

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

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September 2014

## Grand Knight's Report

Two members of our Council have passed away since the beginning of the Fraternal Year. Msgr. Chester Michael died July 31. Edward Morris passed away August 13. Please keep their families in your prayers. More information is on page 3. Our council will be holding membership drivers October 11-12 at Incarnation and October 18-19 at Holy Comforter. Participate in helping our council recruit new members at all times as we try to grow our ranks.

Pray and think about advancing in your degrees and contact me if you're interested. A 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree is taking place September 18 at St. Isidore the Farmer in Orange. A 4<sup>th</sup> Degree is coming up November 1 at the Koger Center in suburban Richmond. We'd like to have a number of our council's 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Knights become 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights that day.

The Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia will be hosting the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Candlelight Banquets October 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> at the DoubleTree Hotel in Charlottesville. Our council has sponsored and attended these events throughout the years. You should consider attending. More info is on page 4.

Our council's pancake breakfast fundraiser at Vinegar Hill Café is Saturday, October 11. Invite everyone you know for a great time. More info is on page 4. We're also holding a pancake and sausage breakfast at Church of the Incarnation Sunday, November 2 to benefit PACEM (People and Congregations Engaged in Ministry). Please plan to attend and volunteer. The Virginia State October Quarterly Meeting will be October 4 in Newport News. If you're willing and able to attend, contact me for more information, including hotel info.

Our council meeting this month is Monday night, September 15 with the rosary beginning at 7:15. Please plan to attend to discuss how our council can better our community.

Congrats to Phil Carr, our Knight of the Month. More info about Phil and his efforts are on page 2.

Jesse Boeckermann  
Grand Knight, Council 3670

## THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER

### Mentally Disabled

That the mentally disabled may receive the love and help they need for a dignified life

### Service to the Poor

That Christians, inspired by the Word of God, may serve the poor and suffering

## 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 – Bob Strassheim - 589-7822

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 - 297-3084, 953-6097

OUTSIDE GUARD – Alan Isak – 977-0902

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** – Tom Loviza

Phone Number: (804) 307-0086

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E-mail Address: [thomas.loviza@kofc.org](mailto:thomas.loviza@kofc.org)

## SEPTEMBER LITURGICAL CALENDAR NOTES

September 3 – Saint Gregory the Great

September 9 – Saint Peter Claver

September 13 – Saint John Chrysostom

September 14 – The Exaltation of the Cross

September 16 – Saints Cornelius and Cyprian

September 17 – Saint Robert Bellarmine

September 19 – Saint Januarius

September 20 – Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon and Paul Chong

Ha-sang and companions

September 23 – Saint Pius of Pietrelcina

September 26 – Saints Cosmos and Damian

September 27 – Saint Vincent de Paul

September 29 – Saints Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, archangels

September 30 – Saint Jerome

## **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**

**Phil Carr**

**FAMILY OF THE MONTH**

### **KNIGHT OF THE MONTH –PHIL CARR**

The Knights of Columbus Council 3670 Knight of the Month for September is Phil Carr. Phil is a member of Holy Comforter Catholic Church. He joined the Knights of Columbus in April of 1996 and became a Third Degree Knight later that year. Phil became a Fourth Degree just over a year after that in 1997 and is active in the Assembly, serving as Honor Guard at funerals and special processions. Phil has faithfully served our council as a Guard for many years and volunteers to help with many of our council's fundraising and social events, including Fridays After Five and pancake breakfasts. Congratulations Phil, and Happy Birthday September 7.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

**Remember, we have an ongoing membership drive. Have you asked someone to join our council recently?** One new Knight per council per month...that's the goal. We beat it in 2013-14. Let's do it again. Talk to your friends, co-workers, and fellow parishioners. 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. When you hand out information or talk to a potential Knight, please 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

### **MEMBERSHIP DUES**

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

Larry Hance

204 Cottonwood Drive

Barboursville, VA 22923-2741

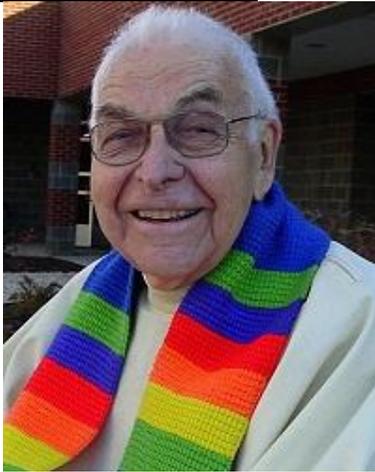
### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RECRUITING DRIVES COMING IN OCTOBER**

Our council will hold recruiting drives at Church of the Incarnation and Holy Comforter in October. We'll hold a membership drive at Incarnation the weekend of October 11-12 and at Holy Comforter October 18-19. This will involve the Grand Knight giving a 3-5 minute talk at the end of each Mass each weekend and having a table set up for distributing information and answering questions after each mass. If you are attending mass during a weekend of a recruiting drive, please commit to staying after mass for 10-15 minutes to help run the table and answer questions. It's a small donation of your time to help our council gain new members, increase interest in our council, and promote the Knights of Columbus. We're also doing these membership drives in October to commemorate Columbus Day, which is October 13. We beat our membership quota last year. Let's do it again this year by having successful recruitment drives in October.

### **BROTHER KNIGHT IN NEED**

Our council is looking for someone who lives near Ruckersville who can help Brother Knight Ernie Sardi. With the weather not cold and snowy, he would like to attend the monthly meetings. It would be a call to see if he can travel and then pick him up. He is wheelchair bound. Please call 434-985-4180 if you can help.

## **BROTHER KNIGHT FATHER CHET PASSES AWAY**



On Thursday, July 31, The Reverend Monsignor Chester Paul Michael, who was affectionately known as Father Chet, passed away in Richmond at the age of 97. Saint Thomas Aquinas hosted the funeral the night of August 6 with Bishop DiLorenzo as the Main Celebrant. Msgr. Chet was a 4th Degree Knight and was a huge part of this community. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1942 and became pastor of Holy Comforter in 1972. Father Chet brought Cursillo to the Diocese in Richmond in 1963 and served as Spiritual Director of many Cursillo retreats over a period of almost 50 years. He authored many books as well.

Obituaries for Msgr. Chet are also online

at [http://www.hillandwood.com/fh/obituaries/obituary.cfm?o\\_id=2623244&fh\\_id=10702](http://www.hillandwood.com/fh/obituaries/obituary.cfm?o_id=2623244&fh_id=10702) and [http://www.dailyprogress.com/obituaries/michael-chester-paul/article\\_7b929473-bd14-5b11-865d-9d1ec5e54086.html](http://www.dailyprogress.com/obituaries/michael-chester-paul/article_7b929473-bd14-5b11-865d-9d1ec5e54086.html). More information about his life is on his website, titled The Open Door Ministry, at [www.chestermichael.org](http://www.chestermichael.org).

## **BROTHER KNIGHT ED MORRIS PASSES AWAY**



Brother Knight Edward Joseph Morris passed away in Charlottesville August 13 at the age of 94. A funeral mass was celebrated August 19 at Church of the Incarnation with a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Honor Guard, which included Joe Murray, Jim Morrisard, and Phil Carr under the direction of District Warden Rick Dowsett. Ed joined the Knights in 1946, the same year he married his wife of 61 years, Rosemary. He was an Honorary Life member of our council with 68 years as a Knight. Brother Morris became a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knight in 1985. Ed was a long-time member of Holy Comforter and Incarnation since he and Rosemary moved to Charlottesville from New York in 1958. Ed was an Army Air Corps Veteran of World War II, 15th Air Force Division, where he was a top turret gunner on a B-24 Aircraft.

An obituary for Brother Morris is online at [http://www.dailyprogress.com/obituaries/morris-edward/article\\_1362ad1b-2ac3-576e-9567-af23a1959242.html](http://www.dailyprogress.com/obituaries/morris-edward/article_1362ad1b-2ac3-576e-9567-af23a1959242.html).

## **SEPTEMBER AND UPCOMING LOCAL DEGREE OPPORTUNITIES**

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

Saturday, November 1 in Richmond

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

Saturday, September 27 from 11:00-2:00 in Alexandria

Saturday, October 11 at Saint Isidore the Farmer in Orange

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

Saturday morning, September 13 from 9:00-11:00 in Fredericksburg

Thursday night, September 18 at Saint Isidore the Farmer in Orange

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

Monday night, September 8 from 7:30-9:30 at Saint Peter and Paul in Palmyra

Tuesday night, September 9 from 7:00-9:00 at Saint Thomas Aquinas in Charlottesville

Monday night, September 15 from 7:30-9:30 at Saint 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.

## **PROMOTING PRO-LIFE EFFORTS IN OUR COMMUNITY**

The Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia will be hosting the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Candlelight Banquets at 6:00 October 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> at the DoubleTree Hotel in Charlottesville. Sol Pitchon, the President of New Life Solutions, is the featured speaker Friday night, October 17. Josh Brahm, the President of Equal Rights Institute, will be the featured speaker Saturday night, October 18.

If you're interested in attending one or both of these events, please contact Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at [jessebach7@gmail.com](mailto:jessebach7@gmail.com) or 605-376-4234. Like we have for many years in the past, our council plans to sponsor a table, which seats ten, and it would be great to fill up that table with Knights. Dinner is included, and donations are accepted at the event. The Knights help collect money at the end of the night. If you have any questions about the events, please contact the Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia at 434-979-4516 or visit them at 1420 Greenbrier Place in Charlottesville.

## **VINEGAR HILL CAFÉ FUNDRAISING BREAKFAST**

Vinegar Hill Café at 233 4th Street N.W. in Charlottesville will host a pancake and bacon breakfast fundraiser for the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, October 11 from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The pancake buffet includes syrup, toppings, bacon, and beverages. Tickets are \$8.00 and are available at the door. \$2.00 of each ticket redeemed will benefit our council. We will be advertising this in the upcoming months and handing out tickets, but we don't need to collect any money in advance. Our council can also do a 50/50 raffle, hand out information, and promote our council in any way during the breakfast.

Thanks to Vinegar Hill Café for this opportunity. They support local nonprofit organizations who are seeking additional fundraising opportunities each Saturday.

## **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.

## **PAVILION VOLUNTEERING CONTINUES**

Many thanks to Brother Knights Phil Carr, Dave Gamache, Dan Petruso, Jesse Boeckermann, Chuck McCurdy, Larry Hance, and Joe Murray, along with Marie Murray, for volunteering to help at the Justin Moore concert August 28 at the Pavilion to raise funds for our council. Thanks for all your hard work. These fundraising opportunities aren't as plentiful as in the past with about 60 non-profit organizations on the volunteer list this summer, so we're trying to take advantage of any chances we get to raise much-needed funds for our council. When we receive opportunities, we'll send out an email looking for volunteers.

## **MORE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

### *SPECIAL OLYMPICS*

The Pepsi 10K is Saturday morning, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 at Meriwether Lewis Elementary School in Ivy. Please consider volunteering or making a donation. More info is at <http://www.pepsi10krun.com/donate.html>.

### *2014 CCS 5K*

The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Charlottesville Catholic School All-Terrain 5K and 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Kids' Fun Run takes place Saturday morning, September 27<sup>th</sup>. Please consider volunteering or making a donation. All the funds raised from the event support the CCS Catholic Education Fund, which provides tuition assistance for families and supports new educational materials for the classrooms to ensure all students are receive a quality education. More information is online at <http://www.cvillecatholic.org/support-cvillecatholic/ccs-5k-run/>.

### *EVENING CALLS FOR THE PREGNANCY CENTER*

Ready to help, but not sure how to find the time or money? We have a great volunteer job for you! We are seeking volunteers to spend 20 minutes per evening on the phone on behalf of the Pregnancy Centers. Your gift of 20 minutes an evening from home, done whenever you like, would be a tremendous blessing to the ministry. Contact Kate at [kate@virginiapregnancy.org](mailto:kate@virginiapregnancy.org) or 434-979-4516 for details! Thank you for supporting LIFE! These are warm-lead calls asking our supporters to underwrite the costs of producing our Fall Fundraisers. It enables 100% of the monies raised at the fall events to go to client services, so it's very important! We provide each volunteer caller with a list of warm leads (these are our supporters, so they already love the ministry) and a full script to make it nice and easy! Let me know if you're interested!

### *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).

## **POSSIBLE COMMUNITY SERVICE VENTURE**

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

## **FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES**

### *ATTRACTIONS BOOKS AND T-SHIRTS STILL AVAILABLE*

Our council is selling new Attractions Books with coupons good through the end of 2015 for \$25. Please plan on purchasing your Attractions Books from the Knights, because \$10 of each purchase goes to our council. The coupons will garner you thousands in potential local deals. We also have ten 2014 Attractions Books left, and we'd like to get rid of them. Most of the coupons are good until the end of the year at local restaurants, car care places, sports stores and attractions, and other local businesses. The reduced cost for those is \$10. Don't buy them elsewhere - support your council! They make great gifts! We'll be selling them at upcoming pancake breakfasts and other Knights events. More information is online at <https://www.attractionsbook.com/store/view/highlight/p/1015/Charlottesville>.

Red and black Knights of Columbus t-shirts are also available for \$12 each or two for \$20, available in sizes Large, XL, or XXL (one left). 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.

### *KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS CARDS*

It's never too early to get your 2015 Christmas cards to support KCIC. They also will be available for purchase at all council meetings and events.

### *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.

## **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>.

## **SPECIAL SPEAKER AT SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS SEPTEMBER 8**

Professor Vincent Phillip Muñoz, Ph.D., of the University of Notre Dame, will present a lecture in St. Thomas Hall on Monday, September 8, at 6:15 p.m at St. Thomas Aquinas Church, to explain the legal and political dimensions of Notre Dame's lawsuit as well as the history of the Supreme Court's protection of religious free exercise. Come find out why one of America's premier Catholic universities is suing the Obama Administration. This lecture is open to all and meant for a general audience. Light refreshments will be available, courtesy of the Notre Dame Club of Charlottesville.

## **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 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>

## **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 this year-Nick Redmond. Please keep him in your prayers.



## **SPECIAL SEPTEMBER COLLECTION**

Retired Religious the last weekend of the month, half goes to fund the national program and half goes to the diocesan priests retirement fund.

## **FOCUS MISSIONARY SUPPORT OPPORTUNITY**

Brother Knights,

I received the email below from Frederick Lothers and met with him in person to discuss FOCUS. If you've never heard of FOCUS before, it stands for Fellowship of Catholic University Students. It's a nationwide program involving hundreds of missionaries serving on college campuses (public and private) across the country.

Frederick is a Brother Knight (a member of the other Charlottesville council) and a UVa graduate who just started his first year as a FOCUS missionary at New York University (NYU) in Manhattan. Frederick is looking for prayers and sponsors for his year of missionary work. Please read Frederick's email below. If you need more information about FOCUS, log on to [www.focus.org](http://www.focus.org). If you're interested in supporting Frederick as an individual, log on to his personal website at [www.focusonline.org/goto/fred\\_lothers](http://www.focusonline.org/goto/fred_lothers). You can contact Frederick at [frederick.lothers@focus.org](mailto:frederick.lothers@focus.org) or [254-247-5995](tel:254-247-5995).

If you have any more questions, I have information about this, including extras pamphlets explaining FOCUS. Thanks for your consideration to support Frederick as a council and as an individual if you're interested.

Jesse Boeckermann  
Grand Knight, Council 3670

My name is Frederick Lothers, and beginning this year, I am serving as a full-time Catholic missionary with the Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS). I have been assigned to serve at New York University in Manhattan.

I joined the Knights of Columbus in 2012, just a few weeks after I came into the Church at Easter. I wish that my studies had allowed more time to stay involved at my local council, but I'm hoping to get more involved in New York now that I've graduated from UVA. I enjoyed the work I did with the Knights when I was able. I'm not sure if you're familiar with FOCUS, but it is now the largest Catholic outreach program in the United States. As a FOCUS missionary, I have to fund-raise 100% of my salary. In partnership with the university parish and/or Newman Center, FOCUS missionaries are sent in teams of at least four (two men and two women) to host large group outreach events, weekly Bible studies, and offer one-on-one mentoring with college students to bring them into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church, and equip them for a lifetime of Christ-centered evangelization, discipleship, and friendship in which they lead others to do the same. I felt called to serve with FOCUS, rather than going straight to work in my field of study (aerospace engineering), because I saw what was happening to college in the radically secular modern college campus. It is estimated that between 70% and 80% of students raised in the Church have fallen away by the end of college. FOCUS was founded precisely to try to reverse that trend.

Thank you, and God Bless,  
Frederick Lothers

## **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

## **KOVAR – YOUR CHARITY NEEDS YOU**

The needs of Virginians with intellectual disabilities are significant. A few of the grants awarded by KOVAR within the past year include:

- \$50,000 to Special Olympics Virginia to enable athletes to display their talents
- \$20,000 to Canterbury Group Home to replace windows and flooring
- \$20,000 to Chesapeake Service Systems to expand a laundry operation that employs Virginians with intellectual disabilities
- \$14,800 to Grafton Integrated Health Center to implement equestrian therapy and vocational training
- \$16,930 to Community Living Alternatives to replace furniture in several group homes
- \$18,220 to Hope House Foundation to renovate several kitchens in an apartment building for people with ID

Unfortunately, the trend in collections for KOVAR by the councils is on a downward slide. Collections have gone from \$480,000 two years ago, to \$466,000 a year ago, to \$402,000 the past year. KOVAR relies on your increased support to reverse this trend so that Virginians with intellectual disabilities can enjoy an improved quality of life.

Media commercials for the Wounded Warrior Project ask you to donate \$19 per month. If you want to be a Partner in Hope for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, they suggest you donate \$25 per month.

“What if” each Council through their fund raising efforts contributed \$1 per week per member ---that comes to \$52 per member per year. At that rate, a council with 100 members could raise \$5,200. As of July 1<sup>st</sup>, there were over 26,500 Knights in Virginia, such an approach would raise over \$1.4 million each year. That is the power of unity. Please consider this prayerfully. Virginians with intellectual disabilities are depending on you!

## **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.

## **SPECIAL GUESTS ATTEND JULY 7 KNIGHTS MEETING**

Special thanks to Deacon Bob Griffin from Richmond and Patty Gazewood from Charlottesville Catholic School for attending July's organizational/social meeting. They talked about the Virginia Education Improvement Scholarship Tax Credit Program. It is part of an effort the Bishop is spearheading to raise money for tuition assistance for Catholic school students. It's an exciting opportunity for donors to make a gift to the McMahan Parater Foundation and receive a significant Virginia tax credit, while helping to support scholarships for low income children to attend Charlottesville Catholic, or other Catholic schools in the diocese. Deacon Griffin is the Pastoral Associate at Our Lady of Lourdes parish in Henrico where he has served since 2003. Prior to his retirement in 2003, he was a partner in the Richmond CPA firm of Mitchell, Wiggins & Company, where he worked for 35 years. His education includes a BS in Accounting and an MS in Taxation. He has a Power Point with details summarizing the program and some handouts. If you'd like electronic copies of the information, please contact Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann. For more information about the program, please contact Patty.

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## **SOCIAL IDEAS**

### ***OKTOBERFEST AT BLUE MOUNTAIN BREWERY***

Blue Mountain Brewery is having an Oktoberfest celebration throughout October. On Saturday, October 4th, Jean Di-Piro and her band will be performing from 2:30-5:00 p.m. Jean was a former member of Holy Comforter.

Blue Mountain Brewery also has tours every Saturday between noon and 4:00. More information is online at [www.bluemountainbrewery.com](http://www.bluemountainbrewery.com)

### ***SUNSETS AT CARTER MOUNTAIN***

Thursday Music Series: Prince Michel Wine Shop at Carter Mountain brings back by popular demand "Sunsets at Carter Mountain." It's located at Carter Mountain Orchard and Vineyard in Charlottesville near Monticello. Call [434-293-9463](tel:434-293-9463) or log on to [www.princemichel.com/Events/Carter-Mountain-Events](http://www.princemichel.com/Events/Carter-Mountain-Events) for more information. Free admission, and wine is available for purchase.

Due to popular demand, we have extended our "Sunsets" every season to 20 weeks. It started Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup> and runs every Thursday evening from 5-9 p.m. through September 25<sup>th</sup>. There's live music from 6-9 p.m. "Sunsets" is the place to be on Thursday nights. Watch the incredible sunsets from the most spectacular venue in the area while listening to live music and drinking Prince Michel wine. You may want to bring folding chairs or blankets to sit on if you do not arrive in time to get a picnic table. Please have IDs available...no bringing of any alcohol not sold at Carter Mountain allowed.

Please contact Brother Knight Dave Gamache for more info and if you plan to attend: [dgamache1603@comcast.net](mailto:dgamache1603@comcast.net).

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.

Also, Dave suggested 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.

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. 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 & business meetings held on the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month, respectively.

### **AUTOGRAPHED UVA BASEBALL STILL UNCLAIMED**

At our council's spaghetti dinner after the 11:00 mass on Sunday, June 22 at Holy Comforter, we raffled off a baseball autographed by the entire 2013 UVA team. The winner was not present at the dinner, and we're pretty sure it's a Knight that was at the council meeting June 16. Do you have raffle ticket 484213? If so, you are the winner of the autographed UVA baseball. Please claim your prize by emailing or calling Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at [jessebach7@gmail.com](mailto:jessebach7@gmail.com) or 605-376-4234.

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## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE**

Our council's insurance field agent is Tom Loviza from Richmond. 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. He is familiar with most products on the market.

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

## **NEW MASTER APPOINTED**

Brother Knights and families,

Please join me in congratulating Tom Trudeau who was selected by our Supreme Knight to be our next Master for the Virginia District of the Calvert Province. He took the helm on September 1 with much to do as we continue to grow and continue to be one of the best jurisdictions in the Order.

The Worthy Master Cy Alba is completing two outstanding terms as Master at the end of August. He has much to be proud of recognizing that hundreds of activities each year were accomplished promoting patriotism and our catholic heritage to countless Virginians that are still learning about our catholic family values and love of America.

Congratulations to Tom and his wife Jeri whom we pledge our support and energies, and to Cy and Joann, we offer our grateful thanks and prayers for happy and many healthy days ahead.

### ***Be faith in action***

Steve Burnley  
State Deputy

## **COURAGE LION**

For more information on the children's hospital program, check out [www.couragelion.org](http://www.couragelion.org).

## **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.

## **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.

### **SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS IN OUR COUNCIL**

Kelton Flinn	September 1
Rev Joseph Brown	September 5
Phil Carr	September 7
Michael Holian	September 8
Gene Markowski	September 16
Chuck McCurdy	September 28
Jesse Boeckermann	September 30

### **SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES IN OUR COUNCIL**

Al and Eileen Bracuti	September 26
Thomas Rogan	September 28

### **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, Robert Hamlin, Patrick Hanley, Rev. John Hickey, Andrew Hucek, Alan Isak, Rev. Robert Keeler, David Keller, Robert Knapp, Keith Kroll, George Krynitsky, Gene Markowski, David Miller, Bernard Morin, Edward Morris, 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. Please contact Jesse Boeckermann at [jessebach7@gmail.com](mailto:jessebach7@gmail.com) or 605-376-4234.**

### **UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Our next meeting is Monday night, September 15. There are two meetings held each month. They are on the first and third Mondays at the Church of the Incarnation's Stone Chapel. The meeting on the first Monday of the month is a social/organizational meeting. All Knights are welcome.

Our next council business meeting will be held **Monday night, September 15**. The Rosary will be recited at 7:15 with the meeting starting at 7:30 with the installation of officers. 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 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 officer in our council.**

**FATHER LOUIS A ROWEN  
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List of Deceased Brother Knights**

PGK Ambrose Bryne  
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 Cornelius Connely  
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 Robert Martin  
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 Edward Sisselberger  
 Dr. John Thornton  
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 PSD Bernard McCusty  
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 John Kivilighan  
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 James Looney  
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 PGK Michael Stewart  
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 William Suggs  
 John Muller  
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 Gerald Gallager  
 Dewey Graley  
 PGK Julian Hanlon  
 Hubert Glancy  
 Peter Pizza  
 Frank Daugherty  
 Marcel Cloupier  
 John Wojnarowski  
 Raymond Cronin  
 Charles Foley

**2007**

Tony Gambatesa  
 Glen Edgell (College Council)  
 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

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