



The Knightly News

Roanoke Council No. 562

ROANOKE COUNCIL 562: SERVING OUR PRIESTS, PARISHES AND COMMUNITY SINCE 1901

Grand Knight's Report



Karl D. Kleinhenz,
Grand Knight

Brothers, I hope this finds you well and recovering from the shock that a new year is upon us. I trust everyone had a joyful Christmas season. Now it is time to get back to work and reality. Our Financial Secretary has mailed dues notices. Please respond promptly.

We had a wonderful turnout at the Adult Christmas Party. Thanks to **Brothers Gene Stupin, Jack Biggio, Tom Engl, John Church, Mike Lazzuri, Jim Sullivan, Val Bernys, Paul Miller, Jan Hodnett,** and

everyone else who pitched in to make the evening run smoothly. Thanks also to **Brother Mark Noell** for his efforts in including Roanoke Catholic School parents and staff.

If you were at the Christmas party, you may have noticed that there had been some work done recently on the Council home. The walls have been painted and chair rail has been installed. Additional improvements are planned in the next few weeks. This is all due to the efforts of a Brother Knight who has worked hard to get contracts in place for this work. For this, I would like to name Brother Yengst Knight of the Month for December.

With the new year, students' thoughts turn to choosing a college, and parents thoughts turn to "How am I going to pay for that!?" Well, the Knights have a solution. Three scholarship programs are offered

through the K of C. The first is sponsored by Supreme. You can find details on its Website <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/about/contact/scholarships.html> The second is sponsored by the Virginia Knights of Columbus. Details are available on its Website: http://vakofc.org/documents/Fr_Bader_Scholarship_Programs.pdf The third is sponsored by Council 562. Details will be available soon on the Council Website.

There are some upcoming events of which I want to make you aware. First, there will be a 2nd Degree exemplification on Saturday, January 28. For all of you Brother Knights who have recently taken your 1st Degree, this is an opportunity to advance in the Order. Next, we will have a Super Bowl party on Sunday, February 5. This was a popular event last year, and we are planning to make it exciting this year. Finally, we cannot forget the upcoming Youth Basketball Tournament in February. Brother Yengst may be asking you for help with that.

We have great plans for the upcoming year, and things are coming together nicely, thanks to the dedication and hard work of our members. I want you to know that I appreciate all that you do for the Council and the community

Please remember that the next Business Meeting has been moved to January 16.

Vivat Jesus

- - - Karl Kleinhenz, Grand Knight

Chaplain's Report

Dear Brother and Sir Knights,

Another year of grace has begun! AD 2012, AD the Latin abbreviation of *Anno Domini*, in the year of the Lord 2012. Time is moving on, another opportunity God is giving us to grow closer to Him. May our lives reflect the prophet Micah's exhortation (6:8): "You have been told, O man, what is good, and what the Lord requires of you; only to do the right and to love goodness, and to walk humbly with your God."

Looking forward is a Christian attitude because it implies a positive outlook, a hopeful outlook. There are so many goals to achieve, so many projects to complete, perhaps even the proverbial resolutions to work on, and it's all geared toward improvement. Yet there are challenges that lie ahead too, and it is precisely here that we can rely on the grace of God and the help of our Brother Knights.

A grace-filled New Year to all!

- - - Father René Castillo, Chaplain

Council Officers

Grand Knight	Karl Kleinhenz	397-4028
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**IN CASE OF ILLNESS, NEED OR DEATH,
PLEASE NOTIFY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:**

Grand Knight	982-8140
Chaplain	343-7744
Financial Sec.	774-8482

562 COUNCIL HOME

3136 Harris Street, Roanoke, VA 24015
 Mail: PO Box 715, Roanoke, VA 24004
 Phone: 540-774-8296
 www.kofc562.org
 Business Meeting
 1st Monday of Month—7:30pm
 Social Meeting
 3rd Monday of Month—6:30pm

Council Activities

Our annual Adult Christmas Party was held on Saturday, December 10 at the Council home. We had a great turnout of about 75 people, including some guests from Roanoke Catholic. Those who attended enjoyed a great meal provided by **Brothers Gene Stupin, Tom Engl, John Church and Mike Lazzuri**, and holiday music provided by **Brother Jack Biggio**. The meal was served by some members of the OLN Youth Group, who also helped with clean-up. Following dinner, guests were given the chance at wonderful gifts from Brother Gene Stupin with his famous card game gift giveaway. The improvements to the Council home helped add a special touch to the evening.

I'd like to thank the following additional Knights for their help decorating, setting-up of tables, pre and post-party hall clean-up and working the door: **Brothers Stephen Ratliff, Matt Duffy**, and his wife Sonia, **Steve Talevi, Roc Bruzugul, Dave Chopski**, and **Val Bernys**. I'd also like to recognize my daughter, **Maggie Hodnett**, who helped decorate the Clubroom. Thanks also to **Brother Jim Sullivan** and his bar staff, and a special thank you to **Grand Knight Karl Kleinhenz** for seeing that the evening ran smoothly in my absence.

Sunday, February 5, will be our **Annual Super Bowl Party**. The Council home will open by 5:30 p.m. with the game scheduled to begin about one hour later. Delicious food (what else, right?) will be available for one low price, \$5.00 (cheap!), and your favorite football beverages will be available. Children under 10 years of age will be free.

- - - Jan Hodnett, Council Activities Chairman

Youth Activities



I am happy to announce that two businesses have joined us in promoting youth activities in the Roanoke Valley by becoming sponsors of our Tournaments: **McDonald's - Vinton**, owned and operated by **Brother Bob Lewis**, and **First Team Auto Mall**, dealers in Hyundai, Nissan, Subaru, VW and used vehicles. As sponsors, they have their logos placed on the Tournament web page, and they will have their banners displayed at the gyms during the Tournament games, their logo placed on the Tournament t-shirts, and will receive a full page ad in the Tournament program. Please patronize these businesses, and let them know that you appreciate their support of our work for youth.

If you know of other businesses that would like the exposure they can receive as a sponsor of our Tournaments, please contact me at 556-8883 and we will get an information package to them.

- - - Paul Yengst, Tournaments Director



Happy Birthday Brother Knights!

Ray Biggio	Alex Fekas	Tim Rowe
Charles Blevins	Chuck Hatcher, III	John Sheridan
Gary Boyd	Jan Hodnett	Mike Slenski
Tim Brady	Chris Hoesser	Richard Taylor
Roc Bruzugul	Slaon Hoopes, PGK	Dan Torres
Chip Casola	Rob Kennedy	Daniel Turk
Nick Centrone	Mike Lazzuri, PSD	Nick Waddell
Joe Colosimo, Jr.	Alex Nelson, III	Rick Waddell
David Cummings	Kevin Oddo	Ted Wierzbic
Joe DeRiggi	Matt O'Herron	Gary Yamine
Jack Ellinwood, Jr.	Bob Poole, PGK	Ed Zelski



Standing (L-R) are Brothers Jim Rowe, Tim Rowe, Jr., Tim Rowe, Daniel Rowe, and PGK Bob Canfield. Brother Daniel, who just turned 18 years of age last month, took his First Degree this month, joining his two grandfathers as members of Council 562. Together, this family has 125 years of membership in the Knights of Columbus!

Newsletter

With the New Year upon us, it may be a good time to review policies pertaining to the Newsletter.

All articles and information must be submitted in electronic form to me on or before the 15th of each month. This policy is inviolate because with the number of people who can or must submit articles or information, one of them will ask for an extension which holds up the entire newsletter. In addition to the delay, it may cause a hardship on me or our typist. Finally, time does not permit me to write articles, check them for accuracy, or follow-up to obtain more complete information.

Articles which do not have sufficient information, are not in narrative form (i.e., are "bullet points" or summaries of information), or do not reflect the policies or beliefs of the Knights of Columbus or the Catholic Church are subject to being rejected. Unfortunately, articles which exceed space limitations are subject to being edited to fit or being considered for publication at a later date.

No article will be published anonymously; all articles will be signed by a Brother Knight. Articles within the six (6) activity areas, or standing committees, will be published over the name of the pertinent activity chairman's name or committee chairman's name. The reason for this policy is to ensure consistent communication within the Council for any event.

Any Brother Knight who wishes to receive the newsletter in electronic form and not hard-copy (and we already have many who do just that) should so advise me by e-mail at Talevis@Verizon.net.

I hope you are delighted with the quality of our newsletter for the past 18 months. Please let me know, if you have any questions or suggestions.

- - - Steven J. Talevi, Newsletter Editor

Membership

Brothers, about 25 years ago, I arrived from Charleston, West Virginia, knowing essentially no one. I decided that if I was ever going to "fit in" to my new home, I needed to meet people and find ways to become active in the community. A fellow named Mike Lazzuri told me about an organization called the Knights of Columbus and handed me an application for membership.

At my first meeting, the Grand Knight, Jimmy Downs, asked if I wanted to help in this fund drive called KOVAR. He explained generally what it was all about and introduced me to the then-chairman, Ray Walter. Ray told me that the Fund Drive was only six weeks away, and because he had just been appointed to serve on the Board of Directors at the state level, he asked whether I could be Council 562's KOVAR chairman. I remained in that position for seven years during which time we raised nearly \$125,000.00 for KOVAR, and we led the state for most money raised for two years.

I tell you all of this because it illustrates very clearly not only how the Knights of Columbus can help the community, but also how joining the Knights can help the Brother Knight. From being an active, hands-on, chairman of an important service to the community, I wound up meeting and knowing over 200 brother Knights in Roanoke Council 562. Doing so allowed me to follow some of the advice my father gave me many years ago: "(1) Help your friends. Always help your friends, and (2) Put something back."

Our organization is an outstanding avenue for Catholic men to support almost any of the many charitable organizations or causes in the Roanoke Valley. If you know a gentleman friend who might be interested in doing just that, why not sidle up to him in Church or at work and ask whether he would like to become a member of our Order? Sometimes all it takes is a man asking another to join.

- - - Steve Talevi, Membership Chairman

First Degree

Next First Degree is March 19, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. Please remember to accompany any candidate you sponsor, if possible.

- - - Steve Talevi, Membership Chairman

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1 New Year's Day! 	2 Business Meeting Rescheduled to January 16, 2012	3	4	5	6	7
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15 Newsletter Deadline	16 Business Meeting 7:30pm	17	18	19	20	21 RAM House
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