



August Business Meeting

2 August 2010 Grand Knight's Report
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Agenda



Activities

- Priorities
- Atta-boys
- Recruiting/Retention
- Church Programs



Past Month's Activities



Completed	7/1/2010	Officers' Meeting	Ramparts
Completed	7/12/2010	Business Meeting	Trinity Room
Completed	7/23/2010	Dinner 1	QH - Noye's Fludde Pre-performance
Completed	7/21/2010	Meeting with Fr. Cramer	Parish Office
Completed	7/24/2010	Induction	QH
Completed	7/31/2010	District Meeting	Holy Martyr's of Vietnam



Major activity was 23 July Dinner. Thanks to all that participated!

Great first Officer's meeting and business meeting. Sent out GK report. Had an excellent 1st Dinner (Noye's Fludde) had well over 150 people show up. Schedule was finicky and number of people predicted early for the show was low. After show dessert/cake/fruit disappeared. Marie (from office) and John M (music director) mentioned will likely do next year – can be a big event (lasted until 9:30pm). Will need to have 2 shifts next year dessert & dinner. Sent officers a memo on meeting with Fr. Cramer. Had a nice induction ceremony on the 24th in Quinn Hall – was very hot. Went to mass together and received special intentions from Fr. Cramer (thanks!). Ate dinner at Ramparts after with officers and families. Met with GKs of other 5 other Councils (9-12pm) and a lot of neat ideas came out and discussed a number of events (added to our event list). Received per capita assessment from DD (provided to Treasurer at meeting). Submitted form 365 (council appointments).

Website updated: <http://www.kofc11947.org/newsletterarch.htm#EventList> to include GK reports & Event list. We will not distribute the Council directory outside the email list unless directly mailed.



3 Month Schedule

Yes	8/2/2010	Business Meeting	Trinity Room
Yes	8/12/2010	Altar Server Picnic	Lake Fairfax Park - contact PGK Larry Cerruti
Yes	8/14/2010	Dinner 2 / Fr. McGivney's Birthday (12th)	QH
	8/14/2010	Silver Rose Program	Our Lady of Guadalupe (Falls Church) 5:30pm mass
	8/15/2010	Assumption	
	8/15/2010	Blood Drive	EDW
Yes	8/22/2010	Breakfast 1	QH
	8/25-28/2010	Parish Playground Construction	
Yes (Updated)	8/28/2010	Sisters of Charity Cookout	Washington, D.C.
	9/2/2010	Officer Meeting	Ramparts
No	9/6/2010	Labor Day - No Meeting / Moved to 9/13	
	9/11/2010	KOVAR Tour of Home in Arlington	Information Pending
TBD	9/12/2010	Soccer Kick Contest	Gym? (Doubtful)
Yes	9/12/2010	School/Parish Dinner	QH
Yes	9/13/2010	Business Meeting	Trinity Room
	9/16/2010	2nd Degree 7:30pm – 9:00pm	401 W. Holly Drive Sterling, VA 20164
Yes	9/25/2010	Dinner 3	QH
	9/25/2010	3rd Degree 12pm – 4pm	8592 Richmond Highway Alexandria 22309
	10/3/2010	Bulletin Announcement	
Yes	10/4/2010	Business Meeting	Trinity Room
TBD	10/10/2010	Breakfast 2/Recruiting/Pulpit 3 minutes	
	10/11/2010	Columbus Day	
	10/23/2010	4th Degree	Richmond, VA
	10/23/2010	Polish/Polka Night	8592 Richmond Highway Alexandria 22309
	TBD	Cathedral Oktoberfest	

Next Council Events:

14 August (3pm – 8pm) Serving at 6pm ~8 guests / 75 parishioners (plaques)

22 August (7am-1pm / 2 shifts) – may just handout like donuts?

28 August (TBD – likely 3-8pm) ~45 guests/30 clergy

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7/20 Had 9 events confirmed dates from office + Sisters of Charity Cookout (updated to Saturday from Sunday).

8/1-5 Supreme Convention going on now in Washington, D.C. (notes from an email:)

To Sell Football Frenzy Tickets at 8/14 & 8/22 events & start counting attendees. We get \$2/ticket. \$10/ticket must be turned in by

8/14 Menu to be determined. Have contacted 4 scholarship winners (including Man of Year) + Woman of Year. Have a couple confirmations and one busy (Woman of Year). Principal Garcia also unable to attend. Want to have a photo opportunity with winners. Will try and award Woman of Year at 8/22 event?

8/22 Breakfast discussed tacos (J. Wilson) for a trial run. We'll be doing donuts primarily with a couple people around to see how cooking the tacos goes and try and sell the small batch that we make after a Mass.

8/28 Zach talked with the Sister Superior and we'll serve chicken, potato salad, icecream, ice, and watermelon (+ others?). We're to provide food for the sisters but they are to prepare it for themselves. We're to cook for the residents. Will deliver the 2 grills we purchased. Need to purchase 1 additional grill & bring tools to assemble on-sight. Charcoal, etc. also brought. Start ~2pm feed ~5pm. Directions?

Did not get a date yet for ministries Sunday. Soccer kick may be deferred since we may not have a goal accessible. Talking to office about that. May coordinate with another district council (it would be nice to have something prior to the dinner perhaps on the 12th? Same age group 10-14 for school). 10/10 wasn't confirmed due to question about holiday. But we have priority (Marsha went on vacation).

Event List is now online:

<http://www.kofc11947.org/newsArchive/KofCEventList.pdf#EventList>

Fraternal Fun Event -

Polish/Polka Night

Saturday, October 23, 2010

Mount Vernon Council 5998



Officers Induction

2010-2011 Council Officers Photograph



PGK Yurasko, Rob Wagner, George Driscoll, Jeff Rostand, PGK Farrell, Jim Danaher, GK Justin McFarland, Tim Donato, John Wilson, Rev. Cramer, PGK Kevin Harr, District Deputy Le Nguyen, District Warden Luis Vega. Not pictured Ed Conklin, PGK Joseph Bush, and Bradford Butler.

2010-2011 Officers


2010-11 Officers							
Last Name	First Name	Title	City	State	YRS. SVC	Phone	Email
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FARRELL	MICHAEL	1 Yr Trustee, PGK	ALEXANDRIA	VA	11	(703) 549-2067	sk7mfarell@yahoo.com

From our website off the council link.



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Priorities

- Event Scheduling and Communications
 - Working with office
 - Informing Parish on what we do and who we are
- Recruiting Tools (J. Rostand)
 - Business Cards
 - Posters (J. Rostand)
- Easels Prototype by 1 September for Approval
 - Two advertising easels outside Church Entrances
- Bulletin Board seek approval by 1 September
- Pulpit Speech 10/10/10
- New materials:
 - Placemats (Kogut / Butler?) for 10/10?
 - Semi-annual Newsletter (J. Wilson) for 10/3?

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Been working with office on scheduling events. Met with Fr. Cramer to discuss general agenda. Will submit plan to him directly to take to Fr. Cramer on particular ideas like easels, bulletin board, and others.

Looking for 1-2 extra 1st degree team members. Contact team captain – Joe Bush.



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Something to Be Proud Of!



Scholarships

2006	\$4,000 (est.)
2007	\$3,294
2008	\$5,034
2009	\$4,334
2010	\$3,134
	\$19,796

Charitable Contributions (KOVAR, +)

2006	\$1,076	(After July)
2007	\$9,913	
2008	\$5,420	
2009	\$8,826	
2010	\$5,314	(through July)
	\$30,549	

Over the past 5 years our council has distributed over \$50,000 to Scholarship Recipients and Sharing Partners


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Simply fantastic!



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Recruiting & Retention (1/2)



- Current Status:
 - 112 “Active Knights”
 - 8 Inactive
 - 8 Honorary Knights
- November, February, and May Degrees
 - Would also like to plan for one in August 2011
 - 12 new Knights
 - Recruiter follows progress of new Knight like a sponsor

Our intention is to grow and cultivate active members by communicating effectively our vision for our programs

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Material from 2 July meeting. Had 3 members contact via email since July.



Recruiting & Retention (2/2)

- Contacting Active but Scarce Knights
 - Inviting to more activities
 - Is email list adequate?
 - Council Directory
- Social Programs
- More Efficient Business Meetings
- Planned Reduction of Inactive Roster over Year
- Shining Armor Award Program

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Material from 2 July meeting. Have 4 members eligible for Shining Armor. Kevin R Campbell Jr., Courtney Jordan, Jeff Rostand, James Hanley, Jr. Members to recruit 1 new member, meet with an insurance agent, attend 3 events, and 3 meetings before (12/7/10) and for James (2/18/11). Our requirement is 8 new members + 3 new insured.

By the way... 2 meetings each 1 hr long. Not too shabby. Plus you get a great opportunity to pray with your brothers and hang out after.



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- Rosary
 - Weekly 8am Mon.- Sat. in main worship space
 - For Life 9:30am Sat. Respect Life meeting room
 - Of Love 6:30-7pm Thurs. Daily Chapel
 - Mother's 10am Tues. 1601 W. Braddock Rd.
- RCIA
 - Wed 7-8:30pm start Labor Day

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Would like to coordinate with the church to get # of rosary pledges for quarter.



Additional Materials

Previous Meetings for Reference



Supreme Convention

- I hope all of you have made the appropriate reservations and/or blocked out time for the various events and tours being offered: the Monday afternoon Virginia Hospitality welcome, the Monday night DC State Council Welcome Musical Event, the States Dinner on Tuesday, the Wednesday Breakfast with Supreme Secretary, Don Kehoe; the Ladies Luncheon on Wednesday; and the Virginia Delegation Dinner on Wednesday, etc. The daily Masses are a must!
- Latest Update:
- **Sunday:** Hospitality Suite opens Sunday afternoon. All Virginia delegates and non-delegates are requested to assemble at 5:30 PM in the Virginia/DC hospitality suite, Room 9023 to receive final instructions and updates for the Convention. You will be briefed on the latest Convention information; delegates will receive their credentials; you will receive your allotment of State pins; you will be given the opportunity to purchase additional pins (at \$2.00 per pin); the State Secretary Ron Gorman will collect checks from the ten Delegates for the Hospitality Suite (\$100 per delegate); checks for the Wednesday Breakfast (\$25 per person); and checks for the Wednesday Virginia Delegation Dinner (\$50 per person); and for any additional pins. All checks should be made out to the "Virginia State Council". If you cannot attend the delegation meeting on Sunday afternoon, please find the State Deputy or the State Secretary Sunday evening or Monday as soon as you check in.
- Some states will have their open houses starting Sunday. Take advantage of the hospitality and fraternity!
- **Monday:** Hospitality suite will be open for breakfast. After breakfast, all delegates and non-delegates are asked to help prepare the hospitality suite for the Virginia Open House which will take place from 2 to 4 PM. Help is needed to decorate the room, prepare the traditional ham sandwiches, peanuts, and pour wine, etc. All are expected to work a one hour shift welcoming and serving our guests from around the world. Assignments will be made immediately prior to the open house. The State Officers and wives will form a receiving line. Brush up on your Virginia history! **Dress:** State Officers will wear the State Uniform and their wives may wear appropriate business attire. Others are asked to wear white shirts/blouses and gray or black pants/skirts.
- Lunch will be available as time permits.
- Many states will hold their open houses on Monday. Take advantage of the hospitality and fraternity!
- Pin Exchange. Great fun for all. Make sure you have an adequate supply of Virginia State pins to trade on Monday and throughout the Convention.
- (other days placed in the notes section)

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For the Supreme Convention (8/4-5 continued)

Tuesday: The Big Day. Opening Mass at the National Shrine at 9:30 AM. Busses are scheduled to shuttle people from the hotel to the Shrine starting at 7AM. Badges are required to board the busses! Opening session at the hotel (currently scheduled for 1 PM). Session will be open for spouses and family members during the Supreme Knight's "State of the Order" address. **Dress:** Men: coat and tie, ladies, as appropriate. States Dinner at 7 PM. **Dress:** Formal event. Men: White dinner jacket, ladies, as appropriate. The Virginia Delegation (all convention attendees) will get together for a cocktail hour at 6 PM in the hospitality suite. Photographs will be taken.

Wednesday: Day begins with Mass. Immediately after Mass is the Breakfast with the Supreme Secretary. Reservations required! Breakfast will be in the Delaware Suite, Salon A, Lobby Level. Morning business session for the men is closed. **Dress:** Coat and Tie. Ladies will attend the Ladies Luncheon (reservations required). The afternoon session is the open awards session and all men and spouses/families invited to attend. **Dress:** Coat and tie, ladies as appropriate. State Officers will wear the 2009-2010 State uniform. The Virginia Delegation Dinner is scheduled for 7 PM at the Lebanese Taverna Restaurant, a short walk from the hotel. Dinner will be served family style with a selection of healthy appetizers and salad; beef, chicken, lamb, and salmon entrees with rice; baklava assortment for dessert; soda and iced tea, coffee and hot tea. Open bar at your own expense (honor system, requiring supplemental payment to the State Secretary). **Dress:** Casual. State shirts or KofC shirts recommended.

Thursday: Day begins with the Annual Memorial Mass. Closed business sessions in the morning and afternoon. **Dress:** Coat and tie.

Hospitality Suite: The Virginia and DC Hospitality Suite is scheduled to be located in Room 9023. All Virginia and DC convention attendees are welcome! It will be open starting Sunday afternoon for light snacks and refreshments. Continental breakfast will be available Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday. Wednesday, all are expected to attend the breakfast with the Supreme Secretary. Those of you who made reservations with me should have received an invitation to this breakfast. The Hospitality Suite will be open for lunch Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. The hospitality suite will be open evenings for snacks and refreshments Sunday through Wednesday (Suite closed during the States Dinner on Tuesday and the Virginia Delegation Dinner on Wednesday). The suite will reopen after these events.

Remember, we are sharing the hospitality suite with the DC delegation. Please welcome them and make them feel like part of the Virginia family. We have our open house on Monday afternoon. DC will have their open house late Wednesday afternoon. The hospitality suite will be closed for normal operations at these times to host these events.

Questions? Please feel free to call me 703 455 6010 (H) or 571 215 1233 (C).

Fraternally,

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Executive Secretary



Polka Night 10/23/10

- Knight of Columbus Columbian Hall
- 8592 Richmond Highway
- Alexandria, VA 22039
- *Featuring*
- 'The Baltimore Polka King'
- Tommy Thomas
- and his
- Polka Pals
- Feast on Authentic Polish Food Prepared by Polish-American Chefs
- Dance to Your Favorite Polkas
- Meet & Greet 6:00-7:00 PM Dinner 7:00-8:00 PM Dancing 8:00-11:00 PM
- Price: \$30.00 Advanced Purchase
- \$35.00 At the Door
- Menu includes: Kielbasa (sausage), Golabki (stuffed cabbage rolls), Kapusta (sauerkraut), Pierogi (filled pasta), Dessert and Coffee
- Cash Bar with Beer, Wine and Soft Drinks



Metrics

- Financial
 - Monthly cash flow
 - Budget vs. Planned
- Participation
 - Meeting attendance (numbers)
 - Event participation (who, how much)
- Event attendance
 - Parish Involvement

Track progress vs. an action plan to determine scholarship budget, fraternal event budget

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Plan on implementing metrics by 1 September.



Council Programs

- 1 Million Rosaries for Life, Family, and Marriage
- Tuesday Fasts for Life (E. Conklin)
- Keep Christ in Christmas card sales
- KOVAR (J. Boyd)
- Fundraisers
 - 11 Fundraising Dinners/Breakfasts
 - 4 Lenten Fish Fries
 - Football Frenzy, NASCAR, Final Four ticket sales
- Scholarship Program
 - 8th Grade Visit in Fall, Spring Essay Contest
- Lenten Men's Retreat
- Intradistrict Relationships
 - Bowling Tournament
- Youth Programs
 - Soccer Kick & Free-throw



State Key Notes

- Father Michael J. McGivney Guild
 - Anyone can join. Only 1 in 10 Knights by the numbers has.
 - Free
- VKCCI -Virginia Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc.
 - Only 11% of letters receive returns (\$26)
 - Average assistance ~\$1700 about 70 grants issued
- Insurance Program
 - Only ~50% of Virginia Knights involved
 - Insurance program pays for 99.7% of KofC operations
- Pledges for 1 million rosaries on a quarterly basis
 - Recommend a pledge card campaign for the Parish
- Want councils to develop members over the year
- 4th Degree 10/23
- 1700 target new members