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STAR COUNCIL 2023-2024

Knights of Columbus
Norfolk, Virginia – Council 367

"The First Council In The South" – September 25, 1898 – 126 YEARS OF SERVICE

COMING UP AT

"THE FIRST COUNCIL IN THE SOUTH"

June 2:	4 th Degree Meeting (Council 367)
June 4:	Officers Meeting (7PM)
June 7:	First Saturday Mass – OLOV
June 11:	Membership Meeting (500 Club)
June 14:	Flag Day
June 15:	Father's Day
June 17:	OLOV Prayer Hour (7PM)
June 18:	1 st – 3 rd Deg Exemplification – TBD
June 28:	Columbus Club Meeting

Grand Knight's Message

It has been a true pleasure and an honor to serve as your Grand Knight this fraternal year. As I look back on all that we've accomplished together, I am filled with gratitude and pride for the strength, unity, and faith that define our council.

We have been recognized for the State Deputy Award and have completed all the requirements to earn the Supreme Star Council Award—a testament to your dedication and commitment to our mission. The Star Council Award is comprised of the Founder's Award (insurance growth), the Father McGivney Award (membership growth), and the Columbian Award (program excellence)—and we achieved them all.

Together, we donated over \$50,000 to our parishes, various charitable organizations, and Faith in Action programs. Out of 36 total programs, we successfully completed 27 Faith in Action initiatives, demonstrating our council's deep and active commitment to service and evangelization. In addition to our Faith in Action programs, we also implemented the new COR initiative, strengthening our formation as Catholic men and deepening our spiritual lives as brothers in Christ.

We also took meaningful steps to honor our past and preserve our legacy. We established a Historian Officer position and introduced the Past Grand Knight Bell Ceremony to remember and celebrate the life of our PGK who passed away this year.

Incredibly, we hosted and participated in over 150 events—each one a reflection of our core values

Grand Knight's Message, *cont*

of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. None of this would have been possible without the helping hands and generous hearts of every single Knight in this council. Every action we took this year was a living example of our values—and each of you had a role in these achievements.

A special thank you goes to all of our council officers, committee chairs, and Faith in Action chairmen for their tireless work and unwavering support. I also want to express my heartfelt gratitude to all of our council members and especially to your wives and family members, as well as my own wife and family, whose sacrifices, encouragement, and support made your service possible. Whether helping behind the scenes, attending events, or simply supporting you at home, their contributions are deeply appreciated and never overlooked.

This year, I've tried to lead by example through servant leadership, always putting the mission and my brothers first. I now challenge each of you to take an active role in our council—whether through leadership, volunteering, mentoring, or simply showing up. Active Knights stay Knights, and the future of our council depends on the energy and commitment of every one of us.

Thank you, brothers, for allowing me the privilege of serving as your Grand Knight. May we continue to build on this momentum as we carry our mission forward together.

Vivat Jesus,
Napoleon Caragan
Grand Knight

Knights of Columbus, Council 367 meetings are held the 1st and 2nd Wednesday of each month beginning promptly at 7:00 p.m.

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Knights of the Month

We are proud to recognize **Past Grand Knights Jim Pressler and Ed Nettleton** as our **Co-Knights of the Month** for their outstanding leadership, dedication, and tireless service to our council.

PGK Jim Pressler has long been a cornerstone of our council's success. This past month, Jim once again went above and beyond—between organizing our efforts at the Tides baseball games and personally handling essential maintenance at the Columbus Club, including work on the HVAC system, doors, and building inspections. His deep commitment to the care and upkeep of our council home reflects a true servant leader's heart. Jim continues to serve the **Fourth Degree as Color Corps Commander** and **Faithful Purser** of Assembly 1162, further exemplifying his enduring devotion to the Knights.

PGK Ed Nettleton, our new **Financial Secretary**, has hit the ground running. In just a short time, Ed has brought clarity and order to our financial practices, diligently working to ensure our records are accurate and up to date. His proactive approach in reviewing dues statuses and following up with members has already made a positive impact on our council's operations and sustainability. Ed's attention to detail and commitment to transparency are exactly what we need to remain strong and accountable.

Together, these two Past Grand Knights demonstrate the spirit of fraternity and responsibility that keeps Norfolk Council 367 moving forward.

Thank you, Jim and Ed, for your continued leadership and unwavering commitment to our mission.

Congratulations, Worthy Brothers!

Vivat Jesus,
Napoleon Caragan
Grand Knight

Family of the Month

Congratulations to the Baffour Family – Our Family of the Month!

We are excited to announce that the Baffour family of St. Pius X has been selected as our **Family of the Month**!

The Baffours—led by Robert and Sena Baffour, along with their children Robert Jr. and Naana—are a shining example of faith, service, and community involvement in our parish. The Baffour family is a familiar and faithful presence at the **8 a.m. Sunday Mass**, where they gather each week to worship together. Their consistent presence reflects their deep commitment to God and to building a strong foundation rooted in family and faith.

Family of the Month, *cont*

Robert Baffour serves behind the scenes as one of our **dedicated sound technicians**, helping to ensure that each Mass is an enriching and spiritually uplifting experience. His quiet yet impactful work allows the Word of God to be clearly heard and appreciated by all. Robert Jr. brings reverence and responsibility to his role as an **altar server**, setting an inspiring example of youthful dedication to liturgical service.

Beyond the liturgy, the Baffours are known for their **hospitality and warmth**. Sena Baffour and her family often go out of their way to welcome new parishioners and visitors, helping create a welcoming and inclusive environment where everyone feels at home. Their kindness and openness strengthen the bonds of our parish community.

We are deeply grateful to Robert, Sena, Robert Jr., and Naana for their unwavering devotion to our parish and for the inspiring witness they offer through their everyday lives. Please join us in **celebrating the Baffour family** and praying that God continues to bless them abundantly for their service, faith, and love.

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Napoleon Caragan
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Sign up a new member today!

Have the new member go to www.kofc.org

Click the "JOIN US" button.

Enter their name, email address, cell phone, birthdate, and preferred language.

Check the two boxes that state: "I am a baptized Catholic male" and "I am a practical Catholic."

Fill in mailing address, Preferred Local Council, is "367".

Have them insert your Membership number for "Member Referral Number". Fill in Church Parish Name and City/State location.

In **PROMO CODE** for **FREE** 1 year's dues is **BLESSEDMCGIVNEY** and select boxes that they will agree to abide by the laws and you're not a robot.

Congratulations, you brought in a new Brother Knight!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Norfolk Tides Baseball

The Tides games are off to a good start as we raise money selling beer, wine, peanuts, and water and as always: **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

As of May 25th, we have raised **\$16,610.65**. Three of the games were double-headers.

We still have May 28, 30, and June 1 since this input was due before the games. The next seven games will be on June 10, 13, 15, 24, 26(D), 28, & July 3rd.

We've been offered a different portable during the day games, which is more profitable, but requires two people to run. As always, I'm asking for the retired people to help us with manning these games.

Dress code is khaki or black pants, **NO LEVIS**, and the Knights of Columbus T-shirt, **NO COUNCIL SHIRT**, and Knights of Columbus ballcap. If you do not have a Knights of Columbus T-shirt or ball cap, we will have some available to wear or purchase if you want. Your wives, friends, & relatives can also volunteer. They must be at least 18 years old. A great opportunity to help!

Thanks to the following people and games worked (#) as of May 25th: John Aird (1), Elaine Aird(1), Jim Bryant (9), Tony Busquets (2), WGK Napoleon Caragan (1), Chuck Doty (5), PGK Dan Doyle (5), Bill Driscoll (5), PGK John Escuadra (4), Hugh Farr (4), Pax Flores (8), PGK Larry Forsythe (1), Gwyn Hulse (1), Laura Hulse (1), Robert Hulse (3), Dan Knaus (4), PGK Peter Laurin (5), Rickard Long (2), Matt Meagher (3), Jason Miller (5), Kris Morris (8), Mason Morris (6), Sean Myers (5), Dan O'Loughlin (6), PGK John Person (13), Marion Person (5), Steve Petras (2), Ron Potrzebowski (1), PGK Jim Pressler (9), Dan Schmidt (1), Mike Schmidt (1), & Jonathan Wright (1).

Please contact PGK John Person at 757-675-2107 or jperson415@cox.net if you can help.

Vivat Jesus!
John Person, PGK

**TEMPUS
FUGIT
MEMENTO
MORI**

COMING UP IN FEBRUARY AT "THE FIRST COUNCIL IN THE SOUTH"

July 2:	Officers Meeting (7PM)
July 4:	Independence Day
July 5:	First Saturday OLOV 7 AM
July 7:	4 th Degree Meeting (Council 367)
July 9:	Membership Meeting (500 Club)
July 15:	OLOV Prayer Hour (7PM)
July 19:	KOVAR @ ABC (10am- 6pm)
July 30:	Columbus Club Meeting

ABC KOVAR DRIVE

Our next drive will be in July. These drives help cover part of the cost we donate to KOVAR. We have 20 slots at five different ABC stores for two hours increments from 10 AM to 6 PM.

Contact PGK Dan Doyle at 757-348-0884 or dandoye615@gmail.com. Please try and support this Lofty Goal for KOVAR!

Vivat Jesus,
PGK Dan Doyle

500 Club Membership

The 500 Club is a chance for you to buy a number for \$5 a month to win \$500. We still have 4 months left for this year if you want to participate. It would be \$20 to join as of right now. If you win one month, your number is thrown back in and is available for the next drawing.

This is to raise money for our building maintenance, and we also donated \$500 to KOVAR this year from our proceeds.

For more info contact PGK John Person at (757) 675-2107 or e-mail at jperson415@cox.net.

500 Club Winner
May .. Richard Priester, Jr

Drawings are held at our Meeting on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. For more information, contact PGK John Person at (757) 675-2107 or email at jperson415@cox.net

Happy Birthday!

Tony Agati
Anthony M Busquets
Rev Gerard Cunningham
Loraine Glennon
Sukwon Jung
Mark A Litkowski **50**
Matthew J Little
David O Omondi
Ron P Schafer PGK
Ashley Selg
Deacon James Turrietta

Jose Luis Alicea
Dr James Clark **45**
Steven Forte
Juanito A Jimenez
Michael J Leyva
Nicole Litkowski
Daniel J O'Loughlin
Stephen Petras **55**
Debra Schultz
Raymond Stencil Jr

Happy Anniversary!

Mark S & Jan White	06-01
Lamerique & Esther Laguerre	06-12
Rufino C & Editha Cachaper	06-19
PGK Edward A & Catherine Isajewicz Jr	06-23
PGK John F & Marion Person	06-24

Happy Anniversary to all! May all of you enjoy many more Blessed Years Together!

Here's wishing all
DADS a very
BLESSED and
HAPPY FATHER'S
DAY!

VIVAT JESUS!

Sick and Deceased

We pray for those listed below prior to each Council Meeting and ask that each Brother also remember them in their prayers and at Mass:



Lionel Barker
Jerri Berri
Zacharey Boyd
Patrick T Brennan
John Cannon
Marshall Cason
Daniel Dowd Sr
Paul Forsythe
Patrick Hartnett
William Hollman
Pat Hughes
Barbara Knarr
Olivia Kukanich
Lademan Family
Jack Michalski
Gina Morlina
Dan Owens
Donald Pierce
Ellyn Place
Richard Priester, Sr
Paul Schultz
Callie Shipp
Tessie Somers
William Tarkenton
Ann Marie Volonoski
Terry Zehl

Nancy Barth
Ashley Boyd
Brian Brennan

Michael Brown
Bill Carr
Robert Desantis
Aria Epperly
Penny Frazier
Matthew Hickey
Terry Holmes
Ed Isajewicz, Jr
Ruth Kosa
William Link
Mike McKenna
Anthony Morlino
MaryAnn Mulkearns
Karen Owens
Bob Place
Mark Pompe
John Schaffer
Kayla Shelton
Ron Spangler
Ben Spasaro
Gregory Trent
Scott Welch

We also pray for the repose of the souls of the departed. May they rest in peace.

Pat Trent

Cammy Hipp

Note: If anyone knows of someone who needs to be **ADDED** or **REMOVED** from our list, please contact Pat Brennan at (757) 587-0477 or patbpgk367@cox.net

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MAY EVENTS



Top to Bottom, Right to Left: The KOM Kris Morris, Military Volunteer Honor go to Mason Morris, Dr James Clarke and his Kids handing out Mother's Day Flowers, District 1 Awards to the Councils and to DD 1 PGK Dan Doyle, Assembly 1162 Exemplification Group, and Memorial Day Wreath laying Team from Assembly 1162. Remember, the 14th is Flag Day.

2025 NEWSLETTER PATRONS

Alicea, Jose Luis
 Boyters, Daniel L
 Cannon, John W
 Cook, Samuel M
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 Womack, James T

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 Pittard, Donald F
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 Rhodes, Kent M
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 Woods, Christopher L

Aponte, William
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 Doty, Charles V
 Fierro, Michael R
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 Horsch, Thomas C
 Knaus, Daniel J
 Listol, David R
 Makar, Peter M
 Martinez, Henry
 Morin, Andre A
 Nichols, Howard L
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KOVAR

Norfolk Council 367 KOVAR Campaign 2015 Assisting Virginians with Intellectual Disabilities

Please designate your contribution:

#42569 Combined Federal Campaign

#735 Virginia Combined Campaign

#8838 United Way

***"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything
 by prayer and supplication with
 thanksgiving let your requests be made
 known to God. And the peace of God, which
 surpasses all comprehension, will guard
 your hearts and your minds in Christ
 Jesus." Philippians 4:6-7***



***JUNE 14th
IS
 FLAG DAY!***

Got a question? E-mail your Grand Knight:

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Recruitment Committee #3	Peter Laurin, PGK	479-9450

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