

**Father Louis A. Rowen
Knights
of Columbus Council
#3670**

MEMBERSHIP

Remember, we have an ongoing membership drive. Have you asked someone to join our council recently? Our council earns \$9.00 per new Knight from Supreme through the end of June. As you recruit new members, please remember to print your name clearly on the Form 100, so we have a contact should we be unable to reach the candidate. Also, please date the form. Thanks.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

If you have paid your 2013 dues, thank you! If not, please send \$25 cash or check (plus an additional \$3.65 donation for PKD if able) to:

Larry Hance
204 Cottonwood Drive
Barboursville, VA 22923-2741

Financial Secretary Report – Larry Hance

The semi-annual audit was completed and submitted. Brother Knight Keith Kroll was reinstated.

Current council membership figures are: Associate Members - 83, Insurance Members – 24, Inactive Members - 13, Total Members - 120.

Quotas for 2012-13: New members 8, To Date – 0
Insurance to Date - 0

Treasurer’s Report – Dave Gamache

As of January 31st, our checking account balance was \$5,931.

Auditors and Trustees Report – Tom O’Rourke

The reports of the Treasurer and Financial Secretary were reviewed and reconciled. There is a major need to accurately record our ongoing volunteer hours.

Church Director Reports

Church of the Incarnation

Norm Balwinski thanked all the Knights who volunteered for the pancake breakfast and the Lenten soup supper. He reported that he was disappointed at the amount of Knights that showed up for the Brian O’Connor social meeting event. He felt the council should have been better represented by more Knights attending.

Holy Comforter

Tom O’Rourke reported that there will be a community breakfast at the church on Sunday,

April 7th starting at 9:30 a.m. Cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children. There will be a 50/50 drawing to help offset expenses. A volunteer is needed to man a recruitment table at this event.

Council Director Report – Jesse Boeckermann

Jesse reported that Form 100s were passed out to a few interested men during the social meeting on February 4th. He also met with our new council insurance agent Tom Loviza for almost two hours and found him to be very knowledgeable about different insurance options and plans.

Youth Director Report – Frank O'Donnell

Frank reported that he attended the State Free Throw Championship in Richmond on Saturday, February 16th to watch our council and district winner, Robert Brozey, compete in the boys ages 10-11 division. Robert did not advance in the competition but made a respectable 15-of-25 free throws.

KNIGHT IN NEED

Meals are needed for Brother Knight Frank O'Leary and his wife Jane at 4003 Tompkins Drive in Charlottesville (22911). If you would like to sign up, you can access the meal schedule by visiting HYPERLINK "http://www.TakeThemAMeal.com" www.TakeThemAMeal.com and locating the schedule by recipient last name (O'Leary) and password (6461). We are looking into Meals on Wheels for them as family assistance support is unsure at this time. Contact Tom O'Rourke if you can help.

INTERESTED IN 4TH DEGREE?

There is a tentative Fourth Degree Exemplification scheduled for Lynchburg on Saturday, March 23 at Holy Cross School. We will need to be assured of a total of 50 candidates before we can proceed with this exemplification.

A NIGHT WITH BRIAN O'CONNOR A SUCCESS

Our Council hosted a night with UVA head baseball coach Brian O'Connor Monday night, February 4 at Church of the Incarnation. The event included baseball food (hot dogs, chips, drinks, and cookies). Coach O'Connor spoke and fielded questions about the upcoming UVA baseball season and his life in baseball for over an hour! Admission for the event was free. The Knights auctioned off four 10-game UVA baseball ticket mini-packages as well that night after offering raffle chances for \$1 a piece or six for \$5. Ann Michael and Tom Eckman each won a pair of tickets to the ten games. Two UVA baseball hats and two UVA baseball t-shirts were also auctioned off as door prizes, and Cavalier baseball schedules and posters (courtesy of UVA marketing) were given out for free.

Our council actually made money on the event, even though there was no cover charge. We received \$390.46 (\$331.00 in the raffle and \$59.46 in donations). The event cost our council \$381.88 (\$165.00 for the tickets and \$216.88 in food and other costs).

As an appreciation to Coach O'Connor for speaking at the event, the council approved a

\$100 donation to the Carson Raymond Foundation at the business meeting in February. Coach O'Connor suggested the charity when asked. The Carson Raymond Foundation ([HYPERLINK "http://www.carsonraymondfoundation.com"](http://www.carsonraymondfoundation.com) www.carsonraymondfoundation.com) helps fund youth activities along with build and renovate baseball fields in Charlottesville and the surrounding area in honor of Carson Raymond, a nine-year-old boy who died because of complications from the H1N1 virus.

FAMILY COMMUNION BREAKFAST COMING IN APRIL

Our council is hosting and sponsoring an old fashioned family communion breakfast at Holy Comforter Catholic Church on Sunday morning, April 7 from 9:30-11:00. The breakfast will take place downstairs in the lower level social hall between the 8:30 and 11:00 Masses. Holy Comforter's youth group will assist in the breakfast. Tickets are \$5 per adult and \$2 per child (\$15 max per family). The menu includes ham slices, frittata (Italian omelet with eggs and cheese), hash browns, breakfast rolls, bread, and assorted coffee, teas, milk, and juices. Volunteers are needed for this event, which includes running a Knights of Columbus recruitment table. Please contact Tom O'Rourke if you have any questions or are interested in volunteering.

FUNDRAISING BREAKFAST TO BENEFIT KOVAR IN APRIL

The Knights of Columbus will also be hosting another pancake and sausage breakfast at Church of the Incarnation Sunday, April 21. All the proceeds will benefit KOVAR (Knights of Virginia Assisting Citizens with Intellectual Disabilities), a Virginia Knights of Columbus charity established in 1971 to provide financial assistance through grants and home loans to tax exempt organizations providing training and assistance to citizens with intellectual disabilities.

Norm Balwinski set up the breakfast as an alternative to standing outside local retail stores and collecting money like our council has done in the past. Our council will continue to have Knights take donations for Tootsie Rolls outside each church during every Mass one weekend and will solicit funds in front of stores if there is interest.

Volunteers are needed for the breakfast as well as taking donations for Tootsie Rolls in the next month. Please contact Norm if you're interested in volunteering.

Norm also presented Frank O'Donnell with a potential KOVAR fundraiser at the February business meeting. UVA head baseball coach Brian O'Connor donated a baseball signed by himself and the entire 2013 team to the Knights, and we still have that as an option to raise money for KOVAR or our council in the future.

OTHER SPECIAL OLYMPIC EVENTS

Albemarle High School hosted a basketball tournament on Sunday, February 24. The opening ceremonies began at 10:00 a.m. and play started at 10:30. Knights were invited to come out, volunteer, and cheer. Thanks to the 4th Degree and any Knights that got involved.

Larry Hance also discussed the possibility of volunteering for the Charlottesville Special

Olympics Torch Run in June. More details to come (HYPERLINK "http://www.torchrunva.com/" www.torchrunva.com/).

MORE UPCOMING EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED

A Walk for Life will be held Saturday, April 13th at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church. It's a fun fundraising event to support the work of The Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia.

It's a fun morning and an easy walk with many people bringing strollers for their little ones. There will be free food, face painting, balloons, and music. You can earn a free Walk for Life t-shirt or go for other great prizes. Do the walk with your friends and family for families in need with an unexpected pregnancy to give Hope, Help, Health, and Healing. Come and be a Life Ambassador for the many women served by The Pregnancy Centers annually (over 3,000 appointments each year). Registration and continental breakfast begin at 8:30 a.m. Official start time for the walk is 9:00 a.m. There are also walks that same morning in Orange and Culpeper. For more information, log on to HYPERLINK "http://www.IWalkforLifeVA.com" www.IWalkforLifeVA.com.

40 Days for Life is in full swing. Please keep participants in your prayers to help end abortion.

For more information on the children's hospital program discussed at the January meeting, check out HYPERLINK "http://www.couragelion.org" www.couragelion.org.

WEEKEND RETREAT UPCOMING

A Men's Cursillo Weekend at will be held at Camp Holiday Trails April 18-21. The cost of the retreat is \$60.00. For more details, please refer to HYPERLINK "http://www.valleycursillo.com" www.valleycursillo.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS T-SHIRTS STILL AVAILABLE

These red t-shirts with white lettering are \$12 each or two for \$20, available in sizes Large, XL, or XXL. Contact Financial Secretary Larry Hance at 434-962-7492 or HYPERLINK "mailto:hance331@embarqmail.com" hance331@embarqmail.com if you're interested in purchasing a shirt to help raise awareness of our place in the community.

POSSIBLE SHOW OF CHARITY OUTING

Financial Secretary Larry Hance is interested in and is proposing a possible 'Show of Charity' outing for our council in the spring. Larry and Brother Knight Chuck Rockacy talked about ideas for channeling our efforts at specific locations. One idea is with Our Lady of the Angels, a Trappist Monastery in Crozet. Check out more information at HYPERLINK "http://www.olamonastery.org/visit-us/frequently-asked-questions/" <http://www.olamonastery.org/visit-us/frequently-asked-questions/>.

Larry and Chuck came up with the idea of attending mass and purchasing wares for these nuns for one. The monastery's Sunday mass is at 8:00 a.m. Larry would like to set up Knights of Columbus 'cash mob' events where we go as a group to support local groups,

stores, events, etc. If interested, please contact Larry at HYPERLINK "mailto:hance331@embarqmail.com" hance331@embarqmail.com or 434-962-7492.

UPCOMING SOCIAL MEETINGS

Treasurer Dave Gamache had a few suggestions involving future Social Meetings for our council. Currently, the Social Meetings are held every Monday night at Church of the Incarnation's Stone Chapel. Dave suggests holding future social meetings at Holy Comforter and St. George's.

Also, Dave suggested reaching out to Tom O'Brien, one of UVA's new assistant football coaches. O'Brien coached at UVA with George Welch, and his family was active at Church of the Incarnation.

Grand Knight Joe Ciaccio has also contacted Cursillo and the Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia as invitations to have representatives come to our Social Meetings to give presentations about their organizations.

If you have any ideas for speakers for speakers, activities, or things we can do with our Social Meetings, please contact Deputy Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at HYPERLINK "mailto:bach@catholic.org" bach@catholic.org.

SERVICE HOURS

Please submit all service hours on a monthly basis so we can capture all the great deeds the Knights are doing. Email your summary to Larry Hance at HYPERLINK "mailto:hance331@embarqmail.com" hance331@embarqmail.com.

Toot your own horn! Here's a great opportunity to apply for Senior Volunteer awards. Winners raise money for their favorite charities. Check out this website.

HYPERLINK "http://www.homeinstead.com/532/News/Local/Pages/Article.aspx?Filter1Field=ID&Filter1Value=18" <http://www.homeinstead.com/532/News/Local/Pages/Article.aspx?Filter1Field=ID&Filter1Value=18>

CHECK OUT OUR COUNCIL ONLINE

Council website - HYPERLINK "http://kofc3670.avenue.org/" <http://kofc3670.avenue.org/>

Check activities section for round-up of what's happening!

Council Facebook page: HYPERLINK "https://www.facebook.com/groups/478466338832149/?fref=ts" <https://www.facebook.com/groups/478466338832149/?fref=ts>

BROTHER KNIGHT ADVERTISING

Brother Knight Robert Neitz of Council 3626 has a handyman business and has performed jobs for members of our council. He is offering a 10% discount to all Knights for most any type of home repair and maintenance services. Please contact Bob at 434-981-3124 or HYPERLINK "mailto:robertneitz@gmail.com" robertneitz@gmail.com.

NEW KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE AGENT

Our new council insurance field agent is Tom Loviza from Richmond. He attended January's council meeting to introduce himself and discuss his availability to do solid insurance reviews of council member's insurance policies and the different Knights of Columbus insurance programs that are available. He is familiar with most products on the market.

Please contact Tom by phone at (804) 307-0086 or e-mail at [HYPERLINK "mailto:thomas.loviza@kofc.org" thomas.loviza@kofc.org](mailto:thomas.loviza@kofc.org).

MARCH BIRTHDAYS IN OUR COUNCIL

John Andrews	March 1
Ernest Sardi	March 2
George Kelly	March 18
Henry Oswald Jr.	March 20
Charles Gross	March 23
David Gamache	March 24
Gerard Bambrick	March 31
Samuel Goble	March 31

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES IN OUR COUNCIL

Name	Date	Wife's Name
Francis O'Leary	3-26-1945	Mary Jane O'Leary
Larry Hance	3-31-2001	Jill Hance

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Please pray for: Conrad Issak, Colette Hall, Barbara Dougherty, Don Firer, Siverstein family, Boitnott family, Bernie Moran, Keri Smallie, Courad Isak, Robert Neitz, Allen Williams, and the families of our deceased Brothers.

PARTIAL LIST OF KNIGHTS NOT ON EMAIL

Francis Burns, Philip Carr, David Casarez, Lawrence Chandler, John Clifford, Richard Cook, Michael Cumiskey, Edward D'Elicio, Richard De Loria, Thomas Gearhart, John Gersbach, Samuel Goble, Derrick Graham, David Haise, Robert Hamlin, Dennis Hogberg, Andrew Hucek, Ray Jacquin, Rev. Robert Keeler, David Keller, Robert Knapp, Robert Kramer, George Krynitsky

Please reach out to them when you see them at church or otherwise and let them know about what is happening. Thanks!

NEXT MEETING

Our next monthly council meeting will be held **Monday night, March 18** at the Stone Chapel on the grounds of the Church of the Incarnation. The Rosary will be recited at 7:15 with the meeting starting at 7:30. Food and refreshments will be served after the meeting. This is YOUR council. Please make plans to attend our monthly meetings.

We invite all practicing Catholic men that want to help others and give back to their church and community to consider joining our council. To learn more about our organization, please contact Grand Knight Joe Ciaccio at HYPERLINK "mailto:jciaci5450@hotmail.com" jciaci5450@hotmail.com.

THE LATEST FROM OUR PARISHES

HYPERLINK "http://www.incarnationparish.org/connect/bulletins" <http://www.incarnationparish.org/connect/bulletins>

HYPERLINK "http://www.holycomforterparish.org/index.php?fuseaction=home.bulletin" <http://www.holycomforterparish.org/index.php?fuseaction=home.bulletin>

HYPERLINK "https://www.facebook.com/pages/St-George-Catholic-Church/145059438899328?sk=info" <https://www.facebook.com/pages/St-George-Catholic-Church/145059438899328?sk=info>

Prayer for the Church

O Lord Jesus Christ, Supreme Pastor of Your Church, we thank you for the ministry of Pope Benedict XVI and the selfless care with which he has led us as Successor of Peter and Your Vicar on earth. Good Shepherd, who founded Your Church on the rock of Peter's faith and have never left Your flock untended.

Look with love upon us now and sustain Your Church in faith, hope, and charity.

Grant, Lord Jesus, in Your boundless love for us, a new Pope for Your Church who will please You by his holiness and lead us faithfully to You, who are the same yesterday, today, and forever. Amen.

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There's No Job Too Small.

Grand Knight's Report

I would like to like to thank the members of our council who volunteered to make the Coach Brian O'Connor talk, the Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast, and the Lent Soup Supper a success.

We had an excellent turnout for our February social meeting with guest speaker, UVA baseball coach Brian O'Conner. Thanks to Bill Phillips, Norm Balwinski, and Chuck Rockacy for setting up the parish hall and arranging for food and drink. Thanks to Larry Hance for providing the sound system and Jesse Boeckerman for emceeding the event. Thanks to all the other Knights who served food and helped clean up afterwards.

Our pancake breakfast, also at Church of the Incarnation, on January 27th went smoothly due to so many volunteers.

On February 15th, we had the Lenten Soup supper at Incarnation. Once again, I would like to thank Bill Phillips and Norm Balwinski for all their help, and Bob Marinchick for the great soup.

After sending in our service hours to Supreme, I would like to propose that we track our service hours on a monthly basis and post them in the newsletter. The monthly report would contain current figures as well as cumulative figures.

Thanks to Jesse for our February newsletter. I'd like to have the newsletter scanned in PDF format before it is e-mailed to help keep the documentation intact. All submissions for upcoming newsletters should be made by the 25th of each month.

On March 16th, District 8 will be conducting a 3rd Degree Exemplification at St. Edwards Council 6546 in Richmond. We will need to arrive by 11:15 a.m. The Exemplification starts promptly at noon and ends at 3:00

p.m. Also on March 16th, District 8 will be conducting a 2nd Degree Exemplification at Bishop Ireton Center (3300 Old Courthouse Road) in Richmond. The degree starts at 9:00 a.m. Candidates should arrive at 8:30 a.m. Dress code is jacket and tie for both installations. If you would like to receive your 2nd or 3rd Degree, please contact me.

If anyone has information concerning possible candidates from the Form 100s that have been passed out at our recent events, please contact me. If we start getting men who are interested in joining the order, our council needs Knights to consider being part of a 1st Degree Team. We also need to form a membership committee with a recruitment director to help with member retention.

I would like to encourage everyone to pray for Pope Benedict XVI as he heads into retirement and for the Conclave of Cardinals as it convenes in Rome to select a Successor to St. Peter. A prayer is posted at the end of the newsletter.

Joe Ciaccio
Grand Knight, Council 3670

OFFICERS

GRAND KNIGHT – Joe Ciaccio – 296-2797

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT - Jesse Boeckermann - 605-376-4234

CHANCELLOR – Norm Balwinski – 973-8774

RECORDER – Frank O’Donnell – 540-819-5235

TREASURER – David Gamache, Sr. - 980-2937

FINANCIAL SECRETARY – Larry Hance – 962-7492

ADVOCATE – Jack Andrews – 977-0429

LECTURER - Bill Phillips – 973-6726

WARDEN – VACANT

INSIDE GUARD – Phil Carr - 297-3084

OUTSIDE GUARD – Mark Sissons – 973-1288

TRUSTEE ONE YEAR – Tom O’Rourke – 244-2852

TRUSTEE TWO YEARS – Bob Marinchick – 823-4068

TRUSTEE THREE YEARS – Joe Murray – 971-2737

DISTRICT DEPUTY – Mike Morris – 540-729-4658

LITURGICAL CALENDAR NOTES

March 10th – 4th Sunday of Lent

March 17th - 5th Sunday of Lent, St. Patrick’s Day

March 19th – St. Joseph

March 24th – Palm Sunday

March 28th – Holy Thursday

March 29th – Good Friday

March 30th – Holy Saturday

March 31st – Easter Sunday

THE HOLY FATHER’S INTENTIONS FOR MARCH

Respect for Nature

That respect for nature may grow with the awareness that all creation is God's work entrusted to human responsibility.

Clergy,

That bishops, priests, and deacons may be tireless messengers of the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

Any Knight who is sick or in need of transportation to a doctor or to get medication, please contact Brother Joe Murray at (434) 971-2737.

Insurance Agent – Tom Loviza

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KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

PLEASE NOTE!

The Newsletter will be published monthly, around the first of the month and at least one week prior to the Business meeting on the third Monday of each month. It will contain notes of the previous meeting plus any other topic of interest to the Brothers. If you have an item you want included in the newsletter, please e-mail it to Deputy Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at [HYPERLINK "mailto:bach@catholic.org" bach@catholic.org](mailto:bach@catholic.org) by the end of the month.