

# THE POTOMAC DISCOVERER



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#### **Meeting Times**

Second and fourth Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM

#### Where are we?

We meet in the basement of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School. 18825 Fuller Heights Rd., Triangle, VA. 22172

#### Join us

We are always looking for Catholic gentlemen 18 years or older to help our mission of Faith, Community, Life and Charity. It is great for you and your family to participate and you can participate at a level

#### **November Events**

# **Donut Sunday November 11th**

Donuts served after 7:30 and 9:00 masses, Spanish mass subject to Parish scheduling.



# Annual Turkey Day 3 on 3 Tournament 24 November

We will need volunteers to help with the 3 on 3 basketball tournament. All funds go to St. Francis Parish School. Event starts at 9:00, and finishes usually by 1-2 PM. You don't need to be a basketball expert - just keep time or keep score. Volunteer at **this link** 

#### Last Call for Mickman Christmas Wreaths!

The cutoff date for Mickman wreaths is approaching. You can buy these, have them shipped directly anywhere in the US, and the Council gets \$8.00 per each item sold. You can buy them at this link. Use the code



KNIGHTS003 to make sure we get credit for the sale.

#### **Sgt Mac Fundraising coming soon**

The annual drive for Sgt. Mac foundation will start soon, email will come with dates and details. It is scheduled on the KofC Calendar.

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#### **KCIC Poster Contest and Essay Contest in progress**

St. Francis of Assisi School will be hosting these contests this year. The council gives out awards to the winners.

# **Brother Casey's Corner**

Potomac Council has sponsored Brother Casey Cole's vocation for the priesthood for several years. If you have not seen his Breaking in the Habit website <a href="https://www.breakinginthehabit.org">www.breakinginthehabit.org</a> you are truly missing something. Each month we provide a link to one of his articles with will help deepen your faith, by providing some spiritual reflection. This month it's called 5 words a Christian shouldn't say. <a href="https://www.breakinginthehabit.org">This week's Br. Casey video</a>.

# **Knights Complete Novena for Life**

Working in support of St. Francis of Assisi Parish pro life efforts, we supported a parish wide Novena for life from Oct 15th to Oct 23rd. KofC Provided Prayer cards for the event. Many thanks to PGK John Enzmann for his work with the parish on this.

# Recent Council Accomplishments Knights Grill for Francis Fest!



Potomac Council had a great time at Francis Fest - the annual parish Fall event. We grilled hot dogs, polish sausages, Italian sausages, hamburgers - even veggie burgers. We set up the the tent, got out the grills - dealt with a small grease fire on one of the grills, and cooked more or less non stop from 11:30 to 3 pm. Clean up went at a brisk pace, as we had many brother Knights on hand. The following were in attendance. Attending were John Peitler, PGK, John and Thomas Peitler (manning the large grill), Mark Formica, Alex D'Agostino, Michael Johnson, Ken Dunn, Jorge Lizarralde, Ryan Sulivan, Dan Sullivan, Joe Harrison, Greg Nevens, Dale Herdegen, Paul Ross & probably a few more I have missed. We also set up the beer concession, and recruiting chair Jorge Lizarralde recruited quite a few new or transferring in members.

#### **Donut Sunday - every month**



Donut Sunday marches on. Thanks to Jorge, Kevin Kern and the future Knights above for making it happen. The new signs are bringing a lot more people - a good thing. The parish is going to restart new parishioner orientation, and will do it on Donut Sunday after the 9:00 mass.

# Family of the Month for September

Family of the month for September was Brother Knight Kevin Kern! Thanking him for his support to many Council events.

A reminder: Please vote for a parish family that you see doing something that contributes to parish or community. You can do this on the website under Members Only section (user id is your membership number password is your date of birth) or send an email to GK9259@VaKofC.org

### **New Members - Welcome**

Please welcome the following new members to Potomac Council

#### **New members**

-Nicholas Orozco

#### Transferring in or re-entry into KofC

Thomas Chown, Drew Doolin, Steven Kretz, Richard Schott, James Winlack

#### **New Second Degree Members**

Nicholas Orozco

# Council First Degree Team Underway

We have volunteers for some of the positions, and all the major ones, but could a few more to fill out the remaining positions, and have some backup for the major speaking parts . <u>Click here to send a note to Paul with your support.</u>

# How to Join the KofC Online

- 1)Go to www.kofc.org
- 2) Click on Join Us
- 3) Click on any of the JOIN links
- 4) Fill out a simple on line form and YOU ARE A KNIGHT.
- 5) Knights the join on line are eligible to attend meetings but to join a council they will need to take a first degree and pay dues as the council assesses. Any current dues paid as an online member will be credited against current year Council Dues.

# Please keep these Knights in Your Prayers

Brother Francis Hammond recovering from surgery

Brother Francis Hammond, is doing better, and is off some of the more invasive medical treatment at home - his recovery continues. Brother Hammond is a long standing member of the Council, most noted for his many years of work on the Women's Shelter, including cutting the grass every week. Here he is with his grandson, collecting for KOVAR

#### Brother Knight Darryl Stiles is released from Critical Care, and at home

Brother Knight Darryl Stiles continues to suffer from a progressive medical condition. At this time he is home, but is still seriously ill. Please keep him and his family in your prayers

# **VOTE!** November 9th.

It is our country, we must participate to assure our voice, our values and our faith are not lost this November 9th.



# **Fraternal Survey Data Call**

Each year the KofC completes an annual fraternal survey of efforts of KofC Members and Councils. A large portion of this information. This information can only be provided if I get information from members. It is critically important to demonstrate the value of KofC as a non-profit to our nation. Please note the wording is not restricted to KofC events, it includes whatever you do in these categories.

2018 ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY INDIVIDUAL MEMBER WORKSHEET

To help prepare our Fraternal Survey for the Supreme Council office, please complete the information requested below and return it at our next meeting. This information will assist us in determining the total number of hours of community service volunteered by our members.

1. Number of visits you made during 2018 to:
a. Sick – caring for the sick/nursing homes/hospitals
b. Bereaved – visits of condolence
2. Number of times you served as a blood donor during 2018
3. Estimated hours of community volunteer service during 2018:
a. Faith Activities – service in all Church related activities
b. Family Activities – service in all youth related activities
c. Community Activities – service in all community related activities
d. Life Activities – service in all related projects
e. Miscellaneous Activities – service in areas not outlined above
Please send your information to <u>THIS EMAIL ADDRESS</u> by 30 November!

## **Thank You!**

Thank your for all the service you provide either to events, the parish, families, he community or the needy. The work of the Knights and YOU make such a difference in our world.