

Father Louis A. Rowen Knights of Columbus Council #3670

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November 2014

Grand Knight's Report

Our council meetings this month are Monday nights, November 3 at 6:30 and November 17 with the rosary beginning at 6:30. Please note the time change, and please plan to attend to discuss how our council can better our community. There's food, drink, and fellowship at each meeting.

We'll be holding a pancake and sausage breakfast Sunday, November 2 at Church of the Incarnation from 9:00-noon. Tickets are \$6 a person and \$15 a family. Please plan to attend with your family and friends. More info is on page 2.

A mass for the fallen Brother Knights of our council will be Saturday morning, November 22 at 8:00 at Holy Comforter with Council Chaplain Father Joseph Mary presiding. Please plan to attend. More information is on page 4.

Our council will be participating in collecting donations for Coats for Kids for the fifth straight year this winter. We're working to help out all children in need in our community. More information is on page 4, including the cost of the coats and where to send donations. St. Thomas Aquinas Justin Cunningham Council 11324 will be helping us with collecting donations for this effort this year. Thanks for their partnership. The Belk Charity Sale is Saturday, November 8 from 6:00-10:00 a.m. at Belk in the Fashion Square Mall. Tickets are \$5 each for extra special discounts, and all the ticket sale money comes to our council. Thanks to Deputy Grand Knight Mike Cerruti for leading this effort. More info is on page 2.

Our council's new insurance agent is Steve Larson. His contact information is on the right. We thank him for attending our October business meeting to introduce himself to our council. Thanks to all who attended the Vinegar Hill Café breakfast and Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia banquets, and for those who helped with the recruiting drives. It was a busy October. Mike Cerruti is our council's Knight of the Month. More info about Mike and his efforts are on page 2.

Jesse Boeckermann
Grand Knight, Council 3670

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER

Lonely People

That all who suffer loneliness may experience the closeness of God and the support of others

Mentors of Seminarians and Religious

That young seminarians and religious may have wise and well-formed mentors

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 – Steve Larson

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

E-mail Address: stephen.larson@kofc.org

NOVEMBER LITURGICAL CALENDAR NOTES

November 1 – All Saints Day

November 2 – All Souls' Day, Daylight Savings Time Ends

November 3 – Saint Martin de Porres

November 4 – Saint Charles Borromeo, Election Day

November 9 – Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

November 10 – Saint Leo the Great

November 11 – Saint Marin of Tours, Veterans' Day

November 15 – Saint Albert the Great

November 17 – Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

November 21 – The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

November 22 – Saint Cecilia

November 23 – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 27 – Thanksgiving Day

November 30 – First Sunday of Advent

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 by the end of the month.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Mike Cerruti

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH –MIKE CERRUTI

The Knights of Columbus Council 3670 Knight of the Month for November is Mike Cerruti. Mike is our council's Deputy Grand Knight. He graciously stepped up for the position this summer to fill a void in our officer roster. Mike was our council's Advocate during the 2013-14 Fraternal Year and served Financial Secretary, Membership Director, and Retention Chairman at Council 13297 in Utah before moving to Virginia. He also serves as Program Director in his Service Program Personnel role. Mike joined the Knights in 1971 and is a 4th Degree Knight as a member of Assembly 2577, which he received in 2004. He and his wife Sherri attend Church of the Incarnation. Larry actively helps with pancake breakfasts, spaghetti dinners, events at the Pavilion, leading the Belk Charity Day effort and Backpack Buddies program, and many other aspects of our council. We appreciate all he does for Council 3670. Congratulations Mike.

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

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

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 or 434-296-6224. Thanks!
Vivat Jesus! Kelton Flinn

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.

NOVEMBER AND UPCOMING LOCAL DEGREE OPPORTUNITIES

3rd DEGREES

Saturday, November 15 from 11:00-1:00 in Burke

Saturday, December 6 from 11:00-1:00 in Warrenton

2ND DEGREES

Sunday night, November 9 from 4:00-6:00 at Good Shepherd Church in South Hill

Tuesday night, November 11 from 7:30-9:00 in Dale City

Saturday morning, November 15 from 10:30-noon at St. Benedict's in Virginia Beach

Thursday night, November 20 from 7:00-9:00 at St. Therese in Gloucester

LOCAL 1st DEGREES

Monday night, November 3 from 7:30-9:30 at Saints Peter and Paul in Palmyra

Tuesday night, November 4 from 7:00-9:00 at St. Thomas Aquinas in Charlottesville

Monday night, November 17 from 7:30-9:30 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 or 605-376-4234. For more information, and for the full degree schedule, log on to <http://www.vakofc.org/> and click on Calendar.

NEW TIMES FOR UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

At our October business meeting, our council voted to tentatively change the start time for our meetings to 6:30 with the intention of officially changing the times in our bylaws during the November business meeting. Our next meeting is Monday night, November 3 at 6:30. 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 to both meetings.

Our next council business meeting will be held **Monday night, November 17**. The Rosary will be recited at 6:30 with the meeting starting at 6:45. 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.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST FOR PACEM NOVEMBER 2 AT INCARNATION

Our council will be holding a pancake and sausage breakfast at Church of the Incarnation on Sunday, November 2 from 9:00 a.m.-noon. Proceeds of the breakfast will benefit PACEM (People and Congregations Engaged in Ministry). Tickets are \$6.00 per person and \$15.00 per family. Please bring all your family and friends. A baseball signed by the entire 2013 UVA baseball team will also be raffled off. Attractions Books, Keep Christ in Christmas cards, t-shirts, and Belk Charity Sale tickets will be available for purchase. Join us for pancakes, sausage, fruit, coffee, juice, and fellowship. We also need more volunteers to setup Saturday night, November 1 from 6:30-7:00 and to cook, serve, do dishes, and cleanup November 2 between 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Contact Norm Balwinski at nbalwinski@comcast.net or 434-973-8774 if you can help.

TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR BELK CHARITY SALE NOVEMBER 8

The Fall Charity Day Event at Belk in Fashion Square Mall is Saturday morning, November 8 from 6:00-10:00. The Knights of Columbus is once again involved as a participating organization, and we're selling tickets for the event. They are \$5.00, and all the proceeds go to our council. To be eligible for the charity event November 8, shoppers will need a ticket to receive the discounts and benefits of the sales. Please invite all the Belk shoppers you know to this event for great deals to help many non-profit organizations in our area. Contact Deputy Grand Knight Mike Cerruti at 801-584-9157 or domcsdad@yahoo.com.

MASS FOR FALL BROTHER KNIGHTS NOVEMBER 22

It's an annual November tradition in our council during the month of All Souls and All Saints' Days. Knights of Columbus Council 3670 will have a mass said in honor of the deceased members of our council on Saturday morning, November 22 at 8:00 at Holy Comforter. Council Chaplain Father Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi will preside. All Knights are invited, and we'd like to invite the families and friends of the deceased members of our council to the mass. There will be a light reception after the mass. Please plan on attending.

COATS OF KIDS COLLECTION

For the fifth winter, our council will once again collect donations for Coats for Kids to purchase jackets for children in need in our area. Our council collected over \$4,500 last winter to purchase 20 cases of coats (240 coats). We worked with Holy Comforter, Incarnation, and St. George to meet the needs of needy children in the churches and in the 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>. This year, St. Thomas Aquinas Justin Cunningham Council 11324 will also be collecting donations for Coats for Kids to assist our council's efforts. They'll be working with an elementary school in Albemarle County to get coats to children in need.

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.

GOOD FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP AT VINEGAR HILL CAFÉ BREAKFAST

Vinegar Hill Café in Charlottesville hosted a pancake and bacon breakfast fundraiser for the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, October 11. Pancakes, syrup, toppings, bacon, and beverages were enjoyed by about 20 Knights, their wives, church parishioners, and members of the public. Our council raised about \$175 in breakfast tickets and sales of KCIC cards, Attractions books, Belk tickets, and t-shirts.

Thanks to Vinegar Hill Café for this opportunity. They support local nonprofit organizations who are seeking additional fundraising opportunities each Saturday with a breakfast like this from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

PROMOTING PRO-LIFE EFFORTS IN OUR COMMUNITY

The Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia hosted their 30th Anniversary Candlelight Banquets October 17-18 at the DoubleTree Hotel in Charlottesville. Sol Pitchon, the President of New Life Solutions, was the featured speaker October 17. Josh Brahm, the President of Equal Rights Institute, was the featured speaker October 18. Our council sponsored a table October 18, and many Knights attended, including Joe Ciaccio, Kelton Flinn (and wife Colette), Chuck McCurdy (and wife Sharon), Dan Petruso, Bob Marinchick, Phil Carr, Jesse Boeckermann, and others. Jack Andrews attended the October 17 banquet. Over the course of two nights, the Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia raised more than \$175,000 to carry the ministry forward in 2015. They were able to increase their fundraising by more than 25% over last year. Thanks for all who attended, gave (including Mike Brown, who was unable to attend), and support the Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia.

SPANISH SPEAKING DEGREE TEAMS NEEDED

There is a growing need for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree Spanish speaking Degree Teams in Virginia. 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.

COURAGE LION

For more information on the children's hospital program, check out www.couragelion.org.



DISTRICT 21 OF THE VIRGINIA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Holy Day Celebration

NOT YOUR TYPICAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

THE KNIGHTS OF DISTRICT 21 ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SHARE AN EVENING OF CELEBRATION SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2014 FROM 5PM – 7PM
THE DOUBLE TREE HOTEL IN CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 990 HILTON HEIGHTS ROAD, CHARLOTTESVILLE
COST IS \$35.00 PER PERSON (INCLUSIVE)

MENU

GARDEN GREEN SALAD

ENTRÉE CHOICE OF

SOY SEARED SALMON W/ GRILLED PINEAPPLE SALSA, WHOLE GRAIN RICE PILAF

GRILLED CHICKEN VERMOUTH W/ MUSHROOM AND SCALLION HERB CREAM, OVEN ROASTED RED BLISS POTATOES

AMISH STYLE ROAST PORK W/CRANBERRY ALMOND DRESSING MADEIRA SAUCE, OVEN ROASTED RED BLISS POTATOES

ALL ENTREES SERVED WITH SEASONAL VEGETABLES

DESSERT

RASPBERRY SWIRL DOUBLE CREAM CHEESECAKE

FR. JUSTIN CUNNINGHAM ASSEMBLY 2518 IS SPONSORING A HOSPITALITY ROOM FOR 4TH DEGREE KNIGHTS

IT WILL BE THEMED FOR VIRGINIA WINES AND CHEESES

SOCIAL HOURS FROM 3PM -5PM AND 7PM - ??

ALL 4TH DEGREE KNIGHTS ARE WELCOME

3RD DEGREE KNIGHTS DESIRING TO BECOME A 4TH DEGREE KNIGHT ARE ALSO WELCOME (A FORM 4 AND CHECK FOR THE SPRING 2015 EXEMPLIFICATION IS YOUR TICKET FOR ENTRY)

ROOM ACCOMMODATIONS FOR THOSE DESIRING TO STAY THE NIGHT ARE AVAILABLE FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2014

MAKE RESERVATIONS WITH THE HOTEL – “KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS” ROOM BLOCK ROOM RATE IS \$59.00

RESERVATION: 1-800-422-1975; GROUP CODE “KCD”

DEADLINE TO LET US KNOW YOU ARE COMING: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH AT NOON

DRESS FOR THE EVENING: 4TH DEGREE KNIGHTS – TUX W/SOCIAL BALDRIC

1ST, 2ND, 3RD DEGREE KNIGHTS – JACKET AND TIE

LADIES – AS APPROPRIATE FOR THE EVENING

CONTACT YOUR COUNCIL GRAND KNIGHT. ALL RSVPS, MEAL CHOICES, AND CHECKS MUST BE TURNED IN TO YOUR COUNCIL BY THE DEADLINE. THERE WILL BE NO PAY AT THE DOOR.

EACH COUNCIL IS EXPECTED TO SPONSOR THEIR CHAPLAIN AND WIDOW(S) IF IN ATTENDANCE.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

WE WILL BE CELEBRATING THREE SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION; THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT AND THE ADVENT SEASON; THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. AS IN EARLIER TIMES, TO CELEBRATE THESE EVENTS WE WILL FEAST TO RENEW OUR CORPORAL SELVES. WE WILL ALSO SPEND TIME IN REFLECTION UPON THESE EVENTS SO WE CAN FEAST ON THE RICHNESS OF OUR CATHOLIC FAITH AND RENEW OUR SPIRITUAL SELVES.

SOCIAL HOUR 3PM-5PM

HOSPITALITY ROOM (4TH DEGREE KNIGHTS) OR HOTEL LOUNGE (1ST, 2ND, 3RD DEGREE KNIGHTS)

DINNER 5PM-7PM

ASSEMBLE

OPENING COMMENTS AND PRAYERS

REFLECTIONS ON THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

SALAD COURSE

REFLECTION ON THE 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DINNER COURSE

REFLECTION ON THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

DESSERT

CLOSING COMMENTS AND PRAYERS

SOCIAL HOUR 7PM-??

HOSPITALITY ROOM

MORE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

MEALS ON WHEELS

Each winter we pack Blizzard Bags for our clients. The bags are filled with non-perishable foods that can sustain our clients on the days that we cannot deliver due to weather. In the past, we have purchased food for the bags. This year we hope to collect the food through donations.

Do you belong to a church or civic group that'd be willing to donate canned food items? We are packing the bags on Saturday, November 15th and will need the food before then. Please let me know if you can help, and I will give you a more specific list of foods. Also, if you have a truck or van and can help us haul the bags to the Teens Give office on the 15th, please let me know.

As always, thanks for the ways you support the Meals on Wheels mission!

Brittany Conley

Volunteer Coordinator

Meals on Wheels Cville/Albemarle

434-566-9353

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Fall volunteer needs are online at <http://www.cvillehabitat.org/volunteer-needs>

Incarnation Build Day is Saturday, November 22 from 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. For more information, contact Sheila at Church of the Incarnation at sheilah@incarnationparish.org and [434-973-4381](tel:434-973-4381).

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 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) 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.

SPECIAL MONTHLY COLLECTION

November's special monthly collection will be for the Campaign for Human Development the weekend prior to Thanksgiving (November 22-23). Please give generously.

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 five 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 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).

Contact Financial Secretary Larry Hance at 434-962-7492 or 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 Keeping Christ in Christmas. 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.

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>

[Larry Hance posted in Knights of Columbus: Fr. Louis A. Rowen #3670](#)

Larry Hance

12:43pm Oct 17

Mobile Uploads

Captain Harvey Powers from the @[48881334360:274:Richmond Police Department] just made a COOL announ...

[Larry Hance posted in Knights of Columbus: Fr. Louis A. Rowen #3670](#)

Larry Hance

8:13pm Oct 7

If there are any runners in the Council, maybe we can stake them & they could wear KOC shirt during run.

Timeline Photos

Register now for the Great Charlottesville Santa Fun Run & Walk on December 7. It's a fun, festive w...

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

PAST STATE DEPUTY GOES OVER THE EDGE FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS IN RICHMOND



October 17, 2014 from www.vakofc.org - Virginia Past State Deputy Kelly Mortensen is the go-to guy when it comes to raising money for Virginia Special Olympics. He's been participating - and getting other Knights to participate - in the annual Polar Plunge, where participants get donors to sponsor their wintertime venture into the frigid January/February waters of the Atlantic Ocean.

So it was no surprise when Kelly signed up for "Over the Edge," a Special Olympics fundraiser in which participants rappel down the side of the 25-story SunTrust Center in downtown Richmond. Mortensen raised \$2,325 thanks all of the councils and individuals who have contributed so far. He's quick to point out that others can still join in by sponsoring his effort and adding their contributions at <http://www.firstgiving.com/fundraiser/kelly-mortensen/2014richmond>.

INCARNATION ALTERNATIVE GIVING FAIR

Church of the Incarnation will hold its annual Alternative Giving Fair November 22-23.

"Even when we recognize the importance of Christmas, we sometimes get caught up in the consumerism and materialism of our culture. In order to make this year truly a season of giving, Incarnation will be hosting an Alternative Giving Fair. You will have the opportunity to give less material gifts by donating in your loved one's name to a local organization. Also, we will have fair trade products on sale so that your gift can give back to the community it comes from."

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>.

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 9th. 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.

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, Nick Redmond. Please 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.

FOCUS MISSIONARY SUPPORT OPPORTUNITY

Brother Knights,

I received the email below from Frederick Lothers and met with him 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. If you're interested in supporting Frederick as an individual, log on to his personal website at www.focusonline.org/goto/fred_lothers. You can contact Frederick at 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

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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.

KOVAR – YOUR CHARITY NEEDS YOU

The collections for KOVAR are 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. There are two main reasons for this decline: 1. More charities are requesting donations. 2. Fewer businesses are permitting us to collect donations on their property. Both of these reasons have impacted greatly our ability to collect the money needed to support Virginians with intellectual disabilities.

KOVAR distributes 100% of the monies collected in grants and loans to organizations serving people with intellectual disabilities. Administrative expenses are paid from interest on funds awaiting disbursement. The needs of Virginians with intellectual disabilities are significant. The following is a small sampling of the grants awarded by KOVAR within the past year: \$50,000 to Special Olympics Virginia; \$20,000 to Canterbury Group Home to replace windows and flooring; \$16,930 to Community Living Alternative to replace furniture in several group homes.

KOVAR held a board meeting October 11. At that meeting the following grants were approved: \$19,980 to replace outdated furnishings at Rappahannock Adult Activities Inc. (RAAI) locations. RAAI is headquartered in Fredericksburg. Currently, they are serving 169 individuals, ages 18-75, with intellectual disabilities in seven centers. The centers provide training in or reinforcement of functional skills as well as training related to health, safety, personal care, daily living activities and use of community resources. The centers also monitor health, nutrition, physical condition and safety of their clients.

\$10,119 was approved to supplement the purchase of a mini bus for Alleghany Highlands Community Services (AHCS) located in Covington. The bus will be used to transport individuals with intellectual disabilities to and from AHCS' Life Skills Center, Day Support Programs, and to community outings and activities. The bus will also be utilized for transportation to medical appointments. Under KOVAR guidelines, it will fund up to 20% of a vehicle's purchase price with the other 80% coming from other sources.

In addition to KOVAR's annual fundraiser in April, the KOVAR Board has suggested Knights consider giving an annual donation of \$52.00 which amounts to a dollar a week. That would mean approximately \$1.4 million dollars for the great organizations that help people with intellectual disabilities. If \$52 is not doable for you, any amount you can afford is greatly appreciated. The funds collected will be added to the Council's fundraising for the year. To contribute in this manner, please make your check payable to K of C Council 3670 and indicate in the memo section of the check KOVAR fundraising. Another idea for your consideration is to solicit corporate donations from local businesses and/or from council member business owners. This has worked successfully for some of our councils. Your prayers and financial support are greatly appreciated. You can give through your workplace. If you are a **Federal Employee**, you can give through the **Combined Federal Campaign**. The number to use is **42569**. If you are a **State Employee**, you can give through the **Virginia Combined Campaign**. The number is **735**. If your employer participates through **United Way**, the number is **8838**. With any of these your council will get credit if you provide documentation of the contribution to KOVAR your council will get credit. You can mail the documentation to:

KOVAR

16933 Four Seasons Drive
Dumfries, VA 22025-3619

Another way to help KOVAR raise money to support the needs of Virginians with Intellectual Disabilities is through Amazon Smile. How does it work? Sign into smile.amazon.com. Select KOVAR Corporation, Dumfries, VA as your charity of choice. Once this is done, KOVAR will receive .5% from Amazon on all your purchases. Thereafter, every time you shop on Amazon, sign into the smile.amazon.com portal. This will take you to your Amazon homepage where KOVAR Corporation as the charity of choice will appear above your name. If you wish, you can add the Amazon Smile quick link when you register. Encourage your friends and neighbors to sign up as well. Thank you for you for supporting KOVAR.

Ed Seroskie

KOVAR Board Director

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.

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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 McMahon 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.

Patty Gazewood

Development, Charlottesville Catholic School

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SOCIAL IDEAS

TRANS SIBERIAN ORCHESTRA CONCERT

Past Grand Knight Joe Ciaccio is organizing a trip to Richmond in November to see the Trans Siberian Orchestra. The concert is Wednesday night, November 19 starting at 7:30 p.m. The theme is Christmas in the Attic. Tickets for the 300 level and lower level seats are \$46.80. Ticket prices are between \$47 and \$78. If you need more info or are interested in going, please contact Joe at jciaci5450@hotmail.com or 434-995-5886.

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 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.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Tom O'Rourke, Al Bracuti, Sherrie Kandall, Francesca Sarvello, Jack and Barbara Dougherty, Bill Norris, Ernie Sardi, Murray family, Council 11262 (social hall burned down in fire), Colette Hall, Ann Marie Balwinski, Past State Deputy Bill McCarthy, Lee Berkwitz, JoAnne Flinn, Linda Hall, Francis Burns, Frank Pologruto, Chuck McCurdy, Joan Hall

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS IN OUR COUNCIL

Dan Petruso	November 3
Bob Marinchick	November 6
Bill Phillips	November 7
Thomas Rogan	November 12
John Kost	November 24
Anthony Ramondo	November 28
Bill Balsam	November 30

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES IN OUR COUNCIL

Jim and Angie Morrisard	November 5
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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.

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, 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 or 605-376-4234.

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 or 605-376-4234 or any other Knight.

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Frank Ix

Kenneth Jaycox

William Maher

Robert Martin

Rev. Bernard Moore

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PGK Michael Stewart

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William Suggs

John Muller

George Harrington

Gerald Gallager

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PGK Julian Hanlon

Hubert Glancy

Peter Pizza

Frank Daugherty

Marcel Cloupier

John Wojnarowski

Raymond Cronin

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2007

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2009

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2013

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2014

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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