



# KNIGHTLY NEWS

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## Grand Knight's Message



Brother Knights,

March is solidly the month of Lent this year. We all know that we should use this time to fast, pray, and give alms. In my discussions with various Brother Knights, I hear about the things we are fasting from—things like social media, alcohol, etc. Those are worthy causes that help us grow closer to God. I'd like to suggest an additional task for Lent: participate. Fast from idle time and sign up for events at the Council or at your church. From Stations of the Cross to the Silver Rose to the St. Patrick's Day Dinner, there are so many things that foster fraternity within the Council and community within the Church. If not the Knights, then who will participate?

Vivat Jesus!

**John Edwards, Grand Knight, Walter Pollard Council 5480**



## From the Faithful Navigator



Worthy Sir Knights, future Sir Knights, and Brothers,

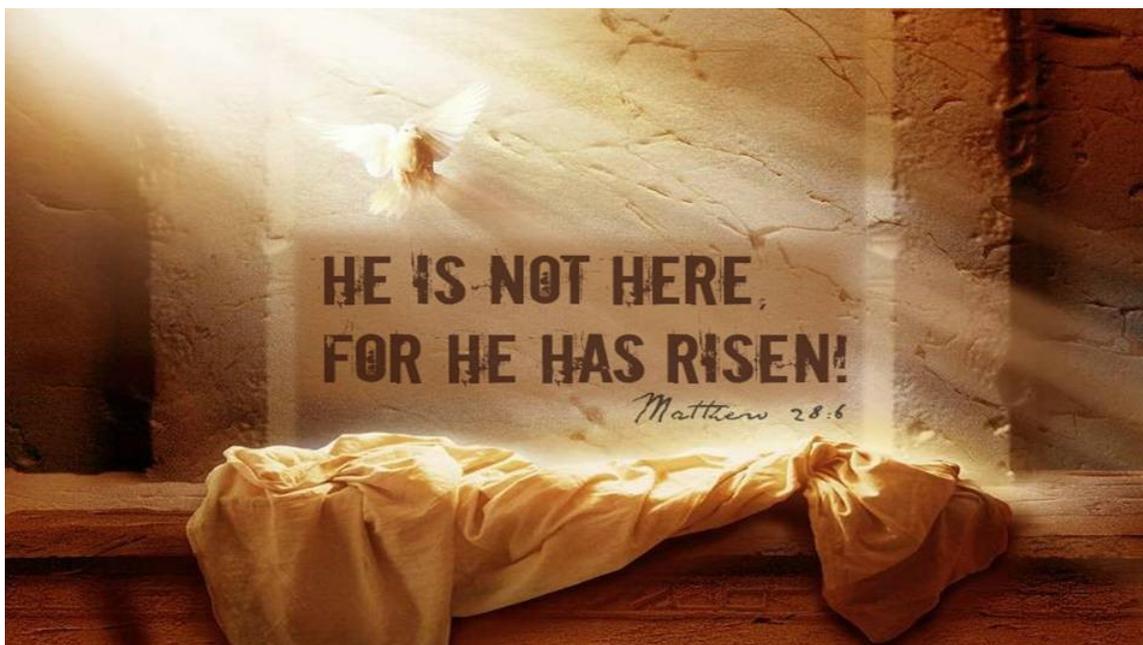
- 13 Apr is the next 4th Degree Exemplification at St. Edwards, Council 6546, in Richmond. We already expect to have several Knights attend and I'm asking those of you who are not already Sir Knights to consider joining us as Patriotic 4th Degree Knights. Contact me or SK Steve Chipman if you are interested.
- Two of our major events are the Scorpion Memorial (May) and the July 4th Flag Raising; we would appreciate your participation.

Fraternally,

**Steve Taylor, Faithful Navigator, Father Michael J. Bader Assembly 2430**

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Easter is the very end of March, the 31st, so I will take this time to hope you conclude your Lenten observances with a celebration of the Resurrection!

March is Ethics Awareness Month for the insurance industry. Oxford Languages defines ethics as “moral principles that govern a person’s behavior or the conducting of an activity” In many professions there is an ethical code that practitioners are to observe. In medicine, we’ve boiled down the Hippocratic oath to, “First, do no harm.” Attorneys have the American Bar Association’s “Model Rules of Professional Conduct.” In psychology there are codes of conduct for both treatment and for research.

The insurance industry is no different. Here at the Knights of Columbus I think all members are familiar with our founding principles: Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. These have been ingrained in us. However, there are also four Core Values that all who represent the Knights subscribe to. By “represent the Knights” we include Supreme Officers, employees, independent contractors like me, and other vendors and contractors who are expected to live up to our four Core Values. From our Code of Ethics and Conduct handbook the Core Values are these:

**Integrity:** Firm adherence to ethics, honesty, and a moral code.

**Professionalism:** Promoting the highest standards in all we do.

**Excellence:** Leading by example and constantly striving to be the best.

**Respect:** Treating each other with the highest regard.

I consider it an honor to be assigned to serve your council and I take seriously my responsibility to care for each of you members. Furthering Blessed Michael McGivney’s vision of caring for the widow and orphan is my goal.

I hope to always live up these Core Values in all my work with the council and with every one of you. God Bless!

***Historic Triangle Office, Williamsburg***

***Todd Curtis, FIC, MDRT***

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## This Month's Birthdays

Tyler Eldred/1 Mar  
Douglas Hager/2 Mar  
Jerome Hempfling/2 Mar  
Eric English/3 Mar  
William Harvey/3 Mar  
Joseph Riss/3 Mar  
Carmen Cardamone/4 Mar  
David Cvitanovich/4 Mar  
Lucio Maestrello/4 Mar  
Kevin Beebe/5 Mar  
Nathan Gibson/5 Mar  
Michael Grinstead/5 Mar  
Jayme Oliveira Filho/5 Mar  
Timothy Roscoe/5 Mar  
James Buckman/7 Mar  
Blaise Burry/7 Mar  
David Dormer/8 Mar  
Tim Garner/9 Mar  
Juan Garcia/10 Mar

Joseph O'Brien/10 Mar  
Michael Reilley/10 Mar  
Luis Rivera/10 Mar  
Angelo Cavone/12 Mar  
Michael Downer/12 Mar  
Jeffrey Kincaid/12 Mar  
Adam Paquette/12 Mar  
James Sumner/13 Mar  
Matthew Wheeler/13 Mar  
Ralph Joseph Patete/14 Mar  
Michael Peterson/14 Mar  
Michael Blanton/15 Mar  
John Cannella/15 Mar  
William Gorman/15 Mar  
Joseph Ras/15 Mar  
Antonio Siochi/16 Mar  
George Koch/18 Mar  
Steven Forehand/20 Mar  
David Grumbling/20 Mar

Richard Cannella/21 Mar  
Patrick Fennell/21 Mar  
John Leurck/21 Mar  
Thomas Patterson/22 Mar  
John Pizzano/22 Mar  
Ramon Macaraeg/25 Mar  
James Stellmacher/25 Mar  
David Garay/26 Mar  
Beverley Tietjens/26 Mar  
John Malarkey/27 Mar  
Parlan Cairns/28 Mar  
Richard Niewola/28 Mar  
Robert Scarborough/28 Mar  
Willis Scott/28 Mar  
Robert Wright/28 Mar  
Gabriel Franco/29 Mar  
Michael Combs/31 Mar  
Samuel Cotton/31 Mar  
Benjamin Elefante/31 Mar

## This Month's Anniversaries

John and Jeanette Carter/1 Mar  
George and Yvette Hake/2 Mar  
Leland and Jeanette Webb/3 Mar  
Clay and Marlies Hester/5 Mar  
Wilbur Cesar and Dominique Calope/20 Mar  
Walter and Constance Crenshaw/22 Mar  
David and Teresa Mummert/23 Mar

Thomas and Tracy Lovell/24 Mar  
George and Dianne Mattingly/24 Mar  
Patrick and Carolyn Gillroy/26 Mar  
Joseph and Kathy Brincat/28 Mar  
Jose and Lillana Reyes/28 Mar  
Jose and Victoria Lomell/30 Mar  
Jerome and Hyon Hempfling/31 Mar

## Sick, Recovering, and Deceased

Brothers, we ask for your prayers and support for Brothers in need of healing and for prayers for the deceased.

- Jim Buckman
- Bill Linderman
- Dean Jernigan
- Craig Jernigan
- Bill Gorman and family
- Stanley Baker
- Ray Novey
- Mary Litzinger
- Kiet Nguyen's wife
- Reco Cotton's sister-in-law
- Bob Blymer's wife
- Gabe Franco's sister-in-law
- Ted Mauch's sister-in-law
- PJ Mendola
- Ted Mauch's daughter
- Joe O'Brien's daughter

***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.***

# March 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Open Night	2 State Quarterly Meeting
3	4 5:30 pm - Bingo	5 6:30 pm - Pot Luck/Assembly Meeting	6	7 5:30 pm - Bingo	8 Birthday Night	9 OLMC Dinner and Auction
10 DST Begins	11 5:30 pm - Bingo	12 7:00 pm - Council Meeting	13 Ash Wednesday	14 5:30 pm - Bingo	15 Movie Night	16 St. Patrick's Day Dinner (Lounge)
17	18 5:30 pm - Bingo	19 7:00 p.m. - 5480 Club Meeting	20	21 5:30 pm - Bingo  Silver Rose Prayer Service after Daily mass at St. Jerome's	22 Game Night  Fish Fry at St. Jerome's after Stations of the Cross - 6:00 p.m.	23 Biennial 4th Degree Meeting - Palmyra, VA
24 <b>Palm Sunday</b>	25 5:30 pm - Bingo	26 7:00 pm - Council Meeting	27	28 5:30 pm - Bingo  <b>Holy Thursday</b>	29 <b>Good Friday</b>	30/31 <b>Holy Saturday/ Easter Sunday</b>

## **Knight of the Month**

The March 2024 Knight of the Month is Sir Knight Clem Danish. Clem is a relatively young member, having joined the Order in 2014 and the Assembly in 2015. He is, literally, a bright beacon at our charity bingo where he wears colorful suspenders and lights while working the floor. Clem is an innovator. He is the genesis of our Rosary Prayer Card campaign and a dedicated sponsor for the SPRED charity dinner. Currently, Clem is working to revive our Council scholarship committee. When you see Clem at bingo, at fraternal events, or at meetings, take a minute to congratulate him on his accomplishment.

## **Family of the Month**

The March 2024 Family of the Month are the Rosenbaums. They are members of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church. Neil works at the Newport News Shipyard as a procurement planner. Lauren is the Arts teacher at Our Lady of Mount Carmel School. They have two children: Maggie and Neil Jr. In their spare time, they run a kettle corn truck at events and to send popcorn to troops overseas. Neil has been soccer coach at OLMC School and outside clubs. Lauren helps with the Immaculate Conception Church Sunday supper and enjoys running. When you see Neil, Lauren, Maggie, or Neil Jr., please congratulate them on their accomplishment.



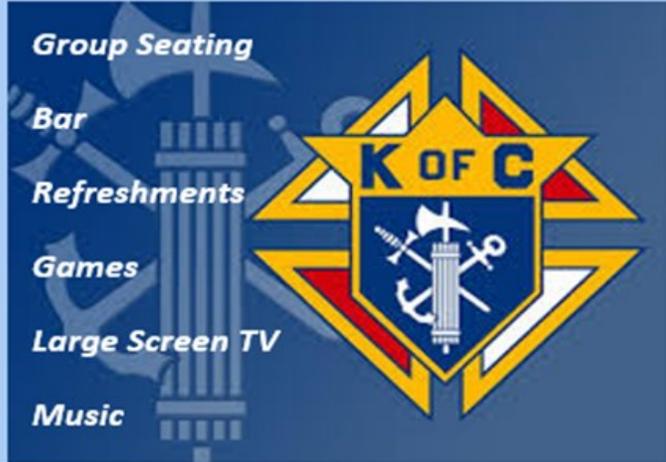
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**Roaring Knights Bartender Schedule  
for the Month**

Date	Day	Description	Bartenders
5	Tuesday	Assembly Mtg.	Howard
8	Friday	Birthday Night	Rios/Hill/Johnson
12	Tuesday	Council Meeting	Johnson/Gerlach
15	Friday	Movie Night	Johnson/Koch
22	Friday	Game Night	McFadden/Schirm
26	Tuesday	Council Meeting	Davulco

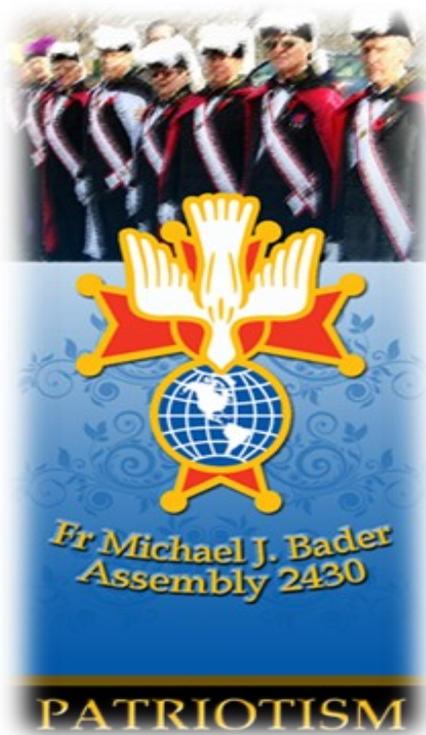
*If a Knight is interested in tending bar or cannot make his scheduled evening, please contact Alberto Ríos at 814-5393 or riostoto@aol.com.*

**Knights Den  
Lounge Information**



*For all lounge rentals, please contact PGK/PFN Carroll Kelley, Lounge Manager.*

**Fr. Michael J. Bader Assembly 2430 Directory**



- Faithful Navigator**  
SK Steve Taylor 869-2952
- Faithful Friar**  
Fr. SK George Prado 877-5021
- Faithful Captain**  
SK Steve Chipman 707-303-5852
- Faithful Pilot**  
SK George Koch 660-1049
- Faithful Comptroller**  
SK Harold Hairston 877-1566
- Faithful Purser**  
SK Bernie Gerlach 877-0126
- Faithful Scribe**  
SK Joe O'Brien 874-7965
- Faithful Admiral**
- Faithful Navigator**  
SK Ted Mauch 282-8519
- Faithful Sentinels**  
SK Reco Cotton (Inner) 508-1398  
SK William Johnson (Inner) 309-1135  
SK Juan Rodriguez (Outer)  
SK Tony Velez (Outer)
- Color Corps Commander**  
SK Louis Federico 870-0573
- Color Corps Vice Commander**  
SK Rick Schirm 310-3242
- Sick and Distressed**  
SK Tony Merendino 872-7113
- Trustees**  
1 Yr: SK Kiet Nguyen  
2 Yr: SK Louis Federico 870-0573  
3 Yr: SK Carroll Kelley 877-4865



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DEGREE**  
*Patriotic degree of the Order.*



# Walter Pollard Council 5480 Directory

## COUNCIL OFFICERS:

Grand Knight	John Edwards	876-8386
Deputy Grand Knight	Ted Mauch	282-8519
Chaplain	Fr. George Prado	877-5021
Financial Secretary	Dan Richards	594-9241
Chancellor	Steve Taylor	869-2952
Warden	John O'Donnell	609-1258
Recorder	Angelo Cavone	469-8303
Treasurer	Harold Hairston	877-1566
Advocate	Carroll Kelley	877-4865
Guards:		
• Inside	Bill Johnson	309-1135
• Inside	Ethan Knobel	
• Outside	Reco Cotton	508-1398
• Outside	Pat McFadden	593-0238
Trustees:		
• One Year	Gabe Franco	877-4423
• Two Year	Joseph Drozdowski	930-3559
• Three Year	Steve Chipman	707-303-5852
Lecturer	Clement Danish	877-2751

## DIRECTORS/CHAIRS:

Membership Director	Steve Taylor	869-2952
Programs Director	Ted Mauch	282-8519
Faith Directors:		
• OLMC	Pat McFadden	593-0238
• St. Jerome	Joe O'Brien	593-1141
• OLQP		
Family Director	Louis Federico	870-0573
Community Director	Fredy Jurkowitsch	804-382-0382
Life Director	Steve Taylor	869-2952
Youth Chairman	TBD	
Youth Outreach	TBD	
Youth Outreach	Dean Jernigan	596-4034
Communications Dir.	Rick Schirm	310-3242
Photographers	Kiet Nguyen	
	Angelo Cavone	469-8303
Health Services	Dan Baker	713-4571
Vocations Chairman	Ted Mauch	282-8519
Public Relations	Rick Schirm	310-3242
Knightly News Editor	Garth Hallenbeck	602-3913
Recruitment Chair	Bill Johnson	309-1135
Retentions Chairman	Steve Chipman	707-303-5852
Insurance Promotion	Todd Curtis	508-0171
KOVAR Co-Chairmen:		

• OLMC	Jessie Powell	254-2181
• St. Jerome	Carroll Kelley	877-4865
KCIC Chairman	Jim Healy	867-5145
Charities	Jim Hooker	596-4765
Adopt-A-Spot	Alberto Rios	814-5393
Boy Scout Liaison	Jonathan Sargent	525-0077
Nocturnal Adoration		
Widows and Orphans	Clement Danish	877-2751
Sick and Distressed	Clement Danish	877-2751
Scheduling	Bernie Gerlach	877-0126
District Deputy	Louis Federico	870-0573
District Warden	Rick Schirm	310-3242
Food Service	Jessie Powell	254-2181
Church Bulletins:		
• OLMC	Carla Johnson	595-0385
• St. Jerome	Andrew Buckles	877-5021
• St. Vincent de Paul	Jeannie Klump	245-4234
• OLQP		764-8582

## VA STATE COUNCIL OFFICIALS FROM 5480:

District Deputy	Louis Federico	870-0573
Warden	Rick Schirm	310-3242
Warden	Juan Rodriguez	

## 5480 CLUB, INC.:

President	Kevin Konouck	602-2179
Vice President	Jessie Powell	254-2181
Secretary	Harold Hairston	877-1566
Treasurer	John Edwards	876-8386
Past President	Bernie Gerlach	877-0126
Grand Knight	John Edwards	876-8386
Faithful Navigator	Steve Taylor	869-2952
Directors:		
• 3 Year	Louis Federico	870-0573
• 3 Year	Steve Chipman	707-303-5852
• 2 Year	Steve Taylor	869-2952
• 2 Year	Joe O'Brien	593-1141
• 1 Year	Carroll Kelley	877-4865
• 1 Year	Reco Cotton	508-1398
Chairmen:		
• Buildings/Grounds	Alberto Rios	814-5393
• Lounge Manager	Carroll Kelley	877-4865
• Rental Agent	Bernie Gerlach	877-0126
• Kitchen Manager	Jessie Powell	254-2181





Greetings, Worthy Brothers and Families,

I want to wish everyone a great March, it is very busy with many important dates and events:

- Saturday, 2 Mar: State Quarterly Meeting (hybrid format).
- Tuesday, 5 Mar: Assembly 2430 Meeting, Potluck 6:30 p.m. | Rosary 7:00 p.m. | Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, 9 Mar: OLMC Dinner and Auction.
- Sunday, 10 Mar: Daylight Saving Time begins.
- Tuesday, 12 Mar: Council Meeting, Rosary 6:30 p.m. | Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday, 16 Mar: Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with Corn Beef and Cabbage Dinner in the Lounge, 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, 19 Mar: Club 5480 Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday, 21 Mar: Following Daily Mass at St. Jerome's, the Knights of Columbus will conduct the Silver Rose Prayer Service; for more information, check out <https://www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/faith-in-action-programs/life/silver-rose.html>.
- Friday, 22 Mar: Fish fry sponsored by the K of C at St. Jerome's after Stations of the Cross, 6:00 p.m.
- Saturday, 23 Mar: 4th Degree Biennial Meeting in Palmyra, VA.
- Tuesday, 26 Mar: Council Meeting, Rosary 6:30 p.m. | Meeting 7:00 p.m.

The Chosen series, Season 4, is continuing on the big screen with Episodes 7-8 at our local movie theaters around town, 29 Feb - 10 Mar.

Bingo takes place on Monday and Thursday at the Council. Please volunteer to ensure that many programs remain successful and funded!

One more thing—who do you know that would make a great brother Knight? Will you ask him to join you at one of the events above with their families? Finding like-minded men ensures our future as a Council while creating a great community!

Ask, Seek, Knock!

***Ted Mauch, Deputy Grand Knight, Walter Pollard Council 5480***



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