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The Grand Knight Report – Joe MacShane

Dear Brother Knights,

I would like to start off my last Grand Knights Report by thanking all my officers and Brother Knights who helped so much to make my job as Grand Knight easier. I was so proud of this Council for all we accomplished this year.

A few of our accomplishments were the Fourth of July activities, Kids Fair at the Paul Center, Charity Night, Installation of Officers at St. Mary's, Vendor Fair at St. John's, Tootsie Roll Drive and Golf Tournament, Special Needs Bowling, and Prom, Coats for Kids, Free throw, the clothing drive for the homeless, sale of light bulbs and calendar fund raiser and The Mass of the Roses.

Out of six families nominated for Family of the Month, one family from our Council was chosen by the Supreme Council.

Ralph Nelson was our Knight of the Year for all he has done over the years.

Our First Degree Team does a great job and I am proud to be part of the team.

I'd like to wish Mike Moriarty and

his slate of officer's success in leading the Bishop Ruocco Council in 2014-2015.

Please remember and keep in your prayers our deceased brother's and their families in your prayers.

Do not forget June 23rd Social Meeting, it will be the Changing of the Guard at the Paul Center.

Mike will be looking for help with the third and Fourth of July booth parade and float. Please contact Mike if you will be available to help in any way.

Thank you again for your help in getting me through the year as your Grand Knight.

One last thought.

It's Up to You

One song can spark a moment,
One flower can wake the dream.
One tree can start a forest,
One bird can herald spring.
One smile begins a friendship,
One handclasp lifts a soul.
One star can guide a ship at sea,
One word can frame the goal.
One vote can change a nation,
One sunbeam lights a room.
One candle wipes out darkness,
One laugh will conquer gloom.

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep the following brothers and their families and caregivers in your prayers: Special Prayers are needed for Liz Hirt (wife of Chuck Hirt), and Natalye Cease (mother-in-law of Barry Bell). Upon the death of Ray Kelly, pray for his family. Judy Kelley (wife of Tom Kelley), Helen MacShane, John Clancy, Sheila Demers (wife of John), Cathy O'Malley (wife of Mike), Sandi Cotroneo (wife of Tony), Al Hanley Paul Paradise, Bob Dzuris, Bob Wheeler, Mark Fucarile, John Keville, Josephine Sorbello (wife of George), Dora DesAutels (Wife of Gerald), Marie Baker (Hal's Mother), Jeanne Peters (wife of Jack), Barbara Smith (wife of Michael), Emily Chateauneuf (daughter of Marc), Elaine Fulbright, Father Bilicky, and Al and Pauline Gorham. For those who are sick or in distress, please remember that you are in our prayers at each meeting and in the private prayers of our hearts. If you know of a brother knight or family member who would like to be included in our prayers, please contact one of the individual below. Also, we would like to know any births, wedding and deaths so that we may respond appropriately.

Please inform Grand Knight Joe MacShane at usar1@verizon.net,
Chancellor John Bielefeld at johnb@nereteam.com,
or Newsletter Editor/Publisher Barry Bell at kofcnews@yahoo.com.

CONGRATULATIONS

In recognition of a lifelong commitment to the ideals and principles of the Knights of Columbus Daniel Towers and Henry F. Flynn have achieved Honorary Life Membership Status in the Knights of Columbus. They have both provided 25 years of continuous service to the Knights of Columbus. An Honorary Life Member is relieved of paying any Supreme, State or Council membership dues.

Buildings & Grounds - by John Lamplough, PGK

The State Raffle was a huge success this year as the council sold 84 books, raising \$756 for the State Council and \$504 for our own Bishop Ruocco Council. Thank you to everyone who bought and sold books and to our financial secretary Dave Breen.

Grand Knights Message –
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One step must start each journey,
One word must start each prayer.
One hope will raise our spirits,
One touch can show you care.
One voice can speak with wisdom,
One heart can show what's true.
One life can make the difference,
You see, it's up to you!

Joe MacShane, Grand Knight
O. N. U. G.

SPIRITUAL THOUGHTS

by Deacon Robert Dzuris

***Understanding is the
reward of faith.***

***Therefore seek not to
understand that thou
mayest believe, but
believe that thou
mayest understand.***

St. Augustine In Joann. Evang.
Tract.,39 (5th century)

Fourth of July Volunteers Needed---It is right around the corner---and it is

Brothers, we need volunteers to help with the Fourth of July activities.

We need marchers, please contact Adam Heroux for more information.

We need help to assemble the float, please contact Chuck Carroll for more information.

We need volunteers to help with the booth:

We need people to help **set the booth** up for Thursday July 3rd by 4 P.M. and to help take **down the booth** on Friday July 4th at 1 P.M.

We need people to help **staff the booth** during operating hours, cooking, serving, and selling the food, etc.

There will be a sign up sheet at the June 9th business meeting. Please sign up for one or more of the 2-hour blocks from 4 P.M. - 11 P.M. Thursday July 3rd and from 7 A.M. - 1 P.M. Friday July 4th

Please consider marching with our council in the annual Chelmsford 4th of July Parade. The parade is being held Friday July 4th at 10AM. North Road closes at 9AM, so please be at the McCarthy Middle School prior to 9AM. As usual we will have members of the 4th degree, marching in full regalia. If you are a 4th degree member, please let me know if you are interested in marching in regalia. For our council, the dress code is white polo shirt, dark blue/black pants or shorts, and KofC hat if you have one. We are also looking for a group of kids to march with us carrying the banner and handing out candy.

Please contact Adam Heroux (adam.heroux@gmail.com) if you are interested in marching.

Parking info: Please park your vehicles at the Chelmsford Public Library, at the Shops on Summer Street or in front of the old Marshall's building. DO NOT PARK IN FRONT OF CVS OR STOP & SHOP. Busses will be picking up riders alongside the old Marshall's building on Summer Street. Busses will be available to take anyone marching in the parade to McCarthy Middle School. The parade will end at Summer Street in Chelmsford Center so your vehicles will be right there at the end of the parade. THE LAST BUS: WILL LEAVE SUMMER STREET AT 9:00 A.M. IF YOU DO NOT GET THE BUS YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO BE DROPPED OFF BY 9:00 A.M. AS NORTH ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC AT 9:00 A.M.

Help Needed

St Catherine's Saint Vincent DePaul chapter is hosting a "regional" communion breakfast on 22 June after the 9:00 Mass.

They are requesting support from the Knights for this estimated 100 person event.

I will be available and will be glad to lead the event with the help of a few other Knights. I'll do the shopping and organize the cooking crew et al so the degree of support should be limited.

Contact Dan Towers if you can help
dantowers13@comcast.net

LTC Is an Important Piece of the Puzzle

There are many financial consultants and retirement authorities who emphasize the need for a long-term care (LTC) product for estate preservation and family protection. While many commercial life insurance companies have gotten out of the long-term care business, the Knights of Columbus considers LTC a very important piece of the family protection puzzle. The Order has been actively offering our members this product for nearly 15 years without a premium increase on current policyholders. Members who wisely purchased an LTC plan from the Knights in 2000 are still paying the same premiums today. Even better, our LTC coverage is backed by the full strength of the Order, which remains rooted in our strong Catholic values. Talk about stability when it counts.

If we have not spoken about your need for LTC coverage in your family portfolio, please take some time out of your schedule to meet with me.

Remember, long-term care policies are underwritten based on your health, and you most likely will never be any healthier than you are today.

Take advantage of it; contact me today.

Stephen A. White 603-894-4780

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Support for Seminarians

Support has been given to two seminarians who are studying at St. John's Seminary in Brighton. They are Mark Olejnik who is in Pre Theology II and Timothy Hynes who is in Pre Theology I. We have started to send them our Newsletter and hopefully they will accept an invitation to join us at a meeting in the future.

6th Dues Request

This message is for the 12 members who have not yet paid their 2014 dues.

I have sent dues requests via newsletter, email, phone and PO mailings. Do I have a communication problem with the wrong contact information? Have you received these requests and ignored them? Your Knights of Columbus membership status is in jeopardy. You may be suspended.

DUE DATE: January 1, 2014

Make Check Payable To: Bishop Ruocco Council #9275 K of C

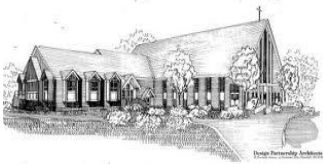
Send Payment To: David L. Breen, FS, 5 Hearthstone Road, Westford, MA 01886

Annual Dues for 2014 & Culture of Life Assessment \$ 32.00

Voluntary Contribution to Charity Fund?

DISABLED? Or UNABLE TO PAY? Contact Dave Breen, dlbreen@comcast.net, 978-692-XXXX

Bishop Ruocco Charity Fund/ St John the Evangelist Golf Tournament
 Brothers the annual golf tournament is being held on September 15th at Overlook Country Club. This has been a great event over the last few years. Additionally all proceeds for our council will be used in our charity fund. See the attached registration form. Feel free to contact Adam Heroux with questions.



2014 Golf Registration Form St. John's and the K of C



9th Annual Fund Raising Golf Tournament

Proceeds will benefit Saint John's and The Bishop Ruocco Council - Knights of Columbus. Please join us for a friendly round of golf.

**Where: Overlook Country Club
 5 Overlook Drive, Hollis, NH 03049**

Format: "Scramble"

**When: Monday, September 15, 2014
 7:30AM-->Coffee/Pastry.....8:30 AM--> "Shotgun Start"**

Donation: \$125 per player (includes greens fees, cart rental, afternoon lunch buffet, prizes and refreshments) Register your *Foursome.....*, or as *Individual and we will place you in a foursome.*

Please call Ron Bator (978/251-xxxx or 987/996-xxxx) or Adam Heroux (978/459-xxxx) for more information.

**Complete form below and return to St. John's Rectory, 115 Middlesex Street
 North Chelmsford, MA (attn: Golf Registration)**

Registration Form : Please include check to St. John the Evangelist Church (RE: Golf or K of C)

Foursome (or individual) Name: 1. _____ Phone: _____

Address _____

Email _____

Others in Foursome:

2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____

- * Non golfers can join luncheon for \$10 (have your spouse join us)
- * Business sponsorship of holes with sign at Tee box for \$500-Gold, \$250-Silver or \$125-Bronze
- * Complete Registration early to insure space

Knights of Columbus T-Shirts now available

As other Councils have done, we are also going to have all those who volunteer to help run the various activities wear a K of C T-Shirt during that event.

Our Grand Knight has ordered and has received beautifully colored T-Shirts with our Council Name and K of C logo on the front.

These T-Shirts are offered at \$ 15 each, in a range of sizes.

T-Shirts will be available to purchase at our June Business meeting just in time to have us wear them for the 4th of July Booth and Parade activities.

Ken Desilets (PGK) has volunteered to be the point person to sell and reorder them as required.

CALENDAR

Date	Event	Time/Location	Commitment
JUNE			
23	Change of Officers	7:00 Camp Paul	2 hr. Attend meeting
JULY			
3	Independence Day	5 – 10PM Chelmsford Common	2 hr. Sell snacks at booth
4	Independence Day	9 – 11AM Chelms Junior High	3 hr. March in Parade
4	Independence Day	7 – 1 Chelmsford Common	2 hr. Sell snacks at booth
AUGUST			
10	Special Needs Fair	7-8:30 Paul Center	1.5 hr. Serve Breakfast
10	Special Needs Fair	8:30 – 11 Paul Center	2.5 hr. Play Games
SEPTEMBER			
15	Golf Tournament	7:8:30	Golf
Planning Mtg – 1 st Monday 7:00 Camp Paul		June 2	July 7
Business Mtg – 2 nd Monday 7:00 Camp Paul		June 9	July 14
Social Mtg. – 4 th Monday varies see above		June 23	
Questions	Contact: Dave Breen	978-692-4873	dlbreen@comcast.net

Newsletter by Barry Bell

Articles that are to be included in the **SEPTEMBER** issue of the Knight Reader need to be e-mailed to me at kofcnews@yahoo.com before **AUGUST 25th**. Please send the articles, I will edit them to fit and then publish the Knight Reader during the first full week of the month. Currently there are 39 members who do not use e-mail for updates. **If you wish to be kept informed, please send me your e-mail address for e-mail updates.** I will still send you a snail mail of the newsletter if you so desire and let me know.

REMEMBER----THE KNIGHT READER IS NOT PRINTED IN JULY AND AUGUST---If you want to be kept informed---send me your e-mail address if you get the newsletter by snail mail.

The Planning Meetings begin at 7:00pm. The Business Meeting and Social Meetings begin at 7:30pm with a collation beginning at 7:00pm. Meetings are held at The Paul Center at 39 Concord Road, Chelmsford.