

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

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July 2015

## Grand Knight's Report

Sir Knight Francis O'Leary passed away June 6. Please keep his family in your prayers. A link to Frank's obituary is on page 3. The Council 3670 Ultrasound Initiative has reached its initial fundraising goal of \$15,000. Our council has spearheaded an effort to buy a new Ultrasound Machine for the Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia since February. For all who have contributed, thank you. We will continue to take donations this summer since we've been given permission to collect money at Incarnation July 25-26. More information is on page 5. Our council is in need of a new Lecturer for the 2015-16 Fraternal Year. Please contact me if you're interested in helping our council, or if you'd like to nominate someone to fill the role. More info is on page 3.

We need eight volunteers July 3 and ten volunteers July 16 to help with events at the Pavilion in downtown Charlottesville. These opportunities help our council raise much needed funding. More information is on page 6. If you can help, please let me know.

The Virginia State Organizational Meeting will be July 11 in Newport News. If you'd like to attend, please let me know. You will learn a lot about Knights across Virginia.

Our council will host a First Degree ceremony during our social meeting Monday night, July 6. The degree begins at 7:00 in the conference room at Church of the Incarnation. There will be food and drinks after the degree. Our monthly business meeting is July 20 at Incarnation's Stone Chapel. Rosary begins at 6:30. The meeting starts at 6:45 with food and drink afterwards.

Congratulations to the Church of the Incarnation Young Man and Young Women of the Year. They are Gus Osimitz (Young Man) and Ann Joseph and Gaby Balcells (Young Women). Check out their pictures on page 4.

Dan Petruso is our council's Knight of the Month. More info about Dan and his efforts are on page 2.

Jesse Boeckermann  
Grand Knight, Council 3670

## THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR JULY

### Universal

That political responsibility may be lived at all levels as a high form of charity

**Evangelization:** That, amid social inequalities, Latin American Christians may bear witness to love for the poor and contribute to a more fraternal society

## 2015/16 FRATERNAL YEAR OFFICERS

GRAND KNIGHT – Jesse Boeckermann - 605-376-4234

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT - Larry Hance – 962-7492

CHANCELLOR – Chuck McCurdy – 293-3210

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ADVOCATE – Norm Balwinski – 973-8774

LECTURER - VACANT

WARDEN – Dan Petruso – 540-664-6272

INSIDE GUARD – Phil Carr - 953-6097

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TRUSTEE ONE YEAR – Jim Morrisard – 973-6570

TRUSTEE TWO YEARS – Joe Murray – 971-2737

TRUSTEE THREE YEARS – Bill Phillips – 973-6726

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** – Kevin Choate

Phone Number: (804) 377-9110

E-mail Address: kevin.choate@kofc.org

## JULY LITURGICAL CALENDAR NOTES

July 1 – Blessed Junipero Serra

July 3 – Saint Thomas, apostle

July 4 – Independence Day

July 6 – Saint Maria Goretti

July 9 – Saint Augustine Zhao Rong and companions

July 11 – Saint Benedict, abbot

July 13 – Saint Henry

July 15 – Saint Bonaventure

July 16 – Our Lady of Mount Carmel

July 22 – Saint Mary Magdalene

July 23 – Saint Bridget

July 25 – Saint James, apostle

July 29 – Saint Martha

July 31 – Saint Ignatius of Loyola

## **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**

**Dan Petruso**

## **FAMILY OF THE MONTH**

**Chuck and Sharon  
McCurdy**

### **KNIGHT OF THE MONTH – DAN PETRUSO**

The Knights of Columbus Council 3670 Knight of the Month for July is Dan Petruso. Dan is a parishioner at Holy Comforter. He joined the Knights in 1981 and advanced to his 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degrees in 1985. He's an Honorary Member of our council with 33 years of continuous service. Dan stepped up to take the officer role of Warden this past Fraternal Year, and he will continue in that role in 2015-16. Dan attends meetings regularly and leads the rosary. He's been involved with many aspects of our council: volunteering at Pavilion events, helping with the Ultrasound Initiative collection, volunteering at pancake breakfasts, and attending socials. We appreciate everything that Dan does for Council 3670. Congratulations Dan.

### **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. 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 new Form 100, so we have a contact should we be unable to reach the candidate. Also, please date the form. The old Form 100s are not valid as of July 1. When you hand out information or talk to a potential Knight, get their contact information and follow up with them. Have them send their completed Form 100 to:

P. O. Box 7251

Charlottesville, VA 22906

### **THE IMPORTANCE OF RECRUITING NEW KNIGHTS, NEW RECRUITING APP AVAILABLE**

Supreme now has a Membership App to help you recruit. This was in a recent Knightline and is an excellent recruiting tool. Go to the App store and download it for free. It works on both iOS (iPhone, iPad, etc.) and Android operating systems. The new Knights of Columbus "Join Us" app shows what the Order has to offer eligible Catholic men and their families. This app features an overview of the Knights of Columbus' work in providing security to families, as well as our charitable and faith-based programs. It's a concise and engaging way to share with prospects the good works and top-rated insurance protection made possible by joining the Order. Through the app, one can also access the online form interested prospects can complete as the first step in becoming a Knight of Columbus. This tool is available for download on any compatible device. Download it and encourage your fellow Knights to do the same. With such a convenient recruitment tool available at our fingertips, we can all the more easily show qualified Catholic men what the Knights of Columbus can provide for both him and his family. Also, 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>.

### **BROTHER KNIGHT IN NEED**

Brother Knight Peter Manuel is looking for a used car at a low price. If you know of a used car for sale, or a good place to look, please email Peter at [petermanuel\\_2978@yahoo.com](mailto:petermanuel_2978@yahoo.com) or give him a call at [703-844-2326](tel:703-844-2326). Along with a used car, Peter is also looking for a new job and a new place to live in Charlottesville. If you have any job connections or know of any apartments for rent at a good price, please contact Peter.

## **BROTHER KNIGHT FRANK O'LEARY PASSES AWAY**



Sir Knight Frank O'Leary passed away June 6. He was a member of Church of the Incarnation. A Mass of Christian Burial was held June 9 at Incarnation, and Frank was buried at St. George in Scottsville with Brother Knight and Father Gerald Fogarty officiating at both the funeral and cemetery. An obituary is online at [http://www.hillandwood.com/fh/obituaries/obituary.cfm?o\\_id=3187024&fh\\_id=10702](http://www.hillandwood.com/fh/obituaries/obituary.cfm?o_id=3187024&fh_id=10702).

## **BROTHER KNIGHT IN NURSING CENTER**

Sir Knight Francis Burns is now in Our Lady of Peace Nursing Center in Room 14A. Please pray for Francis and this family, and if you're able, please visit him.

## **NEW COUNCIL LECTURER NEEDED**

Our council is in need of a new Lecturer. Bill Phillips has served our council for a number of years in this capacity. If you're interested in more information about becoming our council's Lecturer, please email or call Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at [jessebach7@gmail.com](mailto:jessebach7@gmail.com) or [605-376-4234](tel:605-376-4234).

The main duties of the Lecturer are to provide suitable educational and entertaining programs at council meetings. This may include such items as food, drinks, speakers, presentations on special topics, etc. Lecturer is appointed by the Grand Knight. The council works with the Lecturer to plan the food and drink for each meeting, coordinating with that Brother Knight to make meetings fun.

## **JULY AND UPCOMING LOCAL DEGREE OPPORTUNITIES**

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

Saturday, August 22 from 11:00-1:00 in Glen Allen

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

Monday night, July 6 from 7:00-8:30 at Church of the Incarnation

Monday night, July 20 from 7:00-9:00 at St. Isidore the Farmer in Orange

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.

## **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).

**INCARNATION'S YOUNG MAN AND WOMEN OF THE YEAR**



*Church of the Incarnation Young Man of the Year Gus Osimitz with his parents and Father Gregory*



*Church of the Incarnation Young Woman of the Year Ann Joseph and Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann*



*Church of the Incarnation Young Woman of the Year Gaby Balcells with her parents and Father Gregory*

## **ULTRASOUND INITIATIVE REACHES INITIAL GOAL**

Thanks to everyone who has donated to our council's Ultrasound Initiative, which began in February. Representatives from the Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia spoke after all the masses at Holy Comforter the weekend of June 27-28, and over \$6,800 was raised, which means we've reached \$15,500. That means we can buy a new ultrasound machine for the Pregnancy Centers to replace a 2008 Ultrasound Machine with out-of-date technology at their downtown Charlottesville location. The Supreme Council will match our fundraising effort to purchase the new machine, which costs about \$30,000. If you haven't already donated, 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). We will continue to raise money throughout the summer, because Father Gregory has given our council permission to collect donations after all the masses at Incarnation the weekend of July 25-26. We'll need volunteers to collect money that weekend.

### ***INITIATIVE HISTORY***

Frank O'Donnell, our council's Youth Director and Advocate during the 2014-15 Fraternal Year, led the charge from the beginning, speaking at other council meetings and garnering support within our churches. He also pledged \$1,000 for this effort before Frank and his wife Dee moved to Utah in April.

We sent out a letter to all the Knights in our council asking for donations. The Grand Knights of the other councils in our district in Palmyra, Orange, Culpeper, Louisa, and Charlottesville have also distributed this letter to their councils. Knights from councils in Palmyra, Orange, and Charlottesville have pledged money after Frank spoke to the councils in Palmyra and Orange at their council meetings in March. The Palmyra council and Assembly 2518 have also donated to this effort. The Youth for Life ministry at Saint Francis Assisi Church in Staunton gave a \$1,400 donation, and many Knights have donated in memory of Brother Knight Ernie Sardi. Ernie's wife, Carmella, told members to give to the Ultrasound Initiative in lieu of flowers. Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann will be speaking at the council in Louisa July 8. If you would like 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

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## **KOVAR COLLECTIONS A SUCCESS**

Thanks to everyone who helped with the KOVAR collections in June. Our council collected after masses at Holy Comforter June 6-7, in front of the Kroger in the Rio Hill Shopping Center June 13, and after masses at Incarnation June 20-21. We collected \$358.73 at Holy Comforter, \$529.50 at Incarnation, and about \$440 at Kroger. That means we raised over \$1,300 for KOVAR this year. Thanks to Father Joseph Mary and Father Gregory for giving our council permission to collect for masses at the churches. We also appreciate Kroger's cooperation and willingness to let Knights stand outside their store for seven hours. Knights of Virginia Assisting People with Intellectual Disabilities gives 100% of the donations to provide financial assistance through grants to organizations that train and assist people with intellectual disabilities.

## **PAST GRAND KNIGHT BOB MARINCHICK IS NOW AN AUTHOR**

I've just been informed by Lulu Publishing that my first E book, titled New Trails - Rebirth, has been published in E-book fashion. It's available for download now at Lulu.com, and in a few weeks, it may be available at Amazon and Barnes and Noble if it meets their requirements. If you like light reading in a western/Science-fiction genre, give it a read. It should cost one dollar. If you read it and like it, or not, please let others know about it.

Thanks,

Bob Marinchick

Past Grand Knight, Council 3670

## **FUNDRAISING AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

### *FRIDAYS AFTER FIVE AND PAVILION EVENTS*

Our council 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 this summer. We need eight volunteers to check IDs at the Fridays After Five July 3. Volunteers are needed from 5:15-8:30. On Thursday night, July 16, our council needs ten volunteers to run the draft beer truck from 5:45-10:30. Please help our council take advantage of these opportunities by volunteering your time and spending some quality time with your Brother Knights.

### *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>. No construction experience is necessary. All training is provided on site. Incarnation's next Build Day is August 1. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex at Incarnation if you're interested in helping.

### *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).

## **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).

## **ROSARIES NEEDED**

The Sacristan at Arlington's St. Agnes Parish is traveling to Kenya in August to aid orphans and others in need. She has asked the Knights, through Edward Douglass White Council #2473, to provide her with Rosaries to give "so that the Kenyans can erect a prayer shield over the country to keep the terrorists from killing more children." Please bring all the Rosaries you can spare from your council to the upcoming council meeting or contact Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann if you have rosaries to donate. Jesse will bring all the donations to the State Organizational meeting, July 11 in Newport News. This is an easy way to - Be Faith in Action

Steve Burnley  
State Deputy

## **OUTGOING STATE DEPUTY MESSAGE**

My Brother Virginia Knights and families,

My time as State Deputy of Virginia ends and a very capable new State Deputy has taken the helm for what I know will be a very successful year for him as well.

For several years as we worked to plan annually and strategically it became clearer to me that the heart and soul of the Virginia State Knights of Columbus resides in each of you and your families. In the last few years it also became clear to me that supporting the fundamentals of our faith publically and with greater emphasis in our communities must be a key part of the many good works we accomplish each day.

At a time when Christianity and more specifically Catholicity is being challenged on all sides, Virginia Knights Councils have grown stronger in numbers and consistently made an even bigger difference through our charitable activities. With a motto this year – *Be Faith In Action with a focus on families*, Virginia Knights have been simply outstanding in delivering six ultrasound machines into our communities, delivering thousands and thousands of pounds of food to those in need, cribs to single mothers, support to special Olympics, and providing another home for the intellectually disabled to name just a few of the areas where we lead the way – living Fr. McGivney's dream as he intended.

Great programs attract new Knights and on this front it appears Virginia has achieved the Circle of Honor with more than 1450 new sets of Boots on the ground doing work for those in need. We have also established two new Councils (one in each Diocese) bringing our state wide total to 145 Councils in 30 Districts. Each recruiter and each of our 145 Councils should be extremely proud of this year's accomplishments.

So, the volume of emotion I feel at this time is quite amazing to me after five years "in the chairs." There are just not enough lines on this page to thank those who have stepped up to fill leadership roles from Council Inside Guards to our State Chaplain. And then there are those of us who just like to work. At every turn the Knights were there making a difference in people's lives – mine included.

Ladies and Gentlemen, Lucretia and I thank you for your friendship, hospitality and love. My role will change, but the friendship of Brothers lasts forever. We look forward to continuing to be a contributing part of this great organization and doing our good works together with family and friends.

Vivat Jesus  
Stephen & Lucretia Burnley

## **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.

## **KOVAR GRANTS APPROVED IN JUNE**

On June 13, the KOVAR Board met at the University of Richmond and approved four grants totaling \$61,358.

The grants were awarded as follows:

\$5,758 went to St. Charles School in Arlington to assist in the creation a preschool program that will benefit children with Intellectual Disabilities (ID).

\$20,000 went to Presbyterian Homes and Family Services located in Lynchburg. The funds will be used to offset cost of two new vehicles used to transport individuals with ID to employment, day care programs, medical appointments and other activities.

\$15,600 went to VersAbility Resources in Hampton for the purchase of a new baler to compress plastics and metals from recycled electronics. The baler will create additional employment opportunities for those with ID.

\$20,000 went to the Chesapeake Services Center in Chesapeake for the purchase of an industrial heavy duty washing machine to enable them to procure a contract with the U.S. Marines for the cleaning of sleeping bags, fatigues, parkas, coats, other items. The new machine will increase employment opportunities for this with ID.

In addition, the Board approved a loan request in the amount of \$73,000 for Housing Options, Inc. located in Richmond. The loan will be used to refinance a single family group home.

During the meeting, State Deputy Stephen Burnley sat in on the grant request and loan proceedings. After the meeting, five Board members participated in the presentation of ribbons and medals to the Special Olympic winners participating in the Summer Games.

## **VACATION SURVEY**

My Brother Knights,

We are taking some time here at the start of summer to ask you to share your absolute best Catholic family vacation and day-off spots across our great state of Virginia. Please follow the following link to share:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/kofcva>. As soon as results start to come in we will pass along the most popular results of this survey to our Brother Knights and their families through the State Website. This will only work if you take less than five minutes to share your best experiences.

Being Faith in Action,  
Steve Burnley  
State Deputy

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR WORLD MEETING ON FAMILIES IN PHILADELPHIA**

Brother Knights,

The World Meeting of Families and Pope Francis' visit to Philadelphia (September 22-27, 2015) is expected to attract well in excess of a million people to the City of Brotherly Love. Archbishop Chaput and the Philadelphia archdiocese need volunteers to welcome and assist the many visitors and support the scheduled events. In a spirit of service, Knights and their family members are invited to volunteer during the course of the six days of activities. Opportunities are available for a variety of tasks and events; multilingual volunteers are requested in particular to assist with translation. All volunteers must be 18 or older, reside in the United States and apply through the World Meeting of Families website. For security purposes, all applicants will be subject to background screenings. A Vatican-sponsored international gathering and visit from the Holy Father are not only rare, but a blessing for the United States and the Greater Philadelphia area. Please consider the significance of this occasion and the unique opportunities it offers to participate in such important events.

Please volunteer. Sign up at <http://www.worldmeeting2015.org/get-involved/volunteer/volunteer-positions/>.

## **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).

## **RESURRECTION CHALICE PROGRAM FOR VOCATIONS**

Brother Knights that 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>

## **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.



## **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.

## **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.

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE OPPORTUNITY**

Brother Knight,

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## **JULY BIRTHDAYS IN OUR COUNCIL**

Joe Ciaccio	July 5
Father Edwin Montanez	July 8
Richard Nordin	July 8
Jim Morrisard	July 9
Eugene Gregory	July 11
Mike James	July 14
Father Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi	July 15
Joe Parrillo	July 16
Andrew Baxter	July 20
Bill Ashe	July 22
Lee Stone	July 24
Patrick Martin	July 27
Peter Manuel	July 30

## **JULY ANNIVERSARIES IN OUR COUNCIL**

Cliff and Peg Riso	July 5
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## **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, 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, Gary Sloan, 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.**

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Rollin Stanton

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James Duffy

William Suggs

Marcel Cloutier

John Wojnarowski

Raymond Cronin

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Glen Edgell

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E.T Cason

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**2009**

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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**

PGK Tom O'Rourke

Ernie Sardi

Francis O'Leary

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