



ST-MARK'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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Council Meeting.. This Thursday June 28th at 6:00pm. Our annual I

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GK Column



Brother Knights,

How quickly a year passes. At the end of this month our fraternal year will come to a close, and while we didn't achieve all the goals I had hoped for last fall, we did make progress on each of them.

We brought in three new members – Allan Fernald, Brian Bedard and Andrew Desrosiers. We also advanced seven members on to higher degrees. We sponsored new activities like the Soccer Challenge, hosted a 25th anniversary dinner, and added a new twist to our Lenten dinner menu with great success. We didn't manage to get a first degree team together, but we did find several volunteers to get us started.

Of course, with so many of you pitching in, we still supported all our usual events and fundraisers, donated hundreds of hours and thousands of dollars to worthwhile causes, and supported our parish and community in numerous ways. It was a great year, but since some of you had the crazy idea of electing me GK for yet another year,"

I guess I'll keep plugging away until we grow our membership enough for a Star Council award and get that First Degree team off the ground. I hope you'll keep in mind that it's not my council, it's yours. Remember the second principle of our order – unity?

But wait! There's more! Please don't forget that we have one more event for this fraternal year. Thursday, June 28th is our last business meeting and, more importantly, our annual cookout (at 6PM in the church parking lot and hall). We will also be presenting the Rosemarie R. Cox memorial scholarship award to this year's winner, Lauryn DeBaie, and have her read the winning essay. Please join us for this end-of-(fraternal) year event. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Yours in Christ,

Ron Turcotte, GK



Final Business Meeting until September. Bring your family to our BBQ!



An engineer dies and reports to the pearly gates. St. Peter checks his dossier and says, "Ah, you're an engineer — you're in the wrong place." So the engineer reports to the gates of

hell and is let in. Pretty soon, the engineer gets dissatisfied with the level of comfort in hell, and starts designing and building improvements. After a while, they've got air conditioning, flush toilets and escalators, and the engineer is becoming a pretty popular guy. One day God calls Satan up on the telephone and asks with a sneer, "So, how's it going down there in hell?" Satan replies, "Hey, things are going great. We've got air conditioning, flush toilets and escalators, and there's no telling what this engineer is going to come up with next." God replies, "What??? You've got an engineer? That's a mistake — he should never have gotten down there; send him up here." Satan says, "No way! I like having an engineer on the staff, and I'm keeping him." God says, "Send him back up here or I'll sue." Satan laughs uproariously and answers, "Yeah right. And just where are YOU going to get a lawyer?"

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:

Brian Gillis
 12 Webster Ct.
 Merrimack NH 03054
 Office (603) 429-1017 Cell
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Only in America... can a pizza get to your house faster than an ambulance.

Only in America... are there handicap parking places in front of a skating rink.

Only in America... do drugstores make the sick walk all the way to the back of the store to get their prescriptions while healthy people can buy cigarettes at the front.

Only in America... do people order double cheese burgers, large fries, and a diet Coke.

Only in America... do banks leave both doors to the vault open and then chain the pens to the counters.

Only in America... do they leave cars worth thousands of dollars in the driveway and put our useless junk in the garage.

Only in America... do they use answering machines to screen calls and then have call waiting so they won't miss a call from someone they didn't want to talk to in the first place. Only in America... do they buy hot dogs in packages of ten and buns in packages of eight.

Only in America... do they use the word "politics" to describe the process so well; "Poli" in Latin meaning "many" and "tics" meaning "bloodsucking creatures".

Only in America... do they have drive-up ATM machines with Braille lettering



2007-2008 Council Officers

Grand Knight	Ron Turcotte, PGK	Warden	Wally Markham
Deputy Grand Knight	Paul Bartlett	Inside Guard	
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 man visiting a graveyard saw a tombstone that read: "Here lies John Smith, a lawyer and an honest man." "How about that!" he exclaimed. "They've got three people buried in one grave."

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Happy Birthday to our following brothers:



Marty Bove	1st
Dan Green	1st
Ken Perkins	13th
Paul Lomanno	15th
Larry LeBlanc, PGK/FDD	16th
Francis McFague	25th



Steve Sefter	3rd
Charles Samalis	8th
Ron Turcotte, GK	12th
Gerry Gillespie	16th
Jim Errico	20th
Garrett Adie	21st
Andrew Desrosiers	22nd
Richard Flynn	25th
Larry O'Sullivan	27th
Joe Stokes, PGK/FDD	31st



Jay Dunigan	5th
Dan Bever	12th
John Farrell	13th
Don Sommese	18th
Robert Ganley	19th
Rbt Brouillette	20th
Paul Bompastore	20th
Fred Chamberlain	26th
Marc D'Anjou	31st



The St. Mark's Knights of Columbus has awarded the 2006 Rosemarie R. Cox Scholarship to Londonderry High Senior Lauryn DeBaie. The \$500 scholarship award will be presented to Lauryn at the Council's Annual Family Cookout on June 28. Lauryn will be attending Penn State University in the Fall. Congratulations Lauryn!!

*** 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.



The final council meeting for the 2006 - 2007 fraternal year and prior to the summer hiatus will be conducted Thursday evening June 28. In the tradition of years past the focus of the evening will be a family cookout and awards evening with a brief council meeting conducted during the evening. The parish hall will be the location for the major activities which hopefully will include the attendance of our council's scholarship winner(s) and the reading of the winning essay(s).

The cookout will begin at 6:00PM and spouses/families are encouraged to attend. To facilitate ordering the correct quantity of food, please email Ron Turcotte if possible at Ron@Turcotte.com and advise him of the number from your family who will be able to join us that evening.

QUOTE: Success, Emerson

"To laugh often and much; to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children; to earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends; to appreciate beauty, to find the best in others; to leave the world a little better; whether by a healthy child, a garden patch or a redeemed social condition; to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is the meaning of success."

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

Charity, the first principle of our order!

Here is a list of our recent recent Donations:

February Donations

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

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Family of the Month



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