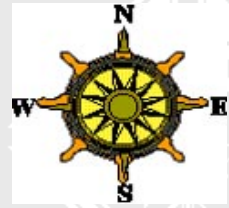




ST-MARK'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

THE COMPASS



Council Meeting.. This Thursday April 26th at 7:30pm in Rm 209

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GK Column



.Brother Knights,

The past month was comparatively quiet for us, but we still managed to keep busy advancing our membership, wrapping up events and planning for May. I'd like to begin by congratulating Brothers Gill Jandreau and Edgard Medina for advancing to the 2nd degree this month! Check out our membership corner for more details, and to see when more degree opportunities are coming up.

Tom Lavallee did a terrific job managing our Lenten Dinners in March, and his varied menu was a big success. The number of guests increased consistently from week to week, and based on revenue it looks like almost 150 dinners were served. Thanks Tom!

On the planning front, Mike Dromgoole has been busy preparing for our annual Tootsie Roll Drive scheduled for Friday and Saturday May 11th and 12th. If you haven't had a chance to sign up yet, please give Mike a call, or sign up after Mass this weekend. This is our second biggest event after Christmas Tree sales, and we could use all the help we can get. Keep in mind that anyone can participate.

Please encourage friends and family to sign up too! This is a terrific way to get our families involved in the council, and to give members of our Church community (and potential Knights) a chance to learn more about what we do.

Also coming up in May, Tom Cox is pulling together a group of Knights and parish members to participate in the "Beautify Londonderry" program on May 5th. This involves cleanup activities around town, and it's another opportunity for us to be active in the community and involve friends and family. There is more information in the bulletin, and signup sheets are in the back of the Church. Come join us!

Last, but not least, the Rosemarie R. Cox Scholarship forms are due by May 14th. If you know of any High School Seniors from St. Mark's who are planning to go on to College, please check out the information sheet and application in the back of the Church. Special thanks to Don Sommese for chairing this important effort once again.

Our council wouldn't be effective without so many of you actively chairing events and participating in these activities, and I thank you profusely.

For those of you interested in a different way to get involved, consider becoming an officer or Director in our council. If you'd like to get a taste for what's involved, please feel free to join us at an officer's meeting on the 2nd Thursday each month at 7PM in room 209. Even if you aren't interested in being an officer I encourage you to join us at our May business meeting to cast your votes.

Our next business meeting is Thursday, April 26th at 7:30PM in Room 209, followed by refreshments. I hope to see many of you there.

Ron Turcotte, GK



Larry LeBlanc, PGK/FDD is chairing the elections committee board for the upcoming council officer elections, in May. Any council member seeking elective office should let Larry know of his intention. Any member in good standing with the council can seek elective office. New members are urged to consider running. A slate of candidates, seeking office, will be presented at the April council meeting and published in this newsletter.

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Insurance Corner



We have a new Field Agent supporting our council's insurance needs. His name is Brian Gillis, and he'd love to meet you. His contact information is below:

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We all know the old adage – the grass seems greener on the other side of the fence. When it comes to replacing your existing Knights of Columbus life insurance with coverage offered by another company, the adage holds true. Perceptions are deceiving. A move to the other side of the fence might seem like a good one, but it can leave you with less green in your wallet – in some cases, a lot less. That's why it pays to remember another old saying – Read the fine print.

There are many reasons to keep your existing coverage in force, whether that coverage is with the Knights of Columbus or with another company. I'll focus on the potential pitfalls of replacing coverage here – pitfalls that an agent trying to convince you that the grass actually is greener might neglect to mention.

First, all life insurance contracts contain a contestability period, which allows the insurer to contest claims made for a period, typically two years, after the contract is issued. Chances are this is no longer an issue with your current coverage.

Second, it's unlikely that you can obtain the same amount of coverage, for the same premium, that you were able to obtain with your existing contract. The two factors that determine how much you'll need to pay for life insurance coverage are age and health. Certainly, you're older now than you were when you took out your current coverage. There's no way around that one. And you have to ask yourself, has your health changed during that time? Is your blood pressure the same? Your cholesterol? Have you gained weight? All these factors affect the amount of coverage you'll get for your premium dollar.

If someone encourages you to replace – or worse, drop - your existing coverage, please call me. I'll show you how your existing coverage is working for you and why replacement is rarely in your best interest.

2007-2008 Council Officer Slate

Grand Knight	Ron Turcotte, PGK	Warden	Wally Markham
Deputy Grand Knight	Paul Bartlett	Inside Guard	Brian Roche
Chancellor	Pat O'Brien	Outside Guard	Gil Jandreau
Recorder	Richard Flynn	Trustee-1	Dennis Pedley, PGK
Treasurer	John McLaughlin	Trustee-2	Kevin Waterhouse, PGK
Advocate	Walter Sarmento	Trustee-3	Mike Dromgoole, PGK



A young executive was leaving the office late one evening when he found the CEO standing in front of a shredder with a piece of paper in his hand.

"Listen," said the CEO, "this is a very sensitive and important document here, and my secretary has gone for the night. Can you make this thing work for me?"

"Certainly," said the young executive. He turned the machine on, inserted the paper, and pressed the start button.

"Excellent, excellent!" said the CEO, as his paper disappeared inside the machine. "I just need one copy..."

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The following brothers are celebrating their birthday:



Bob Casey	5th
Brian Roche	9th
John Kelly	10th
Bob Leonard	11th
Gil Jandreau	17th
Francis Horohoe	22nd
Gerry O'Neil	25th
Jean Desrosiers	27th
Norm Bleau	28th
Edgard Medina	30th
Mike Walsh	30th

***** St. Mark's *** First Degree Team**

We're still looking for help with our new First Degree team. This is an opportunity to get involved in a unique aspect of our order, and to help shepherd in new brother Knights. You only need to be a 1st degree knight to be on the team, and some of the roles are very easy. Please contact Ron Turcotte at ron@turcotte.com or 603-437-6549 if you'd like to join us, or even just to get more information.



Larry Gingrow	7th
John McGarry	7th
Chris Fallon	9th
James Traynor	17th
Alan Fernald	19th
Jeff Davis	23rd
Richard Hall	26th
Mike Theriault	29th

Two men were out golfing. As one was ready to take his shot, a funeral procession drove by the golf course. The man stopped what he was doing, put down his club, and took off his hat and placed it over his heart. His partner was moved by this and said, "That's the nicest thing I've even seen you do!" The man looked back at him and said, "Well, that's the least I could do after 20 years of marriage..."



Spring Cleanup

Join your fellow Knights for Londonderry's annual "Beautify Londonderry" Spring

cleanup up on Saturday May 5th. . A few hours in the morning will contribute to keeping your town's roads and public areas trash free. It not only makes Londonderry look better, but removes potential health hazards. There will be a sign-up sheet, at St. Mark's Church on the table to the left as you leave Church. I will also have a sign-up sheet at the April meeting. You will be contacted prior to cleanup day with the specifics of time and place of the area you will help with. You can also sign up by calling me at 566-0265 or e-mail me at tomc401@msn.com. Tom COX, PGK/FDD

Friday

"Thanks to all those who helped and/or ate at our Lenten Dinners throughout Lent. Special thanks to Fr. Marcel for his support and conducting Stations of the Cross after dinner each week and John Kelly and family for their help each week. With our varying menu each week, we raised approximately \$463 for our council. Considering this activity is more of a social and spiritual gathering than a fundraiser, we're very pleased with the results. Menu items this year for those of you that were not able to attend consisted of Grilled Cheese sandwiches, Clam Chowder, Tomato Soup, Fish Chowder from scratch, Baked Macaroni and Cheese, Pasta and Marinara Sauce, Fish Sticks with French Fries and our grand finale Shrimp Scampi. We had a great time and hope everyone else did as well. Looking forward to next year!"

Tom Lavallee

Married couples, both 60 years old, were celebrating their 35th anniversary. During their party, a fairy appeared to congratulate them and grant them each one a wish. The wife wanted to travel around the world. The fairy waved her wand and poof - the wife had tickets in her hand for a world cruise. Next, the fairy asked the husband what he wanted. He said, "I wish I had a wife 30 years younger than me." So the fairy picked up her wand and poof -- the husband was 90.



Little Johnny's class were on an outing to their local police station where they saw pictures, of the ten most wanted men, tacked to a bulletin board. On the way out of the police station Little Johnny said to the officer, "it was so nice of you to put my daddy's picture up there."



Charity, the first principle of our order!

Here is a list of our recent recent Donations:



Family of the Month
Joe & Cynthia St. Onge

February Donations

- KofC NH State Council Kidney Fund - \$250
- Sonshine Soup Kitchen - \$250
- Charles Pawlowski (Seminar in the RSVP Program) - \$500
- UNH Students for Life (sponsoring a pro-life event) - \$250



Our New Insurance Agent is:

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