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Nelson Clinch, Grand Knight Brothers and fraternal families,

Grand Knight's Message

This is only the second newsletter article I have written as Grand Knight this fraternal year, but it is clear to me that, in preparing these articles, I will be looking back to see recent events we have undertaken, and review both their value and what it took to conduct those events. Pray the Rosary Daily

In reviewing these events, it is very clear we have an active council associated with active parishes in the Fairfax area. For instance, the State Council asked if District 16 could host regional Grand Knight training on August 6. Many thanks to the St. Leo the Great parish for accommodating the State Council. Various State officers and committee chairman conducted the virtual training from the Our Lady of Guadalupe Room. It was unclear how many Grand Knights would attend in person, but District Deputy Dan O'Malley and District Warden David Todd, Jr. were prepared to accommodate potential attendees.

Since we are such an active Council in an active area, I would like to ask you, my brothers, as well as your families, to consider where you can help the Council and your parish. For instance, various ministries are in need of help at St. Leo the Great Parish. Lectors to read at masses as well as ushers for the masses are needed. In addition, St. Leo's Social Ministry often has a need for assistance, and our Council is regularly looking for both event and committee chairmen (e.g., Charity chairman) and volunteers (e.g., Parish Picnic and Fall Festival volunteers). Please prayerfully consider where you can help. Let me or Deputy Grand Knight Beauchamp know of areas you would like to help.

That stated, many thanks are due to various people for their recent efforts. First and foremost,

thanks be to God, for he has done many wondrous things! Likewise, thank you to the cardinals, bishops, priests, brothers, sisters, deacons, and seminarians who are answering God's call. Within our council, there are many to thank as well. Many thanks to those who helped with our first Combined Degree of the fraternal year on August 24, and especially to Tony Simon for obtaining full Knighthood in that Degree. I appreciate the efforts of Mark Walther, James Hogan, Dan O'Malley, Tim Hogan, Pat McGuire, and Joe Gesker for serving with me in this effort.

Due to their efforts in this activity as well as others, I am pleased to announce James Beauchamp and the family of Carolyn and Patrick McGuire as the Knight and Family of the Month for July, respectively, and Daniel O'Malley and the family of Timothy Hogan as the Knight and Family of the Month for August, respectively. See the separate section in the newsletter for more information, pg 3. May God bless all Knights and their families, Nelson Clinch



PGK Walther passing the mantle to GK Clinch at the Grand Knights Ball.

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Deputy Grand Knight's Report

James (Jim) Beauchamp, Deputy Grand Knight



Brother Knights, As the dog days of summer wind down and we head into the fall (my favorite season) our Council's activities will begin to ramp up. Please consider either volunteering, participating, or adding your ideas and thoughts regarding some of our events.

As I mentioned last month, one of our biggest parish wide events is the parish picnic which will be Saturday, September 17. Be sure to come out and bring your families. Of course, many volunteers will be needed for setting or cleaning up, grilling burgers and dogs, and serving food and drinks. Tim Tilson will again be heading up our efforts in running the picnic. If interested in helping, please contact Tim at hmslydia@msn.com or 703-273-9436. And let's pray for good weather. Thanks to everyone who was able to come the Rosary to end abortion this past month. Your prayers are important. This month we will be meeting on Saturday, September 10 at 8 AM. In fair weather we will be outside the main entrance of church.

Otherwise, we will be inside near the statue of Mary. On Saturday, September 10, join us for the production of *Celtic Spring* by the Shoestring Theatre. Proceeds from this play go to KOVAR, which is the Virginia Knights of Columbus Charity that provides financial assistance to citizens with intellectual disabilities. Before the play there will be an Irish themed dinner. Doors to the gym open at 6 PM and the cost is \$20 per person.

Please see the enclosed flier, pg. 4, for more details.

On Sunday, September 11, members of the military and first responders will be honored at the 11 AM Mass at St. Leo the Great. The principal celebrant will be Bishop Michael Burbidge. Please consider attending this Mass or even better – volunteer-

ing at the reception afterwards or being a flag bearer. See the full newsletter article for more information, pg. 4. There will be an Officer's meeting at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, September 6. We will be back to having two Rosary (7:30 PM) and Business Meetings (8 PM) this month on September 13 and September 27. The Gray Gosts luncheon will be held on Tuesday,

September 20 at 11 AM as well as the Ladies Meeting, also on September 20, at 7:30 PM. Looking ahead to next month, there will be a Chili Cook-off at Providence Hall on October 2, at I PM, while we watch our Washington Commanders 'commandeer' the dreaded Dallas Cowboys. Additional information about this event will be forthcoming.

Vivat Jesus, Jim Beauchamp



Brother McGuire enjoying the festivities at the GK Ball.



Chancellor's Report

James Hogan, Chancellor

Brother Knights,

Summer time is over and the living is still easy with God as your guidance. We are still in need of new knights, remember many hands make light

work. Continue to look out for catholic men that should join the ranks of our council (your brothers or children, your church buddies, etc.). If you have any leads on individuals, send me an email at ith logan3@gmail.com or call/text me at 703-731-7164. Vivat Jesus, James Hogan

Treasurer's Report – 7/1/22-7/31/22

INCOME for July \$6,358.84 (Scrip, GK Ball, Steak night, etc.) EXPENSES for July \$7,063.11 (Utilities, Scrip, Steak night, etc.)

United Checking	\$50,420.11	
United Checking	(2)\$ 513.38	
Invest Fund	\$42 <i>,</i> 858.77	
RTL Fun	\$ 4,541.07	
Building Fund	\$49,079.71	(—>)

Member Asst Fund	\$ 1,000.00
Outstanding Scrip	\$ 4,200.00
KOVAR Collections	\$ (272.55)
PKD Collections	\$ (148.67)
VKCCI Collections	\$ (22.00)

Net Assets

\$152.169.82

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September Birthday Wishes Name Day Name Day Name					
Sean Jehu	2	Dick Ressa	8	Matthew Cuccias	
Paul Cataldo	3	Michael Tocci	8	Brian Sharkey	
Douglas Fehrer	3	Bill Davis Jr	9	Michael Clifford	
Tony Pierno	3	Alfonso Munevar	9	Paul Grano	
Dave Hebert	5	Edward Townsend	9	Fr Daniel Hanley	
Dan Drummond	6	Mark Woznak	9	Franklin Hernandez	
J Hamilton	6	Edgar Lizarraga	10	Dennis Cate	
Raymond Kruep	7	Kyle Mandeville	10	Jason Johnsrud	
Gerard Maguire	7	Victor Warzinski	Ш		

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12	Brian Knapp	23
14	Stuart Mc Millan	24
16	Jason Fullen	26
18	Chris Duda	27
19	John Norce	27
19	Manuel Solano	28
22	John Brophy	29
23	Nick Sutingco	30
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< (left to right) Bishop Burbidge, Brothers Leffas and Clinch (GK)



Hogan Family at the GK Ball



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Family of the Month– July

If I were to set a goal on what I could do if I am fortunate enough to pass 70 years of age, I would hope that I could be as active and helpful as both Pat and Carolyn McGuire. Carolyn is an active member of our ladies group; I have seen her several times over the past months helping with events. In addition, Pat has a set of a goal of the sector of the past months helping with events. In addition, Pat has a set of the sector of the

served our council and our community by stocking the Blessing Box in Van Dyck Park, assisting the Social Ministry in their monthly food distribution, helping with coordination and service for the Altar Server Challenge, serving as an usher at the 9 AM mass at St. Leo the Great Church, and answering the call as an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist in the same parish. These duties are in addition to helping their extended family with various activities. Many thanks for all their family does!

Family of the Month– August

Priscilla and Tim are both outstanding members of our community. While all three of their boys have reached full adulthood, I am grateful that the family remains active with the council. For the month of August, I am extremely grateful that both Tim and his son James, the council's Chancellor, worked as hard as they did in reaching out to try to help the council grow in numbers and taking part in the Combined Degree on August 24. Reaching back to before August, Tim and Priscilla were instrumental in ensuring the Grand Knight's Banquet was held and appropriately honored our now Immediate Past Grand Knight, Mark Walther. Thank you for all you do for the council, the parish, and the community!

Knight of the Month– July

While July doesn't necessarily have many council events, the transition of officers, the Officer Installation, and the Grand Knight's Banquet are big events, and our Deputy Grand Knight took part very well. On top of that, James was valuable in adjusting the schedule to accommodate the Diocesan Healing mass on our meeting night and in preparing to meet with the pastor of St. Leo the Great Church. Also, I was away for part of the

month, including our meeting night, and James filled in quite well. Thank you for jumping right into your new position, Brother Beauchamp!

Knight of the Month– August

Many thanks to Dan O'Malley for his efforts during August. Specifically, Dan was integral in ensuring the Grand Knight training went well on August 6. While I, as host Grand Knight, was the only Grand Knight to attend in person, many Grand Knights from around Virginia attended this virtual event to learn more about their role this fraternal year. In addition, Brother O'Malley was of great help with the Combined Degree on August 24, serving as the presenter on Fraternity and coordinating with other councils in the District. While I chose a different family for Family of the Month, I would be remiss if I didn't recognize Dan's wife for her generosity. No married knight can fulfill the activities we take on without a supportive wife and loving family. Please join me in thanking Dan and in praying for his entire family!

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The Lookout

"Celtic Spring"

Dinner Theatre Saturday, September 10 Doors open at 6 p.m. Play starts at 7 p.m. St. Leo the Great School Gym 3704 Old Lee Highway Fairfax, VA 22030

Tickets: \$20/person

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For reservations / tickets, e-mail: kofckilchen6292@gmail.com

Menu:

Irish Bangers Mashed Potatoes and Gravy Peas Coffee, Tea, Lemonade, and Water Irish Tea Cake at Intermission



A Shoestring Theatre Company production

When Anu, the goddess of Irish mythology challenges Lugh to find a new land, he is forced to reckon with powers greater than his own. Lugh must learn how to live in the strange land. He must conquer an enemy he has long denied — the arrogance within himself. If Lugh fails, he can never go home to his beloved ireland.

Celtic Spring fuses storytelling, ancient irish music and dance to bring the mythological god and his world to life in this original story set against the backdrop of the Appolochian Mountains.



Mass Honoring Military & First Responders

At 11:00 AM on Sunday, September 11, 2022, Fr. Francis J. Diamond Council #6292 and Fr. Walter F. Malloy Assembly #1894 will jointly host the 7th Annual Mass Honoring Military and First Responders at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church. This annual Mass commemorates the horrific attacks of 9/11, in a positive manner by giving us the opportuni-

ty to honor and pray for those men and women who defend our nation's freedoms and liberties, and those who protect and serve our communities.

For the third year in a row, the Most Reverend SK Michael F. Burbidge, Bishop of Arlington, will join us as our Principal Celebrant; the Most Reverend SK Paul S. Loverde, Bishop Emeritus of Arlington and State Chaplain for Virginia, will join us as a Concelebrant, as will the Very Rev. SK Philip S. Majka, Faithful Friar of Fr. Malloy Assembly, and Rev. Jonathon R. Fioramonti, Chaplain of Fr. Diamond Council, amongst others. Guests in attendance will include the Fire Chief of Arlington County, the Chief of Police and Executive Deputy Chief of Police for Fairfax County, Police Captains from Fairfax and Prince William Counties, and a Police Lieutenant from the City of Fairfax. We will also be joined by many State officiants, SK Patrick A. Rowland (State Deputy), and SK Hampton H. "Trey" Hart, III (State Secretary), as well as many others from Knights higher ranks. The State Deputy will bring with him the State Council's Ecumenical Chalice, which was both blessed and used by Pope John Paul II. Finally, the Honor America Corps will be bringing with them several flags which will be displayed during the Mass.

With all that is going on with this Mass, much help is needed. Any and all Sir Knights who have the Official Regalia are asked and encouraged to participate in the Honor Guard; swords will be worn, but will not be drawn in accordance with the guidelines regarding Masses with Bishop Burbidge; muster is by 10:30 AM. Please advise Color Corps Commander SK George H. Billy, if you will be participating in the Honor Guard. All other Sir Knights are encouraged to attend in Social Dress Uniform with your name badge. All other Brother Knights are encouraged to attend in business attire (that is, coat & tie) with your name badge. All Officers (3rd & 4th Degree) should wear their Jewel of Office, and all Past or Former Officers are encouraged to wear their corresponding miniature ribbons.

A picture will be taken in front of the church immediately following the Mass.

SK James T. Hogan will be heading up traffic control in the parking lot: specifically, arranging for the parking of any official vehicles (from police cruisers to potentially fire trucks and/or ambulances). SK Matthew T. West, and SK Patrick A. McGuire will be heading up the reception in the school gym. Anyone willing to assist either as traffic control or for the reception should contact those leaders directly. And anyone willing to assist as a flag bearer during the picture should contact SK David J. Todd, Jr.



If you have any questions, please feel free to contact SK David J. Todd, Jr. directly.

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21-22 Awards Announcements

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Outstanding Young Woman of the Year: Maclaren Johnson. Maclaren is known to be very bright, a delight to be around, an extraordinarily hard worker who has many achievements and extracurricular activities to her credit, a loyal friend, and someone who serves her community well and often. Her academic achievements include a GPA of 4.1, impressively high SAT and ACT scores, and memberships in several scholastic honor societies. While attending James Madison HS, she was a Madison Mentor, a member of the Madison Chamber Orchestra (top level) and participant in in District Orchestra, and Winter Track Team captain. She served as an usher at the 5 PM Sunday Masses at St. Leo the Great Church, participated in diocesan and parish work camps two week-long service projects, was a High School helper for middle school parish work



camp for years, was Envirothon captain, and was a State Champion Diocesan One Act Play participant. She also helped her parish and community by volunteering with our council and with the local Moose Lodge.



Outstanding Young Man of the Year: Noah Silva. Noah has been a leader among his peers for several years and has been very active in our parish community. He has been known to use his talents and strengths to assist those in need without hesitation, and to fearlessly witness to others by sharing his faith. He plans a career in law enforcement. Noah achieved an impressive GPA of 3.8. He was involved in the parish Jr./Sr. Youth Group and Work Camp for years, helped with set up and tear down of the Retreat of People Facing Serious Illness, has been a member of the church choir for years, participated in Living Stations of the Cross for 3 years running, has achieved a Brown Belt in Okinawan Karate, and has received substantial scholarships for his academic achievements.

Knight of the Year, State Knight of Year Finalist: Nelson Clinch. Nelson has been a volunteer overachiever for years in regards to the parish, the council, and the community. He is first and foremost devoted to St. Leo Church, which he faithfully attends and serves as Lector, maintaining excellent rapport with all the clergy. For the council, one cannot ask for more than the second stint he just finished as Deputy GK and the second stint he is currently pulling as GK. This in addition to all the work he and his wife Julie put in over the year towards successful KOVAR potpie/dessert pie and Fairfax History Day fundraisers, among the all the other assistance they lent to several other council events.

Family of the Year, State Family of Year Finalist: Pat Murray Family. The Murrays - Brother Pat, wife Janice, and their teenage children Kathleen, Siobhan, and Kevin – genuinely embody the concept of the Domestic Church. They happily and lovingly perform as a family unit, whether it be worshiping together in church or working together at K of C or community events. They all made a phenomenal success of the 2022 St. Patrick's Day Event by attending to all facets of event promotion, set-up and decoration of Providence Hall, cooking and serving of the food, arrangement of entertainment, and even final cleanup. Pat managed the Soccer Challenge and Basketball Free-Throw Challenge events for all of District 16, he is a leader in the Boy Scouts of America Troop 1113 sponsored by St. Leo Church, and most Saturday mornings in Providence Hall he has headed a prayer group of Catholic men from various area parishes. The daughters have been involved in the Girl Scouts, including cookie fundraising sales; son Kevin became an Altar Server in the past year. Pat, Kathleen, and Siobhan worked for most of a November day at the St. Leo Social Ministry food pantry, helping to weigh, sort and store a massive influx of food from a Scouting for Food campaign conducted by local Boy Scouts of America troops.

Grand Knight Award: David Todd, Ir. David was of immeasurable help to the Grand Knight mainly for his efforts in ensuring our council's successful hosting of the March Virginia State Council Quarterly Meeting. He readily took early charge of this project and its many moving parts, coordinating support of fellow District 16 councils and the Fr. Malloy Assembly to satisfy the manpower needs for the many task areas he identified. He even single-handedly cleaned and set up the main floor of Providence Hall for the Ladies of Virginia meeting. In the end, the overall effort won the praise of the State Deputy and the State Warden. Dave was also always available throughout the year for consultation on the larger K of C organization and protocol.





Inter-Service Club Council Volunteer of the Year for Fraternal Year 2021-22: Pat McGuire. Pat was recognized on August 3 at the City of Fairfax's annual ISCC award ceremony as the Fr. Diamond Council's Volunteer of the Year for FY '21-'22. He was deservedly praised for his service to both our order and to the local community. Pat has become the primary chef of the council and consummate organizer of events, cooking and coordinating various council dinners and activities, among them the Diocesan Altar Servers Picnic, St. Patrick's Day party, Fourth Degree Installation dinner, Grey Gost luncheons, and the annual Steak Night dinner. He helped with several council fundraisers (Christmas tree sales, KOVAR potpie sales, and others) and participated in collecting and distributing packaged food for the needy (including through Scouting for Food at the St. Leo Social Ministry food pantry, Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets, and tirelessly maintaining a Blessing Box at Van Dyck Park). He served St. Leo Church as a 3rd grade religious education instructor for 10 years, as a Eucharistic Minister bringing Sunday communion to the home bound, and as a

Sunday Mass usher. It is clear that Pat has been very dedicated to the Knights of Columbus, to St. Leo the Great parish, and to the wider Fairfax City Community.





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<u>Sun</u>	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	<mark>5</mark> Labor Day	6 7:30PM Officers Meeting	7	8	9	10 8AM Rosary to End Abortion 6PM Dinner & KO- VAR play
1 11AM Mass for Military and First Responders	12	13 7:30PM Rosary 8PM Business Meeting	14	15	16	17 Parish Picnic
18	19	20 11AM Gray Gost Luncheon 7:30PM Ladies Meeting	21 7:30PM 4th Degree Meet- ing	22	23	24
25	26	27 7:30PM Rosary 8PM Business Meeting	28	29	30	1

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25	26	27 7:30PM Rosary 8PM Business Meet- ing	28	29	30	1
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16	17	18 11AM Gray Gost Luncheon 7:30PM Ladies Meeting	19 7:30PM 4th Degree Meeting	20	21	22 "Magdalene" play
23	24	25 7:30PM Rosary 8PM Business Meeting	26	27	28	29
30	31	1 All Saints Day 7:30PM Officers Meeting (?)	2 All Souls Day	3	4	5

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Officers, Directors, and Program Chairmen—2022-23

Officers Grand Knight Chaplain Deputy GK Chancellor Financial Sec.	Nelson Clinch Father Jonathan James Beauchamp James Hogan Herb Zimmerman	703-209-8505 703-915-3504 703-731-7164 703-623-6299	Hall Manager Frat. Benefits Ins. Promotion Providence Hall Project Chairmen Combined Deg. Te	Charlie Kraiger Juan Carlos Fierro Juan Carlos Fierro Kitchen or Office am	703-667-0241 703-499-1244 703-499-1244 703-385-8007
Treasurer Recorder Lecturer Advocate Warden Inside Guard Outside Guard 3yr Trustee 2yr Trustee	Bill Lane Tony Pierno Keith Morrison Tim Hogan Phil Coletti Charlie Kraiger Nathan T. Rasmussen Mark Walther Gib Flodine	703-585-4634 516-445-3613 703-304-8540 703-385-1292 703-945-2544 703-667-0241 703-385-2991 703-766-5054 703-201-0477	Bowling Team Christmas Trees Car Raffle Comedy Knight Email Updates Fall Festival Family Breakfast Food Baskets	Dave Whitcomb Tim Tilson Gib Flodine Herb Zimmerman Nelson Clinch Tim Hogan Pat McGuire Tim Tilson	703-591-7739 703-273-9436 703-201-0477 703-623-6299 703-209-8505 703-385-1292 703-209-5288 703-273-9436
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Programs Faith Family Community Life	James Beauchamp Herb Zimmerman Pat McGuire Dan O'Malley Mark Cameron	703-915-3504 703-623-6299 703-209-5288 703-385-2010 571-232-8755	Gray GOSTs KCIC KOVAR Newsletter Night of Magic	Al Leightley James Hogan Mark Walther James Hogan Pat Leffas	703-273-2089 703-731-7164 703-766-5054 703-731-7164 703-436-2717
Committee Chairr	nen		Parish Picnic March-for-Life	Tim Tilson + deputy Mark Cameron	703-273-9436 571-232-8755
Charity Admissions Retention Vocations Budget & Finance Hall Scheduler	James Hogan Dan O'Malley James Hogan Nelson Clinch Mark Woznak	703-731-7164 703-385-2010 703-731-7164 703-209-8505 703-280-4124	Scout Troop Scrip Sales St. Patrick's Party	Mark Cameron Roger Rosenberger Tim Hogan Pat Murray	571-232-8755 703-591-7750 703-385-1292 703-383-3436



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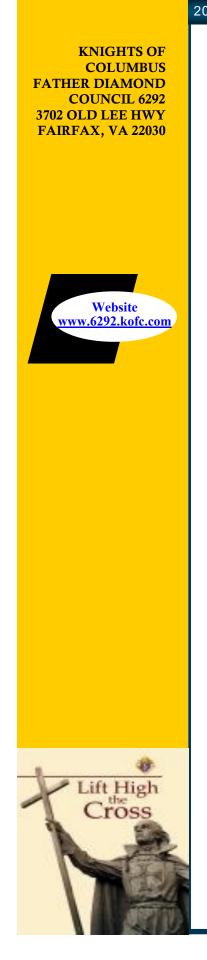
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Giant and Safeway Food Cards Buy Food - Buy Gift Cards — Support the Knights

Food Gift Cards (AKA scrip) for Giant, and Safeway is sold by our council. Profits go toward the Scholarship funds and St. Leo's PTO. Call Tim Hogan at 703-385-1292 for information. Available at Providence Hall before or after meetings.

How does it work? Father Diamond council buys food gift cards at a discount (5% for Giant 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.



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