

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

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February 2015

## Grand Knight's Report

Past Grand Knight Tom O'Rourke died January 30. We pray for Tom's soul and his family. More information is on page 3.

Thanks to everyone who responded to the call for Fraternal Service hours and Special Olympics contributions in 2014. Your feedback and participation help our council to gauge the impact of what we do in the community each year.

Council Chaplain Father Joseph Mary would like our council to conduct a Lenten soup supper at Holy Comforter in conjunction with Stations of the Cross on Friday nights during Lent. Stations takes place at 6:30, and we could do a soup supper before that. Please let me know if you're interested in helping.

We're also planning a recruiting drive at Holy Comforter in April along with a parish social after an 11:00 Sunday mass in April. More details to follow.

Please consider advancing in your degrees in 2015. There's a 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree ceremonies February 7 in Ashburn, February 21 in Salem, and a number of 2<sup>nd</sup> Degrees. There are also a number of 1<sup>st</sup> Degree ceremonies in our area, so let's continue to think about each recruiting one new Knight into our council. If you're interested in advancing in your degrees, please let me know.

As you can see to the right, our council is still 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. Our monthly business meeting is February 16 at Church of the Incarnation's Stone Chapel. Rosary begins at 6:30. The meeting starts at 6:45 with food and drink afterwards.

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

Finally, with the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament and March Madness approaching, the 2015 Basketball Slam Tickets are available. Please contact me if you'd like a \$10 ticket. \$2,500 in total cash prizes will be awarded.

Jesse Boeckermann  
Grand Knight, Council 3670

## THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY

### Universal

That prisoners, especially the young, may be able to rebuild lives of dignity

### Evangelization

That married people who are separated may find welcome and support in the Christian community

## 2014/15 FRATERNAL YEAR OFFICERS

GRAND KNIGHT – Jesse Boeckermann - 605-376-4234

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

CHANCELLOR – Chuck McCurdy – 293-3210

RECORDER – Bill Ashe – 882-0236

TREASURER – VACANT

FINANCIAL SECRETARY – Larry Hance – 962-7492

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

LECTURER - Bill Phillips – 973-6726

WARDEN – Daniel Petruso – 540-664-6272

INSIDE GUARD – Phil Carr - 953-6097

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

TRUSTEE ONE YEAR – Joe Murray – 971-2737

TRUSTEE TWO YEARS – Jim Morrisard – 973-6570

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

DISTRICT DEPUTY – Gordo Genovese

CHAPLAIN – Father Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi – 295-7185

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

**Insurance Agent** – Steve Larson

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

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

## FEBRUARY LITURGICAL CALENDAR NOTES

February 2 – The Presentation of the Lord, World Day for Consecrated Life

February 3 – Saints Blaise and Ansgar

February 5 – Saint Agatha

February 6 – Saint Paul Miki and companions

February 10 – Saint Scholastica

February 11 – Our Lady of Lourdes

February 14 – Saints Cyril and Methodius, Valentine's Day

February 16 – Presidents' Day

February 17 – The Seven Holy Founders of the Service Order

February 18 – Ash Wednesday

February 21 – Saint Peter Damian

February 22 – First Sunday of Lent

February 23 – Saint Polycarp

## **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**

**Jim Morrisard**

**FAMILY OF THE MONTH**

### **KNIGHT OF THE MONTH – JIM MORRISARD**

The Knights of Columbus Council 3670 Knight of the Month for February is Jim Morrisard. Jim has served our council as Grand Knight seven times and is currently a trustee and honorary life member. Jim and his wife Angie are parishioners at Holy Comforter. Jim is the Liturgical Ministry Chair, serving the church as an active Eucharistic Minister and usher. He's also served our council as Church Director for Holy Comforter and has held many officer positions. Jim joined the Knights in 1967, advancing to his 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree later that year and his 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree in 1968. He became a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knight in 1974. Jim regularly attends meetings and participates in our council's social functions and church activities at Holy Comforter. We appreciate all he does and has done for Council 3670. Congratulations Jim, and thanks for all your contributions to our council and community.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

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

Knights of Columbus Council 3670

P. O. Box 7251

Charlottesville, VA 22906

### **2015 MEMBERSHIP DUES**

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

Larry Hance

204 Cottonwood Drive

Barboursville, VA 22923-2741

### **NEW TIMES FOR UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS**

At our October business meeting, our council voted to 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. Our next council business meeting will be held **Monday night, February 16**. 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.

### **COURAGE LION**

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

## **PAST GRAND KNIGHT TOM O'ROURKE PASSES AWAY**



Past Grand Knight Tom O'Rourke passed away peacefully January 30 at Hospice House in Charlottesville at the age of 83. Tom's funeral mass will be held Thursday afternoon, February 5 at 2:00 at Holy Comforter. The visitation will be Wednesday night, February 4 from 6:00-8:00 at Hill and Wood Funeral Home in Charlottesville. Tom will be buried in New York. More about Tom is online at

[http://www.dailyprogress.com/obituaries/o-rourke-thomas-joseph/article\\_a5e3cf8e-d3a2-5dcd-b118-524883494abe.html](http://www.dailyprogress.com/obituaries/o-rourke-thomas-joseph/article_a5e3cf8e-d3a2-5dcd-b118-524883494abe.html) and

[http://www.hillandwood.com/fh/obituaries/obituary.cfm?o\\_id=2940077&fh\\_id=10702](http://www.hillandwood.com/fh/obituaries/obituary.cfm?o_id=2940077&fh_id=10702).

## **UPDATE ON PAST GRAND KNIGHT BOB MARINCHICK**

Past Grand Knight Bob Marinchick had a heart attack January 28. Surgeons found numerous blockages, so a stent was installed. Bob recovered in ICU at UVA for less than two days. He was released from the hospital on Super Bowl Sunday. He is doing pretty well and is in good spirits. Please pray for Bob and his wife Mary Ann as he recovers at home.

## **UPDATE ON BROTHER KNIGHTS ERNIE SARDI AND EUGENE MUSOLF**

Brother Knights Ernie Sardi and Eugene Musolf are both at the Charlottesville Health and Rehabilitation Center (505 Rio Road West). It would be great for any Brother Knights to stop by and visit. Please call [434-978-7015](tel:434-978-7015) for more information. Ernie is in room 119. Eugene has been there for about three years.

Anyone wanting to have lunch with these Brother Knights can call ahead. Lunch is just \$3.00. According to Ernie, the meals are great.

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

Brothers,

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

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

Vivat Jesus! Kelton Flinn

## **MASS IN CROZET**

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

## **CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL AWARDS PRESENTATIONS**

We will present the winners of our council's Free Throw Competition and Essay Contest at Charlottesville Catholic School on Thursday morning, February 5 at the end of the 8:15 school mass at CCS. The mass takes place in the CCS gym beginning at 8:15, and we'll present the medals to the winners of the Free Throw Competition and the scholarships and certificates to the winners and participants of the Essay Contest in a school-wide presentation at the end of mass. All Knights are invited to share in the mass and recognition.

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

Charlottesville Catholic School Librarian Michelle Banaszak contacted our council in the hopes that we would sponsor and prepare a breakfast March 7. CCS is holding its first ever read-a-thon lock-in March 6-7 in conjunction with Dr. Suess' birthday and the National Education Association's Read Across America program. Students will read and ask for pledges to support three local charities that support literacy and education. 3-8th grade students will be spending the night at the school, and CCS would like our council to prepare breakfast for the 20 adults and 180-200 children ages 8-13 to be served Saturday morning, March 7 around 7:30.

The kitchen has six burner stove with an oven and two warming pans (the kind you put water in the bottom of). There is a serving area in the kitchen with a pass through area where three men can comfortably stand. They do have coffee makers that they will bring down from the teacher's lounge. There are two large sinks but no dish washer. They do not have griddles, but they could probably get their hands on at least four. We will use paper products and plastic utensils, which the school will provide. It's an all night event, so we can have access to the kitchen whenever we want to come, even if it is the night before to prep.

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

## **COATS OF KIDS COLLECTIONS CONTINUE**

For the fifth winter, our council is collecting donations for Coats for Kids to purchase jackets for children in need in our area. We've already raised over \$2,900 and purchased 13 boxes of coats for children in need at Holy Comforter, Church of the Incarnation, St. George, the Salvation Army, the Shelter for Help in Emergency, and elementary schools in Albemarle County. The cost per case of coats is \$220, which includes shipping. The boys and girls coats are \$18.33 a piece (including shipping) for brand new, high quality coats from a major manufacturer. More info is online at <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/service/community/coats-for-kids/index.html>. All checks need to be made out to "K of C Council 3670" with Coats for Kids in the memo line. Donations can be mailed to Knights of Columbus Council 3670, P.O. Box 7251, Charlottesville, VA 22906. If you know of any coat needs in our community, please contact Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at [jessebach7@gmail.com](mailto:jessebach7@gmail.com) or 605-376-4234.

## **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](mailto:jessebach7@gmail.com) or [605-376-4234](tel:605-376-4234). If you are interested in nominating someone, please let Jesse know as well.

The main duties of the Treasurer are as follows:

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

## **FEBRUARY AND UPCOMING LOCAL DEGREE OPPORTUNITIES**

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

Saturday, February 7 from 11:00-1:00 in Ashburn  
Saturday, February 21 from 11:00-1:00 in Radford

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

Saturday morning, February 7 from 10:30-noon in Virginia Beach  
Tuesday night, February 10 from 7:30-9:30 in Manassas  
Tuesday night, February 24 from 7:30-9:00 in Woodstock  
Tuesday night, February 24 from 7:30-9:30 in Alexandria

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

Tuesday night, February 3 from 7:00-8:30 at Saint Thomas Aquinas in Charlottesville  
Monday night, February 16 from 7:30-9:00 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.

## **VIRGINIA STATE COUNCIL QUARTERLY MEETING FEBRUARY 28**

The State Council Quarterly Meeting, the KOVAR Annual Meeting, and the Nominating Committee Meeting will be held on Saturday, February 28 at Benedictine College Prep School in Richmond. Recommended attire for the meeting is casual. The meeting will start at 8:30 a.m. and end by 3:30 p.m. The agenda for the Saturday meeting includes: a special presentation by Deacon Kevin Hogan – “Stepping up – A Call to Courageous Manhood,” KOVAR Annual Meeting, preparation for Council Activity reports, and much more.

During the General Programs report and the Membership report there will be an open microphone forum; bring your thoughts and questions. Therefore, council attendees should include the Grand Knight, Past Grand Knight Delegate, Deputy Grand Knight, Membership Chairman, Recruitment and Retention Committee Members, the General Program Chairman, and the KOVAR Chairman.

There will be a hospitality suite at the hotel Friday evening. On Saturday, there will be a Ladies of Virginia meeting and all your ladies are cordially invited. If you have any questions, please contact Steve Burnley at [statedeputy@vakofc.org](mailto:statedeputy@vakofc.org) or 703-971-4598 or Executive Secretary Kelly Mortensen, PSD, at 804-651-3772 or e-mail [kmortensen@verizon.net](mailto:kmortensen@verizon.net). If you're interested in representing Council 3670 and attending, please contact Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at [jessebach7@gmail.com](mailto:jessebach7@gmail.com) or 605-376-4234.

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

Brothers,

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

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

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

Be Faith in Action,  
Dave Crew  
Virginia State Program Director

## **POLAR PLUNGE FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS IS FEBRUARY 7**

My Brother Virginia Knights,

The Special Olympics Winter Festival is this month, and a chilling part of the festival weekend is a Polar Plunge at Saturday, February 7 in Virginia Beach.

The Virginia Knights have a Polar Plunge Team growing in number of participants and growing in donations. Please share my thanks to all those who are plunging with me and thanks to all who are sponsoring one or more plungers. Yes I said “plunging with me!”

So, if you have not yet signed up to plunge and want to, then now is the time – join me on the beach. If you can’t plunge but want to support the Knights Team by donating financially, please do so at the following link or send a check to me with the Plunger’s name (if not me) that you are supporting in the memo column. We’ll do all the rest. The link to support me and the Knights Team –

<https://secure.e2rm.com/registrator/FundraisingPage.aspx?registrationID=2690280&langPref=en-CA>

As you know Special Olympics is one of the Virginia Knights’ core programs. Individual Knight and family participation is strongly encouraged. Events like this go a long way towards financially making Special Olympic activities happen here in Virginia.

Be Faith in Action,  
Steve Burnley  
State Deputy

## **FATHER BADER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

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

## **VIRGINIA DIOCESE MEN’S CONFERENCES**

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

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

## **2015 Men's Conference**

*Defeating the Common Enemy*

*Overcoming Sin & Evil*

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

## **SPANISH SPEAKING DEGREE TEAMS NEEDED**

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

## **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 at 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](http://www.cafepress.com/+knights_of_columbus_bbq_apron.179214278)).

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

### *MEMORY STUDY*

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

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

## **MORE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

### *HABITAT FOR HUMANITY*

Fall volunteer needs are online at <http://www.cvillehabitat.org/volunteer-needs>. For more information, contact Sheila at Church of the Incarnation at [sheilah@incarnationparish.org](mailto:sheilah@incarnationparish.org) and [434-973-4381](tel:434-973-4381).

### *INCARNATION FOOD MINISTRY*

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

### *GIVING THE GIFT OF LIFE*

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

### *BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION*

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

## **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>.

## **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, Brother Knight Nick Redmond. Keep him in your prayers.



## **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).



## **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.virginia.gov/programs/prog-aah-terms.asp>

## **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 they are taken care of.

## **SOCIAL IDEAS**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Worthy Sirs,

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Thank You to John White.

Kelly Mortensen, PSD, Executive Secretary

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## **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS IN OUR COUNCIL**

Alan Yost	February 1
Kenneth Dietrich	February 6
Mark Sissons	February 7
Rev. Dennis Murphy	February 10
Nick Redmond	February 10
Francis Burns	February 12
Chris Simons	February 13
John Clifford	February 14
Gary Sloan	February 23
Tom Strassburg	February 23
Greg Gerling	February 24
Frank Pologruto	February 24
Frank O'Donnell	February 28

## **FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES IN OUR COUNCIL**

Celso and Teretita Tabilas	February 1
Jack and Anne Andrews	February 2
John and Diana Kost	February 8

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

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

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

Rev. Joseph Brown, Vincent Bucci, Francis Burns, Philip Carr, David Casarez, Lawrence Chandler, Charles Ciaccio, Richard Cook, Frank D'Alessandro, Samuel Goble, Derrick Graham, Patrick Hanley, Rev. John Hickey, Andrew Hucek, 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. We invite all practicing Catholic men 18 years or older that want to help others and give back to their church and community to consider joining our council. To learn more about our organization, please contact Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at [jessebach7@gmail.com](mailto:jessebach7@gmail.com) or 605-376-4234 or any other Knight.**

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Edvin Farinholt

Andrew Gallagher

J.O. Hutchinson

Frank Ix

Kenneth Jaycox

William Maher

Robert Martin

Rev. Bernard Moore

Dominic Pologruto

Earle Rowan

Edward Sisselberger

Dr. John Thornton

John F. Finn

Carl Strahle

PSD Bernard McCusty

Samuel Lancaster

John Kivilighan

Breece Pancake

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Rev. John Cummings

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Dewey Graley

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Frank Oravec

Peter Pizza

Frank Doherty

PGK Robert Severin

Raymond White

Robert Mead

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Anthony Guttile

Larry Swinburne

Leo Connelly

John Tonsler

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Rollin Stanton

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William Suggs

Marcel Cloutier

John Wojnarowski

Raymond Cronin

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**2007**

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Glen Edgell

Wesley W. Clegg

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Charles Callaghan Jr.

PGK John (Jack) Cornachio

E.T Cason

PGK Peter M. Colo – Charter Member

Rev. Carl J. Naro – Chaplain

**2009**

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PGK Randall W. Miller

**2010**

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**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

