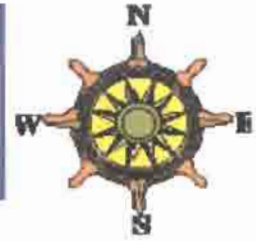




ST-MARK'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

THE COMPASS



A Word From The GK:



Free Throw

St. Mark's held it's annual free throw contest in January. Although the turnout was less than we would have liked, the kids and Knights had a good time. We have five contestants going on to district competition. Our idea to increase participation next year is to let the basketball groups in town know about the competition and getting participants from there. Thanks to Norm Bleau for heading up this project and to all the Knights who showed up to assist.

Fish Fry



The lenten fish dinners are underway with our first few already held. Bring your family and friends. This is a great way to have a dinner out at a price you can't beat. If you can assist with cooking or serving we can always use a few more good men. Dinners are served from 5PM to about 6:30. Spend time with family, friends, and parish members - then stay for stations of the cross.



Tootsie Roll Drive

Tootsie roll drive is not until May but now is the time to start thinking about it. Please reserve two hours Friday night May 7th or Saturday May 8th to help with this very important drive. Dennis Pedley and Kevin Waterhouse will be co-chairing this event. When they call you to assist please say "Yes". Monies raised from this drive goes to the mentally handicapped at the local and state level. Last year we raised around \$2200. This year, with your help, we can improve on this.

Those who attended the February membership meeting saw a great thank you card and booklet from LEEP (Londonderry Early Education Program). The booklet showed some of the equipment the children have thanks to the monies donated from our Tootsie Roll Drive. Again, we have a lot of stores and time slots to fill and we need your help. Last year we had several locations and time slots with no one to man them. Let's not let that happen this year.

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Elections

Later this month we will begin putting together the slate of officers for next year. If you have never held an office, please consider it. You give of your time to help the council be successful and in the process you learn more about what being a Knight means. You also get a lot in return. If you hold an office now, consider taking on another role to round out your experience. We have a great group of officers this year and with your help we can field a great group for next year.

Tom Cox, GK/FDD

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Attention

Day of the Unborn Child

The Knights of Columbus will observe the third annual International Knights of Columbus Day of the Unborn Child on March 25, the feast of the Annunciation.

"March 25 is a privileged opportunity for every Knight of Columbus and his family to witness to the fact that we are called to be, as Pope John Paul II has said, 'a people of life and for life,'" said Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson.

Since we have a Council meeting on the evening of March 25, Ron Turcotte will lead a special Rosary Prayer Service at 7:00 in the Chapel. Please be sure to attend the Rosary as well as the meeting following. Encourage your family and other parishioners to attend the Prayer Service as well.

Dennis Pedley, DGK



The K of C Insurance Agent serving our council is **Bob Lafond**. He can be reached at **432-9366** or **548-0720**

Your council needs you!



Council elections are coming soon. Be all that you can be, become a council officer!

Be Proud to Serve!

(Duties: Con't from page 2.)

Trustees: The board of trustees consists of three members elected by the council (Usually PGK's) and the grand knight, who serves as chairman of the board. They oversee the work of the financial secretary and treasurer, and with the deputy grand knight serve on the council's retention committee. During council elections, only the threeyear trustee is voted on, with the others moving on to become two and oneyear trustees, respectively.

Guards: Guards are responsible for maintaining order and security and the admission of only qualified individuals to confidential council affairs.



THE COUNCIL WISHES A HAPPY BIRTHDAY MONTH TO:



March	
Kevin LaCerde	1st
George Combes	2nd
Dennis Pedley	2nd
Larry Perry	5th
Walter Lewis	6th
Richard Fisher	17th
Steve Barry	19th
Mike Dromgoole, PGK	20th
Fr. Thom Duston	25th
Stan Swiderek	27th
Matt Sochalski	28th
John Conner	30th

April	
Dennis Boyd	4th
Bob Casey	5th
Bob Leonard	9th
Brian Roche	9th
John Kelly	10th
Frank Horohoe	22nd
Gerry O'Neil	25th
Walter Lufkin	27th
Jean Desrosiers	27th
Norm Bleau	28th

Duties of elected council officers:

Grand Knight: The grand knight is responsible for the welfare of the council. He presides over council meetings, acts as an exofficio member of all committees, appoints a membership and programming director, convenes officers for a monthly meeting, and ensures all necessary reports are submitted to the state and Supreme Council. He should also be aware of the council's financial status and ensure that his signature appears on all checks drawn. The grand knight is a member of the Advisory Board with general supervision of the council's Columbian Squire circle.

Chaplain: The chaplain is the spiritual advisor of the council. He is expected to make a report at council meetings on religious matters. The grand knight appoints a priest in accordance with any rules established by the bishop of the diocese to serve as council chaplain.

DGK: The deputy grand knight is second in command. He assists the grand knight with council affairs and fulfills all duties assigned to him by the grand knight. Should the grand knight be absent from a council meeting, the deputy grand knight will preside. He is chairman of the council's retention committee and also a member of the Advisory Board charged with overseeing the council's sponsored Columbian Squire's council.

Chancellor: The chancellor has a variety of responsibilities. Primarily, he assists the grand knight and the deputy grand knight in the execution of their duties and oversees the council in both their absences. He is charged with strengthening the members' interests in council activities. The chancellor is chairman of the admission committee and a member of the Columbian Squires circle ceremonial team.

Recorder: The recorder is similar to a court reporter or a secretary. He is responsible for maintaining a true record of all actions of the council and its correspondence. A Recorder's Minute Book (#1043) is available from the Knights of Columbus Supply Department for keeping a record of council meetings.

Financial Secretary: The financial secretary is appointed by the supreme knight, upon recommendation of the council. His main area of responsibilities is maintaining all financial and membership records. He collects and receives all moneys from all sources, including annual dues from council members. He also handles supply orders for the council officers and members, filing the Report of Officer (#185), and submitting all membership transactions to the Supreme Council.

Treasurer: The treasurer is the elected official in charge of handling all council funds. He receives money from the financial secretary and issues a receipt for such. He is also responsible for depositing all money in the proper council accounts and providing a voucher or certificate of deposit to the grand knight for each transaction. The treasurer is also responsible for issuing payments to the Supreme Council on all assessments made by it to the council and for all orders of the council. Finally, the treasurer is responsible for keeping accurate accounts of the monies in the general expense fund of the council and the amount of money in any special funds established by the council. He must be able to provide up-to-date records on these accounts to the grand knight, financial secretary or board of trustees.

Lecturer: The lecturer is appointed by the grand knight to provide both educational and entertaining programs to the council. He is responsible for the 'Good of the Order' portion of council meetings. In order to provide members with informative and educational programs, he must be knowledgeable and aware of all council programming.

Advocate: The advocate is the legal representative of the council and serves as the council's attorney at trials and investigations of any interest to the council. While he does not need to be a member of the legal profession, he should be familiar with the council bylaws, the Order's Charter, Constitution and Laws (#30), Methods of Conducting a Council Meeting (#1937), and Robert's Rules of Order

Warden: The warden is the 'watchdog' for council property and degree paraphernalia, except the property of the financial secretary, treasurer and recorder. He is also responsible for setting up the council chambers for meetings and ceremonial work. During ceremonial exemplifications, he will appoint and supervise guards. (Con't on page 3: Duties)

St-Mark Council 10488 Fiscal year 2003-2004Calendar

July	10) KCO Mtg				
August	8) KCO Mtg	16) Old Home Day Set-up	17) Old Home Day		
September	07) Officer meeting	6) Officer Installation	21) Coffee & member recruitment		25) First Council Meeting
October		09) Officer meeting	19) Coffee/ recruitment	23) Council meeting	18-19) KC Recruitment Blitz
November	13) Officer meeting 3rd Degree on 2nd @ St. Mark	22) Christmas Tree/ KC Booth set up	16) Coffee/ Recruitment	29) Christmas tree sale begins	20) Council meeting
December	(1-23) Tree sale	11) Officer Meeting	21) Coffee/ recruitment		18) Council meeting
January	8) Officer meeting	15) Coffee/ recruitment	21-22) Roe Wade Vigil	26) Council meeting	
February	12) Officer meeting	15) Coffee/ recruitment		26) Council meetin	27) Fish Dinner
March	2) Fish Dinner	11) Officer meeting	17) Coffee/ recruitment	21) Council meeting	Fish Dinners 12/19/26
April	2) Fish Dinner	11) Officer meeting	21) Coffee/ recruitment	22) Council meeting	
May	8) Tootsie Roll Drive	13) Officer meeting	8) St. jude's Golf Tournament	16) Coffee	22) Council elections
June	10) Officer meeting	20) Coffee/ recruitment	24) Council BBQ and final Council Meeting	Annual Pride Outing	

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