



Vermont Knights in Action



September, 2017 Edition

Vermont State Council

Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism

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STATE DEPUTY MICHAEL PATNODE

Brother Knights

I recently attended the Supreme Convention in St. Louis, Missouri. Your delegates including State Officers, Chaplain and State District Master were all here meeting with Knights from all around the world. As we honor all of last's year successes and learn about many new ideas to help promote in this fraternal year.

I want to thank all of you for your effort to help strengthen our membership during the fraternal year.

In order to get a jump-start for this year our State Membership Director, Ed Nuttall along with State Training Coordinator, Chris Poirier have created a fantastic program. A program that is sure to catch the hearts of many. Remember we are hear to help you! I call fast start programs for the beginning months. Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson has challenged each State to recruit one additional member more each for the first three months, thus far we have been a little behind the curve, but are soon going to begin to catch up and make the turn.

Why recruit in the summer you ask? Well many of the councils take the summer off or have few events and or programs. What a perfect opportunity to recruit. Now that kids are headed back to school. Vacations are coming to an end. So don't stop recruiting. Bring those eligible men in now so we can get them

involved and retain them for life.

Finally we have started to beginning planning the 2018 State Convention. The Convention Meeting met early last week and will be meeting again in the next few. The State Convention for 2018 will be help at the end of April of 2018. So mark your calendars and don't miss the event!

Vermont Special Olympics

The State Deputy for the Vermont Knights of Columbus visited our office this morning to make a \$1,000 donation to support sports training and competition. Special Olympics runs on support from our community and we thank you!



State Deputy presents check to President & CEO, Lisa DeNatale of Vermont Special Olympics

PSD, Paul Mitchell

Both the PSD and I shared a lot of stories. It was great seeing him and he looked great! I told him that I would be back to visit again!





The New Fourth Degree Uniform

Traveling around going from District to District there have been questions regarding the new 4th degree uniform. The regalia as I know it has had many changes and I think somewhere around 1981 was the last change.

“To live is to change, and to be perfect is to have changed often”. - Blessed Henry Cardinal Newman.

I encourage all those who haven't read the uniform page to get some information regarding the new official uniform of the 4th degree.

Supreme understands that some members may prefer the old regalia, the Supreme Master urges all Fourth Degree members to put the good of the Order before any personnel preference. Yes, the new uniform was field tested by the Fourth Degree. Below is a series of Question with Answers.

Answers to many Questions from Supreme Website

Q: Where can I buy the new uniform?

A: www.knightsgear.com

Q: Will there be discounts offered on the new uniform?

A: Yes. The Order will subsidize the new uniform with a 25 percent discount offered to all members who order the new uniform prior to Sept. 30, 2017.

Q: What if a member just purchased the old regalia?

A: Any member who purchased the old regalia after May 1, 2017, can submit their receipt along with their member number to regaliacredit@kofc.org. Information will then be sent to that member on how to receive a \$200 credit toward the new uniform.

Q: Is the Order making money on the new uniform?

A: No, the uniform is being sold at (or sometimes below) our cost.

Q: Was the new uniform field tested prior to its release?

A: Yes. The new uniform was field tested by Fourth Degree members attending the Warriors to Lourdes pilgrimage.

Q: Can the old regalia still be worn?

A: Yes, for a time. While the preference is for the new uniform wherever possible, the old regalia can still be worn until the end of the current fraternal year (June 30, 2018). After that date, only the new uniform should be worn.

Q: Who made this decision?

A: The board of directors made this decision earlier this year after a three year period of testing and discussion. In addition, changing the uniform/regalia was previously discussed with the vice supreme masters at the Supreme Assembly.

Q: Did members have input on this?

A: For years, supreme officers and directors have received comments from members and prospective members that the old regalia was a barrier to membership overall, or to membership in the Fourth Degree.

Q: In what context should this change best be understood?



I ask that you please not be negative, because there is strength, wisdom and more capability beyond our imaginations that is just waiting. In Unity we can be a greater force for our Domestic Church. So let's stand proud together in Unity to help assist our Bishop, Parish Priest and all the parishes we serve.

Constant banter about the new official uniform, disrespectful or otherwise is equivalent to arguing about how many angels can dance on a small surface. Those angels are Charity, Unity, Fraternity and the angel of Patriotism. All the Principles of the order dance together in harmony.

So let's stand together and be proud members of the "Vermont Knights of Columbus".

I can personally tell you that I would not let a Uniform change my opinion from joining the ranks of the 4th Degree.

Fraternally,

Mike

State Deputy

Knights of Columbus

DISTRICT MASTER MESSAGE



Worthy Sir Knights,

I ask for a moment of silent prayer for the reposed soul of Sir Knight John Chalifoux. SK John was called to our heavenly Father on August 14, 2017. SK John was a Former District Master, Former District Deputy and was the current Faithful Navigator for All Saints Assembly 2179 in Richford. Thanks to all who attended the Wake and Funeral Services as Honor Guards.

Sir Knights, we are in the final month of the first quarter of the new fraternal year which means submission of your Forms 186 and 1351 and scheduling your Assembly Officers Installation dates have past. Please expedite getting me my copies and your requested installation date if not already done.

By now most of you have heard of the new 4th Degree uniform change. Yes Sir Knights, it is a major change and I believe giving it time it will prove it was a change well worth it. I ask you to give it a chance. Changes are never popular however, often time warranted. The decision was made with the good of the entire Order in mind. While it is understood many prefer the old regalia, the Supreme Master, our Vice Supreme Master and I, urge all Fourth Degree members to put the good of the Order before any personal preference. Supreme is offering a subsidize deal on the new uniform with a 25% discount if ordered by September 30, 2017, please take advantage of this offer.

I am pleased to announce the next 4th Degree Exemplification will be conducted in Newport on September 10, 2017. This is a Sunday afternoon event and the day before Patriot Day in honor of 9/11. What better way to remember and honor all who lost their life on that horrific day. My directions are no 4th Degree Exemplification will be conducted if less than 20 candidates. I know WE can make this work. I NEED your help to make it work.

I am aware Councils and Assemblies tend to take time off during the summer months however, NOW is the time to start your recruiting. I need your completed Form 4 copies by August 26th. If you have any in pipeline, let me know. To date I have received Form 4's, or know they are in the final stage for submission, from the following Assemblies: 1152(2); 1157(7); 1793(2); and 2106(2). These 4 Assemblies equates to 15% assembly participation, why are we not closer to 100%? Again, I NEED your help to make it work.

I wish all Brothers and Sir Knights continued success as you strive to keep your council and assembly as active as possible despite the many obstacles that exist today.

Pray the rosary daily and may God Bless you and may God Bless the United States of America.

Vivat Jesus!

George Piette

georgepiette@gmail.com

802-323-2470

VERMONT DISTRICT FOURTH DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BISHOP JAMES A. HEALY PROVINCE

Exemplification of the Fourth Degree

Date: September 10, 2017

*Location: United Christian Academy
65 School St
Newport VT*

*Hosted by: Gibbons Assembly #1157
Stephen Wheeler, Faithful Navigator
Rev. Timothy Naples, Faithful Friar*

Honoree: All the Injured and Deceased during the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001

*12:00 pm Candidate registration in the designated hall
Sandwiches and refreshments will be served*

12:45 pm VT District Master will address candidates in the ante chamber
1:00 pm Exemplification begins
Ladies program begins in St. Mary Star of the Sea church
3:00 pm Wives join with new Sir Knights for photos
3:30 pm Reconciliation available St. Mary Star of the Sea
4:00 pm Special 4th Degree Mass at St. Mary Star of the Sea
5:00 pm Banquet at Eastside Dancing Sail Banquet Room
47 Landing St
Newport VT

Dinner for the new Sir Knights is included in their registration fee. Additional meals for wives and guests are available at \$35.00 (please note meal prices reflect the additional cost of providing meals for our visiting honored guests).

Payment for additional meals with a check payable to Vermont District Master Fund should be provided to your financial secretary at time of registration. Additional meals reservations along with payment can be mailed to George Piette, District Master, 21 Gilbert St., Newport VT 05855-9872 **no later than September 1, 2017.**

**BISHOP JAMES A. HEALY PROVINCE
VERMONT JURISDICTION**

George Piette

District Master
21 Gilbert St
Newport VT 05855-9732
georgepiette@gmail.com
(802) 323-2470

Memo: Candidates for the Fourth Degree

From: George C. Piette, District Master
Date: July 25, 2017
Ref: Instructions for the candidates for September 10th Exemplification in Newport

Thank you for choosing to continue your journey to Knighthood in the Fourth Degree.
These guidelines should assist you with the preparation for the upcoming exemplification.

1. Fourth Degree Membership Document.

- a. This document known as Form 4 can be obtained from your Grand Knight or Financial Secretary.
- b. If neither of the above have a form, please email me at georgepiette@gmail.com or call me at (802) 323-2470 and I will mail you one.

2. Fees

- a. The fee for the Fourth Degree is \$70.00
- b. For this, you will receive a social baldric, membership pin, certificate, and your banquet ticket. Meals for wives and guests may be purchased for an additional \$35.00 each.
- c. Make checks payable to Vermont District Master Fund and mail to:
George Piette
District Master – VT Jurisdiction
21 Gilbert St.
Newport VT 05855-9732

Mark in for block: Exemplification 9-10-17, Newport

3. Give the completed form and check to your financial secretary.

- a. Your financial secretary will verify you are a 3rd Degree Member in good standing.
- b. He will sign the 4-part form, keep one copy and send the rest with your check to the Assembly Faithful Navigator.
- c. Ask for a replacement 3rd Degree Membership card if you have lost yours. You will need it for the exemplification.
- d. After the exemplification, a copy of the form will be sent to Supreme, a copy will be sent to your Faithful Navigator and the District Master will keep one for himself.

4. Tuxedo

- a. You will need to wear a black tuxedo, plain white tuxedo pleated shirt with collar (no wing-tip collar), black bow tie, black footwear, black socks, and black cummerbund (no vest) for the exemplification.
- b. You can purchase your own tux or rent one for the day.
- c. McNeil and Ready, 81 Merchants Row, Rutland VT 05701, (802) 773-7760, has a long-standing tradition of making new or recently used tuxedos available for Knights.
- d. You may do your own on-line searches, such as; <https://www.tuxedosonline.com>; <https://www.mensusa.com/tuxedos> ; <https://tuxedo.menswearhouse.com> ; <https://www.buy4lesstuxedo.com/> ; etc..

5. Regalia

Once you become a Fourth Degree Knight you have the option of participating in the color corps. You can purchase your own regalia or you may be able to borrow one from your assembly.

There will be a special 4th Degree Mass which will be held at 4 P.M. at St. Mary's to be followed with a banquet at the **Eastside Dancing Sail Banquet Room & Terrace** starting at 5 P.M..

The menu is as follows: **PLEASE ADVISE WHICH MAIN DISH DESIRED**

Prime rib – Tender choice, au jus. **OR**

Apple cranberry chicken - Statler chicken filled with our house apple cranberry stuffing, finished with light chicken veloute sauce, **OR**

Crusted Cod - Citrus crusted fresh filet finished with an orange brandy sauce

Accompaniments - Roasted reds or herb risotto and Buttercup squash

Coffee and tea

Please feel free to contact me by email or phone if you have any questions.

Thank you. Retha and I look forward to seeing you, your wife and guests in Newport on September 10th.
Vivat Jesus

George Piette,

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANCHOR AWARD 2017



Joe Bouchard is this year's recipient of the Anchor Award. Joe is a Knight in the Richmond Council, #4684.



You are Cordially Invited to the 2017
ANCHOR AWARD BANQUET

honoring
JOSEPH BOUCHARD

of Richmond Council #4684

Saturday, October 14, 2017
Holy Family Parish Center
28 Lincoln St, Essex Junction, Vermont 05452

Social Hour & Appetizers begin at 5:45 pm
Dinner at 6:30 pm

Dinner Selections

Chef Carved Roast Beef au jus & Horseradish or
Baked Stuffed Sole with Lobster Sauce

Baked Potato & Sour Cream, Steamed Mixed Vegetables,
Fresh Tossed Salad, Rolls with Whipped-Butter and Beverages
Dessert Choice of Apple Pie & Vanilla Ice Cream or Cake

Recommended Attire is Suit & Tie
or Tuxedo with Social Baldric for Sir Knights

\$32.50 per person - **Please RSVP email/phone by Sept. 25, 2017**
Reserved Guests Pay at the Door

Doug St. Amour, dstamour802@gmail.com or (802) 777-5302

PLEASE NOTE THIS ON YOUR CALENDAR AND PLAN ON ATTENDING

Joe and Betty have been married for 59 years. They raised six children and have 11 grandchildren. Joe attended St Joseph's Catholic High School in New Jersey and Rutgers University. He was an electrician's mate in the US Navy from 1951 to 1955. Joe had a rewarding career working for IBM. Joe has provided selfless, dedicated service to our Catholic Church and community for many years. Eucharistic Minister, Building and Grounds, lector, Knight, and close friend and confidant of our Parish Priests. Joe's faithfulness and never ending service are most worthy of emulation. The bar has been set high for the remainder of us!



Joe Bouchard (left) is the recipient of the 2017 Anchor Award. Joe is pictured here in action at one of the many Parish events held in 2017. Rick Lashway (right).

2017 Anchor Award

The Knights of Columbus Anchor Award is presented every year by the State Deputy to one exceptional Knight in recognition of his outstanding contributions as a faithful Catholic gentleman and dedicated servant to their parish & council. In 2017, Worthy Knight Joseph Bouchard of Richmond, Vermont was the chosen recipient of this award because he exemplified all the attributes of an exemplary Knight of Columbus which he had demonstrated through many years of selfless service to his family, community and those in need. Please join Brother Joe, his family and friends and brother Knights at the upcoming Anchor Award Banquet in Essex Junction on Saturday, October 14, 2017. See enclosed invitation for more information.



ON SHRINKING THE ORDER, PART 2

-by State Membership Retention Chairman Peter M. Laramie, IPSD

My Brothers, it has been two months since I wrote you a little note on shrinking the Order in Vermont. How have you been doing? I haven't seen anything official, but if past experience is any indication, only a few councils, perhaps a handful, but certainly no more, have recruited even a single new member. As fitful as these efforts have been at this point in the Fraternal Year it is important to realize that these councils are not really giving it there all in their efforts to shrink the Order. One of two things at least are occurring in those disruptive councils. Either members are actively recruiting new members or lapsed members into our ranks or, worse, there are councils out there that are so active, so dynamic, and so successful in their fraternal, church, community, and youth outreach, that good Catholic men are asking to join without having been asked!

Now, lest such activities continue or – heaven forbid! – proliferate, let us quickly review the lessons from last time. Have your council members been friendly toward other members, especially before or after Mass? This is no way to shrink the Order. Have your members reached out to members they haven't seen at a meeting or event recently? Have they inquired about the health and wellbeing of older or disabled members or visited them, taken them shopping, to a doctor's appointment, or to Mass? Has the council sent out birthday, anniversary, or get well or condolence cards? Have they recognized members for their years of service or for something they did recently? Did your council celebrate Knights of Columbus Family Week in August, and did it invite members that have not participated in some time? Have members been seen out and about wearing Knights of Columbus apparel? Gentlemen, all attempts at any of the above will only result in failure to shrink the Order. The more these efforts continue and are combined with one another, the less likely will be the collapse of your council. The more that each and every council in our state promotes such activities the less likely will be the collapse of the Knights of Columbus in Vermont.

Now let's move on to the lesson of month two. It takes more than ignoring your Brother Knights to shrink the Order. If you really want to shrink the Order in the long term you will have to see to it that new members do not join the Order. This may be more difficult than it sounds and requires a many-pronged approach. I will not be able to do them all justice in one sitting, so will mention just one approach today.

The one that should jump to mind immediately is Recruiting. You hear about this all the time. "We need you to recruit new members." "Use two-on-one recruiting." "Use October and March Church Membership Drives." "Recruit friends with whom you have common interests." And let me tell you, those things really work. So if you want to shrink the Order these are the first things you should avoid. Never talk to Catholic friends about the things you do in the Knights of Columbus. Don't tell them how the K of C supports seminarians, the clergy, or parish activities. Never actively recruit if you can help it. If you are under a lot of pressure from your Grand Knight to recruit try using this line in your "recruiting efforts." Walk up to someone, perhaps a new parishioner, and without introducing yourself, and certainly without trying to develop a relationship with them, say, "You wouldn't want to join the Knights of Columbus," and then without waiting for a response, "No, I didn't think so." That's a pretty good inoculation against them ever showing interest in the Order, especially if you ignore them afterwards.

And if someone does show some interest in what the Order does, never ever tell them about the endgame. Don't tell them about our support for Special Olympics, Coats for Kids, Food for the Hungry and such. Just tell them that we put on breakfasts and dinners and have meetings to discuss what vegetables will be served with the meal at the next fish fry. Unless they are crazy about preparing meals this should put them off. If it turns out that they love that sort of thing be sure to tell them that Brother Bob is a real fuss-budget and wants everything done his way and is never satisfied with anybody's effort. That should take care of that. Remember, failure to take this stuff seriously will not accomplish the ultimate goal: shrinking the Order. Enough for now.

Save a Knight, change a life. Vivat Jesus

Peter Laramie PSD

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Co-Sponsored by Catholic Financial Life & Trinity Parish

9 a.m. SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 9, 2017

(Registration starts at 8:00 a.m.)



4-Person Scramble
Contests & Raffles Throughout Morning

\$40.00 per person

Includes Entry Fee, Souvenir, Prizes & Barbecue Dinner
(Golf Cart NOT Included)

For information call
Barb at Barton Golf Club
802 525-1126

St. Paul's School has been providing quality education to the children of the Barton/Orleans area for over 100 years. Join our tournament, enjoy a great day of golf and help St. Paul's School continue its mission for many years to come.

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL GOLF TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FORM

Saturday September 9th, 2017

8 a.m. Registration

9 a.m. Shotgun Start

LIMITED SPACE - Make your reservation *NOW!*

\$40.00 per person includes Entry Fee, BBQ Lunch, Souvenir, Prizes

PLEASE PRINT:

TEAM MEMBER NAMES

MAILING ADDRESS

PHONE#

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

***** GOLF CART RESERVATION - QTY.: 1 or 2 (circle one) *****

For more information please call Barb at Barton Golf Club (802) 525-1126

Make checks payable to:

Trinity Parish

Mail/deliver checks to:

**Barton Golf Club
548 Telfer Hill Road
Barton, VT 05822**



8th Annual Knights of Columbus *Golf Classic*



Team Entry Form

Proctor Pittsford Country Club

Friday September 22, 2017

11:00 - 1:00: Registration and Sign-In

1:00 Shot Gun Start

5:00 Dinner and Prizes

Prizes to be awarded for:

***Low Gross Team • 1st Low Net Team • Closest to the Pin
Longest Drive • Highest Score • And Others to be Announced***

18 Hole Captain and Crew Scramble Format

**Dinner and Prizes Awarded at the Knights of Columbus Hall,
21 Merchants Row, Rutland**

Come at Noon for the Chipping and Putting Contest!

Play will be limited to 25 teams.

Cost: \$240 per team of four, includes greens fees and two carts.

8th Annual Knights of Columbus Golf Classic

18 Hole Handicapped Scramble

☐ *Please reserve one foursome at \$240*

Name:	Name:	Name:	Name:
Address:	Address:	Address:	Address:
Phone:	Phone:	Phone:	Phone:
Handicap:	Handicap:	Handicap:	Handicap:
Avg Score:	Avg Score:	Avg Score:	Avg Score:

Mail completed forms with check to: Knights of Columbus Council 232, 21 Merchants Row,
Rutland, Vermont 05701



8th Annual Knights of Columbus Golf Classic



Donation and Hole Sponsorship Form

Event Location: Proctor Pittsford Country Club - Friday September 22, 2017
Pittsford, Vermont

Event Time: 11:00 - 1:00 Registration and Sign-In
12:00 Chipping and Putting Contest!
1:00 Shot Gun Start
5:00 Dinner and Prizes at the Knights of Columbus Hall

Dinner: To be served at the Knights of Columbus Hall
21 Merchants Row, Rutland

Hole Sponsorship: \$75.00, payable by check made out to:
Knights of Columbus Council 232 Charity Account
Please note that there may be more than one sponsor per hole.

Other Donations: Items are needed for door prizes, closest to the pin, and other individual awards for the program. Please send donations to Bob Harger, or to the Knights of Columbus.

Sponsor Information

Business Name: _____
To be listed on the sign for hole sponsors

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code _____
City and State to be listed on the sign for hole sponsors

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____
To be listed on the sign

Each hole sponsor will have their business name, city, and phone number mounted on a sign and displayed at one of the holes at the course during the event. We ask that you write your choice of hole (if you have one), and we will try our best to see you at that hole, however hole selections are not guaranteed, and final selection may be by the Knights of Columbus to ensure even coverage of sponsored holes.

Email any logo or art or additional copy to: eclark@nbfarchitects.com. Logos must be in .jpg form.

Mail completed forms with check to: Knights of Columbus Council 232, 21 Merchant's Row, Rutland, Vermont 05701

On the 16th of July 2017 Officers of Council 2610 of Richford were installed by District Deputy #1 Robin Blouin with the assistance of District Warden Ed Nuttall.

Left to Right; Felix Snider, Karen Cangelosi, Daniel Heter, Karoline Flower, George Flower, Helga, Robin Blouin, Ed Nuttall, Susan Auclair, Armand Auclair, Fr Hahr, Donald Couture, Cedric Snider, Daniel Snider.



FALL in love

**We're having a Bingo to benefit the
Lagasse Family**

Saturday, October 7TH at 1:00 PM

Doors will open at 11:30 AM

At The All Saints Parish Hall

(Formerly known as the Dorion Hall)

152 Main St., Richford, VT



Come join us for some BINGO. We'll have a great time!



Refreshments will be available.

Pull tickets will also be sold!!!

Sponsored by the Richford Knights of Columbus Council 2610

OUR LADY OF FATIMA STATUE AT MATER DEI PARISH

On August 12th, Mater Dei Parish was honored to host the Our Lady of Fatima Statue. At 3:00pm a procession was held at St. Mary Star of the Sea followed by 4:00pm Mass and a light luncheon. Pictured below are members of Gibbons Assembly in the procession.



Mater Dei Parish pastor, Fr. Rijo Johnson and Deacon Ward Nolan stand on each side of the precious statue inside St. Mary Star of the Sea Church.

GIBBONS COUNCIL HOSTS THE 3RD ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC



On Sunday August 13th, Gibbons Council hosted the third annual Mater Dei Parish Picnic attended by 175 people. We were also blessed to be joined by 6 priests. Members cooked chicken, hamburgers and hotdogs. Wives supplied salads, desserts and beverages. A bounce house and corn hole were added this year. Pictured above (left to right) are Brother Knights Maurice Brasseur, Paul Decelles, Duane Powers, Fr. Rijo Johnson, Denis Comeau, Jason Warren and Raymond Laramie. Missing from the photo are Cyril Laplume, Jacques Nadeau, Nathan St.George, and Don Vanasse.



Our youngest parishoners enjoy the picnic.



The 5 in 1 bounce house gets set up.

RICHMOND COUNCIL 4684



Council 4684 officer installation, our pancake breakfast start September 3 after the 8:30 am mass and than every first sunday after 8:30 mass till spring breakfast to be held at our lady of the holy rosary in richmond

What do PANCAKES, library story hour, the high school band, cloggers, a steel drum band, a magician, pumpkin people, BBQ chicken, French fries, an art show, craft vendors & demos, a pinewood derby track, and neighbors catching up with neighbors all have in common?

The Bethel Community Forward Festival, of course! Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 23, 2017 and be sure to join us!

Pancake Breakfast



Council # 10241

Saint Anthony's Church Hall

Bethel Vermont

Sept 23

8 – 11

Adults \$8.00 Children 6 – 12 \$5.00

5 And Under Free

GEORGE F. JOHNSON CHARITY AWARD

Charity is the first principle of the Knights of Columbus..... Once each year our council gives out an award to one person who stands out above everyone else. This person gives of himself or herself. Our recipient has done a tremendous job for our parishioners, our church, and our council and it is fitting to announce the winner here today.

This person has been involved in the Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids program, the annual Tootsie Roll Drive for the handicapped, sold Christmas cards, recruited new members, transported priests to the airport and worked the rest area fund raisers. He is ready always to donate his time and resources. He has taught religious education and assists in counting money after Mass. All I need to do is tell him and he makes it happen!

George F. Johnson Award Charity is presented in Grateful appreciation of Exceptional Service to: William "Bill" Lynch by Keith Grimes, Grand Knight on August 6, 2017.



Bill began his journey into Knighthood with a 1st Degree Exemplification in December of 2015, his 2nd Degree Exemplification was January of 2016, and his 3rd Degree was in October 2016. Bill became a 4th Degree Knight in May of 2017. Currently Bill is the Council's Chancellor as well as the Council's Membership Director.

Parish Picnic

Grand Knight Keith Grimes cooking the Hamburgers and Hot Dogs purchased by the Council (with the help of some donations) at the Annual Lady of the Valley Parish Picnic held at the Stockbridge Elementary school on Sunday August 6th.



At the Monthly meeting on August 21st of the George F. Johnson Immediate Past State Deputy, Peter Laramie presented to Council Membership Director Bill Lynch a VISA Gift Card for his recruitment efforts during the 2016-2017 Fraternal Year.

COUNCIL #7525 ACTIVITIES AUG 2017



They said it couldn't be done. Rehabilitation of the SJV basement men's bathroom was needed. It had ground water damage and was in need of a general refinish. The SJV church basement was in need also. It hadn't had a fresh coat of paint in years. A truly herculean effort was called for.

Led by Grand Knight Bernie Hemond, The Knights rose to the challenge as the job was undertaken. For the men's bathroom PGK Don Sutton and DGK Tom Gravelin spearheaded a great job. Masonry work to re-route ground water was completed first. Then, the removal of fixtures was done.

At this point PGK Don had the metal panels that separate the sections of the men's room repainted in an automotive body shop. The various panels were spray painted in a negative pressure paint booth and then baked to a jewel like enamel finish. The men's room has never looked better.

About a dozen Brothers showed up last Saturday morning to clean, prep and paint the entire church basement. A nice reflective white paint was used that will enhance the brightness of the space.

Finally, a lot of credit goes to GK Bernie. He did a lot of the sanding, taping and prep work on his hands and knees over a several week period. Without his get ready skills and organization the job wouldn't have turned out so good.

So next time your downstairs in the SJV church basement and think to yourself how good it looks it was because of the Knights.





Those tents for the parish picnic didn't set themselves up. So on the night of Wednesday, August 2nd, members of Council #7525 along with Fr. Forman, Seminarian Marchand and other parish volunteers raised the tents. Thursday, during the day, final set up took place and last minute volunteers made just in the nick of time. The Parish Picnic took place immediately after the 5 PM Vigil Mass on Thursday August 3rd.



Mass and Picnic to celebrate parish's patron saint.

Nearly 180 parishioners of St. John Vianney had gathered for a special 5 PM vigil Mass in honor of the parish's namesake. Immediately after the service a BBQ dinner, tables of various desserts, door prizes and games of paddle raise were enjoyed by all.

Officiated by Fr. Forman and assisted by Seminarian Steven Marchand an evening of food, fun and fellowship was enjoyed by all, in spite of summer showers. It was a great source of unity for the parish family.

Food was an obvious highlight as hamburgers, hot dogs and veggie burgers were grilled to perfection. Donations of potato

salad, coleslaw, brownies, baked beans, ambrosia, deviled eggs and cucumber salad filled the long buffet tables in the parish center.

Knights of Columbus members of Council #7525, their spouses and parish volunteers all helped in the set up and tear down for this event and deserve credit for making the picnic a success.

Said KOC member David Martin, "We're trying to bring back some of the fun of what families did long ago," he said. "It's bringing all of us closer together."



It was the City of Burlington with a grant from the FAA that has purchased the Council Hall. As of 4:30 PM on August 9th it was official. The Council has closed on the sale of the hall and no longer has an interest in the property on Berard Drive.

Now the Council is headquartered in offices located within the church of St. John Vianney at 160 Hinesburg Road in South Burlington. The Knights of Columbus, Council #7525 look forward to serving the parish and community from our new location.

The Council meets every 2nd Thursday of the month at 6 PM. Call 777 8181 for more info or go to www.kofcvt.org



Have You Insured Your Most Valuable Asset?

Is your income protected if you become sick or injured and cannot work? Your ability to work and earn an income is your most valuable asset. Yet a disability could prevent you from earning that income. Just one year of a disability could eliminate your savings.

Income Armor, an individual disability income insurance product from the Knights of Columbus, should be a key part of your overall financial plan and family's protection.

If you are ill or injured, Income Armor provides **tax-free** (unlike most group plans) monthly benefits to help you meet living expenses and maintain you and your family's standard of living. Your monthly benefits help you pay your mortgage and other monthly bills, while your savings and retirement assets remain intact.

In short, if you have a job and don't have a way to protect that paycheck, you should seriously consider Income Armor today. I look forward to meeting with you.

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FAMILY OF THE MONTH FOR:

June

399 Bishop Brady (Barre/CV)
2610 Saint Anthony (Richford) **Winner: Robin Blouin Family**
3664 Saint Isaac Jogues

July

5041 Father Boivin (Morrisville) **No winner**

August 2017 Family of the Month (FOM) submission cutoff is September 15th. Let's hear from you. 

- FOM Form 1993A can be submitted online - <http://www.kofc.org/un/cm/html/1993A/index.html>

KNIGHTS · OF · COLUMBUS SOCCER CHALLENGE



We need a Council to Sponsor the State Soccer Challenge

We are currently looking for a council to host the State competition to be held sometime in October, 2017. Please encourage your council to host the 2017 State Soccer Challenge in October this year.

All boys and girls ages 9-14, are invited to participate in a Knights of Columbus Council Level Soccer Challenge. Participants are required to furnish proof of age. Additional information on the form includes: council number, name, telephone number and e-mail address of contact person.

Local winners will compete in the District Level Soccer Challenge. District winners will compete in the State Level Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge. State winners' score sheets will be submitted to Supreme where International winners will be determined.

The Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge is sponsored annually, with winners progressing through local, district, and state competitions. International champions are announced by the K of C headquarters in New Haven, CT, based on scores from the state-level competitions. All boys and girls 9 to 14-years-old are eligible to participate and will compete in their respective age divisions.

The Knights of Columbus is an international Catholic family fraternal service organization with 1.8 million members in over 15,000 local councils. Last year, Knights donated 70 million volunteer hours and \$170 million to charitable and benevolent causes, sponsoring projects to benefit their Church, communities, councils, Culture of Life, families and youth.

Please contact Nick Conti with questions or you wish to host this years event

802-839-0116 or wnmg@aol.com

VOCATIONS

SUMMER is almost over and September and the fall season is upon us! The RSVP (Refund Support Vocations Program) has been and is the primary program through which Knights of Columbus councils, assemblies and circles participate in an organized manner. Every council, assembly and circle should take part. I ask that all of our councils work with me as your State Vocations Chairman to ensure the proper and complete implementation of the RSVP program to ensure that every seminarian sponsored by the diocese is included in the RSVP program.

Our (RSVP) Scholarship money is used by seminarians and those in religious formation for books, car insurance and maintenance, clerical clothing, emergency expenditures and other living expenses.

ELIGIBILITY

- Seminarians who have been accepted by a diocese and are currently in their spirituality year.
- Seminarians attending major seminary in preparation for priestly ordination.
- Seminarians in their pastoral year
- Seminarians attending minor seminaries
- Seminarians who belong to a religious institute and are currently in formation for the priesthood (religious seminarians are often called “Brother” even though they will eventually be ordained as priests)
- Men and women who are novices or postulants in religious orders or religious communities.

Persons not eligible for RSVP funds are:

- Priests or religious seeking assistance for continuing education
- Religious brothers not studying for priesthood
- Candidates for the permanent diaconate

I have met with our Diocesan Director of Vocations, Fr. Jon Schnobrich and we discussed how the Knights could help our Vietnamese Seminarians who are not eligible at this time to come under the RSVP program. They are in language studies at this time and in residence at St. John's Seminary.

They are in need of Financial and Moral support.

PLEASE READ THE LETTER BELOW FROM FR. JON.

Dear Knights of Columbus Councils,

Let me begin by first thanking you for your generous spiritual and material support for our seminarians. All of your efforts, and especially your prayers, make a difference in so many ways.

I would like to ask for your help in another area of vocations. You may have recently heard the news that the Diocese is sponsoring 3 men from Vietnam to study for the priesthood. These men are spending their first year learning English, and then will formally enter formation for the Priesthood and God-willing, in 7 years, they will be ordained Priests of the Diocese of Burlington. They have left family, home, and country to come to serve here in Vermont, and we are blessed to receive them.

Because of their visa status, they cannot legally earn any kind of income. And because they are studying English this year, they are technically not yet seminarians, but candidates for the seminary. Therein lies our quandary... as they do need financial support for living expenses, some travel back to the Diocese, etc. I am wondering if any of the Knights councils would be willing to help by giving donations to these men. If they are, I would ask that they let Jerry Bean know so he is able to keep track of who is getting how much and from what council, just like with the seminarians, and then the gifts would be made directly to the individual: Below are their names and addresses:

Luan Tran
Thang Nguyen
Giang Vu

St. John's Seminary
127 Lake Street
Brighton, MA 02135

God bless
Fr. Jon

In closed is the Seminarian Directory for 2017 – 2018.

Priests, Brothers, Nuns...They need us, we need them...Vocations are everybody's business. Pray for Vocations.

Fraternally,

Jerry Bean, PSD, FDM

State Vocations Chairman

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STATE DEPUTY AND MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR REACH OUT TO DISTRICT #8

PICTURED BELOW LEFT TO RIGHT: GK Richard Dunseith Council 7324 Ludlow; Matt Kopij Council 753; FS Tony Klementowicz Council 2628 Springfield; GK John Pelletier Council 753 Bellows Falls; SD Mike Patnode; ST/DD#8 Bil Silva District 8 Council 753; GK Larry Gould Council 2832 Windsor; GK Ed Leclaire Council 917 Brattleboro; Mike Gauthier Council 917 Brattleboro.



State Deputy Mike Patnode and State Membership Director Ed Nuttall presented a membership strategy to District #8 at Council 753 Hall Bellows Falls at 1100 hours 27 August 2017. Bil Sylvia, DD#8, hosted the event attended by the Council Grand Knights.

The PowerPoint presentation covered the following:

- MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
- ADMISSION COMMITTEE
- ID 18-YEAR OLD'S OF MEMBERS, NON-MEMBERS
- HOLD CHURCH DRIVE IN THE MONTHS OF OCTOBER/MARCH
- DEVELOP PROSPECT LIST FROM CHURCH ROSTERS (RECRUITMENT INVITATION)
- ASK MEMBERS TO ID PROSPECTS AND RECRUIT (ONE- ON-ONE)
- USE THE TWO-MAN TEAM APPROACH AND VISIT PROSPECTS
- MONTHLY ENTRIES IN CHURCH BULLETIN (WHY DID I JOIN THE KNIGHTS)
- HAVE ANNOUNCEMENTS MADE AT ALL FUNCTIONS/ACTIVITIES RECOGNIZE NEW MEMBERS WITH A NAME TAG, LOGO SHIRT OR LOGO HAT CONDUCT AN OPEN HOUSE
- CONDUCT AN IN-HOUSE OPEN HOUSE
- 24 HOUR KNIGHT
- RECRUIT FORMER MEMBERS
- BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP
- RECOGNIZE RECRUITERS
- DOMESTIC CHURCH PROGRAMS
- FREE THROW COMPETITION
- SOCCER CHALLENGE
- ESSAY CONTEST
- KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST
- SUBSTANCE ABUSE CONTEST
- COATS FOR KIDS
- FAMILY OF THE MONTH/YEAR
- FOOD FOR FAMILIES



ROUND TABLE COORDINATOR

The State Deputy presented many ideas on how to succeed including:

- Public relations opportunities
- Announcements in church bulletins and State Newsletter
- Knocking on doors
- Hosting special events
- Having forms 100 available as opportunities arise
- Use of subcommittees
- Recognizing people who distinguished themselves by making presentations at Mass.

- Spoke about labeling - “Experience of a Lifetime”
- Branding - in everyday experiences.
- The power of Prayer
- Sometimes the simplest things such as the State Pin and giving this to my Doctor as a “Thank You”.
- Go beyond the boundary (Think outside the box)
- Be Proud that you’re a Knight of Columbus



- Creating Leads - Not being afraid to talk about the “Knights”
- Gave examples of what he did as Grand Knight and also what the Council still does
- Playing video - at an event
- PR, PR, PR!!
- What works in one council may not work in yours
- Follow your strengths
- Don’t be afraid to try something new
- Challenge yourself
- Gave real examples in everyday life
- Just think where we could go

Interacted with the group to make them feel they are part of the team! Thanked all of those in attendance for coming and for all the great things that they do.

Reminded them that we are all part of the “Team Vermont”.

Vergennes Saint Isaac Jogues Council #3664

Timothy Perron (council member) - takes First Vows of Poverty, Chastity and Obedience to the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) in Saint Paul, Minnesota August 12th, along with 14 other men.

They now go on to further studies at one of three Jesuit Universities in New York City, Chicago or Saint Louis.



Council Supports Pro-Life Booth at Addison County Fair to Educate Public on Spectrum of Life Issues



Knights of Columbus

VERMONT STATE COUNCIL

13TH ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS “300 CLUB”

Worthy Grand Knight;

As voted at this year's Vermont State convention, we will again have an even more successful “300 Club” this coming year. Your Convention delegates realized the benefits of last year's raffle and when we sell all of the tickets this year; we will have even more returns from the raffle.

ALL TICKETS WILL BE MAILED TO THE CURRENT GRAND KNIGHTS AS SOON AS I HAVE THE NEW DIRECTORY.

All Tickets must be sold by December 10, 2017.

The First drawing will be held on Saturday, December 17, 2017.

GUIDE LINES: Sell 300 tickets at a price of \$50.00 per ticket. We would have a weekly drawing for 19 weeks and have three cash prizes as follows:

1st prize - \$100.00
2nd prize - \$75.00
3rd prize - \$50.00

On the 20th week (or State convention) we have Grand prizes of:

1st - \$1000.00
2nd - \$500.00
3rd - \$275.00



A FAMILY PRAYER

Heavenly Father, thank you for the gift of our family. Enlighten our hearts and minds that we may live more fully this vocation to love.

In our daily life and work,
may we reflect the self-giving love which you,
O Father, eternally show with your Son
and the Holy Spirit.

Let your love be evident in the peace that reigns
in our home and in the faith we profess and live.
May our family always be a place of generosity,
understanding, forgiveness and joy.

Kindly give us the wisdom and courage
to be witnesses to your eternal design for
the family; and grant that the Holy Family
of Nazareth may always guide our path
to holiness as a family.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the
unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.
Amen.



Prayer composed by Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore, Supreme Chaplain.
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Brother Knights

I thank you for all of your articles and making this newsletter a success
I ask that all of you District Deputies and Grand Knights to PLEASE forward this
newsletter at your Council members.
Send articles to msnoel @charter.net

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