

The Lookout

September 2002



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
Fr. Francis J. Diamond Council #6292



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Grand Knight's Message:

Dear Brother Knights:

The summer is winding down to an end. I hope it was restful and everyone had a chance to enjoy themselves. Summer is traditionally a fairly slow time for Father Diamond Council, but this summer was an exception. It seems that the members of our council were always on the go...helping out in the Church and the Community. I need to thank Pete Smith for a wonderful job he and his wife did in preparing for the Officer's Installation Dinner in July. The Hall looked great and all the food was fantastic! We had another successful Crab Feast and Dan Purtill oversaw his first Blood Drive Breakfast. I met with Father Kelly in July and he mentioned how thankful he is to have our council here in St. Leo's Parish. He had many words of thanks for the Knights in helping out with the set-up and take-down of chairs for Mass, and for helping out with the Usher Program. I told him we would do our best to serve the parish well, and I know everyone in the council will rise to the challenge.

The State held its annual Organizational Meeting in Virginia Beach in July. The State Deputy's motto for the year is "Pride and Commitment". He wants all Knights to show their Pride and Commitment in everyday life. The reasons are many...setting a good Christian example...helping those less fortunate...assisting the community and Church with their needs. Hopefully more Catholic men will notice this and want to join our council. The more help we have, the more we can do to be a strength to our Church, our Community, and our Families.

When I was thinking of specific ways we can show our Pride and Commitment, my first thought was Sunday Mass. We should try to set an example for others in the most basic ways. Show up on time for Mass. Take an active role by praying and singing aloud. For those of you who have ever been to Mass in a Military chapel, it's amazing to hear the thunderous song that is raised up as all the voices...good and bad...sing out loud. It definitely adds something to Mass. And lastly, stay in your place until the Priest has already made it to the back of the church. There is nothing more disrespectful to me than the people who get up and walk out in front of the Priest. People may or may not know you as a Knight...but

setting that example shows your Pride and Commitment not only as a Knight, but as a Catholic as well.

In my last letter to you, I asked you to make a commitment to give one Tuesday night a month to the Knights. I was so pleased to see a few new faces in the summer meetings. I hope this continues throughout the year.

Please read through the newsletter carefully. There are a lot of events coming up in the near future, including the Parish Picnic, adoption of a Refugee Family, Orioles Game, Fishing Trip, and many more things that we would love to have you at.

Vivat Jesus,

Tim Cooke
Grand Knight

**Come see the Orioles play
the Red Socks
Saturday September 21
Bus leaves St Leo's at 4 PM**

**\$32 per person includes lower level
ticket. Bus trip, munchies, and beverages
on the bus.**

**Contact Tim Cooke at 703-830-4081 to
make your reservations**

Program Director's Report

Mass Chair Setup

We are continuing to use the Christmas Tree Teams to help the parish set up and tear down for Mass each week. Your Team captain will contact you regarding your date for helping set-up the chairs. Please be responsive and show up at the 3PM setup time. The more people that are there, the faster the whole thing goes. Also...don't forget to show up for tear down too.

Teams for the September and October:

September 3/4	Hogan Team #10
September 10/11	Grey Ghosts
September 17/18	Smith Team #1
September 24/25	Mahoney/Todd Team #2
October 5/6	Jayne Team #3
October 12/13	Whitcomb Team #4
October 19/20	Tilson Team #5
October 26/27	Drozd Team #6
November 2/3	Cooke Team #7
November 9/10	Kuhlman Team #8
November 16/17	Woznak Team #9

Council Web Site

Visit the council web site at www.6292.kofc.org. It has been upgraded and now includes the ability to download the fraternal year calendar for the entire year or month by month. There are also news announcements on future events. Stay current by visiting the site.

Redskin Games at the Hall

The Hall will be open for regular season Redskin games. Menu for all games: Nacho chips, hot cheese, munchies, peanuts and free coffee. All beverages at Council posted donations. Additional menu items served include hot dogs, hamburgers, and special selections offered cost plus.

Knights Fall Fishing Extravaganza

Trip is being planned for Saturday, October 19. The trip is scheduled out on Jennifer-Ann out of Solomons. Jennifer-Ann is a brand new 53 foot fiberglass Chesapeake Bay Boat and capable of cruising at 21 knots. The boat has a large open space, a heated/air-conditioned dinette/cabin capable of seating 10-12, a full-size toilet and fresh water. Cost is \$60 per person and includes all bait, tackle and licenses. Need reservations by September 15 and money by September 30. First 20 guys get on...will take alternate reservations... if we get enough a second boat possible. Everyone is welcome to bring coolers to keep their favorite refreshments cold and to carry home the fish they catch. The captain says this is a good time of the year because the fish are schooling up to migrate south. Lots of action. Contact- Herb Zimmerman at: (W)703-385-9455, (H)202-728-4191, (cell) 703-623-7180 or (e-mail) - herb2777@yahoo.com.

Parish Picnic

The council will again be supporting the St Leo's Parish Picnic. The picnic will be held Sunday 15 Sept from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. Lots of help needed. Contact Tim Tilson at 703-273-9439 or hmsyldia@msn.com if you can help.

Congratulations Council Softball Team

The council softball team under the leadership of coach Pat Lacour enjoyed their best season in over 8 years. The team ended the season with a record of 12 and 7 and making the semi-finals of the Knights state softball tournament. Congratulations. We are looking for big things next year.

Fairfax City Fall Festival

Help is needed to support the Council's annual concession at the Fairfax City Fall Festival on October 12. We will be selling kielbasa, hot dogs, sodas and beer. 13 to 15 people will be needed for the two later shifts, so please consider volunteering for one or more of the following time slots:

~06:30 to 10:30 AM Meet at hall and convoy to festival site. Setup lot. Exact meeting time will be announced.
10:30 to 14:30 Sales

14:30 to 18:30 Sales, teardown and loading of truck
Please bring a hat with you to satisfy the health department and pray for good weather. Should it rain, the festival will be held the following day, Sunday, October 13. This is a very important fund raiser for our council. Help is needed. Please call Mark Woznak at 703- 280-4124.

Orioles vs. Red Sox

Please join us for a fun night at Camden Yards to see the surprisingly decent Baltimore Orioles take on the Boston Red Sox. The game is being held on September 21 and is currently scheduled to start at 7:05PM. Bus will leave St Leo's at 4PM.. We have very good tickets (outfield...12 rows from the field) and a good time is always had by all. The cost is \$32 per person, which includes your ticket, bus ride up, food and beverages on the trip up and back. Please call Tim Cooke at 703-830-4081 if you would like to make your reservation for this trip. Only 50 tickets will be sold for this game...so call early. Reservations must be made by September 10.

Fraternalism Night

Come and join your fellow Knights at Fraternalism Night on Friday 27 Sept at 7PM at the Hall. Enjoy cards, darts, and meeting you brother Knights. The cost is \$5 a person and covers food and drink.

Fraternalism:

The Council can assist brother Knights and their families Who are sick or in distress. The Council also provides Mass cards for deceased members or their families, and can help the family through their bereavement. We provide 5 Mass cards for a deceased member, 3 for a spouse, and 1 for other family members. If you or your family is suffering a loss or are sick or in distress, please contact David Miller at 703-319-8832 or

dmiller@nthdime.com. Also, please pray for Dick Chapman, Tim Kutz's sister Grace, and Pat LaCour's niece.

Family Breakfast

For those members who haven't helped out at Breakfast, here are some fun facts:

- Breakfast is served at the hall on the 3rd Sunday of each month
- Since we moved back to the hall we serve 120 - 130 people each month
- We have made profits of \$18, \$25, \$120, and \$55 in the 4 months at the hall
- Menu consists of real French toast, pancakes, bacon, sausage, scrambled eggs, scrambled eggs with ham, toast, omelet's (cheese, ham, western), custom eggs (over easy etc), coffee, tea, and orange juice.
- Breakfast is served after the 7:30, 9:00, and 10:30 masses.
- If you would like to help just show up! We can always use more help. Or call Dave Miller at 703-319-8832

Refugee Family Support Program

The council is starting a new project. We will support a refugee family when arriving in America. A full explanation will be provided in the parish bulletin later this year. We will be collecting household goods at the Parish Picnic on Sept 15th. There is a list of needed items on the council web site. To preclude too many duplicate items, request council members sign up for items on the web site. Contact Tim Tilson at 703-273-9439 or via e-mail hmsyldia@msn.com if you can help or for more information.

New Hall Rental Rates and Insurance

Up until August 2002, the Arlington Diocese Risk office allowed church facilities to be rented with the renter's home insurance policy covering liability. This procedure has been cancelled by the Dioceses. The new insurance process requires payment of \$100 per event by the renter, with payment due to be received by the Diocese no less than 21 days prior to the event. In renting the Providence hall, the above liability insurance premium check must be made out to the Diocese of Arlington. Rental charge checks must be made out to the Knights of Columbus. The Hall Rental Charges are:

- K of C Member\$35 an hour
- St Leo Parishoner \$50 an hour
- Others\$75 an hour

The charge is for hall use . No food or beverage included. Renter supplies this. Therefore, two checks per rental to cover the insurance and the rent. Contact John Judge, Hall Manager, at 703-385-3804, at least 30 days prior to the proposed rental date.

2002 –2003 Council Year Budget

Below is this years Council Budget. As you can see there is a projected deficit due to the loss of a number of fund raising activities. New fund raisers are needed, see below.

Ordinary Income:

3000 General Operating	14,320
3100 Program Income	5,140
3200 Rentals	50
3300 Fund Raisers	<u>13,450</u>
Total Income	32,960

Expenses:

4000 General Operations	13,419
4100 Programs	10,330
4200 Hall Expenses	4,100
5000 Charities	2,750
6000 Special Projects	2,630
7000 Building Fund	<u>1,800</u>
Total Expenses	35029

Net Ordinary Income (2,069)

Other Income 272

Net Income (1,797)

New Fund Raising Ideas Needed

The 2002-2003 Budget is enclosed. As you see our budget is out of balance for the year. We have lost several fund raisers from last year: newspapers, Fairfax County Festival, and Disney paraphernalia. As many Brother Knights know, Charity is the first principle of the Order. We Knights of Father Diamond Council are justifiably proud of the charity programs that have been funded over the years. However, because of the loss of some of our significant fund raisings, we need ideas for ways to replenish our financial resources. Any help you can give in resolving this crisis will be beneficial. Don't think that you idea is too bizarre. We won't know if it works unless we try it. Give your input Tim Cooke (GK) or Dave Todd Jr. (DGK).

Did You Know

I was going to place a small information piece on the an Article from the Council By-laws, but found this in the Arlington Catholic Herald and thought to be far more important. There were 20,724 babies that lost their lives in 2000 due to abortion in Northern Virginia.. This information came from the Virginia Center of Health Statistics. This was 38 percent of the abortions in the State of Virginia. Fairfax City, the central geographic area of our council, had 1658 abortions. The number of other deaths in the city totaled 209 in the year 2000. The bottom line is that 89 % of the mortalities in Fairfax City was due to abortion of unborn babies. Father Diamond Council prays the Rosary at the abortion clinic near the intersection of 123 and Eaton place on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 8AM. Please join us to pray for the end to abortion

September Birthdays

William Stevenson	9/1
Gerry Stegmair	9/2
Paul Ketcham	9/3
Doug Fehrer	9/3
John Warzinski	9/3
Mike Hamilton	9/6
Gene Sheehan	9/6
Ray Kruep	9/7
Larry Lynch	9/7
Richard Ressa	9/8
Francis Minneham	9/8
Mark Woznack, PGK	9/9
Bill Davis	9/9
Ed Ittner	9/10
Dr. Ed Gallagher	9/10
Victor L. Warzinski	9/11
Allen Dobey	9/11
Matt Cuccias	9/11
Dan Crowley	9/13
John Brophy	9/14
Jim Witek	9/14
Redentor Lasamana	9/14
Fred White	9/14
Jim McIntyre	9/15
Douglas Okay	9/16
Mike Clifford	9/16
Fr. D. Rooney	9/17
Jason Young	9/17
Tony Conques	9/18
Cy Greenwalt	9/19
Dick Chapman	9/19
Bill Hamilton	9/22
David Guditis	9/22
Dennis Cate	9/22
Brian Knapp	9/23
Bill Ward	9/25
Kurt Pfluger	9/26
Mike Tully	9/26
Chris Duda	9/27
Mike Cole	9/30

September Wedding Anniversaries Years Married

Larry Novack, PGK	40	
Joe Rusicka	48	
Tim Hogan, PGK	15	
Jim McMahon		50
Dr Rafael Madan	50	
Dr Ed Gallagher	46	
Roger Azar	02	
Jonathan Hadfield	46	
John White	54	
Tom Gross	33	
Bob Echert	41	

FROM OUR FRATERNAL BENEFITS ADVISOR

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Find out more about how the Knights of Columbus can secure your retirement. Call me today at 703-450-6100 and I will be happy to give you all the details.

Dennis Riley,
Fraternal Benefits Advisor

Officers

Grand Knight	Tim Cooke	830-4081
Chaplain	Rev. Don Rooney	273-5369
D Grand Knight	David Todd, Jr	385-2195
Chancellor	Greg Hartley	352-2797
Treasurer	Hank Urban, Jr	591-9244
Lecturer	Sam Stafford	758-4650
Financial Sec.	Larry Gottschalk	569-5755
Recorder	Pat Leffas	934-9716
Advocate	Al Leightley	273-2089
Warden	Dave Miller	319-8832
Inside Guard	Pete Smith	503-1082
Outside Guard	Herb Zimmerman	385-9455
Outside Guard	Dan Purtill	641-8945
3yr Trustee	Jack Cotner	323-5785
2yr Trustee	Marion Kuhlman	378-7860
1yr Trustee	George Billy	323-6470

Program Directors

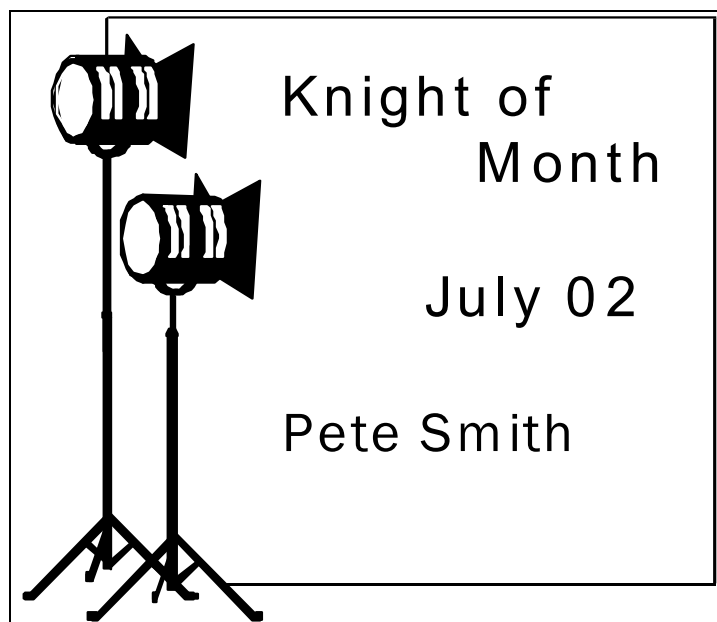
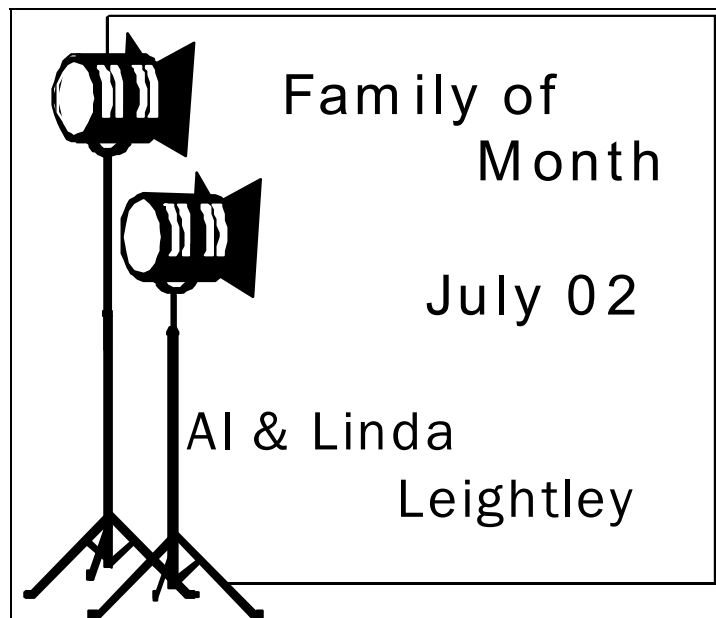
Programs	Dave Todd Jr	385-2195
Church	Mike Plumstead	352-0848
Community	Dan Purtill	641-8945
Council	Pete Smith	503-1082
Family	Larry Lynch	255-1258
Youth	Mike Purtill	527-1529
Membership	Greg Hartley	352-2797

Committee Chairman

Charity	Greg Skorupski	978-8280
Admissions	George Billy	323-6470
Retention	Marion Kuhlman	378-7860
Vocations	Greg Hartley	352-2797
Budget & Fin.	Hank Urban, Jr	591-9244
Hall Mgt	John Judge	385-3804
Frat. Bene.	Dennis Riley	450-6100

Project Chairmen

Blood Drive	John Brophy	425-7169
Parish Picnic	Tim Tilson	273-9436
Bowling Team	Jack Cotner	323-5785
Right-to-Life	Edward Cuccias	934-4000
Christmas Trees	Larry Gottschalk	569-5755
Scout Troop	Paul Cutlip	691-0712
Deg. Team Capt.	Tim Hogan	385-1292
Fall Festival	Mark Woznak	280-4124
Family Breakfast	Dave Miller	319-8832
Food Drive	Terry Hannam	591-4863
KCIC	Larry Lynch	255-1258
Gray Ghosts	Larry Novack	978-6137
KOVAR	Tim Tilson	273-9436





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Dates to Remember in September

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| Sept 3 | Officers Meeting |
| Sept 8 | Corporate Communion (9:30) |
| Sept 10 | Rosary/Business Meeting |
| Sept 14/15 | Food Drive |
| Sept 15 | Parish Picnic |
| Sept 17 | Grey Ghosts |
| Sept 19 | Admissions Committee |
| Sept 21 | Rosary at Abortion Clinic |
| Sept 21 | Adopt-A-Spot |
| Sept 21 | Orioles Game |
| Sept 22 | Breakfast (Blue Team) |
| Sept 24 | Mass/ 1 st Degree / Social |
| Sept 27 | Fraternalism Night |

