



THE KNIGHTLY NEWS

Roanoke Council #562 Newsletter

September, 2019

Upcoming Events

9/3 (Tuesday) September Council Business Meeting, 7:30. Dinner served at 6:30. (Rescheduled due to Labor Day.)

9/16 (Monday) First Degree Ceremonial 7:30 Roanoke Council Home Dinner served 6:15. Candidates report for dinner or by 7:00

9/23 (Monday) September 4th Degree meeting (Fincastle) Business Meeting, 7:30. Dinner served at 6:30.

10/7 (Monday) October Council Business Meeting, 7:30. Dinner served at 6:30.

Admissions Degree September 16

An Admissions (1st) Degree will be held Monday, September 16 at the Roanoke council Home. Dinner is served at 6:15. Candidates report by 7:00. The ceremonial will commence at 7:30. Please plan to attend, bring a candidates, and support our new members!



Grand Knight's Report

Brother Knights,

Many thanks to all the volunteers who came out for the workday at the council home on Saturday August 24. The grounds around the council home received some much-needed maintenance and everyone enjoyed the camaraderie of working with one another to accomplish a job well done. I would like to recognize our Deputy Grand Knight, Roger Vest, for organizing this event and look forward to the next workday opportunity.



Our business and social meetings are a great way to learn about upcoming activities or suggest an activity for the council to participate in. As a friendly reminder, the business meeting is the first Monday of each month unless that Monday is a holiday, in which case it will be moved to the first Tuesday. The September meeting is a good example of this as it falls on Labor Day, so our September business meeting will be on Tuesday 9/3. All council members are invited to attend. The social meetings are the third Monday of each month and are open to anyone who would like to join us for fellowship at an informal gathering and/or for a scheduled event such as the upcoming annual Memorial Mass on Monday 11/18.

We are also working on updates to our website and social media presence and will be rolling out announcements starting at the September business meeting.

Vivat Jesus,

James Valenzuela, Grand Knight

August Business Meeting Highlights

- The meeting was conducted by Deputy Grand Knight Roger Vest.
- A 1st Degree ceremonial is scheduled for Monday, September 16; 2nd/3rd Ceremonials are scheduled for Saturday, November 16.
- A workday at the Roanoke council Home will be held Saturday, August 24 at 9:00 (rain date Saturday, August 31).
- The September business meeting is postponed to Tuesday, September 3 due to Labor Day.
- Thank you notes were received from scholarship recipients and seminarians.
- Fr. James O'Reilly announced plans for a lecture on "conscience" near the end of October.
- Virginia state NFL raffle tickets are on sale for \$10 each.
- A motion to donate \$200 for sweatshirts at Roanoke city schools was approved.
- A suggestion was made to hold weekly Lenten fish fries at the Roanoke Council Home; proceeds to be split between AOH and KofC Council 562. The matter was referred to officers and program chairmen.
- Installation of 4th Degree officers was held Saturday, July 20 at OLN. Exemplification will be held Saturday, November 2.
- Blue Ridge Women's' Center banquet (fundraiser) will be held Thursday, September 26. Tickets are \$50 per person.
- The Field Agent stressed the need for recruiting new members; a fraternal benefits night is pending.
- The District Deputy reported that the ultrasound project is pending. Roanoke Coun-

cil 562 has met its obligation. Matching funds from Supreme are available.

- St. Gerard's council is sponsoring a night at Salem Red Sox Friday, August 30. Tickets are \$10 each.
- Dedication of the Habitat for Humanity "Home for Good" is scheduled for 4:30PM on Wednesday, August 21.
- Please pray for victims of recent victims of mass shootings in Gilroy, CA, El Paso, TX, and Dayton, OH.
- The lecturer stressed that the Knights of Columbus are the "strong right arm of the Church". The church today is under attack, as it has been throughout its history, but we have prevailed for 2000 years. We can prevail again in these difficult times.



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Chaplain's Report



The summer season is coming to an end and school is back in session. Children from our parishes and families are back in the classroom so their teachers can hand down information about various subjects. In Catholicism, we call this handing over "Tradition". None of us were born knowing the faith completely. Our parents and catechists handed the teachings of the Church over to us so we too could form the next generation.

I would like to assist with handing down the teachings of the Church by having some opportunities for faith formation within our own council. One of these events will take place on October 29th at the Knight's hall where I will be explaining the Church's stance on "conscience". The talk begins at 7:00 PM and is open to the public. Taking the time for faith formation will aid us in catechizing our families and neighbors because we will have a better understanding of what exactly we are handing down.

In Christ,
Fr. O'Reilly

Right to Life News

40 Days for Life Fall Campaign

The fall campaign for 40 Days will begin on September 25 and run thru November 3rd. Some local parishes will have sign-ups for volunteers to pray at Planned Parenthood. Or one may sign up at the website 40 days for life/Roanoke.

The horrific onslaught against the innocent unborn has been energized by the present political venom in Richmond. Only a hair's breadth prevents the Commonwealth of Virginia from becoming as murderous as the state of New York.

Are you able to give a half hour on any day of your choosing to stand at PP and say a Rosary for the salvation of babies in the womb and for their poor, misguided young mothers who are making a mistake they will regret all their lives? Please help. Perhaps pick a Saturday morning to get acclimated. There are usually a number of people there at that time - often including students from VT and Liberty.



September Birthdays

Birthday wishes to the following Brother Knights with September birthdays:

Donald Alouf	1-Sep
Marshall Brillhart	3-Sep
Alex Siyufy	5-Sep
Michael Maurer	7-Sep
Robert Hermanns	8-Sep
Michael Kolnok	9-Sep
Brandon Pearson	9-Sep
Thomas Skelly	11-Sep
Joe Thompson	13-Sep
Teofil Grochowski	15-Sep
Robert Ellis	16-Sep
Larry Meadows	16-Sep
Daniel Derringer	16-Sep
Beverly Hodgins	20-Sep
Walter Niccolls	20-Sep
James McNabb	20-Sep
James Christiano	21-Sep
Stuart Stovall	21-Sep
John Rowland	22-Sep
H Russell	24-Sep
David Alderman	25-Sep
Matthew Juszczak	25-Sep
Brian Ripple	27-Sep
Albert Marraccini	28-Sep
Joseph Kosty	28-Sep
Shawn Marshall	29-Sep
Daniel Maloney	29-Sep
Nathan Stoehr	30-Sep

Upcoming Degree Ceremonials

1st Degree Roanoke 9/16/2019
7:30 PM
1st Degree Salem 10/8/2019 7:00 PM



2nd/3rd Degrees Roanoke
11/16/2019 9:30, 11:00 AM



4th Degree Exemplification
Newport News 11/2/2019

Pro-Life Presentation

Olivia Gans Turner, President of Virginia Society for Human Life, will speak on the very critical situation in Richmond concerning right to life issues. The presentation is at St. Andrew's on Tuesday, September 24 at 7:00pm. Let us gather together to avail ourselves of her knowledge and experience and to motivate ourselves to become active in supporting life even if it is just among friends and family. There is no charge for attendance - light refreshments provided.



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Life	open		

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