



# Arthur J. O'Neil Council 5112

## June 2016 Newsletter



### Grand Knight's Message

Well Brother Knights, our fraternal year is coming to a close. You should all be very proud of the achievements made this year. Our schedule of service programs looks exceptional. As you look over it, you will notice that most of the programs are newly implemented with the last year or so. A Fine well done to all involved! As we prepare to close out this year and dive into the next, it is my hope that we are able to continue this momentum into the 2016-2017 fraternal year. This council has made tremendous progress in the last few years, and as long as I am around, I am going to be sure to do whatever I can to see to it that the progress continues and increases!

Please make note that elections of officers will be held at the next meeting. If you see an opening, and you are a 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> degree knight, please consider putting your name in so that we can be sure to have a full roster. Also remember, this is an election. If you wish to place your name on the ballot for a position already filed on the ballot, you may do so before elections begin.

### Fundraising

Bob Garand has offered to take the lead as the fundraising chairperson. The biggest asset to any fundraising effort is manpower. Please connect with Bob to see where you can be of use. Remember, without fundraising, many of our service programs simply cannot exist!

### Meeting Notice

Our next monthly business meeting will be held at Saint Raphael Parish on Wednesday, June 8th, 7:00pm.

### Wheelchair Ramp Building

As I told you at the May meeting, I was approached by a fellow parishioner on behalf of another parishioner who was looking to have a wheelchair ramp build in advance of her husband's return from 7 ½ months spent in rehab. On Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, Mark Lawrence, David Geaney, Armand Carignan, John Flanagan, and I answered the call. With the help of some of the family friends, a 47' ramp was constructed and nearly finished. The Ramp should be completed in the upcoming days, but I was extremely proud of the council on a job well done. Please check out the pictures of the project posted on the council website.

### Camp Bernadette Cleanup

On Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, Camps Fatima and Bernadette held their annual camp cleanup weekend. Council 5112 were represented by me, my wife & 2 daughters, and Roger LeBlanc. We spent the day scraping, sanding and repainting 30+ year old benches, hanging mirrors in the cabins and a handful of other tasks needed to be completed to facilitate the camps opening day in just a few weeks.

### Tootsie Rolls

It is that time of year! Deputy Grand Knight Bob Garand has offered to chair our annual collection for People with Intellectual Disabilities. We will be ready to begin our collections sometime in May. Please reach out to Bob to let him know your availability.



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### Elections of Officers

The June meeting marks our annual election of officers. If you have not already put your name in the ring, please consider filling an open position to be a more influential member of our council. Here is the ballot at the time of this newsletter:

Grand Knight	Chris Sweeney
Deputy Grand Knight	Robert Garand
Recorder	Jim Finn
Treasurer	Louis Batres
Chancellor	- vacant -
Warden	Ed Hager
Inside Guard	- vacant -
Outside Guard	Roger LeBlanc
Advocate	- vacant -
Trustee 3 Years	Armand Carrigan

### From Our Field Agent Rafael Peschiera

Whatever your financial needs there could be a program through the Knights of Columbus Insurance Program that could help you now and in the future. Please do not hesitate to call on me if you have questions or want more information. You can reach me by phone at 703-6780. You can also email me at [rafael.peschiera@kofc.org](mailto:rafael.peschiera@kofc.org). Thanks for your time and I look forward to hearing from you

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# **Goffstown Council #5112 Major Fundraising Event - NHMS NASCAR New Hampshire 301 - NASCAR Sprint Cup Series race**

Council members, their spouses and children 16 years or older are asked to volunteer for a great council fundraising event:

Ladies and Gentlemen - Get ready to start your engines!

**Friday July 8, 2016 - Orientation** for all new NHMS NASCAR volunteers 6 - 8 PM  
Learn what is expected of our council and the Seabees (Navy) lead by Roger LeBlanc.

We usually get our assignment, where to report, where to park, how to prepare, dress khaki shorts or pants, white polo shirt (No flip flops). How to prepare for the weather, sunscreen, rain gear, water & snacks, no alcoholic beverages by volunteers, etc. ...

(Note - NHMS may need volunteer's on Friday 7.15 or Saturday 7.16 or on Sunday 7.17. I would like to have us only volunteer 1 day as 1 group). As a new organization NHMS may assign us where needed the most. Returning organizations usually get preference.

**Sunday July 17, 2016 - Race day** - tentative volunteer day for 7 hours at the race track:

Volunteer opportunities (may be assigned as a new volunteer organization - parking assistance, fan screening at the gates, ushering, ticket scanning, etc. ...)

Early hours to be at the NHMS in Loudon for a 5:30 AM check in, volunteering until 1 or 2 PM.

All volunteers will be paid \$7 per hour. Including the orientation on 7/8/16 and the day of the race. If we bring 20 or more volunteers our council receives a \$250.00 bonus plus if we say we are bringing 20 people and we tell NHMS we receive an additional \$5 per person (not per hour) on top of the \$7 per hour each volunteer works.

So 20 volunteers from council #5112 & Seabees working 7 hours on race day = \$980.00 + \$250.00 (bonus) + \$5 per person \$100.00 = \$1330.00 total. And if the same go to orientation - \$280 for a total of \$1610.00.

Think of how we can assist, in our charitable works, the parish's (St. Lawrence & St. Raphael) our community and council with these much needed funds.

I realize that we are asking a lot of our council family members to give up a Sunday during the very short summer season. But as I write this 5 council members just volunteered to build a handicap ramp for a family from St. Lawrence at their Goffstown home. The father has been in rehab for 7.5 months and this ramp allows him to come home to his wife and 3 daughters. The Goffstown Council # 5112 would like the ability to continue great projects like this and as you know it takes funding for some of our other worthy projects.

Chairmen, John Flanagan & Roger LeBlanc (Seabees)

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## Service Programs 2015-2016

<b><u>Church</u></b>	<b><u>Activity</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>
	1 Community Planning Meeting	7/21/2015
	2 Advent Church Decorating	12/1/2015
	3 Donated Vestments for Saint Lawrence Aux. Priest	3/7/2016
	4 Christmas Gift for Semenarian Thomas Moses	12/1/2015
<b><u>Community</u></b>	<b><u>Activity</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>
	1 Community Thanksgiving Dinner, Goffstown NH	11/26/2015
	2 Veterans Day Memorial Gathering, Boscowan NH	11/11/2015
	3 Collection of Hats, Gloves & Scarves For Homless Shelter	1/20/2016
	4 Home Heating Fuel Fundraiser	10/1/2015 - 1/31/2016
<b><u>Family</u></b>	<b><u>Activity</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>
	1 Annual Council BBQ	9/23/2015
	2 Pizzas for Family Movie Night, Saint Lawrence Church	3/19/2016
	3 Built Wheelchair Ramp for The Saunders Family	6/4/2016
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<b><u>Culture of Life</u></b>	<b><u>Activity</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>
	1 Crisis Pregnancy Center Good Drive	1/1/2016-1/31/2016
	2 NH Birthright Dinner	2/13/2016
	3 National Pro-Life T-shirt Dressdown Day at Saint Benedict	4/22/2016
	4 Blood Drive at Saint Lawrence	2/26/2016
	5 Blood Drive at Saint Lawrence	6/17/2016
<b><u>Youth</u></b>	<b><u>Activity</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>
	1 Donated to Saint Benedict Family Fun Day	4/22/216
	2 Campagne for People with Intelectual Disabilities	5/1/2016-6/30/2016
	3 Camp Bernadette Cleanup Day	5/21/2016
	4 Supplied materials for Robbie Morin's Eagle Scout Project	4/8/2016
<b><u>Council</u></b>	<b><u>Activity</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>
	1 NH State Fundraiser Ball, Nashua NH	10/10/2015
	2 Hosting of 2nd & 3rd Degreee	3/12/2016
	3 NH State Convention Ball, Nashua NH	4/30/2016
	4 On going 1st Degree Practices	Monthly