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Grand Knight's Message



Worthy Knights and Families,

Our Fraternal Order was conceived to aid our suffering widows and orphans in a blooming industrial age still very much dominated by men. Our society's way of life would be bewildering to a gentleman who time-traveled to us from the 1880s. But as society changed and grew from the 1880s to today, so has our Fraternal Order. But the basics are still very much in play: Charity, Unity, and Fraternity, with Charity being the most basic and over-arching principal of who we are.

But Charity is not magic, it does not appear out of thin air. Charity requires <u>WORK</u>, just like those Catholic Gentlemen who pulled out a dollar coin to put into a hat at the request for the Venerable Fr. Michael J. McGivney in 1882, we too have to <u>WORK</u> to get that proverbial silver dollar. Those Catholic Gentlemen labored hard and gave the money away to help those who needed it the most, so should we.

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Deputy Grand Knight's Message

Welcoming October means it's finally fall. Time for changing leaves, clocks, and maybe even our approach to membership. If you have an idea for an event to bring in new members, then we would like to hear it. If you know a person who is a Knight but isn't active, invite him to join us for an event or meeting. If he doesn't want to return, ask him why. Does the person you sit next to in church know you are a member of the Knights of Columbus? If you have not participated in the Formation or Knighthood Degree, see me and we will help you move up the ladder.

I would like to thank everyone for your assistance at the PGK/PFN Dinner last month, and for coming out and participating in our Adopt-a-Spot program keeping Warwick Blvd. and the area around the Colombian Center clean. I hope you enjoyed the donuts and coffee.

Also, thanks for coming out and helping with the Founders Hall and other areas that needed attention. The International Dinner was well attended with a great selection of cuisine from around the globe, all cooked in our little area of Southeast Virginia.

Events for this month:

Oct 4: load out supplies for the State Quarterly Meeting.

Oct 5: State Quarterly Meeting at PCHS—come help at PCHS or help Jessie fix lunches in the Colombian Center. Oct 15: Eucharist Procession on the boardwalk in Virginia Beach from 3-5 p.m.

Have a Blessed October,

Louis Federico, Deputy Grand Knight, Council 5480

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Roaring Knights Sep 2019 Bartender Schedule

Date	Day	Description	Bartenders
4	Friday	Open Night	Johnson
8	Tuesday	Council Meeting	Kelley/Humphrey
11	Friday	Birthday Night	Koch
18	Friday	Open Night	Kerstetter
22	Tuesday	Council Meeting	Silva/Rios
25	Friday	Open Night	McFadden

If a Knight is interested in tending bar or cannot make his scheduled evening, <u>please contact</u> Alberto Ríos at 814-5393





Charity: There is no better way to experience love and compassion than by helping those in need, a call we answer every day. **Unity**: Knights know that—together—we can accomplish far more than any of us could individually.

Fraternity: K of C members gave more than 75.6 million service hours in 2017, illustrating how Catholics serve each other in fraternity and mercy.

Patriotism: We are proud of our devotion to God and country, and believe in standing up for both.

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, Father in law of George Koch, Ed Sprinkle, Wife of PSD Kelly Mortensen, the Moore family, Cornelius Mitchell, Blanca O'Brien, Mary Litzinger, Dean Jernigan

Also, let us pray for the many brothers and family members suffering from cancer.

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.



Real LIFE Stories

A field advisor like me, who is lucky enough to be doing this great work for even a few years, undoubtedly has a personal story of the chaos and disorder that a devastated family stares at when there is a sudden loss. If our goal is to protect Catholic families from the near devastation that our Venerable founder faced, then I have to tell the story of how I can help my brother knights. The process of making sure one has adequate protection for the family is not painful; in fact, since we are brother knights serving brother knights, it is often a time of not only helping to protect all that is important to a family, but also a shared experience that leads to an abiding friendship.

There are two stories I'd like to relate.

The first is about a young boy named Julius. When Julius was 7 years old his mother, Irene, who was 37, died of cancer. His father, Norman, had two teenage girls along with 7 year old Julius to support and raise. The family was forced to rely on the help and generosity of friends and relatives because Irene died without life insurance. Norman had a three hour commute to his job, but always supported his children's activities. Julius excelled at sports, especially football and his dad spent what little free time he had fostering Julius and his talent. Julius later admitted that he "was handed a life lesson early, growing up with one parent. It wasn't the easiest life—my dad sacrificed a lot."

Fast forward to Julius some 30 years later and he is married, has a wife and two children. He's done quite well for himself both professionally and financially. He has had a distinguished career and he has a considerable amount of life insurance to protect his family. Julius understands protection quite well after the early life he experienced. He understands the hardships of a family that loses a parent and what the children must go through. In his professional life he enjoyed considerable success because of those that protected him. For 13 years he was protected in his career. You see that protection for Julius came in the form of 300 pound offensive linemen...nobody called him Julius. His nickname was "Boomer"—Boomer Esiason—a four-time Pro Bowler, an NFL Most Valuable Player, and a Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year. Most importantly, a husband to Cheryl and a father to Sydney and Gunnar.

"Life happens at the most unexpected of times, and life insurance is about protecting the future and the people you love," Boomer says. "Remember, if something happens and you haven't done the planning, the people you leave behind will feel the brunt of your mistakes." That story comes from LifeHappens.org.

The other story is not similar at all. It's about a member of the Knights of Columbus. He passed away recently and like in Boomer's family, left behind a spouse and several young children. There were no whispered worries at the funeral home. There was no GoFundMe page to raise money. There is no concern that the children will not go to college or that the wedding he promised his daughter will not take place. No, their home and future are secure. Who was that knight? I don't know; you don't hear about those men. Because the council didn't have to have a spaghetti dinner or pass the hat. But I assure you he was out there. But you'll never know it...because he planned.

Let's sit down and do some planning and put your mind at ease.

Todd Curtis, FIC – Your Field Advisor Phone – (757) 495-1492 Email – todd.curtis@kofc.org



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I heard the other day...

Annual Rosary Crusade	Knights of Columbus Council 511 invites other Councils and families to our annual Rosary Crusade to honor Mary, our Blessed Mother, on Sunday, October 13. The procession starts at 1:30pm behind Cordier Hall at St Joseph Church (512 Buckroe Ave, Hampton), followed by Eucharistic Devotion with Fr. Dan. After the Rosary Crusade, the Knight Cappers, the Ladies Auxiliary of Council 511, will host a reception at Fr. Helldorfer Hall. If you have any questions or want to help, please contact Mike Araojo.
New Options for Ceremonials	In our ever busy lives taking the time to memorize ceremonial work just may not make sense. Other options are available to Grand Knights for their Admission Degrees. They can have all the parts read, some of the parts read, or just turn on a video. The first option is to have the parts memorized and performed in such a manner as to make the exemplification meaningful and memorable. Why do I mention this? Well the odds of me actually memorizing any part while I'm Grand Knight and heavily involved in bingo operations is low. Too much. However, others can help and would be greatly appreciated.
Did You Know?	Recently, Supreme announced that \$250,000 was donated to the Bahamas following the massive destruction caused by Hurricane Dorian. To learn more and to donate via the Knights of Columbus web page at www.KofC.org.
Blood Drive!	Your Knights of Columbus, Council 5480, is hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive. Mark your calendars for 16 October 2016 to come and donate blood to our community via the Red Cross or to come help Andrew and Joe help guests check in and act as helpful hosts. The time is from 2:00 to 7:00 p.m. and it will be located in the back of the Columbian Center. Follow the signs, please.
5480 Club Elections	The 5480 Club, Inc., annual membership meeting and elections follow the 5480 Council meeting on 22 Oct 19. There will be an election for various chairs within the Club. The nominating committee submits for following slate for your consideration: President: Alberto Rios; Vice President: Bernie Gerlach; Treasurer: Joe Drozdowski; Secretary: Harold Hairston; 3 Yr Director: Carroll Kelley & Tee Fuller; 2 Yr Director (replacement): John Silva; Immediate Past President: John Edwards.

Knight of the Month

The Knight of the Month for September 2019 is Sir Knight Ray Novey. A dedicated, versatile volunteer, Ray is always ready to assist with bingo operations. His specialty is selling bingo paper and doing bingo payouts from the counter. These two areas of operations are critical for a successful bingo night. His accounting acumen makes everything work seamlessly. Please join me in congratulating Sir Knight Ray Novey for being selected as Knight of the Month for October 2019!

Family of the Month

The Council 5480 October 2019 Family of the Month is Jim and Yolanda Doak. They are both very active members at St. Jerome's Catholic Church and volunteer as floor salespersons for instants; Jim is a superior progressive instant seller and highlights his product with appropriate t-shirts and squeaky toys. Yolanda sells with great enthusiasm, which results in twice the sales of the same product over what others are able to accomplish during her absence. Jim is an Usher for the Noon Mass and both of them work hard within other ministries at St. Jerome's. Jim and Yolanda serve as proof that great things come from the families, which in turn make the Parish much stronger. Join me in congratulating Jim and Yolanda Doak for being selected as Walter Pollard Council 5480's Family of the Month, October 2019.

Walter Pollard Council 5480 Directory

COUNCIL OFFICERS:			KOVAR Co-Chairmen:		
Grand Knight	Rick Schirm	310-3242	• OLMC	Jessie Powell	254-2181
Deputy Grand Knight	Louis Federico	870-0573	• St. Jerome	Carroll Kelley	877-4865
	Fr Patrick Baffour-	877-5021	KCIC Chairman	Jim Healy	867-5145
Chaplain	Akoto		Charities	Jim Hooker	596-4765
Financial Secretary	Jessie Powell	254-2181	Adopt-A-Spot	Alberto Rios	814-5393
Chancellor	Bill Johnson	309-1135	Boy Scout Liaison	Jonathan Sargent	525-0077
Warden	Wilfried Wotke	877-3316	Nocturnal Adoration	Dave Mazary	881-9332
Recorder	Garth Hallenbeck	602-3913	(OLMC) Widows & Orphans	Clement Danish	877-2751
Treasurer	David Kerstetter	872-0624	Sick and Distressed	Clement Danish	877-2751
Advocate	Carroll Kelley	877-4865	Scheduling	Bernie Gerlach	877-0126
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Guards:			District Warden	Tony Velez	
• Inside	George Koch	660-1049	Food Service	Jessie Powell	254-2181
• Inside	Reco Cotton	508-1398			
• Outside	Steve Chipman	707-303-5852	Church Bulletins:		
• Outside	Mike Creamer	410-5257	· OLMC	Eileen Mazary	emazary@olmc.org
			• St. Jerome	Gemma Kerstetter	877-5021
Trustees:			\cdot St. Vincent de Paul	Jeannie Klump	245-4234
• One Year	Jonathan Sargent	525-0077	 Queen of Peace 	Mike Lennartz	234-0886
• Two Year	John Edwards	876-8386	VA STATE COUNCIL OF	FICIALS FROM 5480	<u>L</u>
• Three Year	Harold Hairston	877-1566	New Council Dev Chair	Thai Nguyen (PGK)	232-0889
			<u>5480 CLUB, INC:</u>		
Lecturer	Thai Nguyen	232-0889	President	John Edwards	876-8386
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Programs Director	Louis Federico	870-0573	Treasurer	Joseph Drozdowski	930-3559
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· OLMC	Pat McFadden	593-0238	Faithful Navigator	Tee Fuller	746-0125
 St. Jerome 	Gabriel Franco	877-4423	Past President	Jonathan Sargent	525-0077
\cdot Queen of Peace	Mike Lennartz	234-0886			
Family Director	Jason Weischedel	910-381-5643			
Community Director	Joe O'Brien	874-7965	Directors:		
Life Director	Dave Mazary	881-9332	3 Year	Jeff James	
Youth Chairman	Jason Weischedel	910-381-5643	3 Year	Kevin Konouck	
Youth Outreach	David Kerstetter	872-0624	2 Year	Lewis Stokes	
Youth Outreach	Dean Jernigan	596-4034	2 Year		
Communications Director			1 Year		
Photographers	Kiet Nguyen	460 0202	1 Year		
	Angelo Cavone	469-8303	Chairmen:	Alborto Disa	014 5000
Health Services	Leonard Carota	877-6993	Building & Grounds		814-5393
Vocations Chairman	Louis Federico	870-0573	Lounge Manager	Carroll Kelley	872-7840
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Retentions Chairman	Louis Federico	870-0573			
	Todd Curtis				
Insurance Promotion		847-9981			

October 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednes	day	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7:30 pm - Assem- bly Meeting	2		3 5:30 pm - Bingo	4 6:30 pm - Lounge Open Night	5
6	7 3:30 PAA Packing 5:30 pm - Bingo	8 7:30 pm - Council Meeting	9		10 5:30 pm - Bingo	11 6:30 pm - Birthday Night	12
13	14 5:30 pm - Bingo	15	16 2-7:00 p.m.— BLOOD DRIVE		17 5:30 pm - Bingo	18 6:30 pm - Lounge Open Night	19
20	21 5:30 pm - Bingo	22 7:30 pm - Council Meeting 8:30 pm—Annual 5480 Club, Inc meeting			24 5:30 pm - Bingo	25 6:30 pm - Lounge Open Night	26
27	28 5:30 pm - Bingo	29	30		31		
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 1 Nov: Adoration (OLMC) 5 Nov: Assembly 2430 Meeting 7 Nov: Adoration (St. Jerome) 12 Nov: Council Meeting 26 Nov: Council Meeting 28 Nov: Thanksgiving 				 3 Dec: Assembly 2430 Meeting 5 Dec: Adoration (OLMC) 6 Dec: Adoration (St. Jerome) 7 Dec: Council 5480 & Assy 2430 Christmas Party 9 Dec PAA Packing 10 Dec: Council Meeting 14 Dec: Children's Christmas Brunch 24 Dec: Christmas Eve 25 Dec: Christmas 			

Upcoming Degree Ceremonies

The following exemplification ceremonies are taking place in the next few months:

Third (Knighthood) Degree: 12 Oct, Council 5480, Newport News, VA Fourth (Patriotic) Degree: 2 Nov, Manassas, VA

If you would like to participate in a degree ceremony or just need more information, please contact Bill Johnson at Toyotoalover58@gmail.com or 757-309-1135.

Knights of Columbus – Our Principles: <u>kofc.org/un/en/todays-knights/our-principles.html</u>

Check the Virginia K of C Calendar for additional degree events: <u>vakofc.org/calendar</u>

Fr. Michael J. Bader Assembly 2430



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	Faithful Friar		SK Jose Velez	
	VACANT		SK Reco Cotton	508-1398
	Faithful Captain		Faithful Outer Sentinel	
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2.0	Faithful Pilot			
	SK Wilfried Wotke	877-3316	Color Corps Commander	
			SK Louis Federico	870-0573
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	Faithful Purser		SK Tony Merenanio	0/2-/115
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	SK Bernie Gerlach	877-0126	Trustees	
			1 Yr - SK Kiet Nguyen	
A	Faithful Scribe		2 Yr - SK Stephen Raschke	509-0177
	SK Joe O'Brien		3 Yr - SK Carroll Kelley	739-6970
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To build up the Charity fund in any Council requires Time, Talent, and Treasure by Brother Knights and their families. We, at the Walter Pollard Council 5480, are especially blessed with our bingo operations of many years. Before the major changes in the bingo regulations, our predecessors were able to build a rather comfortable nest egg that we are still benefitting from today. But our annual charitable giving does not come from that nest egg, with the exception of some scholarship money, but it comes from the weekly (and daily) effort that many of us put into the bingo operations. Many of us, not all of us, put in at least one hour a week to help raise money to just give away in Charity's Sweet Name. They are the heroes that Fr. McGivney envisioned.

But like our Order as a whole, the volunteers are aging and it is getting harder and harder to find someone who can stay for a whole session. We either we have work/children in the morning or we have become "experienced" enough to not be able to spend the whole evening. Finding those in between those two inhibitors is getting very difficult. Basically, we need some more newly minted empty-nesters who can work from 6 -10:30 p.m., or some that are so young they can work all day and half the night once or twice a month. If you are reading this and happen to be one of those mythical unicorns please see Jim Hooker, Chuck Curtis, Jeff James, or myself Monday or Thursday night we will take the time to match your talents with the needs of the operations.

If you do not fit that mythical description then please help the Council recruit more brothers into our Order who may one day fit that description. We need more people, not to go to meetings, but to actually fulfill the spirit of our Fraternal Order: Charity. Charity still requires WORK.

I should also mention a 50/50 drawing to cover all the bases for a written meeting. Boom! Done.

Vivat Jesu!

Rick Schirm, Grand Knight, Council 5480

Birthdays and Anniversaries

October Birthdays:

John F Bollinger 10/01 Lewis S Stokes Jr 10/01 Samuel N Weatherman 10/01 Rinaldo V Brolli 10/02 John J Hussion 10/02 Leonard D Rossi 10/02 John M Carter Jr 10/05 Patrick R Mcfadden 10/05 William F O Halleran Jr 10/05 Ivan Rivera 10/05 John M Sweeney 10/05 Martin Trejo 10/06 William R Hammond 10/07 Thomas W Singer 10/07 Benjamin F Lasseter 10/08 William J Collins Iii 10/09 Richard M Macaluso 10/09 Edward P Goff 10/10 Dwight E Ruhlen Sr 10/10 Robert P Filipiak 10/11 Gerard E Mc Gough 10/11 William T Bundick Jr 10/13 Michael B Trunk 10/13 Mickey D Marcella Jr 10/14 Robert S Bell/Garcia 10/15 Charles O Olson 10/15 Dale Cruz 10/16 2lt Joseph R Lay 10/17 Walter L Sargent III 10/17 Brendan C Konouck 10/18 Michael P Mullin 10/18 David G Salomon 10/18 Jason R Ingram 10/19 Rev John D Ramsey 10/19

William D Beattie 10/20 Juan A Sanchez Arce 10/20 Joseph J Dimaggio 10/22 Eddie A Mendez 10/22 Andrew B Parr 10/22 Robert J Dann 10/23 Raymond C Ferrara 10/23 Jose A Rivera 10/23 Kyle L Harrington 10/24 Frank A Humphry 10/24 Patrick | Ryan 10/24 Julio E Soto Jr 10/25 George F Smith 10/26 David L Delahoy 10/27 Peter C Mc Gowan 10/28 Scott D Sheridan 10/28 John C Wainwright 10/28 Peter M Gaines 10/29 Gary D Kudlacik 10/30 Brian L Pollard 10/30 Edward J Schweiger 10/30

October Anniversaries:

Michael and Celia Grinstead 9/1 John and Crystal Hoesli 10/2 Vincent and Marie Anania 10/3 Kevin and Michele Brink 10/3 Eric and Denise Palm 10/5 Harold and Margaret Laurent 10/8 Oscar and Georgina Lorenzo 10/8 Joseph and Laura Sinnott 10/8 Lawrence and Karen Thomas 10/8 Timothy and Cyd Krosky 10/11 Chris and Stacy Laneaux 10/11 Neil and Gaudy O'Connor 10/12 Stephan and Lisha Mullen 10/14 Dan and Margaret Baker 10/15 Robert and Millie Gilliam 10/15 Sean and Kasey Steele 10/16 John and Elizabeth Blascak 10/17 Sal and Theresa Cannella 10/17 Rob and Mildred Scarborough 10/18

Christopher and Becky Waltz 10/19 Anthony and Terry Merendino 10/20

Andrew and Nadine Parr 10/20 Robert and Suzanne Kolesha 10/21 Larry and Claudia Dryden 10/22 Donald and Melanie Marois 10/22 John and Diane Bosco 10/23 Fred and Shirley Kulis 10/24 William and Anja Alvesteffer 10/25 Juan and Evelin Gonzalez 10/25 Wilfried and Herma Wotke 10/25 Thomas and Susan Yager 10/26





Do More, Be More



Have you been on the Knights of Columbus website lately? I thought this was a perfect saying for the topic I want to talk about this month, Charity. The website said this: Do More, Be More.

As Catholic men, we are called to do more. The Knights of Columbus can help you answer that call. Your membership connects you with opportunities to make an impact in your community and gives you access to resources to help you grow deeper in faith and stay informed about the issues Catholics care about.

We need you! Where would the world be if we didn't take the time to assist others in activities like Bingo, holiday serving lines, disaster relief, food pantry support, serving line support, construction projects, area beautification, community support and education donations? Where would the world be?

Charity is the foremost principle of the Knights of Columbus. We are Knights, prepared to do what needs to be done in support of our catholic faith and community. Do you believe that? If so, can we count on you to help us? We are a crucial part of our community. So many people rely on us for support. We need to be the knights I know we are, and lead from the front. Be that person who people count on to support our faith, our community, our country, and our world. Stand out from the rest, don't blend into the shadows. As a member of this wonderful organization, try to volunteer when you can. It gives me joy when I volunteer at Bingo, to see the smiles on people's faces. For many of them, this is the only time they get to socialize with anyone. It is nice when we volunteer to assist with food pantry or serving lines. Can you put a price on that?

We have so much to give to our community. I realize that many of us have busy schedules with jobs, family, education, and other commitments, but I think everyone can devote at least an hour or two a week to give back. I ask every member of the Knights of Columbus to devote at least an hour or two to a cause. What you give in an hour could change the world for someone, and that is more than priceless. Charity starts at home, so let's get together and take steps to make our community a better place. Let's be a walking example of our belief in our faith and commitment to the Knights of Columbus. Remember, we NEED you.

Summary of important dates/events...

October 1: Dining Out (Golden Corral) November 2: Exemplification, Manassas, VA November 5: Dining In (Salute To Our Veterans)

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



