

**Arthur J. O'Neil Goffstown Council #5112**

**12.11.2018**

Serving the St. Lawrence & St. Raphael Parishes

**Next officers planning meeting is Monday January 7, 2019 @ Jim Finns Barn/  
House.**

**Next business meeting is Monday January 14, 2019 @ St. Lawrence Parish 7:30  
PM.**



Serving the St. Lawrence & St. Raphael Parishes

**Next officers planning meeting is Monday January 7, 2019 @ Jim Finns Barn/ House.**

**Next business meeting is Monday January 14, 2019 @ St. Lawrence Parish 7:30 PM.**

### **Grand Knight Message**

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I want to thank all brother knights who volunteered for the many various recent activities that our council conducted in both our parishes. I believe we are evangelizing and making our name known as a well run charitable council of the K of C. I want to thank our chairmen who worked tirelessly and gave of their family time and motivated our council members to voluntary service.

Chris Sweeney, Italian dinner fundraiser for Saint Raphael's parish. Almost \$1,000.00 profit for the parish was raised over 2 days. And Matt Sullivan, Chris' friend who assisted with purchasing, cooking and serving the food. Matt is not a council K of C member.

The Sweeney's, Chris, Andrea and their children for our 4th annual Community Thanksgiving meal for the surrounding Goffstown community. 71 meals were served. Valerie and I have been going to Belmont Hall restaurant for fish fry's each Friday to thank the restaurant for catering this meal each year for us.

Brian Masi, KCIC Christmas card fundraiser. We have about 15 boxes left which were sold at the 2 Christmas fairs at Saint Lawrence & Saint Raphael parishes in November.

Jim Finn, ARC Blood drive chairman for a successful collection of life saving blood donations at the end of October. Jim was just home from the hospital and could not attend the actual day but he had set it up so well the activity went off without a hitch.

Armand Carignan for the KCIC poster contest at Saint Benedict Academy for students aged 5-14 and at Saint Lawrence parish. Posters will be collected on 12.18.2018 and judging will commence the 1st week of the new year after the holidays.

Tim Hanson, ongoing council Fuel raffle chairman. Raising vital funds for our council to make possible our many charitable activities.

Dave Geaney who is starting a Saving Cross raffle with Saint Lawrence parish to raise vital funds for our council to make possible our many charitable activities. Click to read

the Parable article on the Geaneys: <http://faithdigital.org/parable/MAN1115/> The article is on page 21 & 22. I am searching for their appearance on NH Chronicle!

Thank you to Brian Masi, Mike Smith, Dave Geaney, Lionel Coulon & Raphael Peschiera for attending the 1st degree of our newest brother knights: JP Kissell and Deacon Karl Cooper at Bedford Council 12988 on 11.19.2018.

NH State Council Scholarship Ball raffle proceeds to be donated to the Pennacook Pregnancy Center this evening 12.11.2018 at the annual board meeting. GK & immediate PGK presenting the check.

All the council volunteers and family members who assisted all mentioned above and Pierre Blanc, Dave Geaney, Matt Sullivan, Mike Smith, Lionel Coulon, Raphael Peschiera and all our brother knights who support us through prayer. I apologize if I left any volunteering brother knight or family member from this brief list.

Ongoing Cans for Kidneys fundraiser. Please donate to this worthy activity.

We also have many other Faith, Family, Community and Life activities planned for the upcoming year. I will list them in future newsletters.

On a side note, I realize we are in the holiday season and I know people are very busy, some members are down with illness, colds and flu's, some are busy with their jobs and businesses, etc ... We did not reach a quorum last evening 12.10.2018 at our regular business meeting and we could not make any motions. This is not the 1st time this year that we were unable to vote due to not having a quorum. We did have a handful of motions and some were timely and will have to be passed over.

I know the K of C is not all about meetings but gentlemen we do need a quorum of 8 council knights to pass any motions. I ask all officers to strive to attend all meetings. That is our duty as officers. Brother knights or non-officers, I invite you to attend as many business meetings as you are able. I am making strides to keep the meeting to 1 hour. I realize how important your time is. As in the above paragraph I am humbled by the dedication and many voluntary hours donated by our chairmen and volunteers. But in order for our council to run smoothly we have to take care of business to vote on important matters like the ones above and our future activities. So please check out this monthly newsletter on a regular basis and mark your calendars to assist. It is available on the council website. I tend to update the council's Facebook page for more timely updates. I cannot write everything that the NH State Council puts out so I ask that you read the NH Weekly News Briefs on a regular basis. You can access these links at the end of this newsletter.

Fraternally,

John Flanagan, GK  
Goffstown Council 5112

# In Service to One In Service to All

*Note, the regular business meeting has been moved to the 2nd Monday of the month*

**St. Lawrence Parish 7:30 PM in the Chapel. Note time change, 2nd Monday.**

St. Raphael's Parish 7 PM in the upstairs conference room, 2nd Monday.

103 Walker St., Manchester NH 03102

**Upcoming Degree Exemplifications**

**December 15, 2018 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Degrees – Dover, NH - St. Mary parish.**

**[http://nhknight.org/index.php/en/component/jevents/icalrepeat.detail/2018/12/15/649/-/2nd-3rd-degree-dover?Itemid=101&filter\\_reset=1](http://nhknight.org/index.php/en/component/jevents/icalrepeat.detail/2018/12/15/649/-/2nd-3rd-degree-dover?Itemid=101&filter_reset=1)**

Next 1st degree in Bedford is 12.17.2018 @ St. Elizabeth Seton, 6:30 PM.

\*\*\*\*\*

**Insurance Benefits Agent: Rafael Peschiera Asst. GA (5112)**

**Phone:** (603) 703-6780 21 Ministerial Branch, Bedford, NH 03110

**Councils Assigned:** 92, 112, 4961, 5112, 5163, 5260, 13026

\*\*\*\*\*

SK Elmer Lajoie, DD 7

(603) 289-5981

elajoie@@comcast.net <https://www.facebook.com/elmer.lajoie>

\*\*\*\*\*

Bishop Bradley #0626 4th Degree Assembly

Lionel Coulon Faithful Navigator 603.668.1039 email [coulonlb@gmail.com](mailto:coulonlb@gmail.com)

\*\*\*\*\*

**<http://www.goffstownkofc.com>**

**<https://www.facebook.com/kofc5112/>**

**<https://www.kofc.org/en//index.html>**

<http://nhknight.org/index.php/en/>

**Good of the Order** Please pray for our recently deceased member SK Reginald E. Simoneau.

Keep Jim Finn in your prayers and his family members Billy & Theresa, Ray LaCasse, our DD Elmer Lajoie recovering at home from recent heart bypass surgery. All our priests, deacons brothers & sisters and our seminarians and religious. Also for our active military and veterans.

Please email or phone me if you know of any other council members or family that are in need of our prayers.