



KNIGHTLY NEWS

MEETING NIGHTS: SECOND & FOURTH TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH – 7:30 PM – (757) 930-0491 – WWW.KOFC5480.ORG

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 *Grand Knight Message*

Spring and Spiritual Renewal

Wow, here we are on the third month of the year with spring around the corner. How time flies. I'm hoping March will bring us respite from the cold weather we have been experiencing the last few weeks, since the vernal equinox or spring equinox starts on March 20. This is the day that, supposedly both day and night are equal in length and the temperature should be warming up. But I believe spring has a deeper meaning. From my perspective, spring means new life, new beginnings (a second chance), new enthusiasm, and a spiritual renewal. Everything in life has its own time. There



will be times to celebrate and there will be times to mourn. Lenten season is the time for reflection and transformation. This is also the time to take a hard look within ourselves and change, if necessary, into what we believe Christ wants us to be. Let us all reflect on the abundant blessings we have received and let us do good deeds in His name this month of March. The council will have a few activities this month as well. Please avail yourself and volunteer for these events. Last but not least, volunteers are still desperately needed for the bingo's quality control section.

***Vivat Jesu,
Gabe Franco - Grand Knight***

Family of the Month

Brother John and Connie Edwards



I am proud to name Brother John and Connie Edwards as March's Family of the Month. John and Connie are both active members of the St. Jerome Parish. John is a lector and a member of the parish's pastoral council. Connie is very involved with the Our Lady of Mount Carmel School, usually chairing or co-chairing charitable events for the school. Both also volunteer in many youth and family activities and both, with their son Josh, attend most council events. John is also a Bingo caller for the Council's bingo operations, President of the Society of Mechanical Engineer, spearheads the annual Run for the Heart, the council's webmaster, and is the Council's Sweepstakes coordinator/seller for the State's Football/Basketball Frenzy . Congratulations John and Connie for a job well done!

Knight of the Month

Brother David Farrell



I am proud to name Brother David Farrell as March's Knight of the Month. David is an active member of the Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Newport News VA. He is the council's newsletter editor. He assumed this position last year and made it his own. He recently redesigned the flow of information so people can easily know what's going on in the council and what events are occurring during the month. The newsletter is now a one-stop shop for information about the council. He is also a volunteer for a variety of Council events. He is also a member of the local PTA where his children attend school. He is also actively involved with the school's sports activities. Congratulations Brother David for a job well done!



St. Joseph



The month of March is dedicated to St. Joseph. The entire month of March falls during the liturgical season of Lent, which is represented by the liturgical color purple as a symbol of penance, mortification and the sorrow of a contrite heart.

Everything we know about Saint Joseph, the husband of Mary and the foster father of Jesus comes from Scripture and that has seemed too little for those who made up legends about him. We know he was a carpenter and a working man. He wasn't rich for when he took Jesus to the Temple to be circumcised and Mary to be purified, he offered the sacrifice of two turtledoves or a pair of pigeons, allowed only for those who could not afford a lamb (Luke 2:24).

We know Joseph was a compassionate, caring man. When he discovered Mary was pregnant after they had been betrothed, he knew the child was not his but was as yet unaware that she was carrying the Son of God. He planned to divorce Mary according to the law but he was concerned for her suffering and safety.

He was chosen by the eternal Father as the trustworthy guardian and protector of his greatest treasures, namely, his divine Son and Mary, Joseph's wife. He carried out this vocation with complete fidelity until at last God called him, saying: 'Good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of your Lord.

Saint Joseph is also known as the patron of workers for his dignity in raising a family, in participating in the life of the Father's creation and to help the deepest mystery of creation. Pope Pius XII instituted the feast of St. Joseph the Worker in 1955 in response to the "May Day" celebrations for workers sponsored by Communist.

As we celebrate this month honoring Saint Joseph, the husband of Our Blessed Mother Mary and the foster Father of Jesus, we pray for his intercession to help the fathers to imitate his example and deeply faith in God. As we pray together:

Oh, St Joseph whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God. I place in you all my interests and desires. Oh, St Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession, and obtain for me from your divine Son all spiritual blessings, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. So that, having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers.

Support Parish Lenten Activities

Brother Knights are strongly encouraged to participate in and volunteer during parish Lenten activities such as The Stations of the Cross and Soup Suppers. Upcoming activities are listed below. Please contact Council 5480 Church Directors for additional information.

- ***OLMC: Soup Suppers @ 6 PM Followed by Bilingual Stations of the Cross @ 7 PM on Fridays***
- ***St. Jerome: Stations of The Cross/Soup Supper @ 6 PM on Fridays***
- ***St. Vincent DePaul: Stations of the Cross Followed by Soup Suppers @ 6:30 PM on Fridays***
- ***Immaculate Conception:***
 - ***Stations of the Cross - Tuesday, 17 March @ 9 AM & Friday, 27 March @ 7 PM***
 - ***Soup Suppers - Fridays @ 6:30 PM***



“Botanists say that the trees need the powerful March winds to flex their trunks and main branches, so the sap is drawn up to nourish the budding leaves. Perhaps, we need the gales of life in the same way, though we dislike enduring them.” Jane Truex

Brothers all, the month of March has come to welcome the spring and enliven all of our cold wintery hearts. With the coming spring, we have many activities to warm your heart along with budding friendships. The Lenten season is here and all of us wait for the rising of our Savior. What better way to welcome Him than to get out and participate in our activities both at our council home and also our churches. This month has many wonderful get-togethers with the largest opportunity for fellowship being our annual St. Patrick's Day dance on the 14th of March. What else can bring laughter to your face after the kind of weather February brought, than a good ol' Irish holiday? (It is a holiday, right?)

But there are also other things to do this month like attending the soup suppers at our churches on Fridays and then gathering in the lounge for conversation and good times afterwards. There are Communal Masses St. Jerome on March 15. March 21 has the Mother-Son, Father-Daughter Dance at St. Michael Hall at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (OLMC); it is sure to be an evening that is special to our families and an enjoyable time for everyone in a wonderful atmosphere. Please refer to the flyers in this newsletter for specifics about all the activities that our Program Directors provide for each of you each and every month. The lounge serves a wonderful place for fellowship during the month and all are welcome to participate. So, no matter how March comes in or goes out, our council has a lot to do to keep roaring like a lion all month long. Endure the gales of wind that may come and participate, or volunteer, to help each of us grow and the Council to grow ever stronger.

***Vivat Jesu,
Dan Richard - Deputy Grand Knight***

Fraternal Benefits Agent



A Founding Vision, A Visionary Founder

“Resolved by this assembly: That Michael J. McGivney, Matthew C. O'Connor, Cornelius J. Driscoll, James J. Mullen, John J. Kerrigan, Daniel Colwell, and William M. Geary, and all other persons now associated with them under the name of the Knights of Columbus, together with all other such person as may hereafter become associated with them, and their successors, are constituted a body corporate and politic by the name of the Knights of Columbus.

“The purpose for which said corporation is formed are the following: (a) of rendering pecuniary aid to its members, their families and beneficiaries of members and their families; (b) of rendering mutual aid and assistance to its sick, disabled and needy members and their families; (c) of promoting social and intellectual intercourse among its members and their families, and (d) of promoting and conducting educational, charitable, religious, social welfare, war relief and welfare, and public relief work.”

~ Excerpted from the Charter of the Knights of Columbus, Granted by the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut, Approved March 29, 1882.

As the Connecticut winter drew to a close in March of 1882, few could have imagined that the new Catholic organization just approved by the General Assembly would amount to much.

Secret societies and fraternal organizations were abundant. And besides, Catholics weren't well-liked or highly thought-of. There was even some Catholic resistance to the idea of the Knights of Columbus. Local priests took issue with the concept. A similar Catholic group even refused to allow Father McGivney to establish a branch of their organization in Connecticut.

It was seemingly inconceivable that an organization, begun in such unwelcoming circumstances, would go on to become one of the world's largest Catholic fraternal organizations. It was baffling to think that a group of destitute Irish immigrants, fighting against unemployment, discrimination, and diseases in New Haven, Conn. would cause a spark that would light up the world with more than 1.8 million members, in more than a dozen countries.

It was so improbable that a group of men dedicated to serving the needs of their Catholic community would go on to donate nearly \$1.5 billion dollars to charitable causes, and spend 673 million hours volunteering in just the last decade.

And it seemed so unlikely that a Catholic priest, who spent nearly every waking minute attending to the spiritual and material needs of his parishioners, would be the founder of one of North America's largest life insurance companies. Inconceivable? Baffling? Improbable? Unlikely? Perhaps – but not to Fr. McGivney. And, not to the 75 men who dared to answer his call to found the Knights of Columbus. It is his vision – and theirs – which we celebrate each March as “Founder’s Day.”

And what, exactly, did they found? Father McGivney, we know, did not just found a charitable society, but a society of mutual aid through which members would insure their own well-being, and that of their families, with the help of their brother knights.

Father McGivney, we’re told in Parish Priest, began the founding of the Order and its insurance program with “an entrepreneurial zeal.” Determined to provide financial protection for his parishioners and their families, McGivney, “had to delve into the subject of insurance and read all of the fine print, of which there was plenty.”

Before deciding that a new group was in order, Father McGivney researched the finer points of the insurance programs of other fraternal benefit organizations, ultimately concluding that their coverage was insufficient. And when it came to time crunch the numbers and establish the newly-founded Knights’ insurance program, it was Father McGivney himself who set down the terms and reported them to the members, and to other parishes in the diocese.

“In the way that Father McGivney had organized the insurance,” Parish Priest says, “nearly anyone could afford coverage.”

Father McGivney was devoted to his mission, working tirelessly until his premature death at age 38. How proud must Father McGivney and his brother knights be to know that program he founded continues to provide affordable, quality insurance to knights and their families?

How proud must they be to know that the Knights of Columbus continues to provide insurance by brother knights, for brother knights, protecting Catholic families for generations?

How proud must they be to know that the Knights of Columbus, with over \$96 billion in force and more than 2 million active contracts, is protecting more Knights than ever before?

Not nearly as proud as we are to call Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney our beloved founder.

This March, let’s make Father McGivney’s priority our own. Let’s continue his mission of protecting Catholic families from destitution and financial ruin by making sure that our families are protected with insurance for brother knights, by brother knights. After all, it’s part of what being a Knight is all about. **Happy Founder’s Day!**

Todd Curtis, FIC Phone – (757) 847-9981 - Email – Todd.Curtis@kofc.org

Chancellor’s Corner



Brothers, The Virginia State Council’s Membership Slogan is “**One Member, Per Council, Per Month**”; this is critical to achieving Fraternal Year 2014-2015 membership goals. Thank you to all those that supported Council 5480 Recruitment Drive and Degree Preparation during February 2015. Upcoming Degree Dates:

- **10 March 2015: 1st Degree Hosted by Council 5480 @ 7:30 PM (candidates report @ 7 PM)**
- **24 March 2015: 2nd Degree Hosted by Council 5480 @ 7:30 PM (candidates report at 7 PM).**

Fraternally Yours, Jonathan Sargent, Chancellor



Roaring Knights Bartender Schedule

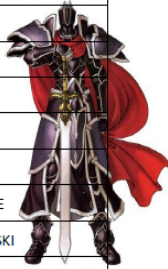


Knights Den Lounge Information



Roaring Knights Bartender MARCH 2015 Schedule

MAR	DAY	DESCRIPTION	BARTENDERS
3	TUESDAY	ASSEMBLY MEETING	HOWARD, DEBARTOLO
6	FRIDAY	LOUNGE OPENS 7:30 PM	DOUGHTERY, CLEMENTS
7	SATURDAY	PROGRESSIVE CLUB	RIOS, DIXON
8	SUNDAY	TI AMO	MERENDINO, STOKES
10	TUESDAY	COUNCIL MEETING	KELLEY, HUMPHREY
13	FRIDAY	LOUNGE OPENS 7:30 PM	STOKES, SHIRM
15	SUNDAY	OSIA	RIOS
20	FRIDAY	VEGAS NIGHT OPENS 7:30 PM	KERSTETTER, KOCH
24	TUESDAY	COUNCIL MEETING	CAROTA, SILVA, WOTKE
27	FRIDAY	MOVIE NIGHT	DAVULCO, DROZDOWSKI
31	TUESDAY	PSC RENTAL	RIOS, STOKES



If a knight is interested in tending bar or cannot make it to bartend please call Alberto Rios at 814-5393 or riostoto@aol.com

Knights Den Hours during Lent

During Lent, February 18 – March 27, the Lounge will open up on Fridays at 7:30 PM instead of 7 PM. **Please support and attend Stations of the Cross, soup dinners at your church...** then come by the lounge to socialize and enjoy a light dessert, coffee and each other's company! Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Sunday, April 2 – 5, the Lounge will be closed to observe this very Holy weekend. Have a Blessed Lent and Easter!

For All Lounge Rentals, Please Contact:

Lewis Stokes (PGK)

Lounge Manager

Phone: 757-872-7840

Email: lssyms@verizon.net

MARCH BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

Tyler J Eldred	1
Douglas C Hager	2
Brian G Harrison	2
Jerome F Hempfling	2
Mark H Muhler	2
William A Harvey	3
Oscar Lorenzo	3
Dea Joseph N Riss	3
Carmen Cardamone Jr	4
L Joseph Connors	4
David A Cvitanovich	4
Leonard M Grigonis	4
Dr Lucio Maestrello	4
Rev Tyson J Wood	4
Kevin A Beebe	5
Michael C Grinstead	5
Timothy S Roscoe	5
James C Buckman Jr	7
Dreux A Elliott	7
Rev David J Dormer	8
Dr Toti P Gonzalo	8
Juan A Garcia	10
Joseph F O Brien	10
Michael J Reilley	10
Luis M Rivera	10
Dennis J Serpa	10
Angelo A Cavone	12
Michael J Downer	12

Jeffrey S Kincaid	12
James M Sumner	13
Emmett A Mc Nulty	14
Michael A Peterson	14
Michael S Blanton	15
John M Cannella	15
William R Gorman	15
Joseph R Ras	15
Dea Antonio C Siochi	16
Marshall E Clarke Jr	18
George J Koch	18
Shane M Barrington	19
Steven C Forehand	20
David Brian Grumbling	20
Richard T Cannella	21
Jacob F Lehmborg	21
Kenneth A Klimchok	22
John R Pizzano	22
Hart T Smith	22
Robert E Horne	23
Ricky O Wade	23
Theodore C Langevin	24
Ramon V Macaraeg	25
James E Stellmacher	25
David Garay	26
Vincent F Pedulla	26
Beverley E Tietjens	26
Dominic J Carsia	27
Richard J Corso	27
John M Malarkey	27
Parlan A Cairns	28

Richard S Niewola	28
Robert E Scarborough	28
Cletus J Vincke	28
Robert C Wright	28
Gabriel S Franco	29
Samuel R Cotton	31
Benjamin E Elefante	31
Muhimwali Kavota	31
Louis H Luth	31
Edward G Rieke	31

Anniversaries

John & Jeanette Carter	1
Leland Mike & Jeanette Webb	3
Clay & Marlines Hester	5
Gary & Katherine Smith	8
J Michael & Christine Mc Kinney	9
Andrew & Barbara Canellas	17
Wilbur Cesar & Dominique Calope	20
Walter & Constance Crenshaw	22
David & Teresa Mummert	23
Thomas & Tracy Lovell	24
George & Dianne Mattingly	24
Patrick & Carolyn Gillroy	26
Kelly & Kathy Topp	26
Joseph & Kathy Brincat	28
Jose & Lillana Reyes	28
Jose & Victoria Lomell	30
Jerome & Hyon Hempfling	31



MARCH 2015



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 6 PM Assembly Meeting Dine Out (Al Fresco Ristorante)	4	5	6 Parish Soup Suppers & Stations of The Cross 7:30 PM Lounge Open <i>Nocturnal Adoration (OLMC) 10 PM - 6 AM</i>	7
8 Day Light Savings Time Begins TI AMO 	9 3 PM PAA Support Set Up	10 PAA Meal Packing 7 PM 1st Degree (5480) 7:30 PM Council Meeting	11	12	13 Parish Soup Suppers & Stations of The Cross 7:30 PM Lounge Open	14 9 AM Adopt-a-spot Ocean View St. Patrick's Day Parade (Norfolk) 6 PM OLMC Dinner/Auction 6 PM St. Patrick's Day Dance
15 Communal Mass (St. Jerome)	16	17 St. Patrick's Day 7 PM 5480 Club Meeting 	18	19 Solemnity of Saint Joseph 	20 1st Day of Spring  Parish Soup Suppers & Stations of The Cross 7:30 PM Lounge Open Vegas Knight	21 6 PM Mother-Son, Father-Son Dance (OLMC)
22	23	24 7 PM 2nd Degree (5480) 7:30 PM Council Meeting	25 Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord	26	27 Parish Soup Suppers & Stations of The Cross 7:30 PM Lounge Open	28
29 Palm Sunday  Founders Day 	30	31	1 April	2 Maundy Thursday	3 Good Friday	4 Holy Saturday
				<i>Lounge Closed For Easter</i>		

 Cut along the dotted line and keep the calendar at hand to attend our events

SICK, RECOVERING & 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 his family member in need of our prayers, contact Clement Danish or the Grand Knight.

SICK & RECOVERY. FEB 2015: Bill McCarthy (VKCCI Board Member).

DECEASED MEMBERS, RELATIVES AND FRIENDS. FEB 2015: Betty Locke (Wife of Brother Jack Locke). JAN 2015: Associate State Chaplain Father Frank J. Ready, Lew Stokes' Sister, PGK Bill Burke's Mother, Greta Mae Field (Jessie Powell's mother-in-law).

NAMES WILL REMAIN ON LIST FOR ONE MONTH. PLEASE RENEW YOUR PRAYER REQUEST IF CONTINUED PRAYERS ARE DESIRED. CALL CLEMENT DANISH (877-2751) OR THE GRAND KNIGHT WITH REQUESTS OR QUESTIONS.

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOURTH DEGREE Virginia District



Exemplification
Saturday, April 18, 2015
Church of the Ascencion
4853 Princess Anne Road
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462

For more info...See SK Harold Hairston (Faithful Navigator), SK Thai Nguyen (Faithful Admiral), or SK David Brin (Faithful Comptroller) or visit our website: <http://www.vakofc.org/exemplifications.html>



Peninsula Fine Arts Center

Art Is What You Make It!

Established in 1962 by a passionate group of art supporters from the Hampton Roads area looking for opportunities to create and exhibit artwork, The Peninsula Fine Arts Center located on Museum Drive in Newport News seeks "to provide a balanced and stimulating exhibition program, be a resource for local artists, foster education for students of all ages and to serve as a social hub in order to build a stronger community through art".

"Dine-Out" with members of the Father Michael J Bader Assembly 2430 for an informative discussion of upcoming events here in your own city of Newport News.

Tuesday, March 3, 2015 @ 6 p.m.
Al Fresco Ristorante, 11710 Jefferson Avenue, Newport News, VA 23606

Guest Speaker: Amber Kennedy, Director of Marketing and Community Engagement - PfAC

St. Patrick's Day Dance



Featuring
DJ Mark Bradley

Doors open at 6:00 pm
 Dinner 6:30—8 pm
 Dancing 8 til 12:30 am
 Heavy Snacks 10 pm til gone

March 14 \$ 20.00/person
No Tickets sold at the door

Corn Beef & Chicken Dinner
 BYOB
 Setups Provided

For Tickets: 757-344-7630
 or
 Colleen759@verizon.net

Events Happening that Night!
Best Decorated Table \$ 75.00
Best Dressed Costume \$ 75.00

50/50 Raffle

1 Ticket \$ 2.00
 3 Tickets \$ 5.00
 7 Tickets \$ 10.00
 15 Tickets \$ 20.00

*Profit from the event to the
 5480 Knights of Columbus
 Educational Scholarship Fund
 In Memory of All Deceased Knights*



Knights of Columbus Hall, Netles Dr, NN, 23606



It's Vegas Knight!

"America's Got Talent" winner Terry Fator captures audiences in "Terry Fator: Live In Concert" at The Mirage in Las Vegas, bringing a hilarious range of characters including Winston, the impersonating turtle, Emma Taylor, the little girl with the big voice, and lounge singer Monty Carlo. With comedic banter and amazing vocal impressions of musical superstars such as Garth Brooks, Dean Martin, Aretha Franklin, Lady Gaga and more.

After eating at the soup suppers, come by for a Grasshopper Ice Cream dessert drink!

RSVP: Lewis Stokes at 872-7840

Alberto Rios at riostoto@aol.com

Sign up in the Lounge

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



3RD ANNUAL
FATHER/DAUGHTER
AND
MOTHER/SON DANCE



(FOR ALL AGES)

Saturday, March 21st, 2015

6:00pm until 10:00pm

At

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church

in St. Michael Hall

144 Harpersville Road,

Newport News, VA 23601

\$10/Couple or \$15/Family in advance

\$15/Couple or \$20/Family at the door

(Dinner and entertainment included)

Sponsored by:

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Catholic Daughters (COLPH #2206)



Contact: Vahwere Kavota, KOC Youth Director

(757) 755-6917; kavota@hotmail.com

Or

Your Parish/School Youth Director



EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Nocturnal Adoration

Join us in the **Blessed Sacrament Chapel at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (OLMC) on the FIRST FRIDAY of the Month (10 PM – 6 AM)** for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The Holy Hour consists of Powerful Readings, Silent and Recited prayer. Join brother Knights and their families as we prepare to meet the Lord. Many of our loyal and dedicated members have passed or are getting older. We need some help on the early morning hours. No need to make a long term commitment - choose any hour, you will be surprised and gratified. Families are encouraged to attend anytime. **The next Nocturnal Adoration is the weekend of 6 – 7 March 2015.**

Fraternal Year 2015-2016 Committees

Fraternal Year 2015 – 2016 Is Fast Approaching! Council 5480 is pleased to announce the formation of two key committees that will help prepare the council for another successful year!

- **Nominating Committee:** Chuck Olson (Chair), Dom Bevacqua, Harold Hairston, Jim Healy, Carroll Kelley
- **Budget Committee:** Gabe Franco (Advisor), Dan Richard (Chair), Ron Gorman, Harold Hairston, David Litzinger, Carroll Kelley



No Temperature or Water Too Cold to Prevent Faith In Action! Several Council 5480 members served as part of the Virginia Knights of Columbus Team that braved the cold winter air and frigid waters during the Annual Polar Plunge & Winter Festival at Virginia Beach, VA on 7 February 2015. The Virginia Knights **raised \$28,000 for Special Olympics Virginia!** Overall, approximately 4700 plungers participated in the event and raised over \$1,180,000! Thanks to all for the donations and support!



Volunteers Needed! Council 5480 will be supporting the Peninsula Agency on Aging (PAA) by packing meals on 9 and 10 March 2015. Helpers are needed on Monday, 9 March at 3:00 PM to unload the material and set up the assembly lines for Tuesday, 10 March. The PAA supports the independence and quality of life of Peninsula residents primarily 60 years and over by advocating, arranging, or providing vital human services. To volunteer - please contact Frank Dougherty: fado41@yahoo.com

got internship?

A Brother Knight is **looking for a summer 2015 internship at a law firm in the Hampton Roads area.** Brother Joseph Harrington is a student at George Mason University (GMU) School of Law in Arlington, VA. Joseph holds a MA in History from James Madison University (JMU) and a BA in History from the University of Richmond. His home parish is St. Joan of Arc in Yorktown, VA and he joined the Knights through the Yorktown Council #7469. He served as the Grand Knight of the JMU College Council and worked as a legal intern for the Knights Office of Public Policy in Washington, DC in the summer of 2014. **Please contact Grand Knight Gabe Franco if you can assist Brother Joseph.**

Upcoming VCKI Events

Mark your calendar for upcoming Virginia Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. Events!

- **Charity Golf Tournament – Thursday, May 21st** - The Fr. Julius Cilinski Memorial Golf Tournament will be held at the beautiful Westfields Golf Club in Clifton (www.westfieldsgolf.com). All profits going to VKCCI. Check with Council 5480 Leadership for additional details published at the February 2015 State Quarterly Meeting.
- **Norfolk Tides Baseball Game vs. the Toledo Mud Hens – Saturday, June 27th.** A portion of the proceeds from tickets sold by any Knight of Columbus will support VCKI. There will be fireworks after the game. Ticket Prices: \$11 (Reserved) or \$12 (Box Seat). Steps to Order: 1. Visit www.TidesGroups.com. 2. Select “Knights of Columbus Night - Saturday, June 27 @ 7:05 PM” from the drop down menu. 3. Enter the promo code “knights” and click Submit. 4. When placing your order, make sure you include your Council number in the field labeled “Company/Group Name.” Complete ticket order by June 25th. 5. Pick up tickets on game day at Will Call. Contact Dave Wemhoff (PGK/PFN) dave@wemhoff.com for additional information.



Don't Forget to Take Advantage of Two Great Knights of Columbus Scholarship Opportunities!

- **The Deadline for applications for the Walter Pollard Council 5480 Educational Scholarship applications is April 15, 2015.** Applications are in the lounge and meeting room. For any questions on eligibility or requirements, please contact Scholarship Committee Members: Joseph Drozdowski, Gabe Franco and Dean Jernigan.
- **State Program Announced:** The Father Bader Scholarship (Virginia State Council) program **is accepting applications at this time until March 31.** Visit <http://www.vakofc.org/scholastic-programs.html> for application criteria, forms and additional information. For questions, contact: R. David Lopez (PGK), Program Chairman davelopez75@msn.com or 703-928-0121.

Fr. Michael J. Bader – 2430 Assembly Directory



Faithful Navigator	
SK Harold Hairston	877-1566
Faithful Friar	
TBD	
Faithful Captain	
SK David Litzinger	719-4028
Faithful Pilot	
Gabriel Franco	877-4423
Faithful Comptroller	
SK David Brin	851-0907
Faithful Purser	
SK Wilfred Wotke	877-3316
Faithful Scribe	
SK Rick Schirm	310-3242
Faithful Admiral	
SK Thai Nguyen	232-0889

Faithful Inner Sentinel	
SK John Edwards	876-8386
SK John Silva	998-1995
Faithful Outer Sentinel	
SK Jim Kazmer	877-1822
SK Ted Langevin	872-6751
Color Corps Commander	
SK Carroll Kelley	877-4865
Sick and Distress	
SK Tony Merendino	872-7113
Trustees	
1 Yr – SK Kiet Nguyen	833-7943
2 Yr – SK Chuck Olson	867-7878
3 Yr – SK Louis Federico	870-0573

From the Faithful Navigator



Remembering our founder...

This month we celebrate our founder's dream. More than 130 years ago on March 29, 1882, the Connecticut state legislature officially chartered the Knights of Columbus, a fraternal benefit society founded by Father Michael J McGivney. He along with a group of parishioners gathered in the basement of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Connecticut, laid the foundation to an Order true to the principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. Today, we stand as one of the largest lay Catholic organizations in the world totaling more than 1.8 million members. Of utmost concern in forming the Order was the family. Father McGivney had seen the devastation of families who had their "provider" taken away by death. He saw families devastated by a society whose persecution of Catholic families made it difficult for men to find work and provide for their families. He saw families ravaged by obstacles of the times and was determined to take action to make sure that those families would be cared for and would never have to face those obstacles alone. Today, our Order stands as a proud beacon for Catholic families through the social, service and parish programs of its Councils and Assemblies in addition to our insurance program.

Thanks and Congratulations...

To David Brin for stepping forward to fill the vacant position of Comptroller and the Assembly's heartfelt vote of support. We're sure that he will do an outstanding job.

Dates to Remember:

- March 3 – Assembly Dine-Out, Al Fresco's, 6 p.m.
- March 14- Ocean View "St Patrick's Day Parade", Norfolk, VA

St. Patrick's Day Parade, Ocean View, Norfolk...

All Sir Knights are invited/encouraged to join us in the Annual Ocean View St. Patrick's Day Parade in Norfolk on Saturday, March 14th. Please contact Color Corps Commander Carroll Kelley to sign up.

Fourth Degree Exemplification...

Attention all Third Degree Brothers (and those who plan to take their Second and Third Degrees within the next few weeks): Our Spring Exemplification has moved back to the Tidewater Area "and" it is only a "one" day event, similar to the Third Degree Ceremony with a few "embellishments". Exemplification fee is \$70.00 (plus tuxedo). The Ceremony will be on Saturday, April 18, 2015 at the Church of the Ascension on Princess Anne Road in Virginia Beach (approximately 35 to 40 miles from our home Council.). Please see our Faithful Admiral, Faithful Comptroller, myself or visit our website or see the enclosed flyer for details.). Deadline for receipt of applications, approval, payment of fees, etc. is Tuesday, April 7, 2015 (Assembly meeting).

Fraternally, Harold Hairston

COUNCIL 5480 WALTER POLLARD DIRECTORY

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