



THE KNIGHTLY NEWS

Roanoke Council #562 Newsletter

September, 2023

Upcoming Events

8/28 (Monday) Virtual Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity (bilingual).

9/4 (Monday) Labor Day

9/5 (Tuesday) September Council Business Meeting (rescheduled due to Labor Day holiday). Dinner served at 6:30. Meeting at 7:30.

9/7 (Thursday) Meeting to plan activities and programs for FY 2023-24 7:00 at the Council Home

9/12 (Tuesday) Meeting to plan budget for FY 2023-24 7:00 at the Council Home.

9/25 (Monday) September 4th Degree Assembly Meeting. Dinner served at 6:30. Meeting at 7:30.

9/30 (Saturday) Exemplification of Patriotism (4th Degree) Newport News

10/2 (Monday) October Council Business Meeting. Dinner served at 6:30. Meeting at 7:30.

10/9 (Monday) Columbus Day (observed).

Please also refer to our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/RoanokeKnights/> for additional announcements

Grand Knight's Report

Worthy Brother Knights,

Well gentlemen, the nights are coming sooner and the school buses are on the roads again. This time of year is when we start ramping up our work and planning ahead for what we want to do this coming winter and spring. In the newsletter there will be talk about two meetings to figure things out – one for events and one for the budget. We are taking longer than previous years to get the budget out but we need to make sure we plan on fundraising to match so we don't use up all of our reserves. We have been just spending since the pandemic and we need to look to the future.

The first concern I hear from anyone when we start planning is "I'll help but I don't want to lead anything." Or that they would come to help with the planning, but they don't want to end up running things. At the coming meetings we will not be deciding who is running anything – just what do we want to try to do. We will figure who is running what during the regular council meetings. So please come out and give us some ideas and opinions.

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August Business Meeting Highlights

- The Chaplain commented on the Feast of the Assumption of Mary. This belief was held throughout the centuries, but it was not defined officially until 1950. Fr. George requested participation of Knights in the celebration of the Feast at St. Elias on 8/15 at 6:00.
- The grand knight recalled a request from our State Chaplain to support our priests thru the upcoming Eucharistic Revival.
- The September meeting is to be held on Tuesday, 9/4 due to the Labor Day holiday.
- Thank you notes were received from Habitat for Humanity and from Alex Vance (Roanoke Catholic).
- Donald Brown was welcomed as a transfer member.
- Upcoming events:
 - 8/8 - Transfer of items from OLN garage sale to St Joseph Furniture Closet.
 - 8/12 - OLN ice cream social.
 - 8/15 - St. Elias Feast of Assumption.
 - 8/21 - Pool party
 - 9/10 - St. Andrew's parish picnic.
 - 9/21-23 - 40 hr Eucharistic adoration at St. Andrew's
 - Thursdays - Food pickup for Christian Soldiers Food Pantry.
- The District deputy reported:
 - Upcoming fish fry's at Fincastle and Salem.
 - A District Warden is needed.
 - Football Frenzy - see separate article.
 - On-line Safe Environment training is encouraged (see Supreme website).
- DD Karl Kleinhenz was awarded the Star District Award for District 33.
- Prayers were offered for sick and distressed members and families (see separate article).

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Lastly, please think about helping out in the events and fundraisers we have coming in the future. There is a lot to do and we need all hands to do it. Thank you.

Vivat Jesus!

Clyde Moak,

Grand Knight Council 562

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That Man is You

I want to invite all Knights to try out "That Man Is You" at St Andrews. Both James, our Deputy Grand Knight and I attend this program and we invite all to come. Wednesday mornings at St Andrew's Social Hall starting Sept 13th from 6:30am to 8am. A full breakfast is provided to start off each meeting.

Our fall program, "The Vision of Man Fully Alive", enables us to experience authentic freedom as sons of God by living the three-fold mission of abiding presence, joyful service, and loving sacrifice. All men are welcome and no advance registration is required."

September Birthdays

Birthday wishes to the following Brother Knights with birthdays in September:

Donald Alouf	September 1
Rick Vitolo	September 2
Michael Maurer	September 7
Robert Hermanns	September 8
Michael Kolnok Jr	September 9
Brandon Pearson	September 9
Joe Thompson	September 13
Daniel Derringer	September 16
Robert Ellis	September 16
Larry Meadows	September 16
Beverly Hodgins	September 20
Shawn O'Neill	September 20
Stuart Stovall	September 21
John Rowland	September 22
Shawn Dunleavy	September 24
H Patrick Russell	September 24
David Alderman	September 25
Brian Ripple	September 27
Joseph Kosty	September 28
Albert Marraccini	September 28
Shawn Marshall	September 29
Nathan Stoehr	September 30



Powered Wheelchair for Donation

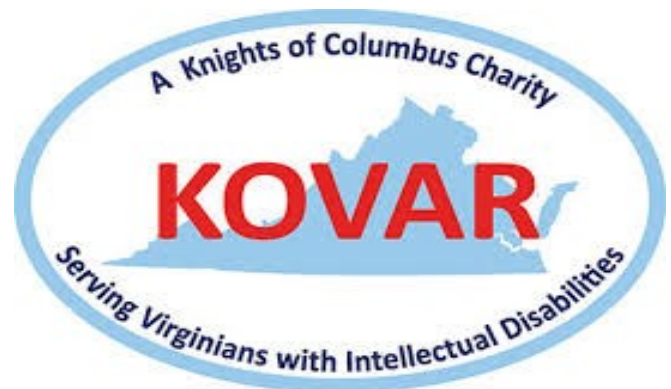
A powered wheelchair is available for donation. Excellent condition., powerful enough to go up and down hills, new batteries. Contact Al Bertollacci 317-840-1334.

Upcoming Degree Ceremonials

Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity - TBA



Exemplification of Patriotism (4th Degree) September 30 (Saturday) Newport News. Note change of date. Further details TBA



2023 Football Frenzy



The 2023 Football Frenzy is underway. Tickets are available at the council meetings for \$10 each or 3 for \$20. Make checks payable to "VIRGINIA STATE COUNCIL" and in the memo line Football Frenzy and the Council number

Tickets can also be purchased on line:

- go to www.footballsweeps.com.
- Click on "Order Tickets Online".
- Next Enter Code "FB23VIRGINIA"
- Then either create an account or login if an account already exists.

The State Council and local councils receive a portion of the profits to supplement council income. Further details are found in the flier on P7.

Saint of the Month

Jerome

Jerome was born around 342 AD in Stridon, Dalmatia (in modern Croatia or Slovenia). Little is known of his early childhood other than his parents were probably well-to-do Christians. He was an excellent student and was well-educated. Around the age of 12, Jerome traveled to Rome to study.

By his own admission, he quickly forgot his morals. While he was not studying, Jerome pursued pleasure, especially with women. Fortunately, Jerome found a Christian influence among his companions, and he changed his ways for the better. Around 366, Jerome was baptized by Pope Liberius. Soon he pursued ecclesiastical training, and in 370 settled in a monastery at Aquileia. The monastery had attracted some of the greatest minds in Christendom. During this time, Jerome developed skills as a translator.

Jerome subsequently travelled to Gaul where he began his writings and then to Antioch, where he lived as a hermit for four years. He was ordained, with the stipulation that he was allowed to pursue his monastic life. He travelled to Constantinople and then to Rome, where he became secretary to Pope Damasus.

Jerome was a brilliant man with considerable sarcasm. He made several enemies, who attacked him with rumors after the death of Pope Damasus in 384. Among the rumors were accusations that he was behaving inappropriately with a woman known as Paula, who became a lifelong friend and follower and later a Saint. Jerome and a group of followers travelled east finally settling in Bethlehem, where they built a monastery. Jerome wrote extensively and spent a large portion of his life translating scriptures from Greek and Hebrew

into Latin; he is especially remembered for having made a translation of the Bible into Latin which came to be called the Vulgate.

Jerome died on September 30, 420. He was canonized pre-congregation; his life was so impactful that he was among a group of four men who were declared original Doctors of the Church by Pope Boniface VIII in the 13th century. Jerome is the patron saint of librarians and translators. His Feast Day is September 30.



Prayer Requests

Please keep Brother Knights and their family members in your prayers:

- Jane Wills, mother of BK Steve Wills
- Sharon Vest, wife of BK Roger Vest
- Donnie Ratliff, father of BK Steven Ratliff
- Joe Devlin
- Chris Sheets
- Ceal Slough, widow of BK George Slough
- Mike Johnson, brother of BK Mark Johnson
- Don Pierce
- Freda Wood, widow of BK Pete Wood - deceased

Field Agent's Report

Location, Longevity and Long-Term Financial Goals

How comfortable your financial future looks may depend partly on where you live. For example, to be considered wealthy in San Francisco one would need to have a net worth of \$5.1 million dollars, whereas in Atlanta, the tag applies at a net worth of \$2.5 million.

When you couple your financial picture with average life expectancy (80.59 years in the United States²), you may wonder what you can do to shore up your long-term financial picture. Here are five tips to help:

Save first. Don't put off saving because it's not yet convenient. Those who start early have time to let money grow. Time can often be more valuable than rate of return. Savings of just \$438 per month starting at age 25, with a return of 6.5%, will grow to \$1 million by the time you are 65. If you wait until age 40 to begin saving, your monthly investment would need to increase to \$1,355 to reach the same \$1 million. Delaying a savings routine can be a costly mistake.

Invest in your company's 401(k) now. Its automatic deduction is easy and painless. Don't wait.

Take advantage of your employer's 401(k) match. Take it all! If your employer offers to match up to a certain percentage of your contribution, DO IT! It's free money that may help build your savings, and you can't get it retroactively after you realize you waited too long.

Live below your financial means. Just because you can buy that expensive car doesn't mean you should. Don't sacrifice your ability to save. Wealth creation doesn't care what poor excuse you have to offer. It just hurts you later in life when savings really matter.

Invest in the stock market and be patient. The average millionaire neither avoids investment risk nor depends on the overnight bonanza. Talk to a professional and decide what strategies might be right for you. Stashing money into your mattress may sound safe, but it is not a strategy of the rich and famous.

For Further information or to request a consultation, contact Jack Clarke, 540-204-4984 or Jack.Clarke@KOFC.ORG.



St Andrew's 40 Hour Devotion Sept 21 – 23

As Part of the Eucharistic Revival, St Andrew's is once again having a 40hr devotion to the Blessed Sacrament. They are asking for men to help out, especially overnight on Thursday and Friday. The devotion will begin on Thursday and people are needed to be in attendance during the entire 40hrs. There are signups for manning the door, helping with prayers and readings or simply to sit and pray. All prayers are already set so you would just have to read. St Andrews has asked for help so please sign up below

Adorers, Leaders and Readers

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050944a4a629a7fa7-40hours2#/#](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050944a4a629a7fa7-40hours2#/)

Night Time Door Monitors

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050944a4a629a7fa7-40hours3#/#](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050944a4a629a7fa7-40hours3#/)

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Grand Knight	Clyde Moak	540-418-5148
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Recorder	Jan Hodnett	540-819-5456
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Inside Guard	Tom Huck	540-597-2121
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Trustee, 2 Year	Rich Whitney	443-465-7742
Trustee, 1 Year	Roger Vest	540-520-8520

Chairmen 2023-24

Program Director	James Valenzuela	301-806-3920
Faith	Open	
Family	Open	
Community	Open	
Life	Open	
Vocations	Open	
Retention	Open	
Public Relations	Open	

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President	Roger Vest	540-520-8520
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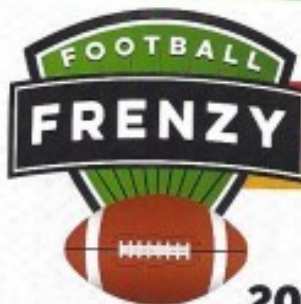
In case of illness, need, or death, please notify one of the following:

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Financial Secretary
Brian Ripple **540-797-5823**
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VIRGINIA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

2023 Football Frenzy Fundraiser Instructions

1. **FOOTBALL FRENZY FUNDRAISER:** This fundraiser follows pro football. Membership Card cost is \$10.00, buy 2 get 1 FREE. Purchase of the Membership Card automatically enters you into the Football Frenzy Sweepstakes.

2. **BUY 2 GET 1 FREE:** By purchasing two membership cards you can go to www.footballsweeps.com/FREE to get a FREE THIRD TICKET ONLINE! Free ticket(s) will be emailed to you (while supplies last, valid until 11/1/23.)

3. **PAPER TICKET SALES:** Paper Ticket holders must PRINT LEGIBLY their name, address, and telephone number on the stub. Save time--Address labels can be used. Put your name on the KC Member Name section of the stub and include your Council Number OR Assembly Number. You keep the stub and give the Membership Card with attached Football Frenzy ticket to the supporter.

PAPER STUB RETURN: Turn in all stubs with the collected money (\$10.00 per stub).

Councils must return by: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2023.

Please make checks payable to: **VIRGINIA STATE COUNCIL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

4. **TEAMS:** Football Frenzy tickets have 4 teams each week and the 4 teams change weekly. No two tickets have the same 4 teams on any given week. Team codes are listed on the back of the ticket.

5. **DATES:** Football Frenzy tickets are valid for the last 10 weeks of the Pro football season. Week #1 is November 5th. Week #2 is November 12th, Week #3 is November 19th, etc. For the purpose of this fundraiser weeks are represented as Sunday dates. Weeks start on the Wednesday before and end the Monday night after each date.

6. **PRIZES: TOTAL PRIZES will be \$10,000!** Prizes are awarded weekly to the ticket holders with the 4 teams that score the most or the least number of points. These 4-team totals are called the "Highest 4-Team Totals" and the "Lowest 4-Team Totals." The prizes for these winners are listed on the tickets. A total of \$1,000 will be paid to the ticket holders with the "Highest" and the "Lowest" 4-Team totals each week. In case of ties, prizes are combined and split.

7. **WINNERS-RESULTS:** Winners are mailed their prize. Winners do not need to claim a prize. Winning ticket numbers are posted weekly online. It makes no difference whether teams win or lose. Scores will be posted weekly on Tuesdays, starting Tuesday, November 7th. Go to WWW.VAKOFC.ORG and enter your access code or log in to check results. In case of ties, prizes are combined and split. **BYE WEEKS:** The scores from the previous week's game will be used for teams that are not scheduled to play on any given week.

8. **GREEN BEE SAVINGS CLUB:** To take advantage of the Restaurant.com certificate offers, visit www.greenbeesavingsclub.com. Your membership is valid online until 12/31/2023.

9. **ORDER ONLINE:** Purchases can be made online in 4 Easy Steps! Cards will be emailed to you. To receive a free ticket, you need to purchase multiples of two in one transaction. Your FREE ticket will automatically be linked to your account. Deadline to purchase online is November 1, 2023. *Please have family and friends enter your Member Name and the Council Number/Assembly Number in the designated online fields. Please share the website and our code with your family and friends.*

1. Go to www.footballsweeps.com
2. Click Order Tickets Online
3. Enter code **FB23VIRGINIA**
4. Create an Account or Log In



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By October 14, 2023

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