

Arthur J. O'Neil Council 5112 March 2016 Newsletter



Grand Knight's Message

Whatever winter we may have had seems to be coming to a close, I don't know about you, but I couldn't be happier about it! We are well into the Lenten season already, and Holy Week is only days away! Time Flies!

Council 5112 is a flurry of activity right now. We have many programs and activities coming up as well as some exciting additions in the works! Meeting attendance has been good, but we always have room for more. Please try to mark your calendars and make as many meetings as you can.

As many of you are aware, Fr. Campbell has decided to step down as the Chaplain of 5112 after almost 35 years of continued service. We thank him for his unwavering support and service and wish him the best of luck on all of his endeavors. Please continue to keep Fr. Campbell in your prayers.

Please keep an eye out for a separate communication in regards to Fr. Campbell's stepping down and our direction forward.

Camp Bernadette Cleanup

We are asking all available Knight and family members to attend a cleanup day at Camp Bernadette in Wolfeboro NH. The date is Sunday, May 21st. This is a great opportunity to help prepare the camp for the upcoming summer camping season at one of our Diocesan facilities. This will also be another activity to help fill out Youth Service Requirements.

Assistant Celebrant at Saint Lawrence

It was brought to my attention that a retired priest living in Goffstown NH has offered to join the rotation to celebrate Mass at Saint Lawrence. As many of you are aware our Pastor, Fr. Gerry stands just above 5 feet tall. Fr. John, stands over 6 feet tall. hearing the Fr. John would be joining Saint Lawrence (and seeing him wearing Fr. Gerry's Chasuble), it seemed obvious to offer assistance to locate some proper Vestments for Fr. John to wear while celebrating Mass. This past Sunday, three new Chasubles and matching Stoles were delivered to Saint Lawrence from the Goffstown Knights of We welcome Fr. John and wish Columbus. him the best in our small community!

2nd and 3rd Degree

The next 2nd & 3rd Degree will be hosted by our council and will take place Saturday, March 12th at Saint Raphael's Parish. The official announcement is attached to this newsletter. It is my hope to have outstanding participation from our Council. Not only are we hosting, we have many eligible men for both the 2nd and 3rd Degrees. Please plan on attending to lend a hand or to be present for our Brother Knights gaining full Knighthood in our order.

February Blood Drive

A big thank you goes out to DGK Bob Garand in organizing our Blood Drive at Saint Lawrence Church on Friday, February 26th. A total of 23 pints were collected. We consider this a HUGE success and are looking forward to the next one!



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Youth Movie Night

Brother Ed Hager is heading up a Movie Knight at Saint Lawrence Church through the Confirmation Program on Saturday, March 19th. Admission is free and includes soda and pizza. Council 5112 will be helping to defray the cost of the pizza for this event. The movie being shown is 'Joshua'.

First Degree Team

As you are aware, every council is required by Supreme to have a First Degree Team in place. Under the leadership and guidance of Brother John Flanagan, it has been decided that Council 5112 will form a full team using all of the speaking roles. These Degrees are preferred over the DVD option recently provided by Supreme. Practices are held on the third Wednesday of every month at 7:00pm in the St. Lawrence Parish Library. While we do have a full team, we will need to identify a few alternates so that we can accommodate schedules. If you would like to attend, please contact First Degree Team Captain John Flanagan at (603) 203-0135 and let him know.

Membership

Although we do not have any formal Church drives on the schedule, it remains the job of every Knight to spread the word about our council and the great works of all Knights of Columbus councils around the Globe. Our membership growth remains steady, so keep up the great work. Don't leave home without a From 100; you never know when you may need one!

Meeting Notice

Our next monthly business meeting will be held at Saint Lawrence Parish on Wednesday, March 9th, 7:00pm.

From Our Field Agent Rafael Peschiera

Whatever your financial needs there could be a program through the Knights of Columbus Insurance Program that could help you now and in the future. Please do not hesitate to call on me if you have questions or want more information. You can reach me by phone at 703-6780. You can also email me at rafael.peschiera@kofc.org. Thanks for your time and I look forward to hearing from you

Important Upcoming Dates

Wed Mar 9th Monthly Meeting - St. Lawrence

Saturday Mar 12th 2nd & 3rd Degree - St. Raphael

Monday Mar 21st 1st Degree - Bedford

Tuesday Mar 29th Founder's Day

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NEW HAMPSHIRE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EXEMPLIFICATION ANNOUNCEMENT

February 5, 2016

TO: Grand Knights, Financial Secretaries, and Membership Directors

FROM: NHKC Ceremonials Chairman

REF.: Exemplification Opportunity

State Deputy Wayne Griffin is pleased to present an exemplification of the Formation Degree and Knighthood Degree of the Order, sponsored by District 6 and Council 5112.

Date: Saturday March 12, 2016

Time: 9:00 am

Where: St Raphael Parish 103 Walker St, Manchester, NH 03102

Formation (2nd) Degree Details: Registration for the 2nd Degree begins at 9:00am. Candidates staying for the 3rd degree may also register at this time as well. Candidates for the Second Degree must be registered and in the antechamber by 9:30am. The 2nd Degree will begin promptly at 10am. Each candidate must present his valid First Degree travel card. Sponsor Councils are required to provide a signed Second Degree travel card for distribution during the ceremonial. Proper attire for the ceremonial is jacket and tie for both candidates and spectators. District Deputy Roger Bouchard (603-234-1900 or via email foxwoodhomes@aol.com

Knighthood (3rd)Degree Details: The Registration desk for the 3rd Degree will reopen at 11:30am or at the conclusion of the 2nd Degree. Candidates for the Third Degree must be registered and in the antechamber at 12:10pm. The 3rd Degree will begin promptly at 12:30pm. In order to gain entrance the candidate must present his valid SECOND DEGREE travel card. Councils are required to provide a check for \$10 per candidate and a signed copy of a Third Degree travel card at the registration table. Checks must be written to NHKC with Laconia 3rd Degree on the memo line. Proper attire for the ceremonial is jacket and tie for both candidates and spectators. Kindly pre-register all candidates with District Deputy Roger Bouchard (603-234-1900 or via email foxwoodhomes@aol.com. REMEMBER-no candidate should be asked to attend this ceremonial alone.



Meal Details

The host council will serve lunch during the break between degrees. The lunch will be a classic **Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner** consisting of: Corned Beef Brisket, Potatoes, Cabbage, Carrots and Rutabaga. The lunch includes Side Salad and Dinner Rolls with butter. Reservations MUST BE MADE with John Flanagan FDD, KHS, (2nd & 3rd Degree Luncheon Chairman) for the Arthur J. O'Neil Council #5112, the sponsoring council for this degree. **Cost is only \$8.00 per knight.** If paying by check for the luncheon please make the check out to: <u>Goffstown K of C Council #5112.</u> **Please RSVP by Monday March 7, 2016** by contacting the luncheon chairman at (H) 603.203.0135 or (e) nhiffiii@comcast.net