

Father Louis A. Rowen Knights of Columbus Council #3670

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December 2014

Grand Knight's Report

Former Holy Comforter Pastor Father Dennis McAuliffe died November 17. A memorial service will be held at Holy Comforter on Tuesday night, December 9 at 7:00. Please plan to attend to remember a great man. More information is on page 4. As you can see to the right, our council is in need of a new Treasurer. Please contact me if you're interested in helping our council fill this important officer role, or if you'd like to nominate someone to fill the role. More info is on page 4. Special thanks to all Knights and their families who participated in a busy November for our council, which included the pancake breakfast at Church of the Incarnation November 2, a mass for our deceased Brother Knights November 22, the Belk Charity Day sale November 8, our council's annual Essay Contest, the beginning of a commemorative wall for our council at Holy Comforter, increased collections of Coats for Kids donations and sales of Keep Christ in Christmas cards and Attractions books, and so much more. We'll continue to collect money for Coats for Kids after masses and sell the KCIC cards and Attractions books in December until they're all gone. Please consider advancing in your degrees as 2014 comes to an end and 2015 begins. There's a 3rd Degree ceremony in Warrenton December 6 and a number of 2nd Degrees, including December 13 in Fredericksburg and December 18 at St. Isidore the Farmer in Orange. There are also a number of 1st Degree ceremonies in our area in December, so let's continue to think about each recruiting one new Knight into our council. We're planning to have three candidates become Knights in our council at the 1st Degree in Orange December 15. If you're interested in advancing in your degrees, please let me know. Our council's monthly business meeting is Monday night, December 15 at Incarnation's Stone Chapel. Rosary begins at 6:30. The meeting starts at 6:45 with food and drink afterwards. Bill Ashe is our council's Knight of the Month. More info about Bill and his efforts are on page 2.

Jesse Boeckermann
Grand Knight, Council 3670

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER

Christmas, Hope for Humanity

That the birth of the Redeemer may bring peace and hope to all people of good will

Parents

That parents may be true evangelizers, passing on to their children the precious gift of faith

2014/15 FRATERNAL YEAR OFFICERS

GRAND KNIGHT – Jesse Boeckermann - 605-376-4234

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

CHANCELLOR – Chuck McCurdy – 293-3210

RECORDER – Bill Ashe – 882-0236

TREASURER – VACANT

FINANCIAL SECRETARY – Larry Hance – 962-7492

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

LECTURER - Bill Phillips – 973-6726

WARDEN – Daniel Petruso – 540-664-6272

INSIDE GUARD – Phil Carr - 953-6097

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

TRUSTEE ONE YEAR – Joe Murray – 971-2737

TRUSTEE TWO YEARS – Jim Morrisard – 973-6570

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

DISTRICT DEPUTY – Gordo Genovese

CHAPLAIN – Father Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi – 295-7185

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

Insurance Agent – Steve Larson

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

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

DECEMBER LITURGICAL CALENDAR NOTES

December 6 – Saint Nicolas

December 7 – Second Sunday of Advent, Pearl Harbor Day

December 8 – The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Patronal Feast Day of the U.S.A.

December 12 – Our Lady of Guadalupe

December 13 – Saint Lucy

December 14 – Third Sunday of Advent

December 21 – Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 24 – Christmas Eve

December 25 – Christmas Day

December 26 – Saint Stephen

December 27 – Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist

December 28 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

December 31 – Saint Sylvester I, New Year's Eve

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

Bill Ashe

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH – BILL ASHE

The Knights of Columbus Council 3670 Knight of the Month for December is Bill Ashe. Bill is our council's Recorder. He graciously stepped up for the position this summer to fill a void in our officer roster. He also serves as Community Director in his Service Program Personnel role. Bill joined the Knights in June of 2013 and is now a Second Degree Knight. He and his wife attend Church of the Incarnation, and Bill is on the Finance Council. He actively helps with pancake breakfasts as the pancake mixer, along with events at the Pavilion, collecting donations for KOVAR and Coats for Kids, and many other aspects of our council. He also led the effort to buy a new stove for Incarnation's Stone Chapel. We appreciate all he does for Council 3670. Congratulations Bill.

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 keltan_flinn@embarqmail.com or 434-296-6224. Thanks!

Vivat Jesus! Kelton Flinn

BROTHER KNIGHT NEEDS A RIDE TO MEETINGS

Our council is looking for someone who lives near Ruckersville who can help Brother Knight Ernie Sardi. He would like to attend the monthly meetings. It would be a call to see if he can travel and then pick him up. Ernie is wheelchair bound. Please call 434-985-4180 if you can help.

FORMER HOLY COMFORTER PASTOR PASSES AWAY

Former Holy Comforter Pastor Father Dennis McAuliffe died November 17 at a hospice facility in New York due to complications resulting from his lung disorder. A memorial service will be held at Holy Comforter on Tuesday night, December 9 at 7:00. His obituary is online at <http://obits.dignitymemorial.com/dignity-memorial/obituary.aspx?n=Rev.+Dennis-McAuliffe&lc=7319&pid=173206274&uuid=544a1c7a-d9cb-4eb0-aeb3-1680593a3ae1>. Please pray for Father Dennis and his family.

NEW COUNCIL TREASURER NEEDED

Our council is in need of a new Treasurer. Bob Strassheim resigned his position as Treasurer for personal reasons at the beginning of November. We appreciate Bob's four months as our council's Treasurer along with his service as a council Trustee last Fraternal Year.

If you're interested in more information about becoming our council's Treasurer, please email or call Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at jessebach7@gmail.com or [605-376-4234](tel:605-376-4234). If you are interested in nominating someone, please let Jesse know as well.

The main duties of the Treasurer are as follows:

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

DECEMBER AND UPCOMING LOCAL DEGREE OPPORTUNITIES

3rd DEGREE

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

2ND DEGREES

Monday night, December 8 from 7:30-9:00 in Manassas

Tuesday night, December 9 from 7:30-9:00 in Alexandria

Saturday, December 13 from 11:00-1:00 in Fredericksburg

Thursday night, December 18 from 7:30-9:30 at Saint Isidore the Farmer in Orange

Monday night, December 22 from 8:00-10:00 at Saint Theresa School in Ashburn

LOCAL 1st DEGREES

Wednesday night, December 10 from 7:00-9:00 at Sacred Heart in Mineral

Saturday morning, December 13 from 9:00-10:30 in Fredericksburg

Monday night, December 15 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 our next business meeting. 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, December 15**. 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.



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: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2

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

COATS OF KIDS COLLECTIONS CONTINUE

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 is also collecting donations for Coats for Kids to assist our council's efforts. They'll be working with an elementary school in Albemarle County and the Salvation Army 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.

FREE THROW COMPETITION AT CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Our council will once again hold a Free Throw Contest at Charlottesville Catholic School on Friday, December 12 from 8:00-3:00. The students will shoot free throws during their gym classes. Students ages 9-14 will shoot 15 free throws. The boy and girl that make the most free throws in each age group will advance to district competition. More information is online at <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/service/youth/freethrow/>. The State Free Throw Competition will take place Saturday, February 21 at St. Gertrude's in Richmond.

COUNCIL 3670 COMMEMORATIVE WALL STARTED AT HOLY COMFORTER

Council Chaplain Father Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi gave our council permission to hang a number of Knights of Columbus pictures and council awards on some wall space in the basement of Holy Comforter. Kay Colo, the wife of one of the charter members of our council, Peter Colo, who is now deceased, gave Jim Morrisard some framed pictures of our council, including the council when it was formed in 1953 and a picture and write up of Father Louis A. Rowen. Thanks to Jim and Bob Strassheim for their help in coordinating this effort, and thanks to Joe Murray, Joe Ciaccio, and Larry Hance for their help in hanging the pictures on the wall that you see when you get to the bottom of the stairs when you enter the basement at Holy Comforter.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST FOR PACEM HELD NOVEMBER 2 AT INCARNATION

Our council held a pancake and sausage breakfast at Church of the Incarnation on Sunday, November 2. Our council donated \$500 to PACEM (People and Congregations Engaged in Ministry). We made \$584 in breakfast purchases, along with sales of two Attractions books, three Belk Charity Sale tickets, and one t-shirt. Our council also collected \$63.30 in Coats for Kids donations. Special thanks to Norm Balwinski for once again organizing this breakfast. Frank O'Donnell, Bill Phillips, Mike Cerruti, Larry Hance, Phil Carr, Chuck McCurdy, Bill Ashe, Jesse Boeckermann, and Bob Marinchick volunteered their time. Thanks to all who volunteered and/or attended the breakfast.

MASS FOR DECEASED BROTHER KNIGHTS HELD NOVEMBER 22

Our council had a special 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 presided with a reception afterwards. Special thanks to Jim Morrisard for organizing the mass and serving at the mass. Chancellor Chuck McCurdy served as the lector, and Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann served as Eucharistic Minister and read the names of all the deceased members of our council. Lecturer Bill Phillips provided food and refreshments for the reception. Past Grand Knight Joe Ciaccio provided coffee and juice. Thanks to Brother Knights Kelton Flinn, Cliff Riso, and Joe Murray for attending as well.

COURAGE LION

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

BELK CHARITY SALE PARTICIPATION

The Fall Charity Day Event at Belk in Fashion Square Mall took place Saturday morning, November 8 from 6:00-10:00. The Knights of Columbus were once again involved as a participating organization. Our council sold tickets to the event, and all the proceeds went to our council. To be eligible for the charity event, shoppers needed a ticket to receive the discounts and benefits of the sales. Deputy Grand Knight Mike Cerruti coordinated our council's effort from the kickoff meeting to manning a table at the event November 8. Thanks to Joe Murray for joining Mike at the table that day.

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 a few 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. Don't buy them elsewhere - support your council! They make great gifts! 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.

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.

2014 TOY LIFT

"Why should I support Toy Lift and what makes Toy Lift Charities different?" Toy Lift is entirely volunteer run. There is not one paid employee as part of Toy Lift Charities. We start with a volunteer board of nine people that work all year. We add another 10 volunteers who serve as advisors from July through Toy Lift. Then we host hundreds of volunteers from the community during the event itself.

All our toys stay local. The families we serve come from Albemarle, Buckingham, Charlottesville, Fluvanna, Greene, and Nelson. The toys we collect from the Toy Lift event go directly back to those families. None of our toys are sent to Richmond, Lynchburg or other locations. We do allow other local charities to take advantage of the toys we have left after we have taken care of the families on our list.

Our selection criterion allows us to identify families that might otherwise be missed. We do not use the financial documentation that other organizations do. Instead we require all our families to be sponsored by a school. We rely on the recommendation of a school counselor or social worker that a family is in need of support. This allows us to identify those families that may not already be part of "the system," but may be experiencing circumstances that make this year particularly difficult.

Collection Sites (Friday, December 5th)

Fashion Square Mall (7am-8pm)

Union First Market Bank on Pantops (7am-7pm)

Food Lion Plaza Fluvanna (9am-8pm)

Rockfish Valley Fire Station Nelson (7am-7pm)

Old Trail Village Town Center Crozet (7am-7pm)

Ruckersville Wal-Mart Greene (8:30am-7:30pm)

MORE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Fall volunteer needs are online at <http://www.cvillehabitat.org/volunteer-needs>. Incarnation Build Day is Saturday, December 13 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). No construction experience is necessary, since all training is provided on site. They need people to photograph the event and provide lunch. The sign-up sheets are in the Narthex, so sign up to help build safe and decent homes for families in need. Also, if you are a regular contributor to Habitat for Humanity, don't forget to note Incarnation in the memo line of your check. This allocation allows us to see how big of an impact our church is having in creating safe and decent homes. Habitat is still able to use the full amount of your donation, but our parish will also get recognition.

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.

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.

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.

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>.

TELEVISED CHRISTMAS MASS TAPING AT THE NATIONAL SHRINE DECEMBER 3 AT 7:15

My Brother Knights and families,

What follows is a news release from the Basilica of the National Shrine in Washington DC.

Our Worthy State Chaplain the Most Reverend Paul S. Loverde will be celebrating Mass that will be televised on Christmas Morning. I know you all can't make it, but for those who are local, please come out and support our State Chaplain. Then you have weeks to get the word out to the rest of your family that they can see you on EWTN TV on Christmas Morning!

We have been encouraged to wear Christmas colors. For guys that means Christmas Ties with your suit or sports coat and for the ladies that means Christmas Mass attire!

Hope to see you there! Bring a friend or a family

Be Faith in Action

Steve Burnley

State Deputy

Televised Christmas Mass Taping at the National Shrine December 3rd at 7:15 p.m.

Dear Friends of the TV Mass,

Please join us next Wednesday evening December 3rd at 7:15 p.m. in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception as we record the Christmas TV Mass with Most Reverend Paul S. Loverde, Bishop of Arlington and the Children's Choir of Saint Leo the Great, Fairfax, VA.

This special one-hour Mass will be televised locally Christmas morning at 8 a.m. on WDCW-TV 50 (please check with your TV provider for cable/satellite channel).

The TV Mass is a ministry of the Basilica of the National of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, the Archdiocese of Washington, the Diocese of Arlington, the Knights of Columbus, and the Sodality Union of the Archdiocese of Washington.

We are most grateful for your support of this vital ministry that brings the TV Mass to those who are unable to attend at their own parish due to illness or infirmity.

For more information, please contact Jacquelyn Hayes, Director of Communications, at jhayes@bnsic.org.

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

8:43am Nov 15

Timeline Photos

Mrs. Fallica's class is excited for our National Blue Ribbon School Award today! #nbrs2014

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

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

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.

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

Although it was many years ago, I still remember when my wife, Kathy, was “with child”, expecting our children. It did not matter to me if the child was a boy or a girl; my only prayer was that each child be healthy. Today, Mike and Erin are grown, educated, employed, and out of the house. For too many families in Virginia, their children were born with an intellectual disability. These families face challenges Kathy and I never had to consider as we raised our children. Most significant is the challenge of providing life-long adult supervision to a child who may not be able to drive, work to support themselves, balance a checkbook, or arrange for their own healthcare.

As Catholic men and women who support our Church’s pro-life stance, we have an opportunity to assist these families in many ways. One of them is by contributing to KOVAR. KOVAR is our Knights of Columbus charity which provides grants and interest-free mortgages to not-for-profit organizations which work to improve the quality of life of Virginians with intellectual disabilities. Grants to organizations such as Special Olympics Virginia, Greater Richmond ARC, Housing Options, St. Mary’s Home for Disabled Children, and Linden Resources provide opportunities for housing, employment, healthcare, transportation, and socialization through sports. As you count your blessings this Christmas season, please consider sharing God’s gifts to you by donating to KOVAR. You can make tax-deductible contributions on the Web at www.kovarva.org or by mailing a check to: KOVAR Treasurer, 16933 Four Seasons Drive, Dumfries VA 22025. Please be sure to indicate Council 395 on the memo line of your check.

Merry Christmas! May God bless all that you do in 2015!

PGK Dan Hurley, KOVAR Vice President - Grants

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.

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.

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.

POSSIBLE COMMUNITY SERVICE VENTURE

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

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

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, Robert Hamlin, Rev. Father Frank Ready, family of Father Dennis McAuliffe, Rich, Aleksy

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS IN OUR COUNCIL

Michael Cumiskey	December 15
Robert Schwagerl	December 15
David Peterson	December 16
Dave Lauler	December 21
Phil Sterbling	December 21
Rev. Robert Keeler	December 27

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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Cornelius Connelly

Edvin Farinholt

Andrew Gallagher

J.O. Hutchinson

Frank Ix

Kenneth Jaycox

William Maher

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Earle Rowan

Edward Sisselberger

Dr. John Thornton

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Samuel Lancaster

John Kivilighan

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Gerald Gallager

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Robert Mead

Clifford McQuilken

Anthony Guttile

Larry Swinburne

Leo Connelly

John Tonsler

James Looney

Rollin Stanton

PGK William P Maher

PGK Michael Stewart

James Duffy

William Suggs

Marcel Cloutier

John Wojnarowski

Raymond Cronin

Charles Foley

George Sylvia

2007

Tony Gambatesa

Glen Edgell (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

