

**Father Widmer #7877, St. William of York Catholic Church
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Outgoing Grand Knight Report

It is difficult to believe that my term as Grand Knight is coming to a close. It has been a very humbling experience. Your support, and your families, for the many Council activities and events were nothing short of exemplary. Your hard work and willingness to volunteer demonstrate the principles of the Order in supporting the community and the church. Fraternal Year 2013–2014 would not have been as successful as it was without all you have done. Please accept my sincere thanks and please support the incoming officers this next Fraternal Year. God Bless each of you and your families. Vivat Jesus!

Jim Everett

Incoming Grand Knight Report – Dan Bolas



Thank you for the opportunity to serve the Parish, the Knights and the community as the incoming Grand Knight for 2014-2015. My goal for this year is to support the Priests, the Parish, the Knights and the community with the Principles of the Knights.

“DO WHAT IS NEEDED TO BE DONE”

“Jesus Lives” – Vivat Jesus

Principles of the Knights.

Charity - Our Catholic faith teaches us to “Love thy neighbor as thyself.”

Unity – None of us is as good as all of us.

Fraternity - In the Knights of Columbus, we watch out for and take care of one another.

Patriotism – We are proud of our devotion to God and country, and believe in standing up for both. Whether it’s in public or private, the Knights remind the world that Catholics support their nations and are amongst the greatest citizens.

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We cannot accomplish these goals if each Knight does not

1. Keep your dues current to support our works of Charity.
2. Keep your contact information current and up to date
3. Be active in the Knights of Columbus and the Parish
4. Volunteer at least 1 hour in Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.
5. Support Religious Freedom
6. Support "LIFE"
7. Support your PRIEST!!
8. Seek education to become a better Catholic Gentleman, Father, Brother and Spouse.
9. Mentor those that can gain from your life experience, training and knowledge.

Charity was the first lesson we learned when we began our journey towards full Knighthood. We understand that in today's economic climate you may be experiencing a financial hardship. We are here to help not only the needy of our local community but just as important we are here to help our brother Knights. You are very important to our Knights of Columbus council and we want to help you in any way we can. Please let us have an opportunity to work with you to bring your account up to date by 1 September.

If you did not receive your notice, please contact us and provide us with your current address, telephone number and email address.

Contact us at <http://www.staffordknights.org/contact.php>

It is important that everyone pay their dues annually and promptly. The Council is responsible for paying all State and Supreme Council assessments. For members who fail to make their payment, the council must pay out of the council's general funds, which reduces our ability to support other programs.

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KEY DATES AND EVENTS

Attached are the calendar of events for July, August and September.

Key events to note:

23 July – 1st Degree ceremony for initiation of new Knights, 7:30 p.m.

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27 July – Officer Installaton ceremony for 2014-2015 officers, 2 p.m.

3 Aug – Memorial Mass and Corporate Communion for all Knights and Families at **12:15 p.m. Mass.** Maximum participation is encouraged to honor Charter member of the Council and those members recently deceased. It's a time for all Knights to show UNITY and FRATERNITY to the community. **See FLYER.**

20 September – Alter Server & Usher appreciation Pizza Party at 6:30 p.m.

NOTE: **All *Honorary members* are invited to attend and will be recognized.**

Business and Program meeting are held the 2nd Wednesday of each month with Rosary at 7 p.m. and meeting at 7:30 p.m. (***9 July, 13 August and 10 September***).

SOCIAL MEDIA FOR COUNCIL #7877

Our webpage is at <http://www.staffordknights.org/>

Contact us at: <http://www.staffordknights.org/contact.php>

Facebook Page: KofC7877 <<http://www.facebook.com/mobileprotection>

**LET US KNOW WHICH OF THE ATTACHED PROGRAMS
AND ACTIVITIES YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE
THIS YEAR.**

**We support the Church, Community, Council, Culture of
Life, Family and Youth.**

**The Margaret Ladies Auxiliary promotes the Women of
the Parish, supports the Culture of Life and Education.**

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FROM AROUND VIRGINIA

“KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS IN ACTION”

Fr. Vincent Capodanno, #11958, Quantico

**Request for Financial Support Pope John Paul The Great High School, Dumfries,
VA Low-power FM Radio Station Construction Project -**

BACKGROUND Seeking the means to teach John Paul the Great students a media-based curriculum and serve nearby the Christian populace with Catholic-grounded programming. We initially require \$15,000 for broadcast equipment, with more needed over time to build out the station for long-term operation. To date we have raised about \$4,000.

It will also provide the Christian populace within broadcast range with Catholic-grounded programming; Leverage and rebroadcast content from noted Catholic sources, such as EWTN, Ave Maria Radio, Relevant Radio and others; Provide means to broadcast powerful positive messages from the school's bio-ethics and other teaching programs.

You can address checks and correspondence directly to the school, care of Mr. David Morales, Director of Technology there. Here is his contact info: **David Morales, Director of Technology, Pope John Paul the Great HS, 17700 Dominican Drive, Dumfries, VA 22026, 703-445-0237**

St. John Bosco #12846, Springfield

COLLEGE NIGHT

There is a FREE “College Night” for rising college freshman to attend a seminar that helps them prepare for college and get connected with other Catholic students who will be attending all the local colleges.

Father Vaccaro, is at University of Mary Washington, has a passion for this and has started this each summer. It's put on by the Associates of St. John Bosco . Father Vaccaro started the association in order to better prepare students to maintain and grow their faith throughout college.

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From one of our #7877 Knights: "My son, a rising freshman went to the presentation last night and I sat in the back. He went along rather begrudgingly but left with a different attitude. I highly recommend this presentation to any brothers that have children heading off the college. The two hours spent here will help prepare your child for the challenges to their faith that they will face in college.

There are two sessions remaining July 23rd and July 30th. By the way it is completely free and they have pizza and drinks for the students.

Here is the website: www.asjb.org

Jul 23, 2014 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM , St. Mary's (Old Town Alexandria) in the Lyceum for FREE pizza, snacks, fellowship, and resources!

Jul 30, 2014, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM, St. Mark's in Vienna for FREE pizza, snacks, fellowship, and resources!