



Vermont Knights' in Action



Vermont State Council November, 2017 Edition

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STATE DEPUTY MICHAEL PATNODE

Brother Knights;

The month of October has come and gone. The good news is that we are right where we need to be in the running for the "Circle of Honor". To put it in perspective we are somewhere in the range of 26% to 28% of our intake goal for the month alone. That's right! This is your "Team" and you can do it! Thank you to all who have made our small State shine.

I ask that all councils stay involved in their church and communities. Be as active as you can be. Look for new ways by thinking "Outside of the Box". Try to focus on programs will help draw new members in and bring members back. Ask your membership team and council members what type of programs they would like to run and see in their communities. Both the State Membership Director and I have traveled extensively throughout the State and the one thing that I have noticed in each of the Councils is, Pride within each Council. Remember these are the types of enthusiasm that will prevail and get us through the hard times. Remember you can do it.

Recruitment Drives in every parish that you cover can offer new opportunities along with "Open Houses" and "informational Nights", and using those time to offer other opportunities, like after Mass or later in the afternoons or after Mass. Whether your Council is small or large you all have a huge part on our "Team". Just remember the Big Play many times comes in the 4th Quarter of the

game from the unexpected. A new play develops and then before you know it we are ahead. So I want you to tell you that you can do it, together we are one!

As you hold the Admission Degrees and welcome these new members into our order. Please remember to schedule Formation and Knighthood Degrees around the State. It is important that we follow our Brother's through each Degree.

Finally I want to ask that Councils schedule Masses for deceased Knights of Columbus members and their Families for the upcoming month of November.

Vivat Jesus!

Mike

State Deputy

Vermont State Council

Please Pray the Rosary





MICHAEL PATNODE

VERMONT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE STATE DEPUTY

Dear Brothers,

State Deputy Travels

The State Deputy for the Vermont Knights of Columbus attended Admission Degree at Milton Council 10417



Pictured from Left to Right: Council 10417 GK, John Cushing, New Members, Dr., David Little, Eric Suave and State Deputy

Council Award

The State Deputy for the Vermont Knights of Columbus presents Columbian Award to the Milton GK, John Cushing and Council 10417 at this year's Harvest Dinner



STRENGTHEN MEMBERSHIP



DEVELOPMENT 365

We all seen Councils grown and improve, remember to use those useful tools in helping your Council “Think outside the Box”. It is a continuous room of improvement which incorporates a whole bunch of things.

BRANDING

Branding is a big part of any organization. Stay focused on the message.



Be Charity In Action

Knights of Columbus Vermont State Council

Worthy State Officers, Supreme Representative, District Deputies, Directors, Program Directors, Vermont District Master, General Agents, Brothers All,

Mid Year Meeting Fraternal Year 2017-2018

This letter provides all addressees with the pertinent information regarding the Vermont State Council Mid Year Meeting. The State Council Mid Year Meeting will be held on Saturday December 2, 2017 at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 20 Pine St in Burlington.

The agenda for the Saturday meeting is designed in a seminar format. Therefore attendees should include the State Officers, Supreme Representatives, District Deputies, Directors and State Staff, Past State Deputies and State Master of the Fourth Degree. There will also be a Ladies Program for the wives of the Knights.

RSVP are a must and should be made by November 20, 2017

If you have any questions, please contact State Deputy, Michael Patnode at 802-868-9113 or by email mpatnod@comcast.net

Be Charity In Action

Michael Patnode
State Deputy

Vermont State Council

Dec 2, 2017 Mid Year Meeting Agenda

Saturday, Dec 2, 2017

8:30 a.m.	Meet & Greet
9:00 a.m.	Call to Order State Officers Wives/Officers and Ladies Escorted In Pledge of Allegiance – Vermont District Master
9:30 am	Opening Prayer – State Chaplain, Fr. Timothy Naples Officer Wives and Ladies escorted out
9:45 am- Noon	Meeting Agenda State Deputy – Mike Patnode <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Introduce Key Personnel- Review Jurisdiction Action Plan- Report on State Deputy Mtg State Membership Director – Ed Nuttal <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Star Council Status- Membership Campaign Review- Second Half Membership Preview- Star Council and how we are going to get there State Training Coordinator – Chris Poirier <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Round Tables- State Convention State Program Director – Bill LaCroix <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Program Requirements- Other (Coats for Kids, Habitat for Humanity, Essay Contest, etc) State Retention Chairman – Peter Laramie, PSD <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Recruitment and Retention- How we can get former members back
10:30 – 10:45 am	Break
10:45 – 11:00 am	Vermont District Master – George Piette
11:00 - 11:30 am	General/Field Agent - TBD <ul style="list-style-type: none">- GA & FA Support- Benefit of Membership

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11:30 – 12:15 pm	Lunch with wives
12:15 - 1:15 pm	State Deputy <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Meeting Workshops in DC- Over view of each workshop
1:15 - 1:45 pm	State Program Director <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Building the Domestic Church Program- Star Council Requirements- Status by District- Outreach to Middle Eastern Christians
1:45 - 1:55 pm	Break
1:55 - 2:15 pm	Supreme Guest Speaker
2:15 - 2:30 pm	State Deputy Closing Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Membership Video
2:50 pm	Closing Prayer – State Chaplain-Fr. Timothy Naples Adjournment

Note: Tentative Schedule above, agenda subject to change

APPROVED: T.CIBORSKI – 11-1-2017

Vermont State Council
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Directions to Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

20 PINE STREET
BURLINGTON, VERMONT 05401
802-658-4333

FROM NORTHERN VERMONT:

Get on I-89 South, follow I-89 South to US-2 W/Main Street/Williston Road in South Burlington, take exit 14W from I-89 S. Continue on US-2 W/Main Street. Take Pearl Street to Pine Street in Burlington.

FROM SOUTHERN, VERMONT:

Get on I-89 North, follow I-89 North to US-2 W/Main Street/Williston Road in South Burlington, take exit 14W from I-89 N. Continue on US-2 W/Main Street. Drive to 20 Pine Street in Burlington.



Worthy Sir Knights;

It is hard to believe we have already gone through 1/3 of the Fraternal Year and the beautiful colors of Fall which God has provided us are still flourishing.

As we prepare ourselves for the month of November, we are being asked to start cleaning our cemeteries by removing all ornaments laid out during the year in preparation for winter. I also see November as the time to clean out our hearts of any anguish placed on it during the year in preparation of Advent and the coming of our Lord. And most importantly, we are given the opportunity to reflect on and pray for those who are no longer with us. As we prepare to celebrate Veterans Day, let us not forget this day is not to be confused with Memorial Day. Veterans Day celebrates the service of all U.S. Military Veterans, while Memorial Day honors those who *died* while in military service. November is also the time to give THANKS for all that we have been given during the year on Thanksgiving Day. How ironic that this Holiday also comes at the end of the Church Year with its celebration of Christ The King, one says thanks for all that has been RECIEVED and the other gives thanks for TIME, the gift and ability to live differently, to thank our KING for the time He has given us.

I am working on a Spring 2018 Exemplification in the Central Vermont area. I NEED your help to make it work. Our Councils just finished with their October Church Drive. In my October newsletter I asked about conducting an Assembly membership drive within your Councils as well? Hopefully each Assembly was able to identify 1 or 2 interested candidates.

Our Biennial Assembly meeting will be held on March 24, 2018, in Middlebury at Father Daley Assembly 1743. It is not too early to start preparing for it. Are you planning on submitting any resolutions? If so, please review the Knights of Columbus Desk Guide Reference on the procedures for submitting Resolutions. Required attendance shall be the Faithful Navigator and 1 delegate for each 100 members or major fraction thereof. The delegate(s) shall be elected by ballot during your February Meeting after proper notification of holding the election has been given to the members. Alternates for the Faithful Navigator and for delegates may be elected. Three recommendations for District Master will be requested and submitted to our Supreme Master after the Biennial meeting.

I wish all Brothers and Sir Knights continued success as you strive to keep your council and assembly as active as possible despite the many obstacles that exist today.

Pray the rosary daily and may God Bless you and may God Bless the United States of America.

Vivat Jesus!

George Piette

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LIFE LESSONS FROM YOUR **MOTHER (THE CHURCH)** THAT YOU NEED FOR YOUR SPIRITUAL LIFE



Clean your room (**Go to Confession**)

Our Mother, the Church invites us to regularly "clean our soul" through the sacrament of Reconciliation.



Eat your dinner (**Receive the Eucharist**)

Our mothers know that without food we would die (eventually). The same happens to our spirit if we don't receive Christ in the Eucharist.



Be nice to your siblings (**Practice charity**)

Mothers try to make sure that their children take care of each other. The Church is always encouraging us to love our fellow men.



Call your family (**Pray**)

Once we reach a certain point in life, we need to take our own initiative to "call our family" in heaven and pray regularly.

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2017-2018

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Knights of Columbus

VERMONT STATE COUNCIL

13TH ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS “300 CLUB”

Worthy Grand Knights & Brother Knights;

ALL TICKETS “HAVE BEEN MAILED” TO THE CURRENT GRAND KNIGHTS or appointed chairman.

All Tickets must be sold by December 10, 2017.

The First drawing will be held on Saturday, December 17, 2017.

Ticket sales appear to be doing good.

REMEMBER! If you have someone who would like a ticket, Tickets are always available.

Just get name, Address, Phone and the money and I will assign them a ticket

Keep up the good work



Food Fight

The Food Fight Catholic Daughters vs Knights of Columbus has finished. The Real Winner of this Contest was The Bethel Food Shelf. In August the Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA – Court of St. Anthony) challenged the Knights of Columbus (K of C – George F. Johnson Council) to a food fight. Here's how it worked. Each group in Bethel wanted to help support the Bethel Food Shelf. The food fight was to see how much food each group could raise, based upon weight. It would run the entire month of September. The losing team would donate \$200 to the food shelf. It was a win, win, win for the food shelf. A table was set up in the church hall for the donations. On October 1st, the overflowing table was tallied for each team. The winning team was the CDA. They collected 375.3 pounds. The K of C collected 311.4 pounds. The total was 686.7 pounds. In addition, the K of C collected cash in the amount of \$72. The Knights will be donating \$272. The gracious CDA said they would donate their \$200 too, even though they won. So the total ended up being nearly 700 pounds of food and \$472 to the food shelf. Would we do it again? You bet! Special thanks to the Bethel Drive-in, Dandelion Acres and all who donated to make this a success.

Pictured CDA Regent for Court of St. Anthony's Lorraine Durfee and Grand Knight of the George F. Johnson Council K of C Keith Grimes

ANCHOR AWARD PRESENTATIO 14 OCTOBER 2017

State Deputy Michael Patnode presents 2017 Anchor Award to Joseph F. Bouchard of Council 4684 Richmond



**Joe gives his acceptance remarks.
SD Patnode and his wife Carol
listen**





Joe and his wife Betty assemble with the family of six kids and their families.

Bill Rensch, Deputy GK; Doug St. Amour, Past GK; and Spike Robinson, Financial Secretary (all from Council 4684 of Richmond) were the planners of this event.





Check-in. Cost is \$32.50/Person with choice of beef or fish for the meal. Thomas O'Neil, Council Treasurer, and his mother, Mary, manned the table.

Honor Guard presented the honored guests. Seen here left to right: Ray Miller, GK Council 4684; Thomas Bouchard (Joe Bouchard's nephew from NJ); Richard Shea FN, George Piette, District Master; Thomas Bouchard Jr., the son of Thomas Bouchard.





Dominic DiCicco, Master of Ceremonies, presents the head table (L to R): George Piette and wife Retha; Rev. Daniel Jordon; Diane DiCicco; Dominic DiCicco; Mike Patnode and wife Carol; Joe Bouchard and wife Betty; Doug St. Amour and wife Linda.



Fr. Jordan blesses the gathering. To the left are District Master George Piette and his wife Retha.



**Past Grand Knight
Doug St. Amour of
Council 4684
summarizes the
numerous
accomplishments
of honoree Joseph
Bouchard.**



**Daughter, Mary Ploof,
delivers a special
presentation to honor her
father.**



Family nephew, Thomas Bouchard, presents a Knights of Columbus Sword to Joseph Bouchard



Activities took place at Holy Family/St. Lawrence Parish Hall in Essex Jct., VT

Over 100 guests were in attendance.





Catering service provided by Rick Tatro of Ricks Catering of St. Albans, VT



Anchor Award Nominations

As stated in the first part of VT Resolution #16 adopted at the 2016 State Convention,

ANCHOR AWARD WHEREAS, the Vermont State Council, Knights of Columbus annually sponsors the Anchor Award to honor someone whom it deems worthy; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the recipient not be limited to the clergy or to gender, but shall be someone who has truly given of himself or herself for the betterment of mankind, which is for the glory of God, and Holy Mother Church; and FURTHER RESOLVED, that nominations for this Award be submitted from the membership at large through their Councils. These nominations shall be submitted to the State Secretary together with a summary outlining the qualifications and background of the individual no later than February 15th, 2017 and FURTHER RESOLVED, that the State Deputy appoint a committee to screen the nominations and determine three (3) finalists to present to the State Officers for final selection at their March meeting; and FURTHER RESOLVED, that the location and date for this Award be determined by the State Deputy

For a nominee to be given all possible consideration for this prestigious award, each submission should be detailed and thorough. The qualifications for this award are limited only in that the recipient is not involved in any activity which is contrary to the teaching of the Holy Catholic Church. Remember that this is the highest award given by the Vermont State Knights of Columbus, and it would be great if there were many nominees to choose from.

Please don't delay. The deadline for receipt of nominations is February 15, 2017.

Anchor Award Nomination Holy Rosary Council #4684 Knights of Columbus Feb 10, 2016 Richmond, Vermont

Nominee: Joseph Bouchard

Joseph Bouchard is worthy of our Council's nomination for the Anchor Award in the jurisdiction of Vermont. His selfless service to the Catholic Church, his family and community mark him as a remarkable and dedicated gentleman. His strong faith and devotion to God and the Holy Catholic Church is exemplary.

Joe was born in Essex, New York and initially attended a one room public school. He then attended St. Nicholas Grammar School (a Catholic Grammar School) grades five (5) through eight (8).

At St. Nicholas he was a Liturgical Reader and led the choir. Joe later attended St. Joseph's Catholic High School in Hammon, New Jersey and upon graduation joined the United States Navy. From 1951 to 1955 Joe served aboard the USS Fulton as an Electrician Mate. It's no surprise that Joe chose to serve his country in this capacity: A pattern of service to Nation and Church was already taking shape within Joe at an early age. Collegiate education at Rutgers University followed after his tour of Duty in the US Navy.

In 1958 Joe married Betty Lacktis in Egg Harbor City. Joe and Betty recently celebrated their 59th Wedding Anniversary. In 1963 Joe began a long and productive work career with International Business Machines. In 1978 Joe and his family moved to Richmond, Vermont and began raising their family. Joe worked on a myriad of hardware for IBM over his career and was a Customer Engineer for such entities as the National Aviation Experimental Center in New Jersey, and numerous Vermont State Agencies. Joe's continued dedication to IBM was demonstrated by his continued work after his retirement from IBM in 1987. He worked an additional 8 years servicing accounts in Montpelier, Rutland, St. Johnsbury, Burlington and Essex.

Joe and Betty have been married 59 years and raised six children. They have been a constant source of love and strength for his children and 11 grandchildren. The vocations of his children speak to this love. Three of his children became teachers. His other children became a Radiation Therapist, a Pediatrician and a University Administrator. Joe raised his family in a devout manner, developing their Catholic Faith throughout their lives.

Joe's Patron Saint is St. Joseph. His own father built a wooden shrine to St. Joseph at their family home in New Jersey.

Joe has continued his devotion to St. Joseph over the years by maintaining and rebuilding this shrine for his mother after his father died. He built a shrine at his own family home in Richmond continuing his devotion to St. Joseph. Joe carries a St. Joseph Medal at all times and regularly displays it to his children and grand children while invoking a blessing from St. Joseph. He participates in Mass every day, receiving Holy Communion. This wonderful emulation of the Holy Family by Joe and Betty is a worthy example of Catholic Family Life.

The needs of our Catholic Church and Spiritual Community are many. Joe has provided selfless, dedicated service to our Catholic Church, it's Pastors, and our Parishioners for many years. He served on the Parish Council from 1987 to 2007. In addition to guiding the council on routine business, he helped preside over many changes to the Holy Rosary Church. He helped to plan, organize and implement improvements of the Church and Rectory roof and installation of new windows. In 1991 a new boiler was installed in the Church, and yet again another entire heating system in 2009. Joe helped plan and supervise the installation of this new heating system. Under Father Benoit he helped to spear head the renovation and relocation of the Church Altar and re-carpeting of the Sanctuary and Church proper.

Joe has been an active lector and today he still organizes and publishes a weekly list of lectors. For years he sang in the Church Choir and provided leadership to choir members. Under Monsignor McSweeney he started a Religious Education Committee. Joe serves as a Eucharistic Minister and also acts as a server at Masses, including Funeral Masses. Joe has organized and recruited a strong core of adults who are now adult servers at Mass. Joe has always been a close friend of our Priests. He enjoyed working closely with Father Benoit on all manner of projects. They spent many fruitful hours in discussion with each other. Both Father Benoit and Joe enjoyed getting their hands dirty and collaborated on many projects around the Church. He has always prided himself on establishing a close working relationship with our many Priests over the years.

Joe's favorite role at our Church has been his membership in the Building and Grounds Committee. He has been on this committee for many years and has made innumerable contributions to our Church, Rectory and Grounds. In addition to being a "Jack of all Trades" he provides information and guidance to the Pastor and various committees concerning the church and rectory grounds. Joe

has always been the go to man, when something needed to get done. Over the years he has painted, repaired electrical and plumbing problems, he supervised installation of a fuel oil tank, a new sewer line and extensive Church renovations and repairs over the years. He built and installed bulletin boards, and racks, and built a shrine for the Statue of the Virgin Mary. It is impossible to list his numerous contributions to our Church.

Joe is a member of our Knights of Columbus Council. When the Council was reactivated in 2000 he was one of the first parishioners to join. He is a 3rd Degree Knight and has been a major contributing member for 16 years now. He attends every business meeting, leads us in prayer at every meeting, and is our Church Committee Director. He is active at every fund raising breakfast, dinner, tootsie roll drive and scholarship drive. He always assists at the local Red Cross Blood Drives in our community and church. Joe supports our charitable acts and contributes by voting for motions to donate to charities such as Morality in Media, Vermont Right to Life, and the RSVP Program. Joe has been our Council Knight of the Year for several years. In 2002 he was a member of the Supreme Council, "Very Important Proposers Club" for outstanding recruiting efforts. He has held the "Knight of the Month" distinction many times for our Council. Joe is the consummate Knight whose leadership, integrity, and attention to detail are worthy of emulation. His energy and enthusiasm are limitless and his actions ensure the success of our Council and its charitable works. Our Knights Council and Catholic Community is thriving today in large part due to Joseph Bouchard's dedication to the Church and his many years of hard work. Joe's Catholicism as the foundation of his life identifies him as a faithful servant of God, his family and Church. His example of living in the faith has taught others the meaning and the values of our Church.

**Douglas St. Amour
Grand Knight
Council 4684**

**Rev. Dan Jordan
PO Box 1047
Williston, VT 05495**

PAST ANCHOR AWARD RECIPIENTS

2016	Fr. John Feltz
2015	Msgr. Richard Lavalley
2014	Greg Hartmann
2013	Robert and Judy Sekarak
2012	Fr. Justin Baker
2011	Msgr. Thomas Ball
2010	Past State Advocate Steven Shover
2009	Bishop Salvatore Matano
2008	PSD and FDM Gerald Bean
2007	Fr. Maurice Boucher
2006	PSD and FDM Dominic Di Cicco
2005	PGK and PFN Bernard Druke
2004	Noel Vincent
2003	Msgr. Wendell Searles

2002	PGK and PFN Roger Fraser
2001	Former State Chaplain Fr. Francis Holland
2000	PSD and FDM Philip Mollitor
1999	PGK and FDD Albert Gagnon
1998	L. James Rivers
1997	Mary Hahn-Beerworth
1996	PSD, FDM and FVSM Thomas Kane
1995	Bishop Emeritus Kenneth Angell
1994	PSD Robert Ose
1993	Former State Chaplain Fr. John Ledoux
1992	Reverend Arnold Brown
1991	Michelle Morin
1990	Archie Myers
1989	John Cassarino
1988	FS Reggie Desautels
1986	PSD and FDM Donald Sutton

PSD = PAST STATE DEPUTY

FDM = FORMER DISTRICT MASTER

FDD = FORMER DISTRICT DEPUTY

PGK = PAST GRAND KNIGHT

PFN = PAST FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR



Picture sent in from PSD William Stafford

COUNCIL 10830 HOLDS A TACO DINNER EVENT FOR HURRICANE VICTIMS



On the 21st of October 2017 Council 10830 of

Fairfax held a TACO Dinner fund-raising event for hurricane victims. 25 people attended donating \$177 to the cause.

Council members, their wives and their kids donated Taco fixings and their time to show support to the cause and the Council.

The event followed a recruiting drive with a Council display of activities.



Membership Director, Ed Nuttall, put together a display that highlighted the following council activities:

- Miniature Golf
- Bicycle & Sewing Machine Collection for P4P (Pedals for Progress)
- Christmas Caroling
- Hartmann/Thompson Mission support Haiti
- Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest
- “Keep Christ in Christmas” Sign
- Participation in the Feast of Corpus Christi
- Installation of Officers
- Family of the Year Award for the Billado Family
- 25th Anniversary of Council 10830 with charter members highlighted
- Lenten Fish Fry
- Crèche display
- Lake Monsters Baseball Game
- District softball game
- Camp Thorpe clean-up, Goshen, VT

- 2014 Anchor Award Recipient, Greg Hartmann
- “Journey of Life” retreat
- St. Luke’s Annual Children’s’ Carnival
- Free-throw Competition
- Holy Family Icon Celebration
- St. Valentine’s Day Dance

The TACO dinner was supported by donations and help from the following members:

- Keith Billado and his family
- Ed & Helga Nuttall
- James Blais
- Mike Cross
- Peter Fitzgerald
- Bob Horr
- Mark Mucia
- Patrick Queor and family
- Vince Redding and family
- Kevin Remillard
- Bob Thompson



Work detail consisted of:

- Setting up chairs, tables and cutting/covering tables with paper. Keith/Skyler Billado and Mike Cross made that happen.



- Kitchen duty:
Sally and
Ashley
Billado. Helga
Nuttall.



- Flyer, advertising event, was developed by Pat and Laurie Queor.

Knights of Columbus Annual Taco Dinner!!



When: Saturday, October 21st, beginning at 5:15pm

Where: 17 Huntville Rd, Fairfax – downstairs in the parish hall

What: Taco's with all the fixings and desserts!

Donations are welcome!

Proceeds from the Taco Dinner will go to help those affected by
Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma

We look forward to seeing you!

Thank you for your support!

Gallery:



STATE DEPUTY MIKE PATNODE AND STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR ED NUTTALL VISIT NORWICH UNIVERSITY COUNCIL 9146



On 3 September 2017 the State Deputy and Membership Director visited with DD#6 Brian Stringer and Council 9146. The Council conducted its first official meeting of fraternal year acknowledging 13 new members and admission degree conducted 1 September.

A review of reporting requirements and strategies was conducted by the SMD making the following points:

- **All new members are to be briefed on the Shining Armor Award. Brian stated he met the requirements but hadn't received the award. State Secretary/Council FS Tom Herbst will look into the matter.**
- **Parish Round Table requirements were reviewed, but it was determined no opportunities exist.**

- **Presentation of Admission Degree Certificates was suggested as follow-up to the degree.**
- **Opportunities for the Formation Degree were reviewed with a nearby council.**
- **Use the “Placemat” from KofC.org showing the six categories of service programs for publicity.**
- **Use the Member Interest Survey to determine what activities to promote.**
- **Use the Fr. Michael J. McGivney Legacy to instill interest in the Knights of Columbus**
- **Arrange for an organizational meeting with Councils 10241 Bethel, 11457 Northfield, 9146 Norwich, 14351 Randolph, and 2025 White River Jct.**
- **Complete the monthly DD report soon.**
- **Coordinate with Insurance Agent prospects for the quota of 3 new insurance members. Consider the \$100 annuity for new members and \$300 annuity for other members. Have agent determine if family members have or need insurance with K of C.**
- **Review past DD evaluation reports submitted for fraternal year ending in December/June (Form 944)**

The State Deputy

- **Welcomed the cadets to the 1st Degree**
- **Was honored to have them join our ranks**
- **Spoke about how proud that he was for them choosing not only the Knights but serving our Country**
- **Spoke about his own family being in the Military.**

**STATE DEPUTY AND STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR MEET
WITH DISTRICT DEPUTY #7**



Pictured above Left to Right:

(standing) David Giuliani, Insurance Agent; Ed Nuttall, SMD; Mike Kachmar, Lee Smith, Bob Biegen, Bill Scott, DD#7/GK; Mike Patnode, SD; Deacon Tom Cass, Bernie Perron, FS; Dave Palmatier;

(sitting) Charlie Huizenga, Paul Lavalley, Jim Papagni

On the 2nd of October 2017 State Deputy Mike Patnode and State Membership Director Ed Nuttall met with Bill Scott, DD#7/Grand Knight and members of Council 3664 Vergennes.

Highlights of the visit included:

Remarks by the State Deputy:

Presentation by Ed Nuttall on a membership strategy including:

- October membership drive
- Form a Membership Committee
- Identifying prospects
- Placing articles in the church bulletin that run continuously
- Making phonecalls to members to encourage their attendance at activities
- Conducting an "Open House" on insurance using the Insurance Agent as speaker.
- Conducting an "In-House Open House" with a small group of men to develop strategies on membership and activities.
- Consider establishing a Round Table
- Review the "Former Member Roster" for invitation to rejoin the Council.
- Follow the Kids in Youth Programs
- Continue to recognize "Family of the Month" through regular nominations

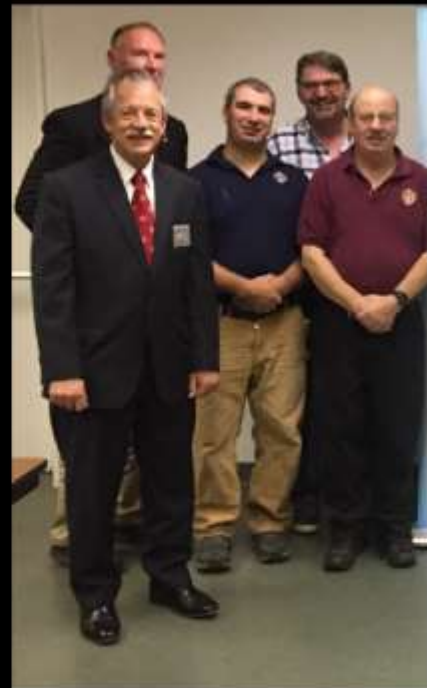
STATE DEPUTY & STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR VISIT DISTRICT #3



Left Side of Banner: SD, Mike Patnode; SMD, Ed Nuttall; Dave Ely II, Warden #279; DD #3, Bill LaCroix; Dave Ely SR, GK-279

Right Side of Banner: Charles Brown, FS-7525; Bernie Hemond, GK-7525; Bob Wilkens, IG 7525; Greg Clairmont, GK-2284

Peter Beauregard, FS 279, took the picture



State Membership Director, Ed Nuttall, presented ideas to the group on membership recruiting including:

- Work with the pastor to develop a prospect list.
- Form a membership committee to determine which recruiting efforts work best for the council.
- Work the Round Tables.
- Talk to young men about where their interests lie.
- Work closely with the Religious Education Directors.
- If Church Drives are not producing results, try something else. Focus on the end result – NEW MEMBERS.
- Invite Insurance Field Agent to an “Open House” event.
- At all events make the connection to the Council and Knights of Columbus through announcements and displays.
- Use the “In-House Open House” to pull a small group of men together to develop recruiting strategy.
- When a prospect states he doesn’t have time to become involved, pull out the “24 Hours Can Change Your Life” brochure.
- Don’t be afraid to knock on doors!
- Show the Admission Degree DVD at a Council meeting.
 - RE-INVIGERATE INTEREST IN RECRUITING
 - RECALL the “PRINCIPLE of CHARITY”
 - REAFFIRM “THE OATH”
 - SAY THE ROSARY AS OFTEN AS YOU CAN
- Implement the “Shining Armor Award” and promote sponsor-member relationships.
- Have monthly entries in the church bulletin.
 - **Short articles**
 - **Why did I join**
 - **Insurance benefits**
 - **Summary of activities**
 - **Family of the month announcements**
- Recognize new members.
 - **A NAME TAG**
 - **LOGO SHIRT OR LOGO HAT**
 - **Notebook**
 - **Card Carrying Case**
 - **Sword Letter Opener**
- Recruit former members.
 - **Appoint a “Welcome Back Committee”**
 - **Use Past Grand Knights**
 - **Review Former Member Spreadsheet**
 - **Contact/Visit Member**
- Follow the kids
 - **FREE THROW COMPETITION**
 - **SOCCER CHALLENGE**

- ESSAY CONTEST
 - What it means to be a Catholic Citizen
 - Keep Christ in Christmas
- KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST
- SUBSTANCE ABUSE POSTER CONTEST
- COATS FOR KIDS
- **So what works?**
 - **Having a running "Knights of Columbus Message" in the church bulletin on a regular basis keeps the congregation informed.**
 - **Presentation of awards at church services gives visibility to the council activity.**
 - **Recognize individuals who have made an attempt to recruit.**
 - **Stay on message!**
 - **Pull a group of Knights together and ask them to develop a list of prospects**
 - **Focus on a particular prospect. Channel the council's energy towards recruiting that individual.**
 - **Invite prospects to assist at your events. Show them the way to commitment, fun and community spirit.**
 - **Round table coordinators are a blessing for recruiting only if the GK reaches out with good communications and quotas.**
 - **"Open House" events on insurance attract people.**
 - **"In-House Open House" (one man invites a group to his house) builds a foundation to expand upon.**
 - **Bringing a specially designed team to a church drive nets results**
 - **Working with Directors of Religious Education helps identify teachers as prospects.**
 - **"Knocking on Doors" does work.**
 - **Working with the parish priest to develop a prospect list then following up with invitation letters nets results.**

State Deputy Mike Patnode made the following comments:

- *Thanked all those for coming.*
- *Spoke about real life situations.*
- *Spoke about the State Pin, "Mother of Theresa". Giving a small gift and being remembered.*
- *Don't be afraid to talk about the "Knights of Columbus".*

- *Be willing to try different things, like thinking outside of the box; but if you find something that works, keep using it.*
- *Without you, we would not be where we are today.*
- *Talked about knocking on doors and one on one's.*
- *Many times I would have the name of the person already on the Form 100 and all they had to do is sign.*
- *Use a 2 man approach on recruiting; tag team with the GK.*
- *Gave examples of what worked when SD was DGK and GK of his council in Swanton.*
- *Spoke about Membership status within Division 5.*
- *A lot of councils do a lot of great things; be proud of your accomplishments.*
- *Talked about the "Pride in the Knights of Columbus"; we see this throughout the entire state.*
- *Be Ready for the 1st Vermont Men's Catholic Youth Conference on Feb 17, 2017 in Essex.*
- *Thanked everyone for all that they do, because it is each and every Council all throughout the State that makes up "Team Vermont". We can't do it alone.*
- *We need your ideas; please let us know what works. What works in one council may not work in a council nearby.*



Mary Hahn Beerworth designed it for the conference on the environment, held by the Diocese on 9/30. Also, this quote from Ecclesiastes below the image:

Remember your Creator before the silver cord is loosed, or the golden bowl is broken, or the pitcher shattered at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the well.
Then the dust will return to the earth as it was, and the spirit will return to God who gave it.

—Ecclesiastes 12:6-7

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

September

810 Fair Haven Council **Winner: Michael Gadway family**

October 2017 Family of the Month (FOM) submission cutoff is November 15th.

- FOM Form 1993A can be submitted online - <http://www.kofc.org/un/cm/html/1993A/index.html>

Vergennes Saint Isaac Jogues Council #3664

October 2017

Council Builds 2 Handicap Accessible Home Entries

Addison, VT



Waltham, VT



HOLY Family Prayer Program

2017-2018



November 2017

Oct 31 - Nov 6	810	Fair Haven
7 th - 13 th	232	Rutland
14 th - 20 th	642	Middlebury
21 st - 27 th	10535	Bristol

December 2017

Nov 28 th - Dec 4 th	3664	Vergennes
5 th - 11 th	2284	Winooski
12 th - 18 th	7525	S. Burlington
19 th - Jan 1 st 2 weeks	279	Burlington

January 2018

2 nd - 8 th	10417	Milton
9 th - 15 th	10830	Fairfax
16 th - 22 nd	297	St Albans
23 rd - 29 th	7669	Swanton

February 2018

Jan 30 - Feb 5 th	2610	Richford
6 th - 12 th	7943	Troy
13 th - 19 th	2285	Newport
20 th - 26 th	7763	Orleans
27 th - Mar 5 th	13574	Lyndonville

March 2018

6 th - 12 th	421	St Johnsbury
13 th - 19 th	1568	Hardwick
20 th - 26 th	5041	Morrisville
27 th - Apr 9 th 2 Weeks	2085	Waterbury

April 2018

10 th - 16 th	7810	Underhill
17 th - 22 nd	2946	Essex Jct
24 - May 6 th 2 Weeks	7389	Colchester

May 2018

8 th - 14 th	4684	Richmond
15 th - 21 st	399	Barre
22 nd - 28 th	11457	Northfield
29 th - Jun 4 th	14351	Randolph

June 2018

5 th - 11 th	10241	Bethel
12 th - 18 th	2025	White River
19 th - 23 rd	2831	Windsor
26 th - Jul 2 nd	2628	Springfield

July 2018

3 rd - 9 th	7324	Ludlow
10 th - 14 th	753	Bellows Falls
17 th - 23 rd	917	Brattleboro
24 th - 30 th	307	Bennington

August 2018

Jul 31 - Aug 6 th	6816	Manchester
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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.



Vermont Knights of Columbus



120th Annual Vermont Knights of Columbus State Convention



Advertising Support

Worthy Grand Knights,

An important part of making our State Convention affordable is our diligence in purchasing advertising space on behalf of our councils & parishes to be published in our convention booklet. I also encourage you to appeal to local businesses to do the same because helping the Knights is always “good business” as we are loyal patrons to those who support us in our ongoing charitable mission to help others in need.

You may have noticed that the ad prices have not gone up from last year and, as an additional sign of my appreciation for your sponsorship efforts, every council will receive **10% back for all the ads that they sell.**

Opened Booklet

<p>HALF PAGE 5.5" wide X 4.25" tall \$55.00</p>	<p>FULL PAGE 5.5" wide X 8.5" tall \$100.00</p>
<p>QUARTER PAGE 5.5" wide X 2.12" tall \$30.00</p>	
<p> <i>Thank you for your support!</i></p>	

Please mail your checks and ad information & format selection to our Convention Committee Chairman, Christopher Poirier (DD4), to arrive no later than **March 31st 2018** at:

Christopher Poirier – K of C
474 Old Creamery Road
Williston, VT 05495

You may also contact Brother Chris at (802) 734-8887 or email cpfixit@comcast.net if you have any questions about the 120th State Convention or advertising sponsorship.

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Thank you for your support and I look forward to making this 120th State Convention an enjoyable, unique and productive experience for all who attend. God bless you.

Vivat Jesus!

Mike

Michael Patnode
Knights of Columbus
Vermont State Deputy

FAIR HAVEN COUNCIL 810 OFFICER INSTALLATION:

The officers of Fair Haven Council were recently installed by their District Deputy Michael Daly. It was a wonderful ceremony followed by a potluck dinner.

Those present included Father Antony Pittappillil - Chaplain, Scott Clement - Grand Knight, Peter Patten - Chancellor, John Mancuso - Recorder, Robert Shaw - Lector and Trustee, Timothy Perry - Trustee, Dennis Perry - Trustee, and David Pelletier - Outside Guard.

Fair Haven Council is looking forward to a new year filled with possibilities.



Brother Knights

I thank you for all of your articles and making this newsletter a success
I ask that all of you District Deputies and Grand Knights to PLEASE forward this
newsletter at your Council members.
Send articles to msnoel @charter.net

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