



# THE KNIGHTLY NEWS

Roanoke Council #562 Newsletter

September—October 2014

## September Calendar

9/1—Labor Day  
9/2—Business Meeting 7:30 PM  
9/11—Patriot Day  
9/15—First Degree/Social  
Meeting 6:30 PM  
9/22—4th Degree Meeting  
7:30 PM  
9/27—Soccer Challenge

## October Calendar

10/5—Pancake Breakfast at OLN  
10/6—Business Meeting 7:30 PM  
10/9—Retiree's Luncheon  
10/13—Columbus Day  
10/19—Pancake Breakfast at  
St. Elias  
10/27—4th Degree Meeting  
7:30 PM  
10/28—KOVAR Night at Abuelo's  
10/31—Halloween Trunk or Treat

## In Case of Illness, Need or Death, Please Notify One of the Following

Grand Knight	366-5102
Spiritual Leader	525-9408
Financial Sec	774-8482

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Roanoke, VA 24018

## Grand Knight's Report

Congratulations to our Hunger Is Not a Game Committee of 2013-2014 (*our Council 562's local food drive for hungry school children*), led by Brother Knights Joe Colosimo and Bill DeBerry! This subcommittee of Youth Activities worked extremely hard last year and achieved outstanding results through teamwork and dedication. Knights of Columbus Supreme recognized this program internationally and awarded our council with the Supreme 2013-2014 Youth Activities Award at the 2014 Supreme Convention in Orlando. I was privileged to accept the award on behalf of Council 562.



Grand Knight, Bobby Ellis

Please note that nominations are now being accepted for the open 4-year term on the Canfield Scholarship Committee. All interested Brother Knights should contact the Grand Knight so all proper nominations will be considered at the October business meeting's election.

**This will be Council 562's last printed newsletter.** The council officers made this difficult decision after long and careful consideration due to the expense involved. Going forward the newsletter will be posted to our council website for viewing at <http://kofc562.org> and there will be no more paper copies.

We're looking for a volunteer to assist Brother Knight Glen Waldis with the upcoming fraternal year's newsletter. Brother Waldis has requested assistance due to conflicting obligations during the year. Please contact the Grand Knight or Brother Waldis as soon as possible to offer your services. Thank you!

In closing this month, let's always remember one of Pope Francis' quotes appearing in the August edition of *The Catholic Virginian*. "Stop being negative ... to talk badly about others indicates low self-esteem. Letting go of negative things quickly is healthy. We can agree to disagree with others, but should not harbor negative feelings toward anyone, and work together in charity, unity, and fraternity.

Your friend in Christ,

Bobby Ellis, Grand Knight

# Spiritual Leader's Message

Driving back from Richmond recently I could not help but notice that the summer growing season was well in progress. Farmer's stands were offering homegrown beans and other vegetables, grain was growing in the fields, and hay was being cut in some places. All these things were wonderful reminders of the bounty that God provides for us.

The Gospel on the 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time also talked about the traditional themes of sowing, growing and harvest. With the warm days of July and August, it is easy to forget that fall will come and with it, the harvest. The busyness of our lives today also encourages us to think in the short term; I believe that a Christian needs to think ahead and remember our primary purpose in life – to worship and praise Almighty God at all times. By doing this, we follow the path God has set for us.

It is essential for us to remember that our time on earth is finite; however, we are all Eternal Beings – our future is infinite, everlasting. That is God's great gift to us. It is a free gift; however we must cooperate in FAITH with God's plan in order to spend our eternity with the Blessed Trinity.

Harvest is a biblical metaphor for the end time and the judgment we all face. The adversary would rather we not think about such things. In this age Satan provides with endless material trivia with which to busy ourselves. A plan that seems to be working all too well; when people focus solely on the short-term nothings of life, eternity slips away.

Remember brothers, YOU are the only one who can save your soul. The Grand Knight cannot do that for you, nor can the Pope, not even your spouse. Remember the harvest is coming. Use your time wisely - pray for yourself and all those around you. Be ready when the reaping begins.

Deacon Stephen O'Connell

## South City Knights Football Equipment Resolution

The following resolution will be voted upon at the September 2 business meeting.

Whereas, Council 562 has a long history of supporting the South City Knights recreation league, and

Whereas, expenditures of council funds greater than \$500 require publication prior to a vote to authorize said expenditure, and

Whereas, this publication has previously been in the form of an annual council budget, and

Whereas, South City Knights has requested money to purchase football equipment for this Fall, and

Whereas, the council has not yet approved an annual budget, therefore

Be it resolved that Council 562 authorize the expenditure of \$1,000 from the Youth Activities fund payable to South City Knights for the purpose or purchasing football equipment.

Respectfully submitted,

John Krumpas

# Fraternal Year Calendar

## September

15—First Degree  
27—Soccer Challenge

## October

5—Pancake Breakfast at OLN  
9—Retiree Luncheon  
19—Pancake Breakfast at St. Elias  
28—KOVAR Night at Abuelo's  
31—Halloween Trunk or Treat

## November

8—Past Grand Knight's Dinner  
15—First Degree and New Member  
Program Review  
16—Pancake Breakfast at  
St. Andrew's  
17—Memorial Mass for Deceased  
Knights and Ladies  
18—Retiree Luncheon

## December

13—Council Christmas Party  
18—Retiree Luncheon

## February

1—Super Bowl Party  
17—KOVAR Night at Montano's  
19—Retiree Luncheon

## March

28—Easter Egg Hunt

## April

10—KOVAR Drive  
16—Retiree Luncheon  
17—KOVAR Drive  
24—KOVAR Drive

## May

1-3—State Convention  
2—Casino Night at Thunderbird Club  
15—KOVAR Drive  
22—KOVAR Drive

## June

1—Election of Officers  
18—Retiree Luncheon

# Council Officers

Grand Knight	Bobby Ellis	355-5102
Dep. Grand Knight	Bill DeBerry	343-7849
Spiritual Leader	Stephen O'Connell	525-9408
Chancellor	Richard Whitney	443-465-7742
Recorder	Stephen Ratliff	774-4796
Financial Secretary	Michael Lazzuri	774-8482
Treasurer	P.J. Lyons	562-8332
Lecturer	David Chopski	344-0901
Advocate	Joe Colosimo	989-7969
Warden	Alex Nelson	774-5079
Inside Guard	Tom Huck	704-749-3018
Outside Guard	Glen Hall	315-5616
Trustee, 3 Year	Jim Sullivan	774-7034
Trustee, 2 Year	Karl Kleinhenz	397-4028
Trustee, 1 Year	Bob Canfield	774-7554

# First Degrees Scheduled

We have a First Degree scheduled for Monday, September 15. We also have a First Degree scheduled for Saturday, November 15 at the council home with breakfast and a short program to follow. Sponsors with candidates should contact the Grand Knight or the Financial Secretary.

## Form #100 Belongs in All of These Places

- Briefcase
- In Your Pocket
- Near Your Phone
- Glove Compartment
- Everywhere You Go!

**SIGN UP A  
NEW MEMBER  
TODAY!**



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# Committee Chairmen

Program Director	John Krumpas	989-1985
Council Activities	Bill DeBerry Glen Waldis	343-7849 982-0835
Community Activities	Joe Colosimo	989-7969
Family Activities	Alex Nelson Tom Huck	774-5079 704-749-3018
Youth Activities	Paul Yengst John Krumpas	556-8883 989-1985
Church Activities	Pat Reidy	725-8206
KOVAR	Don Feick John Krumpas	774-0187 989-1986
Charity	Joe Abbateello Mike Lazzuri Bill DeBerry Rich Whitney Glen Waldis Brian Ripple	989-6146 774-8482 343-7849 443-465-7742 982-0835 776-8285
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Kitchen	John Church Michael Lazzuri Steve Wirth	588-7968 774-8482 797-8812
KCIC	Karl Kleinhenz Joe Devlin	982-8140 206-2622
Membership	Mike Herron Jan Hodnett	533-5088 772-4125
Ceremonials	Bill Howard Rich Whitney	989-9399 443-465-7742
Canfield Scholarship	Bobby Ellis Karl Kleinhenz Pat Patterson Joe Moses Bob Canfield	397-4028 982-8140 815-6105 389-0309 774-7554
Retention	Joe Abbateello Pat Reidy John Krumpas Bill DeBerry	989-6246 725-8206 989-1985 309-5655
Publicist	Bill Howard	989-9399
RC School Board	Alex Nelson	774-5079
OLN Parish Rep	Don Feick	774-0187
St. Elias Parish Rep	Jim Donckers	345-3902
St. Andrews Parish	P.J. Lyons	562-8332
K of C Insurance Field Agent	Tom Loviza	804-307-0086
Pool	Jim Donckers Joe Devlin George Cuadrado P.J. Lyons	345-3902 206-2622 989-1758 562-8322
House	Glen Hall Tom Huck	315-5616 704-479-3019
Rental	Joe Colosimo	989-7969
Club Room	P.J. Lyons Paul Miller Tom Huck	562-8332 339-8657 704-479-3018

## September Birthdays

Eugene F. Brady  
Donald R. Alouf  
Charles B. Baughan, Jr.  
Marshall F. Brillhart  
George J. Palmerio  
Joseph J. Stack  
Michael J. Kolnok, Jr.  
Thomas W. Skelly  
Joe H. Thompson  
Robert R. Rondeau  
Teofil Grochowski, Jr.  
Robert G. Ellis  
Larry Meadows  
John J. Reinwald  
Jimmy L. Ribble  
Ray E. Correia  
Beverly L. Hodgins  
Walter E. Niccolls  
James J. Christiano II  
John F. Rowland  
H. Patrick Russell  
David W. Alderman  
David P. Callahan  
Matthew C. Juszczak  
Brian M. Ripple  
Albert Marraccini  
Joseph G. Kosty  
Daniel P. Maloney  
Nathan J. Stoehr

## October Birthdays

Joseph E. Blasiolo  
Peter V. Martin  
John J. Meise, Sr.  
Joseph A. Abbatello  
Peter J. Ragone  
Michael J. Williams  
Daniel J. Keeley  
Patrick W. Patterson  
Christopher A. Talevi  
James A. McNamara, Jr.  
Joseph S. Rosenberg  
George E. Pufko, Jr.  
Stephen B. Ratliff  
James T. Donckers  
Daniel W. Austin  
Edward R. Myers  
Wayne K. Parker  
Anthony M. Hopper  
David W. Harris  
Louis W. Mehrmann  
Les M. Schmidt  
John L. Mercer  
Norbert F. Steahly, Jr.  
Glenn C. Hall  
Lawrence A. Forbish  
David W. Peters  
Andrew M. Fornecker  
James Sullivan  
Michael A. Grant  
Stephen A. Couture  
David P. Feron

# Program Director's Report

In case you haven't already read about it, our Council was awarded the **Best Youth Activities Project Award** at the **Supreme Convention** for our 'Hunger Is Not a Game' food drive to help feed the hungry school kids in Roanoke! This meant that Roanoke Council 562 had the most outstanding community KC project in the **whole world!** While it is gratifying to be recognized, we must remember that the same need still exists and we must continue our efforts.

As this is the last newsletter that will be mailed out to everyone, we have included the **Council's Calendar of Events for the 2014 – 2015** fraternal year. I would hope that you will save this calendar and refer to it throughout the year to stay informed as to what your Council is planning. The dates listed are the currently scheduled dates, but please bear in mind that nothing in life is ever totally unchangeable. If there are changes, we will do our best to notify everyone.

Several Council functions of note are happening in the next several months: a KOVAR benefit night at **Abuelo's Mexican Restaurant** is scheduled in October, the **Past Grand Knights Dinner** and the **Memorial Mass** for deceased Knights and Ladies are in November, and the adult **Council/Assembly Christmas Party** is in December. Both the Past Grand Knight Dinner and the Christmas Party are catered so we will need headcounts for them. Please call John Krumpas (960-1825) or Bobby Ellis (366-5102) at least three days before the event if you are attending. Those who bring a wrapped gift (\$5 - \$10 value) to the Christmas party will participate in the Dirty Santa gift exchange; so start looking for that gift.

In addition to the annual **Superbowl Party** in February, this year we also have the **NCAA Football Championship Playoffs**, culminating in the Championship game in mid-January. We will also be hosting our **Second Annual Casino Night** in May.

Thursday **RETIREE LUNCHEONS** continue through the coming year. The dates or those through December are firm, while those in 2015 are tentative at this time. Remember, you do not have to be a Knight or be retired to come to these Thursday events. There is no cost, but we do accept donations.

Our charitable works not only include our annual KOVAR drives to assist the Intellectually Disabled, but also include the **pancake breakfasts** we do at each of our parishes to raise money for their special needs. In October, we will be serving at **OLN and at St. Elias**. The **St. Andrews** breakfast will be in November. And, as previously mentioned, we continue our food drives to help feed hungry school kids. One was held in August and others will be scheduled throughout the year as we are able to get permission from the grocery stores around the city. Please be will to help when you are called to help with one of these events.

We have several noteworthy youth activities ongoing. Our **Squires Circle** held its Installation of Officers at our Council home in August and looks forward to growing and working at Roanoke Catholic School. Since our basketball tournament appears to have ceased being of interest to local youth basketball teams, Joshua Stokes is exploring a couple of other ideas to replace it. These include a wrestling tournament and a 'highlands games' kind of tournament. And of course we will have a **Halloween 'Trunk or Treat'** and an **Easter Egg Hunt** for the kiddies. Mark your calendars...even if you don't have kids, come, participate and enjoy the reactions of the children!

John Krumpas, Program Director

# Hunger is Not a Game

Grand Knight Bobby Ellis and Past State Deputy Bill Howard attended the Supreme Convention of the Knights of Columbus in Orlando, Florida, to receive the top Youth Award entitled "Hunger is Not a Game" for the best international youth program in 2013-2014.

This program was coordinated by Joe Colisimo and Past State Deputy Bill DeBerry. Many knights and their families volunteered their time and money to collect snacks and food for the underprivileged kids.

Kroger on Brambleton Avenue was the primary location where foods and snacks were purchased and donated. All foods were then delivered to Breckinridge Middle School, which was the clearinghouse for the other schools in the valley, and then distributed to the inner city kids in need. In addition to the knights, the Roanoke City and Roanoke County Police Departments collected food and donations at Kroger and also helped deliver the truckloads to Breckinridge.

Volunteers donated 320 man hours and donations of food, drinks, and money totaled \$4,300, of which \$500 was donated by St. Elias Catholic Church.

In addition to our thanks to the knights and their families, we want to offer a special thanks to Roanoke County Police Chief Hall, Roanoke City Police Chief Perkins, and Roanoke City Crime and Prevention Specialist Scott Leaman.



GK Bobby Ellis Pictured with Supreme Grand Knight and State Leadership  
L to R: PSD Tony Fortunato , Pauline Fortunato, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson, GK Bobby Ellis, Lucretia Burnley, State Deputy Stephen Burnley



GK Bobby Ellis and PSD Bill Howard Accept Supreme Youth Activities Award



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