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## Knights of Columbus

COUNCIL, No. 101

Our Lady of Hope Parish - St. Pius X Church Portland, Maine

<http://www.ladyofhopemaine.org/kofc101monthly1.htm>

### Our Next Council Meeting is September 3 @ 7pm – St Pius X Ch. [lower] hall

My Brother Knights:

Twenty years has passed since first elected to the position of Grand Knight; I have held other positions within the Maine State Council but none as gratifying as the position of Grand Knight. I hope that this coming year will be as fulfilling for you as I know it will be for me.

I have “kicked back” and reviewed our council's accomplishments for the past years and there have been many. With the closing of St Patrick's church, which was near and dear to all of us, our council has moved into St Pius church/ renovated a basement room and has been accepted into their warm and friendly community.

A few months back I was asked to think about the G.K. position, and if I would be up to the challenge! Times have changed [a lot] from the 1993 area when there were no computers or E-mails to now, when everything is on CD and E-mail. We have come a long way and we have a long way to travel in our journey **to Enlarge and strengthen our council.** **Enlargement** means new members; and each member should always be aware of the recruitment challenge when addressing prospective candidate's.

**Strengthen;** how do we go about this important challenge and whose job is this? Well I guess it starts with me the G.K. to point the way, issue challenges to the membership and to communicate with the council about what progress is being made and where we are lacking in Strength.

**Communication is very important:** There will be a newsletter each month, through either E-mail or Letter or both. “Given the price of stamps” If you [or a relative] have E-mail and would like to stay in monthly contact with the council please contact our FS Raymond Di Donato [kdidonato@aol.com](mailto:kdidonato@aol.com) and you will be added to the E-mail list.

I presently intend to [mail out a News Letter] every other month to members that are not on E Mail - starting in September. Communication is so important to our council's growth. This is a challenge for our officers to stay in monthly touch with program updates.

**This being my first monthly** News Letter I am not sure if I will be able to get all available information in this letter. Might be a bit crowded; but bear with me as we move along.

**The council would like to thank** Past Grand Knight Robert “Rob” Carignan for a successful two years as Grand Knight. The council has made many strides under his great leadership! Supreme Council recently informed us that our council received the “Double Star Council” award. Please take a moment and review the August edition of your Columbia magazine, which lists council awards given to all councils. There are very few “Double Star awards given and this is testimony to Rob's fine leadership. Rob also is a stela performer on our council's 1<sup>st</sup> Degree team.

Rob, Thanks for all of your dedicated hard work;

Much appreciated by all of our membership!

**FYI:** There will be a First Degree [our team] on Sunday September 14- 7 pm @ St Pius Ch. Candidates must be there by 6:30 - Please make an extra effort to come and offer your support.

**Missed:** Kent & Margaret White have recently moved to Connecticut; they were the go to couple to help facilitate things in the council and at St Patrick's Ch. Good Luck in the sunny south Conn. Though I hear, they sometimes have more snow than we do! Good Luck and hope to hear from you soon.

**Reminder:** Please bring your cans & bottles to the September, 3 meeting. They all add up to provide needed revenue for the council. We have been doing this revenue project for a number of years

**Christmas Cards;** Last year during November the council sold beautiful Christmas cards following masses at St Joseph's & St Pius ch's . This was very rewarding financially for the council and much appreciated by the congregations. DGK Paul Leblond will give us an update on this project.

**Council T" Shirts:** We are presently looking into the possibility of purchasing [Golf Shirts] with the third degree logo /council name and your name for a reasonable price. They are good-looking shirts and should last for a while. More discussion at the Sept. meeting

**Togas: Operation Wheel Chair** – We participate on Sunday August 31 on this yearly event. Due to the time scheduling, I asked a few council members to accompany me to this memorable event. If you have never participated before it is very gratifying to assist the veterans to Sunday Mass. You will go into the veteran's rooms, meet them and push them in their wheel chairs to Sunday Mass; something you will not forget.

#### ***The Value of Life Insurance for Children***

As a father, you worry about your children and do everything you can to protect them. You try to raise them right and make sure they are prepared to become adults. But have you ever thought about buying life insurance for your child?

When you insure a child, you are protecting his or her future. Did you know that one out of every six adults get rated, postponed, or denied for insurance coverage? If you purchase a policy for your child from the Knights of Columbus with a guaranteed purchase option, it guarantees that more insurance can be purchased for that child without proving insurability.

Unfortunately, as fathers we don't have a crystal ball, and we don't know what the future may have in store for our children's health. But did you know that right now you can purchase a child's policy, in many cases, for less than \$10 a month?

I've heard it said that people don't want to "profit" from the death of a child, so they won't purchase coverage on their children. God forbid something tragic happens, those funds can come in handy at a time when finances will be the last thing on a parent's mind. I have never heard a story about someone who regretted buying coverage on their child.

Contact me today to discuss the many policy options for child plans, including 10- and 20-Pay life insurance.

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Well there is more to add but sorry no room – Next month

**God Bless and hope to see you at the Sept. 3 meeting \_\_ J. M. B.**

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