Serving the St. Lawrence & St. Raphael Parishes

Next officers planning meeting is Monday February 5, 2018 @ TBD.

Next business meeting is Monday January 8, 2018 @ St. Lawrence Parish 7:30 PM in the upstairs chapel.



In Service to One In Service to All

http://www.kofc.org/un/en/resources/college/into-the-breach.pdf

http://www.kofc.org/en/columbia/supreme_knight/fromthesk_20100801.html

Worthy brother knights,

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.

St. Raphael's Parish 7 PM in the upstairs conference room.

Brother Knights,

I hope you and your families had a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New year. To start off the new year on a positive note and to include a Supreme activity (please read the 12.2017 Columbia article from our Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson - A Renewal of the Family). The focus of the article is titled - Into the Breach - click the link below:

http://www.kofc.org/un/en/resources/college/into-the-breach.pdf

I would like to hold a men's retreat for all our brother knights and also to invite any men from our parishes or families. I would also like to invite our priests so that if they are available for Reconciliation for our retreat. All men interested are welcome to attend and give your input on date and times and any additional ideas you may have.

We have had a very busy and fruitful 1st half of the fraternal year and with the holiday's behind us I would very much like to increase our council and community participation going forward. We have a great council and are very blessed. I would like to reach out and invite less active members to consider joining us in participating in the - "Into the Breach" retreat and attending more council activities.

Gentlemen, fellow officers, if you would like to see something in our monthly newsletter please let me know by phone, email, text, etc... I know I write a boring NL but I am attempting to get K of C news (council, state council, supreme council and any parish info) included.

Thank you,

John Flanagan GK

News for the Arthur J. O'Neil Council #5112

Upcoming Degree Exemplifications

January 27^{th, 2018} 2nd-3d Degrees – Lancaster - Gate of Heaven parish - Calling all 1st and 2nd degree members to mark you calendars.

March 10, 2018 2nd-3rd Degrees – Goffstown - St. Lawrence parish - Calling all 1st and 2nd degree members to advance and volunteers from the council to help make this the 3rd Goffstown March hosting of the 2nd and 3rd degree!

Recruit, recruit, recruit!

Check us out on Facebook for more timely updates: https://www.facebook.com/kofc5112/

Laundry Basket Drive, see <u>NHKNIGHTS.org</u> for requested items. I need to bring these to the January 21, 2018 Winter Quarterly meeting. (If the co. approves this @ the business meeting).

***March for Life in Concord, NH on Saturday January 13, 2018 10 AM Mass, March from the State House 11:15. 1 PM speakers program.

***K of C Day of Fasting, Rosary & Benediction for Respect Life January 21 & 22, 2018 @St. Mark's church, Londonderry, NH. It starts 7 pm Sunday - 7 pm Monday.

***11th Annual Birth Right dinner February 3, 2018 6 PM St. John the Baptist Allenstown \$15.00 p/person. I have 4 tickets.

If we participate in these 4 activities above we can complete our Columbian Award for the Culture of Life requirements. Please prayerfully consider to attend as many of these activities as time allows. For more info go to http://nhknight.org and from the Home tab click Weekly Newsbriefs.

***Granite Award Dinner March 3, 2018. Can we think of someone or couple from our parishes that have given lifelong service to their parishes or communities in an outstanding way. Please think and nominate your person/couple. We just need a name, the rest we can do in the near future.

***We met after Mass on Tuesday 1.2.2018 pre-seminarian student, Daniel Simard from St. John's Seminary on holiday break. After talking to him for several minutes I happened to mention that I am K of C (thinking on recruiting him) although he is already a knight. His face lit up and he praised the K of C and how much we do for the church, community, families, etc...

Then he mentioned that he hopes to go on a tour of the Holy Land this summer and if the K of C could raise some funds for him. What do you think council 5112, do we want to send a seminarian to where Jesus was born, lived, preached, died and rose from the dead? I believe, God willing this young man Daniel Simard is going to make one great diocesan priest!

***KCIC Poster Contest has been completed by our brother knight Armand Carignan on Saturday 1.6.18 11 AM - 2 PM. Judging took place at Brian Masi's house and Brian's wife Cherly, cooked us Philly steak sandwiches for lunch at the conclusion of the judging, (Delizioso). 63

posters were entered from St. Benedict School and 1 poster from St. Lawrence parish. What a great youth activity. Thank you to Armand for successfully taking this wonderful activity on for the past 2 years. Thank you to the Masi's for hosting the judging and prize/participation certificates signing that took place after lunch. I emailed the NH State Youth director to have our winners judged statewide at the quarterly meeting on 1.21.18. Brother knights you are invited to attend and see if we can take the big state prize home to our council youth!

Ongoing:

Cans for Kidney's Please bring in your clean aluminum cans for the NH State Council's program. We learned at the recent state quarterly meeting that we now make monetary donations for kidney transplants at Dartmouth/Hitchcock Hospital in Lebanon, NH.

Good of the Order:

Please pray for the success of our council, our priests, deacons, religious and seminarians. For peace in our world and civility in our government. For our active military and veterans. For all sick members in our council family.

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http://www.goffstownkofc.com Our website is back up but with a different name. Please update you URL link.

https://www.facebook.com/kofc5112/

https://www.kofc.org/en//index.html

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

Dues Notice: Worthy Brother Knights, Mike Smith our FS will be sending out membership bills for 2018, please bring your check to the meeting or mail it directly to his home address. Then come to the next meeting to retrieve your card.

Also, it has come to my attention that some council members are behind on their dues. Please contact our FS, Mike Smith at the meeting or mail him a check to bring your dues up to date. If you are having financial difficulty please speak with the FS. Our dues notices will soon be going out at the end of the month for 2018.

Communications:

Greetings from Weare NH

Roger LeBlanc 2:22 PM

To John Flanagan, Chris Sweeney, Jim Finn

Hi Men,

A couple of days ago I sent this out to the three of you to see if it was possible to send this out to all of the masses in our Council. If this is a repeat, I apologize. Something went sideways on my *confuser*, and I didn't see it in my sent file. My wife Jean gave \$100.00 months ago, and somehow her middle name, McNally, was placed as my middle name.

I'm only Irish on St. Patty's Day. 😵

January 4th, 2018

Hello everyone,

I hope all of you had a wonderful Christmas and a festive New Year as bone chilling that it is.

Most of you know and trust me and I'd like to share something with you that I don't normally bring up, and that's about giving.

I've recently learned about a Weare family that has fallen on some unsurmountable challenges. A family of 5, with Roland, fondly referred to as "Spenny" for Spencer, the strapping 53 year old breadwinning father was used to carrying the brunt of financial responsibilities but began having heart issues around 10 years ago. He's since had strokes, which he has overcome because of the need for his family, he's had heart attacks, went into cardiac arrest several times, and spends most of his

time flat on his back, strapped to a heart pump called LVAD. That's the bad news.

The good news, Mass General has him on the top of their list for a heart transplant, mainly because Roland is so determined to stay alive to care for his family that he's willing to accept a heart that's been approved by the medical profession to have been treated for 'Hepatitis C', a deadly virus that can be treated with medications.

Back to the bad news. Mass General will not operate on Roland unless he has \$6,500.00 on reserve and \$550.00 a month to insure his enormous secondary health insurance premiums, which is now at \$6,600.00 annually is still valid, so the hospital can bill the insurance company. The Spencer's don't really know a lot of people and so far their gofundme account has gained a paltry \$1,300.00 in the past 2 months, so I'm stepping up to the plate to help a family that really needs it **now**, so much so that my wife Jean and I both contributed \$100.00 each to his account. Please open your hearts so hopefully Roland will finally have a good heart by considering a \$5.00 or more donation to give these good people the hope that Americans do unite when the need is dire. This appeal is directed to all my relatives, friends, neighbors, my BBHS classmates, my Seabee comrades, my Knights of Columbus fellow Knights. Let's see if we can get some traction on this much needed cause. Please consider passing this along to your email addressees. When we were spending our winters in Florida I had a bumper sticker made out for me that read... " If you don't stop to help your fellow man, then...WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU DOING?" Sincerely,

Roger and Jean LeBlanc

Please open the secured link below, and God Bless you all: https://www.gofundme.com/g57s2k-heart-transplant-fund

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY

- *IMPORTANT
- * Please type or print legibly.
- * In sections II and III use EXACT DOLLAR AMOUNTS, WHOLE LOCAL CURRENCY
- * Include financial contributions and hours of community service from all related programs
- (i.e. council corporations, parish round tables, etc.)
- * Do not write-in additional activities or contributions use only spaces provided. * MAKE A COPY OF SURVEY REPORT FOR YOUR FILE. SECTION I. NUMBERS OF MEETINGS HELD DURING YEAR:
- 1. Regular meetings for conducting or discussing business. Include officers and Service program committee meetings.
- 2. Social dinners, card parties, dances, etc. Business may or may not have been discussed.
- 3. Special lectures, films, seminars, cultural, ethnic, educational, religious events, etc. Business may or may not have been discussed. SECTION II. ACTIVITY EXPENSE:
- 1. a. Printing and Postage printing and postage for newsletters, flyers, communications for activities. b. Food and Refreshments food, refreshments, etc. for activities.
- c. Prizes gifts, awards, incentives, raffles, etc. related to sponsored events.
- d. Projects transportation, facility rental, photography, etc. for related projects.
- e. Entertainment bands, magicians, comedians, etc. for events.
- f. Miscellaneous all other expenses not outlined above relating to activities.

SECTION III. CHARITABLE AND BENEVOLENT DISBURSEMENTS: Church Activities

- 1. a. Church Facilities construction, repairs, remodeling, memorial gifts, etc.
- b. Catholic Schools donations, grants, construction, repairs, etc.
- c. Religious Education CCD, lay apostolate, Keep Christ in Christmas, marriage encounter, etc. d. Seminarians/RSVP direct contributions to seminarians, postulants and religious.
- e. Seminaries donations, construction, equipment, etc.
- f. Vocations Projects programs, speakers, films, program materials, etc.
- g. Miscellaneous all other Church related disbursements not outlined above.

Community Activities

- 2. a. Elderly homes for the aged, Retired Senior Volunteer Program, etc.
- b. Physically Disabled Muscular Dystrophy, Cerebral Palsy, etc.
- c. Special Olympics local, state and national contributions, etc., People with Intellectual Disabilities candy distributions, etc. d. Veterans Activities/VAVS
- e. Food for Families food banks, food pantries, soup kitchens, etc.
- f. Victims of Disasters natural disasters, fire, violence, accidents, etc.
- g. Hospitals/Institutions equipment, construction, memorial gifts, etc., Health and Service Organizations Red Cross, Hospice, United Way, cancer/heart funds, etc.
- h. Global Wheelchair Mission.
- i. Community Wide Projects
- j. Habitat for Humanity civic involvement, donations, etc.
- k. Miscellaneous all other community related disbursements not outlined above.

Culture of Life Activities

- 3. a. Donations monies donated to Crisis pregnancy centers, BirthRight, Project Rachel, etc. b. March for Life local, state/provincial and national marches.
- c. BirthRight fund-raising activities and monetary donations. Baby Showers – for individual pregnant women who are struggling financially, or for homes for unwed mothers.

- d. Baby Bottle Campaign collection of funds raised in empty baby bottles and turned over to the council for culture of life initiatives. e. Memorials to unborn children donations, fund-raising activities, etc.
- f. Ultra-sound program raising funds to purchase ultrasound machines for crisis pregnancy centers.

Youth Activities

- 4. a. Columbian Squires overall sponsorship, contributions, etc.
- b. Scouting sponsorship, contributions, etc.
- c. Youth Groups CYO, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, 4-H, etc.
- d. Youth Welfare/Services substance/child abuse, foster parents, etc.
- e. Athletics equipment, league/team sponsorship, transportation, etc.
- f. Scholarships/Education career nights, essay contests, tuition, fund raising, etc. g. Coats for Kids.
- h. Miscellaneous all other youth related disbursements not outlined above.

SECTIONIV. FRATERNAL COMMITMENT: Number of visits to:

- 1. a. Sick caring for the sick/nursing homes/hospitals.
- b. Bereaved visits of condolence.
- 2. Number of blood donors members serving as blood donors.
- 3: Habitat for Humanity Projects number of projects involved in during year

Estimated hours of community volunteer service:

- 4. a. Church Activities volunteer service in all Church related activities.
- b. Community Activities volunteer service in all community related activities.
- c. Youth Activities volunteer service in all youth related activities.
- d. Habitat for Humanity volunteer services to these projects
- e: Culture of Life Activities volunteer service in all activities that support pro-life f: VAVS
- g: Food For Families
- h: Special Olympics
- i: Miscellaneous Activities volunteer service in any areas not outlined above.

Estimated hours of fraternal service:

5. Sick/disabled members and their families – household chores, transportation, tutoring, counselling, etc.

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ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY

For Twelve Month Period Ending December 31, 20___

C Council Number _____ Location

I. NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD DURING YEAR:

Youth Activities

1. Regular 2. Social 3. Special

TOTAL NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD

II. ACTIVITY EXPENSE

- 1. a. Printing and Postage
- b. Food and Refreshments c. Prizes
- d. Projects
- e. Entertainment
- f. Miscellaneous

TOTAL ACTIVITY EXPENSES

- 4. a.
- b. Scouting
- c. Youth Groups
- d. Youth Welfare/Services
- e. Athletics
- f. Scholarships/Education
- g. Coats for Kids
- h. Miscellaneous

Total Youth Disbursements

WHOLE DOLLARS ONLY:

Columbian Squires

city/town

Due By: JANUARY 31 state/province

WHOLE DOLLARS ONLY:

III. CHARITABLE DISBURSEMENTS:: ChurchActivities WHOLEDOLLARSONLY:

TOTAL CHARITABLE (Church, Community, Culture of Life and Youth) DISBURSEMENTS

IV. FRATERNAL COMMITMENT:

- 1. Number of visits to: a. Sick
- b. Bereaved

Total Visits

- 2. Number of blood donors
- 3. Habitat for Humanity Projects

Estimated hours of volunteer service:

- 4. a. Church
- b. Community
- c. Youth
- d. Habitat for Humanity e. Culture of Life
- f: VAVS
- g: Food for Families
- h: Special Olympics
- i: Miscellaneous

Total Volunteer Hours

Estimated hours of fraternal service:

5. Sick/disabled members and their families (Signed)

(8)

(Grand Knight)

(Signed)

(Financial Secretary)

Date:

MAIL /EMAIL /FAX COPIES TO:

- Supreme Council Fraternal Mission Department
- fraternalmission@kofc.org or fax (203) 752-4108
- State Office & District Deputy

- 1. a.
- b. Catholic Schools
- c. Religious Education
- d. Seminarians/RSVP
- e. Seminaries
- f. Vocations Projects
- g. Miscellaneous

Total Church Disbursements

Community Activities

WHOLE DOLLARS ONLY:

- 2. a.
- b. Physically Disabled
- c. Special Olympics/Intellectual Disabilities
- d. Veteran Military/VAVS
- e. Food for Families
- f. Victims of Disasters
- g. Hospitals/Institutions/Health Organizations
- h. Global Wheelchair Mission
- i. Community Wide Projects
- j. Habitat for Humanity Projects
- k: Miscellaneous

Total Community Disbursements

Culture of Life Activities

WHOLE DOLLARS ONLY:

Church Facilities

Elderly

- 3. a.
- b. March for Life
- c. Birthright/Baby showers
- d. Baby bottle campaign
- e. Memorials to unborn children
- f. Ultrasound Initiative

Total Culture of Life Disbursements

Donations

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