



# THE KNIGHTLY NEWS

Roanoke Council #562 Newsletter

October, 2018

## Upcoming Events

- 9/27 (Thursday) – Beginning of Forty Days for Life Campaign
- 10/1 (Monday) October Business Meeting, 7:30
- 10/15 (Monday) October Social Meeting
- 10/22 (Monday) September 4th Degree Meeting Roanoke Council Home. Dinner: 6:30; Meeting: 7:30
- 10/20 (Saturday) Work day for Renovation Alliance
- 10/27 (Saturday) 4th Degree Exemplification Herndon, VA
- 11/5 (Monday) November Business Meeting, 7:30
- 11/5 (Monday) Admissions (First) Degree OLPH Salem, 7:00

## Grand Knight's Report

Brother Knights,

I would like to thank PGK Karl Kleinhenz for volunteering to fill the Family Chairman role and again thank PGK John Krumpo, Pat Reidy, Leon Vinci and Shawn and Dorothy Marshall for volunteering to be Program Director, and Faith, Community and Life program chairmen, respectively. Some of the upcoming programs include 40 Days for Life and praying the Rosary before meetings starting in October. Please be generous with your time and talent to support our Brothers in their efforts for these worthy projects.

On September 14, Bishop Knestout presided over a Mass of Atonement in Richmond as the first step in responding to the sex abuse crisis. The Bishop also wrote a Pastoral Letter to our Diocese and if you have not had a chance to read it, it is available [online](#). Please continue to pray for victims of abuse and ongoing healing for the Church.

Vivat Jesus,

James Valenzuela, Grand Knight

## Upcoming Degree Exemplifications

- 1st Degree Roanoke Council: TBA
- 1st Degree OLPH Salem, 7:00
- 4th Degree Exemplification Herndon, VA Saturday, October 27. Contact SK Rich Whitney or any 4th Degree member for application and details.



## Editor's Note

If you would like to receive a printed copy of each newsletter that is sent to you via U.S. mail, you need to make that request in writing and send a \$10 check (to help cover the required postage) to the Council (c/o Mike Lazzuri, Roanoke Council 562, P.O. Box 20974, Roanoke, VA 24018)

Submissions to *Knightly News* are due the 15th of each month; send materials to Rich Whitney at Richw1492@yahoo.com.

# September Business

## Meeting Highlights

- The Grand Knight reported on Supreme Knight Carl Anderson's remarks concerning the recent news about priests, as well as St. Andrew's town hall, prayer service and benediction concerning this same subject.
- Request from St. Andrew's for assistance in cleaning up after their Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Applications for transfer for Br. Frank Orozco and Alfred Bertolacci were approved.
- Pancake Breakfast at St. Elias scheduled for 11/18/18.
- Renovation Alliance has a planned work day on Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> to assist a veteran who is also a Brother Knight.
- Sean Marshall, Pro Life Chairman reported that 40 Days for Life starts September 26<sup>th</sup> and St. Andrews has requested help to pay for the Bus Trip scheduled for January 2019.
- Blue Ridge Women's Center is still looking to obtain a portable sonogram
- 2018 – 2019 Spending Plan as published in the September Newsletter was approved.
- Motion for the Council to pay for the supplies used for the Labor Day Grilling at the Pool was approved for \$ 190.00. (Proceeds from this function will be donated to Feeding America Southwest Virginia)
- Traveling display of relics to be on display at St. Andrew's on Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>
- District Deputy David Chopski stated a Regional Meeting to be held at Council Home on Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>; encouraged all Knights to wear KofC apparel when volunteering at events
- Pray for Brother Knights and families sick and in distress:
  - Stephen Ratliff's Uncle George
  - John Krumpo's Mother-in-Law
  - Julio Vazques' wife
  - Brian Ripple's Father
  - Don Feick's Wife
  - Brother Knight Bill Stack
  - Gordon Dewhurst's Wife
  - Brother Knight Rob Bruzgal

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## Work Day for Renovation Alliance

Please plan now to participate in the work day for Renovation Alliance on Saturday, October 20. All Council and the Assembly members, family and friends are welcome to participate. Renovation Alliance provides home maintenance assistance to low-income homeowners; our participation will assist veterans and their families.

This year we will be building a ramp for Charles Anderson (age 97), a WWII vet who recently lost a leg. The job will be on the north side of Roanoke. Charles is also a Knight of Columbus! Call Roger Vest (540-520-8520) or Karl Kleinhenz (540-397-4028 )for more info or to volunteer.



# 40 Days for Life



The kickoff meeting

for Roanoke 40 Days for life was held Sunday Sept. 23 at St Elias Church and people from all around the area met to discuss the new campaign. Knights may contact their local parish life group to sign up for a time slot to help keep a prayerful vigil at Planned Parenthood on Peters Creek Road. You may wish to select a time when others are there until you get comfortable with the program.

To this date, St Elias Church has the most time slots filled (Mondays). Good folks from several other denominations are also participating in 40 Days at various times and days. And on Saturday mornings there is usually a crowd of youngsters from Liberty University and Virginia Tech present - youngsters who are fervent about the Life issue. That might be a good time to stop by and get yourself eased into the program. A very nice couple from St. Andrews often treats the students to donuts and chocolate. Feel free to call Knight Shawn Marshall 540.721.2408 if you want any info on the program or access to signs. There are videos and podcasts at 40daysforlife.com which will give you a flavor for the value of standing up for faith and life while praying to end the tragedy of abortion which as Mother Therese said destroys two lives - the child and the mother. Blue Ridge Women's Center offers post abortion counseling as well as lots of prenatal support including free sonograms with a machine donated by KofC. Staff from Blue Ridge have told us it is usually 15 years before a woman will seek post abortion counseling - so it is a sorrow that never departs - and it is important for us to let panicked young women see that other people think the life issue is so important for mother and child that we will stand outside in all kinds of weather to offer them prayers and access to help. Please join us.

## 40 Days for Life (cont.)

A former abortion doctor tells why he quit. Check out this video at: <https://youtu.be/OZXQBhTszpU>

## October Birthdays

Birthday wishes to the following Brother Knights with October birthdays:

1-Oct	Peter Martin
2-Oct	John Meise
3-Oct	Joseph Abbatello
4-Oct	Michael Pyle
5-Oct	Michael Williams
5-Oct	Daniel Keeley
6-Oct	Leon Vinci
6-Oct	Patrick Patterson
9-Oct	James McNamara
11-Oct	Mark Johnson
11-Oct	Joseph Rosenberg
12-Oct	George Pufko
13-Oct	Stephen Ratliff
15-Oct	Daniel Austin
16-Oct	Edward Myers
16-Oct	Wayne Parker
17-Oct	Robert Way
17-Oct	Anthony Hopper
19-Oct	David Harris
20-Oct	Louis Mehrmann
21-Oct	Les Schmidt
23-Oct	John Mercer
26-Oct	Norbert Steahly
26-Oct	Glenn Hall
26-Oct	Lawerence Forbish
26-Oct	David Peters
27-Oct	Andrew Fornecker
27-Oct	James Sullivan
28-Oct	Michael Grant
31-Oct	Louis Soldano



## A Message From a Life-Long Knight, PGK, PFN and FDD

As a long time member of the Knights of Columbus, I have faithfully served the Order, and the Order has faithfully served me! I look at our Council's rooster and see how many of our members are not listed as insurance members and I wonder why?

During my life as a Knight, I have owned several different insurance products of the Knight's. From the beginning, I owned a whole life policy that I thought would provide a nice cushion for my wife should I die before her. The annual premiums were competitive with other insurance companies, but after about the tenth year, the dividends routinely exceeded the premiums and, in most of those years, I paid zero premiums!

When I was young, and had a young family, I had a substantial term policy. One day, I received a letter from Supreme announcing that, due to favorable experiences, they were reducing my term policy premiums. What business does that?!? A business that puts its customers first! That's who!

Later, when I was at a point in life, and income, that I could use a tax deduction for doing good, charitable giving, I took out a small KC life insurance policy. I paid the premiums, but the owner/beneficiary of the policy was my Diocese. The payments were a charitable tax deduction. [One could also assign ownership of such a policy to KOVAR or to VKCCI, do good and also take a tax deduction.]

Within the last ten years, I have invested in the Knight's long term care insurance because I want to preserve the assets, that I have worked so hard for, so that they are available to my wife, or my children, and not go to a nursing home, or be claimed by the State, if I should have to go into a nursing home or hospice.

The idea of being 'insurance poor' is not a myth! Only you can determine what you need and what you can afford. If you are a widower with no heirs, or are single and intend to remain so, you have no need for life or long term care insurance! If you

are married, and maybe have children, then you must be concerned about the future and how they will survive without you. Now, life insurance becomes meaningful.

Perhaps you feel that insurance is a scam, and would rather invest to build a meaningful estate. Today, the Knights also offer a number of investments and financial products that were not available in years past. If they had been, I might be talking about them too! Why? Because the Knights of Columbus have proven themselves trustworthy! And, while they may not earn the largest returns advertised in the industry, they have proven themselves to be prudent stewards of the money entrusted to them, and have always paid a respectable return!

Why am I bothering to write this obvious endorsement? Well actually, it's out of concern for our wives and our children. If you are an owner of a Knights of Columbus insurance policy or an investment product, the whole, vast organization that is the Knights of Columbus, will be at your family's service when you pass away! Yes, the monetary value of your insurance policy or your investment is important, but how much more important is the assistance your family will receive from your Knights of Columbus field agent?!?

So, I ask you to stop and analyze your current situation, as well as your hopes for the future, and decide if you can afford not to have the Knights of Columbus there for your family? Talk to our field agent, and soon!

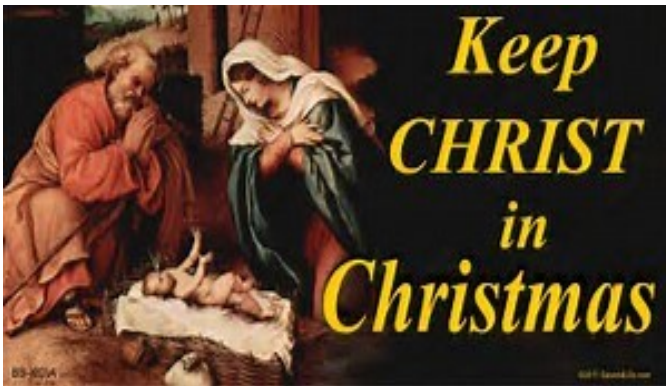


# Keep Christ in Christmas

Our annual Keep Christ in Christmas card sales will be scheduled as in the past during November and December. Profits are used to fund college scholarships, support seminarians, and contribute to critical right-to-life endeavors. Please plan to support this program by spending a few minutes after the mass you normally attend to promote this great program in your parish.

Please contact the following brother Knights to volunteer to assist with sales:

- St. Elias Sunday Mass sales: Richard Waddell, 540-343-9239, [rlwaddell@cox.net](mailto:rlwaddell@cox.net)
- Our Lady of Nazareth sales: Rich Whitney, 443-465-7742, [richw1492@yahoo.com](mailto:richw1492@yahoo.com)
- St. Andrews sales: Chuck Hatcher, 540-314-3360, [chatcher@cox.net](mailto:chatcher@cox.net)



## ND-VT October 6



# Message from the Field Agent

Brother Knights and Families and Catholic Families wishing to become Knight of Columbus:

The brand new Knights of Columbus office located in SW Roanoke in the Colonnade I Corporate Center at 2800 Electric Rd (Rt. 419), Suite 102-C is open to serve all Brother Knights and their families along with any Catholics wishing to become Knights.

Call today to schedule your confidential appointment to...

- Review your Financial situation
- Create a Portfolio to meet your Goals & Objectives
- Learn about all the areas we can assist Brother Knights & their Families

We look forward to meeting with you soon!

Thank you & God Bless

Jack Clarke

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