



Vermont Knights in Action



Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism
Vermont State Council
November 2020
Edition

Vermont State Council Officers



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From the Vermont State Deputy

Brother Knights;

One of the first items I would like to bring to your attention is the Anchor Award banquet that was held last night at the Delta Marriott in South Burlington honoring Michelle LaCroix as this year’s recipient. Even though the room had a restriction for the number of guests in attendance, there were 75 people who were there to support Michelle from all her unselfish volunteer work for the past many years. Special thanks to DeGoesbriand Council #279 for hosting this event and the many volunteers from their Council who spent many an hour with the planning of the most prestigious award given by the State Council Knights of Columbus. Once again Michelle, congratulations on receiving this award.

BEATIFICATION OF FR. MICHAEL J. McGIVNEY: Hopefully many of you witnessed the Beatification Mass for our founder, Fr. McGivney. It was televised live on EWTN and the Knights of Columbus, worldwide will be celebrating for a full year. Stay tuned for more information on this in the coming months. Fr. McGivney is now Blessed Michael McGivney.

WEB SITE: Our web site has been resurrected by our IPSD Tom Herbst after many hours and weeks of tidying up things, the site is now up and running: www.vtknights.com Please take a minute or two and check it out. Once again I’d like to ask each Grand Knight of every Council to email Tom and Moe with your upcoming events that your Council is hosting. Tom’s email is: vermontkofc@gmail.com and Moe’s email is: noelmaurice2@gmail.com .

No matter how large or small your event, please take the time to send the info to Tom and Moe. This will let other Councils within our jurisdiction know of what it is that you are doing for charity and your community.

MEMBERSHIP: Since July 1, 2020 we have seen 31 men join our ranks as members of the Knights of Columbus. There were 27 who joined on line and 7 who participated in a live degree. Let's keep the momentum going and don't forget to pray for new members.

MASS FOR DECEASED MEMBERS: During the month of November, please have a Mass said for the deceased members of your Council. These individuals gave a lot to the Knights and we should remember them especially during the month of November.

COATS FOR KIDS: As you all know by now, our weather has changed from summertime warmth to that of having to put on a coat due to the Vermont climate. It's time to start thinking about the Supreme program, Coats for Kids. Please get your orders in soon so we can help out those who are less fortunate and cannot afford a coat for the winter. What better way to let your light shine for those kids who are in need of a coat!

FAMILY OF THE MONTH: I'd like to have your Councils reinstate this award unless you are already in the habit of doing it. Even if your Council is a small one when it comes to volunteering and you find it difficult to choose a family, perhaps you can do a family of the quarter instead of a family of the month. Once you have chosen a family, please send in the information to Supreme. The Supreme office picks out (randomly) a Family of the Month and they will send you a nice gift, which quite a few families have received in the past. I would also ask that you do a Knight of the Month (or quarter) to recognize one of your members who has gone above and beyond for his Council, his Church and the Community at large.

ULTRASOUND INITIATIVE: To date we have raised \$42,436.26 and are \$7563.74 from our goal of \$50,000.00. Fr. Naples (our State Chaplain) and I are met with Deb Couture of Aspire Together this morning along with her Board Chair and Development Director. Deb informed Fr. Naples and myself that Aspire Together has received a grand for \$50K from Save the Storks towards the retrofitting and conversion of the van so it will meet all the standards that are needed for a mobile ultrasound unit. Aspire Together is in the throws of writing grants and requesting monies towards the fit up of the van which is going to cost another \$50,000.00 ! If you Council has not donated to this cause yet, now would be a good time to do so. Please contact myself or Fr. Naples if you want to help out with this. **THANK YOU !**

FRATERNAL SURVEY: It's a bit early, but time to start tracking the number of hours that all Knights have volunteered for 2020. This is very important not only for our State, but for Supreme as well. Also, if you have donated financially, there is a space for that as well on the survey form. Last year we had 100% participation and I am requesting that we do the same for 2020.

THANKSGIVING: On behalf of the entire State Council, we'd like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a Blessed and Thankful Thanksgiving. In that same spirit, we share the following with you:

2Corinthians: 9: 11-12 " He who supplies seed for the sower and bread for the eater will provide in abundance; he will multiply the seed you sow and increase your generous yield. In every way your liberality is enriched; through us it results in THANKS offered to God. The administering of the public benefit not only supplies the needs of the members of the church but also overflows in much gratitude to God. Because of your praiseworthy service they are glorifying God for your obedient faith in the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with all. They pray for you longingly because of the surpassing grace God has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!"

Blessed Michael J. McGivney, pray for us.

St. Therese Lisieux, pray for us.

Long live Jesus

Vivat Jesus

Steve Shover

State Deputy

STATE SECRETARY'S CORNER
November 2020

Dear Brother Knights,

On behalf of all the State Officers, we thank you for ALL you do for your council, the community, our state and organization! It is truly amazing to see all the work we do across Vermont. We should all be very proud to be a member of the Knights of Columbus.

On Saturday 10/24, we recognized Michelle LaCroix as our 2019-2020 Anchor Award Honoree. Every one of the presenters and speakers from our Master of Ceremony PSD Dom DiCicco to DGK (Council 279) Dan St. Hiliare, Co-Chaplain Fr. Lance Harlow, SD Steve Shover, Bishop Coyne (video), SW Bill LaCroix and the Honoree Michelle LaCroix did an outstanding job! They all spoke very highly of the history and service of our Order, the honor to be part of the Knights of Columbus and special bond that the Knights, our families, our Honoree-Michelle and all associated with the KofC have with the Lord when we answer his call. As Fr. Lance Harlow said during his remarks on Michelle, it is an honor and pleasure to see the outward works that Michelle does in the Community and for the KofC, but what we don't see and is even more awesome is the deep discussions she has with our Lord in the depths of her Soul that prompt her to say 'Yes, Lord!' I will help! The evening was very special and more so as we got to share it with Michelle and her family, including her sisters, her children (and of course her husband Bill our State Warden and Program Dir). Also, we were honored to have several past Anchor Award recipients present such as Steve Shover, Patrick LeDuc, etc.

From an administrative perspective as State Secretary, I am pleased to report we are getting close to 100% compliance on our First half 2020 (1H20) per capita and charity assessments. We have 2 councils remaining who have not communicated are remit their invoices yet....Councils 753 and 11457. Let's go Brothers! We are striving for 100% councils' remittance. (Please!)

Also, thank you to Moe Noel and those councils who have begun to turn in their Intellectual Disability Campaign Funds. Thus far, I have received funds from 6 councils.

Our State Deputy has approved continuing our VT KofC advertisement in the Vermont Catholic Magazine. This has been very positive as we have added online members who have seen the ad.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if I can do anything for your council! Let's continue to be a bright light for our Parishes, communities and state with all we do and witness!

God Bless and Vivat Jesus!

Jim Michael (State Secretary)

VT Knights for Life



November 2020

VERMONT KNIGHTS FOR LIFE 2020

Dear Brothers in Christ,

We are so happy to reviewing our progress on the mobile ultrasound project with the Supreme Office for ultrasound programs.

We still have to work hard, with our goal still head of us. Supreme wants the State Council, having secured enough to purchase the van, to continue to assist Aspire Together Pregnancy Resource Center in getting the ultrasound van functional and running.

It is my own personal goal, more or less, to contribute a \$1000 a year until this happens for Aspire Together!

Councils in districts 1 and 3, please consider this a challenge to jump in with this project, to the fullest extent you are able!

Thank you for all

Father Tim Naples, SC



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After the state and/or local council raises 50% of the cost, the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council will provide the other 50% to complete funding for purchase of an ultrasound. Or, if the council raises 100% of the cost of a vehicle outfitted to serve as a mobile medical unit for a pregnancy center, the Supreme Council will provide 100% of the funds for an ultrasound machine to be used in that vehicle.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION, EMAIL THE STATE CHAPLAIN AT FR.NAPLES@GMAIL.COM



CONDOLENCES & PRAYERS FOR OUR BROTHER KNIGHTS

Brother Phillip Royer 78, St. Theresa-St John Council 7793,
3rd Degree, 39 Years of service.

Brother William Jackson, age 82, of Burlington. He was a 3rd
degree, Honorary Life member, St John Paul II Council #10417,
Member for 28 years.

Rest in Peace.

Knights of Columbus

Vermont State Council

VT State Policies Announcement

From: Office of the State Advocate

Date: October 30, 2020

Re: State Policies

To: State Officers and Directors, District Deputies and Grand Knights

Worthies,

After our State Convention in May, the State Council was contacted by the Supreme Advocate and others from the Supreme Council regarding our Resolutions. We were told that many of the resolutions voted at the convention should be converted into State Policies. They noted that many of the resolutions defined state programs and procedures that do not change from year to year.

Our State Deputy, Steve Shover, formed a committee to review the current resolutions and create policies where appropriate. Most, but not all, of the resolutions passed at the last convention have been converted into policies by the policy committee. The committee presented the proposed policies to the State Board on 10/29. The State Board voted to approve the State Policies. A copy of the Vermont State Policies will be emailed to all State Officers and Directors, District Deputies and Grand Knights in November. The State Policies will be available on the new state website in the near future.

Nick Conti

VT State Advocate

INSURANCE AGENT MESSAGE

Protecting Your Family... Business?

You already know that the Knight of Columbus is here for all your personal and family financial protection needs, but did you know that the Order can help secure your business too? As your Knights of Columbus field agent, I can help you protect the continuity of your business for years to come.

Business insurance is the term used in the insurance industry to describe the use of life insurance and disability income insurance to solve certain financial needs of businesses and their owners. The products offered through the Order can cover many needs, such as:

- Economic loss to the business when a key employee dies
- Disposition of a business owner's interest upon death or other separation from the business

If you've worked hard to establish a business, you owe it to yourself and your family to learn about the opportunities that the Knights of Columbus can offer.

With protection for the family, the business, the farm, retirement, long term care and disability coverage, the Knight of Columbus truly is your shield for all the elements of your life.

Dave Giuliani, *field agent*

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State Membership & State Deputy visit Schedule

NOVEMBER VISIT SCHEDULE

| DAY | DISTRICT | COUNCIL # | COUNCIL NAME | MEETING DAY |
|------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 3 | 8 | 917 | BRATTLEBORO | 1 st Tuesday |
| 5 | 2 | 7943 | TROY | 1 st Thursday |
| 15 | 6 | 14351 | RANDOLPH | 3 rd Sunday |
| 18 | 2 | 7763 | ORLEANS | 3 rd Wednesday |

To be Scheduled

- 642 MIDDLEBURY
- 2085 WATERBURY
- 2628 SPRINGFIELD
- 2832 WINDSOR
- 7669 SWANTON
- 10241 BETHEL
- 10830 FAIRFAX
- 11457 NORTHFIELD

STATE DEPUTY STEVE SHOVER AND MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR ED NUTTALL VISIT 7
COUNCILS IN OCTOBER 2020

The following Councils were visited in October:

- Council 9146 Norwich – Zoom Session 4 October
- Council 3664 Vergennes – On Location 5 October
- Council 279 Burlington – On location 6 October
- Council 810 Fair Haven – On location 7 October
- Council 7525 So. Burlington – On location 8 October
- Council 7324 Ludlow – Zoom Session 13 October
- Council 5041 Morrisville- Zoom Session 14 October

General Information provided:

- Council quotas have been reduced by close to 50%
- Insurance quotas have been replaced by 2 Open House Insurance Seminars
- Booklet "Why Join" and card "YOU ARE BORN A MAN. YOU BECOME A KNIGHT" were passed out.
- Booklet 5093 8/18 "Leadership Resources" is a major reference for the GK
- Webinars are available to bring officers up to speed on various subjects
- A list of recruiting tools was provided
- A requirement by the SD to present the 12 videos of "Into the Breach" program before the Council. Lecturer could assume that duty
- The State Recruiting Awards program
- The Shining Armor Award
- Supreme incentive Awards: 12 Knights Before Christmas, McGivney Medallion, Very Important Proposes Club,
- Reasons why Knights leave the KofC
- The role of the DGK on the retention committee and some tools
- The new Degree encompassing the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd ceremonials was explained along with the Councils to organize one
- State Membership Director Rehearses new Exemplification Degree on 28 September 2020 at 7pm in a "Zoom Session". District #9 does the same in Rutland on the same day.
- Supreme is offering this same degree via "Zoom" monthly
- **Upon completion of the degree and acceptance by Supreme Notification, the FS must submit a form 100 showing a transfer or make an entry on "Officers Online".**
- State Deputy asked all councils to pray for new members during the call "for the good of the order" and appoint someone to track public relations.
- SD made a special request that more councils conduct business through "Zoom"



Council 810 Fair Haven



Council 3664 Vergennes



Council 7525 South Burlington



Fourth Degree Uniform Package

Includes:

Blazer/Coat

Trousers

Tie

Beret with Badge

\$449.00

Fourth Degree Uniform Package Replacement Items

Item # Price

Blazer KOC-CT \$270.00

Trousers KOC-P \$120.00

Tie KOC-TIE \$34.50

Beret with Badge KOC-BT-##A \$24.50

Beret KOC-BT \$14.50

Badge KOC-BT-BADGE \$10.00



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VOCATIONS

A Higher Purpose

Keep the faith alive by supporting our seminarians and postulants. As the strong right arm of the church, the Knights of Columbus are committed to providing moral, financial and spiritual support to future priests and religious at all stages of their formation.

The Knights of Columbus stand in solidarity with our priests and religious. Through this program, council and parish families will raise funds to support seminarians in their area. For every \$500 given to an individual, the Supreme Council will refund the council or assembly \$100. The maximum refund a council or assembly can receive is \$400 per individual supported. Though financial support is vitally important, it is not the only aspect of RSVP. Councils are also called to provide their “adopted” seminarian or religious aspirant with moral support and prayers for their success.

- Set an annual goal for your RSVP program.
- Identify individuals that the council will sponsor. You can obtain these names by contacting me as your State Vocations Chairman.
- Conduct various events in your parish and community in order to reach your goal! Potential activities include:
 - On the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, ask the pastor to allow a second collection earmarked to support seminarians and your council’s RSVP efforts
 - Conduct a Seminarian Breakfast after Masses on a given Sunday. Invite the seminarians supported by your council to attend the event if they are available to participate in the celebration, and pray together.
 - Build public interest for your program! Promote each event in your parish and larger community through a variety of efforts: Bulletin announcements, Pulpit announcements.
 - Post on your council and parish website / social media pages
- On the day of each event, wear Knights of Columbus-branded apparel and have
- a fellow Knight or community member photograph the event.

Please contact me for information on a seminarian or seminarians to support or men and women who are novices or postulants in religious orders or religious communities.

You can E-mail me at gbean44@yahoo.com Or call at 862-8581.

“Vocations are Everybody's Business” Pray for Vocations.

Vivat Jesus

Jerry Bean, PSD, FDM

State Vocations Chairman

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2020-2021

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Updated August 18, 2020

STATE-WIDE DAY OF PRAYER FOR CLERGY

The state-wide day of prayer for Clergy is scheduled for November 7, 2020 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. Brother Patrick from council 7525 is coordinating this for our state and you can connect with him (pleducvt@gmail.com or 598-4246) with questions and to sign up for your council's hour. He'll also be emailing all Grand Knights in the coming weeks with more detail.

Each council is asked to sign up for an hour of prayer on November 7th 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, etc.

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 LeDuc



Vermont Right To Life Committee

Know Your Pro-Life Candidates Before You Vote

What You Need to Know Before You Vote!

Early voting begins on September 21, 2020, 45 days ahead of the general election on **Tuesday, November 3, 2020**. In a regular election year voters would be able to either request a mail in ballot, referred to as an “absentee ballot,” or walk in to your local polling location either on or before election day.

We all know that this election year is different. Just about everyone has heard that due to COVID-19, we’ll all receive mail-in ballots. But few people truly understand what that means.

This year in Vermont, **everyone will receive a mail-in ballot**. It is important to understand that **you do NOT need to vote as soon as your ballot arrives**, or even to vote by mail. Polls will be open on November 3 and **you can vote in person** if you wish. Many voters believe because they will automatically receive a mail-in ballot, they are required to vote by mail. That is not the case.

Bullet voting — you don’t have to vote for multiple candidates

On a typical Vermont ballot, for some offices you may only vote for one candidate. In other races like multi-seat Senate or House districts the ballot will indicate the maximum number of candidates you can vote for. The ballot will read, “Vote for not more than 2” or “Vote for not more than 3 or 6.”

Often, voters take this as a mandate and obediently fill in all the allowed ovals, even if there are only one or two candidates they really like.

Here’s what you need to know: Just because the ballot tells you to vote for no more than three, that doesn’t mean you must vote for three candidates.

You can even vote for just one candidate if you want. You may also write in a candidate or vote for no one in a race. **This does not invalidate your ballot and can be very effective in getting your preferred candidate elected.**

Most Important of All

In any case, **it is more important than ever before that pro-life Vermonters find out where the candidates stand on life issues BEFORE casting their votes.** The Vermont Right to Life Political Committee will be emailing voter guides as well as mailing voter guides - and the Political Committee may also be calling with updates as the information pertinent to races in your House and Senate districts becomes available. Feel free to call or email us at 802-229-4885 or vrlc@vrlc.net if you need the information we have earlier.

FAIR HAVEN COUNCIL 810

Fair Haven Council 810 teams up with Fair Haven American Legion Post 46 each year to present 2 boxes of "Coats for Kids" to Fair Haven Concern for distribution. Picture 1 Council 810 and Post 46 delivering coats to FHC. Pic 2 6 coats given to Benson Village School by Ashley of FHC.



Fair Haven Council 810 held their Tootsie Roll drive on Aug 7th and 8th in front of Fair Haven Aubuchon's collecting \$357.10, after paying for supplies and deducting 20% for the State Council. a check for \$189.95 was returned to the council. Council 810 then added the difference in a council check for \$210.05 for a total donation of \$400.00. which we presented to Neil Robinson and Carl Ruby of The Sunshine Fund on Wednesday 14 October.

1st picture @ Aubuchon - Peter Laramie during Tootsie Roll Drive

2nd picture presentation of checks - left to right Dennis Perry; Neil Robinson; Carl Ruby; Mark Rampone; Tim Perry; John Mancuso



FAIR HAVEN COUNCIL 810

Fair Haven Council 810 holds Family/Church word day on Saturday October 17th. 4 knights 2 families working for approximately 3 hours raking and bagging leaves at Our Lady of Seven Dolores Church and Rectory. Bob Shaw, Scott Clement, DJ Swingleton, Peter Pattern, along with Cherin, Owen and Irie Swingleton and Mary Alice Patten.



SHERIDAN COUNCIL #421

Painting up a storm, Knights in action! Brother Knights Stan baranowski, Jim Lanctot, Bill Young and GK Kevin Aremburg with some help from Willie Gibson and his son Daniel and have been spending the last few Mondays painting the high school teen room at the Father Lively Center. This is to help the church so that they didn't have to hire a painter to do this job. The room walls were all marked with names of all previous occupants that used the room. This is the second room that the Knights have step up to do in the last two years. Now for clean up!!



STATE EXEMPLIFICATION TEAM GOES INTO ACTION WITH A REHEARSAL ON 28 OCTOBER VIA ZOOM

TEAM LEADER – ED NUTTALL

1. **Presiding Officer** (Serves as Master of Ceremonies) *CHRIS POIRIER/Ed Nuttall*
2. **Chaplain** (Leads assembly in Opening and Closing Prayers) *FR. NAPLES/FR. HAAR*
3. **Presenter on Charity** (Teaches the Lesson on Charity and delivers the discourse on the rosary) *KEITH BILLADO/RICHARD POWELL*
4. **Presenter on Unity** (Teaches the Lesson on Unity) *JIM MCHAELS/PETER LARAMIE*
5. **Presenter on Fraternity** (Teaches the Lesson on Fraternity) *VALDEMAR GARIBAY/TOM RONNING*
6. **Warden** (Guides the Candidates) *BILL LACROIX/PETER LAVALLEE*
7. **Investing Officer** (Presents rosaries and lapel pins to the Candidates. *STEVE SHOIVER/JIM MICHAEL*
The Grand Knight or highest-ranking officer in attendance may fill this role and, depending on the number of Candidates, multiple officers may assist)
8. **Financial Secretary** (Registers Candidates and obtains their signature on the Constitutional Roll) *ELIJAH LACHANCE/WILLIAM SCOTT*
9. **Field Agent** (Meets and greets Candidates and assists the Financial Secretary) *DAVE GIULIANI*

LEADERSHIP AND INGENUITY GO TOGETHER LIKE A...



Nick Conti, State Advocate, presents Knights of Columbus Jackets to Grand Knight, Peter Lavallee., and Membership Director, Ed Malila at the Council 10417 meeting 6 October 2020. Each jacket was embroidered on one side with the Council's name "Saint John Paul II" and the individual's name on the other side.

During the second half of Fraternal Year 2019-2020, Council 10417 Milton brought in more new members than any one of the 38 active councils.

GRAND KNIGHT WORKSHOP 3 OCTOBER 2020





ROW 1 L to R: Ken Latham Regional Director; Steve Shover & Bill LeCroix Presenting State Faith in Action Awards; Keith Billado Council 10830 Fairfax Receiving Faith in Action - Family Award

ROW 2 L to R: PGK Stanley Baranowski Council 421 St Johnsbury receiving Faith in Action - Life Award; DGK Dan St. Hilaire Council 279 Burlington receiving Faith in Action – Faith Award; GK Robert Shaw Council 810 Fair Haven Receiving Faith in Action - Community Award

ROW 3 L to R: SD Presenting Star Council Award To GK Jack LePage; GK LePage and DD #6 Richard Powell Being Recognized; State Deputy Steve Shover

ROW 4 L to R: State Deputy Shover and Fr. Naples; State Secretary James Michael; State Auditor Nick Conti

ROW 5 L to R: State Treasurer, Chris Poirier; State Warden, Bill LeCroix; Dave Giuliani Field Agent

ROW 6-7 L to R: Jack LePage, GK Norwich University, and Group Shots

FR. MEANY & FR. ST. ONGE COUNCIL 7943

“THANK YOU” to Council 7943 and Families for their Charity of time and talent, Uniting as a group, and the Fraternity enjoyed by all while doing the work in 988 man-hours with 8 Council members and 12 family members

- St. Vincent de Paul Renovation – Scraping and Painting of Rectory
- St. Ignatius of Loyola – Repairing, Scraping and Painting handicap ramps, and
- Leave no Neighbor Behind – Putting in wood for a 80-year old widow of a Brother Knight



Preparing St. Vincent de Paul Rectory for scraping and painting

Council 7943 Chaplain, Fr. Sahaya Paul, putting his extra talents in art





Grand Knight George Piette and Luke Beneche rising up to task of scraping



Much needed rest after hard work scraping and painting



After 900 man-hours St. Vincent de Paul shines like new



St. Ignatius of Loyola handicap ramp damaged by snow plow now repaired and repainted



Brother Stephen Markush Family preparing to stack wood for 80-year old widow of Brother Knight



Brothers Gerard Raboin and Normand Piette in Leave no Neighbor Behind for 80-year old widow of a Brother Knight

KOFC COUNCIL 399 PASTA DINNER

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a drive-thru pasta dinner. The meal will consist of mostaccioli, sauce, meatballs, and a dinner roll. The price is \$10 a container with all proceeds going to support our local area food shelves. Please purchase your tickets in advance in front of the rectory after mass or, by calling Deputy Grand Knight Patrick Byrne, at 802-793-7265.

Orders can be picked up at the St. Monica/St. Michael school carport on November 14, 2020 from 5:00 – 6:30.

KOFC COUNCIL 399 ESSAY/DRAWING CONTEST

The Knights of Columbus Bishop Brady Council 399 are sponsoring an essay/drawing contest. The contest is open to grades K to 6 for the drawing contest and grades 5 to 12 for the essay contest.

The theme is: *Knights of Columbus Founder Father Michael McGivney*, whose beatification will occur October 31, 2020. The essay may be up to 750 words. Judging for both the drawing contest and the essay contest will be based on accurate historical content and originality.

Prizes will be awarded for best drawing, best essay, and one random prize from the names of those that participated. Prizes will be gift certificates to local restaurants. Deadline for submission is **December 15, 2020**. Winners will be announced in January. Please identify your submitted item **ON THE BACK OF THE DRAWING OR ON THE BACK OF THE LAST PAGE OF THE STAPLED ESSAY**, with your name, grade and mailing address.

MAIL YOUR WORK TO: BISHOP BRADY COUNCIL 399, P.O. Box 870, Barre VT 05641

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Council 10241 Coin Drop

Bethel-Rochester Council 10241 completed a successful Coin Drop on Saturday, October 10 between the hours of 8AM and 11AM on Church St. in Bethel. Asked what this Coin Drop “was for,” our Knights collecting donations in their buckets responded: “Coats for Kids.”. Our Council could perhaps have received more donations by extending the hours for the Coin Drop beyond 11AM. But ending at 11 allowed Knights and their families to participate at Noon on October 10—for Our Lady’s intention of “helping the world”—in the recitation of the four mysteries of the Rosary on the lawn outside St. Anthony’s Church in Bethel and St. Elizabeth’s Church in Rochester. At our October 6 meeting, mindful of the Community component of Faith in Action, our Council approved the purchase of two cases of winter coats (12 coats for boys, 12 coats for girls), through the Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids program. During the Coin Drop we had responded to motorists that the purpose of the fundraiser was “Coats for Kids.” We are happy to report that the \$583.50 we collected in donations of coins and bills at the Coin Drop is more than enough to cover the purchase of these winter coats. Pictured above Recorder Frank Russel, Trustee Dick Church and Treasurer Bill Lynch.



ST JOHN PAUL II COUNCIL #10417

Three members of the St John Paul II Council #10417 in Milton constructed a roof over a kerosene tank for a Milton resident. The new state regulations on above ground fuel tanks require an inspection and also a suitable cover over them. The owner of this tank was on a limited income which strained her ability to pay someone to construct a structure with all of the materials being donated. Pictured are council members Ed Malila, Peter Lavallee, and Scott Wise with the roofed structure.



St John Paul II Council #10417 held its annual Harvest Dinner on Saturday, Oct 24, 2020 at St Ann's Church in Milton. The meal was a take-out only occasion with a "drive thru" service for hungry guests from Milton and the surrounding areas. The event was a sell-out with 275 advanced tickets sold.

The meal consisted of ham, mashed potatoes, coleslaw, baked beans, a dinner roll, and a slice of apple or pumpkin pie. Many hours of preparation, cooking, serving, and clean-up went into this event. Many brother knights and their families contributed to the success of the dinner.



St. Albans Council #297

October ACTIVITY

St. Mary's Parish Hall Blood Drive

Blood Program Leader: Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay

When: 10/22/2020 (Thursday) from 11 AM to 4 PM

Statistics/ Thoughts: The blood drive went well. We had a total of 31 blood donations.



Caption 1: GK Garibay running registration.



Caption 2: Guards McRae and Bill Greenwood participating in temperature checking and directing traffic.

Knights of Columbus Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest

When: Beginning 9/12/2020 to 11/1/2020

Open to all Catholic students in 8th through 12th grade.

Topic: “Faith in Action – Community Programs”

Length: 500 to 700 words

Discuss how trusting in God during this difficult time has helped you or someone you know find strength and hope to endure.

Conclusion: This was our first year participating in this contest. We currently have two (2) participants submit essays

St. Albans Hard’Ack Disc Golf Tournament

Last Month, Bill Bressette and Valdemar Garibay represented Council 297 on 9/22/2020 to help with the installation of the disc golf course at Hard’Ack.

On 10/25/2020, Bill Greenwood and Valdemar Garibay represented Council 297 in a fun round (9-hole) of disc-golf for the inaugural Frighteningly Fun Halloween Doubles Disc Golf tournament at Hard’Ack. KofC Council 297 came in 2nd place in the recreational class. We are a Hole 6 Sponsor. This was a fun event.



Caption 3: From left to right: GK Valdemar Garibay, Sebastian Garibay, and Guard Bill Greenwood.



Caption 4: The back of the T-shirt showing Sponsors.

Winter Coat Give Away

Donations Needed:

Start Date: 10/25/2020

End Date: 11/20/2020

Drop off areas:

St. Albans Hannaford, 277 Swanton Road, St. Albans

St. Albans Co-op Store, 138 Federal Street, St. Albans

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 38 Grand Ave, Swanton

Champlain Insuring, 17 1st Street, Swanton

Last year, BFA Rotary Interact collected the coats, and the food shelf (Northwest Family Foods) gave away approximately 700 coats.

What I need: Used coats, hats, mittens, boots, any help is great.

<https://www.paypal.com/paypalme/stAlbansrotary>

Caption 5: Winter Coat Give Away for young children, teens, and adults.

The help that we can provide with the Winter Coat Give Away will be tremendous and appreciated.

Fairfield Community Center Ages 2 -12 Playground

The Playground project is still going. Last month we added nine to 12 inches of cedar chips. On 10/23/2020, the extension was completed and the extra equipment was installed. The yellow caution tape indicates that the cement is still wet. It needs a few days to harden. On 10/31/2020, the installation of the maypole (circular round) equipment will get completed, and a new swing set will be installed.

What I need: I am currently seeking donations toward the equipment / cedar chips of this playground. If you are able to provide help please connect with Grand Knight Council 297 Valdemar Garibay at: valdemargaribay10@gmail.com. I appreciate any monetary help that you can provide, and donations are tax deductible.



Caption 6: Angle of the added extension with slide.



Caption 7: The circular maypole will be installed once the cement is hardened, 10/31/2020.

300 CLUB

How are those ticket sales doing. I am getting request for more tickets to sell. I ask that after you have made an effort to sell your tickets and you have some tickets that are not going to be sold, PLEASE let me know as soon as possible so I may re-distribute to the Council requesting tickets.

I thank you for all of your efforts.

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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

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