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Council News

Welcome to our new Supreme Knight, Patrick Kelly and thank you to outgoing Supreme Knight (now PSK) Carl Anderson. Patrick is the 14th Supreme Knight and began his term on March 1st.



PSK Carl Anderson (l) and new SK Patrick Kelly (r)

125th Anniversary



Once again we have found it necessary to move our Gala date due to the uncertainty surrounding any potential relaxation of gathering restrictions imposed by our civic leaders. We are now booked at St. Ann's Arts & Cultural Center on Saturday, September 25th (this year). Please pray that

this will be the last change (because the next one will push it into our 127th year.) We still will start with a 4 pm Mass (at All Saints) before proceeding to St. Ann's.

We are coming up on Council Election season. At our February meeting an election committee was appointed consisting of Advocate Kevin Gomes, Warden Joe Crisafulli, Deputy Grand Knight Nick Gaulin and Brother Mario Ruel. Anyone interested in holding a Council Officer Role should reach out to one of these Brothers to let them know. If you wish to serve as a director or chairman, you will be pointed in the right direction after the election of Officers.

Membership News

Welcome to our newest members. Deacon John Regan, Andy Cote, and Dan Gendron attended a Virtual Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity on February 25th. Congratulations and



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welcome to our honored Order and the best Council in the State.

A reminder that the Council has suspended dues payments for the current year. And, in light of this decision, we are asking that each member purchase at least two books of tickets for the State Charity Raffle. The books sell @ \$5 per book (of 6 tickets) [see below for more ticket information]. Thus we are asking for a \$10 contribution in lieu of the \$30 Annual Dues payment. If you are in arrears in re your dues we ask you to consider getting up to date.

Events of Note

- **March** – Lenten 40 Days for Life Campaign continues
- **March 17th** – St. Patrick's Day
- **March 19th** - St. Joseph's Day
- **March 22nd** – Council Business Meeting
- **March 28th** – Palm Sunday
- **March 28th** – Last day for Lenten 40 Days for Life Campaign

State Charity Raffle tickets are still available. Prizes are \$1000 – 1st Prize, \$500 – 2nd Prize, \$250 – 3rd Prize. Books of 6 tickets can be purchased for \$5 per book. Many members of the Council have them to sell, ask one if you are interested. Even if they don't have them, they can get them. Or, you can reach out to DD Jack Tracy at ijklmc.tracy@gmail.com or via text/voicemail at 401-749-0987. All proceeds benefit Woonsocket Council Charitable endeavors.

Programming efforts

Please note that we have chosen to forego this year's Palm Sunday Breakfast and will do a similar fundraiser later in the year (COVID – in case anyone still was unsure 😊).

Ongoing efforts: The Council is currently raising funds to assist the Mother of Life Center in obtaining a new Ultrasound unit (in conjunction with Councils throughout the state. A permanent Charitable Foundation has been established so that any donation can now be Tax Deductible if you use the new 501c3 Foundation. Go to the State website (kofcri.org) and click on the link for either a credit card or check donation. These can be found on the main page. Please remember to note your affiliation with Council #113 for proper credit to be given. "Gift" card (& monetary if you prefer) donations for our **Helping Hands/Leave No Neighbor Behind Program** continue. We distribute them within the community based on a need list provided by the Diocese of Providence. Donations may be sent to DGK Nick Gaulin at 12 Papineau Ave., Woonsocket 02895.

It will be necessary to adjust our programming to the times for a while yet. Some programs will need to be adjusted, some put on hold and others conducted in new ways. If you have any suggestions, please let an Officer or Director know and we will give it a try if current restrictions allow.



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The following Brother Knights have birthdays in **March**: Craig Bebyn 3/23, Roger Benoit 3/12, Jetty Cherian 3/20, Robert Cooke 3/28, Peter Cotnoir 3/3, Dennis Deslauriers 3/19, Andrew Dinicola 3/26, Nick Gaulin 3/5, Gerry L'Esperance 3/8, Bob Laberge 3/27, Arthur Lapierre 3/15, Ernest Martinelli 3/1, Bryan Oliviera 3/23, Richard Piette 3/29, Michael Plasse 3/24, Robert Robbio 3/18, Jordan Robitaille 3/16, Arthur St. George 3/16, Richard St. Germain 3/12, and Michael St. Pierre 3/27. If you see them, wish them the best.

Prayers Requested



For Denis Richard

For PGK Jeff Gaulin (State Membership Director) following surgery

For Chancellor Ovide "OJ" Auger following a recent mishap

For Mike DeAngelis (Former State Faith Director & long-time friend of Woonsocket Council)

For all those suffering due to the pandemic and their caregivers

We ask you to continue to pray for Bishop Gelineau, Deacon Gene Garceau, Annette Bebyn (mother of State Secretary Dave Bebyn), Armand Dufresne, PGK Stanley Eason, Florence Houde, Theresa Shunney, PSD Rene Trudel, Terry Gervais (wife of Gerry), Gerry L'Esperance and all our Brother Knights who are ill or in distress and/or their family members.

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