

THE KNIGHTLY NEWS

Roanoke Council #562 Newsletter

September, 2017

Upcoming Events

9/5 (Tuesday) RESCHEDULED DUE TO LABOR DAY September business meeting 7:30 PM (Food served 6:30 PM)

9/14 (Thursday) CHMRV Spaghetti Dinner and Movie—Roanoke Catholic Cafetria 5:00-7:00.

9/18 (Monday) Initiation (1st) Degree Ceremonial—Roanoke Council Home. Candidates report by 7:00, ceremony starts 7:30.

9/24-25 (Sat-Sun) St. Elias 100 year Anniversary Celebration (see p 3)

9/25 (Monday) 4th Degree monthly meeting. Rosary 6:00; Dinner 6:30; Meeting 7:30.

10/2 (Monday) October business meeting 7:30 PM (Food served 6:30 PM)

Editor's Note

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Grand Knight's Report

We said our final farewell to Brother Chris Hoeser, who passed away on Monday, August 14th at the age of 89. Chris was a Knight of over 60 years! We will miss him!



I am also bummed to report that our latest bingo effort will end in October, or shortly thereafter. Getting volunteers to work on Saturday afternoons was a struggle for both the Roanoke and Fincastle Councils. It became clear that sustain-

ing the volunteer base long term was problematic and the bingo committee decided that exiting bingo now was in the financial interest of both Councils. I want to thank Tom Sellinger, Bill Bushman and Louis Soldano for their great efforts to make bingo a going endeavor!

Our Order's first principal is CHARITY. While we have had fundraisers for specific causes over the last several years...KOVAR, KCIC, the church pancake breakfasts, Lenten fish fries, a pool cookout, and others...we have relied on bingo and on our Casino Night to raise funds for all the many other charitable activities we do during the year. Now we are relying on only our Casino Night to raise those funds. We have tentatively scheduled the Casino Night for Saturday, April 21st. I stress "tentatively scheduled" because we do not have a chairman for the event and without a chairman it WILL NOT HAPPEN!

If you do not mind watching the Council slip back into the financial straights it was in only four short years ago, sit back on your thumbs and wait for another Knight to step forward to take on that task. But if you want to see the council continue to move forward and do those things for our church and in our community that make being a Knight so rewarding, you need to stand up and speak up NOW!

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Grand Knight's Report (Continued from P1)

This, the September newsletter, is the one newsletter that we have snail mailed to our members during the last several years. Below you will find the schedule of events for the fraternal year.

I ask you to detach it, and the list of officers and phone numbers, from the newsletter and post them next to your calendar so you can reference them throughout the year or as the need arises.

Needless to say, the calendar is subject to change, but most events will happen as currently scheduled. You can keep up with those changes through our on-line newsletter at www.kofc562.org, or you can contact our Financial Secretary, Mike Lazzuri, and request a paper copy be mailed to you. There is a \$10 fee to help defray the cost of postage and copy paper.

One of the things I hear from my wife is that she misses the paper newsletter. If you either don't read our emailed newsletter, or have unsubscribed from our email service, or simply forget to relay the information to your Lady, consider enrolling her in our email service. You can do so by contacting Val Bernys (ph. 540-989-9282 or ValBernie@aol.com). We are also working on developing a Facebook page to broaden our communications channels.

**Fraternally,
John Krumpo
Grand Knight**

Corporation Name Change

A special meeting of the members of the Corporation, Roanoke Knights, Inc., will be held after the September business meeting of Council 562. The purpose of this meeting is to approve the newly proposed name for the Corporation. The proposed name is "Olympic Park Holdings, Incorporated". The previously selected name was not approved by Supreme, so we have to select another. Your attendance will be greatly appreciated.

Robert G. Ellis,
President

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Thanks from CHMRV

The Catholic Historical Museum would like to thank everyone who came to Montano's last Tuesday to support the museum. We had a great turnout and we do appreciate your support.

Our next activity will be our 2nd annual Spaghetti Dinner & Movie Thursday, September 14th at Roanoke Catholic School cafeteria. Dinner will be served from 5-7 with the movie starting around 7. This year we will be honoring the recent canonization of the Fatima children with the movie *Children of Fatima*, which tells the story of the trials and hardships the 3 children suffered after their encounter with the Blessed Virgin.

Bingo Update



After six months of effort, our Saturday afternoon bingo at Valley Hall has resulted in a net income of about \$6,000. Since those six months included twelve sessions, that means the bingo effort raised about \$500 per session. Not bad, but this total must be divided between Roanoke and Fincastle Councils. Since Roanoke provided only 36% of the volunteers, we are entitled to only \$180 per session, or about \$2160 total.

We had hoped that the income would have been closer to the \$1,000 per session originally touted by Valley Hall, and that we would have had more volunteers to help, so that the Roanoke share would be closer to 50%.

While the income per session may improve in time, both Councils have struggled to get new volunteers. Part of that problem is that we are asking Knights and their families to give up a Saturday afternoon. We had hoped that, by having enough volunteers so that no one was asked to work more than every sixth or eighth Saturday would reduce the sacrifice to an acceptable level and even more members would volunteer. Unfortunately, that has not happened and we have actually experienced some attrition in our volunteer list. In addition, not assigning volunteers to the same Saturday each month has resulted in many conflicts with personal schedules, causing headaches for our scheduler, Louis Soldano. It also has made it difficult for volunteers to remember when they are working.

Looking forward, the bingo committee does not see any relief and in fact expects scheduling to become even more problematic as existing volunteers drop by the wayside. The committee's immediate dilemma is that we have contracted with Atlantic Bingo to offer electronic gaming during our bingo sessions. If we continue those

games, we will eventually have to pay out \$1000 prizes, which will have a major impact on our profitability. Although those prizes are built into the long term profitability of the games, we would not be able to make it back in only a couple of months.

Our contract allows us to cancel the contract within the first six months. That six month window will be closing soon. So, it makes sense to exercise our option and cancel those contracts now. The electronic gaming does increase the number of attendees at our bingo sessions. If we discontinue those games, our attendance will be reduced somewhat and make it even more difficult to net more than \$500 per session.

Considering the ongoing difficulty in scheduling enough volunteers to cover our bingo session and the likely reduction in our profits, or at least a limited growth, the bingo committee has decided to tender our letter of termination to Valley Hall and cease KC bingo in sixty days, as permitted by our agreement with Valley Hall. Since Valley Hall has worked with us during the past six months, we do want to make our transition out of bingo as least disruptive to Valley Hall as possible. That means that we may end bingo sooner than 60 days or continue to work past 60 days if needed for them to find our replacement.

Upcoming Degree Exemplifications

- 1st Degree Monday, September 18 7:30 PM Roanoke
- 2nd/3rd Degrees: Saturday, October 14 Christiansburg (Tentative; Details TBA)
- 4th Degree Exemplification Saturday, November 11 Portsmouth. Details TBA. Contact any 4th Degree member or FN Rich Whitney (richw1492@yahoo.com) for application.



August Business Meeting Highlights

- The Grand Knight announced the need for an overall program chairman. He reemphasized that one major goal for the upcoming fraternal year is to get newer and younger members more involved, and more Brother Knights involved in various activities. We need new ideas and try new activities.
- We welcomed a new transfer member, Julio Vasquez, a member at St. Andrew's.
- State football pool tickets are on sale for \$10 each. The pool starts with FL games on October 29.
- The trustees recommend transfer of \$50,000 from the scholarship fund to KofC Asset Advisor Fund, in order to provide a better return on investment.
- Expenditure of \$500 for seminarians was approved.
- Bingo is slow right now—additional volunteers are needed. We have made a profit, but not as much as anticipated.
- The Council spending plan for 2017-18 (distributed separately) was approved by the membership.
- The August Initiation (1st) Degree was cancelled and will be rescheduled.
- Montano's night for CHMRV will be held Tuesday, August 8. The annual spaghetti dinner to benefit CHMRV will be held Thursday, September 14. The movie "Children of Fatima" will be shown. A fall "fun day" is being planned for the End of October.
- The August "All Are Welcome" luncheon is scheduled for Thursday, August 17.
- Camp Easter Seals provides camping opportunities for persons with disabilities and is supported by grants from KOVAR. Brother Knights are invited to attend grant presentations to KOVAR grand recipients. KOVAR training will be held in Roanoke Saturday, September 23.
- A new "Food for Kids" drive is being planned for October 21. Funding of \$500 was approved from funds already raised for this program.

- Planning is underway for Casino Night 2018. A chairman for this important event is needed.
- A special September Grill Night will be held Saturday, September 2 to benefit Blue Ridge Women's Shelter.
- The 2017 "Keep Christ in Christmas" campaign will be starting before long. KCIC is celebrating its 30th year this year.
- A special exemplification of the Patriotic (4th) Degree of our order will be held for clergy on Friday, September 15.
- Remember those sick and deceased:
 - Tom Huck (upcoming surgery).
 - Tom Engl (upcoming surgery).
 - Chris Sullivan (Bilateral knee replacement).
 - PGK Fred Ellis

A new initiative was announced by Supreme Knights Carl Anderson at the Supreme Convention. The Knights of Columbus will raise and donate \$2 million to save Karamdes, a predominantly Christian town on the Nineveh Plain which was liberated from ISIS late last year. The Knights' action will move hundreds of families from minority religious communities in Iraq.

St. Elias Celebrates 100 Years



St. Elias Maronite Catholic Church is celebrating 100 years in the Roanoke Valley. On Saturday, September 23, 2017, we will have a celebratory dinner at St. Elias Social Hall. Cocktail hour and appetizers from 6:00-7:00 PM, with a catered dinner beginning at 7:00 PM. We will have a beer and wine cash bar. Our featured speaker will be the Most Reverend Bishop Gregory Mansour, Bishop of the Eparchy of Brooklyn. Tickets for this event are \$25.00 per person in advance only. Please contact CJ Duhon at 540-892-8923 or the church office at 540-562-0012 for tickets or more information.

NOTE: There will be ONE Liturgy for the weekend at 11:00 AM on Sunday, September 24, 2017 with a brunch to follow in the social hall.

Roanoke Council 562 Fraternal Calendar 2017-18

September

- 4 - Labor Day
- 5 - (Tuesday) Council meetings
- 18 - First Degree Exemplification/social

October

- 2 - Council meeting
- 15 - First Sunday for KCIC Christmas Card sales
- 16 - Social meeting
- 19 - All Welcome Luncheon
- 21 - Food for Kids Drive @ Tanglewood Kroger
- 22 - Pancake breakfast at St. Andrew

November

- 5 - Pancake breakfast at St. Elias
- 6 - Council meeting
- 20 - Memorial Mass at Council Home
- 23 - Thanksgiving

December

- 4 - Council meeting
- 14 - All Welcome Luncheon
- 18 - Social meeting
- 25 - Christmas

January

- 1 - New Years Day
- 6 - Epiphany
- 2 - Council meeting
- 15 - Social meeting
- 20 - Food for Kids Drive @ Kroger on Brambleton and Hw 419 (Cave Spring Plaza)

February

- 5 - Council meeting
- 14 - Ash Wednesday
- 16 - Council fish fry
- 19 - Social meeting
- 22 - All Welcome Luncheon

March

- 2 - Council fish fry
- 5 - Council meeting
- 9 - Council fish fry
- 16 - Council fish fry
- 23 - Council fish fry
- 24 - Food for Kids Drive @ Kroger on Brambleton and Colonial Ave. (BoJangles)
- 30 - Good Friday

April

- 1 - Easter
- 2 - Council Meeting
- 16 - Social meeting
- 19 - All Welcome Luncheon
- 21 - Casino Night

May

- 4,5, 6 - Virginia State Knights of Columbus Convention in Roanoke
- 7 - Council meeting
- 21 - Clergy Appreciation Dinner

June

- 4 - Memorial Day
- 5 - Council meeting - election of officers
- 18 - Social meeting
- 21 - All Welcome Luncheon

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*In Honor of the Canonization of
the Children of Fatima*

The Catholic Historical Museum
of the Roanoke Valley

Invites you to our 2nd annual

Spaghetti Dinner & Movie

Menu:

Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, Beverage, Desert

Beer available for purchase

Movie: *The Children of Fatima*

September 14, 2017

Roanoke Catholic School Cafeteria

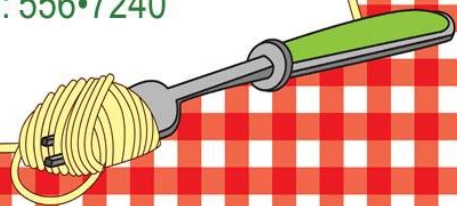
631 Jefferson St NE

Dinner 5:00 • 7:00

Movie begins about 7:00

Price: \$7 per plate • Children 12 and
under and 70 and over: \$5

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