



Vermont Knights in Action



Vermont State Council March, 2017 Edition

Vermont State Council

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Vermont State Council Officers

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STATE DEPUTY PETER LARAMIE

My Dear Brothers,

THERE IS STILL TIME to do all the things we need to do to close out a successful year, but for most of us there remains quite a bit to do.

In the race for Star Council, in which a number of Vermont councils have a good shot at success, Rosary Council 4684, which had Star Council all but wrapped up, now finds itself one member short due to a recent suspension – or withdrawal. It would be a shame that after such a fine year the council were to come up just short of the goal. In District 1 Council 10830 in Fairfax can do it if they close the deal in their Georgia Round Table. In District 3 Council 7525 in South Burlington needs just one more member and they have a candidate. In District 6 neither Bethel nor Randolph are out of the picture. In District 7 Vergennes can still make it. In District 9 Council 810 in Fair Haven is close, lacking just two members.

We still have six councils which have not submitted their Service Program Personnel Report, but all the councils vying for Star have met the requirement. Only three councils have not submitted their Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity, a fact of which I am very proud, although I would love to see that number go to zero. Financial Secretaries can quickly and easily submit this form through Member Management.

It is now the first week of May and TIME FOR THE COUNCILS TO PREPARE AND SEND IN THEIR COLUMBIAN AWARD APPLICATION. With advance planning councils can simply review the records they have been keeping from the start of the Fraternal Year and enter the data on the form. Please remember the new requirement this year to perform four programs in the Domestic Church category. If you are not sure what programs may qualify simply click on “Building the

Domestic Church” on the home page at the Supreme Council website. Your program need not exactly match Supreme’s program. There is no maximum number of Building the Domestic Church programs you can do or check off on the application.

The important things to remember about this form are that it must be filled out completely and that it must reach Supreme by June 30. Don’t submit a form that has blank lines on it. It will be returned to you. Do not put the form in the mail on June 30 or 28 or 20. Please do not put the form in the mail at all. At the very least it should be emailed, but the form can be filled out and submitted online. This is the best method. Do it soon. If you have one or two programs left to do, but you know you’re going to do them, write them down as if you had done it (or them) and send it in. That is not cheating. Do not be late and miss the opportunity to get the recognition your members so richly deserve.

SATURDAY, MAY 13 is the date set for the clean-up day at Camp Thorpe (Camp O’Hagan) in Goshen, Vermont. For many years Camp O’Hagan has been a place of refuge and joy for intellectually disabled persons sponsored by the Vermont State Knights of Columbus. The special relationship between the camp and the Vermont K of C is marked, among other ways, by our annual work day at the camp. Coffee and donuts will be ready by 8:30 a.m. and pizza and soft drinks are provided at lunch time. Please join me for a day of exercise with your Brother Knights. Please don’t make me do it all by myself. The camp is located at 680 Capen Hill Drive in Goshen, Vermont between Randolph and Brandon. For directions you can Google Camp Thorpe and then click on “About Camp Thorpe”.

The 2017 State Convention is behind us and much good, I think, came out of it. Not the least of these good things is our newly elected State Board of Officers. They are State Deputy-Elect Mike Patnode, State Secretary-Elect Tom Herbst, Jr., State Treasurer-Elect Bil (yes, one “I” only) Silva, State Advocate-Elect Jim Michael, and State Warden-Elect Nick Conti. Rev. Tim Naples will remain as the State Chaplain while I move into the Immediate Past State Deputy role. We bid farewell to IPSD Dan McAvinney who will spend his time enjoying his grandchildren and to State Treasurer Steve Shover who has served his State Council well. Good luck to all and much success in the years to come!

Mike is getting right down to work. He’s been putting his new team together and holds his first planning meeting on Sunday, May 7 to set the agenda for the year. Mike will be heading to the Supreme Headquarters in New Haven, Connecticut in June for the State Deputies Organizational Meeting. There he will be installed as the Vermont State Deputy at a special Mass in St. Mary’s Church where our Order was founded. Officially Mike will take office on July 1. He has already scheduled the District Deputy Organizational Meeting for that day.

PLEASE JOIN OUR NEW STATE DEPUTY MIKE PATNODE for the annual Knights of Columbus Pilgrimage, Mass and installation of State Officers – and District Deputies – at St. Anne’s Shrine on Isle LaMotte on Sunday, July 16. Bishop Coyne will be there to celebrate the Mass with us. With luck – and planning – we will have another great picnic lunch and the day will be sunny and warm, but not too warm.

GOOD NEWS FOR BOWLERS may be on the way. At the Sheridan Council Meeting in St. Johnsbury this past Tuesday Past State Deputy Moe Noel resurrected the idea for a 2017 State Bowling Tournament which would be held later this summer. Keep a sharp lookout for updates. Unfortunately, any plans to combine Winooski’s Monsignor Ball Memorial Golf Tournament with the State Golf Tournament in order to save the State Tournament have come to nothing. There was just no way to reconcile our strict player requirements with Winooski’s loose ones.

I MAY HAVE DISAPPOINTED some – or many – of you over the past two years. That is only natural. This office requires so much, and I am only one frail human being. I believe that much good came out of the State Convention this year, but more than a few were unhappy with the last item of debate on the floor on Saturday afternoon and how it was handled. If I had it to do all over again it would have looked completely different. There was no malice on my part and in the end the delegates were able to vote on the proposed amendment. I have been chastised – perhaps rightly – for having relied too much on Roberts Rules and procedure rather than just having a discussion. Again, perhaps, this might have been done. Roberts Rules preserves order – most of the time. I have been pretty successful at not slavishly following tradition. Maybe this would have been a good time to have taken my own advice. We’ll never know.

Thank you all for the good you have done and continue to do for the Order. God Bless you all.

Vivat Jesus!

WHERE'S THE STATE DEPUTY IN MAY

Monday, May 1, Rutland, Cleaning up from a recent Knighthood Degree and picking up equipment.

Tuesday, May 2, St. Johnsbury, Council 421 Monthly Meeting.

Wednesday, May 3, Essex Junction, Fourth Degree Exemplification Rehearsal.

Thursday, May 4, Burlington, Knighthood Degree at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

Sunday, May 7, South Burlington, 2017-2018 Planning Meeting of the State Board.

Monday, May 8, Rutland, Confirmation with Rutland Assembly 1147 and Fair Haven Assembly 2539.

Saturday, May 13, Goshen, Clean-up day at Camp Thorpe (Camp O'Hagan).

Saturday, May 20, Rutland, Fourth Degree Exemplification.

Sunday, May 21, Somewhere, Silver Rose comes to Vermont from New York.

Tuesday, May 23, Bennington, Council 307 Monthly Meeting.

I am sure that other things will come up during the month, but this is it as of May 6. If you would like me to attend an event of yours let me know. I will try to make it if I can.

Worthy Knights;

In commemorating the 100th year (1917-2017) of the Mother of God's apparition in Fatima, Portugal, the WAF-Our Lady's Blue Army of Burlington would like to celebrate this milestone in a special way, by spreading the message of peace, reconciliation, and reparation to a broader area through the Parishes in Vermont.

It is fortunate for our plan to have a highway in Vermont that happens to coincide with this milestone named Route 100. It is also fortunate to have a cross highway route that traverses the state at the right proportion to the arms of the cross called Route 2.

Our goal for 2017 is to have the state statue travel from the base of Vermont starting at *Our Lady of Fatima Parish* in Wilmington, Vermont on Route 100 and proceed up route 100 to the top of Vermont at *Saint Mary, Stare of the Sea* in Newport. Then to transport the state statue to *St John the Evangelist Parish* in Saint Johnsbury, Vermont and finally to *Saint Joseph's Cathedral* in Burlington Vermont thus making a cross sign over our state. In doing so, our hope is that our Lady will intercede for our state as she travels by pouring out her centenary of grace to bring hearts and souls closer to her son, Jesus and bring peace to Vermont.

We believe that Our Lady is with us in helping her to spread the message for peace, and that God will grant the grace of conversion to sinners.

Each event will have a statue procession and Mass. We would like to invite the Knights of Columbus Color Guard to join us as we celebrate in the procession and the Mass. Thank You and God Bless.

FATIMA CENTENNIAL VERMONT TOUR FOR PEACE

1917-2017

EVENTS FROM MAY - OCTOBER 2017

MAY 13

Our Lady of Fatima
Wilmington, VT
10:00 AM

JUNE 3

Annunciation of the BVM
Ludlow, VT
10:00 AM

JULY 1

St. Augustine
Montpelier, VT
9:00 AM

JULY 15

St. Paul Church,
Barton, VT
10:00 AM

AUGUST 12

St. Mary Star of the Sea
Newport, VT
3:00 PM

SEPTEMBER 9

St. John the Evangelist
St. Johnsbury, VT
10:00 AM

OCTOBER 7

Cathedral Parishes
Burlington, VT
9:00 AM

*The Mass with Bishop
Christopher J. Coyne*



Saint Simeon's Prophecy



The Flight to Egypt



The Piercing of the side
of Jesus, and His
Descent from the Cross



Reflecting on
Mary's
Seven Sorrows
A Walk for
the Reparation
for Sin and
Conversion of
Sinners



The Burial of Jesus



The Loss of Jesus In
The Temple



The Meeting with Jesus
on the Way to Calvary



The Crucifixion and
Death of Jesus

Each event will

Include:

**ROSARY
PROCESSION
and
CONFESSION,
MASS**

with the Blessing
and distribution of
the **BROWN
SCAPULAR
of Our Lady
Mt. Carmel**



Our Lady's Blue Army
Diocese of Burlington
Vermont



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

PILGRIMAGE TO ST. ANN'S SHRINE

SUNDAY JULY 16, 2017

ROSARY AT 11:00 AM

MASS AT 12:30

INSTALLATION OF STATE OFFICERS

**ALL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FAMILIES ARE
ENCOURAGED TO COME FOR A DAY OF PRAYER AND
FUN AT THE BEACH.**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Dear Brother,

Imagine a career that allows you to do well, while doing good. Continuing the works of Father Michael J. McGivney, who started the Order in 1882 for the protection of his parishioners, is the ongoing ideal that best describes the work of a Knights of Columbus Field Agent.

Selling needed life insurance, long-term care, disability income and annuity products to Brother Knights and their families as the cornerstone of their financial plans. As an agent for the largest Catholic Fraternal Society, you will be assigned an exclusive list of Brother Knights that are yours to call. Meeting the requirements of a successful field agent will allow you to earn professional-level income. With three to five years of successful experience, opportunities for advancement are available that allow you to double or triple the income of the average field agent.

The Knights of Columbus is a mighty fraternal benefit society looking after the needs of Brother Knight and has become one of the world's finest life insurance organizations. There is no more highly rated insurer in North America.

What do our Field Agents do? They devote their entire working day to the needs of Brother Knights in their assigned councils. Yes, we have established territories within which agents work exclusively with their assigned members. The agent identifies any needs for the coverage that our products provide, and then creates a personalized plan for the member that meets his needs and budget.

Are you the kind of person who would enjoy the respect of these K of C members and their dependents as their personal professional insurance agent? We do have a selection system that can help you and the General Agent determine if this is the right career for you. Listed below are several traits or skills that are helpful for success in our business, as well as several benefits that our agents enjoy.

QUALIFICATIONS BENEFITS

- * self-motivated * training allowance
- * belief in our products * professional-level income potential
- * effective time manager * non-contributory pension
- * goal-oriented * comprehensive health insurance
- * genuine concern for people * intensive training program
- * ongoing supervision * flexible hours
- * able to create a sale out of a "no sale" * ongoing self-development
- * desire to succeed - as a businessman

If you are interested OR know of someone that may be interested in exploring our opportunity, you can contact me at

781-769-3277 or email me at dicalogeroagencymail@kofc.org

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Phone: 1 (781) 769 - 3277

SILVER ROSE STORY – ONE LIFE

Worthy Faithful Navigators,

The introduction of the Silver Rose program booklet states, "As Catholics, we are called to be a people of life, therefore, we turn to the Blessed Virgin Mary, under her title of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, as we seek to bear witness to the reality that every human life is sacred and a gift from God." See attached file: Silver Rose Story - One Life

As this year's State Silver Rose Chairman, I look forward to working with you this year in organizing and conducting the Silver Rose program in our beautiful State of Vermont. The 2017 schedule for the Silver Rose is set, and **Vermont will have the Rose from May 29 to June 18**. This year we will receive the Rose from our Brothers in NY and pass it on to our Brothers in NY. If your Council and/or Assembly is interested in hosting the Silver Rose please let me know by March 30, 2017 so that I can make up the schedule for Vermont.

For additional information about the program, please go to the K of C website at: www.kofc.org. On the home page, click on "Engaged in Service," then "Service Programs," "Church," and "Running of the Rose." If you have any questions concerning the Route schedule, procedures, or the program materials, please contact me.

Thank you for helping to make the 2017 Silver Rose Run a prayerful witness to the sacredness of every human life.

Fraternally,

Roger Dickinson,
(802) 373-7135, dcknsn95@myfairpoint.net

Second Call for Silver Rose Participation

The 2017 Silver Rose Run is underway, and we (Vermont) are scheduled to receive it from NY on May 21st and deliver it to NH on June 18th.

To date, only five of our Vermont Councils have indicated their interest in hosting this year's Silver Rose.

The Silver Rose program began in 1960, and became an official Supreme Council program in the 1990's. In recent years, the program has expanded, and now requires 6 Silver Roses simultaneously traveling different routes throughout Canada, the United State and Mexico. This is a great way for the Knights to honor the *Blessed Virgin Mary, under her title of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas*, and to help satisfy the Church category in your Council's service program.

Contact Roger Dickinson, State Silver Rose Coordinator, at dcknsn95@myfairpoint.net or (802) 373-7135 to reserve your Council's slot on this year's Silver Rose Run.



One Life, One Rose
Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Program

The Story of the Silver Rose

Our Lady of Guadalupe has done so much for her people and Mexico that the Columbian Squires in Monterrey, Mexico, wanted to give something back to her.

The group headed by Brother Miguel Martinez Estrada, Grand Knight Andreas Saucedo and Fray Margil De Jesus of Knights of Columbus Council 2312 in Monterrey, Mexico, came up with the idea of running a rose to Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey. They wanted to invite Squires from two other countries on the North American Continent to participate. They contacted Squires from Laredo, Texas, to London, Ontario, Canada.

London Squires asked to start the relay running of the Rose from there through the United States and finishing up in Mexico.

The first Rose was blessed by Bishop John C. Cody in London. It was then flown to New York where it was received by Grand Knight Joseph Thomasen, who in turn took it to Supreme Knight Luke E. Hart who then took the Rose to Dallas, Texas, and delivered it to district officers of the state of Texas. Brother Knight Jack Collierin received the Rose and sent it to Laredo, Texas where the Rose was received by Squires from Monterrey, Mexico at the International Bridge in Laredo.

The Squires then ran the Rose from the International Bridge to Monterrey, ending the Rose run at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey.

The First Rose was a natural rose. The Squires wished to make yet another relay run in 1961, but due to the condition of the Rose it could not be used again. Grand Knight Arthur Mount at Council 1134, Reverend Edward Gatfield and Bishop John C. Cody decided to make a bronze rose and sent it to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico.

When Fray Antonio de Jesus Sacedon and the Squires of Circle 660 in Monterrey heard of the bronze rose, they decided to call upon Brother Miguel Martinez Montoya (owner of Joyeria Rosine) in Monterrey to make them a silver rose because silver is one of Mexico's precious metals.

The jeweler saw a beautiful bed of roses in a garden owned by Mrs. Shirla Ostwowk. He asked if he could have a rose as a model for the making of the "Silver Rose." Mr. Montoya explained what had happened to the original rose in 1960 and what Canada was doing for Our Lady in Monterrey. Once she heard about the making of the "Silver Rose" she gladly gave him the rose and the stem to which it was attached as a model. Subsequently, Mr. Montoya made all of the "Silver Roses" from 1961 to 1997.

The first "Silver Rose" was blessed by Bishop Alfonso Espino Silva. This rose was then sent on to New Haven to the Supreme Council Office. The Bronze Rose was blessed by Bishop Cody. It was received by Supreme Knight Luke E. Hart. Archbishop Francis J. Spellman of New York so admired both roses he kept them for a special Mass before having them flown to Dallas, Texas. There the Knights again sent the roses to Laredo where they were transferred to Mexico in the middle of the International Bridge on their way to Monterrey.

From 1961 until the early 1990s, Knights from Mexico, Texas and the Our Lady of Guadalupe Province of the Fourth Degree kept the Silver Rose tradition alive. In the 1990s Supreme Knight Virgil C. Dechant decided to make the Silver Rose a Supreme Council program. The first effort consisted of one route carrying a Silver Rose from London through the central U.S. to Texas for transfer to Mexico. Soon there were three Silver Rose routes, one mimicking the original route; another starting in Manitoba and moving to British Columbia, then down to the Pacific Coast before turning east into Arizona and on to Texas; and a third route starting in

New York, then down the eastern seaboard, then to several southern states to Texas. After meeting in Laredo, the three roses were transferred to Mexico for the closing prayer service at the Basilica in Monterrey on Dec. 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

In 2001 Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson shaped the program as a culture of life effort at the 119th Annual Meeting of the Supreme Council in Toronto. The annual effort “is a perfect program for the Knights of Columbus,” said Supreme Knight Anderson. “Through it we honor not only Our Lady of Guadalupe and express the unity of the Order, but we also reaffirm the Order’s dedication to the sanctity of human life. It is to the Blessed Mother that we turn in prayer as we work to end the Culture of Death that grips our society. As we think in terms of ‘One Life, One Rose,’ it is most appropriate that we turn to Our Lady of Guadalupe who made known her will through Juan Diego and the miracle of the roses.”

In 2016, one Rose began its journey in Saskatchewan, moving south through the Rocky Mountain and Plains states to Texas. A second Rose started its route in Manitoba, moving south through the Upper Plains states and then further south to Texas and Mexico. A third Rose began in Alberta, moving westward to British Columbia and then down the Pacific coast through California before turning eastward to Arizona, New Mexico and Texas, before crossing into Mexico. The fourth Rose started in Ontario, moved south to Kentucky and then east to end in Washington, D.C. The fifth Rose moved from Virginia south along the Eastern Seaboard and then west through the Gulf states to Texas. The sixth Rose traveled from Maine through New York and New England to conclude its journey at St. Mary’s Church in New Haven, birth place of the Order. This year’s program ends on Dec. 12, 2017, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

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Jurisdiction of Vermont

State Membership Incentives

Vermont’s Top Recruiter (July 1, 2016 – March 31, 2017) will receive a trip for himself and his spouse to the 2017 Vermont State Convention at the Capital Plaza Hotel and Conference Center in Montpelier, Vermont in addition to any other membership incentive. (He must have recruited a minimum of 5 new members. The tie for this or any other membership incentive will go to the recruiter whose most recent recruit received his Admission Degree first.)

Each Top District Recruiter (July 1, 2016 – March 31, 2017) will receive a set of enameled cufflinks (his choice of Emblem of the Order or Fourth Degree. He must have recruited a minimum of 4 new members).

The First 5 Recruiters to Recruit 3 New Members (July 1, 2016 – May 31, 2017) will receive a gift card valued at \$50. The gift card will be upgraded to \$80 if the 3 New Member goal is reached by October 31, 2016.

Each Recruiter Recruiting at least 3 New Members – other than the First Five – (July 1, 2016 – May 31, 2017) will receive a gift card valued at \$30. The gift card will be upgraded to \$60 if the new member goal is reached by October 31, 2016.

Each Recruiter With At Least One Recruit (Admission Degree Date post July 1, 2016)

Who Earns the Shining Armor Award by May 31, 2017 will receive a Howard Miller mantle clock valued at \$55.

Each Recruiter (July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017) will receive a Vermont Development Drive 365 coffee mug. (Limit one per year.)

Councils Which Meet Their Membership Quota by December 31, 2016 will receive a 50% discount on their 2nd Half State Per Capita bill as long as all other State Council assessments have been paid. They will receive a 65% discount on the same assessment if they reach their Membership Quota by November 15, 2016.

District Deputies Who Have 2 Councils Which Meet Their Membership Quota by April 10, 2017 will receive a Knights of Columbus Gents' Two-tone Sports Watch.

"Recruited" means that the recruit has received his Admission Degree.

STATE-WIDE DAY OF PRAYER FOR CLERGY

The state-wide day of prayer for Clergy is scheduled for May 13, 2017 and while that may seem like a long time away, now is the time to commit to your hour slot and notify your council and your Chapin of the date/time. Council 7525 is coordinating this for our state and you can connect with Brother Patrick Leduc (pleducvt@gmail.com or 598-4246) with questions and to **Sign up for your council's hour.**

Each council is asked to sign up for an hour of prayer on May 13st in support of our Clergy. Each council can manage their hour of prayer in any way they see fit. An hour of silent vigil, an hour of rosary followed by open prayer and meditation, and hour of adoration, a mass, or something else you come up with as a council. You can conduct the hour of prayer any place you wish; council hall, Church, parish hall, or other location. Invite the parish community to join you. Invite wives, family.....

Again this year we hope to include a notice in the Chancery Bulletin that all your chaplain's will see. Let's get 100% participation in this meaningful and simple event!

Brother Patrick, working with our State Chaplin, will be providing you a current list of the clergy in the state of Vermont for you to use in your program or in the pre-designed program that you have the option to use. Look for that information soon.

Patrick J. Leduc
Council 7525
South Burlington, VT



12TH ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS "300 CLUB"

AS OF 04/29/2017

WEEK #17	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	232	Martin Fortin & Jim Lanctot	421
\$75.00	57	Ed Nuttall	10830
\$50.00	65	Bill & Michelle LaCroix	279
WEEK #18	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	69	Raymond DeVoid	279
\$75.00	55	Linda Brasseur	2285
\$50.00	43	Bill Robie	399
WEEK #19	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	252	Fr. Daley Council # 642	642
\$75.00	31	Ralph Funari	2025
\$50.00	117	Fr. Hackett council #7324	7324
WEEK #20	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$1,000.00	280	George & Karoline Flower	2610
\$500.00	78	Fern Cyr	2025
\$275.00	30	Mathew Reveal	232

Maurice F. Noel

Maurice F. Noel PSD/FDM
300 Club Chairman

STATE VOCATIONS REPORT 2016- 2017

The goal for the 2016-2017 fraternal year is to continue our support for all of our seminarians through the R.S.V.P. Vocations Program and have as many councils as possible promoting and supporting programs to the priesthood and religious life.

I received a E-mail from one of the Grand Knights who was told by another Grand Knight that his priest told him someone left \$10,000,000 to be used to exclusively to Support the seminarians. He was told everything is now paid for. Everything includes tuition, food, car expenses, personal items etc. He was also told, this being the case, there may be better places to donate to.

I contacted Fr. Jon Schnobrich, Diocesan Director of Vocations

Could you please let me know if the statement above is correct so that I could provide the proper information to our councils? Answer: from Fr. Jon Schnobrich

It is true that the Diocese received a bequest for 10 million dollars a few years ago earmarked for vocations. However, we are only able to use a percentage of that gift for seminary education, formation, and promotion, with the base of the gift restricted from being used. Because of the rising costs of seminary education, formation, travel, books, etc., our men from Vermont do have what they need. Yet, the extra help that comes from the Knights not only gives them a little extra if they would like to go out for dinner with some of their classmates, or have a little extra gas money, or be able to buy Christmas gifts for their families, but also affirms your support of their vocation. So, while the priest that spoke that information was ½ correct in that a gift was given to the Diocese for vocations, the perception that we have more than enough to cover all our costs is unfortunately not totally the case. So, again, the support from the RSVP program was and is deeply appreciated by myself, and most especially by our seminarians.

In Christ

Fr. Jon

Our (RSVP) Scholarship money is used by seminarians and those in religious formation for books, car insurance and maintenance, travel during vacations, clerical clothing, emergency expenditures and other living expenses.

I would like to give recognition to the following councils for their participation in the Refund Support Vocations Program by providing scholarships and moral support to the seminarians, through visits to the Seminary and, hosting activities for the seminarians. Rutland Council 232, Rutland, DeGoesbriand Council 279, Burlington, for their continued participation for the past 36 years in the RSVP program. Sheridan Council 421, St Johnsbury, Fr. Daley Council 642, Middlebury, St Charles Council 753, Bellows Falls, Fair Haven Council 810, Fair Haven, Brownson Council 1568, Hardwick, Bishop Rice Council 2946, Essex Jct, St. Isaac Joques Council 3664, Vergennes, Rosary Council 4684, Richmond, Fr. Joy Council 7389 Colchester, St. John Vianney Council 7525, So. Burlington, St. Edmund of Canterbury Council 7669, Swanton, Saint Pope John Paul II Council 10417, Milton, George F. Johnson Council 10241, Bethel and DeGoesbriand Assembly 1148, Burlington.

God Bless all of you for your dedicated work for Vocations.

The State Vocations Scholarship recipients for 2016- 2017 are:

Bishop Kenneth A. Angell Vocations Scholarship, Mr. Steven R. Marchand, Third Theology, Pontifical North American College Seminary, Rome.

Rev. John C. Ledoux Memorial Vocations Scholarship, Kevin J. Chalifoux, Second Theology, Pontifical North American College Seminary, Rome.

Martin J. Ramunno Memorial Vocations Scholarship, Matthew T. Traceski, Second Pre-Theology, Our Lady of Providence Seminary, Providence, RI.

"Please Pray for Vocations, Vocations Are Everybody's Business."

Fraternally Yours;

Gerald F. Bean

Gerald F. Bean, PSD, FDM

State Vocations Chairman

***LIVE ACTION NEWS* PLANNED PARENTHOOD QUIZ**

WWW.LIVEACTION.ORG/NEWS/

How much do you know about Planned Parenthood's real business and the amount of money that you, as a taxpayer, are contributing to their business? Do you know how many abortions Planned Parenthood commits every day? Take the quiz to learn more about Planned Parenthood and the truth behind the lies they tell. As an example, here's the first question:

Question #1 **Planned Parenthood aborts how many babies every year?**

(☐) **Around 320,000**, (☐) Around 210,000, (☐) Around 100,000, (☐) Around 25,000

You are correct!

Since 2007, Planned Parenthood has killed over 320,000 babies a year. Over the past 8 years, Planned Parenthood has performed an average of 325,477 abortions a year. Their most recent numbers show that Planned Parenthood kills 887 preborn children a day, 37 every hour and 1 every 97 seconds! They are, by far, the largest abortion corporation in America, despite their claim that only 3% of the services they provide are abortions. When you look at the three "options" Planned Parenthood tells pregnant women they have – parenting, adoption, and abortion – it's clear which option Planned Parenthood pushes. One out of every eight Planned Parenthood clients gets an abortion. That's not 3%.

To take the entire quiz, go to:

http://liveaction.org/plannedparenthoodquiz/index.php?utm_source=housefile&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=ppquiz

Very educational. Please share with others and help counter Planned Parenthood's myths and lies.

Bob & Judy Sekerak
Culture of Life

Vergennes Saint Isaac Jogues Council #3664

May 2017

Vermont Seminarists Treated by Two Councils



Vergennes & Burlington Councils treat Vermont Seminarists in Providence RI to dinner out and \$500 Scholarships. Seminarists in attendance were: Quinn D'Andrea, Robert Little, Robert Murphy, and



Council & Rotary Food Drive

Friday PM & Saturday AM yields 1900 # and \$575 for the Vergennes Food Shelf



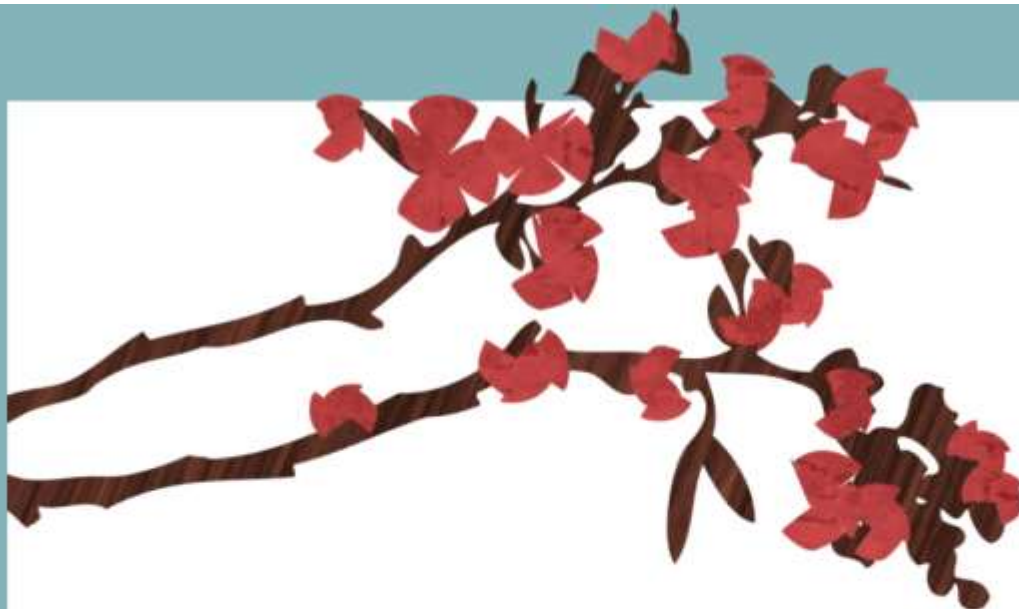
Council Host Legislative Breakfast for Addison County

Brings community together to ask Governor Scott pressing questions facing our local



Council Completes 7th Handicap Ramp Project donating all time and materials
(Project leaders: Dennis Senesac and Mike Kachmar with Grand Knight Bill Scott and Hayden Senesac)





**THOMAS P. CLAIMONT BASEBALL
FOUNDATION PROUDLY PRESENTS:
DESTINATION BALTIMORE**

**2017 SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER GOLDEN ANGELS
BASEBALL TEAM EDUCATIONAL EXCURSION!!!**

JUNE 1 ~ JUNE 4, 2017

**CAMDEN YARDS BALLPARK
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Please register for the 7th Annual Monsignor Thomas J. Ball Memorial Open sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Saint Stephen's Council #2284. Tournament date is scheduled for Saturday, May 20, 2017, at West Bolton Golf Club.

Scramble Format, 8:30 AM Shotgun Start!

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For more information, please contact Greg Clairmont at 802.343.8446 or by email at listandsellvt@gmail.com. Blessings Everyone!

ASCENSION ROUND TABLE FISH FRY



On 7 April 2017, Ascension Round Table of Council 10830 Fairfax held its first event since being organized. The event – Lenten Fish Fry, was coordinated and organized by Round Table Coordinator Paul Jansen. It required securing the fryer units from the Georgia Lions Club and tent from the Georgia Boy Scouts.

Paul Jansen and Joe Nasca work the frying units

Haddock from Georgia Market (Ray Bouffard) was purchased as the fish for the day. Enough was on hand to feed 52 folks.



Paul Jansen prepares the fish cuts for the frying operation.



NOTE: The ***haddock*** (*Melanogrammus aeglefinus*) is a saltwater fish, found in the North [Atlantic Ocean](#) and associated seas. The haddock is easily recognized by a black [lateral line](#) running along its white side (not to be confused with [pollock](#) which has the reverse, i.e., white line on black side) and a distinctive dark blotch above the [pectoral fin](#), often described as a "thumbprint" or even the "Devil's thumbprint" or "St. Peter's mark".

Haddock is a very popular food fish, sold fresh, smoked, frozen, dried, or to a small extent canned. Haddock, along with [Atlantic cod](#) and [plaice](#), is one of the most popular fish used in British [fish and chips](#).

Fresh haddock has clean, white flesh and can be cooked in the same ways as cod. Freshness of a haddock fillet can be determined by how well it holds together, as a fresh one will be firm; also, fillets should be translucent, while older fillets turn chalky (nearly opaque). Young, fresh haddock and cod fillets are often sold as [scrod](#) in [Boston, Massachusetts](#); this refers to the size of the fish which have a variety of sizes, i.e., scrod, markets, and cows. Haddock is the predominant fish of choice in Scotland in a fish supper. It is also the main ingredient of Norwegian fishballs (fiskeboller).

Unlike the related [cod](#), haddock does not [salt](#) well and is often preserved by [drying](#) and [smoking](#).

The menu consisted of fish, fries, coleslaw, bun, coffee, apple cider. Tickets were sold in advance for \$10/person. The parish hall required preparation of tables and sundry items.



Emma Rainville adds her personal touch.

Getting things done requires unity of effort. There's kitchen duty, food prep, frying, serving, setup and clean-up.

Joe Augustino, Paul Lambert, Judy Nasca, Patrick Weber, Thomas Weber (son) gleefully participate in food preparation



Joe



Augustino, Alan Parent, Emma Rainville all help with serving. There was plenty to eat.



Joe Kranz and Ron Begley work the fries



Clay Duffy, Ron Begley, Joe Nasca, and Paul Jansen take a moment to relax as keeping up with appetites can be a fast-paced operation.



Let's not forget what this is all about, serving people, the church, and the community.

There's the parish priest, Fr. Henry Furman, who as pastor of Ascension Church and Chaplain of Council 10830 Fairfax, requested a Round Table be formed at

Ascension. From this Round Table men would display charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism towards the church and the community. It's to be remembered we are to help those in need, particularly families. Donating net profits to food for families is such an example.



This is what it is all about! Serving. Enjoying good food. Socializing and having fun.

Thanks to the 10 men from Ascension Round Table who made this event a success. Serving 52 meals netted a profit of \$100. Next year will incorporate the lessons learned this year.

A KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS MEMBER FROM COUNCIL 10830 IS OFFERING OVER 74 PAST COPIES OF THE CATHOLIC MAGAZINE “MAGNIFICAT” FREE OF CHARGE. IF INTERESTED CONTACT JIM BLAIS AT EMAIL: JBELLE76@GMAIL.COM.

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- Art Commentaries: Each month Magnificat provides two art commentaries: a short reflection on the cover by founding publisher Pierre-Marie Dumont, and an in-depth art history article detailing a second piece of art presented in the back of the issue.

Deepen your relationship with Jesus, his Blessed Mother, and his Church as you pray in the way the Church has been praying for hundreds of years.

DISTRICT 8

I am proud to say that council 917 and council 2832 both brought in 2 new members each. I enjoyed seeing council 753's GK John Pelletier and FS Herb Moore at the state convention. I was so busy as the State Warden I didn't get as much time with these Knights as I wanted to. Council 917 will have a new GK and DGK this year and I welcome Brother Knight Ed Le Claire and Bob Archdeacon respectfully. They stood up to the challenge of continuing the growth and participation of the council. GK Larry Gould is on fire with his council in Windsor and he went and got these 2 Knights by himself and did it one by one conversations. Many conversations. The last was we are having a degree on this day and I will see you there. They both showed up and the video was turned on.

Council 753 again will host a formation degree for these new members 05/23 19:00 B.F. I would like to thank GK John Pelletier for always being the host council of district 8. John is the heart and soul of 753 and when he is gone I know it. Council 2628 made the fish fry during lent a complete success as they always do. This has become the most visual part of that council to their parish. Council 7324 continues to move forward is a deep spiritual focus for their Knights with Masses held for them. They are now again taking charge of the Parish picnic I am sure everyone there in Ludlow are thankful for the Knights doing the work.

Council 917 last month donated a check in the amount of \$2,500.00 to Father Justin Baker for the use in a large refurbishing job at St. Brigid's in Brattleboro. This is a soup kitchen and father Justin Baker is leading the charge. I am proud of how 917 went from a couple of Knights showing up for a meeting to the active group they have now. They asked themselves should we fold or rebuild? Let me tell you they have rebuilt. I will say you won't find a more faithful and devoted FS than Chris Willette. He won't admit it but he had a huge world in the turn around. A DD can only do so much it takes the members of the council to make it work.

I look forward to another year as DD8 and as the State Treasure. Why wear 2 hats? BECAUSE IT'S NEEDED. If not me then who?

Vivat Jesus

Bil Silva ST elect, SW and DD8

**Knights of Columbus
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2 Year-Mike Brochu
1 Year-Dennis Pudvah

Greetings Brother Knights,

Have been getting great response from Brother Ron's letter inviting young and old to our next meeting Thursday, May 11th. So let's shed our winter coats and enjoy a well attended BBQ to start off the summer (early spring).

Topics of Interest:

- Super Raffle
- Scholarships
- Membership-Cards are now in!
- Spring clean up
- Next month's meal committee

Remember, we are still in the process of updating our newsletter mailing list. If you haven't contacted me with your email address or your wish to continue having it mailed to you, this NEWSLETTER COULD BE YOUR LAST!

Thank you in advance for your attendance!

God Bless,
Grand Knight Bear Bessette

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Note New Meal Time 6:30PM (not 7:00PM)



A FAMILY PRAYER

Heavenly Father, thank you for the gift of our family. Enlighten our hearts and minds that we may live more fully this vocation to love.

In our daily life and work,
may we reflect the self-giving love which you,
O Father, eternally show with your Son
and the Holy Spirit.

Let your love be evident in the peace that reigns
in our home and in the faith we profess and live.
May our family always be a place of generosity,
understanding, forgiveness and joy.

Kindly give us the wisdom and courage
to be witnesses to your eternal design for
the family; and grant that the Holy Family
of Nazareth may always guide our path
to holiness as a family.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the
unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.
Amen.



Prayer composed by Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore, Supreme Chaplain.
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