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May & June, 2017

Activities

May

- 4th Monthly Business Meeting; Officers Meet at 5:30 PM; Rosarv at 6 PM: Dinner at 6:30; Business Mtg. at 7PM.*
- 7th First Communion/RCIA Mass, St. John's 1 PM Honor Guard Requested.
- 11th 4th Degree Meeting 7 PM; Honor Guard Drill 6 PM*
- 12th-13th Pre Marriage Engagement Pre-Cana Retreat, St. John's.
- 18th Pot Luck Supper/Game Night 6 PM.*
- 19th Bangor Veterans Mass. Time 2:30 PM.
- 20th Annual Planning Meeting. Breakfast 8 AM; Meeting 9 AM - Noon.*
- 21st Faith Formation End of Year BBQ at noon, St. Mary's.
- 25th Salvation Army Soup Kitchen, 10 AM to 1 PM.
- 27th Mt. Pleasant Cemetery Flag Day 9:30 AM (article Page 4)
- 28th 1st Degree Ceremony, 3 PM.*

June

- 1st Monthly Business Meeting; Officers Meet at 5:30 PM; Rosary at 6 PM; Dinner at 6:30; Business Mtg. at 7PM.*
- 3rd 4th Degree Exemplification, Waterville, Maine.
- 8th 4th Degree Meeting 7 PM, parade planning.*
- 9th Special Olympics Parade, U. of Maine Orono, Honor Guard Members please join in with other Councils.
- 10th 11th Special Olympics track games, U. of Maine, timers needed call Jimmy at 949-1548 for details.
- 15th Pot Luck Supper/Game Night 6 PM.*
- 16th Bangor Veterans Mass at 2:30 PM.
- 18th Operation Wheel Chair, Togus VA, depart St. Mary's parking lot at 6 AM.
- 22nd Salvation Army Soup Kitchen 10 AM to 1 PM.
- 24th Annual Awards Banquet, Social at 5:30, Dinner at 6PM, St. Teresa's Hall, Brewer.
- 25th 1st Degree Ceremony 3 PM.*
- * = At St. Mary's Church in main hall.

Degree Assembly 339

By Walter Kamyk, Faithful Navigator

Hello Brothers.

Winter is over and what a rough one this was for many of us. Please say a prayer for those in need.

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Grand Knight's Column By John Barry

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Here we are at Easter 2017 with glorious spring weather to accompany the grandest feast in the Christian calendar. We are blessed with a new justice on our Supreme Court who vigorously supports religious freedom and Christian values. It too is the one hundredth anniversary of our blessed Mother's appearance at Fatima. The Pro Life front is improving as well and government funding for Planned Parenthood may soon be ending.

In May a famous American brand name and social icon is dying -it's the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus, at a ripe old age of 145 years. With it, the Red and Blue Circus Trains pass into railroad history. For this sad but historic event, Jean and I are attending the last Red Train performance of the Greatest Show on Earth in Providence, Rhode Island, The final performance for the Blue Train will be May 21 in Uniondale, New York. They are playing a short final season. Last year animal rights groups forced Ringling Brothers to remove the elephants and most all the other animals from the two shows. Ticket sales plunged to a point that the circus is no longer a functional business model, so Feld Entertainment is dropping the grand drapes on the shows this May. It is sad that Right to Life groups have not been as successful as animal rights activists have. But if you are an avid circus fan as your Grand Knight is, Cecil B. DeMilles's "The Greatest Show on Earth" is available on DVD. It is good family entertainment and won Best Picture in 1952. Betty Hutton, its star performer, later in life became a Catholic.

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Pine Cone Council's Saint Patrick's Dinner



Irish music provided was provided by, left to right, Father Roland Nadeau, Deacon Michael Whalen, Brett Baber, Father Brad Morin, Chris Popper and Tom Pendergast.



A full house enjoyed a traditional Irish meal including corned beef and cabbage, potatoes, carrots, beverages and a dessert buffet.



Preparation for the sumptuous dinner began in the kitchen with Ted Jellison, Frank Jordan, Viking Chris Popper, Marvin Garrick, and Paul Larabee.



Food was served at two locations within the hall. This one included servers Gino Nardi, Bill Bennett, Jamie Berube and Mike Soucy.

Grand Knight's Column

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With May and June approaching, our Knights' Year is drawing to a close, but we still have many activities to keep you all quite busy. In May we have the annual planning meeting on the 20th, the Faith Formation cookout on the 21st, and the Corpus Christi march on the 28th. In June we have the Special Olympics parade and games on the 9th through the 11th, Operation Wheel Chair in Togus on the 18th, and our Annual Awards Banquet & Social in St. Teresa's Hall on the 24th. Please plan to attend and volunteer at as many of these that you can.

On the 21st through the 23rd of April, Jean and I will be attending the state convention along with brother Keith Forbes, Jon Harvey, and Jim Landers from our Council. Its been a great year but please plan on attending our annual planning meeting on May 20th so that we can make activities year 2017-2018 even better. May you and your families have a happy and blessed Easter, and may the peace of the Lord be with you all.

4th Degree Assembly Column Continued from Page 1

I hope this spring and summer will be good and healthy for all of us.

I would like to encourage 3rd Degree members to advance to their 4th Degree, the patriotic degree. It will be this June 3rd in Waterville. This is by far the most involved degree and those who attend this ceremony will appreciate it even more.

To all 4th Degree members and Honor Guard members, please try to attend our 4th Degree meeting on the second Thursdays at 7 PM. We will be planning our July 4th parade in Bangor, and going over our officer positions. I would also like to discuss some of the ideas we can do to get more members to join our monthly meetings.

God bless.

Pro-Life Column

By Gerald Thibodeau, Editor

Elections Can Have Consequences

During the presidential election campaign in 2016, candidate Donald Trump made promises concerning the protection of unborn children. Several of the promises have already been kept:

(1) Leading pro-life groups are delighted that President Trump on January 23rd signed an Executive Order defunding International Planned Parenthood. This Order, called the Mexico City policy, simply requires that foreign organizations as a condition of receiving U.S. grants agree not to perform or promote abortion. The Order was originally made by President Reagan in 1984 and continued by the Bushes, but killed by presidents Clinton and Obama. When Trump's press secretary, Sean Spicer was asked about the order by the press, he said Trump "wants to stand up for all Americans, including the unborn."

(2) President Trump's nominee to the U.S. Supreme Court, Neil Gorsuch, was confirmed by the Senate on April 11th over Democrat and proabortion opposition. During his campaign for president, Trump promised to appoint pro-life justices to the Supreme Court. The Gorsuch appointment is viewed as keeping that promise.

(3) On April 13th, President Trump signed legislation allowing the States to defund Planned Parenthood. This action undoes President Obama's parting gift to the abortion industry requiring the states to fund Planned Parenthood.

There are more promises to be kept including: the defunding of federal funds for Planned Parenthood and reallocating those funds to community health centers; prohibiting abortion after 20 weeks of pregnancy by federal law; and continuing the future nomination of pro-life justices to the U.S. Supreme Court in hope of overturning the Court's 1973 decision, Roe v. Wade, which legalized abortion in the United States.

Financial Secretary's Report By Thomas Chaloult

Hope the warmer weather finds everyone enjoying the spring weather. The end of winter means we can look back on another successful St. Patrick's Day Celebration. At the end of the evening, the Council had gained for our charities the amount of \$1,979.58. This compares favorably with last year with a difference of only about \$50.

Also, the end of Lent meant the end of the Lenten Chowders on Friday nights after the Mass at St. Matthew's. We made about \$60 for the Lenten season, but more important was the gathering of parishioners after Mass downstairs. Hopefully there will be more Knights who will attend in the future.

I want to thank all members who have responded over the past few months to make sure that they remain current on dues. There are only a few who have not paid for 2017. The fourth and final notice will out in the Month of May.

I wish all a fine and glorious summer.

Flag Placement at Mount Hope Cemetery

By Michael Caruso, District Deputy

Brothers, we are again being asked to lead in the placement of flags at the graves in Mount Pleasant Cemetery on May 27th. 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 about 700 flags were placed in about one and a half hours. Whoever takes this task on needs to get coffee and doughnuts for the group. Vivat Jesus.

Thank You Pine Cone Council!

By Pat & Kim Donovan

We are writing to thank the Pine Cone Council #114 members for organizing, and working so hard on the wonderfully successful spaghetti supper to benefit our family. We are extremely grateful for the efforts of so many.

The outpouring of prayers, donations, encouragement, well wishes, planning and hard work, in one word -love – that we have been given, has truly been a wonderful blessing to our family.

The word, "*Thank You*" sees inadequate to express the gratitude that we feel. The Knights have blessed us beyond measure. Thank you!

Knights of Columbus Insurance Facts

The Knights of Columbus is one of the largest life insurers in North America. It has 2 million active insurance contracts in force, and it manages \$22 billion of assets. For 41 consecutive years, the Knights of Columbus has earned the highest possible rating for financial strength, currently: A++ from A.M. Best, the insurance rating agency.

During a rough economic climate, the Knights' insurance has experienced 16 consecutive years of growth. CEO and Supreme Knight Carl Anderson recently remarked, "I firmly believe that our moral compass has helped guide us through a turbulent decade and an uncertain economy. While other companies were making ethically questionable and unnecessarily risky decisions, we were not ... We stayed true to our principles and knew that if we did the right thing for the right reasons, we would get the results that we wanted – and we have."

For more information call Paul Rand, Pine Cone Council's K of C insurance agent at 949-3542.

Honoring the Knight and Family of the Month

(Future newsletters will include the most recent)

Knight of the Month

Family of the Month

Oct 2016 - Tom Chaloult



Faithful Financial Secretary and participates at most events including Tootsie Roll Fund Raiser.

Nov 2016 - Russell "Spike" Brimmer

Oct 2016 - Chris and Bonnie Popper



Cooks at many events including St. Paul House meals. Volunteer at St. Mary's every Sunday.

Nov 2016 - David and Rachel Ferguson

Dec 2016 - Terrence and Cozy



Lead on the degree team, help with Tootsie Roll Fund Raiser, Helps with Christmas Party.



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Volunteering, surge and thank you notes writer, usher at St. John's Church and Rachel in the women's group.

Dec 2016 - Norman Pacholski



Santa at the Christmas Party and lead on the degree teams.



Volunteering, Pies for Pat Donovan fund raiser, usher at St. John's Church.

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Family of the Month

Jan 2017 - Reynold and Annmarie

Jan 2017 - Gil Soucy



Judging "Keep Christ "in Christmas Poster and Free Throw Contest.



Project leader on Keep Christ in Christmas Poster and Free Throw Contest.

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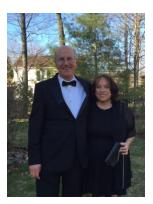
Feb 2017 - David Hart

Feb 2017 - Brett and Gayle Baber

Mar 2017 - Peter and Annia



Volunteer for Nursing Home Communion, Salvation Army Soup Kitchen, and Beef Pot Roast for Jimmy/Linda Landers.



Lead cook for Pat Donavon fund raiser, as well as St. Patrick's day meal. Lecturer, Choir and other volunteer work.

Mar 2017 - Joe Pickering



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Free throw contest, St. Patrick's Day party, Usher at St. John and Annia is an Extraordinary Minister.

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