



#### THE KNIGHTLY NEWS

**Roanoke Council #562 Newsletter** 

December, 2016

#### **Upcoming Events**

**11/30** (Wednesday) Essay contest submissions due (see November Newsletter)

**12/5** (Monday) December business meeting 7:30 PM (Food served 6:30 PM)

**12/15** (Thursday) All Are Welcome Luncheon — 12:00 at the Council Home

**12/19** (Monday) Social meeting (Food served 6:30 PM)

12/25 (Sunday) Christmas

1/1/17 (Sunday) New Year's

**1/2/17** (Monday) January business meeting 7:30 PM (Food served 6:30 PM)

**1/16/17** (Monday) First Degree Ceremonial - Roanoke Council Home 7:30

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#### **Grand Knight's Report**

Well, December is here and we will soon be celebrating the most joyous event of the year...Christmas! By its very nature, Christmas is a family time and I hope that all of us can spend it with our loved ones!

Our Keep Christ In Christmas (KCIC) Card sales is in full swing. Remember, the profits from our Council's sales help our Council



John Krumpos, Grand Knight

support several seminarians. We purchase the cards from the State Council KCIC committee and the State Council makes money from all of the card sales though out the state for use in its charitable programs. This year half of the State's profits will be used for Pro-life projects, donations to VKCCI to help Virginians with urgent problems and to KOVAR to help organizations serving the Intellectually Disabled. The other half of the State's profits will be rebated to the Roanoke Council as sort of "management fee" since our members lead the State Council KCIC Committee. This share of the State KCIC profits has historically funded our scholarships given to the families of Council members.

As you can see, keeping Christ in Christmas does more than remind the world that the holiday is far more than a reason to make merry and exchange gifts, it also helps many, many people in Virginia. So, help us by spreading the word amongst your friends and in your parishes. Also, don't forget to buy your KCIC cards! And soon!!!

The last of annual Benefit Breakfasts was held at St. Elias in November. The Knights and St. Elias Men's Group raised \$300 for projects at St. Elias. (Continued, P2)

#### November Business Meeting Highlights

- Grand Knight John Krumpos reminded the council of several important upcoming events (in chronological order):
  - Veterans' Day Parade Saturday, 11/5
  - Election Day Tuesday, 11/8
  - Memorial Mass Monday, 11/21
  - Essay Contest Submissions due Wednesday, 11/30. The Council approved \$250 for awards to the contest winners.
- Applications for 3 transfer members were approved.
- A donation of \$500 was presented to seminarian David Arellano
- Nominations are solicited for Young Man / Young Woman of the Year. The Council approved \$100 as awards to the recipients
- The 2017 Free Throw Contest has been scheduled for January 30.
- The next All Are Welcome Luncheon is scheduled for Thursday, 12/16 (see separate article)
- A motion was approved to send all three parishes \$100 (each) for food baskets for the poor.
- A resolution was approved to Support Brother Knight Brian Ripple for election to office in the Virginia State Council.
- Field Agent Clyde Moak will be opening an office in Downtown Roanoke by the end of the year.
- Recruiting of new members was stressed. Our next Initiation (1<sup>st</sup>) Degree is scheduled for Monday 1/16/17.
- Sales of Christmas Cards as part of the KCIC program is continuing at all the parishes.
- Prayers were offered for Brother Knights sick or in distress:
  - Alex Nelson continuing to recover from a stroke
  - Paul Miller recent injury
  - Mike Whelan continuing to recover from a stroke



#### **Grand Knight's Report**

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Earlier, Knights raised almost \$975 at OLN to aid the Parish in its support of a school in Haiti. Knights and Columbian Squires served breakfast at St. Andrew to raised \$815 for the Roanoke Catholic School scholarship fund.

HEADS UP! Bingo may be coming back. The Fincastle Council has been working to get back into Bingo. If successful, the bingo would be on Saturdays in Vinton. A lot of details to be worked out, but they are moving fast and may have a commitment by month's end. Those who worked in the past please take note and be ready to help out again! Income potentially could be \$1,000 per week distributed to those council's participating.

It is with great joy that I report that Brother Alex Nelson attended the November meeting! It has been several months since Alex suffered his medical problem and it is very good to see him recovered enough to attend meetings! Welcome back Alex!!!

I am also pleased to announce that Brian and Stacey Ripple and their children, Allison and Benjamin, are our Family of the Month for December! Brian and Stacy have been deeply involved within the Order for many years and are currently active at the State level. In addition, Brian continues to be a blessing to our Council. While many who have served seem to "retire" after they complete their term, Brian continues on! This year, he stepped forward and volunteered to shoulder our Youth Activities. Already, he, daughter Allison and her friend staffed the Council, District and Regional Soccer Challenge. He has also scheduled the Free Throw Competition for January 21st and is in the midst of a youth essay contest and seeking nominations for Outstanding Boy and Girl Award. Well done Brian and Stacy! Congratulations!!!

John Krumpos, Grand Knight Roanoke Council 562

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In case of illness, need, or death, please notify one of the following:

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Youth	Brian Ripple	540-776-8285
KOVAR	Don Feick	540-774-0187
Membership	Clyde Moak	540-797-7594
Ceremonials	Rich Whitney	443-465-7742
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	Jim Sullivan	540-774-7034
	Mike Lazzuri	540-774-8482
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St Elias	Jim Donkers	540-345-3902

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## **Keep Christ in Christmas**

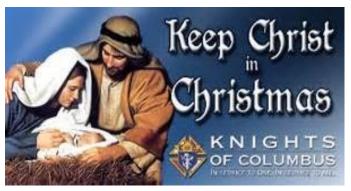
Our annual "Keep Christ in Christmas – Send Religious Christmas Cards" campaign is underway and will be operating for a couple more weeks. Since 1989, Catholics in Virginia have sent over 4.4 million spiritual messages. Profits are used to fund college scholarships, support seminarians, and contribute to critical right-to-life endeavors.

Please support this program by spending a few minutes after the mass you normally attend to promote this great program in your parish. See your local parish coordinator for more details:

 St. Elias- Jim Donckers
 540-345-3902

 OLN - Rich Whitney
 443-4657742

 St. Andrews- Chuck Hatcher
 540-314-3360



#### **Memorial Mass**

The annual Memorial Mass was celebrated on Monday, November 21 by Fr. Jose Arce. A reception with hors d'oeuvres followed. This year we will memorialized Brothers Charles Baughman, Joseph Blasiole, Matt Duffy and Robert Reiner, and Ladies Sonya Duffy, Sonya Whitney, and Mary Olander.



## **Upcoming Degree Exemplifications**

- January, 16, 2017 (Monday) 1st Degree Roanoke (Tentative)
- March 18, 2017 (Saturday) 1st/2nd Degrees Roanoke (Tentative)
- 4th Degree Exemplification TBA.
   Contact any 4th Degree member for application.



## Attend our Meetings and Help Pay the Bills!

Early this year, Brothers Val Bernys and Jim Sullivan began preparing simple meals to serve before our business and social meetings...the first and third Mondays of the month starting at 6:30 PM.

We can report that the Corporation is on a sound footing this year, but that doesn't mean we can relax. Consequently, the Grand Knight has designated that both meals are Corporate events and that the profits from them will go to help pay the monthly utility bills of the Corporation.

Show your support of the Council Home by coming to at least one of our monthly meetings and eating with us!

## Donate to VKCCI It's Easy and Fully Tax Deductible!

As you prepare to make your end of tax year donations, please consider VKCCI. VKCCI is a tax exempt charity corporation under 501(c) (3) of the U.S. Tax Code. Contributions by check, made payable to **VKCCI**, should be mailed to:

Ronald P. Gorman, PSD, Treasurer Virginia Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. 116 Meredith Way,

Newport News, VA 23606-1160.

Contributions can also be made by credit card by visiting the Virginia State Council website at www.vakofc.org, clicking on the blue **VKCCI Donations** button on the right side of the home page, and completing your transaction. All major credit cards are accepted.









## December All Are Welcome Luncheon

The All Are Welcome Luncheon will be held on Thursday December 15 at the Roanoke Council Home with doors opening at 11:30 and lunch being served at noon. You are reminded that you do not need to be a Knight or the member of a Knight's family as lunch is available for all. Take a break from Christmas shopping and come have lunch,

socialize with others, and maybe meet new friends. This month's menu will include Italian Wedding Soup, Salad, and Ravioli with homemade sauce, rounded off with a selection of pies. As usual there is no charge but donations will be accepted.



## Catholic Historical Society Museum News

Things have been progressing quite nicely at the Museum. New lights have been installed in the back area thanks to Joe Givens

The spaghetti dinner and showing of the movie *The Letters: The Untold Story of Mother Teresa* at Roanoke Catholic School on September 15<sup>th</sup> was a huge success. More than 200 meals were served and the movie was very enjoyable.

We have continued to reach out to parishes, businesses and other organizations, and the response has been excitingly positive. We are looking at partnering with other organizations for future fund raising projects.

We have begun a scholarship program with Roanoke Catholic School whereby we will donate a portion of the proceeds from any fund raising activity we undertake in conjunction with RCS to their scholarship fund.

Annual memberships continue to grow. We thank all of the members from 2016. We will again be holding a membership raffle for all those who send their 2017 dues by February 17<sup>th</sup>. The 2017 membership form is on Page 6.

Please visit the Religious Goods Store for Bibles, missals, Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation gifts, medals, prayer cards, rosaries, and more. The store is open during normal business hours. Proceeds support the operation of the Museum

The museum has space for classes, lectures, meetings and prayer groups. We would love to host your function. If you have items that were previously loaned from the Museum, or that you wish to donate and have particular significance to the Catholic heritage in Roanoke, please contact us at 540 556 7240.

The Museum will host a **Low Country Boil** fund raiser. This will be a fun filled evening complete with Cajun style sea food, Zydeco music, prizes, and of course, King cake. Tickets will be available at the museum or from a board member. No tickets will be sold at the door, so get yours early.

**When** Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup> 5-8 pm **Where** Our Lady of Nazareth Church

Cost Tickets will be pre-sold for \$25, \$10 for children 15 and under, with no charge for children under 6.



### Catholic Historical Society 2017 Membership Form

Name:
Address:
Phone:
Email:
Parish you attend:
An annual <b>\$20 Individual</b> membership
An annual <b>\$50 Friend of the Museum</b> membership
An annual <b>\$150 Sponsor</b> membership
An annual <b>\$250 Benefactor</b> membership
I wish to donate in lieu of membership.
I wish to dedicate my membership/donation in the name of

#### **Soccer Challenge Winners**



Winners of Regional/State Soccer Challenge receive awards at the Council 562 Meeting on November 7. Pictured above are GK John Krumpos and DD Claude Steel with the winners.

#### Daddy Daughter Dance

Brother's Mike Hopkins and Dale Hall are teaming up to bring us a "Daddy Daughter Dance" sometime in February. This event will be open to all fathers and grandfathers to bond with their daughters and granddaughters in a fun environment. Details will be in the next newsletter.

### **KofC Donation to Roanoke Catholic Scholarship Fund**



Roanoke Catholic Principal and Brother Knight Pat Patterson receives checks totaling \$851 from Knights of Columbus Council Grand Knight John Krumpos, donated by the St. Andrew Parish at the recent Benefit Breakfasts, for the Roanoke Catholic Scholarship Fund.

#### **Cemetery Manager Needed**

St. Andrew's Diocesan Cemetery is seeking a Business Manager. This is a part time position (~20 hours/week). The position requires supervising all Cemetery operations and contractors, sales of plots, and preparing and maintaining records and financial accounts. Computer literacy is a must. Base salary and commission. A job description is available

at <u>www.standrewscemetery.org/ manager.pdf</u>. To apply, please email qualifications to <u>board@standrewscemetery.org</u>