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Happy St. Patrick's Day!



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Council 4442 Knightly News

From the desk of the Grand Knight

Brothers,

We are spending "time in the desert" with the Lord, as we journey through the forty days of Lent to the resurrection day of Easter. Some of us have chosen to work extra deeds of mercy; some have chosen to fast. The early readings of Lent remind us to "rend our hearts, not our garments." If we open our hearts, perhaps we see what needs to be changed. It might be too easy to "rend our garments" for all to see, making a show of "giving up" something. The comedian at the Parish Comedy / Magic fund raiser said we could make it easy on ourselves on Ash Wednesday. Just take a lighter to a wine cork and run the sooty end on the forehead.

Do you need to make a change in your life, or are you already perfect?

Take time to pray a bit more; give yourself time for introspection, Look deeply and discover what God would ask of you.

And yes, I say these words, and I find it hard to change. But it is never too late to try.

Vivat Jesus!
Paul St.Amand

Do you have time for this?

From the March issue of [Columbia](#) is a call to all to do a "Novena of Grace and Solidarity." Supreme Knight Karl Anderson writes "We are proposing a new prayer, a Novena of Grace and Solidarity (see page 15), based on the prayer of Father Mastrilli. I urge all brother Knights and their families to join in this Novena of Grace and Solidarity for persecuted Christians throughout the world March 12-20." [The novena prayer](#) is:

GOD OUR FATHER, as St. Francis Xavier and countless of your missionaries traveled to the ends of the earth, impelled by the love of Jesus Christ, give me the grace to rely entirely on you, confident in the knowledge that you raise up the humble and the lowly.

May I be united with your saints in offering you my humble tribute of thanksgiving and praise. I implore you to grant me, through your mercy, the blessing of living and dying in a state of grace. I also ask this same blessing for all those throughout the world who suffer persecution because of their faith in you.

O God, you were pleased to gather to your Church the peoples of the world by the preaching and miracles of all your saints; mercifully grant that I may imitate their virtues and so bear witness to the Gospel of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Quickie CALENDAR



The DD speaks at March meeting.

Stations of the Cross

St. Joseph Church
Friday, Mar 17, 7:00PM
(Chanel Simard)

Blood Drive

Thurs, March 23 1-7PM
Corporation Hall
(Ken Akerley)

Membership Drive

Weekend masses Mar 25-26
SS. Mary and Joseph Parish
(Bill Richards, Bruce Silver, Jay Cappello)

Catholic Men's Conference

Saturday, April 1, 8:30AM – 4:00PM
Worcester, MA
(Ron Bourque)

Chair set up

SJRS Auditorium
Parish Volunteer Thank You dinner
Tuesday, Apr 25; time TBA
(Dave Thompson)

KofC State Convention

Radisson Hotel – Nashua, NH
April 28-30
(Wayne Griffin, SD)

Deceased Members Mass

MQP, Sun, May 21, 11:00AM
(Dick Collopy)

Council Meeting Notes from Mar 08

UNOFFICIAL

(Taken from notes of the worthy recorder, Norm Comeau.)



GK Paul St.Amand opened the meeting at 7:30 with 28 members present. Dan Norris, Charles Walsh, and Don Simmons were excused. Worthy Warden confirmed that all present were in possession of a current, signed membership card. February minutes read and accepted.

Chaplain's Message: Fr. Tom

Fr. Tom talked to us about the important "sign" Knights can be in our "evil generation." (see *Luke 11:29-32 - ed*) We are an order of Catholic men, and we can be a light shining in the darkness. How we act will be seen by others, what we say will be insignificant compared to the living example we give as Catholic men.

The "sermon on the mount" makes sense only if God is in charge of the world. "Blessed are the meek" only makes sense if God has a plan for us. Trust in the Lord that he does have a plan for us. Live life and be an example for all.

GK Opening Remarks:

Brother Roland Theberge is recovering at NE Rehab. He expects to be home in a few days to continue recovery. He expressed need for a wheelchair, walker, and wide bathtub transfer seat. (I contacted Salem Senior Center; they will let Rollie borrow any item they have, for as long as he wishes. He does not need a wheelchair ramp.)

Brother Wilfred Bamford, PGK and PFN, has transferred to St. Monica's KofC council, for insurance reasons; he joins his son at that council. Keep him and Gertrude in your prayers. Chris reports that Wil's dementia and health continue to worsen.

The March issue of Columbia includes our Ultrasound Initiative in the "Knights in Action" section, on page 26.

Thank Yous received from:

- Roxane Day, postulant with Sisters of Presentation of Mary, Hudson, NH
- Pathways Pregnancy Care Center, Littleton, NH, for our gift of \$500.
- Rev. Kyle Stanton for our \$25,000 grant to St. Anne Church (Berlin, NH) building fund, and also for our honor guard and presence at the wake of Del Downing, his grandfather.
- Rockingham Nutrition & Meals on Wheels for our \$200 to Santa for Seniors program.

Tip of the hat to:

Mike Petrilli, who saw to the covering of the float last month and then recovering of the float after last week's crazy wind storm. And also for resetting the trash shed, doors, and barrels onto the pallets, with help from Dave Thompson and Butch Kealey. Thank you, Mike!

Treasurer's Report: Bob Fournier

Bob gave his report for the month. With the market rising, our Schwab account is also doing well. Deposits exceeded expenses again for this month.

Financial Secretary's Report: Bob Fournier for Charlie Walsh

Membership total is 247. There were 7 Checks written \$13,068.20
John Campo received honorary membership.

Committee Reports - Dave Thompson conducts:

Dave's opening remarks:

Wednesday April 26th will be the appreciation dinner at St Joe's auditorium for 150 people. Volunteers needed on Tuesday April 25th to set up the tables & chairs. Dave will select a time to gather at the April meeting.

Membership - Bill Richards

2nd & 3rd Degree Exemplification in Manchester date tba.

There will be a membership drive at both churches in March 25 and 26. Bill, along with Bruce Silver and Jay Cappello are making the arrangements. We are asked to "sign up" and work the exit doors of the churches.

Culture for Life - No report tonight.

Veterans Activities - Rico Casaletto

The next event is the White Clover Drive - May 12, 13. Volunteers always needed to help collect funds for the Legion. Rico also covered the recent Honor Guard training. *(Article below. -ed)*

Bingo Report - Ron Bourque

We are continually blessed by God with success of the Bingo program. While it is still only two months' results, Paul and Lou are exceeding even last year's profits; we are on pace for the best year ever.



Texas Hold-Em -

Dave reminded everyone to vote for the gaming at the town ballot on Tuesday, March 14.

Blood Drive - Ken Akerley

Next Blood Drive is March 23rd from 1PM to 7PM. Volunteers will be needed.. Volunteers will be needed.

Free Throw Challenge - for Mike Schwing

Mike Schwing reported that the winners from our local council competition did well at the state finals. One person sank 19 of 25 and won the state level for his age group. See article below.



Stations of the Cross

Chanel Simard is looking for participation on Friday March 17th at 7:00PM at St Joseph Church. Sir Knights are asked to attend in tux and social baldric. "Soup is on" at 6:00PM in the church basement.

Scholarship and Picnic

Joe Stafford scheduled a meeting on Tuesday evening April 18th at 7:00PM for the Scholarship Awards Program. Committee members are asked to attend; all members are invited to attend if they wish. The family picnic is scheduled for Sunday July 30th. More details as the dates approach.

Tootsie Roll Drive

Peter Klecan announced the Tootsie Roll Drive will be held on Wednesday May 31st at the Salem Landfill, and June 1st thru 4th as designated locations. Volunteers needed.

Corporation News – Mike Petrilli

Reminder that 1st Tuesday of the month is the corporation meeting date, 7:00PM. We do take summer months off.

Old Business

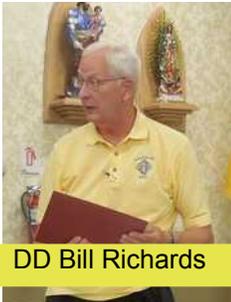
None

New Business

The following were voted upon and approved:

- Alan Phair requested \$200 for hall rental fee for the Eagle Scout Court awards.
- Chris Bamford requested \$200 for the hall rental fee for a charity fund drive (*see next item*)
- Chris Bamford requested \$200 for the Samantha Maguire Hodgkins Lymphoma Fund Drive.
- George Masciarelli requested \$200 for the hall rental fee for the Salem Caregivers.
- All four requests were approved.

District Deputy Report – for Bill Richards



DD Bill Richards

- Granite Award Dinner was well received; excellent meal prepared by the host council.
- SB7 form. The Domestic Church initiative is being added to the form.
- There exists a lawsuit by a Colorado software company against Supreme regarding web hosting services. It is not likely, but Supreme asks that Members be alerted to the fact that they might be called by the plaintiff and requested to speak on this issue. (*NB: our council web site is not under that company. I have never heard of them before. - ed.*) A contacted member, if he chose to speak to the company, could in theory be called later on to testify. The choice of speaking or not is up to each individual.
- Seeking nominations for council officers to be elected between May 1st and June 15th.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Maryanne Murach of the parish is thinking about having a beach volleyball court in the rear area of our parking grass, for parish events. Could foster youth – adult competition, parish groups, Knights versus non-knights. Just a thought at this time. Comments from “elder” council members was that we Knights did have a volleyball court years ago, before the addition to the hall was added. And it was fun. But, since the addition, several times a year the entire rear of the yard is used for parking.



Larry Belair - “Please be a candidate!”

Election of officers for 2017-2018. We will have elections for new officers of the council by June 15. I call upon the nominating committee (“Hi, Larry!”) to begin the quest for members to fill the officer roles. A member who wishes to become an officer, please contact Larry Belair (603.898-4909).

The council can always be refreshed with new blood and new ideas. Here is your chance to make a difference. Why NOT you as a new officer? You can start by running for an entry level position and then learn and work your way up through the ranks each year; or, if the spirit moves you, go for the whole enchilada and run for Grand Knight! - GK

Lecturer reflection:

Ron presented several jokes to the council.

Also, there is a “Men’s Seminar” in Worcester on April 1. See article below.



Corporation Hall Rental Policy

For hall rental call George Masciarelli at 603-893-3035. Or, go to the council web site and [contact him through email](#). George will match your needs with available dates and send you a rental agreement for your signature and deposit. You must be a member of Council 4442 and/or Assembly 0641 to rent the Corporation Hall and, you must remain at the hall during the rental period. Full details of fees and policies are available on the [web site: Corporation Hall Rental](#).

George can also arrange for members to get a key to the corporation hall.

Knight of the Month for March to Mike Banks.



Mike Banks KOM March

For his work as leader of the parish Comedy Night fund raiser (netting about \$4,000), being the video technician to present Ron Bourque's lecturer video presentations, and past work towing the council's float during the parade and generally volunteering his time whenever possible, often driving crazy distances to be here.

Attendance Drawing

The March drawing for \$20 was not won by Kevin LaSella of Goffstown. (The April prize will be for \$30.)

Anyone can win! Attend the March meeting.

Closing Prayer and Blessing was led by Fr. Tom. Amen!

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Some Contact Information for our Council Members' quick access

If you have a question and need to talk and don't have email, one of us should be able to get you an answer! Email links for GK, DGK, Chaplain, Corporation President are [on the web site](#).

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Corporation	Mike Petrilli	603.893.4784	Hall Rental	George Masciarelli	603.893.3035

Birthday Wishes

Happy Birthday to all our members getting another year older during **March**:

Robert E	Comtois	Andre	Fauvel
Donald H	Gagne, Sr.	James F	Scharn
Christopher K	Alphen	John B	Bement
Kevin M	Lasella	James A	Casazza
Raymond J	Chmieleski	Stewart L	Richardson
Michael A	Pesce	Stanley A	Gorgol
Paul R	Lamb	James S	Keller
Craig J	Bonneau	Norman M	Comeau
Paul G	St.Amand	William J	Ganley, III
Gerald T	Little	Thomas D	Sarcione
Richard E	Tiner		





Assembly 0641 News: Meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

Honor Guard Training Session:

Rico Casaletto organized a training session on Saturday, Feb 25 and March 4. The goal is to have us 4th degree Knights look our best when we function at services. Training sessions were conducted at the hall and at St. Joseph Church.

The first class training consisted of:

1. Review of the proper dress when wearing Regalia.
2. Review and practice of procedures to be followed when participating at wakes and funerals.
3. Manual of the Sword and practice of the positions of the sword.
4. All attendees were given copies of: "The Color Corps Drill Manual" – "Laws and Rules Governing the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus" and "Guidance for Liturgical Services"



The second class training consisted of:

1. A review of "Guidance for Liturgical Services"
2. A visit to St. Joseph's Church to practice attendance at Mass, etc. (attendees wore Regalia minus tuxedo).

"Trainees" were Normand Aubin, Butch Kealey, Dennis Groulx, David Thompson, Jim Dolan, Bill Richards, Chanel Simard, Paul St. Amand and Don Simmons. The classes were ably taught by Enrico Casaletto, Frank Saglime, and Bill McCarthy.

In the past months... and in future months...

Van for Boys and Girls Club



The Boys and Girls Club of Salem, NH, showed off their new van that our council sponsored, along with Pentucket Bank. The usual suspects were rounded up for a photo-op with several urchins from the club.

Our logo appears on the side of the van as well as the rear. Note that the text reads, "sponsored by Knights of Columbus" and it does NOT read, "Owned by Knights of Columbus" nor simply "Knights of Columbus." Gotta watch out and be careful with the use of the emblem of the order!

"Make a hole" for our KofC name!"

Free Throw Competition - Mike Schwing Chairman



Mike reports:
 We went to the District Free Throw Event this past Saturday and it was another good day for the Council!! All the shooters showed up with a guardian, or their parents, except for RJ, who was excused.

And this year Ryan did not repeat his hot streak from last year, but Marcello picked up the slack, and he won the competition for the 10 year old boys.

For the first time in the memory of the district chair they had a tie, which ran into a shoot off!! The first round of shoot off ran into a tie at 4 baskets each, second round ran into a tie at 3, and then the 3rd round was won by getting 4 in vs 3!!!



Thought for the day...

If you say, "God is my co-pilot!" then maybe you should reconsider and ask God to change seats!

Veterans Activities for 2017 - Rico Casaletto

Rico presented a schedule for our council's activities for 2017 in support of the Veterans. As each event date approaches, he will give the details. These events are also on the Council web site "[EVENT CALENDAR.](#)" < Click here.



White Clover Drive - May 12, 13	VAMC Bingo - June 29
Cook out at Tilton Veterans' Home - July 29	POW/MIA Vigil - Sep 15-16
"Tunnel to Tower" Exhibit - Sept 19-23	Veterans' Breakfast - Nov 10
VAMC Christmas Visits - Dec 10	

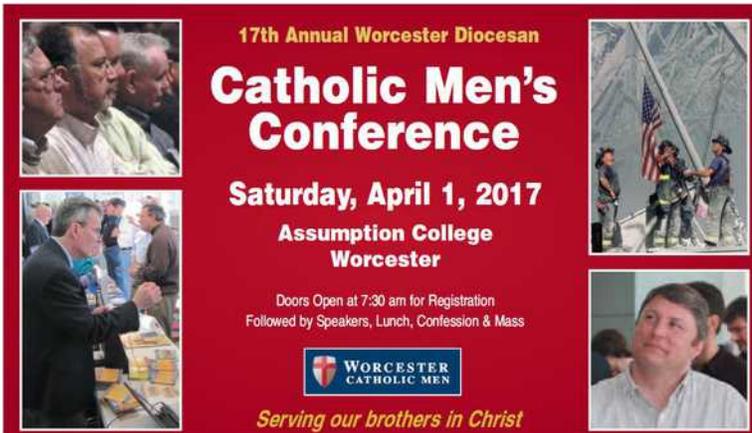
We thank Rico for organizing these events. He has done a great job keeping our council active in support of our veterans.

CELL PHONE PROTOCOL IN CHURCH

This is from a fellow who visited a church in Burbank, CA, where they actually showed this video on how they handle cell phones in church before the service. It's only one minute long, and a hoot!!

[Click on this link to view the video.](#)

Catholic Men's Conference April First - Ron Bourque
Worthy Brothers:



Would you like to attend a one-day Catholic men's conference that could really rejuvenate you and help put things in perspective?

Glenn Coppinger, CEO of Evolve Technologies, dragged me to one of these years ago. It was so good; I've gone back every year since. They get over 1200 men. The speakers are excellent, coming from all over the country, and the topics are the things we men struggle with nowadays. It's very professionally done.

There are many brother Knights who attend, some from as far as Manchester and even Concord.

Here's a [link to the conference brochure](http://www.firstmensconf.org/f/Brochure_files/Conference%20Brochure.pdf): << Click

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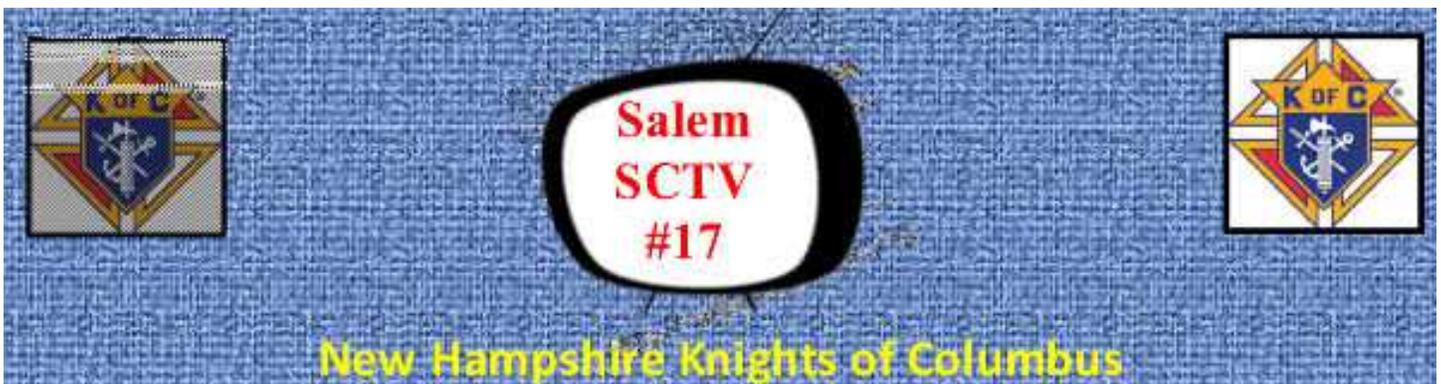
The cost is only \$45 until March 15th, and \$60 after that. The conference is on Saturday, April 1st. What better way to spend April Fools Day?

This year it will be held at Assumption College in Worcester, since they've outgrown the DCU Center. A bunch of us will be going, so car-pooling shouldn't be a problem. And you're sure to meet some interesting people.

I know you're busy, but you just might find this to be a refreshing respite that is well worth it. Feel free to call, if you'd like to discuss it. Hopefully, you'll be able to join us.

Looking forward to it,

Ron Bourque



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Tuesday: 2:00 pm
Wednesday: 2:00 pm

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