

# Knights of Columbus

**Council, No. 1031**

**Reading, Massachusetts 01867**

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## **THE SWORD AND ANCHOR NOVEMBER 2017**

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Dear Brother Knights: This past October was a busy month for our Council. We held a very successful Tootsie Roll Drive, the Italian Dinner Social and served dinner at My Brother's Table in Lynn. I thank all of you who contributed your time and efforts to make these events a success. The Italian Dinner Social was especially well received and the general consensus of those who attended was that the Council should hold more of these type events.

This past month the Council also made a \$1500 donation to the Reading Food Pantry. These funds came from our Charity Drive collection held last June.

In November we are planning to hold our annual Mass for Departed Brothers on Tuesday evening November 14 at The Council Enos Hall. Plan to attend. Mass is scheduled for 6:30pm followed by dinner. Brothers and their wives are invited and

should arrive starting at 6:00pm.

On Sunday November 5<sup>th</sup> we will be accompanying 5 candidates who will be participating in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree ceremonies, to be held at the Andover Council starting at Noon. Any Brother who has yet to advance beyond his 1st Degree is strongly urged to join us and use this opportunity to advance to full Knighthood. Contact me at [rhccoco2@att.net](mailto:rhccoco2@att.net) so we can include you along with the other candidates.

Installation of Officers will take place at our regular scheduled meeting on Tuesday evening Nov 28 starting at 8:00pm

A special thank you to Brother Tom Cappuccio PGK, who agreed to fill the Financial Secretary position left open by Jason DeAngelis' resignation. This is a key office and I am grateful for his undertaking this important responsibility.

Wishing all Brothers and their families a very Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving for this most American of holidays.

Vivat Jesus! Richard Coco, Grand Knight, Council 1031

### **Sick and Vigil:**

PGK John Firenze is recuperating from an operation.

PGK Chet Tyminski is at home after being hospitalized with pneumonia.

Remember to keep our Former Financial Secretary Charley Fallon in your prayers as he continues to do battle with cancer.

## **A GOOD KNIGHT THOUGHT**

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### **TWO GRATITUDES?**

Edwin Arlington Robinson, distinguished American poet, once wrote that there are two kinds of gratitude: "the sudden kind we feel for what we **TAKE**, and the larger kind we feel for what we **GIVE**."

To most of us the first kind is the more familiar: that pleasure and warmth we feel when someone remembers us on a birthday or an anniversary, the delighted surprise at an unexpected gift.

But we would agree, surely, that the second gratitude, while rarer, is even more wonderful.

How wonderful we feel when we have the opportunity to brighten the life of another; we feel deeply grateful for the opportunity to show our good will and our sense of Christian charity.

"In our "SEASON OF GIVING", remember the word of the Lord Jesus, how he said: ***It is a more blessed thing to give, rather than to receive.***" (Acts 20:35)

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### **DEACON NEIL**

#### **November Birthdays:**

11/1 Mark McDonough, 11/5 Matt Baltier, 11/7 Rocco Senese, 11/9 Andrew Agyei, 11/10 Brian Snell, 11/11 Jack Swymer, 11/14 Mike Allardi, 11/16 Bob Baynes, 11/18 Al Santosuosso, 11/22 Bob Whelan, 11/24 George Grilli, 11/29 Fr. Steve Rock.

#### **Installation of Council Officers:**

Installation of the new officers will take place Tuesday November 28 at 8:00 PM in the Council Hall on Sanborn Street. The ceremony will be conducted by DD Bill Travascio. All Brothers are invited and encouraged to attend this important event. There will be a "Meet & Greet" social in the lounge following the ceremony.

#### **Flag Raising:**

PGK Mike Canavan invites you to join him in the raising of the Council Flag at approx. 12 noon on Veterans Day, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>. This will be done immediately following the town ceremonies on the common that day.

#### **Veterans Lunch:**

Barile Funeral Home is sponsoring a dinner for all Veterans on Saturday November 11 at the Horseshoe Lounge. There will be seating's at 2:00, 2:30, 3:00; Reservations are required as seating is limited. Please contact the Barile Funeral Home at 781-438-2280 or barilefuneral.com.

#### **My Brother's Table:**

Brother Knights from our Council prepared and served dinner at My Brother's Table in Lynn on Oct. 28. This experience will be in next month's bulletin.

#### **Mass for our Departed Brothers:**

On November 14<sup>th</sup> we will hold our annual Mass for Departed Brothers at 6:30 PM in Enos Hall followed with dinner.

This past year we have lost a number of our Brother Knights, unfortunately we are not always informed of their deaths. The ones we know of are:

- Brother Brian Desmond died February 12 2017
- Brother Theodore R. Watson – died March 6, 2017
- Brother Edmund F. Knowles - died April 7, 2017
- Brother Richard A. Hill - died April 19, 2017
- Brother Kenneth J. Masse - died May 10, 2017
- Brother William A. Guazzaloca - died June 4, 2017
- Brother Gerald A. Intonti - died September 25, 2017

If you know of any other Brother that passed away during the past year please inform GK Dick Coco. Join us as we remember these Brother Knights that are no longer with us.

This event is open to families and guests.

Please help us get an accurate head count for dinner by signing up by Nov. 5 on:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e044cadae2eab9-mass1>

#### **Italian Night:**

We had a very good showing for our Italian Night Social on Sunday Oct. 15. Approximately 30 members and guests enjoyed a meal of Lasagna and Meat Balls that was prepared by Brother Chris Colorusso.

### Tootsie Roll Drive:

The Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities (aka "Tootsie Roll Drive") was held on the weekend of Oct. 4, 7 & 8.

Thanks to the Brother Knights that were able to donate 1 -2 hours of their time we were able to raise \$3,900.

This money is added to the State Council for disbursement to qualified recipients. If you know of anyone who could benefit from this assistance contact GK Dick Coco.



### Home Builders Corp.

There will be an important meeting of the HBC in the lounge on Wednesday Nov. 8 at 8:00 PM. All members of the Council are also members of the HBC. You are urged to attend to show your support to the Brothers that are working to maintain our building.

### Advertiser Space:

There is presently ad space available. New ads will run for the remainder of 2017 at no cost. The annual rate starting in 2018 for a single space is \$40, \$80 for a double space and \$160 for a four space block. If you or someone you know are interested in placing an ad contact Ernie Arsenault [ernea101@gmail.com](mailto:ernea101@gmail.com).

### Degree Ceremony:

A Second (Formation) Degree and Third (Knighthood) Degree Ceremonies are scheduled for Sunday, November 5, 2017, at the Andover Council. The Third Degree ceremony will take place at the completion of the Second Degree ceremony.

Members of the Reading Council who have yet to complete their 2nd or 3rd Degrees are strongly encouraged to attend and complete their journey to Knighthood. Candidates must notify GK Dick Coco and plan to meet at the Council for departure to Andover at 11:00am.

Council members are urged to show their support by attending.

### K of C Charities:



- GK Dick Coco is shown presenting Phyllis Maxwell, Executive Director of the Reading Food Pantry, with a check for \$1500. This represents 50% of the June Charity Drive.
- The Council also voted to donate \$225 to the Food Pantry to purchase 15 turkeys for needy families at Thanksgiving.
- \$100 to support Rich Fallon in his walk for Pancreatic Cancer. Rich is the brother of Past FS Charlie Fallon. Charlie has Pancreatic Cancer.

### Council Calendar:

Oct. 28	12 – 4 My Brother's Table
Nov. 5	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>th</sup> Degree Ceremony
Nov. 8	8:00 HBC Meeting
Nov. 11	12:00 Flag Raising
Nov. 14	6:30 Mass for Departed Brothers
Nov. 28	8:00 Installation of Council Officers

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