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K OF C HOSTS "VOLUNTEER SUMMIT"

With the philanthropic giving index down 22 percent, and the economic crisis affecting nonprofit organizations nationwide, the Knights of Columbus and Fairfield University's Center for Faith and Public Life hosted a summit Feb. 27 to discuss the role volunteers play in helping their communities to recover from the financial crisis.

The summit, "A Nation of Neighbors Helping Neighbors: A Summit on Volunteerism as a Response to the Economic Crisis," was held at the Marriott East Side in New York City.

Executives from more than three dozen educational, corporate, charitable

and governmental organizations discussed the ways volunteers and volunteer organizations can respond to community needs made increasingly acute by the economic crisis.

The organizations include Habitat for Humanity, United Way, the Salvation Army, Catholic Charities, the National Fraternal Congress of America, the New York City Coalition Against Hunger, General Electric, the Foodbank of Greater New Jersey, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, the Connecticut Public Broadcasting Network, Goldman Sachs and Volunteers of America.

In a Jan. 23 speech at Fairfield



Supreme Knight
Carl Anderson

University, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson called for the summit and laid out a vision of what it could accomplish. "If greed – one of the worst aspects of human nature – helped push us into this crisis, then one of the best aspects of our nature – generosity – will be necessary to help pull us out of it," Anderson declared.

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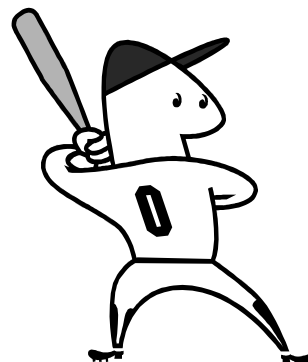
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SIGN UP WITH COUNCIL FANTASY BASEBALL!

Don't miss your chance to manage your own crew of Major League ballplayers. Join up with Council 112's Fantasy Baseball league and put your diamond smarts to work against other owners. Best of all, it's

open to all ages and it's all 100% FREE! Visit the council website at kofc112.net or send an e-mail message to concord112@comcast.net to get all the details. Teams are forming right now, so don't be late!



ST. PATRICK'S SOCIAL DINNER ON MARCH 23RD

Council 112 will host a special St. Patrick's Social Dinner on Monday evening, March 23rd at 6:30 PM. The dinner will celebrate the Irish heritage of the council and within the Catholic church.

Guests will gather at the Council Hall at 52 Bradley Street around 6:30 PM and enjoy light refreshment and drinks in the downstairs lounge area. At approximately 7:00 PM, dinner will be served in the upstairs hall and will feature ham, cabbage and corned beef—all expertly prepared by council master chef,

Red O'Brochu. Diners will also be treated to a full board of desserts and complimentary coffee. Tickets for the dinner are only \$7.00 each, with a family discount price of \$20.

After the meal, warm up your throats with a fun sing-along of traditional Irish favorites, performed by Council Warden Bob O'Jursik, FDD. Bob will be singing and playing his electronic keyboard. Dancing or just plain listening are also fine. It's sure to be a great night of family fun and delicious food.



MARCH/APRIL CALENDAR

- 16th—Ladies Program meeting, IHM Education Center, 7:00 PM
- 16th—1st Degree Exemplification, Bedford council 12988, 7:00 PM
- 17th—Saint Patrick's Day
- 18th—Assembly 627 meeting, St. John the Evangelist Parish Center, 7:00 PM
- 18th—1st Degree Exemplification, Tilton council 11868, 7:30 PM
- 23rd—St. Patrick's Social Dinner, Council Hall, 52 Bradley St, 6:30 PM
- 26th—2nd Degree Exemplification, Hudson council 5162, 8:00 PM
- 29th—Founders Day Mass, St. John the Evangelist Church, 11:00 AM
- 29th—3rd Degree Exemplification, Tilton council 11868, 11:30 AM
- 29th—NH K of C State Pro-Life Seminar, St. Joseph Cathedral Hall, Manchester, 1:00 PM
- 5th—Palm Sunday
- 6th—Officers meeting, Council Hall, 52 Bradley St., 7:00 PM
- 9th—11th—Holy Week
- 12th—Easter Sunday
- 13th—Business meeting, Council hall, 52 Bradley St., 7:00 PM
- 15th—Assembly 627 meeting, St. Joseph Parish Center, Northwood, 7:00 PM
- 18th—19th—Council 112 Used Bicycle Drive, All parishes



COUNCIL NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

APRIL 17th

FOUNDERS DAY MASS COMING TO ST. JOHN'S



**Father Michael McGivney
Founder, Knights of Columbus**

On March 29th, brother Knights around the globe will be commemorating the founding of the Knights of Columbus 127 years ago. Concord Council 112 has been around for 115 of those years and will have a special celebration at Sunday Mass at St. John the Evangelist Church at 11:00 AM.

Concord Knights will be prominent in nearly every ministry of the liturgy, with Council Warden Bob Jursik, FDD acting as Lector, Financial Secretary George Weber and Respect Life Chairman Tony Marino as altar servers, and the Sir Knights of Assembly 627 on hand providing an Honor

Guard. Other council brothers will be setting up a coffee and donuts social in the Parish Center prior to Mass.

Founders Day celebrates the granting of a charter by the Connecticut State Legislature to the Venerable Father Michael McGivney to form the Knights of Columbus in 1882. He would die from pneumonia only eight years later. In 1894, Concord Council 112 was born, comprising of Catholic men from both St. John's and Sacred Heart parishes. It is the second oldest council in New Hampshire, surpassed only by Manchester council 92.

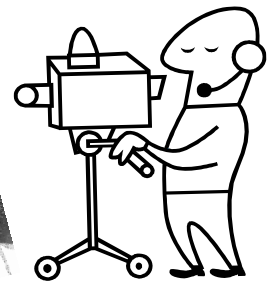
COUNCIL BROTHERS APPEAR ON LOCAL ACCESS TV

Council Officers Jim Cailler and Bob Jursik, FDD will be smiling for the TV cameras on March 17th when they appear as guests on the community television program "Around the Town," hosted by brother Knight Dick Patten.

Jim was chosen to appear to discuss his extensive efforts to enlarge the Knights'

presence within the St. John the Evangelist parish. Jursik was invited as the editor of the council newsletter and webmaster for kofc112.net.

GK Dave Dale and FN Keith Thibeault, PGK are making plans to appear on an April broadcast. The date and time for the program's airing was not known at publication.



LADIES VS. KNIGHTS AT RELAY FOR LIFE?



The Council 112 Ladies Program has issued a serious challenge to Council Brother Knights: take a walk! In the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, that is.

On June 20th at the New Hampshire Technical Institute's athletic track, walkers will gather to raise funds on behalf of the American Cancer Society, taking turns walking around for 18 consecutive

hours. The Ladies Program is intent on forming their own relay team and they have challenged the Knights to match them step-for-step. Time is running short, however, and the men will have to hurry to get a team together and register it.

Brother Knight and multiple cancer survivor Ben Bellerose is the honorary chairman for the Relay and will be walking the "Survivor's Lap."

THE KNIGHTS AND LADIES OF K OF C COUNCIL 112 PRESENT:

Come Along to

FOXWOODS RESORT CASINO!



Delicious food. Luxury shopping. And the biggest, most exciting gaming center in the northeast—Foxwoods Resort Casino has it all! Spend the whole day there on Saturday, June 6th when the Knights and Ladies of Concord Council 112 travel in style on a roomy, air-conditioned motorcoach to Mashantucket, Connecticut. For one low price of \$40 you get round-trip transportation, a voucher for a tasty feast at Foxwoods' International Buffet, and a chance to win big playing Keno for FREE.

- ▶ **Depart Concord at 7:00 AM, arrive in Foxwoods at 9:30 AM**
- ▶ **Depart Foxwoods at 6:30 PM, arrive home in Concord at 9:00 PM**

**Contact Debbie and Keith Thibeault at
(603)753-9493 or at kdkmc@comcast.net for
details and reservations**

Sorry, no payments refunded after May 4th.

INSURANCE REPORT BY MATT POULIN, FA



This month's column is for all you baby boomers out there. Do you know what that is sneaking up on you? Retirement!

Ouch. I know. It's hard to believe isn't it? Seems like just yesterday... But it's coming and coming fast. And that's actually the good news. Let me share with you some tidbits that may be of interest:

"The trend by companies to freeze or end their employee pension plans may have a big impact on baby boomers now on the cusp of retirement.

Boomers with pension

plans have counted on monthly retirement checks at the end of their career, but more employers are ending their plans or halting future benefit accruals. Those at greatest risk include boomers in their late 40s and early 50s who are still at least a decade from retirement but too old to save enough to make up the difference in their pension benefits.

An August, 2005 survey by PricewaterhouseCoopers showed that nearly half of companies that expect to change their pension plans in the next year are considering

freezing benefits for all employees. More than a third that offered pensions have already pared back these benefits over the last three years.

"This will definitely be a problem for baby boomers," says Karen Friedman at the Pension Rights Center. "You've been at a company under the plan and worked for years with that expectation, and then it's taken away."

FN THIBEAULT MOVES ASSEMBLY OUT OF COUNCIL HALL



Faithful Navigator of the Concord 4th Degree Assembly, Keith Thibeault, PGK has announced that future Assembly meetings held in Concord will take place at a conference room within the St. John the Evangelist Parish Center. Previously, Concord Assembly meetings were conducted at the Council 112 Hall on Bradley Street.

FN Thibeault got his first look at the new surroundings when St. John's Pastor Father

Steve Montesanti allowed Assembly 627 to use space at the parish to store regalia, flags and other items. He was so impressed with the conference room that he made the decision to hold future Concord meetings there.

Thibeault's eventual goal will be to hold all Assembly meetings at St. John's. Currently, Assembly meetings rotate between Concord, Northwood and Suncook.

MARCH-APRIL BIRTHDAYS



Dave Coffey
Gerald Ramsay
John Chroniak Jr.
Tom Lopez

Council Recorder John Daigle
Jerry Deschamps
Dick Simek Jr.
Scott Laliberte
Gerald LeMoine
Jack McKay
Dick Jacques
Mike Lassonde
Mike Geary
Rev. Paul Gousse
Lou LaSalle

Joe Marcille
Norm Bourassa
Frank Briggs
Paul Coddington
Tom Guertin
Don Letalien
Steve Nadeau
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Council Advocate Jim Cailler
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