp air on an autumn day. It may be a simple stroll in the park marveling at God's nature abounding. Maybe the joy of helping an older neighbor with a chore. All little things to be thankful for.

When I think about helping older neighbors, I often wonder just how many members have taken advantage of help that they might need as they age. Some won't be able to do the simple activities of daily living. They'll need assistance, and our mobile society may not have a relative nearby to help. That's where our Knights of Columbus Long Term Care Insurance plan might help.

Many people don't know how a long-term care insurance policy helps cover the costs of care when the policyholder has a chronic medical condition, a disability or a disorder such as Alzheimer's disease. You can receive care in your home, a nursing home, an assisted living facility, or an adult daycare center.

LTC insurance helps protect all those assets you've worked so hard for over the years: your house, IRAs, savings, investments. They could all be wiped out with even a short stay in a nursing home. The website: <https://longtermcare.acl.gov/costs-how-to-pay/costs-of-care.html> says that Home Health Care costs about \$22/hour, Assisted Living Facilities about \$4,245 per month and Nursing Home \$85,000 per year. More expensive areas of the country are more than that. Without LTC insurance, many families would face a serious financial crisis.

Most people aren't eager to talk about long term care, but it's important to have a plan. Many people want to wait until they are in their 60s or 70s before they start to consider long term care. But at younger ages it's more likely you can qualify...and the price is less high when you're younger.

I can help design a plan to fit your needs...and your budget. With that, you can have peace of mind that you will get the care you need, when you need and where you want it.

Let's talk and see how you can protect your assets.

Vivat Jesus!

Leo Duran

16 NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY WISHES

We wish all of our brothers born in the month of November a very Happy Birthday:

James Welch	1	Kevin Crossin	16
Peter Furey	2	David McCulloch	16
Gregory Miller	2	Michael Dell	17
Michael Cuccias	4	Peter Mburu	17
Keith Morrison	6	Benjamin Ogletree	17
Mark Lundblad	7	David Mancini	19
Joseph White	9	John Natolly	19
Paul Desbiens	10	Daniel Brosnan	22
Jeffrey Murphy	10	Ricardo Silva	23
Charles Stimley	11	Paul Bobowiec	24
Robert Phillips	12	Ryan McGuire	24
James Baker	13	William Puschmann	25
John Griggs	13	Jose Marroquin	26
Philip Hogan	13	Joseph Pepin	26
Francisco Munoz- Rovira	15	Matt West	28
Bernard Schaefer	15		

17 CALENDAR

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18 OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND PROGRAM CHAIRMEN 2019-2020

Officers

Grand Knight	Gib Flodine	703-201-0477
Chaplain	Rev. Christopher Tipton	703-273-5369
Deputy GK	Mark Walther	703-766-5054
Chancellor	Kevin Kleponis	304-804-1407
Financial Sec.	David Todd Sr	703-352-2724
Treasurer	Tom Gross	703-273-0631
Recorder	John Johnson	802-236-2192
Lecturer	TBD	
Advocate	Nelson Clinch	703-385-2146
Warden	Pat McGuire	703-209-5288
Inside Guard	Charlie Kraiger	703-667-0241
Outside Guard	James Beauchamp	703-915-3504
Outside Guard	Philip C Krebs, HLM	703-587-0610
3yr Trustee	Dan O'Malley	703-385-2010
2yr Trustee	Joe Gesker	703-435-4811
1yr Trustee	Keith Morrison	703-304-8540

Program Directors

Programs	Mark Walther	703-766-5054
Faith	Herb Zimmerman	703-385-9455
Family	Pat McGuire	703-209-5288
Community	Dan O'Malley	703-385-2010
Life	Joe Gesker	703-435-4811

Committee Chairmen


Charity	Joe Burg	484-883-9537
Admissions	Kevin Kleponis	304-804-1407
Retention	Keith Morrison	703-304-8540
Vocations	Kevin Kleponis	304-804-1407
Budget & Finance	Gib Flodine	703-201-0477
Hall Manager	Herb Zimmerman	703-385-9455
Frat. Benefits	Leo Duran	703-622-2068
Ins. Promotion	Leo Duran	703-622-2068
Providence Hall	Kitchen	703-385-8007

Project Chairmen

1 st Deg. Team	Bill Weich	703-307-9163
2 nd Deg. Team	Dave Todd Sr	703-352-2724
Bowling Team	Dave Whitcomb	703-591-7739
Christmas Trees	Tim Tilson	703-273-9436
Car Raffle	Joe Gesker	703-435-4811
Comedy Knight	TBD	
Email Updates	Nelson Clinch	703-385-2146

Project Chairmen (cont)

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.	Bill Weich	703-307-9163
Fraternal Prayer	Jack Cotner	703-323-5785
Gray GOSTs	Larry Novack	703-978-6137
KCIC	James Hogan	703-385-1292
KOVAR	Dan O'Malley	703-385-2010
Newsletter	Herb Zimmerman	703-385-9455
Night of Magic	Pat Leffas	703-436-2717
Parish Picnic	Tim Tilson & deputy	703-273-9436
March-for-Life	Mike Plumstead	703-250-2367
Scrip Sales	Tom Gross	703-273-0631
St. Patrick's Party	Pat Murray	703-383-3436



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