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Grand Knight's Corner

Brothers,

Charity, Unity, and Fraternity

Since Pope Francis was elected earlier this year by the Vatican's College of Cardinals, he has provided guidance, opinions, and judgments to our catholic community and Brotherhood on many subjects. In this article, the discussion below will center on his statements concerning charity, unity, and fraternity. These topics were selected since they match three of the four Knights of Columbus (K of C) tenets.

For charity, the Holy Father stated: "Life is not given to us to be jealously guarded for ourselves, but is given to us so that we may give it in turn." - Audience, $4/24/13^{(L)}$, and "Let us not be afraid of life commitments, commitments that take up and concern our entire life! In this way our life will be fruitful! And this is freedom: to have courage to make these decisions with generosity." - Address, $5/4/13^{(Z)}$. The key Council actions for charity are to "give it in turn." and "make decisions with generosity.", and 8240 does that with approximately 60% of its budget supporting charitable organizations.

In a 6/26/13 homily, Pope Francis spoke to men about being an assertive and strong father. Here, he reflected on required family unity and spiritual growth, along with the corresponding challenges of fatherhood in the current world environment. ⁽³⁾ In addition, the Pope emphasized that "all men are called to be protectors of the young, the needy and society." ^(4,) As stated above for family unity, the Holy Father says that we as an organization must "be protectors of the young, the needy and society." Recently, 8240's own Brotherhood unity accomplished this with the Council currently assisting a Christian family of 4 (father, wife, and two young children). This was done with 8240's KOVAR Committee preparing a Virginia Knights of Columbus Charity, Inc. (VKCCI) application and submitting it for approval. Now, funds are being disbursed by the Council's Treasurer per VKCCI requirements.

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Promoting K of C Awareness

Brothers, we are all aware of the attacks on the family as a unit and an institution, and we are constantly witness to attacks on our faith, even to the point where the federal government is suing a Catholic College to pay for birth control in its medical plan. As Knights we stand against such things, but we need to do more so that people know what we do and why. We're not a beer club for old guys, although beer after meetings is a nice perk. If you have an idea to better promote awareness of what we do, please share your idea! Check us out on the web (www.kofc8240.org) & on FaceBook www.facebook.com/home.php?#!/group.php?gid=301533184318

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Degree Exemplification

Within the Knights of Columbus there are several degrees, each providing the member valuable lessons. The First Degree teaches the lesson of charity, and upon completion he is considered a Knight of Columbus and can participate in all council activities. First Degree members are encouraged to attain the Second and Third Degrees, which teach the lessons of unity and fraternity. Upon taking the Third Degree, a member receives full honors of Knighthood and is "Knighted." Privileges of Third Degree membership include the ability to serve as a local council officer, and admission to state and Supreme Council business meetings. First and Second Degree members can attend the state and Supreme Council meetings, but they are not allowed in the business sessions. Upcoming Exemplifications: Please see the calendar for dates and locations and/or contact Stephen Clock (sjclock@phoenix-group.com) or Pete Padilla (padillapete@cox.net) for more information.

Treasurer's Report as of September 30, 2013

Checking - \$1,402.67 Savings - \$21,637.32 Building Fund - \$12,403.75 Total - \$35,443.74

Your Prayers are requested for:

Members of the Armed Forces and all other Americans in harm's way,

Elaine O'Donnell, Tom Mangan, Jane Gore, John Simone, John Owens, Franz Himmel, Edna Schwartz, Jack Gorman Jr., Joan Gorman, Loren Snevy, T.J. Barnes, Vic Hrudowsky, Betty Ann White, John Lawlor, Bob Elko, Ray Miller, Lawrence Mourning, Grant Robinson, Al Frenette, Veronica Noreau, Jean Burgoyne, Regina Sweeney, Dominick & Rosemary Iafrato, PGK Paul Coronado, Paul Antonaccio, Matthew Mourning, Gail Hoppenjons, Dick Ames, Will Simpson, A Romero, Red Snowden, Kathleen Gravani, Chris Mulholland's Mother, John Smith, Paul & Lee Gravina, Leo Marshall, PSD Lenny Palizzi, Curtis Lightfoot, William Blake, Brandon Ream, Frank Haughey, Richard Moore, Vic Gonzalez, Mr. Daugherty, Darren Cowley, Bill Bone, A. Stevens, Maire McTigue, Dorethy Schares, Raymond Mourning, Nanci Dallaglio, John Klocek, Dick McCarron, Jonathon Markham, Barry Jefferson, Milo & Camy Newcomb, Orin McIntosh, Bill Wheaton, Joe & Phyllis Nash, Daryl Taylor, Eileen Feifal, Gerry Post, Randee Crank, and Mary & Domenic Parisi.

For Seminarians Shawn Koehr and Justin Shuma whom this Council supports, and for all considering their vocation.

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In the Papal message (that was provided by Vatican Secretary of State Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone) to the 131st K of C Supreme Convention in San Antonio, Pope Francis "expressed his esteem for the ideals of faith and fraternity embodied by the Order . . ." ^(5.) However, I have experienced a form of fraternity that is specific to our Council. It is with 8240 Brothers who volunteer for an event and are always willing to assist during that activity. This Council volunteerism and the unselfish attitude of those who assist have lead to a unique Council fraternity (some of us may call it camaraderie) between each individual who participates.

As shown above, the Pope discusses charity, unity, and fraternity in general terms. To provide a Council perspective on these same topics, the Holy Father's discussion is followed with recent 8240 examples.

V.J Dave Van Petten Grand Knight

References:

June 2013 K of C Columbia Magazine, Feature Article - <u>The Quotable Pope</u> <u>Francis</u>, Pg. 14, Para. 4.

Ibid, Pg. 17, Para. 6.

August 2013 K of C Columbia Magazine, Departments Article - <u>Fathers For</u> <u>Good</u>, Pg. 15.

Ibid, Pg. 15, Para. 2.

October 2013 K of C Columbia Magazine, 131st Supreme Convention August 6 - 8, 2013 Article - <u>Papal Greetings</u>, Pg. 2, Para. 1.

> Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me... Matthew 25:40 USCCB.org

Council 8240 Calendar Dec 2013-Feb 2014

		Dec-13					
(Only One Meeting)							
5	7:30 PM	All Saint's Assembly Meeting	Prince of Peace				
7	8:00 AM	Men's Breakfast	Prince of Peace				
7	5:00 PM	Chesapeake Christmas Parade (Steve Daiber)	Chesapeake, Va				
TBD	TBD (PM)	Advent Tree Shopping Spree (Coordinator Tony Hayward with Sean Quinn Assisting)	Walmart, Grassfield				
12	6:00 PM	Advent Tree Gift Wrapping (Coordinator Tony Hayward with Sean Quinn Assisting)	Prince of Peace				
12	7:30 PM	Council Business Meeting; Social Hall Table Set Up for 8240 Christmas Party (DGK Stephen Clock Coordinator)	Prince of Peace				
13	7:00 PM	Council Christmas Party & Clean Up (DGK Stephen Clock Coordinator)	Prince of Peace				
25	All Day	Christmas					
	I	Jan-14					
3	7:30 PM	All Saint's Assembly Meeting	Prince of Peace				
7	7:00 PM	Council's Semi-Annual Audit	Tom Pestka's				
9	7:30 PM	Council Business Meeting; (1) Discuss Council's Process for FOTY, KOTY Nominations, (2) Ask POP Office for YMOTY & YWOTY Candidate Recommendations	Prince of Peace				
11	8:30AM	STATE OF VIRGIINIA MID-YEAR MEETING	Richmond VA				
21	All Day	Martin Luther King Day					
21	7:00 PM	3rd Quarter 8240 Officers Meeting	Tom Pestka's				
23	7:30 PM	(2ND DEGREE) COUNICL SOCIAL MEETING	Prince of Peace				
25	All Day	Pro-Life March in Washington D.C.	Washington, DC				
26?	4:30 PM	District Basketball Free Throw Championship	St Matthews School				
27	7-8:30 PM	3rd Quarter 8240 Officers Meeting	Prince of Peace				
TBD	7:15 PM	Night with the Admirals (Sean Quinn Coordinator)	Norfolk SCOPE				
Feb-14							
1	8:00 AM	Men's Breakfast	Prince of Peace				
1st/2nd	All Masses	Recruiting Weekend	Prince of Peace				
6	7:30 PM	Valentines Dinner Dance (VDD) Table Set Up for Next Day (Stephen Clock Coordinator); Joint Activity with 11984	Prince of Peace				
7	8 AM-11 PM	VDD (Stephen Clock Coordinator): Reserve the Kitchen/Commons area	Prince of Peace				
7	6:30-11 PM	VDD (Stephen Clock Coordinator); Joint Activity with Council 11984; & Clean Up after VDD	Prince of Peace				
8	9:00 AM	Reserve Social Hall for Clean Up after VDD (Stephen Clock Coordinator)	Prince of Peace				
6	7:30 PM	All Saint's Assembly Meeting	Prince of Peace				
13	7:00 PM	Recruitment Information Night	Prince of Peace				
13	7:30 PM	Council Business Meeting	Prince of Peace				
14	All Day	St. Valentine's Day					
17	All Day	Presidents' Day					
27	7:30 PM	Council Social Meeting (Fraternal Benefits Night)	Prince of Peace				



Discover a World of Good Things in the Knights of Columbus





Vatican City, 10 October 2013 (VIS) – "I wish to express my gratitude for the unfailing support which your Order has always given to the works of the Holy See", began the Holy Father's address to the Knights of Columbus, whom he received in audience this morning in the Sala Clementina of the Vatican Apostolic Palace, on the occasion of a meeting held by the Order in Rome. He thanked them for their prayers and witness of faith, and concern for brothers and sisters in need.

The Pope described the "Vicarius Christi Fund" as "an eloquent sign" of the Order's "solidarity with the Successor of Peter in his concern for the universal Church", made manifest in its daily works. Finally, Pope Francis commended the order to the intercession of St. Joseph, "protector of the Holy Family of Nazareth ... an admirable model of those manly virtues of quiet strength, integrity and fidelity which the Knights of Columbus are committed to preserving, cultivating and passing on to future generations of Catholic men".



To join the guild (it's free) or to learn more about it go to: www.fathermcgivney.org/mcg/en/

Marian Devotion

Mother of Mercy

O Mary, Mother of Mercy, watch over all people, that the Cross of Christ may not be emptied of its power, that man may not stray from the path of the good or become blind to sin, but may put his hope ever more fully in God who is "rich in mercy." May he carry out the good works prepared By God beforehand and so live completely "for the praise of his glory."

Blessed John Paul II

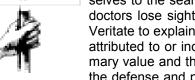
Charity

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Fraternity

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FRANCIS: NO HUMAN LIFE IS MORE VALUABLE THAN ANOTHER

Vatican City, 20 September 2013 (VIS) – Today the Pope met with members of the International Federation of Catholic Medical Associations and Catholic gynecologists, and spoke of the current paradoxical situation of the medical profession. "On the one hand we see progress in the field of medicine, thanks to the work of scientists who passionately and unreservedly dedicate themselves to the search for new cures. On the other hand, however, we also encounter the risk that doctors lose sight of their identity in the service of life". He referred to the Encyclical Caritas in Veritate to explain that this paradoxical situation is seen also in the fact that, "while new rights are attributed to or indeed almost presumed by the individual, life is not always protected as the primary value and the primordial right of every human being. The ultimate aim of medicine remains the defense and promotion of life". Faced with this contradictory situation, the Pope renewed the

Church's appeal to the conscience of all healthcare professionals and volunteers, especially gynecologist's. "Yours is a singular vocation and mission, which necessitates study, conscience and humanity", he said.

Again, Francis spoke of the "throwaway culture" that leads to the elimination of human beings, especially those who are physically and socially weakest. "Our response to this mentality is a 'yes' to life, decisive and without hesitation. 'The first right of the human person is his life. He has other goods and some are precious, but this one is fundamental - the condition for all the others".

Reiterating that in recent times, human life in its entirety has become a priority for the Magisterium of the Church, the Pope emphasized that "goods have a price and can be sold, but people have dignity, they are worth more than goods and have no price". Francis asked those present to "bear witness to and disseminate this 'culture of life' ... remind all, through actions and words, that in all its phases and at any age, life is always sacred and always of quality. And not as a matter of faith, but of reason and science! There is no human life more sacred than another, just as there exists no human life qualitatively more meaningful than another".



COLUMBIAN CLUB OF CHESAPEAKE, INC.

Every member of Council 8240 is also a shareholder of the Columbian Club of Chesapeake (CCC). The Supreme By-Laws of the K of C prohibits councils from owning real property, so any council that has its own council hall or building will form a non-profit corporation. So when Council 8240 was willed property by Brother Joe Drago, we formed the CCC. We own two properties. The house and land originally given to us by Joe (1277 Hillwell Road) and a townhouse located on Faire Chase (just of Waters Road) which we hold as an investment property. The CCC is governed by Knights of Council 8240. In the Spring, a Board of Directors is elected and the board then elects the officers. The current officers are:

Greg McCracken - President Frank Hunt - Vice President Tom Tucker - Treasurer Dan Shuma - Secretary

Anyone that would like to learn more about the CCC or would like to assist us in managing the properties or acquiring another property is very welcome. This is another Service opportunity within the K of C. Contact Frank Hunt at frankhjr78@gmail.com or 757-536-2589 to learn more.

COUNCIL 8240's OWN ONLINE STORE. For shirts, t-shirts, aprons, bags etc. The Queensboro Company has set up for Council 8240 our own online store. All the items include free embroidery and \$1 comes back to the council for each item sold. Our online store website is http://kofc8240.qbstores.com and also is accessible through our council website. You are NOT required to register, but if you register your e-mail address you can get automatic notification of sales and promotions.

It was a rainy weekend during the **Suffolk Peanut Festival**. The GK and DGK would like to thank everyone that came out in the nasty weather. Everyone that came out was in good spirits and made the best of it despite the rainy weather. The Council has a few activities coming up in the next few months. These events include: Special Olympics, Parish Spaghetti Dinner, Knights memorial dinner.





SPREAD THE WORD

Soccer Challenge

The Council Soccer Challenge was the second year of conducting the soccer challenge for the Council. The Council held the event at the soccer field of a local middle school, which was set up through the city Parks and Recreation Department. On the day of the event, signs were set up along to roads to identify the location of the event and Knights came out early to set up for the event. The weather was idyllic and nine youths came out to compete in the event. In addition, five older youths from a local soccer team came out to assist in the event. The relationships between the local soccer clubs and the council were strengthened and will assist greatly on making next year's event even better! Tom Schares – Coordinator

K of C Council 8240 Current Degree Schedules, Recruitment Weekends, & Recruitment Information Nights <u>(Revised 10/19/13)</u>

2014

24 Jan 2nd Degree (POP)
1ST/2ND Feb Recruitment Weekend
13 Feb Information Night
27 Mar 1st Degree (POP)
24 Apr 2nd Degree (POP)
7TH/8TH Jun Recruitment Weekend
19th Jun Recruiting Information Night at 7 PM
24 Jul 1ST Degree (POP)







KOVAR

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

"Give Jesus your heart to love and your hands to serve. Be His light, His fire of love amongst the poor." Recognizing, as Blessed Mother Theresa did, that the greatest poverty today is to be unloved and unwanted, we are called first to receive God's love in our hearts and then carry that love to our homes, our communities and our neighborhoods. KOVAR is an important ministry that helps those among us who need us the most. It is a wonderful family event that allows us to share in the service to others. Blessed Mother Theresa provided us all with a worthy example to follow, please contact Brothers Frank Hunt or Stephen Clock to volunteer with KOVAR.



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WGK Dave Van Petten



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