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From the Desk of the Grand Knight

Greetings Brother Knights &
Family

The calendar tells us spring is
here, but we all know we live in
New England and - - - - - ?

I will try to keep my thinking
positive. We passed a new
milestone in that Council 4442
became a member of the Greater
Salem Chamber of Commerce.
Along with other nonprofit groups
& businesses

We have a new venue that links
us to our community. I attended
a meeting that greeted new
members of the Chamber and
had an opportunity to speak and
tell of all the good works that we
do throughout the year. I was
asked many questions about our
Blood Drives, Tootsie Roll Drives,
Scholarships, Support of
Seminarians, our participation in
the Food Baskets for
Thanksgiving, the Salem
Christmas Fund and many other
questions. As a representative of
the Knights of Columbus Council
4442, I was very warmly
received. I of course was very
proud to spread the word of our
accomplishments. As you know
we never stop participating with
our charitable works. Many are

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behind us and many remain
ahead of us. Isn't it a great
feeling to accomplish so many
things in concert with our church
and community. This Grand
Knights message is short as there
are a few more articles to write,
read on.

Peg and I wish you all a VERY
HAPPY EASTER

Christ will be risen

Vivat Jesus

Ken Akerley, G.K.

From the Desk of the Chaplain Fr John

What do we owe God, the God
who created and sustains us?
The God who forgives us and
sent his Son, Jesus, to save us?
The God who desires that we live
in eternal love with him? We owe
God everything.

*Religion that is pure and
undefiled before God the Father
is this: to care for orphans and
widows in their affliction and to
keep oneself unstained by the
world. James 1:27.*

Religion for the Romans
was part of the virtue of justice. It
was what we owe God. Justice is
the virtue, the good habit, of
giving to each his or her due.
Religion, then, was the habit of
giving God his due. The
**Catechism of the Catholic
Church** puts it this way: "Justice

is the moral virtue that consists in
the constant and firm will to give
their due to God and neighbor.
Justice toward God is called the
'virtue of religion.'" (#1807).

However, St. Thomas
Aquinas pointed out long ago that
we can never fully give to God his
due, what we owe him. As finite
creatures, how can we fully give
back all that we owe to the infinite
God? We can't by ourselves.
However, in Jesus who embraced
humanity in his Incarnation and
raised us up in his passion, death
and resurrection, we are able to
make the perfect offering to God.
In Jesus, we do give God his due.

Jesus teaches us that the
way to love the God we do not
see is to love our neighbor whom
we can see. (Cf. Matthew 25:31-
46 and I John 4:20-21). Thus
religion is not so much a set of
beliefs but a way of living out
those beliefs following the
example of Christ Jesus our Lord.
We can assent to beliefs about
God and his Son Jesus, but
unless this assent turns into
action, it is just so much talk. As
St. James tells us, true faith is
lived out in good works, in acting
as Jesus would in our
circumstances. (Cf. James 2:14-
26). To do that, we have to work
at keeping ourselves "unstained
by the world." We have to avoid
the temptations to riches, honors
and pride. In each of these
temptations we say that we don't
need God, we are self-sufficient.
In contrast, active love of
neighbor teaches us humility for
we realize that by ourselves we
cannot save anyone, and that in
giving we receive more than what
we have given away.

May we "give to God, what is
God's."

Fr. John Michalowski, SJ

BLOOD DRIVE

K of C BLOOD DRIVE
SCHEDULE

THURSDAY MAY 14th,
2009

THURSDAY JULY 9th,
2009

THURSDAY NOVEMBER
19th, 2009

THURSDAY JANUARY
21st 2010

The BLOOD DRIVE HOURS will
be 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

On the above dates, all donors
will be served a pasta dinner with
meatballs, sausage, salad and
rolls. All served with a smile of
appreciation. SAVE THE DATES

God Bless You All

Ken Akerley, Blood Drive Chair

TUXEDO

**NOTICE for anyone wishing to
purchase a TUXEDO;**

**K & G listed below, is one of the
places offering ""IN-
EXPENSIVE"" TUXEDOS.**

**Please pass this on to ALL Grand
Knights and Faithful Navigators to
INFORM PENDING
CANDIDATES for the UP-
COMING (4th) FOURTH
DEGREE and other FOURTH
DEGREES IN THE FUTURE.**

Salem NH Chief of Police Paul Donovan

ATM's

There was a time that you would
only find ATM machines in banks.
Now you can find them in grocery
stores, convenience shops,
airports, casinos, nightclubs and
more. People can access their
bank accounts whenever they
wish.

The trade off for this ready
access is safety. Robbery and
identity theft are increasing as
ATM's become more prevalent.
The proliferation of ATM's has
increased the risk of robbery of
couriers who fill the machines
with cash, theft of Personal
Identification Numbers (PINs),
electronic data interception
through the use of devices which
intercept a card as it goes into the
ATM and transfers information
from the card to the device for
later use, "shoulder surfing"
where people steal your PIN as
you enter it, burglaries of ATM's
and more. Fraudulent use of ATM
accounts result, causing people
to suffer credit disasters. ATM
vestibules become sources of
shelter for homeless people as
well. ATM's are often easy targets
for vandals.

Most robberies of customers at
ATM's are committed by lone
suspects, often armed. They
occur at all hours, but midnight
and 4AM are prime target times.
Walk up ATM's are favorites of
criminals. These criminals wait for
the person to make a cash
withdrawal, then they rob them.
The average take is between
\$100 and \$200 dollars, with about

15% of the victims also being
assaulted. Drug addicts
especially like these types of
robberies as it allows them
access to quick cash for drug
purchases. It doesn't take a good
plan or a lot of skill, just a junkie
in need of cash for drugs.

Other newer events include
criminals forcing captives to use
their ATM and they will empty out
the account. They will rob people,
take their card, force them to give
up their PIN, then use the card
themselves. They will also rob
people of personal belongings, as
most people are along when
using an ATM. Sometimes they'll
wait until you've left the area of
the ATM to rob you, thereby not
risk getting caught on camera.

So, as you can see, we've traded
safety for convenience. In the
next newsletter we'll discuss
some ways to make robberies at
ATM's less attractive to criminals

IRISH THINKING

An Irishman moves into a tiny
hamlet in County Kerry, walks
into the pub and promptly orders
three beers. The bartender raises
his eyebrows, but serves the man
three beers, which he drinks
quietly at a table, alone.

An hour later, the man has
finished the three beers and
orders three more.
This happens yet again. The next
evening the man again orders
and drinks three beers at a time,
several times. Soon the entire
town is whispering about the Man
Who Orders Three Beers.

Finally, a week later, the
bartender broaches the subject
on behalf of the town. "I don't
mean to pry, but folks around

here are wondering why you always order three beers?"

"Tis odd, isn't it?" the man replies. "You see, I have two brothers, and one went to America, and the other to Australia.. We promised each other that we would always order an extra two beers whenever we drank as a way of keeping up the family bond."

The bartender and the whole town were pleased with this answer, and soon the Man Who Orders Three Beers became a local celebrity and source of pride to the hamlet, even to the extent that out-of-towners would come to watch him drink.

Then, one day, the man comes in and orders only two beers. The bartender pours them with a heavy heart. This continues for the rest of the evening. He orders only two beers. The word flies around town. Prayers are offered for the soul of one of the brothers.

Then the next day, the bartender says to the man, "Folks around here - me first of all - want to offer condolences to you for the death of your brother. You know... the two beers and all."

The man ponders this for a moment, then replies, "You'll be happy to hear that my two brothers are alive and well. It's just that I, meself, have decided to give up drinking for Lent."

October Knight of the Month

SIR KNIGHT,

RICHARD COLLOPY

Dick Collopy some how or other is involved in almost all Council activities. The first one that comes to mind is our K of C BLOOD DRIVE. Dick and his lovely wife Jeanne, have been my right hand for as long as I can remember, as chairman of the BLOOD DRIVE. Dick chairs our annual Mass for Deceased Members of Council 4442. This Mass is one of our most important events of the year. Thanks to Dick, we as members of 4442 will never forget those members who have gone before us.

In our St. Joseph Catholic Community, Dick is a Eucharistic Minister. Dick also runs the Men's Prayer Breakfast every month at St. Julie Hall. This breakfast is always well attended by Knights of 4442 and many other Catholic gentlemen of our community. Annual Christmas Parade, our Santa Maria float is always towed down Main Street by none other than Dick Collopy. Dick is also a Director of the Bishop Peterson Corporation. Many kudos to you Dick,

Congratulations,
G.K., Ken Akerley

November Knight of the Month

SIR KNIGHT,

JAMES BROADHURST

Jim has been a powerhouse since joining Council 4442. As a recorder for our Council, Jim pays great attention to detail and is a very active member at all the monthly meetings. One of Jim's accomplishments was his contribution to the American Cancer Society's annual RELAY FOR LIFE. In the name of Salem Knights of Columbus Council 4442, Jim purchased hundreds of pink ribbon key blanks, signifying Fight against Breast Cancer. Jim had one of his employees cut those key blanks for a nominal fee at our last Relay For Life Walk. All of the proceeds going to The American Cancer Society. Jim has maintained this pink ribbon key cutting at his locksmith business year round. Again, in the name of Knights of Columbus 4442. As you know K of C 4442 is a corporate sponsor in partnership with the Salem Kiwanis. Jim has had many great ideas as a member of the Knights of Columbus Relay Team. Jim is always there when a call for assistance comes in. We all should recognize and be proud of Jim's unselfishness and devotion to the Knights of Columbus and his Community.

Congratulations,
G.K., Ken Akerley

December Knight of the Month

SIR KNIGHT,

ALAN PHAIR

When the month of December rolls around, year after year all focus goes to the leadership of P. G. K. Brother, Alan Phair, not only from his brother Knights, but also from the Salem Christmas Fund Committee. Brother Alan and his wife Janet have worked tirelessly to assure that needy families with children are not forgotten. In conjunction with the town of Salem's Human Services Sept., Alan has highlighted the participation of Council 4442 and his brother Knights. When you think of heroes within our ranks, and there are many, Alan's name surely surfaces. If it were not for the mobilization of brother Knights by Alan, the toy distribution every Christmas Holiday Season may not happen as successfully as it has. Alan routinely makes things happen throughout the year. Our Lowell Spinners Family Night for example, Alan's idea to have such an event was one of the most successful for family participation and camaraderie. Alan is also very diligent as one of our trustees. Alan, this Council owes you a very heartfelt Thank You.

Congratulations,
G.K., Ken Akerley

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

RELAY FOR LIFE WALK

Many, many thanks to PGK, Ralph Miele for taking the K of C Team Captain's Position, for the Relay Event.

God Bless You Ralph

Ken Akerley G.K.

The Knights in conjunction with the Kiwanis have teamed up to raise money for the annual Relay for Life in Salem for the American Cancer Society this event will take place on June 27 and 28. As the captain of our team it is my responsibility to coordinate the fund raising. We have set a fund raising goal of \$5000.00, lofty but attainable. One of the easiest ways to raise funds would be for K of C members to join the team by going to www.relayforlife.org/salem. Click on sign up, click on join a team, click on search for a team then type in Knights of Columbus/Kiwanis and you can join with a \$10.00 donation or just donate to one of the team members if that is easier. We certainly would like you to join up and raise funds on this site it is very rewarding. As a fund raising activity we will be sponsoring two Sunday Breakfasts at the council hall on May 3rd and May 31st starting at 8 AM running until 12 PM.

Cost will be \$5.00 per person and \$15.00 for a family. Please try to

make it to this event. We are planning on other activities as well and I will keep you informed either through the bulletin or at our monthly meetings. If you have any questions my email address is rmiele@msn.com, cell phone is (603) 475-8579.

PAROCHIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

A reminder to everyone that has a child in a PAROCHIAL SCHOOL as of the school opening SEPTEMBER 2009.

GRADES (1) one through (12) twelve will be accepted. The APPLICATIONS will be available at the Council Home, beginning JUNE 2009. Every child must be registered and accepted into the PAROCHIAL SCHOOL on the application.. This program is available to Council 4442 Knights on the roll as a fully paid up member.

ADDITION: Program is open to IMMEDIATE CHILDREN and CHILDREN cared for as a GUARDIAN by the Knight.

Applications and letters of acceptance must be received NOT LATER THAN AUGUST 31, 2009.

Following is the exact wording on the By-laws:

1. The Brother Knight seeking a grant, must be a paid up member of Council 4442, in good standings.
2. The person being submitted for consideration must be a Son,

Daughter, Stepson, Stepdaughter, or a child who is the guardian of a member as described in item #1 above.

3. The family member must be registered in grades one (1) through twelve (12), in a Parochial School.
4. Verification of Registration in the Parochial School must be submitted along with the application no later than August 1st of the school year, to "Chairman Scholarship Committee, Knights of Columbus, Council 4442, 37 Main Street, Salem, NH 03079."
5. Parochial Assistance will vary yearly depending upon the State Ball raffle ticket sales and gift donations. The Budget Committee and Council, as recommended by the Scholarship Committee, will determine the number and dollar amount given out for that school.
6. Awarded checks for the grants shall be made payable to the recipient as soon as possible, after selection.

Respectfully submitted.
Wilfred E. Bamford
P.A.P. Chmn.
Council 4442

Soldier Aid

Paul St. Amand reporting

REQUEST for DVDs for our TROOPS

(Paul St. Amand reporting)

(Each package we send goes to a designated soldier who is the point of contact for their unit; we do not send out packages to "any service man.") Our council sends out care packages of goodies each month to our troops; these

are much appreciated and the snacks "go real fast!", as First Sgt Michael S. of the 10th Mountain Division emailed me recently. I also found out that his folks would like DVDs to relieve stress and pass away "down time" between operations.

REQUEST: If you have DVDs you would like to donate, please pass them on to me and I will include them in our packages. Keep in mind that our folks are mostly young men and women, probably 18 years old and up. While almost anything would be welcome; I reserve the right to reject inappropriate DVDs such as the toddler's "Barney Visits Mr. Potty Chair" or AARP's "Selecting a Nursing Home."

SENDING MAIL TO OUR TROOPS

(Paul St. Amand reporting)

A few months back, an article appeared about sending "Get Well" cards to wounded soldiers. Several folks did this, but the cards have been returned to sender. Our article was misleading. The US Postal Service will **not** deliver any mail to "A Wounded Soldier" at Walter Reed, or "A Soldier in Iraq". All items must be to a specific person; when sending any letter or package to our troops, you must have the name of a specific soldier, sailor, marine, air force or coast guard member.

From the USPS Web Site:
Programs that allowed people to send mail to service members unknown to them were discontinued following the terrorist attacks of 2001. This includes the "Any Service Member" mail program for overseas military personnel. Mail to "Any Service Member" that is deposited into a collection box will not be delivered.

BUT, there is a valid way for you to send general greetings to our troops. See the Department of Defense Web Site:
<http://www.americasupportsyou.mil> That site lets you send an email message to our troops; you do not need to name any particular person.

TROOP SUPPORT:

Our monthly project of sending out "goodie" packages to our Troops continues. I received this email from First Sergeant Michael "S." in the 10th Mountain Division. He was quite excited and surprised to see our package of Slim Jims, Oreo Cookies, Granola Bars, Skittles... But he was most excited to see that the package came from New Hampshire. This is just one example of the letters or emails we get from our troops. These remind us that when we hear "2000 Troops are being sent to battle" in the news, those anonymous troops are "real" people with hopes and dreams, who love and laugh and have a zest for life; nevertheless, they are willing to serve to protect our land and our people. In his words....

"Holly crap!!! A package from my beloved state of New Hampshire! Before I go any further Sir, thank you from the bottom of my heart for supporting my unit. All of the non-healthy snacks are a huge hit. OK....now on to me. I'm from Greenville, NH. Joined the Army in 1990 and plan to retire after this tour. We should be out of here at the end of the year. I can retire next June. I'm a die hard Pats fan (BS we can't make the playoffs at 11-5 but the 8-8 Chargers could!), BoSox fan and Bruins fan. I love making live games. The Colts suck and I loathe the Yankees. Anything bad with both of those teams is good! The last live game I was at was two years ago. My dad got me front row seats at a Bruins

game...oh and 6th row at a Celtics game. I drive home often to see family, hunt, fish and snowmobile. I love the state of NH and can't wait to return for good!! I chose Fort Drum because it's close to home. I have some other NH and MA guys here in my company. We reminisce about the luxuries and things we like about New England. I really miss cod and haddock fishing. Man.....can't wait for that!! Again....thank you and your Knight friends for looking out for my soldiers. Take care.”

May God bless our troops and grant them a safe return home.

New Member Process

From the Membership Chairman

Brothers, please remember to use the new “Form 100's” for any candidates you propose for membership. These new forms are full-page size, 8.5 x 11-inches. New forms are available in the council hall or from me.

. Give me a call (898-2421) or email.
(stamand@comcast.net).
Thanks,
Paul St.Amand

Nominating Committee

Slate of officers Year 2009/2010

Alan Phair

Chanel Simard

Larry Belair

Will Bamford

Stan Gorgol

Anyone interested in becoming an officer, please contact one of the above or myself.

Ken Akerley, G.K.

Tootsie Roll Drive

The Tootsie Roll Committee wants to get out the word that Tootsie Roll Time is almost here.

Please save the dates of Friday April 24 to Sunday April 26. For almost thirty years this has been one of the most important, and certainly the most visible, of the Council's many community activities. We deploy over a hundred people to dozens of retail sites around Salem, to collect for several very worthy charities that work with intellectually challenged citizens, such as SARC, Players Among the Stars, Region 10, and Camp Fatima. Members, and their families, especially their children, have supported this effort with a couple of hours in front of Shaws, Market Basket, Wal-Mart, the state liquor store, and many other locations. We have consistently raised over \$10,000 each year from this weekend long event, and have raised as much as \$13,000 in some years. It is a fact that we are now seeing the FOURTH generation of volunteers from some families on our schedule boards. That is amazing! Most of the work, and most of the need, is to fill two-hour shifts on the Saturday and Sunday.

WE NEED EVERYBODY!!

Please, when we call you over the next couple of weeks (and we will!), be ready to offer us a couple of hours, on a nice spring day (we hope!), for this most worthy effort. We also have shifts available at the Transfer Station on Wednesday evening the 22nd, at Bingo the following week (Mon 27 and Tues 28) and after the Masses at St. Joseph's and Mary, Queen of Peace on Sunday the 26th. Somewhere in this schedule is a place where you can help.

Thank you!

Gene Bryant

District Deputy Report

Fathers for Good:

In keeping with the longstanding commitment to build stronger marriages and families, the Knights of Columbus launched a new initiative called “Fathers for Good”. The centerpiece of the initiative Web Site, www.fathersforgood.org. Available through the site are the St Joseph Series Booklits for men, which can be ordered on-line, and include the titles “A life of prayer, a life of virtue and a man of God”. Send questions and input regarding the site to fatherhood@kofc.org.

Headline Bistro:

District calendar:

Salem Council host bingo every Monday and Tuesday at Rockingham Park @ 6:30 PM.

Touring

Groups of Americans were traveling by tour bus through Holland . As they stopped at a cheese farm, a young guide led them through the process of cheese making, explaining that goat's milk was used. She showed the group a lovely hillside where many goats were grazing. 'These' she explained, 'Are the older goats put out to pasture when they no longer produce.' She then asked, 'What do you do in America with your old goats?' A spry old gentleman answered, 'They send us on bus tours!'

Chamber of Commerce Scholarship

Now that the K of C has joined the Greater Salem Chamber of Commerce, there will be several benefits available that members should be able to avail themselves of. One item is a scholarship of up to \$1,000 for high school students entering college or those already in college. It should be noted that the Scholarship is open to a Brother Knight or to a son or daughter of a Knight. It is not open to Grandchildren as our regular K of C one is. To get an application, please go to the Chamber Web site at www.GSChamber.com and you will see where to print out the application. There is a very short deadline of April 10th so we don't know if anyone would be able to get the information required

together by then but at least if someone wants to give it a go, they can. Winning one of these scholarships would not jeopardize your ability to win one of our regular K of C Scholarships.

Lowell Spinners Game Set



Once again, the Council will be sponsoring an outing to a Lowell Spinners minor league game in Lowell. The date is set for Thursday. Evening, July, 30th at 7:05PM. We have the entire section of great seats along the third base side. All tickets are premium box seats in section. The tickets will go fast and are on a first come, first serve basis as usual based upon payment for tickets. Anthony Fabrizio will be taking over the chairing of this event from Alan Phair. Send all money for tickets made out to the Bishop Peterson Council; K of C to Anthony's address at 4 Peggy Lane, Salem, NH 03079. Tickets are \$8.00 each. If you have not been to a game before, this is the perfect opportunity to bring your spouse, children, grandchildren or just friends for a nice evening. The spinners are a Red Sox farm team and it would be nice to say that you have seen a future star of the Red Sox in his early years. Many of us can remember Dustin Pedroia, Jonathan Papelbon among others at games when they were just starting out. The theme for this game will be "A salute to quitters day and is the

date of the Manny Ramirez trade) I am sure the Spinners will do something special. Again, while July seems a long time away, if you wait till then, tickets will be gone. As you probably know, regular tickets for the Spinners games sell out each year. While we don't need the money right away, at least let Tony know if you plan on going so he can reserve the tickets for you. You can call Tony at 603-890-3530 or Email him at ASFAB1@aol.com If you cannot reach Tony, feel free to contact Alan Phair at 603-489-1507 or email APhair@aol.com.

Stations of the Cross

Sir Knights in tuxedos, who participated in the Station of the Cross were:

W. Bamford, Dan Downey, Dick Dube, Dick Collopy, Al Faucher, Don Gagne, Butch Kealy, C. Simard, and Charlie Wheeler.

It makes me proud to be a Knight at times like these.

Chanel L. Simard

Food for Thought

A Doctor was addressing a large audience in Tampa . 'The material we put into our stomachs is enough to have killed most of us sitting here, years ago. Red meat is awful. Soft drinks corrode your stomach lining. Chinese food is loaded with MSG. High fat diets can be disastrous, and none of us realizes the long-term harm caused by the germs in our

drinking water. However, there is one thing that is the most dangerous of all and we all have eaten, or will eat it. Can anyone here tell me what food it is that causes the most grief and suffering for years after eating it?' After several seconds of quiet, a 75-year-old man in the front row raised his hand, and softly said, 'Wedding Cake.'

HONOR GUARD

Sir Knights who where the Honor Guard for the wake and Funeral Mass for Sir Knight Bill Gallagher. A mercy meal at the Council Hall were over 120 people came. Hall set up was done by P. Simard, Al Faucher and Chanel Simard. Clean up following the meal was done by GK Ken Akerley, Al and Kathleen Faucher, Josie and Chanel Simard.

Columbian Squire Circle News



No news to report at this time.

Fourth Degree

Assembly #0641 News



Election of Officers

The proposed slate of officer for the year 2009-2010 is as follows?

Friar- Fr Marcoux
 Navigator- Randy McClellan
 Captain- John Boniface
 Admiral- Wayne Griffin
 Pilot- Bob Churchill
 Purser- William Greenwood
 Comptroller- David Kling
 Scribe- Dennis Groulx
 Inside Sentinel- Paul Elmore
 Outside Sentinel- Ken Akerley
 3Yr Trustee- Stan Gorgol
 2Yr Trustee- Gordon Lewis (ret)
 1Yr Trustee- Chanel Simard (ret)
 Nominations from the floor will be taken at the June Election.

Nominating Committee
 Stan Gorgol
 Wilfred Bamford
 Gordon Lewis



Photo from the Pro-Life Seminar held on Sunday, March 29, 2009 at St. Joseph's Cathedral in Manchester, NH. In attendance from the Bishop Peterson Assembly #0641 was PSD Ed Mele and his wife, Anna and FN Wayne Griffin and his wife Maryellen.

The seminar was also attended by State Deputy, Greg Taillon, State Secretary Ed McCann and State Warden Rich McDermott



Stan & Pauline Gorgol along with their son, Dr. Stanley JR. attended the Irish Night Celebration at Council #7572 Windham. Also performing Irish Step Dancing was Stanley's granddaughter, Champion Lauren Gorgol.

Also, Sir Knight Dave Kling received his 25 Year Pin at this event. The host was PSD Bill McCarthy and FN Wayne Griffin

Happy Birthday Wishes

To those who were born in the Month of April and May

The Editor wishes to extend to you a very Happy and Blessed Birthday, and may the good Lord continue to protect and guide you.

K of C Prayer Line

Please give a moment of prayer asking God to send down his healing powers for all of those whom we have listed in our Prayer Line Book as well as those who lie in the silence of our hearts.

Council Activities

For those of you who have chaired or are chairing an activity for your council, please, obtain from your Grand Knight a "State Council Service Program Awards Entry Form"

WANTED

NAME & EMAIL ADDRESSES FOR ANYONE WANTING TO BE NOTIFIED OF WAKES==FUNERALS AND

IMPORTANT EVENTS FOR THE COUNCIL ALSO, THE CALL TO MUSTER FOR FOURTH DEGREE KNIGHTS, WANTING TO BE PART OF AN HONOR GUARD, WHEN NEEDED.

SEND YOUR email address to: Wil Bamford at wilb26@verizon.net

All email addresses will be put into a special file for NOTIFICATION==ONLY==WHEN NECESSARY.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Both St. Joseph and Mary Queen of Peace host Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament each month. All Knights are invited to come spend an hour with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Twice monthly, St. Josephs hosts Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration is on the First Friday of each month from noon to 5 PM in the church. Adoration is also held on the third Friday and Saturday of each month in St. Julie Hall from 6 PM to noon the next day. There are sign-up sheets in the church by each entrance.

Mary Queen of Peace parish has Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on the third Wednesday of the month from 6 PM to 9 PM. To sign-up for a specific time period, call Cindy Routhier at 603-893-9176. Please check the church bulletins for further details.

Council & State Web Sites

Don't forget to visit the Council Website at: www.kofc4442.org. The State K of C Site is: www.nhknights.org. Both Web Sites provide a wealth of information about K of C activities.

Hall Rental Policy

Contact & New Key Entry

Please note that if you are interested in renting the hall, you should contact George Masciarelli at 603- 893-3035.

Please be aware that there is a new Hall Rental agreement that will be sent to you for your signature when you indicate your wish to rent the Hall.

Also, please be aware that you must be a member of Council 4442 and/or Assembly 0641 to rent the Hall. Also, during the rental period, you must remain at the hall.

The basic charge is \$125 plus an additional \$100 deposit that will be returned if you leave the hall in the shape it was in when you rented it.

If you wish to use the Pots and Pans along with the dishes etc, there is an additional \$100 fee which is non-refundable. A calendar is maintained in the Council Home with dates for all rentals and Council events. **It is not the bible however, so you need to check with the rental manager before you plan an event to make sure the date is open.** Just because someone puts a date down on the calendar

does not mean that it has been confirmed with the rental manager. Remember, unless it is an actual Council event, no lit candles are allowed on the tables as part of a centerpiece. We have also put in new thermostats which are automatically set at 60 degrees. If you are using the hall and want to reset the heat, you need to reset it by touching the hold button and moving the arrow key until you reach your desired temperature. You should reset it back by bringing it back down to 60 before you leave. The system does have an auto override that will automatically reset the system to 60 at 6:00AM and 6:00PM. Keep this in mind if you are in the hall in the afternoon and your party will be overlapping past 6:00PM. You will need to reset it again



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Age Does Matter

Bob, a 70-year-old, extremely wealthy widower, shows up at the Country Club with a breathtakingly beautiful and very sexy 25-year-old blonde-haired woman who knocks everyone's socks off with her youthful sex appeal and charm and who hangs over Bob's arm and listens intently to his every word. His buddies at the club are all aghast. At the very first chance,

they corner him and ask, 'Bob, how'd you get the trophy girlfriend?' Bob replies, 'Girlfriend? She's my wife!' They are knocked over, but continue to ask. 'So, how'd you persuade her to marry you?' 'I lied about my age', Bob replies. 'What, did you tell her you were only 50?' Bob smiles and says, 'No, I told her I was 90.'

New First Degree Member

Paul St.Amand – Membership Chairman reporting

I am pleased to announce that new Brother David J. ("DJ") Bettencourt made his first degree on February 13, 2009, at St. Kathryn Parish in Hudson, NH, hosted by Council 5162. Several of our council members accompanied DJ to the ceremony as witnesses; unfortunately, I do not have a photo of the event. It turned out that this 1st degree ceremony only had our one candidate making the first degree; several members from the host council acted as "fill-in" 1st degree candidates to make up a reasonable size group, so that DJ would not feel intimidated by being the sole person at the ceremony. I heartily thank Council 5162 for going ahead with the ceremony just for our one candidate. Congratulations, Brother "DJ" and welcome to our council.

Membership Blitz and Open House

Paul St.Amand – Membership Chairman reporting

The weekend of March 28-29 saw our brothers giving a short talk at Masses in both MQP and St. Joseph Parish announcing our membership drive and open house. Other brothers joined them in handing out brochures after Mass. On Monday night, March 30, we held our open house at which many more Brothers and wives and one young son attended. At the open house, posters were hung up, tables were set and decorated, chairs were arranged, coffee, soda, and pizza were available; a welcoming and family-oriented atmosphere was created. After an opening prayer and Pledge of Allegiance, a short DVD was shown, followed by a description of our council activities, a talk on the insurance benefit (Thanks, Bill!), and an overview of what it means to "be a Knight." We concluded with comments, questions and answers, and a short prayer.

I want to thank the many helpers who made this Blitz possible. We had over twenty Knights involved in the weekend recruitment; we had sixteen people volunteer at the Open House. Unfortunately, space does not allow me to list all the names. As the chairman for this year's event, I was very grateful to see the eagerness of all to help out in whatever way was needed. Indeed, some saw a need and stepped right up, from giving guided tours of the Council Home, to suggesting and making coffee, to adding table clothes to the tables. Their efforts covered all my the mistakes and made the

evening a success. Thank you, ALL!

As a result of this week-end effort, we have five new candidates for our council and their Form 100's in hand! Now, on to the admissions review and initiation!

True Story

Dwight Nelson recently told a true story about the pastor of his church. . .

He had a kitten that climbed up a tree in his backyard and then was afraid to come down. The pastor coaxed, offered warm milk, etc. The kitty would not come down.

The tree was not sturdy enough to climb, so the pastor decided that if he tied a rope to his car and pulled it until the tree bent down, he could then reach up and get the kitten.

That's what he did, all the while checking his progress in the car. He then figured if he went just a little bit further, the tree would be bend sufficiently for him to reach the kitten. But as he moved the car a little further forward, the rope broke. The tree went 'boing!' and the kitten instantly sailed through the air - out of sight.

The pastor felt terrible. He walked all over the neighborhood asking people if they'd seen a little kitten. No. Nobody had seen a stray kitten.

So he prayed, 'Lord, I just commit this kitten to your keeping,' and went on about his business. A few days later he was at the grocery store, and met one of his church members. He happened to look into her shopping cart and was amazed to see cat food.

This woman was a cat hater and everyone knew it, so he asked her, 'Why are you buying cat food when you hate cats so much?'

She replied, 'You won't believe this,' and then told him how her little girl had been begging her for a cat, but she kept refusing.

Then a few days before, the child had begged again, so the Mom finally told her little girl, 'Well, if God gives you a cat, I'll let you keep it.'

She told the pastor, 'I watched my child go out in the yard, get on her knees, and ask God for a cat. And really, Pastor, you won't believe this, but I saw it with my own eyes. A kitten suddenly came flying out of the blue sky, with its paws outspread, and landed right in front of her.'

Lesson learned:

Never underestimate the Power of God and His unique sense of humor.



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