#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FR. FRANCIS J. DIAMOND COUNCIL #6292



# The Lookout

#### 2009-10 Fraternal Year, Issue 3

October 2009

# Grand Knight's Message:



As we leave the dog days of summer and turn to the cooler September days of football and not using the air conditioning, the council's calendar becomes busier and the need for help putting together the activities increases. Please consider helping

out on a few of the upcoming events by volunteering to work or participate. Also, please try to attend one meeting a month on either the second or fourth Tuesday.

Once again the Parish Picnic our council, along with the help of the rectory, organized earlier this month was a great success. The weather turned out to be fabulous and many people came out to help. I would like to express my thanks to Tim Tilson for heading up this event and Hank Urban for purchasing most of the food. There are far too many people who volunteered to thank each one here, so I would just like to thank everyone that worked a shift, set-up, cleaned-up, served food, and generally helped out. Without each of you, we would not have been able to have such a great event.

Coming up on October 3 is the Knights of Columbus Virginia regional quarterly meeting at St. Leos. Hundreds of brother knights from the northern Virginia region and members of the State Council will be at St. Leo's for an all day meeting. It is a great honor to be asked to host an event like this, and a lot of help will be needed to manage this event. Please contact Steve Kehoe at

<u>steve.wendykehoe@verizon.net</u> to volunteer. Help will especially be needed making and serving lunch.

As you will see mentioned later in this newsletter, the annual Fall Festival is coming up on October 10. The Knights will again be doing a food stand and help is greatly needed. This is a good fundraiser for the council and helps out the charity donations we make throughout the year. Please contact Tim Hogan to help out.

The Knight of the Month for August is John Judge for all the work that he does making sure the hall runs like a well oiled machine and making sure all our events, especially the crab feast in August, are fully supplied and run smoothly. The Family of the Month for August is Ben and Dorothy Schaefer for all the work they do for St. Vincent de Paul and the food drive we do at the church twice a month.

As always, if you have any suggestions to improve programs, or have any ideas for new fundraisers, please feel free to contact me any time. I can be reached at mypurtill@gmail.com or 202-251-8424.

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#### Fall Festival—October 10

Tim Hogan is chairing this year's Fall Festival event. The KofC sells kielbasa, hot dogs and hamburgers at the Fall Festival. We will load the truck Friday night (10/10) from 7:00-8:00. Help is needed to man the booth on Saturday for three shifts 8:00-11:00, 11:00-2:00, and 2:00 -5:00. Call Tim at 703-385-1292 to sign up and help. Lots of fun and brotherhood!!

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# Deputy Grand Knight's Report:



What is in a name? Many children are named after either relatives or because of

a name's meaning. I was named after my great uncle. In this month of October, we honor our Order's namesake and celebrate the fact that the original knights "were bound together by the ideal of Christopher Columbus, the discoverer of the Americas, the one whose hand brought Christianity to the New World," as stated on the Supreme Council web site. Please honor the memory of Columbus on Columbus Day. On 10/12, a ceremony will be conducted at Columbus Plaza by Union Station in Washington, DC. The ceremony will begin at 11 AM with council member and Past State Deputy Tom Hogan as master of ceremonies.

Fittingly, this month is full of Columbian events along with several events sponsored by the Columbiettes. For those who may not be aware, each knight's wife is eligible to participate with the Columbiettes, if interested. Columbiette events are highlighted in the "Columbiettes' Corner" of this newsletter.

<u>Church events</u> Thanks to those who prayed the rosary for an end to abortion on September 12. The attendance was substantially better than in August, and I encourage further prayer, both with the Knights at 8 AM at 123 & Eaton on October 10 and with your families.

Many thanks to the numerous knights and their families who helped with St. Leo's parish picnic, as well. Special gratitude goes to Tim Tilson for coordinating the Knights' efforts.

Please note that the Diocese of Arlington has scheduled their annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on October 10. Events begin with the rosary at 9:15 AM and conclude with a mass celebrated by Bishop Loverde at I PM.

#### Council events

Our council will host a quarterly state meeting on October 3 in the St. Leo the Great school gym. Help will be needed to attend to the various needs for the meeting. Please contact Steve Kehoe at

<u>steve.wendykehoe@verizon.net</u> for further information or to volunteer.

The council will offer a Fraternalism Night on Friday, October 23 in Providence Hall at 7:00 PM. For \$5, members can enjoy a meal together, purchase drinks at warden prices, and revel in the camaraderie of an evening with fellow knights.

#### Family activities

A family breakfast is scheduled for October 18 after the 7:30 and 9 AM masses. Please join us for a hot, made-to-order breakfast for a donation of your choice.

<u>Community activities</u> Father Diamond Council will once again sell food as a fundraiser at the city of Fairfax Fall Festival. Tim Hogan is coordinating our efforts. Please contact him at tim l hogan@yahoo.com to offer help near the BB&T bank.

K of C Day at Kings Dominion is scheduled for October 11. Tickets can be purchased for \$24 each by visiting

www.verizonolddominionpioneers.org. I wish all who read this newsletter well, and hope to see you at upcoming Knights' or Columbiette events!

Columbiettes' Corner The Columbiettes have many activities going on this fall. We will be hosting 2 bus trips in October. The first trip is to Atlantic City on Monday October 5. Please

contact Flo Hogan at <u>nickiehogan@aol.com</u> if you are interested in going. The second trip is the annual trip to an Amish farm in Pennsylvania on Thursday October 15. Please contact Ann Todd at datodd@verizon.net if you are interested or have any questions about this trip.

The Columbiettes are busy planning for the Craft Fair that will be held on Saturday October 17. If you or someone you know might be interested in renting a booth at the fair, please contact Linda Baringhaus at columbiettes6292@yahoo.com. We are already hearing from lots of excited vendors and shoppers. Please help us spread the

#### word about this event.

The month of October we host our annual Wine and Cheese social rather than having a business meeting. All Knights and their significant others are invited to attend this social event. It will be held on Tuesday October 20 at 7:30 pm in Providence Hall.

Our next meeting is scheduled for November 17, 2009. We will have a business meeting followed by another cooking demonstration by Thelma Billy.

All wives of Knights are automatically members of the Columbiettes and are more than welcome to join us at our monthly meetings or at any of our other events. Meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7:30 in Providence Hall. If you would like more information or would like to be placed on the email distribution list, please contact Wendy Kehoe at 703-591-6813 or steve.wendykehoe@verizon.net.



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# Council News & Events

#### Amish Trip—Thursday, October 15

Columbiette **Ann Todd (703-352-2724)** is organizing another trip to Amish country. The \$60 fee includes Bus Fare, bus driver tip, typical Amish meal at noon on an

Amish Farm, sightseeing and shopping at Intercourse PA. Call Ann for reservations.



#### Nursing Home Bingo-Need a new Chairman

Each month Bill Ward, PGK, runs a bingo game for the seniors at the Fairfax Nursing Center. Brothers and their families are encouraged to meet on Monday September 14 at 6:45PM to run bingo for the residents. We should be



finished by 8:15PM. Please contact Bill Ward at <u>bward@6292.kofcva.org</u> or call at (703) 273-6289 with any questions about details or wish to volunteer to be the new chairman.

#### Rosary at the Abor-

## tion Facility 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!!

On the second Saturday of the month, Knights will meet at 8:00 A.M. to pray the rosary in front of the abortion



clinic at 10400 Eaton Place (across the street from the Best Western at Route 123 and I-66). 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.

#### Food Bank—Help Needed

Ben Schaefer is urgently requesting a few volunteers to help collect food in front of the Church the second and fourth Sundays of each month. Specifically needed now is someone to collect once a month at the 11:00 AM Mass (either week) and someone for the 7:30 AM Mass the second Sunday of the month. A few standby volunteers would also be welcome.

This food collection, as most of you well know, is a long time Knight program and supports the St Vincent de Paul Society's outreach for assisting the local area's needy. This is an easy chance to help in keeping the program strong.

For more info or to volunteer call Ben at 703 591 3188 or email at <u>bndschaefer@msn.com</u>

#### KOVAR—A Great Charity Choice for Combined Campaigns

The following are the KOVAR identifying numbers for the various Campaigns:

Combined Federal Campaigns - CFC: #42569

#### Virginia State Campaign - State Em-

ployees - #735

United Way Campaigns in the Greater

D.C. Area (Can include corporate and public sector campaigns) - #8838

Send a copy of your commitment to the treasurer, Herb Zimmerman (herb2777@yahoo.com)

#### Atlantic City Trip— Monday, October 5



Flo Hogan (703-280-2343) is organizing another great Atlantic City Trip October 5, 2009. The cost is \$45.00. You will receive \$30.00 from Resorts Casino on arrival. The bus departs St Leo parking lot at 6:00 am, returns to St Leo's at 10:00 pm call Flo Hogan if you want to make the trip.

#### Craft Fair — October 17

Plan on coming out to the Columbiette's Craft Fair at St. Leo's Parish Activity Center on Saturday October 17. The KofC will sell refreshments. Contact Mike Purtil to signup for helping. If you know someone interested in a booth have them contact Linda Baringhaus at 703-385-9455 (lindamb3510@yahoo.com).

#### Wine & Cheese — Tuesday, October 20—7:30 PM

All brother Knights and their spouses or lady friends are invited to this annual event at the K of C Hall. Great wine, tasty cheese and lots of social fun. This is a free event to all members that is sponsored by our



Columbiettes.

#### **Newsletter Deadlines**

In order to ensure timely delivery of the newsletter, the deadline for submissions to *The Lookout* is the  $15^{h}$  of the month prior to when you want your information published. Early submissions are appreciated. You can send



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# The National Columbus Celebration Association

and

**The National Park Service** 

cordially invite you to participate in the

## Columbus Day Ceremony

When? Monday, October 12, 2009— MUSIC PRELUDE 10:45 A.M. PROGRAM 11:00 A.M.

Where? Columbus Plaza—Union Station in Washington, D.C.

#### **Program Highlights**

United States Joint Armed Forces Honor Guard Knights of Columbus Color Corps United States Military Band Diplomatic Corps—Italy Spain Commonwealth of the Bahamas Organization of American States Presentation of National Youth Essay Contest Winner Co-sponsored by the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution and the National Italian American Foundation

Wreath Presentations-by Fraternal, Civic, Military Service, and Patriotic Societies

### ACCESS VIA METRORAIL UNION STATION

On street parking near the plaza (holiday few restrictions) For farther information: (202) 619-7222



# **REDSKIN GAMES AT THE HALL**

The Father Diamond Council Tradition of all Redskin Games at the Hall will continue this year; renovation construction permitting.



<u>ALL GAMES</u>—Peanuts and other crunchables free. All beverages at Warden Posted Prices. Coffee and Tea free

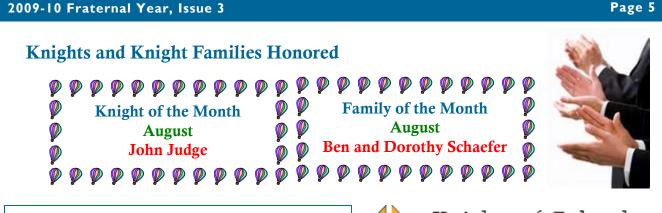
<u>ONE PM GAMES</u> Menu above with hot Nacho Cheese added on free list. Hot Dogs and Hamburgers at cost. Warden Beverages as posted.

<u>FOUR PM GAMES</u>— Hot Meal with trimmings provided at reasonable price. Hot Dogs for kids,and, everything on above Menus.

NIGHT GAMES— Peanuts, Munchies and Beverages Only

Special Events will be announced via E-Mail and at Meetings. Families and guests welcome. Special rules for Giant and Cowboy fans. Special rules for Eagles fans will be verbal because of illiteracy problem. Special rules posted in Rest Rooms.

Opposing team fans-that is other than Redskins- must limit cheering to TV commercial breaks or outdoors.



# Fraternal Benefits Advisor Message

#### Membership growth is everyone's goal

The membership blitz is a tried and true way for councils to increase their numbers. We see these pushes often in March, in celebration of Founder's Day, and again in October. These drives are successful because brother Knights are more visible than normal, during and after Masses and at special events. We remember to ask each and every Catholic gentleman to join our ranks for the good of the Church, community and Order.

At the beginning of the fraternal year, we set our eyes on the goal of achieving the Star Council Award. This means running many successful and varied programs throughout the year and using this activity to spread the word about the Order. This will bring in new members.

Don't forget the strength of our life insurance, long-term care and annuities products is also a selling point of membership. For more than 125 years, our insurance has been "making a difference for life." Our ratings are among the best in the business. For the 16th consecutive year, the Knights of Columbus insurance pro-



gram has earned Standard & Poor's highest rating, and for the 33rd consecutive year, A.M. Best Company has given us its highest financial strength rating.

I can help not only in explaining to prospects our outstanding insurance products, but also on the many other benefits of becoming a knight. I am happy to be an advocate for the Order and for our council. Even better, I can help you feel more comfortable in making the membership "sale" to prospects yourself.

As your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, I look forward to helping us grow in fraternity.

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

Dennis Riley, FICF, CSA Field Agent



# Food Gift Cards (SCRIP) Sales—A Great **Deal for Everyone !**

Food 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 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-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. Every \$100 you spend at Safeway entitles you to a \$.10 discount per gallon of gas if you have a Safeway membership card. You save money on gas and the Knights and PTO profit from food gift card sales. Win -Win



October 2009						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	<b>3</b> VA Regional Qrtrly Mtg@St. Leo	
4	<b>5</b> <u>Atlantic City Trip</u>	<b>6</b> 2000 Officer's Meeting	7	8	9	IO 0800 Rosary to end Abortion Fall Festival Diocesan Pilgrim- age Food Drive
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<b>I 8</b> Family Breakfast- Gold Team	19	<b>20</b> 1100 Grey Gosts 1930 Wine & Cheese	<b>2 I</b> 1930 Rosary 2000 4th Degree Meeting	<b>22</b> 1930 Admissions Committee	<b>23</b> 1900 Fraternalism Night	
25 Food Drive	26	<b>27</b> 1930 Mass 2000 1st Degree Oktoberfest	28	29	30	<b>3 I</b> Halloween

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## Officers, Directors, and Program Chairmen—2009-10

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		703-385-9455	Insurance	Dennis Riley Nelson Clinch	703-385-2146
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	-0	703-352-2797	2nd Deg. Team	Dave Todd	703-352-2724
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Outside Guard John Leo		303-808-1245	Christmas Trees	Tim Tilson	703-273-9436
Outside Guard John Ber	g /	703-219-2096	Ent'ment Books	Dave Todd	703-352-2724
			Fall Festival	Tim Hogan	703-385-1292
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Community Bob Bilko	0 7	703-359-6824	Parish Picnic	Tim Tilson	703-273-9436
Council Charles '	"Scott" Buchannon 7	703-978-0045	Right-to-Life	Mike Plumstead	703-250-2367
Family Pat Leffa	s 7	703-934-9716	Scout Troop	Paul Cutlip	703-855-8547
Youth John Leo	onard 3	303-808-1245	Scrip	Larry Novack	703-978-6137
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#### Fraternal Prayer Contact

Brother Jack Cotner is the Council's Fraternal Prayer Contact. If you wish to request prayers from the council for a brother Knight or relative who is sick or in distress (or has passed away), please contact Jack at cotnerjohn@aol.com or (703) 323-5785. A special thanks to Jack for taking on this very important role in the council. Parents – High School Juniors- Seniors or Grads Meet college admissions officers and alums!! Get the info you need for the important decisions ahead

Thursday, October 8, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. Holy Spirit School Gymnasium 8800 Braddock Road, Annandale, VA 22003

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