



# St. Mark's Knights of Columbus The Compass



**Council Meeting.. Thursday Sep 25th at 7:30pm in the ch**

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## GK Column



July began another fraternal year with a new slate of officers assuming the helm of St Mark's K of C. While your officers are eager to lead, the success of the Council depends upon each of you. Last year's officers and council members, under Ron Turcotte's leadership, set a very high benchmark; however, I am confident that with your assistance we can achieve equally high goals.

Congratulations to Ron Turcotte for his selection as a State K of C Program Director. The State Council will now reap his leadership talents and organizational skills.

Congratulations Ron and good luck !



The June 08 picnic was a great success with over twenty Brother Knights and family members attending. Many

thanks to those who assisted with the preparation, clean-up and cooking. Key individuals include Bob Leonard, Larry LeBlanc Pat O'Brien, Cathy Lavallee, Bill Hamilton and Wally Markham. Special thanks to Monica Turcotte for organizing the menu and delivering the food and to Pat and Sheila O'Brien for their donation of food.

Ms. Shannon Chishohm, a Freshman at the Univ. of Notre Dame, was this year's recipient of the \$500 Rosemary Cox scholarship. Brother Don Sommese presented the scholarship check to her at the June picnic.

Old Home Days was again very successful. St. Mark's and St Jude's Council members marched in the parade distributing over 2000 Tootsie Rolls. Our Pitch-and-Putt activity and concession raised \$461. Many thanks to those Brother Knights who participated in the parade and assisted with the booth. Special recognition to Kevin Waterhouse for supplying the soda and ice, Ron Turcotte and Ken Rahilly for assisting with setup and to Jean Desrosiers for the use of his trailer and for helping with set-up and dismantling of the booth, the latter activity occurring during a torrential downpour.

The Officers' induction ceremony occurred Saturday evening, August 24, 2008. Brother Randy McClellan, the District Deputy, officiated with assistance for Brother Ron Turcotte and Father Thom Duston. After the ceremony everyone enjoyed a wonderful meal at the Power Wok.

Two degree Exemplification ceremonies are scheduled this month. A 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree will be conducted on Thursday, Sept 25 in Hudson, NH. A 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Exemplification is scheduled for Sunday, Sept 28 in Windham. These Exemplifications present an excellent opportunity for Council Brothers to advance to full Knighthood. Additional details are available on our web site. Brother Knights are encouraged to participate as spectators.

This years' NH State Council Ball is Nov. 8, 2008 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Nashua. This event is an opportunity to renew friendships established between brother knights. Five couples are required to fill a table and a Council goal should be to fill one table. Let's make this a memorable evening. Additional details are on both St Mark's and the NH State Council's web sites.

A schoolteacher's son brought his report card home. The father said; let's see what you have accomplished. He opens the report and to his dismay sees all bad grades. What do you have to say about this Johnny? Well dad at lease you know I'm not cheating.

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## Insurance Corner



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

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## Guest Speakers - Bio's

The following speakers are scheduled for this month's council meeting:

### Lynda French – Executive Director

Lynda has been working in the field of Deaf Education for over thirty years. She earned her undergraduate degree in Speech and Hearing from Kean University of New Jersey and her Master's degree from Smith College/Clarke School for the Deaf. Lynda's teaching experience includes both public and private school programs as well as thirteen years in early supports and services. Since her arrival at HEAR in New Hampshire in January 2002, Lynda has served as an itinerant teacher, classroom teacher and assistant director. She helped establish and continues to teach in the Families, Infants and Toddlers play group. Lynda became Director at HEAR in New Hampshire in August of 2005.

Skot G. Paré – Director of Development

Skot has ten years of professional experience in non-profit development. He received a BA in Political Science from Southeastern Massachusetts University, studied Music

September is Life Insurance Awareness Month. To help educate consumers about the need for and value of adequate life insurance protection, the Life Insurance Market Research Association (LIMRA) has published the following five facts. These statistics are certainly worth considering.

Fact 1: Nearly three-fourths of North Americans agree that life insurance is the best way to protect against premature death of the primary wage earner.

Fact 2: Twenty-four million households have no life insurance protection at all. Almost one third of adults have no life insurance protection.

Fact 3: Forty-four percent of all households either don't own life insurance and believe they should, or own life insurance and believe they need more. Among those that already own some life insurance, 40 percent believe they don't have enough.

Fact 4: One-fourth of primary wage earners feel they do not have a plan in place to provide a decent standard of living for their family if they died tomorrow. Twelve percent of families would immediately have trouble meeting everyday living expenses and another 15 percent would have difficulty keeping up after several months.

Fact 5: People would like to discuss life insurance with a qualified professional agent. They believe that buying life insurance is an important and complex financial decision. Half find it difficult to decide how much to buy, and 43 percent worry about making the wrong decision.

I'd like to meet with you in your home, at your convenience. I'll work with you to make sure your family is protected. As a brother Knight you can trust, I'll take the stress and worry out of the buying decision.

Education at Berklee College of Music and Musicology at the University of Lowell. Skot served as Director of Development for The Salvation Army and the National Kidney Foundation in Central Massachusetts and OdysseyNH in New Hampshire. He joined the staff of Hear in New Hampshire in August of 2007.

HEAR in New Hampshire is dedicated to teaching children who are deaf or hard of hearing the listening and spoken language skills that will enable them to

realize their full potential and become active participants in their local communities. Founded in 1999, the school is approaching its tenth year of serving the state of New Hampshire. It holds Preschool and Kindergarten classes held at its location in Hooksett. HEAR in New Hampshire also runs a Families, Infants and Toddlers (FITs) Play Group for children up to the age of three. Its staff provides direct and consultative services to many of New Hampshire's school districts.

Lynda and Skot would enjoy sharing information with the Knights about the importance of early screening for hearing loss, issues faced by parents and families considering receiving a cochlear implant, advances in technology and how HEAR in New Hampshire teaches children who are deaf and hard of hearing to listen and talk.

Don Sommese, Lecturer

**The Granite Knight.**

**NEWS**



John Joyce	1st
Don Symborski	5th
Walter Sarmiento	6th
Thomas Dunn	7th
Bill Hamilton, PGK	8th
Jonathan Hill	11th
Kevin McGrath	13th
Terry McMahon	16th
Bill Brown	18th
Kevin Waterhouse	20th
Deacon Lee Abbott	21st
Fr. Tom Bresnahan	29th

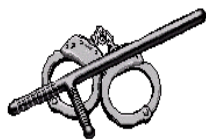
## Happy Birthday to our following brothers:

### \*\*\* 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 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.



Joe Curran	1st
Brian Bedard	2nd
Dan McCarthy	2nd
Wayne Kamieneski	4th
Jeff Aitable	9th
Henk Oolders	13th
Brendan Turcotte	19th
Andrew Greco	22nd
Ken Rahilly	25th
Edward Combes	28th
Tom Lavallee	31st



A motorist was unknowingly caught in an automated speed trap that

measured his speed using radar and photographed his car. He later received in the mail a ticket for \$40 and a photo of his car. Instead of payment, he sent the police department a photograph of \$40. Several days later, he received a letter from the police that contained another picture, this time of handcuffs. He immediately mailed in his \$40.



The winner of the 2008 Rosemarie R. Cox Scholarship is Londonderry HS senior Shannon Chisholm. Shannon will be attending Notre Dame in Indiana in the fall. This exceptional student has been quite active in the parish and local community, and I received her \$500 award at the Council Family Cook-Out on the 26th. To view her essay:

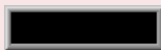


## Pro-Life Section

Monica Rahilly is co-ordinating the local effort for a Pro-Life Vigil, which is sanctioned by the Diocese. Click on banner, below, for details !

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Statement of Peace:



## Council 10488 Officers for 2008-09

GK	Paul Bartlett	O-Guard	Brian Roche
DGK	Jean Desrosiers	Trustee-3	Ron Turcotte, PGK
Chancellor	Pat O'Brien	Trustee-2	Mike Dromgoole, PGK
Recorder	Rick Flynn	Trustee-1	Kevin Waterhouse, PGK
Treasurer	John McLaughlin	Chaplain	Fr. Duston
Advocate	Allan Fernald	Fin. Sec.	Tom Lavallee
Warden	Walter Markham	Lecturer	TBA
I-Guard	Gil Jandreau	***	Appointed Positions

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### Recent Donations

\$250 to the State Kidney Fund  
 \$200 to The Good Scout Award  
 Support of seminarian \$500.00  
 \$500.00 to the Soup Kitchen.  
 \$500 to Hear in New Hampshire  
 Support of Sebeck's work in Haiti for \$500.  
 Support the Ingalls family for \$1,500.  
 Support NH Catholic Charities for \$500.  
 Tootsie Roll Drive proceeds to L.E.A.P. program

### Good of the Order

This past month prayers were requested for Jan McLaughlin, John McLaughlin, Denise Turcotte, Ernie Picken, Bill Clark, Ronald Lavallee, Phyllis Fernald, Larry LeBlanc.



### Our Insurance Agent is:

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  - Tree Sale
  - US Holidays
- Mix-in: All, None

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