

Pine Cone Council Knights of Columbus

NEWSLETTER



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May & June, 2016

Activities

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1st 1st Degree Ceremony, 5:30 PM.*

5th Monthly Business Meeting; Officers Meet at 5:30 PM;
Rosary at 6 PM; Dinner at 6:30; Business Mtg. at 7PM.*

7th Parish Boy Scout Spaghetti Dinner, St. John's Hall, after 4 PM Mass.

12th 4th Degree Meeting 7 PM; Honor Guard Drill 6 PM*

14th Annual Planning Meeting. Breakfast 8 AM; Meeting 9 AM – Noon.*

19th Pot Luck Supper/Game Night 6 PM.*

20th Bangor Veterans Mass. Time 2:30 PM.

21st Flag Day, Mt. Pleasant Cemetery (article Page 3).

21st 4th Degree Exemplification, Biddeford, Maine.

26th Salvation Army Soup Kitchen, 10 AM to 1 PM.

29th Corpus Christi March, St. Matthew's, Hampden.

June

2nd Monthly Business Meeting; Officers Meet at 5:30 PM; Rosary at 6 PM; Dinner at 6:30; Business Mtg. at 7PM.*

4th Annual Golf Tournament, Hermon Meadows, 1 PM.

9th 4th Degree Meeting 7 PM; Honor Guard Drill 6 PM.*
 10th Special Olympics Parade, U. of Maine Orono, Honor Guard Members please join in with other Councils.

11th – 12th Special Olympics track games, U. of Maine, timers needed call Jimmy at 949-1548 for details.

11th Annual Awards Banquet, Social at 5:30, Dinner at 6 PM, at St. Mary's School Cafeteria.

16th Pot Luck Supper/Game Night 6 PM.*

17th Bangor Veterans Mass at 2:30 PM.

19th Operation Wheel Chair, Togus VA, depart St. Mary's parking lot at 6 AM.

23rd Salvation Army Soup Kitchen 10 AM to 1 PM.

* = At St. Mary's Church in main hall.

4th Degree Assembly 339

By Bob Williams, Faithful Navigator

My brothers in Christ,

With the summer weather upon us, we will be cleaning and organizing our homes. It would be great if the items we don't use or need could be

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Grand Knight's Column By John Barry



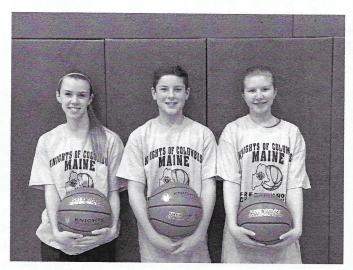
It's hard to believe that our 2015-16 Knight's Year is drawing to a conclusion. We have survived another Maine winter and anxiously await the spring flowers and warmer weather. So far this year we have accomplished many splendid projects together that benefits our parish of St. Paul the Apostle. This past fall we held our first annual Acadian Soiree under the skillful direction of Brother Knight Mike Soucy. This festive event demonstrates the contributions of the State of Maine's rich Acadian heritage so beautifully told in Maine's most famous poet Longfellow's classic epic poem, Evangeline.

In October our council launched a project to purchase an ultrasound machine for Bangor's First Step Pregnancy Center. Under the inspiring leadership and vision of Brother Knights Ben Sweeney and Jacob Haskins, the Pine Cone Council 114 presented this machine to the pregnancy center on Thursday, February 25th with a check for the full amount of the cost – all accomplished in an incredibly short time span.

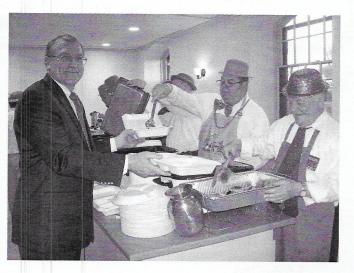
Under the direction of our executive chef, Brother Knight Marvin Garrick, and Deputy Grand Knight Keith Forbes our annual St. Patrick's dinner was a joyous and wonderful success. The combined proceeds of the Acadian Soiree and the St. Patrick's Day Dinner created a check for the sum of \$5,100 that was presented to Father Morin at our April business meeting to support the parish project to build Saint Paul's house for an appropriate family under the Habitat for Humanity program.

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Pine Cone Council's Activities



All Saints School was well represented at our Council, District and State Levels K of C Free Throw Championship. Council #114 had 10 competitors, 6 of whom advanced to the District, and 3 of whom then won at the State level. Their names -- Katelyn Harriman 13, Nicholas Johnson 12, and Diana Harriman 14. (Report by Rey Dubois.)



After many days of preparation, Trustee Keith Forbes enjoys some corned beef and cabbage at the Council's annual St. Patrick's Dinner served up by Norm Pacholski and Bob Williams.



Approximately 25 Knights attended the dedication of the purchase of an ultrasound machine for the First Step Pregnancy Center in Bangor in February. Ultrasound equipment when available to women considering abortion is reported to convince many to keep their child. The above Knights, with the Center's Executive Director Nicole Eggert, included Trustee Keith Forbes, Grand Knight John Barry, Nicole Eggert, Past Grand Knight Larry Willey and Project Leader Jacob Haskins and his children.

Bangor's TV Channel 5 provided excellent coverage of the \$20,000 gift by Knights of Columbus

Annual Awards Banquet

By Keith Forbes, Program Director

Pine Cone Council 114's Annual Awards Banquet will be held on June 11 at St. Mary's School Cafeteria. We are looking for a few people to help create a theme, and maybe build a backdrop for the awards program. Seeking help and could use some artists, painters, and people with creative imaginations to assist with putting things together for this awards extravaganza. Let's make this year the best ever!

4TH Degree Assembly

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donated to the Attic for the less fortunate. All of the funds raised there are used for some of the expenses at All Saints Catholic School, thus cutting the cost to students and our Church. (A great way to share our good fortune, as the Lord asks us to do.)

I would like to remind all golfers of our tournament at Hermon Meadows on June 4th at 1 PM. You can pre-register with a team or alone to be placed on a team. Even non golfers can come to take part in the fun. Thank you Brett Baber for chairing the tournament. Call Brett to register – 942-2898 Extension 102.

We are putting together a float for the Knights and their families for the 4th of July parade. Thank you Rey Dubois for chairing this event. If you wish to help Rey, call him at 249-3038. Let's pull together for a wonderful showing of unity and brotherhood.

If you are aware of any 3rd Degree Knights wishing to complete the journey, please let me know. There is a 4th Degree coming up at Biddeford on May 21st. Now is a great time to receive your 4th Degree! We currently have 2 Knights going. For more information call me at 316-9896.

In closing, I would like to wish you and your family a wonderful summer. May God bless you always. Remember, God 1st, and Family 2nd before all other decisions we are asked to make in daily life.

Culture of Life Column

By Gerry Thibodeau, Editor

Special Olympics & The Knights of Columbus

A smile from a handicapped child can light up a room. Imagine the joy when hundreds gather with their families for the Special Olympics at the University of Maine in Orono. It is truly a joyful event.

Bangor Knights and Knights from around the state will be there again this year. As the Page 1 Activities notes, K of C Color Guards will participate in the opening parade on Friday, June 10th; and Knights will assist as timers for the track events on Saturday and Sunday. Call Jimmy Landers at 947-7458 if you would like to help.

The Knights of Columbus have been with the Special Olympics and its founder Eunice Kennedy Shriver (sister of President John Kennedy) from its beginning.

According to Supreme Knight Carl Anderson, "Eunice's husband, Sargent Shriver (like President Kennedy), was a friend and proud member of the Knights, and like him... we continue those efforts on behalf of people with intellectual disabilities. Our support exemplifies our commitment to the dignity of every person." In 2015, the Knights gave \$1.4 million to the Special Olympics World Games in Los Angeles.

Give Jimmy Landers a call, you'll be glad you did.

Flag Placement at Mount Pleasant Cemetery

By Michael Carouso, District Deputy

Brothers, we are again being asked to lead in the placement of flags at the graves in Mount Pleasant Cemetery on May 21st. The Boy and Cub scouts will be assisting in this noble effort. Remember many of our past brothers were members of the military and lie in repose at Mount Pleasant.

Many hands make for light work. Last year almost 1,000 flags were placed in one and a half hours. This year, there are about 700 to be placed. Whoever takes this task on needs to get coffee and doughnuts for the group. Vivat Jesus.

Grand Knight's Column

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Many of our individual brother knights participated in our parish's annual living Stations of the Cross procession from St. Joseph's Church in Brewer to St. John's in Bangor on Palm Sunday.

On the feast of Corpus Christi, Sunday, May 29th, we will need many fellow knights to participate in the march through the town of Hampden. These two annual parish events present our Catholic faith to the entire Greater Bangor community in a living way that produces untold spiritual impressions on so many fellow citizens whether Catholic on not.

Council 114 Year 2015-2016 still has several big activities that need the full and enthusiastic support of many fellow knights. On Saturday, May 14th, we are holding the annual planning meeting in St. Mary's Church Hall. Breakfast will be provided by Brother Knight Paul Larrabee followed by the planning meeting. I encourage all officers, committee chairs, and any members who wish to attend to join us on the 14th so that together we can create a wonderful and productive calendar of activities for Council Year 2016-2017.

On Saturday, June 4th, our council will host the Annual Golf Tournament at Hermon Meadows. The proceeds from this important event provides significant financial support to our young seminarians.

We will honor our accomplishments for the 2015-16 year with an Annual Awards Banquet to be held on Saturday, June 11th, in St. Mary's School Cafeteria. Dinner will be under the direction of Past Grand Knight Brett Baber. Please make it a point to attend the annual social and dinner on the 11th!

Until our next newsletter, may the peace of the Lord be always with you and your family.

Annual Golf Tournament

By Brett Baber, Chair

Brothers it is time to play some golf, for charity that is. The 20th Annual H.O. Bouchard Golf Tournament, conducted by the Pine Cone Council, is being held on **June 4, 2016 at 1 PM at the Hermon Meadows** Course. This tournament raises much needed funds to provide scholarships for seminarians, our future priests, and women who are becoming nuns. We want to make the 20th annual tournament something special! To do so, we need you to do three things:

- 1. Organize a team Find three other Brothers or anyone you know (like a guy who sits next to you at church) to participate. The cost is \$80 per player and includes greens fee, refreshments, cart, prize eligibility including a chance at a new Chevy car or truck, and a post round BBQ. Contact me at bbaber@lanhamblackwell.com for an entry form or pick on up at the next meeting.
- 2. Ask any business you know to donate. Sponsorship is \$150 and includes signage on the course and a brochure is given to all players with a sponsor listing. If you know of a potential sponsor, please let me or Keith Forbes know.
- 3."Work" on event day. The word "work" is in quotes because this is the most fun you'll have doing something for charity! Please sign up at the next business meeting and we'll find a role for you. In particular, we need 2-4 Knights to assist with the BBQ.

With your assistance, we can make this tournament event something special and help fund scholarships for our futures priests and nuns.

Annual Planning Meeting

By Keith Forbes, Program Director

On May 14th our Council shall hold a training session at St. Mary's Church Hall from 8 AM to Noon. We'll start things off with a little breakfast, prayer and then get right into the planning meeting. Our objectives will be to discuss how we support our Church, how to complete surge reports, and how we share leadership of events. Everyone is invited to attend – officers should attend, please. Please call me at 735-4131, or send me a short email at keithforbes4@gmail.com.

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