



Vermont State Council Officers

Vermont Knights in Action

November, 2019 Edition

Vermont State Council

Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism

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From the Vermont State Deputy



Dear Brother Knights,

Believe it or not 1/3 of the Fraternal Year is over. What have we done so far? Many of us have participated in countless fundraisers and Council events. But, have we been using these events as recruiting opportunities? I'm sure we haven't used the opportunities to our fullest advantage. Looking back, I too haven't used the events I have participated in, to their full advantage. However, it's time we really start getting out of our comfort zones. In 3 weeks I will be headed to Orlando for the Mid-Year Meeting of State Deputies.

The main topic will be recruiting new members. We are seriously lagging behind in recruiting members this year. I am asking every Brother Knight in Vermont to go out and recruit. I am asking every District Deputy to help and encourage Councils in recruiting. I am in hopes that every District will bring in at least 1 new member every month for the remainder of the Fraternal Year. I will be publishing a list in the newsletter of how many members each District brought in for the previous month. So keep an eye out for that list in December's newsletter. In 5 weeks I will be hosting the Mid-Year Meeting of District Deputies in South Burlington. Again the main topic will be recruiting but, I am thinking of putting a twist on it. I'm sure the State Officers and I can come up with a twist for the meeting. I know that the District Deputies, Program Directors and Chairmen, and State Officers can come up with something. However, if you have any ideas we will always listen to your ideas.

My Brother Knights, on behalf of my Brother State Officers and all Knights I want to wish you and your families a wonderful and Happy Thanksgiving.

Vivat Jesus!

Thomas A. Herbst, Jr.

Thomas Herbst, Jr.
State Deputy





Worthy Sir Knights,

How fast times fly. It is hard to believe we are in November already and area cemeteries managers are asking all ornaments laid out during the year be removed in preparation for winter. I also see November as the time to clean out our hearts of any anguish placed on it 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.

Have you checked in with your Faithful Navigator for a chance to win an official Regalia Uniform for the cost of \$75.00? One drawing will be drawn from each Assembly that sells all 10-tickets.

Faithful Navigators, I am asking you to lead the way. In a spirit of unity and fraternity, I ask those whom have not purchased the new uniform to pray on it. I have been asked if a substitute uniform consisting of a dark blazer, grey slacks, white shirt, and a 4th Degree tie could be used in lieu of the official uniform. My answer is **yes** with the **social baldric** and **no** white gloves and **NOT** part of the Color Corps. Color Corps members **will** take the lead and all others will fall in the rear. Paying our respects to our deceased Brothers **MUST** always occur.

The Official Regalia Dress-**Members**: Official Uniform with the Official Fourth Degree Lapel Pin (#PG-113), plain white shirt with button cuffs (no French cuffs – no button down collar shirts), Plain Black leather belt, **Black Socks** and plain Black Shoes, Past and Former Miniature Medals of Office, and Official Regalia Black Beret **without** the service baldric & sword, and white gloves; and

The Official Regalia of the Fourth Degree Dress-**Color Corps**: Official Uniform with the Official Fourth Degree Lapel Pin (#PG-113), **with** beret, service baldric & sword, and white gloves. Color bearers wear a color-bearer harness and Service Baldric **without** sword. A pocket name tag is not worn while in either regalia.

Please review this Color Corps Drill training video, courtesy of Bishop Sylvester Treinan Assembly 2751, Meridian, ID: <https://kofc2751meridian.wixsite.com/assembly2751/color-corps-drill-videos>

Our Biennial Assembly meeting will be held on March 28, 2020, in Barre at Charles W. Jasman Assembly 1151. 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.

Worthy Gentlemen, this may be early however, each Assembly should start preparing for the upcoming **Vermont District Assemblies Biennial Meeting** therefore, by order of the Laws and Rules Governing the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus Article V Section 14(b), the District Assemblies shall be composed of the Faithful Navigator and one delegate for each 100 members or major fraction of (50+) thereof of each Assembly which delegates shall be elected by ballot at the February meeting and after prior notice of the holding of such elections has been given to the members by notice or publication.

. Assemblies shall have the right to elect alternates for the Faithful Navigator and for any delegates to which they may be entitled. Article V Section 14(c), the District Assemblies shall meet biennially at the call of the Master during the months of March or April in the even numbered years. Article V Section 15, Assemblies shall pay the expenses of their representatives and delegates to the District Assembly meeting.

Therefore, I have selected March 28, 2020 for our next Vermont District Assemblies Meeting, hosted by FN Joseph Kelly and Charles W. Jasman Assembly 1151, Barre. Thank you, Worthy Faithful Navigator Kelly and your Assembly, for stepping up to the plate.

Worthy Sirs, my tour as your two-term District Master will end on August 31, 2020 therefore, by order of the Laws and Rules Governing the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus Article VI Section 17 (a) and (b), and in preparation for my turn-over and during our Biennial Meeting, District Assemblies shall select, by ballot, 3 recommendations for District Master which shall be forwarded (**hard copy - NO EMAIL SUBMISSIONS**) to our Supreme Master for his consideration. The Supreme Master shall elect the District Master whom shall be appointed for a two-year term, not to exceed two terms and expiring on August 31st in even-numbered years. Below is the required Master Nomination format for submission. I ask each of you to pass the word and recommendations and prepared submission to be presented at the District Biennial Meeting...

**Master Nomination
2020 - 2022**

Membership Number:

Name and name of spouse:

Address:

Phone (W) (H) (C):

e-mail:

Assembly and Council:

Date of Birth:

Education:

PSD? If yes from – to:

PFN? If yes from – to:

Color Corps If yes from – to w/participation as Commander/Sir Knight:

Military service – Branch/Rank/Years of Service:

Fourth Degree Accomplishments:

Biography (mandatory):

Each candidate being recommended for District Master shall include a synopsis, not to exceed two double spaced typed pages and answering, at a minimum, the following questions:

“Why I am the best candidate for the position” and

“What is my plan to promote and grow the Fourth Degree”.

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.

A Blessed Veterans Day and Thanksgiving Day to all of you and your Families

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

Vivat Jesus!

George Piette

georgepiette@gmail.com

802-323-2470



4TH DEGREE UNIFORM RAFFLE 2019

Worthy Sir Knights, due to several comments on why they have not purchased the new official 4th Degree Uniform and the associated cost, a raffle opportunity will be conducted from **September 1, 2019 through December 1, 2019** with the winning drawings to occur on December 6, 2019. You win and the District Master Fund wins.

A block of 10 tickets have been sent to each Faithful Navigator to raffle off to its members. For every 10 tickets returned with a donation of \$75.00 each, 1 ticket will be randomly drawn for a new complete official 4th Degree Knights of Columbus Uniform.

Each winning ticket drawn will receive an official Navy Blue Blazer with 4th Degree Emblem Crest and Knights of Columbus Emblem, official 4th Degree Grey Trousers, official 4th Degree Necktie, and official Black Beret with official 4th Degree Metal Badge. **There will be no cash substitution.** Winning Uniform orders will be submitted by the District Master.

All ticket stubs and checks must be mailed to:

George Piette
District Master
21 Gilbert St.
Newport VT 05855-9732

Extra orders for tickets may be requested via Email at georgepiette@gmail.com or call 802-323-2470.

4th Degree Uniform Raffle 2019 1

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____



4th Degree Uniform Raffle 2019

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

PRIZE: 4TH DEGREE UNIFORM

One ticket drawn for every ten tickets sold

Return tickets: by December 1st, 2019
Drawings will be held: Friday, December 6th, 2019

New Official Uniform of the Fourth Degree:
Navy Blue Blazer with Fourth Degree Emblem Crest and Knights of Columbus Emblem
Official Fourth Degree Gray Trousers, Official Fourth Degree Necktie
Official Fourth Degree Black Beret with Fourth Degree metal badge

Tickets:
\$75.00
each

Return tickets and checks to: George Piette, District Master
21 Gilbert Street, Newport, Vermont 05855 or email for more tickets to: georgepiette@gmail.com



ADMISSION DEGREE

Wednesday December 11, 2019

Fr. Lively Center

St. Johnsbury, Vt

6:00PM

FORMATION DEGREE

Wednesday December 11, 2019

Fr. Lively Center

St. Johnsbury

Following the Admission Degree

KNIGHTHOOD DEGREE

Saturday December 14, 2019

Fr. Lively Center

St. Johnsbury, Vt

10:30 AM

Knights of Columbus Vermont State Council

Scholastic Achievement Committee

James Candon, Chairman
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Rutland, VT 05701
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November 15, 2019

Scholarship Announcement

The Knights of Columbus Vermont State Council announces its 49th Annual Scholastic Achievement Awards Program, offering five \$1000.00 scholarships to be awarded this year.

These awards are made to high school seniors qualifying to graduate in June 2020, to assist in furthering their education at an accredited school or college of their choice.

Sons or daughters of a Knight of Columbus member (paternal or legally adopted) in good standing in a subordinate Council within the Vermont jurisdiction are eligible. Sons or daughters of deceased members are also eligible if their father was in good standing at the time of his death. An applicant may be a member of the Knights of Columbus, a member of a Columbian Squires Circle, in the jurisdiction of Vermont and a high school senior qualifying to graduate in June, 2020.

All applicants must be postmarked by March 10, 2020 to qualify. Awards will be presented at the Vermont State Knights of Columbus Convention in April 2020 and must be requested before February 1, 2021 or will be forfeited and given to a chosen alternate.

Applications may be obtained from the Guidance Offices of local high schools, local Knights of Columbus Councils, local Catholic parishes, members of the Scholastic Achievement Committee, listed below.

Dominic DiCicco PSD, FDM 6 Greenwood Ave, Essex Junction, VT 05452

John Pelletier 3 Overpass Road, Chester, VT 05143

James Michael, ST, 46 Edinborough Drive, Burlington, VT 05408

James P. Candon II, Chairman, 21 Williams Street, Rutland, VT 05701 E-mail james.candon2@yahoo.com

Knights of Columbus Vermont State Council

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT COMMITTEE

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November 15, 2019

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO APPLICANT

To qualify you must be a son or daughter of a Knight of Columbus member (paternal or legally adopted) in good standing in a subordinate Council within the Vermont jurisdiction. Sons or daughters of deceased members are also eligible if their father was in good standing at the time of his death. An applicant may be a member of the Knights of Columbus or a member of a Columbian Squires Circle, in the jurisdiction of Vermont and a high school senior qualifying to graduate in June 2020.

This scholarship is given by the Vermont Knights of Columbus to assist in your education at an accredited school or college of your choice.

Applications must be returned to the Chairman, at the address above, **by March 10, 2020** to qualify for an award.

The application is in two parts with the major portion of Part II being completed by your school personal. Therefore, we strongly suggest Part II be given to them immediately to allow the maximum time to prepare their part of the application.

The filing date should be brought to the attention of the guidance personal of your school, since **delinquent applications may disqualify an applicant from consideration for an award.**

Failure to hand-write the essay may also result in the application being invalidated.

Scholarships not claimed by February 1, 2021 will be forfeited and the prize will be given to the next alternate on the list.



SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT COMMITTEE

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November 15, 2019

TO THE DIRECTOR OF GUIDANCE

Enclosed please find the announcement of the Vermont State Knights of Columbus 2020 Scholastic Achievement Awards Program. We would greatly appreciate your continued assistance in notifying qualified students in your senior class about the awards and making the enclosed applications available to them.

All completed applications are sent to the committee chair by March 10, 2020

In the past students have been reluctant to share their true financial need or presence of a hardship, the Committee has come to rely on the letters written by school personal to help determine this aspect of the application. Any insight your school provides will be extremely helpful. All information received will be treated in a strictly confidential manner by the Committee.

If one of your students is awarded a scholarship at our State Convention in April 2020, I will notify you in time for inclusion in the June graduation ceremony.

If you need more information or applications please contact the local Council or me at the address or phone number above. For your convenience I have also enclosed my home e-mail address. Please feel free to photocopy additional applications as you see fit.

Sincerely,

James P. Candon II
Chairman

INSURANCE AGENT MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,

As field agent for the jurisdiction of Vermont, it is my duty to continue Father McGiveny's legacy by ensuring the financial protection of Catholic families within our Order. Before you make up your mind that you have no need for insurance or that you can't afford the coverage you think you need, please consider a few things.

First, that I am a brother Knight serving brother Knights. This is something not offered by commercial companies and a model most wouldn't follow in this time of anonymous online quotes and naming your own price. It is, however, what we thrive on: knowing and serving our members to the best of our ability by conducting a thorough analysis and applying our knowledge of this complex field.

Second, along with life insurance, members can benefit from annuities, disability insurance, and long term care insurance. What's right for you can only be determined through an analysis of your families' needs. There are more uses for our products than just taking care of final expenses or replacing income. We find that most members are not fully aware of the implications death or nursing homes may have nor the means by which to solve those issues while they can.

Lastly, our service goes beyond just the insurance program. We are here to help our members with the myriad of other associated concerns: healthcare, social security, estate planning, etc. Again, we can only advise if we know what is important to our members.

Please consider scheduling an appointment for a confidential consultation. I look forward to working with every one of you for many years to come. Take care and God bless,

Dave Giuliani

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ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON SEMINARIAN DIRECTORY 2019-2020

For more information, please contact:

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55 Joy Drive
South Burlington, VT 05403
(802) 658-6110 – Ext 1175
vocations@vermontcatholic.org

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON
SEMINARIAN DIRECTORY
2019-2020

<u>SEMINARY ADDRESS</u>	<u>YEAR OF STUDY</u>	<u>HOME ADDRESS</u>
Mr. Matthew T. Traceski Mount Saint Mary's Seminary 16300 Old Emmitsburg Road Emmitsburg, MD 21727 matthew.traceski@maine.edu	Third Theology	Mr. Matthew T. Traceski 63 Michele Drive Somers, CT 06071 (860) 960-1380 DOB: 9/16/1993
Mr. Robert J. Murphy Mount Saint Mary's Seminary 16300 Old Emmitsburg Road Emmitsburg, MD 21727 rzq12345@aol.com	Third Theology	Mr. Robert J. Murphy 186 Lake Drive North Bennington, VT 05257 (802) 442-5037/(802) 681-5052 DOB: 8/18/1994
Mr. Gregory S. Caldwell Saint Meinrad Seminary 200 Hill Drive St. Meinrad, IN 47577 gscaldwe@gmail.com	Second Theology	Mr. Gregory S. Caldwell 30 Forest Road Essex Jct., VT 05452 (802) 878-1943 (802) 999-5479 DOB 11/12/1989
Mr. Eli Yandow Saint Meinrad Seminary 200 Hill Drive St. Meinrad, IN 47577 eli.yandow@gmail.com	Second Pre-Theology	Mr. Eli Yandow 3584 Lower Newton Road Swanton, VT 05488 (802) 528-9503 DOB 9/22/1995
Mr. Luan Van Tran Saint Meinrad Seminary 200 Hill Drive St. Meinrad, IN 47577 Tranluan5687@gmail.com	First Pre-Theology	Mr. Luan Van Tran c/o Mr. & Mrs. Jay Benson 288 Barstow Road Shelburne, VT 05482 DOB 6/5/1987 (802) 324-0553
Mr. Giang Vu Saint Meinrad Seminary 200 Hill Drive St. Meinrad, IN 47577 vinhsongiangtl@gmail.com	First Pre-Theology	Mr. Giang Vu c/o Mr. & Mrs. Bob Fiorenza 241 South Cove Road Burlington, VT 05401 DOB 12/25/1993 (617) 602-9023
Mr. Cale Bombardier Our Lady of Providence Seminary 485 Mount Pleasant Avenue Providence, RI 02908 mrcatchyofish@gmail.com	Second College	Mr. Cale Bombardier 935 Old Creamery Road Williston, VT 05495 DOB 2/15/2000 (802) 238-4511

Updated August 13, 2019

PEDALS FOR PROGRESS (P4P) EVENT DISTRICT #1 IN FAIRFAX



On 7 September 2019 members of Council 10830 held a bicycle collection effort at the Langelier's Car Wash. Fifty bikes were collected from both Fairfax Council 10830 and Milton Council 10417 (Police & Fire Department contribution). The bikes were collected and stored at Peter Fitzgerald's barn. 5 sewing machines was also collected. A \$10 donation was asked for with each item to assist with the cost of shipping.

Bikes were prepared for shipping by turning and lowering the handle bars, lowering the seats and removing the pedals and tying them to the bike frame. The following Knights participated: Bob Thompson, Doug Lantagne, Peter Fitzgerald, Keith Billado, Skyler Billado, Greg Hartmann and Ed Nuttall. The bikes were stored in Pete Fitzgerald's barn.

On 20 September, 53 bikes were loaded on to a trailer and delivery to Burlington where they were loaded onto a FedEx truck. The next day, the Green Mountain Returned Peace Corps Volunteers collected additional bikes and sewing machines which were also loaded onto the truck. In total, 139 bikes and 95 sewing machines

were collected. The bikes and sewing machines will be shipped to “Pedals for Progress (www.p4p.org)” in New Jersey. From there the bikes and sewing machines will be loaded into cargo containers and shipped to third world countries around the world. These bikes and sewing machines will go a long way to improve peoples lives by helping to provide desperately need transportation and income. Tentative word from Pedals for Progress is that these bikes and sewing machines will be heading to Tanzania and Albania.

Here’s some pictures:



Doug Lantagne & Bob Thompson Preparing Bikes



Ed Nuttall's Technique



Bob, Greg Hartmann and Peter Fitzgerald Strategizing



Bob & Ed at the Reception Table



Bob loads 8 bikes on Ed's truck



Bikes stored at Peter Fitzgerald's barn awaiting transfer to Burlington



Peter and Doug work on a tie down strap



Bikes loaded on a trailer.



Ed Nuttall, Peter Fitzgerald and Bob Thompson finish loading truck and trailer



Karen Fitzgerald and secure bikes with tie-downs



Ed Nuttall takes a break



The Main Collection in Burlington

Here are some details about the effort:



The “Green Mountain Returned Peace Corps Volunteers (GMRPCV)” along with other sponsors is collecting bicycles for “Pedals for Progress”, www.p4p.org. Used and unwanted bicycles in reasonable conditions are being collected to ship to poor and needy people in third world countries. We ask for a \$10 donation with each bike. We are also looking for donations of sewing machines in working condition (with a \$10 donation).



“Pedals for Progress (P4P)” is a non-profit organization which was started by a Returned Peace Corps Volunteer in 1991. Bikes and sewing machines are collected and shipped to poor and needy people in third world countries such as Costa Rica, Ghana, Nicaragua, Uganda, etc.



VT Contact: Bob Thompson
27 Deer Run Lane
Westford, VT 05494
Phone: (802)503-7969

<https://www.facebook.com/p4pVermont>



How Can You Help?

- Donate a bike or sewing machine. We ask for a \$10 donation with each bike or sewing machine to help defray the cost of shipping.
- Spread the word! Let your colleagues, friends & family know about the collection.
- Volunteer to collect bikes locally, that you can later bring to the collection on September 21st.
- No bike or sewing machine to donate? Consider a tax-deductible monetary donation.



Since 1991 "Pedals for Progress" has collected and shipped over 145,000 bikes and 3000 sewing machines. Locally, we have collected over 3000 bikes and 200 sewing machines.

Millions of bicycles in good condition are just sitting around and collecting dust in garages across the United States. Ultimately, these bikes bring absolutely no resale value and are destined for a landfill or scrap heap. In third world countries, these bikes are cherished as a valuable asset that can dramatically improve people's quality of life.



Bicycles are an appropriate technology that can provide affordable, non-polluting transportation to help farmers get their crops to market, to help students and teachers greater access to regional schools, and help doctors reach patients in remote villages.



An unwanted sewing machine in the United States can be a vital source of income for a struggling family in a third world country.



Please consider contributing to this noble cause and help provide a vital source of transportation and income to those less fortunate than ourselves.

In summary, 95 sewing machines, 139 bikes and nearly \$2500 in donations were collected statewide.

Distribution of the collection is tentatively scheduled to go to Tanzania and Albania. Thank you all for participating!

THANK YOU

Brother Knights, Please accept my deep gratitude for your acknowledgement of my efforts with the Anchor award. It is an honor I don't feel worthy of. When I consider all the good works of those that have been acknowledged in the past and the good work you all do every day, I see my contributions as small.

As I said in my notes of gratitude at the awards dinner you all have been such powerful role models for me. The way you continue to serve the community and the church over the years in both big and small ways inspire me to try and be a better catholic, a better man. Thank you all for the incredible honor of the anchor award and thank you for your friendship, counsel, and fellowship.

Peace
Patrick Leduc
Council 7525



South Burlington Council 7525, Saint John Vianney

Right to Life Dinner

September 28th, 2019



The Right to Life dinner was held at the Saint John Vianney Parish Hall in South Burlington on September 28th, after the 4:30 pm mass. It was a big success with close to 150 attendees. The roast beef dinner was hosted by the Knights where twenty council members and their wives assisted with the meal preparation, serving and clean up. Rick Gravelin chaired the event and cooked the side dishes and sauces. Brothers Dick Peppin from Milton and Jim Letourneau from Burlington cooked the roast beef to perfection. The event broke records for the number of attendees as well as the amount of food served. Thank you, Rick and all the Knights from council 7525 who helped make this event a success.



From left to right: Richard Labrecque, Bernie Prendergast, Charlie Brown, Rick Gravelin, Dinh and Tuyan Dang, Dick Bevans



From left to right: Dick Bevans, Dinh Dang, Steve Shover, Jay Benson



Rick and Charlie preparing the food.



Attendees arriving before the dinner.

***WE IN AMERICA BELIEVE THAT EVERY CHILD, BORN AND UNBORN, IS A SACRED
GIFT FROM GOD.***

PRESIDENT TRUMP AT THE UNITED NATIONS, 9/25/19

(1) ***Lifelines*** - Entitled *Vermont and the Culture of Death*, guest Mary Hahn Beerworth (Executive Director of the Vermont Right to Life Committee) reviews recent events in Vermont that negatively impact the lives of the most innocent and vulnerable among us, pre-born babies in their mothers' wombs: UVM Medical Center Hospital greatly expands abortion services; H.57 and Proposition 5 passed by the state legislature permitting abortions right to the babies' birthdates; Planned Parenthood forfeits federal Title X funds, but Governor Phil Scott and the Legislature reimburse the organization \$800,000 in our tax monies; UVM Medical Center accused by the federal government of unlawfully forcing nurses to participate in performing abortions. Pledge by Vermont Right to Life to "Bring Vermont Back to Life!". <http://lcatv.org/lifelines-0096> Please view and share with others.

(2) ***Pro-life Replies*** consists of ten videos with written transcripts, each approximately four to five minutes in length, produced by *Live Action*, a pro-life organization founded in 2003 by Lila Rose, then age fifteen. Shows how to reply to the most common pro-choice arguments encountered every day. Examples: "My Body, My Choice"; "Life Only Begins After Birth"; "A Fetus is Not a Person". <https://prolifereplies.liveaction.org/> To view "My Body, My Choice" go to https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=8&v=FcZ6IOjNbi0

For Their Lives,

Bob & Judy

SAVE THE DATES:

*Saturday, January 18, 2020 - Annual Rally for Life in Montpelier, sponsored by the Vermont Right Life Committee (VRLC)

*Friday, January 24, 2020 - Annual March for Life in Washington DC

*Wednesday, April 22, 2020 - Lobby Day sponsored by VRLC. An opportunity to stand up for Life at the Legislature in the State Capital in Montpelier

Bob & Judy Sekerak
Culture of Life Couple

MEMBERSHIP QUOTAS with DISTRICT TOTALS

COUNCIL	MBR	GAIN/ LOSS	INS	GAIN/ LOSS	TOTAL	LOCATION/# Active Councils
DISTRICT #1 34/15/614						
297	12		4		176	ST ALBANS
2610	5		3		67	RICHFORD
2684	4		3		35	ALBURG (S)
7669	7		3		104	SWANTON
10417	9		3		138	MILTON
10710	6		3		18	ENOSBURG (S)
10830	5	1/0	3		75	FAIRFAX
TOTALS	48	1/0	24		614	5
5						
DISTRICT #2 41/16/497						
421	7		3		95	ST. JOHNSBURY
2285	13		5	1/1	187	NEWPORT
2495	18		3		6	ISLAND POND (S)
7763	5		3		77	ORLEANS
7943	5		3		72	TROY
9646	7		3		17	DERBY LINE (S)
13574	4		3		44	LYDONVILLE
TOTALS	59		23	1/1	497	5
DISTRICT #3 34/11/452						
279	7	1/2	3		121	BURLINGTON
2284	8		3		121	WINOOSKI
7525	12		4	1/1	175	S. BURLINGTON
2870	17		3		7	WINOOSKI PARK
12590	4		3		28	BURLINGTON (S)
TOTALS	48	1/2	16	1/1	452	3
DISTRICT #4 13/8/287						
2496	7		3		108	ESSEX JCT
4684	4	1/0	3		63	RICHMOND
7389	4		3		63	COLCHESTER
7810	4		3		53	UNDERHILL
TOTALS	19	1/0	12		287	4
DISTRICT #5 20/10/450						
399	15		5	0/2	244	E. MONTPELIER
1568	5		3		71	HARDWICK
2085	4		3		64	WATERBURY
5041	5		3		81	MORRISVILLE
TOTALS	29		12		450	4

DISTRICT #6 16/11/265						
2025	4		3		62	WHITE RIVER JCT
9146	7	9/0	3		118	NORTHFIELD
10241	4		3		31	BETHEL
11457	5		3		22	NORTHFIELD
14351	4		3		32	RANDOLPH
TOTALS	24	9/0	15		265	55
DISTRICT #7 14/08/231						
642	7		3		101	MIDDLEBURY
3664	5		3	0/1	70	VERGENNES
9983	4		3		23	PITTSFORD (S)
10535	4	0/4	3		37	BRISTOL
TOTALS	20	0/4	12	0/1	231	3
DISTRICT #8 14/08/250						
753	7	1/0	3		95	BELLOWS FALLS
917	5	0/2	3		78	BRATTLEBORO
2628	4		3		48	SPRINGFIELD
2832	4		3		43	WINDSOR
7324	4		3		29	LUDLOW
TOTALS	24	1/2	15		250	5
DISTRICT #9 27/11/572						
232	18		6		269	RUTLAND
307	11		4	0/1	162	BENNINGTON
810	6		3		82	FAIR HAVEN
6816	4		3		59	MANCHESTER
TOTALS	39		16	0/1	572	4
UNASSIGNED 15/4/51						
10105	0		0		0	WILMINGTON
98044	17		3		6	VERMONT
TOTALS	17		3		6	
TOTALS	257/17	13/8	121	2/6	3618/6	3624
ADJUSTED		5		-4		38 Councils/7 Suspended

* Membership Quota/ Insurance Quota/Total Membership. The District Deputy quota is 70% of the sum totals of his councils' quotas for both membership and insurance. That's why figures are different. (S) Suspended. Grand totals split between assigned/unassigned councils.

As of 30 SEPTMBR 2019

STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR AND DISTRICT DEPUTY #1 VISIT COUNCIL 10417



PICTURED ABOVE KNEELING L to R: Chris Curran, Tom Curran, Roger Dickinson, Mike Joseph, Deacon Paul Garrow

PICTURED ABOVE FIRST ROW STANDING L to R: DD #1 Keith Billado, Patrick Noel, Dan Gilbert, Council Chaplain Fr. John Feltz, John Cushing, Allen Boucher, Greg Berard, Jeff Berard, Rick Grupp, John Sonnick (Treasurer)

PICTURED ABOVE BACK ROW L to R: Scott Wise, F.S. Ken Lane, Lonnie Sweet, Gille Thibault, GK Peter Lavallee, DGK Peter Smith, Mike Thompson, Robert Currier, Ed Nuttall, SMD

On 1 October 2019, State Membership Director, Ed Nuttall and District Deputy #1, Keith Billado, visited Council 10417 in Milton, VT.

The DD presented to Grand Knight Peter Lavallee the *Columbian Award* for Fraternal Year 2018-2019. The GK was reminded the “Faith in Action” program is the basis for future award submissions.

The SMD gave a presentation on a Membership Strategy for FY 2019-20 including how the OnLine Membership Program functions, the recruiting incentives program and review of the Admission Degree for the Council and District #1

PRE and Family Day activities at Our Lady of Seven Dolors in Fair Haven



Fr. Eric, (ping pong Jedi Master) demonstrating his technique

Knights of Columbus Grill Masters.



Favorite game - toss the Toilet Paper

Vermont State Training Officer heads up the first of its Kind Leadership Development Seminar in Vermont



PICTURED
ABOVE L to
R: Bill
LaCroix,
District
Deputy
#3/State
Program
Director;
Chris Poirier,
State

Training Director/State Round-Table Coordinator/State Online Membership Coordinator; Ed Nuttall State Membership Director

State Training Officer, Chris Poirier, takes the lead in developing a different way of thinking about “Leadership Development”. Incorporating lessons learned from the State Membership Director, Ed Nuttall, and State Program Director, Bill LaCroix, a seminar on leadership was developed, produced, edited and presented 5 October 2019 at the Burlington Airport Conference Rooms. Districts 1,2,3,4, and 5 were invited by the State Deputy, Tom Herbst, Jr., to attend the seminar on 5 October 2019, and districts 6,7,8,9 on 26 October 2019 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. Lunch was provided along with coffee/drinks and donuts.

There were 4 sessions:

Intro & Session 1 - Leadership Dimensions

Session 2 -- Council Growth - Branding

Session 2 – Council Growth – Recruitment

Session 3 – Sustaining Excellence – Engagement

Session 3 – Sustaining Excellence – Involvement

Session 4 – Awards, Programs and Other Requirements

Closing Remarks / Surveys

Training sessions were facilitated by Chris Poirier, Bill LaCroix and Ed Nuttall who encouraged the group to participate in discussions. The following Districts/Councils were represented:

District 1 Keith Billado

District 2 Maurice Noel

District 3 Bill LaCroix

Council 4864

Bill Rensch

District 4 Chris Poirier

Council 7389

Larry Bellew

VT District Mater – George Piette

Council 7525

Thomas Gravelin

Council 279 David Ely

Council 7763

Gilles Berard

Council 421 Stanley Baranowski

Council 10830

Peter Lavallee



ATTENDEES



LUNCHTIME



BILL LACROIX - THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR



CHRIS POIRIER - THE ARCHITECT



ED NUTTALL - THE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

KofC Insurance Field Agent David Giuliani was in attendance and contributed to the discussions.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR 26 OCTOBER 2019



PICTURED ABOVE SITTING: Bill Scott, D #7; Rod Cousino, DGK, Council 10535 Bristol; Sean Reilly, GK Council 232 Rutland; Robert Shaw, GK Council 810 Fairhaven; Bob Rouch, Council 232 Rutland; Peter Laramie, DD #9;

PICTURED ABOVE STANDING 2nd ROW: Michael Lannon FN, Assembly 1145 Rutland; William Gower-Johnson, Chancellor, Council 232 Rutland; Thomas Barry, Council 232 Rutland; Elijah LaChance, Recorder, Council 232 Rutland; William Leeuw, Council 10535 Bristol; Jim Candon II, State Scholarship Director; Joe Kelly, DD #5; David Lathrop, GK Council 10535 Bristol; Ed Nuttall, Instructor/State Membership Director

PICTURED ABOVE STANDING 3rd ROW: Chris Poirier, Instructor/DD #4; Frank

Marshall, Deputy Grand Knight Council 232 Rutland; Alberto Aguilar, Council 232 Rutland; Bill LaCroix, Instructor/DD #3

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There were 4 sessions:

Intro & Session 1 - Leadership Dimensions

Session 2 -- Council Growth - Branding

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2019 Leadership Development Seminar 26 October, Rutland, VT



St. Luke Knights of Columbus Veteran's Appreciation Dinner



**Saturday, November 9th, following the 4:00pm Mass
St. Luke Parish Hall:
(17 Huntville Rd., Fairfax, VT)**

As we reflect on Veterans Day, please join us as we Honor the Many Men and Women and their families, who have served and continue to serve our Country. Let us not forget those who have gone before us –

**GOD BLESS
The United States of America**

Free Will Donations are welcome, Proceeds to Benefit:

The Steven Siller Tunnel to Towers Charity

This organization raises money to provide homes and scholarships to the Widows and Children of Fallen Service Members.

Questions: Please contact Keith Billado - kbillado kbillado@surfglobal.net



Open House

Guest Speaker:

David Giuliani will provide the
"IN 'S and OUT'S
Of Knights of Columbus Insurance

The Knights of Columbus offers a complete portfolio of top-quality products to our members and their eligible family members.

Permanent Life Insurance – *Insure Your Life for Life*

Term Life Insurance – *Affordable Protection for Temporary Needs*

Retirement Annuities – *Give Yourself a Paycheck for the Rest of Your Life. Guaranteed.*

Long-Term Care Insurance – *Protect Your Assets. Prepare for the Future.*

Disability Income Insurance – *Shield Your Income from Illness and Injury*

All are welcome!

St. Luke Parish: 17 Huntville Rd., Fairfax, VT

Sunday, November 10th, 2019 following the 10:30am Mass

Questions: Please contact Ed Nuttall: nh47edandhelgamu41@myfairpoint.net

STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR AND DISTRICT DEPUTY #7 VISIT BRISTOL



PICTURED ABOVE FIRST ROW

L to R: William Scott, DD; Rod Cousino, DGK; Dave Lathrop, GK; Fr. Yvon Royer, Chaplain; Gary Russell, Recorder; Mike Rainville, FS

PICTURED ABOVE SECOND

ROW L to R: Paul Jackman, Gerry Tetrault, Paul Hanson, Pat Paquette, John Wisell, Tim Paquette

PICTURED ABOVE THIRD ROW

L to R: Adam Rainville, William Leeuw, Roger Cousino

On 6 October 2019 State Membership Director, Ed Nuttall and District Deputy, William Scott, visited Council 10535 at St. Ambrose Church Hall, 11 School St N. Bristol).

The Council was briefed on the E-Membership highlighting what the prospect sees when he works his way through the “JoinUs” link. The Council already ordered the card “YOU ARE BORN A MAN. YOU BECOME A KNIGHT. Join today. Visit KofC.org/JoinUs”.

Here are some highlights:

- A review of last year’s Associate Member and Insurance Member recruiting success.
- Status of the council as of 6 October
- District Performance with Council 3664 highlighted
- Status of Leadership workshop
- Councils having had no recruiting success FY 2018-19
- Membership Committee
- Change in membership strategy
- What the prospect sees on the Webpage
- The application process to on-line membership
- FAQ about e-membership
- How does the council fit in
- Suggested article for the church bulletin
- What are the state incentives
- What’s the suggested degree schedule
- Where are the Formation Degree Teams
- How do I get a 3rd (Knighthood) Degree team to come to my district
- Where are the Ceremonial Admission Degrees located by district and what’s their schedule

Ed Nuttall was the photographer.

STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR AND DD #5 VISIT



COUNCIL 5041

PICTURED ABOVE
SITTING L to R: GK Cliff Randall, DD #5 Joe Kelly, Treasurer Terry Fox

PICTURED ABOVE
STANDING L to R: Ed Nuttall, State Membership Director; Mike Noonan, Membership Chairman; Richard Champagne, FS; Dennis Smith, Outside Guard; Roland Lajoie, Recorder; Deacon Tom Cooney, Advocate

On 10 October 2019, State Membership Director, Ed Nuttall and DD #5, Joe Kelly visited Council 5041 in Morrisville.

Membership and Retention Strategies were presented along with the handout "You Are Born a Man. You Become a Knight".

The upcoming "Leadership Development Seminar" to be held in Rutland was noted to be explained in the October 2019 issue *Vermont State Newsletter*. (If you're not getting the Newsletter, check with your Grand Knight who is supposed to be forwarding it. *)

If you missed the 5 October session, it's not too late to sign up for the 26 October session to be held IHM Building, Rutland located 18 Lincoln Ave, Rutland. *In order to forward the newsletter, one must first download it then attach it to an email for distribution to the Council at lodge.

Here are some highlights

- A review of last year's Associate Member and Insurance Member recruiting success.
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Delta Church Drive

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COUNCIL GROWTH

Our State Deputy Bill Chasse and Michigan's membership team would like to share exciting information our Supreme Regional staff introduced at a number of membership workshop meetings this past month. This is an overview of the information shared at the meetings.

A new concept, the "Delta Drive" builds on the updated methods of hosting a church drive or a parish campaign to make the process easier to conduct and to increase the positive results. The program in the attachment has been tested and shown to be easy to use and effective in introducing men, especially younger men to our Order.

The purpose of the Delta Drive is to have technology work for you and your councils in a new approach to attract younger members. Using the Delta approach, we are relying in part on an effective pulpit speech and brochures in the church pews to share our message with the addition of a web page and e-mail contact.

After getting the prospects name and email information during the Delta Drive and entering this information in a "landing page" provided to your council by Supreme for this specific event, the prospect will receive emailed information from Supreme about the Knights of Columbus story. Additionally, the council will have email sent to inform the prospect of events happening at the council-level and how to set up a time to learn more about the local council.

The prospects will continue to receive information on a weekly basis about who we are as Knights and how your Council makes a difference in your parishes and your communities.

There is a kit needed for the Delta drive and this is NOT the traditional church drive kit available to order from Supreme. **These new kits are only available by contacted our Supreme Regional Training Director Jon Olson at: jon.olson@kofc.org**

Contacting Jon and ordering the Delta Kit will start the process. He will show you how to request your prospect landing page and explain how the prospect will get personalized information from Supreme. As well as answering any questions you may have on how this program works.

This program reaches younger men and their families with information of interest to them and their spiritual needs and how they can be part of the charitable works being done in your parishes and communities.

Please review over the information in the packet by clicking on the picture below and consider add this exciting new program to your membership outreach.

To learn more, please contact our Supreme Regional Training Director Jon Olson at: jon.olson@kofc.org

State Membership Director [Jim Kraus](#)



STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR VISITS HARDWICK COUNCIL 1568



PICTURED ABOVE SITING L to R: Ed Nuttall, State Membership Director; Richard Brochu, Treasure/PGK; Mike Brochu, PGK; Charlie Brochu

PICTURED ABOVE STANDING L to R: Cary "Bear" Bessette, GK; Fr. Thomas Aquinas, Chaplain; Joe Young, Financial Secretary/Warden/PGK; Ron Brachu, Recorder/PGK; Dan Gauthier, Outside Guard; Dave Shepard, State Warden

On 10 October 2019 the State Membership Director, Ed Nuttall, visited Hardwick Council 1568. Dinner was provided prior to the Membership Strategy Briefing.

Here are some highlights

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FORMATION DEGREE 23 OCTOBER 2019 ST. LUKE'S FAIRFAX



PICTURED ABOVE STANDING 1st ROW L to R: Keith Billado, Team Grand Knight, Council 10830 Fairfax; Nelson Lachappelle, Cross Bearer, Council 7669 Swanton; Stephen Comeau, Richford Council 2610; Tobias Flower, Richford Council 2610; Donald Lefebvre, Swanton Council 7669; Ed Nuttall, Team District Deputy, Council 10830 Fairfax; George Flower, Council 2610 Richford; Charlie Brown, Team Chancellor, Council 7525 So. Burlington

PICTURED ABOVE STANDING 2nd ROW L to R: Peter Lavellee, Team Honor Guard/Inside Guard Council 10417 Milton; Mike Thompson, Team Music Man, Council 10417; Colin Wood, Council 2610 Richford; Luc Dupuis, Team Honor Guard/Outside Guard, Council 7669 Swanton; Robin Blouin, Team Warden, Council 2610 Richford

On 23 October 2019, at St. Luke's Church Fairfax, VT a Formation Degree was held. Candidates arrived 6:30 pm and the commenced promptly at 7 pm.

The three candidates were:

- 1. Stephen Comeau, Richford Council 2610**
- 2. Tobias Flower, Richford Council 2610**
- 3. Swanton Council 7669**

The District #1 Formation Team members were:

- District Deputy, Ed Nuttall, Council 10830**
- Grand Knight, Keith Billado, Council 10830**
- Chancellor, Charlie Brown, Council 7525**
- Warden, Robin Blouin, Council 2610**
- Cross Bearer, Nelson LaChappelle, Council 7669**
- Inside Guard/Guard of Honor Rosary, Peter Lavellee, Council 1017**
- Outside Guard/Guard of Honor Compass, Luc Dupuis, Council 7669**
- Music Man, Mike Thompson, Council 10417**

BISHOP ROBERT F. JOYCE COUNCIL 10535

The Bishop Robert F. Joyce Council (St. Ambrose, Bristol), has for a number of years held a spaghetti dinner as a means to raise funds for our council.

The dinner, known as our "KNIGHTS in ITALY" is held four or five times during our fraternal year. The dinner includes homemade spaghetti sauce, salad, garlic bread donated by our local pizza restaurant, dessert and beverages. Many of our attendees take advantage of our "all you can eat" option. At each dinner we see many familiar faces and welcome news ones as well.

Proceeds from this dinner have been used to support many of the council's initiatives, such as the St. Ambrose Youth Ministry program, our Coats for Kids program, and the K of C Free Throw contest. The profit from our October 4th dinner was sent to Supreme for Hurricane Relief.



State 300 Club

The 2019-2020 300 Club tickets have all been mailed out. They have been mailed to the current Grand Knights on the latest Directory list.

I ask that the Grand Knights appoint a Chairman to actively pursue the selling of these ticket.

We have sold all of the tickets the past 2 years. Lets keep it going.

First drawing will be on December 21, 2019

“ HOW ARE THOSE TICKET SALES DOING !!!!! ”

Brother Knights

I thank you for all of your articles and making this newsletter a success.

I ask that all of the District Deputies and Grand Knights to PLEASE forward this newsletter to all of your councils and members.

Send all articles to noelmaurice2@gmail.com

NEXT ISSUE WILL BE December 1, 2019