

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

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April 2013

## Grand Knight's Report

We need to focus on attracting new members for the next few years. We have an urgent need for current members to take on leadership roles, such as committee chairmen. I will try to meet again with George Kulhow to get tips on attracting new members.

Going forward, upcoming degrees will be posted in the newsletter. After July, there will be a 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree in Charlottesville. All 2<sup>nd</sup> degree members should plan on taking this upcoming degree. If you want to take any degree, please let me know in advance before the date of the degree. I need to notify the District Deputy and the Grand Knight of the council where the degree is to take place. A traveler's card should be made up for the candidate to take to the degree, and your dues must be up to date.

Fr. Joseph Mary, Holy Comforter's pastor, has agreed to be our council's chaplain. The bishop approved it. Thanks to Jim Morrisard for volunteering to be our Warden to finish the Columbian year. A representative from Camp Holiday Trails spoke at the Officers Meeting April 1. The camp has been in Charlottesville for 40 years and hosts children with various medical problems, ranging from Cystic Fibrosis, amputation, neurological impairments, sickle cell anemia, and various kinds of cancer. CHT offers a free camp experience to kids from around this area and all over the East Coast. The Valley Cursillo uses CHT at least twice per year. Camp Holiday Trails works mostly with our parishes and is asking the Knights of Columbus if we are willing to help extend their unique camp. It's in need of renovation. We would like to help them raise money to renovate the camp. How can we involve the Knights along with the parishes to accomplish this? I'm looking for a volunteer to handle and coordinate calls from the Pavilion staff and call volunteers to work the beer truck during Friday Nights After 5 this summer.

I have fliers for the Walk for Life, which will take place on April 13<sup>th</sup> at St. Thomas Aquinas. I have application forms for sponsorship pledges for anyone that wants to participate. More details below. Details for a Knights of Columbus Dance in May will be posted soon. I've been communicating with James Repp of the Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia. He told me he would like to speak to our council. A date has been tentatively set for the June 3<sup>rd</sup> officers meeting. I spoke to Janie Eckman from Without Borders. She is asking our council to help them raise funds in the fall. Without Borders assists Hispanic people with general legal and immigrations issues. We will resume Family of the Month/Year and Knight of the Month/Year. Ballots will be distributed at the meetings.

April 7<sup>th</sup> is the Holy Comforter Communion Breakfast. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$2 for children, and a maximum of \$15 for families. Tickets will be sold after Masses, through the church office, and at the door. The KOVAR pancake breakfast will be held at the Church of the Incarnation parish hall on April 21 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Please contact Norm Balwinski at [nbalwinski@comcast.net](mailto:nbalwinski@comcast.net) to volunteer. By June, we need to figure out what cards we need for Keep Christ in Christmas and have an idea who is going to sell them after mass at each church. The cards need to be ordered by mail. By getting them in person, we get a bonus pack which contains the old cards from previous years. We already have 16 cards from last Christmas.

Joe Ciaccio  
Grand Knight, Council 3670

## OFFICERS

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DISTRICT DEPUTY – Mike Morris – 540-729-4658  
CHAPLAIN – Father Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi

**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.

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Phone Number: (804) 307-0086  
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## LITURGICAL CALENDAR NOTES

April 7<sup>th</sup> – Divine Mercy Sunday  
April 8<sup>th</sup> – Annunciation of the Lord  
April 11<sup>th</sup> – St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr  
April 14<sup>th</sup> – Third Sunday of Easter  
April 21<sup>st</sup> – Fourth Sunday of Easter  
April 25<sup>th</sup> – St. Mark, Evangelist  
April 28<sup>th</sup> – Fifth Sunday of Easter  
April 29<sup>th</sup> – St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

## 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 Deputy Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at [bach@catholic.org](mailto:bach@catholic.org) by the end of the month.

## THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR APRIL

### Liturgy, Source of Life

That the public, prayerful celebration of faith may give life to the faithful.

### Mission Churches

That mission churches may be signs and instruments of hope and resurrection.

## MEMBERSHIP

Remember, we have an ongoing membership drive. Have you asked someone to join our council recently? Our council earns \$9.00 per new Knight from Supreme through the end of June. As you recruit new members, please remember to print your name clearly on the Form 100, so we have a contact should we be unable to reach the candidate. Also, please date the form. Thanks.

## MEMBERSHIP DUES

If you have paid your 2013 dues, thank you! If not, please send \$25 cash or check (plus an additional \$3.65 donation for PKD if able) to:

Larry Hance

204 Cottonwood Drive

Barboursville, VA 22923-2741

## ADMISSIONS REPORT

Robert P. Strassheim from Palmyra submitted an application for re-admission. A motion was made and a vote was taken to admit him into the council. Welcome Bob!

## FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

First notices will be going out to members that have not paid their 2013 dues.

Current council membership figures are: Associate Members - 84, Insurance Members – 25, Inactive Members - 13, Total Members - 122.

Quotas for 2012-13: New members 8, To Date – 0 Insurance to Date – 0

Receipts: Total \$1051.20

Pending Vouchers: Total \$1590.05

Available Balance: \$2,344.70

## TREASURER'S REPORT

As of February 28th, our checking account balance was \$5,145.

## CHURCH DIRECTOR REPORTS

### *Church of the Incarnation*

Norm Balwinski reported on the upcoming pancake and sausage breakfast that will take place on Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Cost is \$5 per person or \$12 per family. Please sign up now to volunteer. So far, we have collected \$543 for KOVAR.

### *Holy Comforter*

Jim Morrisard reported that Holy Comforter is still in need of altar servers for the 11:00 a.m. Sunday mass.

## COUNCIL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Jesse Boeckermann reported that he contacted the media concerning the breakfasts at Holy Comforter and Incarnation. Jesse also volunteered to lead the Knight of the Month/Year and Family of the Month/Year programs. Anyone with nominations, please contact Jesse at [bach@catholic.org](mailto:bach@catholic.org).

## DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

There is a scheduled 1<sup>st</sup> Degree ceremony in our District every month. This allows for new members to enter the order without delay.

The District Deputy requested that a member of our council get in touch with the administration at Charlottesville Catholic School to secure a date for a 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree ceremony in 2014.

The Annual State meeting will be held April 26-28. Two voting representatives should be attending from each council in our district.

When a council member passes, notification should be sent to the State Council and Supreme so that their respective condolences can be sent out.

## KNIGHT IN NEED

Meals are needed for Brother Knight Frank O'Leary and his wife Jane at 4003 Tompkins Drive in Charlottesville (22911). If you would like to sign up, you can access the meal schedule by visiting [www.TakeThemAMeal.com](http://www.TakeThemAMeal.com) and locating the schedule by recipient last name (O'Leary) and password (6461). We are looking into Meals on Wheels for them as family assistance support is unsure at this time. Contact Tom O'Rourke if you can help.

## 113<sup>TH</sup> VIRGINIA STATE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL MEETING

April 26-28 at the Sheraton Roanoke Hotel and Conference Center

## CLOSET UPCOMING 3<sup>RD</sup> DEGREE INSTALLATION

Saturday, April 20 from noon-2:30 at Council 7877, 3130 Jefferson Davis Highway in Stafford

## FAMILY COMMUNION BREAKFAST COMING IN APRIL

Our council is hosting and sponsoring an old fashioned family communion breakfast at Holy Comforter Catholic Church on Sunday morning, April 7 from 9:30-11:00. The breakfast will take place downstairs in the lower level social hall between the 8:30 and 11:00 Masses. Holy Comforter's youth group will assist in the breakfast. Tickets are \$5 per adult and \$2 per child (\$15 max per family). The menu includes ham slices, frittata (Italian omelet with eggs and cheese), hash browns, breakfast rolls, bread, and assorted coffee, teas, milk, and juices. Volunteers are needed for this event, which includes running a Knights of Columbus recruitment table. Please contact Tom O'Rourke if you have any questions or are interested in volunteering.

## WEEKEND RETREAT UPCOMING

A Men's Cursillo Weekend at will be held at Camp Holiday Trails April 18-21. The cost of the retreat is \$60.00. For more details, please refer to [www.valleycursillo.com](http://www.valleycursillo.com).

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS T-SHIRTS STILL AVAILABLE

These red t-shirts with white lettering are \$12 each or two for \$20, available in sizes Large, XL, or XXL. 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 to help raise awareness of our place in the community.

## FUNDRAISING BREAKFAST TO BENEFIT KOVAR IN APRIL

The Knights of Columbus will also be hosting a pancake and sausage breakfast at Church of the Incarnation Sunday, April 21 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The cost is \$5.00 per person or \$12.00 per family. All the proceeds will benefit KOVAR (Knights of Virginia Assisting Citizens with Intellectual Disabilities), a Virginia Knights of Columbus charity established in 1971 to provide financial assistance through grants and home loans to tax exempt organizations providing training and assistance to citizens with intellectual disabilities.

Everyone is invited to enjoy pancakes, sausage, coffee, juice, and a great time.

Please contact Norm Balwinski for more information or to volunteer.

## SPECIAL OLYMPIC EVENTS

The Woodberry Forest Invitational will take place Sunday, April 28 at Woodberry Forest School in Orange. It's the first year of this new event, which begins at 10:00 a.m. and runs until the events have concluded around 3:00 p.m.

Fans are welcome to Volunteer to Cheer at this event, but all event volunteer roles are covered. Please contact Daniel Leake at [dleake@specialolympicsva.org](mailto:dleake@specialolympicsva.org) if you are interested in volunteering to cheer.

Larry Hance also discussed the possibility of volunteering for the Charlottesville Special Olympics Torch Run in June. More details to come ([www.torchrunva.com/](http://www.torchrunva.com/)).

## MORE UPCOMING EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED

A Walk for Life will be held Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church. It's a fundraising event to support the work of The Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia.

It's a fun morning and an easy walk with many people bringing strollers for their little ones. There will be free food, face painting, balloons, and music. You can earn a free Walk for Life t-shirt or go for other great prizes. Do the walk with your friends and family for families in need with an unexpected pregnancy to give Hope, Help, Health, and Healing. Come and be a Life Ambassador for the many women served by The Pregnancy Centers annually (over 3,000 appointments each year). Registration and continental breakfast begin at 8:30 a.m. Official start time for the walk is 9:00 a.m. There are also walks that same morning in Orange and Culpeper. For more information, log on to [www.IWalkforLifeVA.com](http://www.IWalkforLifeVA.com).

40 Days for Life is in full swing. Please keep participants in your prayers to help end abortion.

## RUN FOR AUTISM 5K

The Virginia Institute for Autism's Run for Autism 5K will be held Saturday, April 20 at Charlottesville High School. Although race sponsorship is cost prohibitive to the Council, volunteer opportunities are an option. If interested, contact Larry Hance at [hance331@embarqmail.com](mailto:hance331@embarqmail.com) or 434-962-7492. There's also more information at [http://www.viaschool.org/index.php/news/detail/run\\_for\\_autism\\_5k](http://www.viaschool.org/index.php/news/detail/run_for_autism_5k)

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

## BROTHER KNIGHT ADVERTISING

Brother Knight Robert Neitz of Council 3626 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).

## POSSIBLE SHOW OF CHARITY OUTING

Financial Secretary Larry Hance is interested in and is proposing a possible 'Show of Charity' outing for our council in the spring. Larry and Brother Knight Chuck Rockacy talked about ideas for channeling our efforts at specific locations. One idea is with Our Lady of the Angels, a Trappist Monastery in Crozet. Check out more information at <http://www.olamonastery.org/visit-us/frequently-asked-questions/>. Larry and Chuck came up with the idea of attending mass and purchasing wares for these nuns for one. The monastery's Sunday mass is at 8:00 a.m.

Larry would like to set up Knights of Columbus 'cash mob' events where we go as a group to support local groups, stores, events, etc. If interested, please contact Larry at [hance331@embarqmail.com](mailto:hance331@embarqmail.com) or 434-962-7492.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Martha Jefferson Hospital is in need of volunteers. As a volunteer, you would assist the staff in various areas of the hospital. Orientation and training is provided. Flexible hours are accommodated. You would join the present group of volunteers which now number over 300. Should you have any questions, or to join the next orientation session, please contact Michele Shepherd at 434-654-7000 or by email at [micheleshepherd@mjh.org](mailto:micheleshepherd@mjh.org).

Volunteering at MJH is an excellent way to earn volunteer hours for the Knights of Columbus!

## SERVICE HOURS

Please submit all service hours on a monthly basis so we can capture all the great deeds the Knights are doing. Email your summary to Larry Hance at [hance331@embarqmail.com](mailto:hance331@embarqmail.com).

### *YEAR TO DATE (HOURS)*

Church - 39

Community - 256

Youth - 21

Habitat - 0

Other - 137.5

### *VISITS/PROJECTS*

Sick - 77

Bereaved - 1

Blood donation - 2

Toot your own horn! Here's a great opportunity to apply for Senior Volunteer awards. Winners raise money for their favorite charities. Check out this website.

<http://www.homeinstead.com/532/News/Local/Pages/Article.aspx?Filter1Field=ID&Filter1Value=18>

## ADOPT-A-FAMILY FOOD COLLECTION WEEKEND

The Adopt-a-Family Food Collection weekend is April 6-7 at Church of the Incarnation. Please report your donations, so our council can add to our 2013 tallies. The most needed items are canned chicken/tuna, canned refried beans, canned fruit, pasta/spaghetti, breakfast cereal, and canned tomatoes.

## CHECK OUT OUR COUNCIL ONLINE

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

Check activities section for round-up of what's happening!

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

## UPCOMING SOCIAL MEETINGS

Plans are in the works to hold a Knights of Columbus dance at the beginning of May at Church of the Incarnation. Chuck Rockacy is working to organize this event. It has not been determined if the dance will be a fundraising event, but it will serve as our May Social meeting.

James Repp of The Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia is tentatively set to speak to our council at the June 3<sup>rd</sup> officers meeting. All are welcome.

Treasurer Dave Gamache 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. Dave suggests holding future social meetings at Holy Comforter and St. George's.

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

Grand Knight Joe Ciaccio has also contacted Cursillo to have a representative come to one of our Social Meetings to give a presentation about their organization.

If you have any ideas for speakers for speakers, activities, or things we can do with our Social Meetings, please contact Deputy Grand Knight Jesse Boeckermann at [bach@catholic.org](mailto:bach@catholic.org).

## NEW KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE AGENT

Our new council insurance field agent is Tom Loviza from Richmond. He attended January's council meeting to introduce himself and discuss his availability to do solid insurance reviews of council member's insurance policies and the different Knights of Columbus insurance programs that are available. He is familiar with most products on the market.

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

### Do you have a Plan, or just a Policy?

Many of us spend a great deal of time watching our investments, especially now with the recent turmoil in the market. When things are looking up, we dream of that house on the beach or the traveling we have yet to do. When things aren't quite as optimistic, we worry about what our retirement will look like or whether we will ever be able to truly and fully retire.

While these are worthy concerns which deserve our ongoing management, how much time is spent developing and managing the plan to secure our family's future if something unforeseen should happen prior to retirement?

Most of us have insurance, but how many of us understand how our policies work or actively manage our "insurance plan" in response to changes in our life? Has your need increased due to buying a larger house or having another child? Has your need decreased due to a child "leaving the nest" or better benefits in a new job?

Insurance creates your estate until you are able build one and protects your estate later in life. How much time do you spend reviewing your family's needs and making sure your "plan" will accomplish everything you want it to?

Let's sit down together and review what you have, how it works, and why you have it.

Fraternally.....Tom

## GOOD OF THE ORDER

Please pray for: Conrad Issak and family, Colette Hall, Msgr. Chester Michael, Fr. Ralph Hamlet, Ray Jacquin, Kristine Doyle, Mafдалen Stengel, Amy Boeckermann, Matt and Naomi Sissons, Richard Norman, Barbara Dougherty, Don Firer, Siverstein family, Boittnot family, Bernie Moran, Keri Smallie, Robert Neitz, Allen Williams, and the families of our deceased Brothers.

### MARCH BIRTHDAYS IN OUR COUNCIL

Roger Scanlan	April 1
Charles Williams IV	April 2
Patrick Hanley	April 3
Richard Cook	April 5
Dr Frank D Alessandro	April 13
Richard De Loria	April 14
Ray Jacquin	April 19
Edward D Elicio	April 20
Tom O'Rourke	April 20
David Miller	April 22
Thomas Gearhart	April 24
Clifford Riso	April 24
Norm Balwinski	April 26
Charles Ciaccio	April 27
Dennis Koziol	April 29
Geogre Krynitsky	April 30

### MARCH ANNIVERSARIES IN OUR COUNCIL

Name	Date	Wife's Name
NONE THIS MONTH		

### PARTIAL LIST OF KNIGHTS NOT ON EMAIL

Francis Burns, Philip Carr, David Casarez, Lawrence Chandler, John Clifford, Richard Cook, Michael Cumiskey, Edward D'Elicio, Richard De Loria, Thomas Gearhart, John Gersbach, Samuel Goble, Derrick Graham, David Haise, Robert Hamlin, Dennis Hogberg, Andrew Hucek, Ray Jacquin, Rev. Robert Keeler, David Keller, Robert Knapp, Robert Kramer, George Krynitsky

Please reach out to them when you see them at church or otherwise and let them know about what is happening. Thanks!

### NEXT MEETING

Our next monthly council meeting will be held Monday night, April 15 at the Stone Chapel on the grounds of the Church of the Incarnation. The Rosary will be recited at 7:15 with the meeting starting at 7:30. Food and refreshments will be served after the meeting. This is YOUR council. Please make plans to attend our monthly meetings.

We invite all practicing Catholic men 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 Joe Ciaccio at [jciaci5450@hotmail.com](mailto:jciaci5450@hotmail.com).

### THE LATEST FROM OUR PARISHES

<http://www.incarnationparish.org/connect/bulletins>

<http://www.holycomforterparish.org/index.php?fuseaction=home.bulletin>

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/St-George-Catholic-Church/145059438899328?sk=info>