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BROTHERS,

The Holy Season of Christmas and the beginning of a New Year will soon be on us. My wife Jenny, sons (Kyle/ Matthew) and I, would like to extend to you and your family, a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

The Council has been very busy the past few months. We had a successful fundraiser at the Suffolk Peanut Festival, assisted at the Parish Spaghetti dinner, held our Annual Memorial Dinner at Pirates Cove, assisted at the Special Olympics games in Virginia Beach, successfully completed our first ever Degree Ceremony in the Parish Hall and completed our Fall Membership Blitz in October.

We will hit the ground running at the start of the new year. We are already preparing for the Youth Basketball Free Throw competition in late January and have begun discussing the joint 8240/11984 Valentines Dinner Dance. We will soon be discussing and planning our KO-VAR weekends and Fish Fry's.

With everything the Council has going on we cannot forget about MEMBERSHIP. The Council and Membership

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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

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 "Knighthood." 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 **Deputy GK** Brian Scott - Bscott3534@yahoo.com

Council Treasurer's Report November 2014

Checking: \$6,992.68
Ending Balance for Savings I: \$ 22,710.55
Ending Balance for Savings II: \$2,512.84



WHEN YOU HEAR
GOD'S VOICE TODAY,
HARDEN NOT YOUR HEART!

Vocations Are Everybody's Business

Your Prayers are requested for:

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

Joe Scanlon, Jack Gorman Jr,
John Smith, Leo Marshall, Helen
Quigley, PSD Bill McCarthy, Joe
Herzig, Al Vendt, Chris and
Claudia Schrock, Katie McAl-
pine, Justin Schares and Ernest
Thompson

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

Council 8240 Web Site

The Council 8240 web site (www.kofc8240.org) has an online roster that gives you access to your Brother Knight's phone numbers and a way e-mail them. Also, you can edit your own contact information. Please go check and make sure your info is correct. You need only your K of C Membership Number and your Date of Birth to see the roster or update your information.

Also, Roger Noreau has taken over as webmaster, but event chairmen can easily be given rights to provide details on their events, upload pictures etc. Most importantly, Roger is trying to ensure our website roster matches the official roster on the Supreme website. Please help him by checking your info, and if you change anything, please let him know by an e-mail to huckfinn23@hotmail.com.

*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 2014–Mar 2015

Date	Time	Event and Location
Dec-14		
4th	7:30pm	All Saint's Assembly Meeting
6th	8:00am	Men's Breakfast
11th	7:30pm	Council Business Meeting
12th	TBA	Council Christmas Party
25th		Christmas
Jan-15		
1st	7:30pm	All Saint's Assembly Meeting
3rd	8:00am	Men's Breakfast
8th	7:30pm	Council Business Meeting
17th	TBA	Mid-Year State Meeting (Arlington)
19th		Martin Luther King Day
22nd	7:30pm	1st Degree and Social Meeting
31st	5:00pm	Council/District Free Throw Competition (St. Matthews)
Feb-15		
5th	7:30pm	All Saint's Assembly Meeting/ Set up for Valentines Dinner Dance
6th	TBD	Valentines Dinner Dance (POP)
7th	8:00am	Men's Breakfast and Valentines Dinner Dance Clean-Up
12th	7:30pm	Council Business Meeting/FBN/1st Degree (11984)
14th		Valentines Day
16th		Presidents Day
18th		Ash Wednesday
21st		Equipment Cleaning and Loading for Fish Fry/State Free Throw Competition (St. Gertrude's HS, Richmond)
26th	7:30pm	Social Meeting/2nd Degree
27th		Fish Fry (POP)
28th		State Quarterly Meeting (Newport News)
Mar-15		
5th	7:30pm	All Saint's Assembly Meeting
7th	8:00am	Men's Breakfast

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Discover a World
of Good Things in
the Knights of
Columbus



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."

Saint John Paul II

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 and are in the process of purchasing a third. The house and land originally given to us by Joe (1277 Hillwell Road) and a townhouse located on Faire Chase (just off 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.

Charity

Unity

Fraternity

Patriotism



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



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Culture of Life

"Human life is sacred and inviolable at every moment of existence, including the initial phase which precedes birth. All human beings, from their mother's womb, belong to God who searches them and knows them, who forms them and knits them together with his own hands, who gazes on them when they are tiny shapeless embryos and already sees in them the adults of tomorrow whose days are numbered and whose vocation is even now written in the 'book of life.' There too, when they are still in their mothers' womb—as many passages of the Bible bear witness—they are the personal objects of God's loving and fatherly providence." (*Evangelium Vitae*, 61).

Read more at the following: http://www.kofc.org/un/en/public_policy/prolife.html

PGK John Hoffman is Council 8240's Culture & Life Director, he welcome your thoughts and suggestions at Hoffmanpfu@cox.net.

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Mar-15		
12th	7:30pm	Council Business Meeting
17th		St. Patrick's Day
26th	7:30pm	Social Meeting/ 1st Degree
27th		Fish Fry
28th		Recruitment Weekend
29th		Palm Sunday-Holy Week



Brother Tony Heyward was honored at a recent 1st Degree Ceremony at Prince of Peace. Tony was surprised and commented, "I didn't see this coming." He continued by thanking everyone for inspiring him to be an active member of the Knights of Columbus. "I am honored to be in Council 8240 and to be able to call you all Brothers."

Thank you Tony, for all that you do!

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.

Council Outings



All Saints Assembly conducted a Flag Retirement Ceremony with assistance from Scouts from Pack and Troop 824 . In attendance from the All Saints Assembly were Tony Hayward, Mike O'Connor, Steven Rose, Steve Poniatowski, Tom Schares, John Bilinski, and Vince Donnelly.



Join Us

The Special Olympics Opening Ceremony had 38 Sir Knights from the Tidewater Area. Five were from the All Saints Assembly including Tony Hayward, Bill Meznarich, Steven Rose, Tom Schares, and Tom Murphy.

SPREAD THE WORD

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Director (Tommy Rosati) has done a great job bringing in new Brothers to our Council. We need to continue with these efforts. We need to be recruiting before/after Mass, during Parish events and activities. Please take a few minutes after Mass to socialize in the Parish Hall and assist anyone that might have some questions about being a Knight. When attending Mass or other Parish activities please remember to wear your badge. If anyone has any questions regarding membership and how they can help please contact Tommy Rosati at TommyRosati@Gmail.com or email me at sjclock@phoenix-group.com.

Stay safe Brothers!

**VJ
S. Clock**

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 with our children the joy of providing service to others. Blessed Mother Theresa provided us all with a worthy example to follow, please contact Brother Frank Hunt to volunteer with KOVAR.



On Sunday (9/21/2014) we had 6 participants (5 boys & 1 girl) compete in the Youth Soccer Challenge representing Prince of Peace/Council 8240 held at St. Stephen's Church.

Please see the list below of the participants:

Kade Childers - age 9
 Kyle Clock - age 9
 Shelby Huffaker - age 9
 Christian Cobb - age 10
 Michael Orlando - age 9
 Michael Scott - age 9



Kade Childers won the 8240 council with a score of 95 points in the boys division. He went on to score 190 in the district challenge .

Shelby Huffaker won the 8240 council w/ her 75 points in the girls division. Shelby had no other girls to compete against for District 2 challenge so she represented the girls from District 2 at the State Competition.

The Grand Knight would like to thank Youth Chairman Millet Fadoul for doing a great job with this event.

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Are you nervous about where your money is invested and how it is performing? You are not alone if you are scared to death!

The simple fact is you are responsible for your financial future. Whether you are 30, 50, 70 . . . you need to have a balanced approach to your finances. If you have some of your finances with the Knights, then you have a piece of your future financial growth guaranteed. That is the good news; if you want to do more with the Knights you are welcome to do so. If you want to start doing something with the Knights, then let's get started.

This year we have rolled over or just started new deposits at a rate this is envious in the financial world we are averaging \$500,000 per month that is \$6M this year!

Why the tremendous growth rate? Here is my answer . . . our products offer a better than average return. Then when you guarantee the return, then you are part of a small group of companies that actually guarantee anything. The best part is when you start to use your money with the KC annuities, our options for income are second to none and our distribution interest rates are some of the strongest in the industry. Yes there are two interest rates, the accumulation rate which is the one most companies advertise and then the distribution interest rate, the one companies do not talk about. This one is equally or even more important. This rate tells you how your money is distributed to you.

Do you know if you will outlive your money?

Consider us your financial doctor. Yes, we are by appointment only and like your doctor or dentist, we are booked out for a few weeks. However, if you have an emergency, tell my staff, we will get you in and start fixing your finances.

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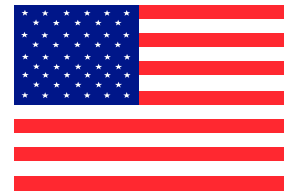
"In my most recent mailing I had included a data sheet for the 2014 Fraternal Survey that runs from November 1st of 2013 to November 1st of 2014. This data will assist the Supreme Council to help maintain it's tax exempt status. Those hours donated will also help with our Presidential Volunteer Time Donation award.

Please take the time to fill out this survey and return to me no later than December 24, 2014. The Grand Knight will need the report of your hours to turn into the State Council's meeting in early January so please be prompt.

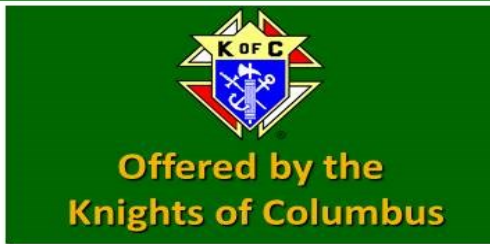
Lastly, on the back side of the Fraternal Survey paperwork, I have a next of Kin designation questionnaire. Please fill this out and fill out the offices that you have held in the third Degree and Fourth Degree. I am a recent transplant to Chesapeake Council and I do not know everyone yet. The State is interested if you were a 3rd Degree Officer or a 4th Degree Officer should and when a member passes away. I am sorry to say that I do not know everyone in the Council that well and I also would like to give credit where credit is due.

Thank you
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On November 1st All Saints Assembly welcomed eight new members following the Fourth Degree exemplification held in Richmond. Congratulations to assemblies newest Sir Knights– SK Deacon Adrian Marchi, SK John Ricci, SK Ramon Betancourt, SK Marty Kelly, SK Alex Smith, SK Joe Branco, SK Dennis McKearney and not pictured SK Joe Scanlon.



Keep Christ in Christmas!



Christmas card sales
after all Masses.
November 29/30 plus
December 6/7

Sample images – selection vary

Keep Christ in Christmas!

Brother Tom Murphy and his sister Mary are leading our effort to Keep Christ in Christmas via Knights of Columbus Christmas Card Sales at Prince of Peace. Christmas Cards will be sold after all Masses during the weekends of 29/30 November, and also on December 6/7.

We need TWO kinds of support, helping after Mass to sell the cards and buying a package or two!

To volunteer to help sell cards e-mail Tom at tom12345_99@yahoo.com or Mary at mary12345_99@yahoo.com. Thank you!"



On Thursday November 20th Council 8240 held their Annual Memorial Dinner at Pirates Cove restaurant. We gathered to remember our Brothers that are no longer with us. We had 25 guests.

Council 7640 Prayer for Fallen Brother Knights

"God saw you getting tired, and a cure was not to be, so He put his arms around you and whispered, "Come to Me." With tearful eyes we watched you, and saw you pass away, and although we loved you dearly, we could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands at rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best. "

Stephen J. Clock

How to Pray the Rosary

From the USCCB ----- HOW TO PRAY THE ROSARY -----

The Rosary is a Scripture-based prayer. It begins with the *Apostles' Creed*, which summarizes the great mysteries of the Catholic faith. The *Our Father*, which introduces each mystery, is from the Gospels. The first part of the *Hail Mary* is the angel's words announcing Christ's birth and Elizabeth's greeting to Mary. St. Pius V officially added the second part of the *Hail Mary*. The Mysteries of the Rosary center on the events of Christ's life. There are four sets of Mysteries: Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and--added by Pope John Paul II in 2002--the Luminous.

The repetition in the Rosary is meant to lead one into restful and contemplative prayer related to each Mystery. The gentle repetition of the words helps us to enter into the silence of our hearts, where Christ's spirit dwells. The Rosary can be said privately or with a group.

The **Five Joyful Mysteries** are traditionally prayed on the Mondays, Saturdays, and Sundays of Advent:

The Annunciation

The Visitation

The Nativity

The Presentation in the Temple

The Finding in the Temple

The **Five Sorrowful Mysteries** are traditionally prayed on the Tuesday, Friday, and Sundays of Lent:

The Agony in the Garden

The Scourging at the Pillar

The Crowning with Thorns

The Carrying of the Cross

The Crucifixion and Death

The **Five Glorious Mysteries** are traditionally prayed on the Wednesday and Sundays outside of Lent and Advent:

The Resurrection

The Ascension

The Descent of the Holy Spirit

The Assumption

The Coronation of Mary

The **Five Luminous Mysteries** are traditionally prayed on Thursdays:

The Baptism of Christ in the Jordan

The Wedding Feast at Cana

Jesus' Proclamation of the Coming of the Kingdom of God

The Transfiguration

The Institution of the Eucharist



Praying the Rosary

Make the Sign of the Cross.

Holding the Crucifix, say the *Apostles' Creed*.

On the first bead, say an *Our Father*.

Say three *Hail Marys* on each of the next three beads.

Say the *Glory Be*

For each of the five decades, announce the Mystery, then say the *Our Father*.

While fingering each of the ten beads of the decade, next say ten *Hail Marys* while meditating on the Mystery. Then say a *Glory Be*. (After finishing each decade, some say the following prayer requested by the Blessed Virgin Mary at Fatima: "O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy.")

After saying the five decades, say the "Hail, Holy Queen, followed by this dialogue and prayer:

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: O God, whose Only Begotten Son, by his life, Death, and Resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech thee, that while meditating on these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

We're on the web
at
www.kofc8240.org

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