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## NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE COUNCIL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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My Brothers all,

So welcome to winter. Not so bad so far. We've been blessed with a mild winter so far I'd say. Who knows what the next couple of months will bring? Hopefully we continue in this milder weather so that the unfortunate people around us who can't afford oil, gas or wood to keep them warm will remain somewhat comfortable.

Since the last time we met in the Granite Knight lots of neat things have happened. Right after Christmas Vicki and I had the opportunity to attend vespers with the young men of the Diocese of Manchester who are in formation for the priesthood or are seriously thinking about it. We were joined by many of our priests and by Bishop Peter Libasci. The men who are well into the seminary life all spoke passionately about their personal discernment process. That conversation was an eye opener to say the least. I hope the all of our Councils are involved with the support of these young men via the RSVP program and by offering prayers for the success of the programs. We need these priests and we certainly need to boost up our entire vocation program.

In January we remember all the innocent lives lost to the scourge of abortion. This year at the Walk for Life in Concord we celebrated the daily liturgy with Bishop Libasci once again. We were very proud to see our contingent of Fourth Degree Knights there to provide an honor guard. The Bishop gave a very stirring homily. Following Mass we marched to the State House for a rally and then the march back to St. John the Evangelist while praying the Rosary for Life. It was cold but the spirit that was evident in the hearts of the participants was amazing. We know also that several of our number travelled to Washington with Bishop Libasci for that March for Life event too. Our thanks to those intrepid travelers for taking the time to demonstrate their beliefs.

Also in January we held our annual Birth Right Dinner. Our thanks to Council 6725 – Mary Queen of Peace at Merrimack for hosting this successful event. Many thanks also to Monsignor Paul Bouchard for his kindly welcome and a very informative homily on the right to life. Thanks also to the ladies of the Knights of Columbus for all the work they did collecting and packaging supplies for the Birth Right Centers. Each center in attendance went home with a large container of supplies that will be used in their various ministries. None of us can do it all but all of us can do a little. With that saying in mind we certainly can continue to evangelize the world.

We also celebrated with Assistant State Chaplain Father Robert Smolley as Fr. Robert celebrated 30-years of priestly ordination. Many thanks to Father Robert for saying yes to the priesthood and for his many years of service to the Knights of Columbus. Father also announced this weekend that we will have the opportunity for a retreat or weekend of recollection during late August. Mark your calendars and get ready to attend. Coming right up is the Granite Award banquet. This banquet is a celebration of those among us who are demonstrating exemplary service to our friends and neighbors. So far we have six outstanding nominees. The excitement is mounting. I hope you plan to contact Brother Barry Rondeau and make your ticket purchases as soon as possible. The affair is scheduled for March 3 at the Pheasant Ridge Golf Club in Gilford. Why not make plans now to attend? Maybe you can figure out a way for your Council to buy a table for ten. What a great idea!! Remember this is a black tie affair so get spruced up and join us for an evening of fun and recognition.

Also in the near future is our annual Convention. Once again this year we will be meeting at the Radisson Hotel in Nashua. We have lots of business to attend to so I hope that every Council will be represented. As soon as we know who our guest will be we will pass that information along to you. Many things need to be done to make this convention work so please be prepared. Get your per capita paid in time, answer your call to service by serving the committee to which you are assigned and finally be prepared to take care of business. We need all of the Financial Secretaries to forward the names of those Brothers who have passed on to meet their Maker to Rich McDermott so the list for the necrology can be prepared. No promises but it looks like Bishop Libasci may be able to join us on Friday evening for the opening Mass. Think about inviting your Council Chaplain to come to the Friday memorial service and concelebrate.

One last thought. We're about to enter the season of Lent. Lent is a time of penance and preparation for the Resurrection of the Lord. Many of us make a decision to give something up during this period as a kind of penance. Why not think about doing something positive like donating a can of food per day for a total of 40-cans to your local food pantry or St. Vincent de Paul Society?

Fraternally,  
JP

## WINTER QUARTERLY MEETING SUNCOOK, NH JANUARY 29, 2012



# New Hampshire State Free Throw Championship

## Saturday March 10, 2012

1 p.m.

St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

190 Meetinghouse Road  
Bedford, NH 03110



What: State Free Throw Championship

Where: St. Elizabeth Seton Parish  
190 Meeting House Road  
Bedford, NH 03110

When: Saturday March 10, 2012  
Registration begins at 12:30 p.m.  
Contest begins promptly at 1:00 p.m.

Contact: Peter Murphy, Chairman  
[murphyfive@myfairpoint.net](mailto:murphyfive@myfairpoint.net)  
603-472-2886

Additional Information and Directions: [www.bedfordknights.org](http://www.bedfordknights.org)

## **PLEASE NOTICE**

Thank you for your input to this newsletter.  
Your next news items are needed by the deadline of  
**Monday - February 20** for the **March** issue.

I would like to send out the newsletter by the first day of each month.

**Please e-mail your information through Microsoft Word  
with photo attached and indicate for “newsletter.”**

Norman Lessard, Editor  
[nlcl1@myfairpoint.net](mailto:nlcl1@myfairpoint.net)

# COUNCIL 807 TO HOLD FISH FRY

Our Lady of the Rosary ~ Council 807 located in Dover, NH will be conducting its annual Lenten Fish Fry. The event takes place on Friday...3/2, 3/16, 3/23 and 3/30 (no meal on 3/9) from 5:30 PM to 6:45 PM at St. Charles Church ~ 577 Central Ave. ~ Dover, NH 03820. The cost of a meal is \$10.00 and it includes fried haddock, french fries, cole slaw, clam chowder and a drink. Tickets can only be purchased at the door. For more information, please contact GK Bob Watkins at 749-3148.

V i v a t J e s u s ,

B o b W a t k i n s  
Grand Knight 807  
[\(603\)749-3148](tel:6037493148)



## Prayer for Deceased

Almighty Father, eternal God, hear our prayer for our Brother Knights whom you have called from this life to Yourself. Grant them light, happiness, and peace. Let them pass in safety through the gates of death, and live forever with all Your saints in the light You promised to Abraham and to all his descendants in faith. Guard them from all harm and on that great day of resurrection and reward, raise them up with all Your saints. Pardon their sins and give them eternal life in Your kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR  
BROTHERS AND FAMILIES  
WHO ARE ILL**

O God, who art the only source of health and healing, the spirit of calm and the central peace of this universe, grant unto me such a consciousness of Your indwelling presence, that I may permit You to give me health and strength and peace through Jesus Christ, Our Lord.

Amen



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY  
to all members  
born in  
February!**

**Join Us**



## **CAMP FATIMA WORK DAY**

**Camp Fatima Work Day in May  
(date TBA)**

**Come bring your family to help  
the camp get ready for summer!**

**It's been sitting idle all winter**

**and we really need your help, help, help!**

**Many hands make work lighter.**

**The more the merrier!**

**The work time will start at 8:00 AM till 4:00 PM.**

**Coffee, OJ, muffins and doughnuts!**

**Lunch approx. 12:30 - 1:00 PM.**

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## **STATE FUNCTIONS**

A function is an occasion to dress up, go out for an evening of good food, lots of fun and in our case for a good cause. All of our functions except the convention are fund-raisers for our different charities.

### **State Functions for 2012 - 2013**

State "Granite Award" Banquet

March 3, 2012

Pheasant Ridge Country Club - Gilford, NH

State Ball and Bishop Matthew J. Brady Memorial  
Scholarship Presentation

October 13, 2012

Pheasant Ridge Country Club - Gilford, NH



Hopefully a State Retreat (date TBA)

State Pilgrimages (see Church Director Paul McManus)

All other functions  
by the different committees.

**STATE VOCATIONS**  
**Ed Mele, Chairman**



Be a priest, they advised Michael J. McGivney and he did. He was a spiritual father with many sons in faith, who followed him into the priesthood. Each year brings the ordination of a new group of brother knights, who have chosen to follow in his foot steps. And all of the seminarians in New Hampshire have the financial and moral support of their fellow knights.

This too, is the heart of who we are, and who we have been since Venerable Michael McGivney gathered the first knights together at St. Mary Church in New Haven, Connecticut in 1882.

This humble parish priest, whose cause for sainthood has been met with much enthusiasm at the highest level of the Vatican, has been our inspiration for 130 years. We are members who are inspired by the life and virtues of this extraordinary priest, who we pray will soon become the very first American-born priest to be declared a saint.

We have been blessed with seminarians and postulants. We see how they have matured over the last few years and we can see the beginning of what kind of priest and religious men and women that they will be when they have become members of the priesthood and sisterhood.

Pray for our seminarians, postulants, our Bishop Peter A. Lisbaci, bishops, priests and sisters here in New Hampshire and world wide.

Vivat Jesus

## *Just for Laughs* **GETTING OLDER**

*When I was in my younger days,*

*I weighed a few pounds less,  
I needn't hold my tummy in  
to wear a belted dress.*

*But now that I am older,  
I've set my body free;  
there's comfort of elastic  
where once my waist would be.*

*Inventor of those high-heeled shoes  
my feet have not forgiven;  
I have to wear a nine now,  
but used to wear a seven.*

*And how about those pantyhose  
they're sized by weight, you see,  
So how come when I put them on,  
the crotch is at my knees?*

*I need to wear these glasses.  
As the prints were getting smaller;  
and it wasn't very long ago  
I know that I was taller.*

*Though my hair has turned to silver  
and my skin no longer fits,  
on the inside, I'm the same old me,  
just the outside's changed a bit.*

© Maya Angelou



## **HAPPY ST. VALENTINE DAY**

I love you more now  
...than when you began  
to read this Valentine's card.

Oh! The happy bounding flea.  
You cannot tell the he from she  
but she can tell  
and so can he.

Whoopee!  
From one bed bug to another,  
Happy Valentine Day.

I may not always tell you  
what I'm feeling deep inside.  
The emotions and the feelings  
that I sometimes tend to hide.  
But I'm really proud and pleased  
to know that you are mine  
and I hope that you still love me  
my darling Valentine.

Grow old with me!  
The best is yet to be.

It's not every day I tell you  
I love you...  
Ok, maybe it is,  
but on Valentines Day it's the law.

Since you're such a fantastic son,  
I've got a special Valentine's gift  
just for you!

I promise not to kiss you,  
in front of any of your friends!

Thank you for all  
the countless, caring ways  
you've filled my life with love.  
Happy Valentines Day!

Even if the sun refused to shine,  
even if romance ran out of rhyme,  
you would still have my heart  
till the end of time.

I love You!

**HAPPY VALENTINE  
TO ALL  
THE LADIES!**





**KNIGHTS  
OF COLUMBUS**  
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

**4th Degree**



## Fourth Degree Call to Muster Special Olympics Winter Games Opening Ceremony

Worthy Brothers,

We have been requested by Special Olympic New Hampshire to participate in the Opening Ceremonies of Special Olympics Winter Games. Sir Knights in regalia should report at 6:30 PM at the Town Square Condo Complex in Waterville Valley, NH on Sunday ~, March 4, 2012. The Opening Ceremony is scheduled to begin at 7:30 PM. There will be fireworks at the conclusion of the Opening Ceremony. The ceremony should conclude by 8:30 PM.

Directions are as follows: Take Route 93 to Exit 28 to Route 49. Follow Route 49~11 miles to Waterville Valley, NH. Take a left turn onto Village Road to the Town Square Condo Complex on the left.

Fraternally,

Wayne Griffin  
District Marshal  
Special Olympics Chairman



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

## 'Be Not Afraid!' Membership Campaign

Dear Brother Knight,

The Knights of Columbus - Supreme Council is conducting the "Be Not Afraid!" Membership Campaign in honor of the beatification of Blessed John Paul II.

See how you can earn a Blessed John Paul II Medallion by recruiting a new member; simply click on the following link:


<http://www.kofc.org/un/en/membership/campaign/index.html>

Vivat Jesus!

Gary Nolan  
Vice President  
Membership Growth and Ceremonials



 Join Our Mailing List

 Send to a Colleague

### Members Declared For State Officers Positions For 2012-2013

State Deputy	Joel Plante
State Secretary	Richard McDermott
State Treasurer	Wayne Griffin
State Advocate	Jordan Ulery
State Warden	Glenn Camley



### Tootsie Roll Program

34 councils have reports to date. We have collected \$92,219.28.

Great Job! Now taking orders for Tootsie Rolls for the coming year. Deadline for ordering is March 15, 2012. Order forms are on state web site or call Ron 895-2889 or e-mail [metevi@myfairpoint.net](mailto:metevi@myfairpoint.net)

**CATCH THE SPIRIT**

## Lenten Prayer for Spiritual Renewal

God, heavenly Father,  
look upon me and hear my [prayer](#)  
during this holy Season of Lent.  
By the [good](#) works You inspire,  
help me to discipline my body  
and to be renewed in spirit.

Without You I can do nothing.  
By Your [Spirit help me to know](#) what is right  
and to be eager in doing Your will.  
Teach me to find new [life](#) through penance.  
Keep me from sin, and help me live  
by Your commandment of love.  
God of love, bring me back to You.  
Send Your [Spirit](#) to make me strong  
in [faith](#) and active in [good](#) works.  
May my [acts](#) of [penance](#) bring me Your forgiveness,  
open my heart to Your love,  
and prepare me for the coming feast  
of the Resurrection of Jesus.

Lord, during this Lenten Season,  
nourish me with Your Word of [life](#)  
and make me one  
with You in love and prayer.

Fill my heart with Your love  
and keep me faithful to the Gospel of Christ.  
Give me the [grace](#) to rise above my human weakness.  
Give me new [life](#) by Your Sacraments, especially the  
Mass.

Father, our source of life,  
I reach out with joy to grasp Your hand;  
let me walk more readily in Your ways.  
Guide me in Your gentle mercy,  
for left to myself I cannot do Your Will.

Father of love, source of all blessings,  
help me to pass from my old [life](#) of [sin](#)  
to the new [life](#) of grace.  
Prepare me for the [glory](#) of Your Kingdom.  
I ask this through our [Lord Jesus](#) Christ, Your Son,  
Who lives and reigns with You  
and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever.

Amen.



# Penguin Plunge for Special Olympics

## Penguin Plunge

# 2012

13<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL



Worthy Brothers,

The 13th Annual Penguin Plunge for Special Olympics is scheduled for February 5, 2012 at Hampton Beach, New Hampshire. This is an event where volunteers "plunge" into the Atlantic Ocean in return for pledges to benefit Special Olympics. The minimum pledge per plunger is \$350.00. Please refer to this [LINK](#) for additional information.

There are also a number of opportunities for councils to volunteer for this event to help with registration / check-in of Plungers and to assist on February 4, 2012 for the High School Plunge and February 5, 2012 for the main event Plunge. There are also opportunities for data entry assistants. This is an excellent opportunity for councils to add another community activity to your list of programs. The details are as follows.

### Check-In / Registration Assistants

**Tuesday - January 31, 2012 (1:00 - 7:00PM)**

Special Olympics New Hampshire Office

650 Elm St. - Manchester, NH

**Tuesday - January 31, 2012 (2:00 - 7:00PM)**

Nashua Police Department

0 Panther Dr. - Nashua, NH

**Tuesday - January 31, 2012 (2:00 - 7:00 PM)**

Applebee's

4 Stanton Dr. - Tilton, NH

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**Wednesday - February 1, 2012 (2:00 - 7:00 PM)**

EARTHTEC

140 West Rd. - Portsmouth, NH

**Wednesday - February 1, 2012 (2:00 - 7:00PM)**

Keene Parks & Recreation

312 Washington St. - Keene, NH

**Friday - February 3, 2012 (2:00 - 7:00 PM)**

Ashworth by the Sea

295 Hampton Beach Blvd. - Hampton Beach, NH

**Saturday - February 4, 2012 (9:00 - 11:00AM)**

Ashworth by the Sea

295 Hampton Beach Blvd. - Hampton Beach, NH

## **Data Entry Assistants**

**Tuesday - January 31, 2012 (9:00 AM – 5:00 PM)**

Hampton Police Department

100 Brown Ave. - Hampton, NH

## **Event Volunteers**

**Saturday - February 4, 2012 (9:00 AM – 2:00 PM)**

### **High School Plunge**

Ashworth by the Sea

295 Hampton Beach Blvd. - Hampton Beach, NH

**Sunday - February 4, 2012 (9:00 AM - 2:00 PM)**

### **Penguin Plunge**

(You will be home in time for the Super Bowl)

Ashworth by the Sea

295 Hampton Beach Blvd. - Hampton Beach, NH

### **Please contact:**

Ashley Herrin, Volunteer, Training & Outreach Manager  
Special Olympic New Hampshire  
650 Elm St.  
Manchester, NH 03101  
(603) 624-1250, x-42

Fraternally,  
Wayne Griffin  
Special Olympics Chairman

# **WINTERS HOUSE ARREST**

**Shifting snowdrifts piled high  
beneath winters pale gray sky  
holds me prisoner between these walls  
as dreaded winter comes to call.**

**Shackled to my rocking chair  
naught to do but sit and stare,  
chained to my bed on long nights  
I try to stay warm by firelight.**

**Allowed no exercise during the day  
and no time set-aside for play,  
meals are measly nothing more,  
because I can't get to the store.**

**I'm permitted no visitors to my prison  
since this last storm has arisen  
and mail is being held downtown  
till they can get snowplows around.**

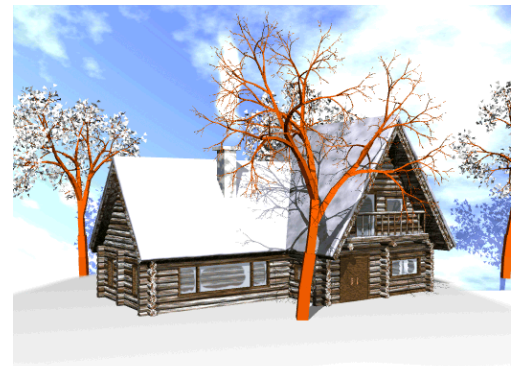
**I'm never allowed to go outside  
there is deep snow far and wide  
blocking all the roads and paths  
while I suffer winters wrath.**

**I'm held a prisoner in my own house  
just me and a poor pantry mouse.  
We'll be held here for days I suppose  
or till this hated blizzard up and goes.**

**I wasn't ready for winter this year  
nor it's icy freezing temperatures.  
Now I'm bound in this tiny little jail  
until winters ship finally sets sail.**

## **HAPPY WINTER**

**House Arrest Witten by Kenneth J. Ellison**





**ANNUAL PRO-LIFE SEMINAR**  
**Sponsored by the State Council of the N.H. Knights of Columbus**

**SUNDAY ~ APRIL 22, 2012**  
**ST. JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL CHURCH HALL**  
**PINE ST. ~ MANCHESTER**  
**12:00 NOON TIL 4:00 PM**  
**Public invited.**

**Guest Speaker: REBECCA KIESSLING**

Pro-Life Speaker and Adoption Speaker since 1995 -- Right to Life and crisis pregnancy center fundraisers, rallies, churches, high schools, universities, women's conferences, attorney conferences, adoption events, etc., throughout the U.S., Canada, Ireland, Scotland, Belgium and Mexico

\*Author of the Heritage House '76 pamphlet "**Conceived in Rape: A Story of Hope**" (Rebecca Kiessling's personal story) Appeared on CBN's "The 700 Club", Good Morning America, CNN's Talk Back Live, CBS News, Canada's 100 Huntley Street, EWTN's Life on the Rock, and Facing Life Head-On.

Family law attorney with four pro bono cases of international attention, all involving the protection of preborn human life, including the "frozen embryo" case in Michigan. Two of those cases involved rape and abortion. Also, represented a woman sued for not aborting.

**In addition to our guest speaker there will be reps. from various respect life organizations, pregnancy care centers and the Knights of Columbus !**

**Schedule of Events:** 12:00 Noon- Luncheon provided by the Daughters of Isabella,  
Free-will offering will be accepted ~ 12:45 PM Opening Remarks

- 1:00 P.M Brief updates from a few Respect Life organizations
- 1:45 PM Break time to visit presentation tables
- 2:00 PM Guest Speaker's Presentation
- 3:15 PM Question and Answer session
- 3:30 PM Closing remarks and prayers

Registration **deadline** for luncheon and seminar is Wednesday 4/18/12. Please contact Ron Di Stasio either by phone (595-7837) or e-mail at [rddistasio@comcast.net](mailto:rddistasio@comcast.net)



## Abortion Wiki Launch to Shine Light on Global Abortion Industry

Launching on January 19, 2012, [Abortion Wiki.org](http://AbortionWiki.org) will serve as a comprehensive and impartial resource of all information relevant to beginning and end of life issues such as abortion, euthanasia and stem cell research.

“Sir Francis Bacon said it best when he wrote, ‘Knowledge is power,’” says Abortion Wiki Director, Andy Moore. “Abortion Wiki makes use of this power by documenting the U.S. and international abortion industry and lobby on one wiki-based website.”

Abortion Wiki seeks to expose the abortion industry on an international scale. It will achieve this by making use of the powerful yet simple wiki software – the same software which powers Wikipedia.org. By connecting the dots between the various facets of the abortion industry and lobby, a clearer picture will be made visible.

“Abortion Wiki will be powerful because it is people-powered. Thousands of people around the world will have the opportunity to log in and contribute their local and specialized knowledge.”

“What has the abortion industry got to hide?” Mr. Moore asks. “If there is nothing wrong with abortion, why is this industry so shrouded in secrecy? Why are the blinds down at every Planned Parenthood clinic you drive past?”

“In his letter to the Ephesians Paul writes, ‘Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them.’ That’s exactly our goal in launching this website,” Mr. Moore continues.

Abortion Wiki will become a comprehensive and reliable turn-to reference point for all matters relating to abortion and other life issues. This will be achieved through stringent referencing and quality control, and by a network of moderators ensuring that only factual information is provided on the website.

Subjects covered will include abortionists, clinic workers, abortion methods, pro-choice groups, activists, the history of abortion, voting records of politicians, statistics and much more.

“Our research has shown that wiki-based websites are extremely search-engine friendly,” Mr. Moore says. “If you are involved in the abortion industry, you can look forward to your very own article on Abortion Wiki, there for your children and grandchildren to see in years to come.”

### Contact:

Andy Moore, Director

[andy@abortionwiki.org](mailto:andy@abortionwiki.org)

## 40 Days for Life Manchester & Greenland, NH

*Spring 2012 Campaign  
February 22, 2012 --- April 1, 2012*

I am asking all area councils around Manchester & Greenland, NH to cover all vigil hours at the 2 campaign sites! Please click on the website closest to your council and under the vigil schedule sign up for 1 hour, please include your council # in the vigil schedule so your brother knights from within the NH councils can see who is covering hours so that they can fill in empty slots. (Please note; the 40 Days for Life organization asks you not to go alone, always bring along a prayer partner). We can save lives at these abortion mills by our peaceful prayer presence and hopefully we can close these 2 abortion facilities forever!

Manchester ( 7 AM – 7 PM )  
Planned Parenthood of Northern New England  
24 Pennacook St. - Manchester, NH 03104-3554

Greenland – check website below for hours of prayer vigil.  
The Joan G. Lovering “Health” Center  
559 Portsmouth Ave.  
Greenland, NH 03840

websites: <http://www.40daysforlife.com/manchester>

<http://www.40daysforlife.com/greenland>

John & Valerie Flanagan  
40 Days for Life Local Campaign Directors – Manchester

Manchester Council 92  
Website: <http://home.comcast.net/~kofc92>

Please read the announcement below for further information on what we can achieve through the 40 Days for Life organization;

40 Days for Life [www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com) Spring 2012 Campaign starts on February 22- April 1 from Ash Wednesday to Palm Sunday  
40 Days for Life is a peaceful, prayerful presence in front of the abortion mill, along with prayer and fasting so far, since 2007,

1,633 individual campaigns have taken place in 422 cities.

More than 500,000 have joined together in an historic display of unity to pray and fast for an end to abortion.

More than 14,000 church congregations have participated in the 40 Days for Life campaigns.

Reports document 5,045 lives that have been spared from abortion and those are just the ones we know about.

61 abortion workers have quit their jobs and walked away from the abortion industry, 19 abortion facilities completely shut down following local 40 Days for Life campaigns.

Hundreds of women and men have been spared from the tragic effects of abortion, including a lifetime of Regrets.

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More than 1,800 news stories have been featured in newspapers, magazines, radio shows and TV programs from coast to coast ... and overseas.

Many people with past abortion experiences have stepped forward to begin post-abortion healing and recovery.

After so many years of legalized abortion, many people of faith are experiencing a renewed sense of HOPE!

Thank you to Concord and Greenland for having a 40 Days for Life last fall.

There will be 2 campaigns in NH this spring:

Greenland at the Joan G. Lovering "Health" Center.

Campaign coordinated by Jackie McCoy.

Manchester at Planned Parenthood. Campaign coordinated by John Flanagan.

In Concord at the Feminist "Health" Center there will be no 40 Days this spring, but a prayer presence is needed on Fridays, abortion day. Please come on Friday anytime between 7 AM - 5 PM. See Terry Barnum or Kathy Hedstrom for details.

Please get involved!! Please get your church involved!! We can always use more help!! Please see Jackie, John, Terry or Kathy to help end abortion in our state!

**Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. Ephesians 5:11**

## **Our Lady of Fatima's Peace Plan From Heaven** **Saturday - February 11, 2012 ( 11AM) in St Joseph's Church Hall**

### **My Brother Knights,**

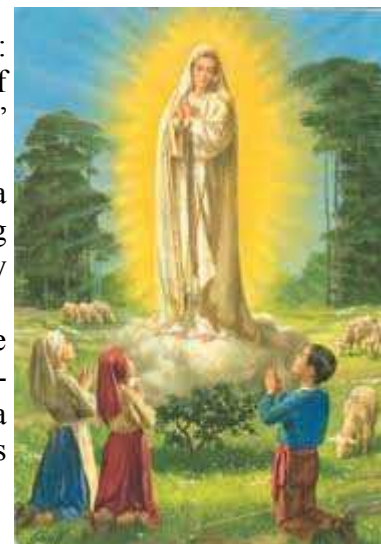
Why do we continue to ignore Our Lady of Fatima's Message? Our Lady said: "God wishes to establish in the world the devotion to My Immaculate Heart. If people do what I tell you, many souls will be saved and there will be peace." Join us for a closer look at the Fatima Story.

In my travels around the State while either holding a "Living Rosary " or a "Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary," I have encountered a feeling that many Catholics have either forgotten the values of these practices, or they just don't care. I prefer to think it is the first.

My question to my Brother Knights is this: Do we want to understand why we are told to pray the Rosary, and why is Mary's Message from Fatima so important for the survival of all? I hope we can answer these questions and open up a dialogue on this subject. Please come to Dover with your families for this worthwhile discussion.

Vivat Jesus!

Paul K McManus  
State Church Director



**AT: 150 Central Ave. - Dover NH at St Joseph Church Hall**  
**Parking behind the Church in parking lot.**  
**Refreshments available afterwards. All are invite!.**

## 2012 Annual State Charity Raffle Tickets - Request Forms

All Councils participating in the 2012 Annual State Charity Raffle Ticket Program need to send their requests by **January 25<sup>th</sup>** to State Council Director Joseph Kowalik to process the ticket order in time for distribution at the NH State Quarterly Meeting on January 29<sup>th</sup> in Suncook NH.

Submit this form to indicate the amount of books you intend to sell, and to indicate your Council's ***choice of charity(s)*** for your 50% share of the funds you raise. (The other 50% supports the cost of the prize money (\$5,000), printing up the tickets (\$1,323), with the balance supporting NH State Charity Funds.) **(Disclaimer: Funds not claimed by Council during the current Calendar Year for the 50% share raised by that Council will be donated toward the charities so chosen by the NH State Council.)**

Mail the attached information to: SCD Joseph J Kowalik III, 157 Hackett Hill Rd, Hooksett NH 03106, or email to [jjkowalik3@comcast.net](mailto:jjkowalik3@comcast.net) to ensure tickets will be ready for pick-up at the State Quarterly in January. Late requests will be processed as time permits.

State Raffle Ticket Requests	
Town & Council ##	Grand Knight (Signature)
Number of Books Requested	
You should order this number of books	If you want this amount of tickets.
25	150
50	300
75	450
100	600
150	900
200	1200
250	1500
300	1800
350	2100
400	2400
450	2700
500	3000

State Raffle Ticket Funds	
50% Share of Tickets Sold Request	
Town & Council ##	Grand Knight (Signature)
Our Council is applying for the 50% share of the Annual State Charity Raffle funds raised by our council during the current calendar year.	
Attn: State Secretary, our Council request you submit a voucher to the NH State Treasurer to make check(s) out to our Council and the following charity(s): (Note: State amount/percentage if more than one charity listed.)	
Charity:	
Charity (if needed):	
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Disclaimer: Funds not claimed by the Council during the current <u>Calendar Year</u> for the 50% share raised by that Council will be donated toward the charities so chosen by the NH State Council.	

Respectfully Submitted,  
Joseph J Kowalik III, State Council Director

## **“Knight of the Year” Award Nomination Submission Form**

- Purpose:** To identify and recognize an outstanding Knight of Columbus, who by his actions in the past year exemplifies and magnifies the great virtues of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.
- Nominees:** You can nominate your council’s Knight of the Year from either the current fraternal year or current calendar year.
- Criteria:** Your nominee should stand out as a Brother Knight that has selflessly gone above and beyond the council’s expectations, that has shown leadership qualities that positively affected the council, and that has directly influenced your council’s church, community, family, or youth activities. The litmus test for the actual recipient is the personal involvement of the individual toward the activities successes, and the magnitude of the activities effect.

Nominations are due to the State Council Director: Joseph J Kowalik III by March 15<sup>th</sup>.

Mail to: Joseph J Kowalik III - 157 Hackett Hill Rd. - Hooksett, NH 03106-2510 or send to [jjkowalik3@comcast.net](mailto:jjkowalik3@comcast.net).

\_\_\_\_\_ **Council #** \_\_\_\_\_ **is proud to nominate** \_\_\_\_\_ ,  
*Council Name*                      *Council Number*    *Name of Nominee*  
**for consideration of the Knight of the Year Award. If you have any questions about this submission, please contact GK** \_\_\_\_\_ **at (603)** \_\_\_\_\_ **-** \_\_\_\_\_ **or Email** \_\_\_\_\_  
*Name of Grand Knight*    *GK Telephone Number*    *GK Email Address*

Answer as many of the following questions as apply with a few sentences.

**Describe the individual in terms of age, residence, occupation, family, etc**

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**What endeavor(s) has this individual taken on that exemplifies the great virtues of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.**

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**Describe how or why the individual got started with this (these) endeavor(s).**

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**Describe whether the outcome is primarily the result of individual effort, or the result of leading a group of others, and what is involved.**

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**Describe how many and/or what types of people benefit from this effort.**

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**Describe how much time is spent toward this end.**

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**If there is anything else about this individual that you would like for us to consider in making our selection. Attach a \_\_\_\_\_ documentation that you think will help others to better understand your nominee and the activities that drove you to recommend him.**

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# "Knights of Columbus State Convention"

On Your Mark  
Get Ready  
"GO"  
2012

Worthy Brothers and Members of the NH State Council...yes – our first notice of the year on our up-coming convention. Your State Council Officers are hard at work preparing this event for the Spring of 2012. We are happy to say that the Radisson in Nashua has been secured for this event and excites me to tell you that this year will one of our greatest conventions to date. They're rolling out the Red Carpet for the Knights of New Hampshire. We will have a representative from Supreme and maybe a few more surprises.



Please send the names of your brothers that passed on to their just rewards and now sit at the right hand of God. Send to your State Secretary. As always, we open our weekend remembering those that have given years of support and love to the Knights of Columbus.



The Ladies Program is in the planning stages and is coming together as well. Our First Lady, Vicki Plante and her staff members are hard at work to present the women a wonderful activity of enjoyment for Saturday. Don't forget to mention this to your wife so she may enjoy.



Surge with Service Forms are already starting to arrive for judgment for State and Supreme Awards. Have you submitted yours yet? We would love to know what all councils are doing in their respective communities.

Convention Packets with all the information for the 2012 Convention should be available at our January Quarterly Meeting in Suncook. We will also be posting this on the State Website very soon.

*Honoree for 2012 will be no other than our own Norm Lemerise, PSD.*

**Plan ahead to enjoy the gathering of Brother Knights and their wives from across the state. It will be a weekend you will not forget or want to miss.**

# April 27, 28 & 29, 2012