



# 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,

I hope this letter finds you all well. We had another busy month, and so many of you pitched in to make it a success.

First, we participated in the Beautify Londonderry cleanup program on May 5th. Special thanks to Tom Cox for chairing this event. The group picked up litter on South Road from St. Mark's to Kendall Pond Road. Tom made an effort to expand participation beyond the KofC, and we had a terrific turnout from our council, family members and parish community. I think this is a model that we should follow for many of our events. Not only does it bring in more hands to help out, but it involves our parish in the good works of our council. Perhaps it will even bring in new members and fresh ideas over time.

May 6<sup>th</sup> was the last day for Fr. Marcel to celebrate mass with us. In honor of his support over these past months, our council presented Fr. with a beautiful "Praying Hands" plaque which read: "Presented to Fr. Marcel Allard in appreciation for his loving service to St. Mark's parish."

Another important event was our annual Tootsie Roll drive on May 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. Special thanks to Mike Dromgoole for chairing this event. We had a presence at the two Dunkin' Donuts stores, Shaw's and Market Basket in Londonderry, and at Waterhouse Country Store in Windham. This is a big effort. It takes over 40 members to staff this event, and all but one time slot was filled. We reached out and you responded generously. Thanks to all of you who participated. This was another opportunity to support an important cause – special needs children – while also involving our family members. Perhaps next year we should invite our parishioners to join and staff more stores! We don't have the tally of the funds raised yet (come to the May meeting to find out), but all indications are that it was a terrific success.

Our next business meeting is Thursday, May 24th at 7:30PM in Room 209. This is going to be a special meeting for two reasons.

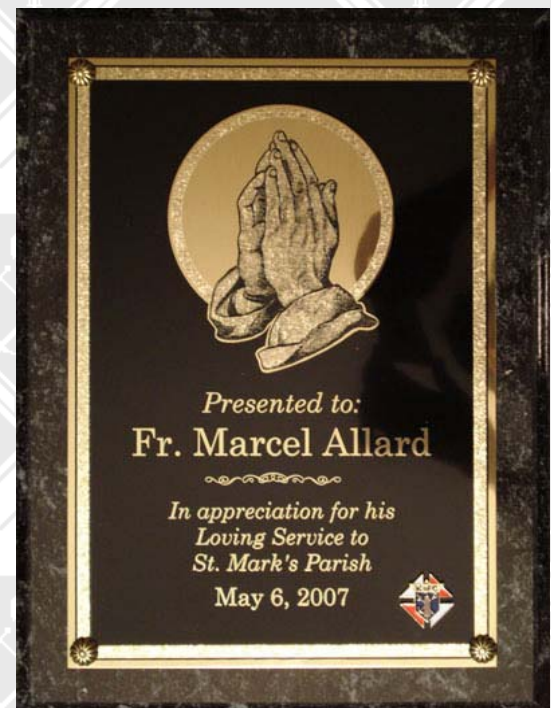
First, as some of you may remember, we made a donation earlier this year to support Katie McLaughlin's participation in a service ministry in Jamaica.

At our next meeting, she'll be bringing pictures and telling us about her experiences. It should prove to be both interesting and inspiring.

Second, it's time for our annual election of officers. Come out and vote for your council's leadership and meet some of your new officers. We look forward to seeing you there.

Yours in Christ,

Ron Turcotte, GK



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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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"I already have insurance at work."

Many jobs offer some form of group life insurance. Often, this insurance is an employee benefit provided at no charge, or for a small co-pay. Knowing that this coverage exists may convince someone that he doesn't need to discuss personally owned life insurance with a professional agent. That would be a mistake.

Most forms of group life insurance are limited in amount. That amount may be tied to salary or some other benchmark, but often there is a cap. That cap may be dangerously low for your family's needs should you die. In fact, in the absence of a detailed needs analysis (which I'll be happy to provide, free of charge), any employer-provided coverage may be completely unrelated to needs at death. In addition, the amount of group insurance offered is almost always reduced – and sometimes dramatically – when you retire.

Especially today, there is the very real possibility that you could change employers or lose your job. Or that your benefits could be reduced. In either case you could – one day - find yourself without coverage. If your health has changed in the meantime, you might also find yourself unable to secure individual protection.

While group life helps, it does not replace the need for individually owned life insurance. I'll be happy to meet with you and provide a free, custom-tailored needs analysis, so that you'll know exactly where you stand.

TEACHER: Donald, what is the chemical formula for water?

DONALD: H I J K L M N O.

TEACHER: What are you talking about?

DONALD: Yesterday you said it's H to O.

TEACHER: Millie, give me a sentence starting with "I."

MILLIE: I is...

TEACHER:

No, Millie.... Always say, "I am."

MILLIE: All right... "I am the ninth letter of the alphabet."

## Council Officer Elections at this Meeting!

### 2007-2008 Council Officer Slate

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



"Dad, where did I come from?" asks this 10-years-old. The father was shocked that a 10 year old would be asking a question like that. He was hoping to wait a few more years before he would have to explain the facts of life, but he figured it was better a few years early than a few days too late, so, for the next two hours he explained every thing to his son. When he got finished, he asked his son what prompted his question to which his son replied, "I was talking to the new kid across the street and he said he came from Ohio, so I was just wondering where I came from."

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The following brothers are celebrating their birthday:



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

### \*\*\*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 1<sup>st</sup> degree knight to be on the team, and some of the roles are very easy. Please contact Ron Turcotte at [ron@turcotte.com](mailto:ron@turcotte.com) or 603-437-6549 if you'd like to join us, or even just to get more information.



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



We recently completed our Tootsie Roll Drive. Each year, the majority of the funds collected go to support the L.E.E.P. program in Londonderry. Here is some information on the L.E.E.P. program.

**Facilities Profile:** Moose Hill School opened its doors for the 2001-2002 school year. It is a beautiful building designed specifically for pre-school and kindergarten children with room for expansion, if needed in the future. Moose Hill has 16 classrooms, nine rooms are used for kindergarten, four are used for LEEP, one for our library, one is used for special education and one is used for the district computer training lab. We also have a Sensory Motor Room for our LEEP students. They have a pre-school playground as well as a kindergarten playground and an all-purpose field.

**Learning Environment:** Moose Hill School provides a half day Kindergarten program with a morning and afternoon session in an environment that educates the whole child through positive social, physical and academic experiences. Sessions meet for two and one half hours. Each classroom has a certified teacher and an instructional assistant, which allows for smaller "learning communities" within the classroom. Instructional programs are designed to meet the individual needs of the students.

**Mission Statement:** Moose Hill School seeks to develop a community of learners composed of students and staff who are effective in sharing ideas and information. We are a committed partnership with the paramount focus of positively affecting a child's intellectual, physical, social, and emotional development, that he or she may reach their full potential.

**Special Programs:** LEEP – the Londonderry Early Education Program for children ages 3–5 with special needs.

**Special Education:** Programming for students with educational disabilities is highly individualized with the idea that all students included in the regular curriculum as much as deemed appropriate. Programs for these students currently include: individual and group tutoring either in the classroom or in a Special Education environment, classroom support, full inclusion with modifications to regular curriculum, and extended day programs. Other services include speech/language therapy, occupational therapy, and physical therapy.

**Library Media and Technology Program:** The library collection at Moose Hill is designed to begin to foster a love of reading in children. In addition to the circulating book collection of 3,643 (6/30/06), a variety of instructional materials, audio visual and computer technologies are available for teachers. There is at least one computer with network access in each instructional area. Assistive/adaptive technologies are provided for youngsters in their LEEP program.

**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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