



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
ARTHUR J. O'NEIL COUNCIL #5112
GOFFSTOWN NEW HAMPSHIRE
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December, 2014

Dear Brother Knights,

Our next business meeting will be Wednesday, December 10, 7pm at St. Raphael Parish Hall. Please use Ferry Street entrance.

Attendance Drawing: The member whose name was drawn at last month's meeting was not present thus the money rolls over to this month's meeting. Although this is not a huge amount of money, and is certainly not the reason to attend our meetings. You might get a little pocket change just for being there. Come to the monthly meetings and enjoy the fraternity of your brother Knights and get involved.

Lionel Coulon, Council #5112 Financial Secretary for the past 30 years has announced his intention to step down. For three decades Lionel has dedicated himself to serving our council in this very important capacity. The position of Financial Secretary is appointed by Supreme for a term of three years upon recommendation of the Grand Knight and Board of Trustees. Brothers wishing to serve as Financial Secretary should make their interests known to Grand Knight Jim Finn at 603-497-3773 or jamesrfinn@aol.com as soon as possible.

Grand Knight Jim Finn has called a **special meeting of all council officers** and member of the fundraising committee as well as any other interested brothers for the purposes of:

- A. Discussing and critiquing this past year's activities and fundraising efforts.
- B. Project next year's activities and appoint chairmen.
- C. Discuss the open Financial Secretary position.

The meeting will be held Wednesday evening, January 7, 2015 at 7PM at 11 West union Street in Goffstown. All officers and members of the fundraising committee are expected to attend.

The Thanksgiving meal was a tremendous success. Originally intended for shut ins, persons living alone, etc. we were able to provide meals to families unable to cook their holiday meals. Brother Chris Sweeney and his team of volunteers put on a great meal presented in a home like atmosphere. Hats off to Chris and his team of volunteers for a job well done, especially in light of having no lights (pun intended.) Even with having no electricity in the neighborhood, including St. Lawrence, everything went off perfectly.

The Fuel Raffles were another council success. We ran two raffles of 100 tickets each and have presented \$1,500 to St. Lawrence Church to help cover the cost of the new missals which are now in use. The raffle winners were Kevin Tucker of Goffstown and Jackie Bailey of Weare. Our congratulations to both winners and a big thank you to those who participated in selling raffle tickets.

Membership: Jonathan Bill took his 1st Degree last month and Edward Hager of Goffstown will have his application read at this month's meeting.

WANTED ! Your Council is looking for qualified men to join you and us as Knights of Columbus. Have you been doing your part? Have you asked a relative, a friend, a co-worker, a fellow parishioner or a neighbor to join the Knights? We can only grow with your help.



Knights of Columbus Field Agent -

For all your insurance needs, questions or want more information. You can reach **Rafael**

Peschiera by phone at 703-6780. You can also email him at rafael.peschiera@kofc.org.

As this newsletter is being written Rick Plichta was undergoing heart surgery at Catholic Medical Center. Please keep him in your prayers.

Let us also pray

- for Ray LaCasse who continues to recuperate from his surgery.
- for all brother knights and family members who are sick and need of God's healing.
- for our seminarian Thomas Moses and for all priests and religious that God will bless their ministry and increase their numbers.
- that God will watch over our servicemen and women and keep them out of harms way.

Pray the Rosary to end Abortion

Respect Life News: March for Life - Washington, D.C. and Concord, NH

The annual Right to Life March marking the anniversary of the Roe v. Wade decision by the United States Supreme Court legalizing abortion will be held in Washington on Thursday, January 22, 2015 with a 12 noon rally and 1o'clock march at 12th Street at the National Mall. For more information go to marchforlife.org

On Saturday, January 17th in Concord the day begins at 9AM with a memorial service at the Concord landfill where in 1988 between 50 & 80 containers with fetal remains in them were discovered. At 10AM there is Mass at St. John the Evangelist Church followed by a rally on the State House steps at 11:15AM. The March for Life starts off at the State House at 11:45 and proceeds down Main Street, passing the Concord Feminist health Center, ending back at St. John's for refreshments and featured speaker Catherine Adair. Plan on bringing the entire family. For more information go to NHRTL.org



4th Degree News:

- Holy Family Academy Advent Concert at St. Marie Church - Friday, Dec. 12, 2014, 7PM
- VA Bingo - Sunday, December 14
- Business meeting - Monday, December 15

If any brother knight wishes to become an active 4th Degree member, please contact Lionel Coulon, Council F.S. and Assembly Faithful Captain at 603- 668-1039.

Recommended Reading: Fr. Gerry Bertin recommends reading - *Lamb's Supper* and *Rome Sweet Home*. Both books are written by Scott Hahan. We will publish recommended reading suggestions each month from Fr. Bernie, Fr. Gerry or Fr. Jerome.

Dates to Remember:

**Monday, Dec. 8 - The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Patronal Feast day of the United States .

Wednesday, Dec. 10 - Business meeting, 7PM

Monday, Dec. 15, 2014 - Bills sent out with Fraternal Survey.

**Thursday, Dec. 25 - Christmas - The Nativity of the Lord

**Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2015 - Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God. - New Year's Day

Sunday, January 25, 2015 - Quarterly meeting at Council #2179, Exeter

Saturday, February 7, 2015 - Right to Life Benefit Dinner held at Council #4666, Suncook

****Holy days of Obligation - Please check your church bulletin for time of Masses.**

wishing you and yours a Blessed Christmas.

Fraternally yours,

James Finn

James Finn, GK - 497-3773