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Brothers,

Many of you missed a wonderful experience on March 20th. The Redeemer Player's presented **Conspiracy of Betrayal**, a play written by Dixie C. Manning. This play takes place very late Good Friday Evening, in a heavenly courtroom. Judas Iscariot is charged with the conspiracy to commit murder in the death of Jesus of Nazareth. Satan, the Chief Prosecutor portrayed by Terry Colville, presents a very compelling case against Judas, portrayed by Brother Knight Lin Diacont. Brother Knight Rev. Mr. Chris Colville played Judas' able defense counselor, Jesus. Gabriel, the Presiding Officer of the Court, was depicted by Molly Mazeika, daughter of Brother Knight Bill Mazeika. The Bailiff was portrayed by Dona Davis. The compelling courtroom drama depicted a trial of Judas Iscariot. Witnesses were called including Mary, the sister of Martha and Lazarus was played by June Quisenberry, wife of Brother Knight Pat Quisenberry. John, the disciple, was played by one of our newest Brother Knights, Rey Bonjoc. And Caiaphas, High Priest of Israel, was played by Brother Knight Trey Hart (a member of St. Edwards Council). The production was directed by Brother Knight Don Byrne. Many thanks go to Don Byrne and the Redeemer Players for a fine performance. If any of you are interested in joining the Redeemer Players, please contact Don Byrne.

As you all can see, there were many Brother Knights involved in this production. As with most activities in the parish, there are Brother Knights always involved. I want to thank you for representing our council well in all that you do. Keep up the good work.

Thank you for all you do for your parish and the Knights of Columbus.

Fraternally,

Bob Birmingham
Grand Knight



Attention: A motion has been made to spend \$1,278.13 on General Liability Insurance for the Council.

As per the by-laws, this motion will be published no less than 2 times and voted upon.

Brothers,

Thanks to all who have helped support our fund raisers and events during February and March. The more help the lighter the work and more time for brotherhood and unity.

Our annual Seafood Dinner will be held on Friday the 26th of March. Help is needed in all areas, cooking, setup, serving and cleanup. Contact Mark Skapin to sign up. There will be preparation meetings at the home of Frank Eckert on Wednesday and Thursday, March 24th and 25th after 6:00PM. If you can assist, be there.

The state bowling tournament will be held on March 27th and 28th. George Brent Council 5332 is sponsoring this year's event.

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held at the Church of the Redeemer on Saturday, April 3rd, beginning at 11:30 AM. See Mike Teegarden or Norm Gallagher to help with this event.

The April directors meeting will be held at the home of Grand Knight, Bob Birmingham on the 19th beginning at 7:00 PM.

Finally, April is KOVAR collection month. On the 15th, 16th and 17th we will be collecting at various locations throughout Mechanicsville. Contact Dan Aunspach or Joe McFadden to sign up to help with this worthy cause. We will also be collecting on May 1st at the Food Lion grocery stores in the area.

Continue to donate your time and efforts to our fund raisers and events. Your help is appreciated.

Vivat Jesus!

Mike Martin
DGK/ Program Director

KOVAR 2004 is here!

Brothers,

Tootsie Roll time is fast-approaching! Most of you will recognize that I am referring to the annual KOVAR or Knights of Virginia Assisting Citizens with Mental Retardation fund drive. Each year, your Knights of Columbus Council distributes Tootsie Rolls in front of churches and businesses across the commonwealth; soliciting donations to assist citizens with mental retardation.

Where exactly does this money go?

The proceeds we raise provide financial support to organizations that assist Virginians with mental retardation. For example, a folding machine was purchased using grant funds from KOVAR that allowed more employees to be trained and given jobs in Fredericksburg. But, let's look even closer to home. KOVAR grants have been awarded to the Hanover ARC, the Hanover Community Services Board, the Diocese of Richmond, St. Joseph Villa, Richmond Outreach in Love, Richmond Parent of Parent Project, Richmond Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, Richmond area Virginia Special Olympics, Hanover Community Support Services, Down Syndrome Association of Richmond, Heart Haven Inc., Richmond Residential Services and over 200 other organizations helping God's special people throughout Virginia.

Funds are also distributed to assist with home loans.

What's with the term, "mental retardation"?

While the term is blunt and may seem unpleasant, legally we are bound to use the medical definition to ensure that contributions go where they are supposed to. If we were to use a more friendly term, there would be confusion as to whom should receive the funds. We'd rather ensure that funds are distributed as they are intended – not on settling disputes over terminology. I anticipate questions such as this during the fund drive, so I will have made informational brochures to distribute to those who ask questions about KOVAR.

What ways are there to contribute to KOVAR?

All contributions to KOVAR are tax deductible and there are many ways to contribute.

- During our annual fund drive, April 15th – 18th in front of the Church of the Redeemer and at the Ukrops stores in Mechanicsville and at Virginia Center Commons, also at the ABC store in Brandy Hill Plaza on Route 360.
- During the May co-operative fund drive with area Food Lion stores, May 1st.

(Please volunteer to help us man these locations! You may also ask friends and family to help you so that the time will move quickly!)

Sign-up sheets will again be posted at the next business meeting.

- If someone you know has a vehicle they would like to donate for a tax deduction, you may do so through V-DAC on the web <http://www.v-dac.com/org/?id=237337216> or call them toll-free at 1-866-332-1778. Please be sure to let them know that this donation is coming from the Redeemer parish by indicating that the donating council is 11042. Please let me know of their donation so that I can follow the paperwork through the system.

Brothers, I thank you for your generous support thus far and solicit from you your continued kindness and generosity for this most worthy cause.

Dan Aunspach, Chancellor and KOVAR Director

Web: <http://www.kovarva.com>

email: chancellor@kofc11042.org

APRIL FRATERNAL

HELP WANTED!!!HELP WANTED!!1

AT LEAST SIX BROTHER KNIGHTS WHO ARE CARING AND COMPASSIONATE .
MUST BE ABLE TO WORK SEVEN DAYS A WEEK BUT HOURS ARE YOUR CHOICE.
CAN WORK FROM HOME BUT SOME TRAVEL WOULD BE HELPFUL.
THERE IS NO MONETARY COMPENSATION BUT A GOOD FEELING THAT YOU HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE IN SOMEONES LIFE.

JOB DESCRIPTION...

VISITING BROTHER KNIGHTS IN HOSPITAL,NURSING HOME OR THEIR HOME. CALLING BROTHER KNIGHTS WHILE THEY ARE CONVALESCING AT HOME JUST TO KEEP IN TOUCH.
CALLING WIDOWS OR WIDOWERS TO LET THEM KNOW WE CARE AND CAN HELP.
RESUME IS NOT NEEDED JUST A PHONE CALL TO PAUL BYRNES @746-1245.
IF YOU CAN'T FILL THIS NEED BUT WANT TO HELP JUST CALL PAUL WHEN YOU KNOW OF SOME BROTHER KNIGHT OR FAMILY MEMBER IS IN THE HOSPITAL, NOT FEELING WELL, GOING TO HAVE SURGERY OR HAVE SOME OTHER NEED IN THIS RESPECT.

BIRTHDAYS

Ray Santucci 4-2 Bill Michie 4-3 Bradley Carroll 4-5 Jack McNeice 4-5 Kirk McClure 4-6
Mark Vucci 4-6 Vern Hall 4-7 Dan Baird 4-8 John Ficor 4-8 Mike Lowry 4-8 Mike Bonelli 4-9 Bill Molnar 4-9 Stan Waskiewicz 4-9 Frank Eckert 4-12 Bob Rotermund 4-14 Jerry Stack 4-23
Jack Hayek 4-25 Bob Brasington 4-28 Dan Atkinson 4-29

ANNIVERSARIES

Bill & Eva Taylor 4-4-42 Dewey & Honey Pourciau 4-5-96 Larry & Vilma Seymour 4-9-88
Bill & Andrea Dougherty 4-13-85 Mike Milly Martin 4-13-91 Rich & Eileen White 4-15-78
Steve & Debbie Preston 4-17-99 Happy 5th Jack & Bobbie Murray 4-19-65
Jerry & Mary Stack 4-19-58 Mike Cindy Foley 4-20-85 Joe & Debbie Quetsch 4-21-90
Don & Rose Marie Berberich 4-25-64 Happy 40th Scott & Terri wyatt 4-26-86
Bob & Carol Maldoven 4-27-91 Tad & Chris Stilwell 4-28-79

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL BROTHER KNIGHTS THEIR FAMILY, RELATIVES AND FRIEND WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER

Jack & Barbara McNeice Dana Nelson Dewey Pourciau Walter Harris Tommy Sties Grace Cox Terri Decker Margie Ward
Bob Jennings Bill Mazeika

The Mothers of Pete Booker Joe Quetsch Jack Murray Dan Baird Ed Soniat
The Fathers of Jeff Decker Mike Roberts Mike Martin Jack Lewis Ray Santucci

The Mothers in Law of Dan Aunspach Ray Santucci John Pohida Mark Vucci Lewis Smith
The Fathers in Law of Mark Evans Dan Baird

The Son of Bob Jennings
The Brothers of Lewis Smith Mark Vucci
The Sisters of Dan Baird Ken Ritz John Pohida

The Loved Ones of Lin Diacont Dennis McLaughlin JoAnn Bonelli Michele Vucci

CHEERS 2004

In order to let our new members know a little bit about what we do at Cheers and to let all our brother Knights know about some changes please read on.

Cheers is still a major fund raiser for our council. During the months of May, June, July and August we work at Browns Island and the Turning Basin. At both of these places we ID patrons to be sure they of drinking age, sell tickets and serve beer and wine. Cheers is Friday nights on Browns Island and Midweek Mojo is Wednesday nights at the turning basin.

We have knights that call brother knights to line up enough help for the events. In the past we have called about 125 brothers but this year we are only going to call about 65 who have shown in the past that they want to help with this project. Many wives come with their husbands and we very much welcome them as well. **If you don't get called this does not mean you are not welcome. Please come as often as you can.** Naturally we will be calling all the new knights who have joined since Cheers ended last year.

A few changes from last year I will mention now. Beer will go from \$3 to \$4. We will still buy all workers one beer each time they work. Parking in the Federal Reserve parking lot will only be \$1 instead of \$4 and the River City Beer & Seafood Festival will move from 2 days in May to 1 day in September. There will be an additional event on August 28th when possibly 12,000 to 15,000 Harley bikers will be coming to Browns Island.

More will be said on this fund raiser at our April meeting. If you have any questions before that feel free to call Paul @ 746-1245. In the May newsletter we will go over the rules and regulations that we must abide by. We don't want to jeopardize our ability to make these funds by not following the rules that are set up by the ABC board or City Celebrations.

Message from Bob Blade on behalf of Scout Troop 503

The Boys of Troop 503 wish to thank all the Knights of Council 11042 who helped with their recent events.

Boys of Troop 503

CHURCH

The following was forwarded to me in an email message

Subject: 57 cents

A sobbing little girl stood near a small church from which she had been turned away because it “was too crowded.”

“I can’t go to Sunday School,” she sobbed to the pastor as he walked by.

Seeing her shabby, unkempt appearance, the pastor guessed the reason and, taking her by the hand, took her inside and found a place for her in the Sunday School class.

The child was so happy that they found room for her, that she went to be that night thinking of the children who have no place to worship Jesus.

Some two years later, this child lay dead in one of the poor tenement buildings and the parents called for the kindhearted pastor, who had befriended their daughter, to handle the final arrangements.

As her poor little body was being moved, a worn and crumpled purse was found which seemed to have been rummaged from some trash dump. Inside was found 57 cents and a note scribbled in childish handwriting which read, “This is to help build the little church bigger so more children can go to Sunday School. For two years she had saved for this offering of love.

When the pastor tearfully read that note, he knew instantly what he would do. Carrying this note and the cracked red pocketbook to the pulpit, he told the story of the unselfish love and devotion. He challenged his deacons to get busy and raise enough money for the larger building.

But the story does not end there!

A newspaper learned of the story and published it. It was read by a Realtor who offered then a parcel of land worth many thousands. When told that the church could not pay so much, he offered it for **57 cents**.

Church members made large donations. Checks came from far and wide. Within five years the little girl’s gift had increased to \$250,000.00—a huge sum for that time (near the turn of the 20th century). Her unselfish love had paid a large dividend.

When you are in the city of Philadelphia, look up Temple Baptist Church, with a seating capacity of 3,300 and Temple University, where hundreds of students are trained. Have a look too, at the Good Samaritan Hospital and at a Sunday School building which houses hundreds of Sunday Schoolers, so that no child in the area will ever need to be left outside during Sunday School time.

In one of the rooms of this building may be seen the picture of the sweet face of the little girl whose 57 cents, so sacrificially saved, made such remarkable history. Alongside of it is a portrait of her kind pastor Dr. Russel H Conwell, author of the book “Acres of Diamonds.”

A true story, which goes to show WHAT GOD, CAN DO WITH 57 cents.

St. Theresa Prayer

May today there be peace within,
May you trust your highest power
That you are exactly where you are meant to be...

May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith...

May you use those gifts that you have received,
And pass on the love
That has been given to you...

May you be content knowing you are a child of GOD...

Let this presence settle into your bones, and
Allow your soul the freedom to sing, and dance,

It is there for each and every one of us...

In this time when we as Christians and all people who believe in the one true GOD are being subjected to constant challenges in the free exercise of our faith by a very small minority of godless people supported by a Judicial system which has gone completely amuck, we need to become more proactive in our practice of our faith, and stand up for the Christian principles on which this country was founded.

We are approaching the end of the Lenten Season, which culminates in Holy Week. Each of us should make a special effort to attend the Holy Week Liturgies. Holy Thursday, Good Friday and The Easter Vigil celebrate what our faith is all about. By participating in these liturgies we are reminded of Jesus' giving us the Eucharist, his ultimate sacrifice for us on the Cross and his Resurrection which is very basis of our faith. In this season we are also reminded of what is important in life and by example show our commitment to our faith.

COUNCIL CALENDAR

APRIL, 2004

3	11:30 AM	Genesis Hall	Easter Egg Hunt
5	9:00 AM	Church	Church Outreach Food Distribution for the needy
5	7:00 PM	Verdi Lodge	Council Meeting
6	9:00 AM	Church	Church Outreach Food Distribution for the needy
14	7:00 PM	Hanover Health	Bingo
19	7:00 PM	TBD	Director's Meeting
16-18		Mechanicsville	KOVAR DRIVE WEEKEND

MAY, 2004

1-2	TBD	Richmond	State Convention
3	9:00 AM	Church	Church Outreach Food Distribution for the needy
3	7:00 PM	Verdi Lodge	Council Meeting - 1 st Degree
4	9:00 AM	Church	Church Outreach Food Distribution for the needy
TBD	TBD	Food Lion	KOVAR Drive
9	7:00 AM	Genesis Hall	Pancake Breakfast/Mothers Day Brunch
12	7:00 PM	Hanover Health	Bingo
17	7:00 PM	TBD	Director's Meeting

JUNE, 2004

6	TBD	TBD	Fishing Trip
7	9:00 AM	Church	Church Outreach Food Distribution for the needy
7	7:00 PM	Verdi Lodge	Council Meeting
8	9:00 AM	Church	Church Outreach Food Distribution for the needy
9	7:00 PM	Hanover Health	Bingo
21	7:00 PM	TBD	Director's Meeting

Mechanicsville Catholic Men's Association News

The annual meeting of the Mechanicsville Catholic Men's Association will be held at the home of our Grand Knight on Saturday, May 8, 2004 at 4:00 PM. As you know as members of the Council 11042 automatically makes you a member of the MCMA. At this meeting we will elect a slate of officers for the coming year.

Food and beverages will be provided.

Please RSVP to Tad Stilwell 804-746-9645 (kameja@aol.com) or Bob Birmingham 804-746-9122 (grand_knight@kofc11042.org) by MAY 3rd so we can get a count for food.

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COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN RESPONSIBILITIES

CHURCH: COORDINATES ACTIVITIES BETWEEN CHURCH AND COUNCIL

COUNCIL: ORGANIZES COUNCIL ACTIVITIES SUCH AS PANCAKE BREAKFASTS, PICNIC, DANCES, DINNERS, ETC.

YOUTH: ORGANIZES YOUTH ACTIVITIES SUCH AS FREE THROW CONTESTS, SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, ESSAY CONTESTS, ETC.

COMMUNITY: ORGANIZES OUTREACH PROGRAMS SUCH AS HANOVER HEALTH CARE BINGO AND VA HOSPITAL EVENTS, ETC.

FAMILY: ORGANIZES FAMILY ACTIVITIES SUCH AS HALLOWEEN PARTY, EASTER EGG HUNT, ETC.

FRATERNAL: KEEPS COUNCIL INFORMED ABOUT WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE LIVES OF OUR BROTHERS

HISTORIAN: KEEPS HISTORICAL RECORDS OF OUR COUNCIL, TAKES PICTURES AT COUNCIL FUNCTIONS, MAINTAINS COUNCIL SCRAPBOOK, ETC.

CRUSADE FOR LIFE : (A BROTHER AND HIS WIFE) ORGANIZE RIGHT TO LIFE EVENTS INCLUDING CANDY BAR SALES, RTL MARCH. ETC.

KOVAR: ORGANIZES KOVAR FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES, MANAGES ANNUAL KOVAR COLLECTION DRIVE IN SPRING

RECRUITMENT: ORGANIZES COUNCIL RECRUITMENT DRIVES AND ACTIVITIES

MEMBERSHIP: ALONG WITH ADMISSION COMMITTEE, CONDUCTS INTERVIEWS FOR OUR NEW MEMBERS

RETENTION: ASSISTS FINANCIAL SECRETARY WITH RETAINING MEMBERS. AND INVESTIGATING "DROPS"

SCAN: ORGANIZES ACTIVITIES RELATED TO "STOP CHILD ABUSE NOW"

SCOUTING: REPORTS SCOUTING ACTIVITIES TO COUNCIL

SQUIRES: (OPEN) ORGANIZES COLUMBIAN SQUIRES PROGRAM

PHONE: MAINTAINS COUNCIL EMERGENCY PHONE TREE, ACTIVATES IT ON REQUEST OF GRAND KNIGHT

KCIC: ORGANIZES ACTIVITIES RELATED TO KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS, SUCH AS CHRISTMAS CARD SALES, ETC.

CHARITY: ORGANIZES CHARITABLE OUTREACH ACTIVITIES INCLUDING CHRISTMAS BASKETS, RAFFLES, FOOD BANK DONATIONS, ETC.

CHEERS: ORGANIZES AND MANAGES ACTIVITIES RELATED TO DOWNTOWN PRESENTS FUNCTIONS

BINGO: ORGANIZES AND MANAGES ACTIVITIES RELATED TO ASHLAND MOOSE BINGO

ORGAN DONATION: INCREASES COUNCIL AND PARISH AWARENESS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF ORGAN DONATION

MEALS ON WHEELS: (DELIVERIES)

NEWSLETTER: (PREPARATION)

PUBLICITY: COORDINATES WITH THE PUBLISHERS OF THE GOOD NEWS AND WEEKLY BULLETIN AT CHURCH TO ANNOUNCE UPCOMING KOFC EVENTS.

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If you have email, please let us know. Simply send an email to admin@kofc11042.org.

And include (1) your real name (sometimes those clever email addresses can be quite confusing) and (2) Yes or no to the question "Would you like to be notified of council information and news via this email address?" I will respond to your email once I receive it. And visit our web site at <http://kofc11042.org>

JOIN US

Next Business Meeting
Monday Apr. 5, 2004
Giuseppe Verdi Lodge
On Verdi Lane

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