



ST-MARK'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

THE COMPASS



ursday Nov 15th at 7:30pm in CCD room #209. **Council Meeting..1**

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GK Column



Brother Knights,

Vivat Jesus! As we make our way through the hectic Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas seasons, may we all take the time to remember who we're thanking and what He's done for us.

And speaking of Jesus and Christmas, have you purchased your Christmas cards yet? This year our council has sponsored the Keep Christ in Christmas program in support of the CYO Basketball team. They're eager to have the fundraising opportunity and we're thrilled to be able to support them. If they're still taking orders this weekend, please stop by and get a box or two. You'll be supporting the basketball team while also reminding folks what Christmas is all about.

Let's see, what else is going on? Well, continuing on the Christmas theme, we'll start selling trees on Thanksgiving weekend. Please, please, please sign up for a couple of time slots to help us out. This is the event that funds most of the work we do throughout the rest of the year. Feel free to sign up your family members, or bring along that Catholic gentleman who may be inclined to join our council once he sees the good work we do (and what a fun bunch of guys we are!).

And speaking of all the important work that we do throughout the year (see how I can keep this thread going?), our council recently received the coveted Columbian Award for our service activities in the past year in Church, Community, Council, Family and Youth Programs. Congratulations to all of you who made this possible! The plaque is on display in the Church hall.

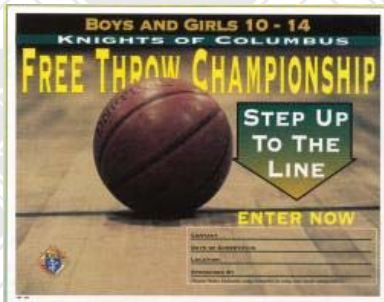
OK, I'm running out of space, so check out the upcoming degrees on our calendar (especially the third degree in Windham this month – it's not too late to sign up). Also, keep an eye out for our new ad on the back of the Church bulletin.

Finally, please note that our business meeting this month is a week earlier than usual due to the Thanksgiving holiday. This month's meeting is Thursday, November 15th.

That's it for now, but I look forward to seeing many of you at the business meeting. There aren't any World Series games this month, so I'll expect to see more of you there than last month.

Yours in Christ,

Ron Turcotte, GK



The Council Free Throw competition is scheduled for Sunday, January 6, 2008 at the Aquinas Center at St. Thomas's in Derry. The competition will be a combined effort with St. Jude and St. Thomas K of C Councils. All boys and girls ages 10 – 14 years old are eligible to participate, thus if you have children in this age group please encourage them to participate.

Registration will be from 12:30 PM to 1:00 PM with the actual competition running from 1:00 PM until 2:30PM. Winners at the local level will advance to district and state competitions. The past several years the District Deputy has conducted his District Free Throw competition immediately after the conclusion of the council competition and presumably this will occur again this year. Thus the Parish winners in each age category can compete in the district competition that same afternoon. The assistance of 3 – 4 members of our Council will be required that afternoon. If you can spare a couple of hours that afternoon please contact Paul Bartlett at pwbartlett@comcast.net or 437-2562.

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Insurance Corner



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

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A little boy returned from the grocery store with his mom. While his mom put away the groceries, the little boy opened his box of animal crackers and spread them all over the kitchen table. "What are you doing?" asked his mom. "The box says you shouldn't eat them if the seal is broken," said the little boy. "I'm looking for the seal."



The Christmas Tree sale begins on November 24th. Set up will be on Saturday, Nov. 17th.



Knights Sign-up:

Confirmation students:

Have You Signed Up Yet For Our Council's Christmas Tree Fund Raiser?

The planning for our annual Christmas Tree fund raiser is well underway. This year we are purchasing a total of 470 large trees along with several bundles of Charlie Browns. The booth set up is scheduled for Saturday morning November 17. The trees are schedule for delivered a week later, Saturday morning November 24, with the sale of trees starting that same day. Andre Bissette, from whom we are buying the trees, will make two trips to Londonderry on November 24, one very early morning and the second later in the afternoon. In past years many Knights and CCD students have assisted with unloading of the trees making this a quick and somewhat painless task. Hopefully this year will be no exception. Many of our Knights and CCD students have volunteered to set up the booth, unload and sell trees however we still need many more volunteers.

The sign up roster will be available after each Mass next weekend. Please help us out by signing up after Mass. Each Brother Knight is asked to volunteer for two activities and/or time slots. A roster containing the names and timeslots for which you have volunteered will be posted on our Council's web site. You will also be called by Mike Dromgoole or me two days prior to your scheduled shift. Your support is essential if this is to be a successful Christmas tree fund drive. Also encourage your family, neighbors and friends to purchase their tree early this year. FMD320@verizon.net or pwbartlett@comcast.net

For this month's column, I thought a little "Life Insurance 101" might be beneficial.

Whole life insurance calls for premiums to be paid for your entire life, or to age 100. You may also consider another permanent life insurance product – one with guaranteed cash values – that offers a limited period of premium payments. The Knights of Columbus offers three permanent life insurance products for which premiums do not have to be paid for all of life.

"Twenty Pay Life" is exactly as the name suggests – a permanent plan with premiums payable for 20 years. After the premiums are paid for the 20 years, the plan is "paid up" and no more premiums are due. Unlike its term counterpart, however, the plan stays in force, the death benefit remains intact and the guaranteed cash value continues to grow.

Another such plan is our "Life Paid Up at 65." You buy this permanent product and you only pay premiums to age 65. Then, premiums stop (just in time for retirement), but the plan remains very much in force.

Finally, the ultimate in limited pay is our Single Premium Life product. Imagine buying life insurance – permanent life insurance – and only paying one single premium? It's possible.

I have detailed information on all of these products. At your convenience, I'll meet with you and your wife to perform a free, custom-tailored needs analysis, to help determine which of our many life insurance products is right for you and your family.

I'm at 429-1017. Call me – let's talk..

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Joe Curran	1st
Brian Bedard	2nd
Wayne Kamieneski	4th
Jeff Avitable	9th
Dan McCarthy	12th
Henk Oolders	13th
Brendon Turcotte	19th
Andy Greco	22nd
Ken Rahilly	25th
Ed Combes	28th
Tom Lavallee	31st

Happy Birthday to our following brothers:

*** 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.



November

Ray Capistran	8th
Paul Bartlett	11th
John McLaughlin	13th
John McLean	14th
Joe St. Onge	24th
Mike Garrity	28th
Robert Fawcett	29th

For more details on the Pro-Life student contest:

ESSAY / POEM / POSTER

PRO-LIFE STUDENT CONTEST

UP TO \$1800 IN PRIZES

The NH Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Pro-Life Student Essay/Poem/Poster contest for Junior High (grades 6,7,8) and SeniorHigh (grades 9,10,11,12) students. Entries are to be submitted to the National "March For Life" contest, which will make two \$100 awards in each category (\$1200 total) and two trips to Washington, D.C. for student and parent.

The NH Knights of Columbus will then evaluate non-winning entries for an Additional \$100 in each category (additional \$600 total).

The theme of this year's contest is :

"Build Unity on the Life Principles throughout America

o – No Exception! No Compromise!"

• **POSTMARK DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTALS IS Nov 30, 2007**

One day Little Jonnie says to his father:
I want to get married.

Father: Oh, so do you have someone special in your mind?

Johnny: Yes...Grandma

Father: What? There is a problem now; you want to marry my Mother?

Johnny: Why not? You married my mother

The manager of a large office noticed a new man one day and told him to come into his office. "What is your name?" was the first thing the manager asked the new guy.

"John," the new guy replied.

The manager scowled, "Look, I don't know what kind of a namby-pamby place you worked at before, but I don't call anyone by his first name. It breeds familiarity and that leads to a breakdown in authority. I refer to my employees by their last name only - Smith, Jones, Baker - that's all. I am to be referred to only as Mr. Robertson. Now that we got that straight, what is your last name?"

The new guy sighed and said, "Darling. My name is John Darling."

"Okay, John, the next thing I want to tell you is..."



Happy Thanksgiving

The officers of your council wish you and your loved ones a happy Thanksgiving!

Charity, the first principle of our order!

Here is a list of our recent recent Donations:

September Donations

\$100.00 EWTN

\$250.00 NH State Kidney Fund

\$ 30.00 Granite State Awards Program Booklet
– in support of state scholarship

Good of the Order

This past month prayers were requested for Jan McLaughlin, John McLaughlin, Bill Cox, Denise Turcotte, Ernie Picken, and members of our parish who are sick or in distress.



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 - Coffee & Donuts Hosting
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 - Newsletter
 - Special Events
 - Tree Sale
- Mix-in: All, None

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 <input type="checkbox"/> 7p KC Officer Mtg	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 <input type="checkbox"/> 7:30p Council Meeting	16	17 <input type="checkbox"/> 8a Set-up for tree sale
18 <input type="checkbox"/> 9a Coffee & Donuts	19	20	21 <input type="checkbox"/> 12p KC Newsletter Deadline	22	23	24 <input type="checkbox"/> 8a Tree delivery <input type="checkbox"/> 10a Christmas Tree Sale
25 <input type="checkbox"/> 8a Christmas Tree Sale	26 <input type="checkbox"/> 6p Christmas Tree Sale	27 <input type="checkbox"/> 6p Christmas Tree Sale	28 <input type="checkbox"/> 6p Christmas Tree Sale	29 <input type="checkbox"/> 6p Christmas Tree Sale	30 <input type="checkbox"/> Pro-Life Essay Contest Due <input type="checkbox"/> 6p Christmas Tree Sale	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 8a Christmas Tree Sale <input type="checkbox"/> 10a Helping Hands Fair