

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

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March 2015

## Grand Knight's Report

Please join us for our Lenten soup suppers at Holy Comforter in conjunction with Stations of the Cross on Friday nights during Lent. The suppers begin at 5:30 with Stations at 6:30. Please let me know if you're interested in helping with setup and cleanup. Consider advancing in your degrees. There's a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification April 18 in Virginia Beach. There are 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree ceremonies March 8 in Arlington and March 28 in Stafford. There's a 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree in Orange Thursday night, March 19 in Orange. If you're interested in advancing in your degrees, please let me know. If our council achieves Star Council status, we would receive \$4.50 per Knight in our council to go toward Per Capita dues in 2015-16. With that being said, let's get recruiting new Knights. Please also look into K of C insurance for you and your family if you don't already have it.

Our council is still in need of a new Treasurer. We also need to think about new officers for the 2015-16 Fraternal Year beginning July 1. Please contact me if you're interested in helping our council as an officer, or if you'd like to nominate someone to fill any officer roles. More info is on page 3. Our council is spearheading an effort to buy a new Ultrasound Machine for the Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia. We want Knights, churches, and our district to embrace this pro-life opportunity to save lives. More info is on page 5.

The state free throw contest has been rescheduled to March 28 at St. Gertrude's in Richmond. It was originally scheduled for February 21, but snow cancelled the event. We wish our four council winners the best. They became district winners when our council was the only one in District 21 to have a competition at Charlottesville Catholic School December 12. Our monthly business meeting is March 16 at Church of the Incarnation's Stone Chapel. Rosary begins at 6:30. The meeting starts at 6:45 with food and drink afterwards. Chuck McCurdy is our council's Knight of the Month. More info about Chuck and his efforts are on page 2.

Jesse Boeckermann  
Grand Knight, Council 3670

## ***THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR MARCH***

### **Scientists**

That those involved in scientific research may serve the well-being of the whole human person

### **Contribution of Women**

That the unique contribution of women to the life of the Church may be recognized always

## 2014/15 FRATERNAL YEAR OFFICERS

GRAND KNIGHT – Jesse Boeckermann - 605-376-4234

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT - Mike Cerruti - 801-584-9157

CHANCELLOR – Chuck McCurdy – 293-3210

RECORDER – Bill Ashe – 882-0236

TREASURER – VACANT

FINANCIAL SECRETARY – Larry Hance – 962-7492

ADVOCATE – Frank O'Donnell – 540-819-5235

LECTURER - Bill Phillips – 973-6726

WARDEN – Daniel Petruso – 540-664-6272

INSIDE GUARD – Phil Carr - 953-6097

OUTSIDE GUARD – Alan Isak – 977-0902, 434-296-1190

TRUSTEE ONE YEAR – Joe Murray – 971-2737

TRUSTEE TWO YEARS – Jim Morrisard – 973-6570

TRUSTEE THREE YEARS – Joe Ciaccio – 995-5886, 566-5921

DISTRICT DEPUTY – Gordo Genovese

CHAPLAIN – Father Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi – 295-7185

**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** – Steve Larson

Phone Number: (434) 326-3535, (434) 823-2141

E-mail Address: [stephen.larson@kofc.org](mailto:stephen.larson@kofc.org)

## MARCH LITURGICAL CALENDAR NOTES

March 1 – Second Sunday of Lent

March 3 – Saint Katharine Drexel

March 4 – Saint Casimir

March 7 – Saints Perpetua and Felicity

March 8 – Third Sunday of Lent, Daylight Saving Time Begins

March 9 – Saint Frances of Rome

March 15 – Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 17 – Saint Patrick

March 18 – Saint Cyril of Jerusalem

March 19 – Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

March 22 – Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 23 – Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo

March 25 – The Annunciation of the Lord

March 29 – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

## 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 Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at [jessebach7@gmail.com](mailto:jessebach7@gmail.com) by the end of the month.

**KNIGHT OF THE MONTH**

**Chuck McCurdy**

**FAMILY OF THE MONTH**

**Joe and Marie Murray**

### KNIGHT OF THE MONTH – CHUCK McCURDY

The Knights of Columbus Council 3670 Knight of the Month for March is Chuck McCurdy. Chuck is currently our council's Chancellor. Chuck and his wife Sharon are parishioners at Holy Comforter. Chuck is the Justice and Peace Ministry Chair at Holy Comforter, serving the church as an active lector. Chuck joined the Knights in 2013, advancing to his 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree a few months later and his 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree last June. Chuck regularly attends meetings and participates in our council's social functions, volunteering at pancake breakfasts, Pavilion events, and soup suppers. He's also the co-President of IMPACT (Interfaith Movement Promoting Actions by Congregations Together) this year and a professor at UVA. We appreciate all he does for Council 3670 and the community. Congratulations Chuck.

### MEMBERSHIP

**Remember, we have an ongoing membership drive. Have you asked someone to join our council recently?** The goal is one new Knight per council per month. We beat it in 2013-14. Let's do it again. Talk to your friends, co-workers, and fellow parishioners. As you recruit practicing Catholics ages 18 and older, 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. When you hand out information or talk to a potential Knight, get their contact information and follow up with them. Please have them send their completed Form 100 to:

Knights of Columbus Council 3670

P. O. Box 7251

Charlottesville, VA 22906

### 2015 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Assessments have been mailed. Submit your \$25 dues (additional \$3.65 Penny per Knight per Day suggested) at any meeting or via mail to the Financial Secretary at the address below.

Larry Hance

204 Cottonwood Drive

Barboursville, VA 22923-2741

### NEW TIMES FOR UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

At our October business meeting, our council voted to change the start time for our meetings to 6:30. There are two meetings held each month. They're on the first and third Mondays at Church of the Incarnation's Stone Chapel. The meeting on the first Monday of the month is a social/organizational meeting. Our next council business meeting will be held **Monday night, March 16**. The Rosary will be recited at 6:30 with the meeting starting after that. Food and refreshments will be served after the meeting. This is YOUR council. Please make plans to attend our monthly meetings with the new, earlier start times.

### COURAGE LION

For more information on the children's hospital program, check out [www.couragelion.org](http://www.couragelion.org). The Courage Lion Program, which our council has participated in, is now helping 62,000 children at 158 hospitals and other facilities. There are nine tools currently being used (books, music, lions, etc.). It started in 2006. More information is online at [www.couragelion.org](http://www.couragelion.org)

## **NEW COUNCIL TREASURER AND OFFICERS NEEDED**

Our council is in need of a new Treasurer. Bob Strassheim resigned his position as Treasurer for personal reasons at the beginning of November. We appreciate Bob's four months as our council's Treasurer along with his service as a council Trustee last Fraternal Year. As Fraternal Year 2015-16 approaches, we're also in need of new officers, including Recorder and Advocate (because Bill Ashe and Frank O'Donnell are moving), and Outside Guard. If you're interested in more information about becoming our council's Treasurer, or any other officer position, please email or call Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at [jessebach7@gmail.com](mailto:jessebach7@gmail.com) or [605-376-4234](tel:605-376-4234). If you are interested in nominating someone, please let Jesse know as well.

The main duties of the Treasurer are as follows:

1. Charged with handling council funds
2. Receives money from financial secretary and deposits it in the proper council accounts
3. Responsible for paying all council expenses, including assessments from the Supreme Council

## **MARCH AND UPCOMING LOCAL DEGREE OPPORTUNITIES**

### *4<sup>th</sup> DEGREE*

Saturday, April 18 in Virginia Beach

### *3<sup>rd</sup> DEGREES*

Sunday, March 8 from 11:00-2:00 in Arlington

Saturday, March 28 from 11:00-2:00 in Stafford

### *2<sup>ND</sup> DEGREES*

Saturday morning, March 7 in Fredericksburg

Thursday night, March 19 from 7:30-9:30 at St. Isidore the Farmer in Orange

### *LOCAL 1<sup>st</sup> DEGREES*

Wednesday night, April 8 from 7:00-8:45 at Sacred Hearts in Mineral

There will be a 4th Degree Exemplification Saturday, April 18 in Virginia Beach. There is a \$70 fee, and there will be a \$30 fee for a luncheon that day. There are currently about 6,000 4th Degree Knights in Virginia. There are a number of Degrees throughout the state each month. If you're interested in attending any of these, contact Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at [jessebach7@gmail.com](mailto:jessebach7@gmail.com) or 605-376-4234. For more information, and for the full degree schedule, log on to <http://www.vakofc.org/> and click on Calendar.

## **BROTHER SEEKS RIDE HOME FROM COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Brothers,

I am looking for one or more Brothers who attend the monthly business meeting who can give me a ride home after the meeting. I do not drive, and my wife brings me to the meeting, so all I need is a ride home.

I live in downtown Charlottesville off Park Street, not far from the 250 Bypass. I have a wheelchair, which can be disassembled to fit in the trunk. If you attend the meetings and you can help out, please contact me at [kelton\\_flinn@embarqmail.com](mailto:kelton_flinn@embarqmail.com) or 434-296-6224. Thanks!

Vivat Jesus! Kelton Flinn

## **MASS IN CROZET**

Our council chaplain, Father Joseph Mary, began offering Mass in Crozet at The Field School on the second Sunday morning of each month at 10:30. The first mass was March 9<sup>th</sup>. Organizers expected about 75 people, and more than 200 showed up. Since then, about 225 people are showing up for these special masses. Please tell fellow Catholics and Knights about this opportunity in Crozet.

## **LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS AT HOLY COMFORTER**

Our council is hosting a series of Friday Lenten Soup Suppers at Holy Comforter that started February 27. Thanks to Greg Gerling and his wife Maria for making the soup and bringing the bread and drinks, and thanks for all who attended and helped with setup and cleanup. The soup suppers begin at 5:30 in the basement of the church, leading up to Stations of the Cross at 6:30 in the sanctuary.

Chuck and Sharon McCurdy will make soup for March 6. Richard and Mary Ann Ziminski will prepare the soup for March 13 and 27. Joe and Marie Murray will make the soup for March 20.

We need volunteers to help setup and cleanup each night. If you're able to come to Holy Comforter at 5:00 on Friday nights the four Fridays during Lent in March, please contact Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at [jessebach7@gmail.com](mailto:jessebach7@gmail.com) or 605-376-4234. You can stay for a great soup supper and Stations of the Cross as we grow stronger in our faith and prepare for Easter. Even if you can't help with setup, cleanup, or making soup, this is a social opportunity for all Knights and our families. Please plan on attending these soup suppers. If you can't stay for Stations of the Cross, that's okay, but we'd really like to help Father Joseph Mary and Holy Comforter with social events for the whole church and council community to come together to share our time and have fellowship. We'd also like to help grow Holy Comforter's attendance at Stations of the Cross, so invite your friends and family and tell fellow parishioners.

## **BREAKFAST FOR CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL MARCH 7**

Charlottesville Catholic School is holding its first ever read-a-thon lock-in March 6-7 in conjunction with Dr. Suess' birthday and the National Education Association's Read Across America program. 3-8th grade students will be spending the night at the school. CCS Students will read and ask for pledges to support three local charities that support literacy and education. CCS librarian Michelle Banaszak contacted our council in the hopes that we would prepare a breakfast March 7 for the 20 adults and about 120 children ages 8-13 to be served Saturday morning, March 7 around 7:30. We look forward to the opportunity. Volunteers will need to be at CCS by 5:30 Saturday morning, March 7 to get the pancakes and sausages ready. Thanks to Bill Phillips and Norm Balwinski for leading this effort. We have access to the kitchen after 7:00 Friday night, March 6 to prep if needed.

If you're interested in helping with this breakfast, please contact Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at [jessebach7@gmail.com](mailto:jessebach7@gmail.com) or 605-376-4234.

## **COATS OF KIDS: ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL WINTER**

For the fifth winter, our council collected donations for Coats for Kids to purchase jackets for children in need in our area. We've raised over \$2,900 and purchased 13 boxes of coats for children in need at Holy Comforter, Church of the Incarnation, St. George, the Salvation Army, the Shelter for Help in Emergency, and elementary schools in Albemarle County. 27 councils in Virginia were involved with Coats for Kids this year. 1,188 coats were purchased. Our council purchased 156 of those to give to children in need in our community.

The cost per case of coats is \$220, which includes shipping. The boys and girls coats are \$18.33 a piece (including shipping) for brand new, high quality coats from a major manufacturer. More info is online at <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/service/community/coats-for-kids/index.html>. All checks need to be made out to "K of C Council 3670" with Coats for Kids in the memo line. Donations can be mailed to Knights of Columbus Council 3670, P.O. Box 7251, Charlottesville, VA 22906. If you know of any coat needs in our community, please contact Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at [jessebach7@gmail.com](mailto:jessebach7@gmail.com) or 605-376-4234.

## **POLAR PLUNGE FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS REACHES A RECORD**

The Polar Plunge on February 7 in Virginia Beach raised a record \$1.18 million dollars for Special Olympics this year. The Knights of Columbus raised almost \$30,000 of that. About 50 Knights plunged. You still have until May to donate. Here's the link to

donate: <https://secure.e2rm.com/registrator/FundraisingPage.aspx?registrationID=2690280&langPref=en-CA>. The Summer Special Olympics will be in June in Richmond. The Fall Olympics are in Virginia Beach.

## **ULTRASOUND INITIATIVE LAUNCHED**

Our council is spearheading an initiative to buy a new ultrasound machine for the Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia to replace a 2008 Ultrasound Machine with out-of-date technology at their downtown Charlottesville location. If we raise \$15,000, Supreme will match our fundraising effort to purchase the new machine, which costs about \$30,000. Please support the amazing pro-life work of the Pregnancy Centers to save lives in our community at four locations: two in Charlottesville, one in Orange, and one in Culpeper. More information is online at [www.virginiapregnancy.org](http://www.virginiapregnancy.org). Frank O'Donnell, our council's Youth Director and Advocate, is leading the charge, speaking at other council meetings and garnering support within our churches. We'll be sending out a mailing to all the Knights in our council and also sending this letter to Knights at the other councils in our district in Palmyra, Orange, Culpeper, Louisa, and Charlottesville. To donate, send a check made out to "K of C Council 3670" with "Ultrasound Initiative" in the memo line to: Knights of Columbus Council 3670  
P.O. Box 7251  
Charlottesville, VA 22906

## **THE IMPORTANCE OF RECRUITING NEW KNIGHTS**

Brothers,

Below is the link to the Supreme Knight's Membership video. This video crystallizes a vision for why we do what we do and why we must invite all eligible Catholic men to join the Knights of Columbus. Copy this link into your browser and go to the 2nd video called "Supreme Knight on Membership."

<http://www.kofc.org/un/en/videos/videolibrary.html#1680544792001>

I am hopeful that Mr. Anderson's message resonates with you as it did with me as to the impact that we have on a daily basis ("By Our Example"). Thank you for your continued efforts to make this the best Fraternal Year Virginia has ever had.

Be Faith in Action,

Dave Crew, Virginia State Program Director

## **SPANISH SPEAKING DEGREE TEAMS NEEDED**

There is a growing need for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree Spanish speaking Degree Teams in Virginia. One Spanish First Degree Team has been formed. There is a 1st Degree in Spanish on CD, but receiving this first lesson of our order by a qualified Degree Team in a language understood by the new Knights would provide a more meaningful event. The Virginia Ceremonials Chairman is working on forming teams that could be available throughout the State. If you speak Spanish and are interested in joining a Degree Team, please contact Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at 605-376-4234 or [jessebach7@gmail.com](mailto:jessebach7@gmail.com).

## **VIRGINIA DIOCESE MEN'S CONFERENCES**

Our Bishops have scheduled Men's Conferences that promise to be outstanding opportunities for us to grow in faith. These Annual Conferences have steadily grown in attendance, and we strongly encourage every Brother Knight to consider joining other men from across their diocese in a day you won't soon forget. More information about these conferences are provided below.

### **March 7, 2015 - Arlington Diocese**

## **2015 Men's Conference**

*Defeating the Common Enemy - Overcoming Sin & Evil*

Fr. Larry Richards and Neal Lozano will join us on March 7th for the diocesan Men's Conference. Fr. Larry and Neal will explore sin, repentance, and our battle with evil in a day that promises to be both fascinating and thought-provoking. **Please note our NEW conference venue: Fox chase Manor in Manassas.**

## **FATHER BADER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

If you or a Knight you know is the father of a high school senior that plans to attend post-secondary, the Father Bader Scholarship Program is accepting applications from now until March 31. For more information, log on to [www.vakofc.org](http://www.vakofc.org) and click on the Programs tab, Youth, and then Scholastic Programs. You can also email Scholarship Program Chairman Dave Lopez at [davelopez75@msn.com](mailto:davelopez75@msn.com) for more info.

## **STATE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MEETING IN RICHMOND MARCH 21**

Brothers,

On Saturday morning, March 21, we will be hosting an Information Technology (IT) meeting at Bishop Ireton Council #6189, 3300 Old Courthouse Road in Richmond from 10:00-noon. This meeting, the first of its kind this year, is planned to discuss the current Virginia State website ([www.vakofc.org](http://www.vakofc.org)), secure and non-secure service, web hosting service, and upgrade plans for the near future. During a meeting earlier this year there was a lot of interest in this topic so we wanted to host an open exchange of information - a "listening meeting" so that we can capture the most important Council and District requirements to build on going forward. Please RSVP to [execsecretary@vakofc.org](mailto:execsecretary@vakofc.org) if you plan to attend so that we have enough seats and coffee available.

## **FATHERS FOR GOOD**

Fathers for Good is an initiative for men by the Knights of Columbus. Whether you are a seasoned dad, a new dad, a dad to be, or a single guy wanting to know more about fatherhood, this website is for you.

There is a role only a father can fill and gifts only a father can give. In a culture that often does not favor fatherhood or masculine virtue, we wish to highlight the unique contributions of men, husbands and fathers. The world would be lacking without them. We also welcome wives who want to support their husbands in becoming the best. See more at <http://www.fathersforgood.org/en/index.html>.

## **FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES**

### *PAVILION CHARITY EVENTS*

Our council has signed up once again for volunteer opportunities at the Pavilion in downtown Charlottesville. We will have the opportunity at concerts and Fridays After Five to check IDs and work at the beer, alcohol, and soda carts to raise money for our council. Please help our council take advantage of these opportunities by volunteering your time and spending some quality time with your Brother Knights.

### *BELK CHARITY SALE*

Special thanks to the efforts of Deputy Grand Knight Mike Cerruti and Trustee Joe Murray, our council raised an additional \$116 from the Belk Charity Sale November 8. Mike led the sales before the special sale, and Mike and Joe got up early that Saturday morning and sold tickets to raise money for our council. Thank you for your efforts Mike and Joe.

### *T-SHIRTS STILL AVAILABLE*

Red Knights of Columbus XL t-shirts are also available for \$12 each or two for \$20. A total of three Knights of Columbus BBQ aprons are also available: yellow, natural, and white. First come, first served for \$22 each. ([http://www.cafepress.com/+knights\\_of\\_columbus\\_bbq\\_apron,179214278](http://www.cafepress.com/+knights_of_columbus_bbq_apron,179214278)).

Contact Financial Secretary Larry Hance at 434-962-7492 or [hance331@embarqmail.com](mailto:hance331@embarqmail.com) if you're interested in purchasing a shirt and/or to help raise awareness of our place in the community.

### *MEMORY STUDY*

UVA is paying \$120 for people to participate in this memory study at the Cognitive Aging Laboratory (<http://faculty.virginia.edu/cogage/participate/>). Call 434-982-6320 if you're interested.

There are three two-hour sessions, and you can set your own schedule. Larry Hance, Bob Strassheim, and Jesse Boeckermann have participated and pledged the proceeds to the council. Please consider doing the same.

## **MORE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

### *HABITAT FOR HUMANITY*

Volunteer needs are online at <http://www.cvillehabitat.org/volunteer-needs>. Church of the Incarnation Build Days are March 28 and April 11. No construction experience is necessary. All training is provided on site. There is also a need for people to photograph the event and provide lunch. There are signup sheets in the Narthex at Incarnation, so signup to help build safe and decent homes for families in need. For more information, contact Sheila at Church of the Incarnation at [sheilah@incarnationparish.org](mailto:sheilah@incarnationparish.org) and [434-973-4381](tel:434-973-4381).

### *INCARNATION FOOD MINISTRY*

Incarnation is seeking parish food ministry members to help pick up bread/pastries from a bakery and donations from Trader Joe's, helping prepare the bags of food, assisting with Sunday distribution, and more. Please contact Tom ([tcross48@hotmail.com](mailto:tcross48@hotmail.com)) for more information. If you have an over-bountiful garden, bring any excess to our council meetings at Incarnation. The parish has a table to share/trade surplus vegetables, fruits, and plants. Thanks for your help and donations.

### *GIVING THE GIFT OF LIFE*

Please visit <http://www.vablood.org/> to donate at other times or call Virginia Blood Services at 434-977-8956.

### *BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION*

Please check your pantries for items that participate in the Boxtops for Education program. Simply tear off boxtops from a host of products and bring them to our council meeting or to your parish. Each boxtop is worth ten cents each and that can quickly add up if everyone participates. All boxtops will benefit Charlottesville Catholic School. Also, look for special "double boxtop" offers from the same brands and retailers (Walmart, etc.) during back to school season. More info: [www.boxtops4education.com/products/participating-products](http://www.boxtops4education.com/products/participating-products).

## **RESURRECTION CHALICE PROGRAM FOR VOCATIONS**

Brother Knights who are Members of Holy Comforter Church,

The purpose of the Chalice Program is to encourage families to pray and promote vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. The consecrated Chalice is a tangible reminder of this special intention for the Church. Praying for vocations is the most powerful way to support vocations. A vocation is a call from the Holy Spirit, a gift from God that is nurtured in prayer. When we pray for vocations, we lift up to our Father those men and women whom He is calling to follow Him in a very special way. The Vocations Chalice Prayer Program at Holy Comforter is simple. Just sign up on the calendar that is on the credenza. You will be called the beginning of the week as a reminder. During Mass you will be called forward to receive the Chalice to take home for the week to offer prayers for vocations. Prayers will be included in the Chalice box to start you off. Bring the Chalice back the following week when it will be given to the next Parishioners. This is such a beautiful way to pray for priestly vocations.

The Second Vatican Council instructs us that it is the job of the laity to pray for an increase in vocations. We are asking all of our parishioners to join together and pray for vocations.

Each Sunday, a parishioner or parishioners, will take home a consecrated chalice and use it as a focal point while praying daily for an increase in religious vocations. In successive weeks, the chalice is passed to other parishioners. We all are well aware of the urgent need for an increase in religious vocations. This is an opportunity for our Knights of Columbus at Holy Comforter to spearhead the Resurrection Chalice Program for Vocations; and thus by our example, encourage other parishioners to join us in this effort.

Details from the US Conference of Catholic Bishops can be found here:

<http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/vocations/vocation-directors/chalice-program-info.cfm>

## **POSSIBLE COMMUNITY SERVICE VENTURE**

Adopt - A - Highway <http://www.virginiadot.org/programs/prog-aah-terms.asp>

## **RSVP (REFUND SUPPORT VOCATIONS PROGRAM)**

Through the Knights of Columbus Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP), councils, assemblies and Squires circles “adopt” one or more seminarians or postulants and provide them with financial assistance and moral support. RSVP money is used by seminarians and those in religious formation for tuition and books, car insurance and maintenance, travel during vacations, emergency expenditures and other living expenses.

Knights provide more than financial support, though. Members write letters to students, sponsor dinners for them, invite them to join the Order and, most importantly, pray for vocations.

Last year, financial help from 2,628 councils, assemblies and circles to future priests, sisters and brothers, exceeded \$3 million. Since 1981 the Order has provided more than \$52.9 million in aid through RSVP, helping more than 85,900 men and women follow their vocations. Qualifying councils and assemblies receive a \$100 refund for every \$500 donated, up to a limit of \$2,000 donated to an individual.

*Description from Knights of Columbus website at <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/vocations/rsvp/>*

Pictured below is our council’s recipient for RSVP, Brother Knight Nick Redmond. Keep him in your prayers.



## **KOVAR (Knights of Virginia Assisting Citizens with Intellectual Disabilities) UPDATE**

KOVAR fundraising is down about \$70,000 for last year. KOVAR gave out 22 grants in 2014. Groups can apply for grants every 18 months (instead of 12) because funds are down. KOVAR's meetings are open to any Knights and are held bimonthly in Charlottesville in the even months (February, April, June, etc.).

## **KOVAR VEHICLE DONATION PROGRAM**

The KOVAR (Knights of Virginia Assisting Citizens with Intellectual Disabilities) Vehicle Donation Program is a free, convenient service for converting that extra car, truck, or RV into a tax deductible donation benefiting **KOVAR Corporation**. You can donate online or call 877-999-8322 to make your donation.

Don't donate your car or truck to some charity you have never heard of. Our trusted service makes sure your vehicle is properly handled so you get your tax deduction and your charity, **KOVAR Corporation**, gets the benefit of your donation. Visit <http://www.v-dac.com/org/?id=237337216> for more information.

## **PROPER FLAG DISPOSAL**

If you have upgraded your American flag for Memorial/Flag Day/4th of July, the American Legion post in Keswick handles proper disposal of old flags. More information is online at <http://alp74.avenue.org/>.

Feel free to bring any old flags to our council meetings. Larry Hance will see that that they are taken care of.

## **BROTHER KNIGHT ADVERTISING**

### **CURT'S COMPUTER CONSULTING**

Servers/Desktops/Networks – *No Job Too Small*

Norman C. Bean (Curt), Computer Systems Specialist

290 Riverbend Drive, Unit 2A Charlottesville, VA 22911

Phone: 434-989-4536

Email: [curtbean@centurylink.net](mailto:curtbean@centurylink.net)

Senior citizens over 65: service fee is free, with the exception of necessary parts.

## **SOCIAL IDEAS**

We've had a few suggestions involving future Social Meetings for our council. Currently, the Social Meetings are held the first Monday night of each month at Church of the Incarnation's Stone Chapel. It's been suggested to hold future social meetings at Holy Comforter and St. George.

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

Past Grand Knight Joe Ciaccio has also contacted Cursillo to have a representative come to one of our social meetings to give a presentation about their organization. Financial Secretary Larry Hance suggested have someone from the Fellowship of Christian Athletes speak.

If you have any ideas for speakers for speakers, activities, or things we can do with our Social Meetings, please contact Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at [jessebach7@gmail.com](mailto:jessebach7@gmail.com) or 605-376-4234. Any input for a theater outing can be proffered there or at the Council's organizational and business meetings held on the first and third Monday of each month, respectively.

## **CHECK OUT OUR COUNCIL AND THE KNIGHTS ONLINE**

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

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

Worthy Sirs,

Please take a moment and check out the Virginia State Council's Facebook page. John White, Grand Knight of Council #2473, is doing an excellent job in keeping the site current and interesting. Once you have visited the page, please click on "Like" which will improve our rankings (<https://www.facebook.com/KofCVa>)

Thank You to John White.

Kelly Mortensen, PSD, Executive Secretary

## **KNIGHTS GEAR**

You can now order all kinds of Knights of Columbus gear online. Get name brands like Adidas, Nike, Cutter & Buck, and Columbia. You can even get new gear personalized with our council or assembly info. Log on to <https://www.knightsgear.com/>.

Knightsgear is your premier source for K of C products, from books and videos to council supplies to apparel that can be worn at leisure or when working for Church and community with your brother Knights. Recently added items include K of C caps; a DVD about our founder, Father Michael McGivney; as well as a documentary on the life of Pope Francis; St. John Paul II prayer cards; and more.

## **MARCH BIRTHDAYS IN OUR COUNCIL**

Jack Andrews	March 1
Ernie Sardi	March 2
Joe Arcidicono	March 7
Greg Brown	March 12
George Kelly	March 18
Henry Oswald	March 20
Charles Gross	March 23
Jerry Bambrick	March 31
Samuel Goble	March 31

## **NEW KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE AGENT**

Our council's new insurance field agent is Steve Larson. He's available to do solid insurance reviews of council member's insurance policies and talk about the different Knights of Columbus insurance programs that are available. Steve looks forward to working with you for many years to come. You can reach Steve by phone at 434-326-3535 and by email at [stephen.larson@kofc.org](mailto:stephen.larson@kofc.org).

### **LIST OF KNIGHTS NOT ON EMAIL**

Rev. Joseph Brown, Vincent Bucci, Francis Burns, Philip Carr, David Casarez, Lawrence Chandler, Charles Ciaccio, Richard Cook, Frank D'Alessandro, Samuel Goble, Derrick Graham, Patrick Hanley, Rev. John Hickey, Andrew Hucek, Rev. Robert Keeler, David Keller, Robert Knapp, Keith Kroll, George Krynitsky, Gene Markowski, David Miller, Bernard Morin, Rev. Dennis Murphy, Eugene Musolf, Francis O'Leary, Henry Oswald, Paul Peck, David Peterson, Frank Pologruto, Thomas Rogan, John Schultz, Robert Schwagerl, Gary Sloan, Lee Stone, Donald Warner

**Please reach out to them when you see them at church or otherwise and let them know about what is happening. Copies of the newsletter are available at Holy Comforter and Church of the Incarnation or upon request. We invite all practicing Catholic men 18 years or older 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 Jesse Boeckermann at [jessebach7@gmail.com](mailto:jessebach7@gmail.com) or 605-376-4234 or any other Knight.**

### **BROTHER KNIGHT ADVERTISING**

Brother Knight Robert Neitz of Council 3670 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 [robertneitz@gmail.com](mailto:robertneitz@gmail.com).

**FATHER LOUIS A ROWEN  
COUNCIL #3670  
List of Deceased Brother Knights**

PGK Ambrose Bryne

Louis Chauvenet

Cornelius Connelly

Edvin Farinholt

Andrew Gallagher

J.O. Hutchinson

Frank Ix

Kenneth Jaycox

William Maher

Robert Martin

Rev. Bernard Moore

Dominic Pologruto

Earle Rowan

Edward Sisselberger

Dr. John Thornton

John F. Finn

Carl Strahle

PSD Bernard McCusty

Samuel Lancaster

John Kivilighan

Breece Pancake

Col. Louis G. Klinker

Rev. Joseph Wingler

Rev. John Cummings

PGK Dick Cox

George Williams

John Mueller

George Harrington

Gerald Gallager

Dewey Graley

PGK Julian Hanlon

Hubert Glancy

Frank Oravec

Peter Pizza

Frank Doherty

PGK Robert Severin

Raymond White

Robert Mead

Clifford McQuilken

Anthony Guttill

Larry Swinburne

Leo Connelly

John Tonsler

James Looney

Rollin Stanton

PGK William P Maher

PGK Michael Stewart

James Duffy

William Suggs

Marcel Cloutier

John Wojnarowski

Raymond Cronin

Charles Foley

George Sylvia

**2007**

Tony Gambatesa

Glen Edgell

Wesley W. Clegg

**2008**

Jerome A. Ix

Charles Callaghan Jr.

PGK John (Jack) Cornachio

E.T Cason

PGK Peter M. Colo – Charter Member

Rev. Carl J. Naro – Chaplain

**2009**

Lew C. Stokes

PGK Randall W. Miller

**2010**

Daniel Dorsey Jr.

**2012**

Donald Firer

Henry Goforth

Nathaniel Long

**2013**

Conrad Isak

**2014**

Msgr. Chester Michael

Edward Morris

**2015**

Tom O'Rourke

Eternal Rest Grant unto them, O Lord.  
and let perpetual light shine upon  
them. May the souls of the faithfully  
departed through the mercy of GOD  
rest in peace. AMEN