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Grand Knight's Message



The Knights of Columbus offers many opportunities to practice our Catholic Faith. How? Defending Life in all its stages (March for Life, SPRED, Polar Plunge), leading our families (attending Mass, meal prayers, evening prayers), helping our communities (Meals on Wheels, Habitat for Humanity, Food Bank), and supporting our Parishes (time, talent, and treasures). But understand that we are in an era where the future of our organization (and many like it) is not necessarily clear cut. We are doing many great things, but we continue to recruit the same ways that would have been used to recruit my grandfathers to the Knights of Columbus.



The newer generations are attracted to most of the good deeds that the Knights perform but are not fraternally minded. A fancy new lounge or updated sound system will not bring in the newer generation. Sitting through meetings, getting ganged-pressed into working bingo, or fussing over “uniform” issues are not attractive to Millennials or Generation Xers.

We need to survive to continue to support our Parishes and to do that we need to bring more men and their families in. How can we? What will work? How do we maintain our sense of self while being attractive to the newer generations? I don't know. We are working on it. There is not a single perfect answer. We will keep trying, but we will need everyone's help and patience as figure out how we join together multiple generations into a single entity: Your Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus!

Rick Schirm, Grand Knight, Council 5480

Deputy Grand Knight's Message



What is your journey for this new year? Will you participate more in the church? Will you participate more in family activities? Will you participate in bingo? Will you participate more in Knights of Columbus events? We have paid our annual dues and want to get the most out of our dollars. Please step up and be a member of a committee for a council activity. If you have an idea, share it with our officers. Do you want to do something different with existing programs? Bring it on.



I have noticed one thing that most members already know: we have several different parishes that we support. When is the last time you helped brothers in a council activity at another parish? We talk about their activities during the program reports. What do you do? Why do I ask? Here comes.

At some point this year the established degree programs will be discontinued. A new degree program will start that, from what I have heard, is open to the families. How do we as a council with multiple parishes accommodate this new process? We will know more after the mid-year meeting on 11 January. Until then we will plan on using the established degree programs. We can handle these changes if we are true to the cause of Fr. McGivney. There have been many changes since 1882—these will not be the last. But our principles remain the same—Charity, Unity, and Fraternity.

Vivat Jesus my Brothers,

Louis Federico, Deputy Grand Knight, Council 5480



Attention All Hands!...

How do we matter?	The question remains: If your Council was not here, who would miss it? I have a few clues based on the mail we receive requesting donations. But more importantly, would the Parishes miss us? If all the KofC families went on a month long retreat would it impact the parishes? Hopefully so. <i>But do the parishioners know?</i> Do you wear your name badge or wear KofC branded clothing? Can the wife of a potential Brother Knight identify a KofC wife and ask her a question? As Sir Knight John Edwards says as a bingo caller: “Be Loud, Be Proud.” Announce yourself to the world as part of the varsity team. Then reach out to those sitting on the bench to come join the team. The best and cheapest advertisement is you doing good deeds, while wearing a KofC name tag.
Annual Survey	It’s time for the annual Survey of Fraternal Activity, Form 1728 which was emailed to every Knight in the Order. If you don’t have one, please contact the Deputy Grand Knight for help.
Dues	The annual dues are coming due very soon. Please be ready to support our Financial Secretary as he supports us year-round.
Pro-Life Dinner	Please sign up for our wonderful Pro-Life Dinner in the Lounge scheduled for 17 January 2020. Contact Dave Mazary or Louis Federico if you can’t get to the Lounge to sign up.
March for Life	Council 5480 will provide a free bus ride to and from the National March for Life in Washington, D.C. on 24 January 2020. Contact Carroll Kelley or Louis Federico to sign up. The seats are provided to Council 5480 first, then Assembly 2430 and the rest of District 5.
Novena for Life	We encourage all Brother Knights and their families to participate in the Novena for life (9 days of prayers for Life in all its forms). You will receive daily emails that give you some simple prayers to use and some challenging activities to participate in to further your understanding of Life in all its forms and the importance of respecting Life as it is.

Knight of the Month

 The January 2020 Knight of the Month—Brother Dave Hill—is new to our ranks. He is often seen working bingos on Monday evening, attending Council meetings, or serving as one of our fantastic bartenders in our Lounge on Friday nights and other event nights. Brother Dave is a most pleasant floor worker and an attentive brother Knight during our business meetings. Please join me in congratulating Brother Dave Hill in being selected as our January 2020 Knight of the Month. 

Family of the Month

 The January 2020 Family of the Month is the Edwards family. John and Connie are both heavily involved in their Parish (St. Jerome) and are of course involved in the Council and 5480 Club, Inc. John’s involvement with our charity fundraising efforts are superb. A confident and efficient Bingo Caller, he also sees the bigger picture. Connie participates by keeping close eye on their ever-growing clan, which is a big thing as we really need John calling to make money like we do. The children are led by the oldest sibling Josh, and he does his part as an altar server at St. Jerome and protects his younger sister and brother. To truly lay out all the great gifts that the Edwards give us and the community would take many more paragraphs, but they are very much the epitome of a modern Catholic Family. Please help me in congratulating the whole Edwards clan on being selected as the Family of the Month for Council 5480 for the month of January 2020. 

January 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 8:00 Adoration (St. Jerome) 5:30 pm - Bingo	3	4
5	6 5:30 pm - Bingo	7 7:30 pm - Assembly Meeting	8	9 5:30 pm - Bingo	10 Open Night	11 State Mid-Year Meeting: Dale City, VA
12	13 5:30 pm - Bingo	14 7:30 pm - Council Meeting	15	16 5:30 pm - Bingo	17 6:30 pm - Pro - Life Dinner	18
19	20 5:30 pm - Bingo	21 Novena for Life Begins	22	23 5:30 pm - Bingo	24 7:30 a.m. March for Life Bus Trip	25
26	27 5:30 pm - Bingo	28 7:30 pm - Council Meeting	29 Novena for Life Concludes	30 5:30 pm - Bingo	31 Open Night	

Mark your calendars for upcoming events.

February 2020

- 4 Feb: Assembly 2430 Meeting
- 6 Feb: Adoration (St. Jerome's)
- 7 Feb: Adoration (OLMC)
- 8 Feb: Polar Plunge (Virginia Beach)
- 11 Feb: Council Meeting
- 25 Feb: Council Meeting

March 2020

- 3 Mar: Assembly 2430 Meeting
- 5 Mar: Adoration (St. Jerome's)
- 6 Mar: Adoration (OLMC)
- 7 Mar: State Quarterly Meeting (Charlottesville)
- 10 Mar: Council Meeting
- 24 Mar: Council Meeting





Roaring Knights Jan 2020 Bartender Schedule

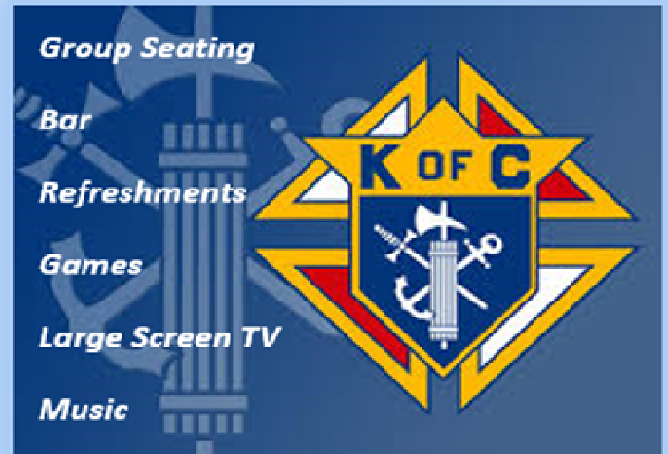


Date	Day	Description	Bartenders
3	Friday	Open Night	Rios/McFadden
7	Tuesday	Assembly Meeting	Howard
10	Friday	B-day Night	Kerstetter/Hill
14	Tuesday	Council Meeting	Kelley/Humphrey
17	Friday	Pro-Life Night	Koch/Johnson
24	Friday	Open Night	James/Chipman
28	Tuesday	Council Meeting	Silva/Carota

If a Knight is interested in tending bar or cannot make his scheduled evening, please contact Alberto Rios at



Knights Den Lounge Information



For all Lounge Rentals, please contact

Pro-Life Events: Save the Dates!

January 17: There will be a Pro-Life dinner (Italian) in the lounge. The cost is \$10 and you can sign up in the lounge or contact Dave Mazary.

January 24: National March for Life. We will provide free bus transportation to Washington, D.C. for this annual event. Contact Carroll Kelley to reserve your seat.

January 21-29: We will be encouraging brother Knights, families, and parishioners to participate in the "9 Day Novena For Life."

For more details on any of these events, contact Dave Mazary at davemazsr@gmail.com or 813-5272.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Sick, Recovering, and Deceased: Brothers, we ask for your prayers and support for Brothers in need of healing. We also ask for prayers for the deceased. If you are aware of a Brother Knight or family member in need of our prayers, contact Dave Mazary (813-5272) or the Grand Knight.

- **Sick and Recovering:** Daniela Wotke-Jones, Kelwyn D'Souza, Mary Litzinger, Blanca O'Brien, Dean Jernigan, Craig Jernigan, Jean Teta, Jim Buckman, John Hilt, Cornelius Mitchell, Joseph Robicseau, Stan Zduniak, Amy Federico, Lily Mayher, Andra Dunmire, Dan Richards, and Sean Mazary.
- **Sir Knight G. William (Bill) Crowley, PFN**

NAMES WILL REMAIN ON LIST FOR ONE MONTH. PLEASE RENEW YOUR PRAYER REQUEST IF CONTINUED PRAYERS ARE DESIRED.

Almighty and everlasting God, the eternal salvation of those who believe in You, hear us on behalf of Your servants who are sick, for whom we humbly beg the help of your mercy, so that, being restored to health, they may render thanks to you in Your Church, through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Happy New Year! As we begin the new year it's common to review the past year and look at what we'd like to accomplish in the new one. Already there's been much advertising and talk about 2020 and the relation to our eyesight...how we'll be able to see more clearly, look at the year with new vision, not be shortsighted.

Of course, all this talk about the future brings us to the usual thinking about the new year...making resolutions. That is a good thing! All of us want to resolve to do those things that will lead to happier, healthier lives. Some of the most common resolutions are to lose weight, get in shape, and exercise more. Others resolve to stop smoking. If you think about the spiritual, many new year's resolutions concern having a more centered prayer life or receiving the sacraments more often.

Many of my friends think more about quality time...quality time spent with their family and friends; those that are most important in their lives.

As you think about family, one resolution I can help you keep is to update your "Financial Plans" and take stock of your financial goals. Are you where you want to be? Do you even have a plan? With our professional approach, you can see if there are any gaps in your coverage and how close you are to achieving your goals and aspirations.

Some members are not aware of all the products we have to offer: a full life insurance portfolio, long term care insurance, disability income insurance, and retirement annuities. These products can help protect your family in all the financial situations where you might find yourself. Life insurance protects your loved ones financially if you are not here to help provide. The need for life insurance changes at different stages of a person's life: young and unmarried members and the man retiring next month each have life insurance needs, but the type and amount may vary widely. I can give you some advice on that. Disability income insurance provides a paycheck if you are sick or hurt and can't work. If your company offers some, do you know how much, for how long and is it taxable? I can help sort that out. Long term care insurance protects those assets you've worked so hard all your life to accumulate. Don't deplete all the family's savings for a care event when the Knights can take on that risk. With all the concern about market volatility and the health of Social Security, our fixed rate annuities guarantee a minimum interest rate for life, the safety of conservative investment strategy, and an income stream you cannot outlive.

What's most important to you and your family? There is no cookie cutter answer. That's why I meet with members and their spouses and first determine what issues are of most concern to you. From there I can help analyze where you are in relation to your goals and construct a plan to get you where you want to go. Remember, people don't plan to fail, they just fail to plan.

As a brother Knight and your field advisor, I have so much more responsibility than a simple financial advisor or stock broker. We'll look at your dreams, goals, and aspirations for 2020 and beyond. Resolve today to meet with me and ensure that at the end of this new year, your financial picture will be seen with 2020 vision. Let's get started!

God Bless,

Todd Curtis, FIC – Your Field Advisor

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From the Faithful Navigator



Happy New Year!



I would like to thank the members of Assembly 2430 and the supporting Councils for supporting me and the Knights of Columbus this past year. Your collaborative efforts have made my responsibility less intimidating. Thank you.

Happy New Year to all!! I wish you and your family the best in 2020. This will be a year of self-reflection and continued support to our parishes, the communities, and each other. I hope your resolutions, intentions and ideas include time for Jesus, time for your family, and time for the Knights of Columbus.

We have a lot of activities coming up this year, starting with our Renewal of Obligations. I ask each brother to participate in this ceremony, as it will help us to focus on the coming year. I ask each member to be active in the Knights of Columbus. We need you. It takes all of us working together. Don't be a member in name only. Don't be part of the story, "That's Not My Job."

There is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody. There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done. **NOBODY CAN DO EVERYTHING, BUT EVERYONE CAN DO SOMETHING.**

God bless you, your families, the communities, the parishes, and this wonderful country, and —**Happy New Year.**

Summary of Important Dates/Events: 7 January: 4th Degree Renewal of Obligations

Fraternally,

Tyrone "Tee" Fuller, Faithful Navigator, Father Michael J. Bader Assembly 2430



January Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays:

Issam N. Abi Saab 01/02
 John J. Hoesli 01/02
 Jeffrey R. Sylvia 01/02
 Neil B. Rosenbaum 01/06
 Philip B. Thatch 01/06
 Robert E. Blymyer 01/07
 Carlos A. Generoso 01/07
 Chi Nguyen 01/07
 Herbert W. Collins 01/08
 Howard P. Knefel 01/08
 Kiet Q. Nguyen 01/10
 Jose L. Reyes 01/10
 Johnny J. Ritchard 01/11
 Michael J. Skibbe 01/11
 Ian V. Leung 01/12
 Charles D. Smith 01/12
 Joseph A. Brincat 01/13
 Henry H. Estrella 01/13
 Daryl R. Groseth 01/13
 Daniel E. Bergeron 01/15
 Harris C. Cairns 01/15
 James L. Francis 01/16
 Jess W. Hall 01/16
 Joel D. Mc Lean 01/16
 John P. Glauner 01/17
 Michael A. Blackwood 01/18
 Dr. Mark J Kanter 01/18
 Ronald P. McCoy 01/18
 Anthony D. Rago 01/18
 Kenneth M. Galvan 01/20
 Felix Maurillo 01/20
 Stephen A. Wos 01/20
 Vincent A. Anania 01/21
 Donald P. Shannon 01/21

Michael D. Tietjens 01/21
 John Arendas 01/22
 Larry H. Dryden 01/22
 Roberto A. Henriquez 01/23
 Rev. Jack R. Larkin 01/23
 Rev. Mr. Jeffrey Johnson 01/24
 Edward J. Curran 01/25
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 Alexander J. O'Connor 01/25
 Robert T. Criner 01/26
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 Richard A. Myott Jr 01/27
 Romulo D. Alim 01/28
 William L. Burke 01/28
 Abel M. Flores 01/28
 Thomas H. Cook 01/29
 Richard L. Wahlert 01/29
 Michael D. Harris 01/30
 Ricardo A. Major, Jr. 01/30
 Robert E. Mason, Jr. 01/30
 Daniel W. Poulin 01/30
 Torrance B. Houlihan 01/31
 Rev. Paul E. Schweizer 01/31

Anniversaries:

James and Kathleen Hooker 1/2
 Elias and Alma S. Pelaez, Jr. 1/2
 Kevin and Sandra Beebe 1/3
 Virgilio and Amparo Manalo 1/3
 Eric and Cathy Theislen 1/3
 George and Judith Gounley 1/5
 Kiet and Kim Van Nguyen 1/6
 Ray and Mary Schrecengost 1/7
 Richard and Madelene Conway 1/8
 Robert and Annie Tardif 1/8
 Jose and Jennifer Rivera 1/9
 James and Becky Tobler 1/10
 Mike and Francesca Mannoia 1/11
 George and Terry Jacobs 1/12
 Stephen and Jayne Taylor 1/12
 Louis and Barbara Fraticelli 1/14
 Michael and Karen Skibbe 1/19
 John and Ann Pizzano 1/22
 Michael and Mary Lightfoot 1/23
 Anthony and Susan Long 1/24
 Michael and Edna Creamer 1/25
 Michael and Lisa Burke 1/28
 Thomas and Janis Waltz 1/28
 Daniel and Kathleen Bergeron 1/30
 Louis and Catherine Luth III 1/30
 Remo and Lina S. D'Antonio 1/31
 Rodney and Lori Rhoades 1/31

Happy Birthday!

Happy Birthday!



Walter Pollard Council 5480 Directory

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· St. Vincent de Paul	Jeannie Klump	245-4234
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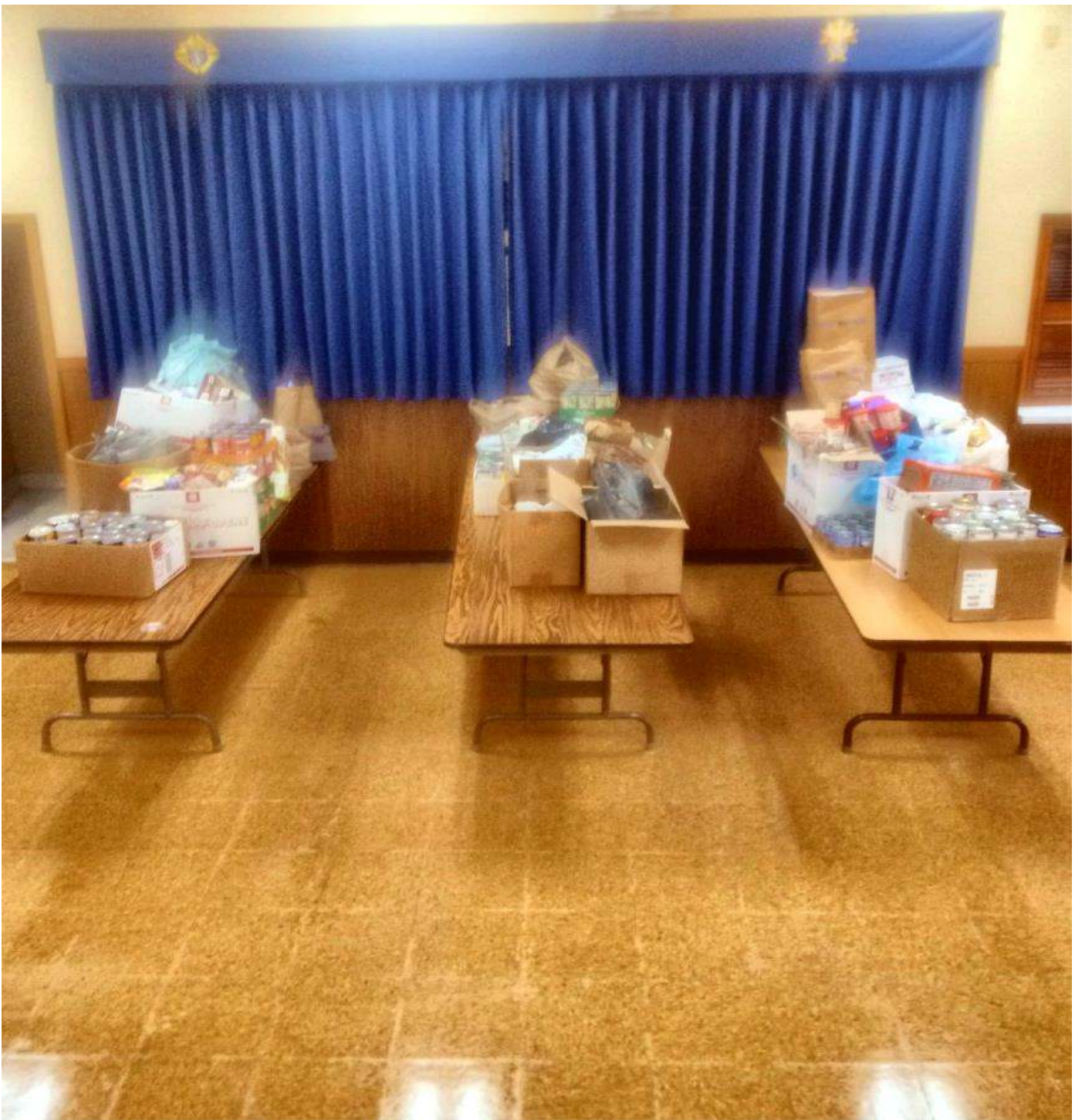
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1,295 pounds of non-perishable food received during our month long food drive for OLMC Church, St. Vincent de Paul Church and St. Jerome Church. A Big Thank You to Jim Hooker and Bill Johnson for getting this done for our community.