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Father Sebastian Rasle General Assembly 0337

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OUR NEXT BUSINESS MEETING WILL BE HELD ON

Monday February 13th, 2017

7:00 PM – Msgr. P.J. Flanagan Parish Center annex at St. Pius X Church Portland, Maine

“The Year of the Family”

Faithful Friar
Msgr. Michael Henchal
Faithful Navigator
John A. Moreshead
Faithful Captain
John Land
Faithful Pilot
Christopher M. Brown
Faithful Admiral
John M Brown
Faithful Comptroller
Andrew E Litcher
Faithful Purser
Robert J Rainville
Faithful Scribe
William DeCormier
Faithful Trustee (3yr.)
Robert Rand
Faithful Trustee (2yr.)
Richard L Goulet
Faithful Trustee (1yr.)
Robert L Laliberte
Faithful Inner Sentinel
John Garity
Faithful Outer Sentinel
Richard J Rand
Color Corps Commander
John Brown

Worthy Sir Knights,

Winter is back and Lent is just a few short weeks away! Your generous donation of blankets, socks, gloves etc. were graciously accepted by Roger Goodoak of the Maine Homeless Veterans Alliance. Roger was very thankful to us for helping him help those veterans who, for whatever reason, need it. Roger has asked that, if you can, he is always in need of gloves and socks. You can get in touch with him through the Maine Veterans Alliance or, get them to me and I will be sure to pass them along. Roger has also offered anyone who is interested to ride with him to see firsthand what the Maine Veterans Alliance does.

Lou Profenno has informed me that the Maine Veterans Home in Scarborough has changed their volunteer policy and is looking for a minimum two hour per month commitment from all volunteers. Lou will elaborate further at our upcoming meeting.

Worth Sir Knight Paul Ouellette has passed on an “urgent” request from Fr. Greenleaf (director of Seminarians for the Diocese of Portland) and, rather than paraphrase, his message is as follows:

Dear Brother Knights,

The bishop has accepted a new seminarian from Vietnam. In Vietnam, the government controls how many men can study for the priesthood and there are more than is allowed. They have a lot of vocations there. There is a program that will allow them to come to the United States to be trained for priesthood and live here for the rest of their lives. They leave everything behind and come to here to be priests. We now have one man studying for our diocese who just arrived at St. John’s seminary. He has nothing and so we need to set him up to buy toiletry items, notebooks, pens, cassock and the rest so that he can complete his semester. Therefore, I am asking that if you are at all interested in taking on a seminarian to support in the RSVP, he would be the seminarian most in need now. Here is his information. Please let me know if you will adopt him so that I can make sure that he is being supported. His name and address:

Peter Paul Thanh Pham
Saint John's Seminary
127 Lake Street
Brighton, MA 02135

Thank you for all you do to support our future priests. I am sure that they will be very supportive of you when they get to a parish as a priest.

Fr. Daniel Greenleaf
Director of Seminarians

From all that I've heard the "March for Life" to "publicly recognize and mourn" the Supreme Court's decision in Roe v. Wade was a great success again this year. As mentioned in my previous newsletter, Maine Right to Life will be currently fighting a new threat to life in the form of "physician assisted suicide" and will need all of our support.

Again, there is a Fourth Degree exemplification in Waterville on June 3rd this year. District Master Phil Lizotte is asking for our support by urging all Third degree Knights to take this degree.

Raffle tickets are in. I want to thank Worthy Sir Knight Bob Rand for making this happen. We will be distributing the tickets to everyone at our meeting. I would ask Knights from each of the various Parishes to take the lead in selling as many tickets as possible at their respective Parish.