



Monthly Newsletter



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Grand Knight's Report – NOVEMBER 2015

Our 3rd meeting of the new fraternal year was held on Tuesday Nov. 10th, 2015 at the St. Joseph's Friary meeting room. 12 Brother Knights were present. Please try to make it your goal to attend one meeting this year.

Brother Eric Griffin gave a final report for our Citrus Fruit Drive for this year. The council netted \$1508 for our Treasury. Thank you to the 14 brother knights who participated in the 204 sales. Just think what we could do if a few more of our brother knights participated in the sales. It is a very easy sell so give it some thought for next year.

We raised \$588.40 and it was voted to donate the funds to the Maine Adaptive Sports and Recreation. PGK Norm Twaddel will be presented the check to them this month. Thank you to the brother knights who participated in the drive.

On a more somber note, I must resign my position of Grand Knight due to a conflict of interest with my new job as Insurance Agent for the Knights of Columbus. DGK Jim Pizzo will fill the position of Grand Knight for the remainder to this fraternal year and I know he will do an excellent job leading and representing council 11257.

Our next business meeting will be held on December 8th at 7:00pm in the meeting room at St. Joseph's friary.

Vivat Jesus!

Justin M. Russell GK

Council 11257, Portland

Service Program Directors for the year:

Program Director: Michael Pizzo

Church Director: Peter Rovnak

Vocations Director: Dewayn Marzagalli

Community Director: David Haverty

Council Director: Norman Twaddel

Public Relations: Eric Griffin

Family Director: Justin Russell

Youth Director: Peter Rovnak

Membership Director: James Pizzo

Retention Chairman: Reuben Ramos

Insurance Promotion: Norman Twaddel

Call of Meeting to Order

The Nov.10th meeting was called to order by GK Justin Russell at 7:00pm. The GK also lead us in the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of Officers

- Chaplain U
- Grand Knight, J. Russell P
- DGK , J. Pizzo P
- Chancellor, P. Rovnak P
- Recorder, M. Pizzo P
- Financial Secretary, R. Ramos E
- Treasurer, D Bergson P
- Lecturer , N. Twaddel P
- Advocate , R. LeDuc P
- Warden , M. Cannon P
- IS Guard , S. Vail E
- OS Guard, F. Stephens P
- 1 Yr. Trustee , D. Haverty P
- 2 Yr. Trustee , E. Griffin P
- 3 Yr. Trustee , J. Morin A

P = Present

A = Absent

E = Excused

U = Unassigned

Reading of Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

It was motioned and passed to dispense with the reading of the minutes from our previous meeting.

Report of Admissions Committee and Reading of Applications:

No applications.

The Chaplain's Report:

NONE We do not have a Chaplain.

Membership Statistics:

Council Membership:
Insurance Members 22
Associate Members 36
Inactive Insurance Members 1
Total 59

Of the 60 members, 4 are Honorary Members

The aging of our council:

20—30 = 1 31—40 = 4
41—50 = 8 51—60 = 11
61—70 = 17 71—80 = 11
81—90 = 7 91—100 = 0

The average age of our council membership is **62**

The Following Have Received the Honors of the 2nd & 3rd Degrees:

NONE

The Following Have Received the Honors of the 4th Degree:

NONE.

The Treasurer report: 10/31/15

BEGINNING Bal 10/01/15 \$2,903.50

INCOME
Receipts form Citrus Drive 5,129.00

EXPENSES
Fla. Indian Grove (3,641.92)
KC Supreme Supplies (11.43)
TOTAL EXENSES (\$3,653.35)

ENDING BAL.10/31/15 \$4,379.15

Respectfully submitted, David Bergson, Treasurer

Motioned to accept the report and unanimously approved.

Reading of Bills and Communications:

NONE.

The Financial Secretary Report:

Due to a transfer we now have 58 total members. The annual dues billing have been mailed. **PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES BY DECEMBER 31ST.**

Trustee's Report:

NONE

The Chancellor's Report:

NONE

Report of Service Program Committees:

Bro. Griffin reported that our fruit drive netted \$1508 from record sales of 204 cartons. Thank you to all brother knights who participated. We assisted in the kitchen of the Harvest Fair for St. Brigid school. Brother knights installed the Christmas lights at the front of the church. Brother Rovnak will be putting up the mitten tree in a few weeks. We had brothers help with the Crop walk. We will be distributing 8baskets for those in need at Thanksgiving.

Unfinished Business:

NONE

New Business:

Motion was made and seconded to donated our tootsie roll monies to Maine Adaptive Sports & Recreation. PGK Norm Twaddel will be making the presentation to them in November.

GK Justin Russell has resigned due to a conflict of interest with a new Insurance position. DGK Jim Pizzo will take over for the remainder of the year. PGK Norm Twaddel will fill the DGK position until end of this year. Bro. Steve Vail, Inside Guard has transferred to Council 2219 in Westbrook and Ed Ryan will fill

District Deputy Report & Guests.

District Deputy Lee Kimbell was not able to attend this months meeting.

Upcoming Events:

<u>Dec. 2015</u>	Coats for Kids Program—Haverty
<u>Dec. 3, 2015</u>	Nun's night at St. Pius, assist Council 2983
<u>Dec. 6, 2015</u>	Breakfast with Santa <u>Cancelled</u>
<u>Dec. 8, 2015</u>	Council Business Meeting at Friary Conf. Room 7:00PM
<u>Dec. 10,11,12, 2015</u>	Ringing bells for Salvation Army at Mall—M. Pizzo
<u>Dec. 18, 2015</u>	Installation of Christmas Crèche at St. Joseph's Church

If you are able to assist with any of these events please call Brother Mike Pizzo at 207-797-6326.

Good of the Order:

Healing prayers are offered for the following members and friends of our council.

Brother Dominic Bernabei

Lacey Ramos, daughter of Br. Reuben Ramos

Maxine Morgan, wife of Br. John Morgan

Connie Ryan wife of Br. Ed Ryan

Brother Bill Hubbard

Alice Leahy, wife of Br. George Leahy

Chuck & Sheryl Rossi, friends of N. Twaddel

Gina Whitlock niece of Bros. Jim and Mike Pizzo

Rocco Pizzo, nephew of Bros. Jim and Mike Pizzo

Brother Mike Lane**Fr. Jim Hammond****Fr. Don Bosco****Brother Don Farr****Jerry O'Shea & Wife Rita****Brother Peter Rovnak****News of the Fourth Degree:**

Our 4th Degree Assembly 337 meets in Portland at St. Pius Hall on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00pm

4th Degree exemplification to be held in Biddeford on May 21, 2016. more information to follow.

Insurance Program:

Please consider the Knights Insurance programs for your insurance needs. You may contact our Insurance Agent Gregory White at 207-522-7365 email Gregory.white@kofc.org.

Birthdays Wishes to following members:

Todd Libby	Dec 15
Michael Pizzo	Dec 16
Reuben Ramos	Dec 20
Howard Rowe Jr.	Dec 22
J. Stephen Fazio	Dec 26
Duke LeDuc	Dec 28
Tim St. Hilaire	Dec 28
Bob Kennedy-Jensen	Dec 30

BLESSINGS & CONGRATULATIONS!**EDITORS NOTE:**

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Lecturer Report: NONE

Please take a moment to feel the movement of your council. We are, together, making a difference in our Parish and Community. If you are not already actively involved please consider the good we do and in greater numbers the more that we will be able to accomplish. I invite you to come with us on a journey to fulfillment.

Our business meetings are held at 7:00PM in the Friary conference room, 2nd Tuesday of every month (Except the months of July and August). Please review the Upcoming Events included in this newsletter and we welcome your participation and attendance.

Calendar of Events

If you are in need of a copy of the Calendar of Events for the fraternal year please email or call Program Director Bro. Michael Pizzo at pbs63@aol.com or 233-4780.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM EVENTS

Brothers,

Each year for Thanksgiving we give back to our community by supplying the complete makings for a Thanksgiving dinner, including the turkey, to 6 families in need. We look to help those in our parish community and if we don't utilize the 6 dinners we look to the greater community with the assistance of Catholic Charities.

Also, in December, we are again this year participating with our Supreme brother knights in the "Coats for Kids" project. We are order 6 cases of coats, 3 for boys and 3 for girls, 12 in each box for a total of 72 new winter coats. Once again we will assist those in our parish community first and if we don't utilize all the coats we look to the greater community with the assistance of Catholic Charities. Last year was our first year with this project and we had no shortage of kids who needed the coats so we have increased the number this year.

We utilize our Fruit drive monies to help with these two projects but we can use your assistance with donations. If you could help, you can send your donation to David Haverty, 81 Haverty's Way, Portland, 04103. Make your check payable to Knights of Columbus Council 11257. Thank you for your consideration.

God Bless You and Your Family