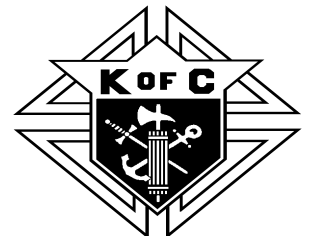




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Our 21st Year!

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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

You are a knight and with that distinction you are tasked to promote charity, unity, and fraternity with your brother knights to serve your community. A daunting task if pursued alone, but a rewarding endeavor once completed with earnest and honest hearts. Modest accomplishments for our council reward our church and we have many tasks in June and July including VDOT road cleanup, serving breakfast to our fellow parishioners, assisting at the family festival on June 3 and most importantly, working at the Nissan Pavilion which gives us the working capital needed to promote our works. Review our schedule of events and contribute as often as you can.

On May 5th and 6th I attended the State Convention for the K of C in Virginia Beach with our Past Grand Knight Jerry Michonski. We participated in several meetings to elect new State officers, voted on six resolutions and spoke to many State and Supreme K of C members. Our council was recognized and received the State Deputy's Award for meeting our State reporting requirements for our many programs and our council exceeded our Keep Christ In Christmas (KCIC) goal thanks to Brothers Doug Blair and Ray Stearns. This year councils collected close to \$60,000 for vocations and charity through KCIC and since the program's inception in 1989, we have collected over \$850,000 in net profit. An additional program that utilizes the direct involvement of knights is the Virginia Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. (VKCCI), an organization formed to assist people in need in Virginia by awarding grants of up to \$1,500. Funds are collected by your donations when you receive your K of C mailing labels. Remember to donate the next time you receive your mailing. Should you know someone who is in need, contact me and I will assist you with obtaining funds through VKCCI.

Finally, I am happy to report that our council's Family of the Year recognition was awarded to Brother Doug Blair's family who continues to work on many events within our council and our community. Additionally, our council's "Young Man of the Year" was awarded to Chris Heidenthal at his Boy Scout Awards ceremony on May 17th for his contributions to his family and to the community through the scouts. Our "Young Woman of the Year" was awarded to Emily Hillenbrand who has demonstrated limitless energy for her school, classmates, and her fellow venture crew. All of you have made a difference and we value your contributions.

Let me mention a few more items. Our Council was recognized for its volunteer efforts at the ARC of Prince William (www.arcgpw.org) Volunteer Award Evening on May 15th at the Elk's Club. They will need our continued assistance to save them money and time to promote this rewarding program for citizens with developmental challenges. The Parish Kitchen construction is planned for July 2006 and I am happy to report that our council and its Members have contributed nearly \$6,000 to this new addition to our Parish Hall. Watch the Parish Bulletin to see how you can help. Our Parish Family Festival is the largest fundraiser for our Parish and our Council's members once again volunteered their time and energy to make this a successful fund raising campaign.

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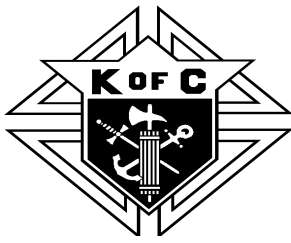
Please remember the following members and relatives of Ascension Council in your prayers as they work through challenges to their health.



- Frappier Family John Murray, PGK
- Charlie Govsky, PGK Andrew Hennessey
- Dixie Zum Brunnen Andrew Krafcik
- Harry Bonds (Father-in-Law of Tom Zum Brunnen, PGK)
- Ray Bazan (Father of Fr. Mike Bazan) Ken Henz
- Ettore Zappacosta (Jerry Michonski, PGK Father-in-law)

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PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Brother Knights, as our 2005 – 2006 Fraternal year draws to a close it seems an appropriate time to look back at the many accomplishments Ascension Council has achieved in serving our parish and the community-at-large.



Major elements on this list include road clean-ups, parish breakfasts, ARC group home yard clean-up and Christmas decorating, youth activities, free throw contests, children's parties, KOVAR, parish festivals, Nissan concession sales, donut duty, Right-to-Life marches, and support for our pastor, Fr. Mike. The list goes on and on and I have faith the list will continue to grow in the years to come.

But now is not the time to rest as the year is not over yet and we still have work to do. The Parish Spring Festival is the weekend of June 3rd and the Knights will be in full force. Road cleanup is scheduled for Saturday June 10th and we will have a sub sale that same weekend. On June 18th we will host a parish breakfast so get ready to crank up the griddles.

And don't forget, Nissan Pavilion concession sales will be in full swing with Ascension Council volunteers scheduled to work: Sunday, June 4th with Brooks and Dunn, Saturday, June 10th with Tom Petty, Saturday, June 24th with the Dave Matthews Band, and Sunday, June 25th with the Allman Brothers. So put on your dancing shoes and get ready to boogey to the beat of the band as you serve up libations and refreshments to the rockin' patrons of Nissan Pavilion.

Ascension Council is truly blessed to have so many selfless knights willing to share their time and talents in order to further our mission of "In Service to One, In Service to All" and as Program Director I extend a heartfelt "Thank You" for all you do and the character and grace with which you do it.

Vivat Jesus,

Program Director

Steve Trotman

Deputy Grand Knight

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Church

The Director's objective for Church activities is to provide council involvement in, service to, and/or increased council commitment to our Church, clergy and religious, to enrich the spiritual involvement of individual members in their Church and its activities, and to promote vocations to the religious life.



Coffee and Donuts will be served by council members after all masses on June 4th.

The Knights are sponsoring a pancake breakfast for the parish on Sunday, June 18th from 9 AM to 12:30 PM. Contact John Brady to assist as there are many volunteer positions.

Council

The Director's objective for Council activities is to increase fraternalism among members, to provide enjoyment to members and their families, to ensure service to the brotherhood and advancement in the Order's degrees.

A new slate of officers was elected at our May business meeting on May 25th for our next fraternal year. These men will start their duties on July 1st. See the list of new officers on page 4. Their installation will take place at the church on Thursday July 20th at 7 PM.

We celebrated our 20th year as a council at Tony and Molly Bado's home on May 21st. Everyone had a great time.

On June 10th and June 11th we will be making sub sandwiches to serve after all Masses. We will meet at 8 AM on Saturday to make sandwiches for the Saturday Mass. On Sunday, we will meet at 7 AM to begin making about 190 sandwiches for the Sunday Masses.

On June 22nd at 7:30 PM, we will have our Council Social meeting. The entire family and friends are invited to join our council for a BBQ at our Parish BBQ pit outside of the Parish Hall. We will have our awards ceremony. Please RSVP to bryanr@excaliburgrpllc.com or call at (703) 580-8660 if you are going to attend.



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Family

The Director's objective for Family Activities is to involve the entire family in the activities of the Knights of Columbus, to strengthen family life, and to care for widows and children of deceased members.



Michelle and George Darnell will once again open their home and host the Council Family Pool Party and Picnic on July 16th from 2 to 6 PM, and the Council Adult Pool Party and Picnic (Council members and their spouses only) on August 26th from 6-10 PM. Please keep these dates open. More details will be announced at the July and August business meetings and by email.

Community

The Director's objective for Community activities is to increase the council's awareness of its life within the community and to promote council as well as individual involvement in the community.

On Saturday, June 17th we will be meeting at 8 AM for a VDOT road cleanup along Dale Blvd. This is typically about two hours of light labor. Weather should be good.

NISSAN

We will begin our Nissan Concert fundraising with three concerts in June followed by seven or eight additional concerts through the remainder of the summer. The concerts we are working are:

- June 4th – Brooks and Dunn
- June 10th – Tom Petty
- June 24th – Dave Matthews Band
- July 6th – Kelly Clarkson
- July 7th – Def Leppard & Journey
- July 28th – Kenny Chesney
- August 3rd – Jimmy Buffet
- August 12th – Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young
- September 9th – Rascal Flatts
- September 23rd – Roger Waters
- October 7th – Toby Keith

Charter Grand Knight Art Bohn is heading up this effort. Please contact him to volunteer.

RECRUITING AND RETENTION

Our recruiting and retention committee chair is John Murray and although he is active in our parish, he has abdicated his duties as this chair until his health improves. Even with this vacancy, we still have men who are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus and our council conducted a Recruiting Drive on May 20th and May 21st after all masses. Our Council will also be sponsoring a first degree at the June business meeting to welcome any new members. Keep up your work of meeting new families in our parish and have them call Bryan Roberts if they are interested in knowing more about our council.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Our Knight of the Month for March is Joe Marshall, our council's advocate and newsletter editor. Joe has always been there for our council and the Grand Knight with his energy, quick wit, and caring demeanor. His busy schedule takes him all across the country and recently his mother became ill and subsequently died and his thoughts are with her. Keep our brother Joe and his family in your prayers. Thank you Joe for contributing your talents to our council for so many years and we look forward to many more.

On June 3rd when our Parish conducted our annual Family Parish Festival, several Knights contributed their time. However, one man, Curtis Donato stands out of the crowd. He has been working for his company in New York but found the time to assist the food committee for the Parish Festival Committee, attends business meetings when he is in town, and he and his wife are co-chairs of our Pro-Life Committee. He works with our Pastor to promote the Parish Pro-Life stance and is prepared when called upon in this important role. Thank you for your efforts during this tough year, Curtis, our Knight of the Month for April.

MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARIES

The following Ascension Council knights will be celebrating their membership anniversaries in June or July (years as a knight are in parenthesis).

- John Grenier (17)
- David Munoz (11)
- Steve Trotman (11)



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NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS

The following men were elected to the offices shown at the May business meeting. Their terms begin July 1st.

Position	Name
Grand Knight	Steve Trotman
Deputy Grand Knight	Doug Blair
Recorder	Bob Garman
Treasurer	George Darnell, PGK
Chancellor	Joe Marshall
Advocate	Andy Baronavski, PGK
Warden	John Angelotta
Inside Guard	Richard Rocha
Outside Guard	Dave Hangsleben
Outside Guard	Richard Johnson
3 Year Trustee	Bryan Roberts
Grand Knight Delegate	Steve Trotman
Alternate Grand Knight Del.	Doug Blair
Past Grand Knight Delegate	Bryan Roberts
Alternate PGK Delegate	Jerry Michonski, PGK

EDITOR'S CORNER

Welcome to our latest newsletter. Thanks to those who contributed. This newsletter was held up for distribution to include the proposed budget for next fiscal year. As required by our by-laws, this budget will be voted on at the first business meeting in July.

I would like all future newsletter inputs no later than the **Saturday** before the 1st Thursday of the month of issue. For the July calendar/event summary I will need any changes or updates by July 1st. For the August/September issue I will need articles by Saturday, July 29th. *Please mark these dates on your calendar and plan ahead to meet these deadlines.* This newsletter is posted at <http://sacredheart.catholic.org/koc0606.pdf> on our council website. Please email me with your contributions at voyagerjs@earthlink.net. Disclaimer: the views and opinions in this newsletter do not necessarily reflect those of the KOC.

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KOVAR

Thanks to all for another successful KOVAR drive.

BIRTHDAYS

The following Ascension Council knights will be celebrating June or July birthdays:

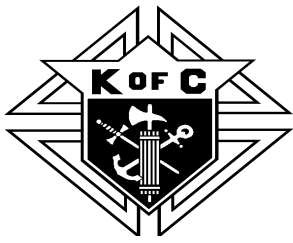


George Braun	Richard Braun
Jon Calvert	Richard Couture
Al Doktor Jr.	Edward Fenig
Wallace Geiger, Jr.	Kevin Henry
Ken Henz	Andrew Krafcik
James McKay	Jerry Michonski, PGK
Peter Sisa	Charles Quinones, PGK
James St.Amour	Steve Trotman

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Our Family of the Month for March is the Hangsleben family. Dave and Kim are tireless workers behind the scenes for the Parish, the Hilton High School Band and the Knights of Columbus. Along with their two boys, they are always present at functions contributing their energy while promoting the true meaning of family and love. Although Dave works in Crystal City and the Pentagon, he finds the time to make it to our officer's meetings, business meetings, and volunteer for parish activities. Kim spent over 24 hours contributing her expertise to the ARC of Prince William home by designing the landscaping, picking up the materials, and directing the Knights at the ARC of Prince William home. Your efforts are remarkable, thank you.

Our Family of the Month for April is the St. Amour family. Jim and Shawne worked together to identify volunteers for our KOVAR campaign, to volunteer their time to collect for KOVAR, and to account for the donations. Sometimes this seems like an endless task, but together, as a family, they completed their efforts with smiles and the reward of knowing they made a difference to many families in Virginia. Many knights received reminder phone calls and emails from Jim and he now has a better understanding of those Knights who truly enjoy their work during the KOVAR campaign. At the same time Shawne worked as the volunteer chairperson for the Parish Family Festival and her efforts brought many people together on June 3. Thank you and we look forward to working with you in the future.

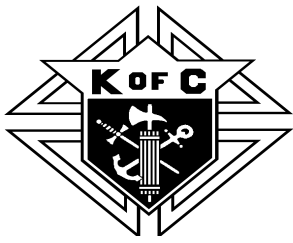


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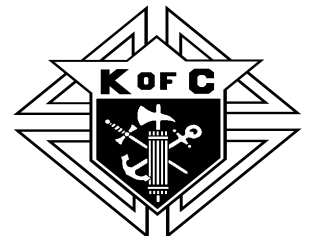


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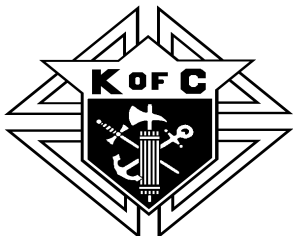


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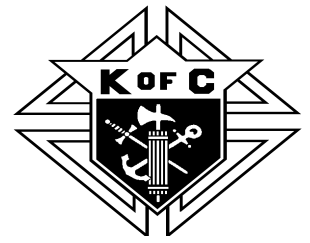


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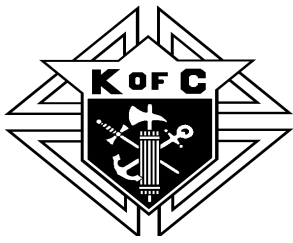


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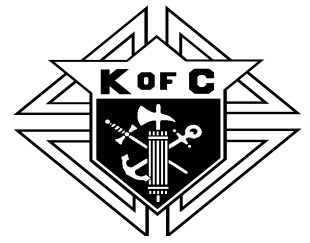


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