

NEXT MONTH'S EVENTS

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Super Bowl

Feb 6
Officer's Meeting

Feb 8
Spaghetti Dinner
4th Degree Meeting

Feb 11
Sweetheart Dance

Feb 13
Soldiers Home
Council Meeting

Feb 20
Board Meeting

Feb 27
Council Meeting

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GRAND KNIGHT - NORMAN FLEURY

My Brother Knights,

Our visit from Santa Claus was a huge success. Santa handed out 125 gifts to the children who came to visit him. A special thanks to the Clown Unit for their balloon making and donation towards the bikes that were raffled. I would also like to thank Jessica Godek and Donald Turgeon's Great-granddaughter Isabella for the marvelous job they did face painting, Elaine Bogart for her help and Dottie Turgeon did a great job with all of the cookies and cupcakes. They were enjoyed by all.

Louise King and Past Grand Knight Paul Soja were in charge of the Cookie Swap last month. There was a variety of cookies to sample and take home. I am sure everyone had a good time.

The New Year's Eve Party is one of the biggest events that we host every year. Past Grand Knight Don Darcy and his wife Dee always do an excellent job. Maybe one of your resolutions this year could involve volunteering at the Council.

The second notice for the annual dues were mailed. Please mail them back along with your raffle tickets at your earliest convenience.

We are making the spaghetti sauce for our monthly dinner on Sunday, January 8th beginning at 7:00am instead of Monday.

Grace and I along with the Council Officers would like to wish everyone a Joyful and Happy New Year.

VIVAT JESU, Norman Fleury, Grand Knight

COUNCIL BREAKFAST

Sunday, January 22nd in the Members Lounge

There will be a sit down breakfast served from 9:00 am till 12:00 noon.
Your choice of Eggs to order with ham, sausages, waffles, home fries, and toast.
Beverages include coffee, tea, and milk.

The price is \$8.00 per person, \$6.00 for children age 6-10 and age 5 and under free.

Tickets and seating are limited so please purchase them early.
They can be purchased with the bartender during normal operating hours or
by contacting **Deputy Grand Knight Tom Charette at (413) 244-0607**
Tickets will also be available at the door the morning of the breakfast.
This is a fundraiser for the Council Scholarship Fund.

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I want to thank Gina Willette for taking time out of her Wreathes Across America responsibilities as Agawam area coordinator to address the Assembly, putting the program into its international context. On Saturday, December 17, 2016 1.2 million wreaths were placed nationwide. We placed 4395 wreaths at the Agawam Veterans Cemetery. A great job! When asked if the event might be postponed Gina explained that logistically it must go on as scheduled. In the old theatrical tradition "the show must go on."

On the morning of December 17th another old tradition kicked in, that of the Postal Department, something about the weather and still delivering the mail. Hundreds of volunteers showed up without regard for the 7 inch snowfall and "got the wreathes delivered" as promised. Thanks to Scott LaFond, Jim Allen, Kevin Godek for the major fund raising effort and Scott in particular for his coordination efforts at the cemetery. We also thank the several Knights that helped with the distribution effort.

On December 11, the Honor Guard held its annual recognition and charity dinner in the lounge. The charity selected to receive the award was the Leeds Veteran's Hospital Chapel Fund, in the amount of \$370. Four of our outstanding honor guard members were recognized for their combined service of 128 years as Fourth Degree members and 209 years as third degree members. Don Gladu has 61 years as a Knight and 53 years as a Fourth Degree Knight; Richard Beaudry 57 years/17 years; Eugene Murphy 60 years/41 years and Roger Fontaine 31 years/17 years. A token gift was presented to each. Gene Murphy was presented his gift, a Fourth Degree hat at the Soldiers Home on the following Monday. He has not taken the hat off since. Congratulations to our core group of Honor Guard members. [Affectionately called the "Old Guard."]

The Exemplification at Anna Maria College has been cancelled. The next Exemplification is scheduled for May 6th in Hyannis. Please ask your fellow Knights to consider becoming Fourth Degree members. One on one solicitation is the most effective means of building the Assembly

We are beginning the election process to meet the new May election time frame. Finally, Matt Cooke was recognized at the December meeting for his outstanding support of the Calendar Raffle with the sale of 83 cards. Thanks Matt, for your super effort.

The Officers Planning Meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, January 5th at 7:00pm.**

Honor Guard Rehearsal will be held on **Friday, January 6th at 7:00pm.**

On **Monday, January 9th at 1:30pm** we will be hosting an Ice Cream Social at the Holyoke Soldiers Home.

Our regular meeting will be held after the monthly Spaghetti Dinner on **January 11th at 7:30pm.**

VIVAT JESU

Dick Butler, Faithful Navigator

REPOSE OF THE SOUL

Please remember to keep in your prayers all of the Brother Knights and members of their families that have passed away, those who are sick and elderly, for all priests and religious vocations, for the life of the unborn, and remember to keep the men and women serving in our military safe, so they may return home to their loved ones.

We ask that you pray for the repose of the souls of Brother Knight Gideon Miles who leaves behind his wife Helen, Brother Knight Earl Carrington who leaves behind his wife Gail, Brother Knight Charles Glidden who leaves behind his wife Heleane, and Brother Knight Rick Tremblay who leaves behind his wife Connie.

Father Joe

Join us for a **PAINT SIP FUN**draiser
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STEAK DINNER



Saturday, January 21st

In the Members Lounge

Beginning at 5:00 pm

The price is \$11.00 per person.



The lounge occupancy and tickets are limited so purchase your tickets early.

The usual cast of snowmen will brave the elements to prepare your steak the way you like.

Tickets are already on sale and you can purchase them from the bartender during normal lounge hours.

The proceeds will go towards the Lounge Improvement Fund.

IN THE BEGINNING

A GROUP OF MEN FROM THE South Hadley Knights of Columbus led by Mike Bakos Sr. decided to start a Council in Fairview. They held their first meeting in the original St. Ann's Church, an old wooden church that has since been torn down. Meetings were also held in the Fairview Boys Club on Royal Street and in Ray Paul's on the 2nd floor. The members agreed to sell shares so that they could purchase a building. They purchased Beaudry's Corner Store, a general store where you could buy food, kerosene, gasoline and many other necessities of that time.

The men who bought shares formed the first Board of Directors, Mike Bakos Jr, Don Gladu, and Rene Barthelette. With a lot of hard work from Fran Hamel, Don Gladu, Roland Lamothe, Mike Bakos Jr, Henry Peets and Rene Barthelette and many others, they refurbished the building to make a hall downstairs and meeting rooms upstairs.

Later on they moved on to bigger and better things when a group of members went to see Mr. Katz at Springfield Sugar. He had taken over ownership of Mercier's Market on Montcalm Street. Though not of our faith, he donated \$1000.00 to our Council to help defray our expenses.

Henry Peets had taken over presidency of the Board of Directors and was very instrumental in all phases of our growth and accomplishments. He spearheaded the renovations and remodeling that took place. He was the driving force behind this and our future growth.

The Board of Directors were to meet with another Brother Knight about some fixtures the Big Y had for sale at the Jumbo Supermarket. Jumbo's had closed and was being taken over by the D'Amour brothers, who were the owners of the Big Y Supermarkets. Henry Peets, Paul Beaulieu, Warren Wentworth and Rene Barthelette were talking outside the store after their visit and the comment was made that they could have the biggest bingo in Chicopee if they had a place like this. Paul Beaulieu suggested they look into renting it. They went to Ernie LaFlamme and Carmeno Danielle, who in turn went to see the D'Amours. They came back and told the board it was not for rent, but for sale, and the asking price for the whole complex was \$450,000.00. Ernie and Carmeno went back with a counteroffer and after a long discussion with Gerry and Paul D'Amour came back with a price of \$350,000. The membership voted to buy the property and the Fairview Knights of Columbus has been at our current location since 1979.

I have had members and non members ask why we have such a building? I hope this will explain.

Norm Fleury, Grand Knight

Sweetheart Dance

Saturday, February 11, 2017

Dinner & Dance \$37.00 Per Person

Dance Only @ 8:00 p.m. \$12.00 Per Person

Cocktails at 5 p.m.

Castle of Knights
1599 Memorial Dr.
Chicopee, MA 01020

Dinner at 6 p.m.



Included with each meal will be a Cheese, Fruit and Veggie display.

Also, tossed salad, Duchess Potato's and Vegetable Medley.

Dessert: Strawberry Ice Cream filled Crepe w/ white chocolate sauce and a Raspberry Coulis, garnished w/ fresh strawberries.

Tickets go on sale January 4th, 2017

and every Mon-Wed-Fri from 6pm to 8pm in the Member's Lounge.

For more info call Joe or Dottie Turgeon at 413.536.4302

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VOLUNTEER OF THER MONTH

The volunteer for the month of January is Patty Barry. Patty has volunteered at our weekly Bingo for many years. She also volunteers during our monthly Spaghetti Dinner and on Thanksgiving Day serving dinners. Patty also supports our Council by attending our dinner dances such as Sweetheart and French Night.

We need volunteers like Patty if we are going to continue as a charitable organization within the local communities.

Norm Fleury, Grand Knight

INSURANCE

January brings forth a new year, which makes it a popular time to make “new year’s resolutions”. Many of these resolutions are the usual, lose weight, quit bad habits, etc. Many people embark on an ambitious schedule of resolutions, which they then inevitably fall short on.

One of the many benefits of starting a life insurance, disability income insurance, or long-term care insurance policy is the fact that the discipline of staying with it is facilitated by the issuing company. If you want any of the benefits bestowed by the aforementioned insurances, money for your family when you die, income replacement when you get injured, or money to help pay for long-term care situations then the Knights of Columbus can help you with that resolution.

Once you make the decision to improve any of these areas in your financial profile, the Knights of Columbus will essentially help you “stick to it” in the form of the premium payments that they require to keep these policies in force. In addition, Bill Wisniewski and I are happy to help provide our knowledge and expertise to determine whether you need any of these insurance products, and the best way to fit what you need most into your monthly budget. The best New Year’s resolutions are the ones that you can actually fulfill, and an insurance policy that fills a gap in your finances is a resolution that should be easy to maintain on a permanent basis.

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Saturday - Sunday – Jan. 21-22

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Sat. 10-7 , Sun 10-5

Adults \$15

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Tuesday – Jan. 17th

(NEW MEETING NIGHTS – 3rd Tuesday of the month)

Monthly Meeting will be held at the Castle of Knights 7:00pm

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January 2017

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