



Vermont Knights in Action



Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism
Vermont State Council **August 2021 Edition**

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From the Vermont State Deputy



Brother Knights;

As I begin my message to all of you, I firstly want to thank all those brother Knights who attended my mother's funeral at St. Lawrence Church on Wednesday, July 28th. The fact that so many were there was a testament to the support that many of you showed to me as your State Deputy. I do want to share with you a bit of what I spoke about at the funeral. Most of you know that I was in New Haven back in June for State Deputy training and on the last day, after Mass and breakfast, Patrick Kelly, our Supreme Knight was speaking to all who were there and he shared with us his devotion to St. Joseph.

He also told us that he and his wife would sit down before bed and write out various petitions to ask for the intercession of St. Joseph and place those underneath the statue. The staff then handed out a gift from the Supreme Knight and it was a statue of St. Joseph sleeping. I brought the gift home and placed it on my nightstand. A few weeks ago I was visiting my mother at Homestead South in St. Albans and the hospice nurse informed us that our mother had but a few weeks to live. That night when I was getting ready for bed, I thought about the statue of St. Joseph and wrote a very simple note: *St. Joseph, please take my mother home to her eternal reward.*

I then placed this under the statue and the very next day I received a call from my sister that our mother was not going to make it through the day. I drove up to St. Albans and my entire family was seated around my mother's bed. In the afternoon we all said the rosary and that evening around 8:15 pm, she died. Even the hospice people were amazed that she did not live as long as they had expected. At the funeral, Fr. Charlie Ranges spoke of our mother's legacy of faith that she (and my father) had passed on to us growing up and even in our adult life. Thus, the reason that I spoke after Communion and shared with everyone there the above story. The power of prayer should never cease to amaze us. Again, on my behalf of myself and my family, thank you to the many brother Knights who attended the funeral. May she rest in peace.

HOUSEKEEPING:

By now, most of you and your Councils have had your elections for the upcoming fraternal year and I want to remind you again to send the pertinent information to our Past State Deputy, Tom Herbst who is compiling the State Directory for the coming year. Tom's email address is: therbstj@gmail.com We cannot stress enough how important this is for contacting every Council in the jurisdiction of Vermont. So please take the time to send Tom the information that is needed.

INSTALLATION OF STATE OFFICERS:

The installation of your State Officer's will take place on Sunday, August 15th at St. Joseph's Cathedral in Burlington. We would love to have as large a contingent as possible of 4th Degree Knights to be part of this installation. There will be a barbeque after the installation and if you are planning on attending, please let our State Warden, Bill LaCroix know that you will be there. We need this information to plan on how much food will be needed for this event. Bill's email address is: blacroix1@comcast.net so please let Bill know if you are planning on attending.

STATE DEPUTY & STATE MEMBERSHIP VISITS:

Ed Nuttall and I have begun our Council visits already for this fraternal year and will continue to do so through the fall. As State Deputy, I have noticed that some Councils are still using the old format for conducting a meeting. Please take the time to go onto the Supreme website and download the new format for conducting a meeting as well as the format for an officer's meeting prior to your Council meeting. (www.kofc.org) All the information you need will be there.

MEMBERSHIP & ONLINE MEMBERSHIP

Our Regional Growth Director, Ken Latham has asked that we start off the new fraternal year with a fast pace for members. With the pandemic somewhat behind us, people are now going back to Church and there has to be someone that you know who would like to be a part of this fraternal organization. As you are reading this, think back to when someone approached you to become a member. When you ask someone to join, share with them why you joined the Knights of Columbus and the difference that it has made in your life and your family's life. It's always better to share from your own experience when asking someone to join our organization.

FEAST DAY OF BLESSED MICHAEL McGivney:

August 13th is the feast day of our founder, Blessed Michael McGivney and we need to honor this day and do something within our Councils and parishes to celebrate our founder, Fr. Michael J. McGivney. Please speak with your pastor and plan on having a prayer service or a Holy Hour in honor of Blessed Michael McGivney. The power of prayer can have a tremendous affect on everyone. Thank you for taking the time to plan this with your pastor.

Enjoy the rest of your summer.

Vivat Jesus,

Steve Shover

State Deputy

STATE SECRETARY'S CORNER

August 2021

Dear Brother Knights!

I hope everyone is enjoying the summer, spending time with your families and staying involved with your council. Over the next month and a half, we will all start to get busy again with Installation of Council officers, Membership Drives, Intellectual Disability Campaigns, Anchor Award Dinner and many other Council activities. Please continue to keep sending that information to Moe and Tom so they may keep our newsletters and websites up to date!!

As your State Secretary, my key message this month is to let GK's and FS's know that they should have received an email copy of an invoice that includes two items: 1. 1st Half of the fraternal year (FY21-22) Per Capita and 2. The full fraternal year state charity assessment.

The emailed invoice was sent directly from our State's QuickBooks account so I apologize in advance if the wording in the invoice seems a little impersonal...it is part of the 'boilerplate' template for the invoices which I have not edited yet.

As a reminder, from our previous fraternal years' policies and resolutions, the per capita is calculated as TOTAL MEMBERS – Honorary Life Members – Exempt Members (e.g. disabled as recognized from Supremes' membership list). We then multiple that number by \$3.63 which is the half year per capita assessment.

E.g. 100 Total Members – 25 HL – 5 Exempt = 70 Members. 70 X \$3.63 = \$254.1 would be the 1st Half FY assessment for this council in this example. College councils have a per capita assessment of \$0.73 per Member.

The charity assessment is based on the following:

Tier 1 Councils, having less than 25 dues-paying members and College Councils shall be assessed \$50.00,

Tier 2 Councils, having at least 25, but less than 50 dues-paying members shall be assessed \$100.00,

Tier 3 Councils, having at least 50, but less than 75 dues-paying members shall be assessed \$150.00,

Tier 4 Councils, having at least 75, but less than 100 dues-paying members shall be assessed \$200.00,

Tier 5 Councils, having at least 100, but less than 125 dues-paying members shall be assessed \$250.00,

Tier 6 Councils, having at least 125, but less than 175 dues-paying members shall be assessed \$300.00

Tier 7 Councils, having at least 175 dues paying members shall be assessed \$350.00

I am 100% dependent on our VT KofC State Directory to obtain the email addresses of Grand Knights and Financial Secretary's. If you have not done so already, please let IPSD and State Master, Thomas Herbst Jr. know of any updates from last fraternal year. He has sent a form a month or two ago. If I used an incorrect email or sent to an incorrect Brother Knight Officer, it is because it was incorrect in our State Directory (i.e. The council did not send in their update!!)

I do greatly appreciate and ask councils to provide remittance to the invoice A.S.A.P. so I do not have to continue to remind and track financial secretary's down. :)

Hope to see many Brother Knights at our 8/15 State Installation of Officers at St. Joseph's church in Burlington!

Lastly, please join me in adding your prayers for the repose of the soul of Yvonne Shover, the Mother of our State Deputy Steve Shover who passed away Thursday 7/22 and for our departed Brother Knights and family members.

God Bless and Vivat Jesus!

Jim Michael (State Secretary)



VERMONT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 2021 State Council Officer Installation



Steve Shover SD



What: Annual State Council Officer Installation

When: 1000 AM-1 PM SUN August 15th, 2021

Where: St Joseph's Cathedral, Burlington, VT

Menu: Buffet; BBQ Meat*, Chips, Dessert, Beverages

Please join us for a Mass and State Officer Installation celebrated by Bishop Christopher Coyne and hosted by District 3. Mass begins at 1000 with K of C Honor Guard followed by the Officer Installation and a BBQ. Cooking to be done by Colchester Lion's Club.

RSVP: To Worthy District 3 Deputy Bill LaCroix at

<https://kofcvt.org/ev-event/installation-of-officers/>

*Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Bratwurst

*Vermont State Council
Knights of Columbus
Officer Installation 2021*



Website photo interior

August 15, 2021
Burlington, Vermont

VERMONT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 2021 ANCHOR AWARD BANQUET



What: Annual Anchor Award Banquet

When: 6-10 PM Friday, September 3rd, 2021

Where: Delta Hotel by Marriott, Burlington, VT

Menu: TBD; Meat, Fish and Vegan entrees//Cash Bar

Please join us in honoring the 2020-2021 Anchor Awardee, our own beloved State Chaplain, Rev. Timothy Naples, Pastor of Saint John Vianney Church in South Burlington, VT

Additional details, accommodations, and RSVP instructions will be published soon.

*Vermont State Council
Knights of Columbus
Anchor Award 2021*



September 3, 2021
Burlington, Vermont

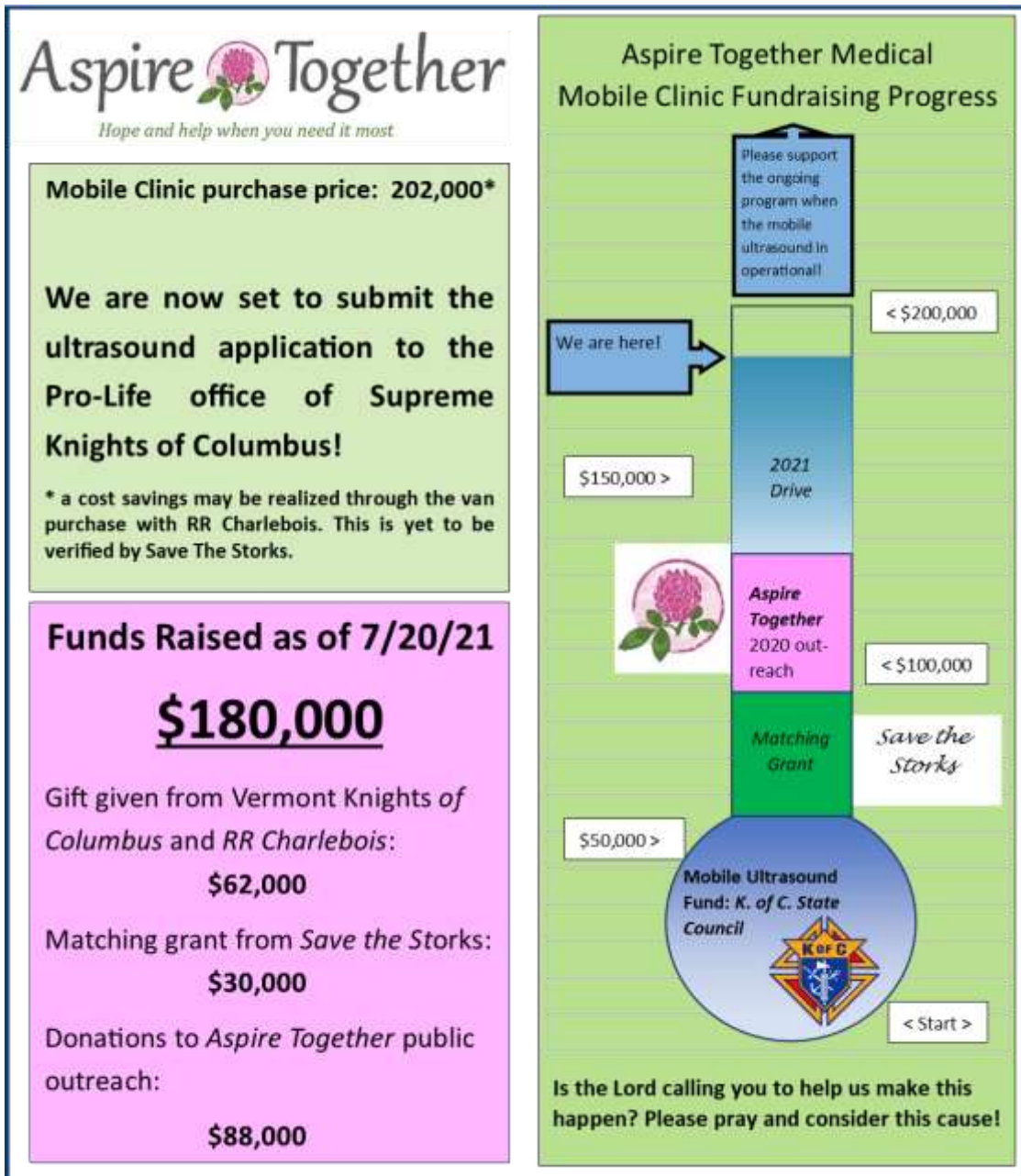


Brothers,
 I am supremely delighted to announce for our Mobile Ultrasound Initiative that Aspire Together and the State Council have reached a total of \$180,000! Blessings to all of the generous donors! We continue to work with Aspire Together for fundraising for their program goals. We are submitting the paperwork for Supreme to fund, in



full, the purchase of an "Esaote MyLabSigma Ultrasound Machine," to equip the mobile unit. Standard quoted price for medical mobile unit is \$200,000. A cost savings may be realized when RR Charlebois can deliver the vehicle to Save the Storks. Stay tuned for updates.

Blessings in Christ,
 Fr. Timothy Naples, State Chaplain





*Vermont State Council Knights of Columbus
2021 Anchor Award*



Worthy Brother Knights:

You are cordially invited to attend a formal dinner to honor the recipient of the 2021 Anchor Award, the highest award bestowed by Vermont Knights of Columbus. This year's recipient is well known in our fraternal family and community. His commitment to a culture of life, faith, community, church, K of C and council makes him truly worthy of this recognition.

Six Knight Rev Timothy Naples

Attendance for this event is expected to be high so your prompt RSVP is appreciated. Please RSVP no later than August 25, 2021. Kindly complete page 2 of this invitation and send to the name and address given, with payment. Be sure to indicate meal choice for everyone in your party, along with any dietary restrictions. Attire for this event is tux or dark suit for the men and elegantly glamorous for the ladies. Social Baldrics as well as mini jewels are encouraged.

Date: September 3, 2021

Place: Delta Conference Center (formerly Doubletree Hotel/Trader Duke's), So. Burlington, VT. Conference center is on Williston Road (take Exit 14E off I-89). There is plenty of parking in the back of the facility where the entrance is located.

Time: 6:00 P.M (cocktail-hour cash bar) 7:00 P.M (dinner)

A Plated Dinner will be served at your table and will include salad, bread and butter, coffee, tea and dessert. Your menu choice will include vegetable and starch. A cash bar will also be available.

Fraternally,

*Mike Bullock, GK
St. John Vianney Council 7525
So. Burlington, VT.*

Anchor Award – September 3, 2021: Cocktails 6:00 PM followed by dinner at 7:00 PM.

RSVP by August 25, 2021 (Your mail must reach us by this date)

Cost is \$40.00 per person

<u>Name of Person(s)</u>	<u>Menu Choice* (Fish, Poultry, Pasta)</u>

Contact information for person making reservation: (Address, email, or phone number, please)

Total number of persons: _____ @ \$40.00 =

Total Amount: \$ _____

Please make check payable to: K of C Council 7525

Mail to:

Richard Gravelin, Council Treasurer

7 Aspen Drive, Apt 239

South Burlington, VT. 05403

rickgravelin@gmail.com

802-862-2240

*Menu choices

1. **Fish:** Maple Glazed Salmon (Maple marinated fillet of salmon baked with a sweet and salty glaze)
2. **Poultry:** Sugar House Chicken (Sauteed boneless chicken breast topped with seasonal apples, VT Cabot cheese and a maple-apple cider demi-glace)
3. **Pasta:** Penne Pasta Primavera Alfredo (Penne pasta tossed with seasonal fresh vegetables in Alfredo sauce)

Dear Brother Knights,

Supreme has done away with insurance obligations for councils involving quotas. The new requirement for a council to achieve the goal of the Founder's Award, and ultimately Star Council, is to conduct 2 fraternal benefits presentations before the end of the year. These can be done in person or virtual and there is no required minimum number of attendees. The only condition is that the event is advertised throughout the council and the Grand Knight/DGK cannot be the only participants. Also, multiple councils can conduct one together.

This is a great feature for the councils and takes some undue pressure off. But more importantly, it gives us the chance to dig into topics that concern you. I've done numerous presentations and it's not about getting more business. It really isn't. The point of these is to educate people on what is of interest to them and to spread the word about proper planning and protection. There are numerous accountants, lawyers, nursing home managers, etc. within our Order who would be willing to co-host an event with me.

Please consider this and let me know your thoughts. Let's come up with some topics, pick some dates, order some pizzas and have an engaging discussion about the major issues of our times. Thank you as always and God bless,

Dave Giuliani

david.giuliani@kofc.org

802.272.6009



County Knights of Columbus (LR) David Giuliani, Frank Broughton, Bill Scott, Andrew Rainville, Frank Kane join Joanie Praamsma Pregnancy Resource Center of Addison County Director upon the arrival of a check for half the cost of a new ultrasound unit from the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus, New Haven, Connecticut. Middlebury, Vergennes, and Bristol Councils joined together in a "Stimulus for Life" fund raiser for the Ultrasound as well as the support of the Center's services that provide compassion, hope, and practical help to community members who are pregnant or parenting.



Knights of Columbus Saint Stephen's Council #2284's Worthy Grand Knight Gregory Clairmont presents a \$1,333,000 Gift to the newly appointed Saint Francis Xavier School Principal Craig Hill in front of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, Amen, Alleluia!



Sign the petition (*First and Last Name Please*) in **opposition** to amending the Vermont Constitution to enshrine unlimited and unregulated **ABORTION** as a fundamental right.

Sec. 2. Article 22 of Chapter I of the Vermont Constitution is added to read:

Article 22. [Personal reproductive liberty]

That an individual's right to personal reproductive autonomy is central to the liberty and dignity to determine one's own life course and shall not be denied or infringed unless justified by a compelling State interest achieved by the least restrictive means.

We, the undersigned, object to and oppose efforts already underway to include language intended to enshrine unlimited, unregulated abortion throughout all nine months of pregnancy into Vermont's founding document.

Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities

Brother Knights

Now that the Covid-19 regulations have come to a possible end, we need to start planning your Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities campaign.

**I have a good amount pf tootsie rolls available to be delivered for when you need them. All you need to do is JUST let me know
When you are planning your event.**

As I mentioned in the letters sent out and put in the previous newsletters, You have until the end of October to host this event. There should be no excuse for your Council not having a Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities. All it takes is just ONE day or more if you need.

I ASK THAT YOU CONSIDER HAVING THIS EVENT.

**YOU MAY REACH ME AT:
Noelmaurice22gmail.com
Or
802-274-5904**

LET'S MAKE THIS HAPPEN



CONDOLENCES & PRAYERS FOR OUR BROTHER KNIGHT

Sir Knight Bernard W. Druke, age 98, of Leo Council #917 and Leo Assembly #1154 (Brattleboro) on June 24th. In his more than 38 years as a member of the Knights of Columbus (37 years in the Fourth Degree), Bernie served as Grand Knight, District Deputy and Faithful Navigator among numerous roles. He was also the recipient of the 2005 Anchor Award from the Vermont State Council.

Norman Turgeon. Age 88 years old of Newport Gibbons Council 2285. He was a 54 year 3rd degree member.

WHO PASSED AWAY LAST MONTH



FAIR HAVEN COUNCIL 810

Fair Haven Council 810 holds Tootsie Roll Drive July 9th and 10th, collecting over \$626.75. Picture of PGK Dennis Perry and Mark Rampone Friday July 9th in Poultney. Saturday July 10th collection was at Aubuchon's in Fair Haven.

Fair Haven Council 810 participated in Poultney's 4th of July Day Parade. Council won "Most Patriotic" for the Float that PGK Dennis Perry put together and populated with family. Color Guard was PGK Dennis Perry, PGK Tim Perry, PGK Scott Clement and current DGK Peter Patten, with FN Bob Shaw in Front.. .





**Celebrating 100 years of existence,
Gibbons Council K of C 2285
invites ALL to the 7th Annual
Mater Dei Parish Family Picnic
honoring Fr. Roger Charbonneau's
50th Ordination Anniversary**

**Sunday August 15th
St. Mary's Lawn
Following the 11:00 AM Mass**

**Celebrate this special occasion and enjoy delicious food
including hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken breasts, corn on the
cob, chips, assorted salads, desserts & cold beverages**

HEY KIDS: The Bounce House is BACK!!!

Tents, tables, chairs and paper products will be provided.



**Bring your congratulatory cards for Fr. Charbonneau
Donations accepted for parish maintenance needs
2021 K of C basket raffle will be held**

COUNCIL 2285 TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE KICK OFF

Gibbons Council 2285 kicked off their 2021 Tootsie Roll Drive after the July 10th and 11th weekend Masses at St. Mary's Star of the Sea in Newport. Pictured are pastor Fr. Rijo Johnson, SDV, Maurice Brasseur (kneeling) and Nathan St. George with his children Damien, Anthony, Cecilia and Joan. Photo taken by Regina St. George



COUNCIL 10241 COIN DROP

On a wet Saturday morning, July 17th our Council held its 3rd Annual Coin Drop. Through the efforts of Trustee Dick Church and his wife MaryAnne, Grand Knight Doug Parr and Treasurer Bill Lynch braving the elements \$586.00 Dollars were raised. Also helping this day were Financial Secretary Steve Day and wife Cathy.

Pictured GK Doug Parr and Treas. Bill Lynch



The St. Nicholas Project, founded by Fr. Lance W. Harlow, is an association of Catholics who support the Kurn Hattin Homes for Children in Westminster, VT. with material and financial donations. They will be present at the Champlain Valley Fair in the Expo Building with a table with information August 27-31. Please stop by their booth and say hello. Also, they are beginning their "Shoes for St. Nicholas" fundraiser which collects money to purchase shoes for the boys and girls at the children's home. For more information, please visit their website: www.thestnicholasproject.com or contact Fr. Harlow at lwharlow@sover.net. Thank you for remembering the boys and girls at Kurn Hattin!



Knights of Columbus Saint Stephen's Council #2284's Worthy Grand Knight Gregory Clairmont presents a \$1333.00 Gift to Bishop Joseph John Rice Memorial High School Advancement Coordinator Cheryl Taylor! Blessings Green Knights Forevermore!



Knights of Columbus Saint Stephens's Council #2284's Worthy Grand Knight Gregory Clairmont presents a \$1333.00 Gift to Krystyna Davenport Brown, Vice President for Institutional Advancement at Saint Michael's College! Go Purple Knights Forevermore!

Unlimited, Unregulated Abortion Does NOT Belong in the Vermont Constitution

By Mary Hahn Beerworth

Proposal 5 is a legislative proposal to amend the current Vermont Constitution by the addition of pro-abortion language. Proponents of Proposal 5 have stated publicly that their goal is to ensure unlimited, unregulated abortion throughout all nine months of pregnancy.

They aim to achieve this goal by amending the Vermont Constitution.

The final language is presented below. It has already progressed through the first phase of a multi-step process to amend the Vermont Constitution by being approved by both Houses of the Vermont Legislature (House and Senate) in 2019.

On Friday, April 9, 2021, the Vermont Senate passed the language of Proposal 5 by a vote of 26-4, moving the proposed Amendment to the Vermont House. The rules for a Constitutional Amendment require that the House hold a public hearing for public testimony before the final floor vote in the Legislature by House members. This is slated to happen in 2022.

If it passes, then Article 22 will appear on your general election ballot in November 2022 that will ask for a “Yes” or a “No” vote from Vermont citizens to amend the Vermont Constitution. It is worth noting that in the 26-4 vote, we picked up two more votes in opposition to the Proposal.

The language to be added to the Vermont Constitution is below in italics.

Proposal 5: (Article 22)

Sec. 2. Article 22 of Chapter I of the Vermont Constitution is added to read:

Article 22. [Personal reproductive liberty.]

That an individual's right to personal reproductive autonomy is central to the liberty and dignity to determine one's own life course and shall not be denied or infringed unless justified by a compelling State interest achieved by the least restrictive means.

Robert P. George, Princeton University Professor of Jurisprudence, stated: “People on both sides of the debate over abortion know that ‘reproductive autonomy’ is publicly understood to be a way of referring to an unlimited abortion license, that is, elective abortion permitted through the entire nine months of gestation and pregnancy up to and including the process of birth.”

What will this language mean for Vermont taxpayers? The guarantee of “***personal reproductive autonomy***” is likely to be interpreted by Vermont courts and lawmakers to mean that taxpayers must:

***Pay for abortions;
Pay for sterilizations and sterilization reversals;
Pay for the expenses associated with infertility and surrogacy;
Fund pro-abortion organizations like Planned Parenthood;***

There is another problem with this proposed language. The right to “personal reproductive autonomy” will mean more than unlimited abortion. It will mean what-ever the Vermont courts decide it will mean.

According to Planned Parenthood of Vermont’s spokesperson Paige Feeser, Proposal 5 quite deliberately “... will open up a range of different questions for future lawmakers ... for years to come.”
(Paige Feeser, Public Affairs Organizer for Planned Parenthood, 7/30/2020)

Vermonters must become involved to stop this dangerous and immoral amendment. What can we do? Call your legislators in the Vermont House of Representatives, and tell them to vote NO on Proposal 5.

Here are some suggested talking points you can use:

(1) Amending the Vermont Constitution to include the language of Proposal 5 is reckless and irresponsible, dangerous and expensive, as well as morally and ethically wrong.

(2) The lives of countless unborn babies will be placed at further risk of abortion if Proposal 5 is adopted.

(3) Vermonters cannot afford Proposal 5 with all of its unknown repercussions, both financial and otherwise.

As my friend and longtime member of Vermont Right to Life Kay Trudell said recently, “If the Vermont Constitution were alive, it would hang its head in shame.”

Let us stand together to defeat this terrible amendment.

Mary Hahn Beerworth is the Director of Vermont Right to Life and a long-time advocate for the sanctity of human life.

This article was first printed in the Christian Action Ministry newsletter in the spring of 2021.

ORLEANS COUNCIL 7763

On July 24 the Orleans Knights of Columbus hosted a golf tournament at the Barton Golf Club. Good time was had by all with great food, prizes, weather and brotherhood.



ST. JAMES THE GREATER CELEBRATES 150 YEARS

On Sunday July 25th, St. James the Greater in Island Pond celebrated their 150 year anniversary. Bishop Christopher Coyne, seven priests and one deacon concelebrated a Mass that was followed by a brunch prepared and served by Gibbons Council 2285. Following the brunch, cake was served and the VT Knight of the Year and Longest Serving Knight awards were presented to the recipients who are both parishoner of St. James. It was a wonderful and memorable celebration.



Top Left: St. James Church, Island Pond

Top Right: Deacon Francis Nolin, Fr. Roger Charbonneau, Fr. Leo Bilodeau

Middle Left: Fr. Michael Reardon, SDV with VT State Knight of the Year, Craig Goulet

Middle Right: Bishop Coyne cuts the cake as some knights supervise

Lower Left: A banner inviting all to attend

Lower Right: The delicious marble cake



Above: Brother Fred Barker, Council 2285 presents fellow Brother Craig Goulet his much deserved VT State Knight of the Year award

Below: Brother Fred Barker, Council 2285 presents fellow Brother Raymond Joseph, age 95 the Longest Continuous Serving Knight Award with 72 years



**STATE DEPUTY AND STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR, ED NUTTALL COMMENCE
THEIR FY 2021-2022 COUNCIL CIRCUIT VISITING SCHEDULE**

**First up (8 July 2021) was Council 1083010830 Fairfax, (Fr. Donald C. Kelly
3/1/1992) (District 1)
(2nd Thursday after 7 p.m. Mass at St. Luke's Parish Hall)
GK Keith Billado (Sally)
86 West Street
Fairfield, VT 05455-5614
528-3017 email: kbillado@surfglobal.net**



Front Row: Ed Nuttall, SMD/DGK

Back Row L-R: Skyler Billado, Warden; Keith Billado, GK; Fr. Henry Furman Chaplain/Recorder;
Lucas Redding, Chacellor/Program Director

**Next (12 July) came Council 2284 Winooski (St. Stephen's 1/8/1921) (District 3)
(2nd Monday 7 p.m. at Winooski Senior Center on Barlow Street)
GK Greg Clairmont (Sheila)
604 Creek Farm Road
Colchester, VT 05446
343-8446 email: listandsellvt@gmail.com**



Left to right! First Row: Tim O'Brien, Scott Gagnon, David Trainque, Raymond Trainque, Rob Roy, SMD Ed Nuttall, Peter Zuk and Paul Pratt.

Left to Right! Second Row: Joseph Perron, Ciaran Buckley, Eric Heiman, George Bachinski, Gregory Bolger.

**Next Come Council 399 Barre Town, (Bishop Brady 2/5/1899) (District 5)
(2nd Tuesday 7 p.m. at St. Monica Church Basement)
GK Patrick Byrne (pabyrne802@gmail.com)**



Front Row: Joe Kelly DD#5, Ed Nuttall, Steve Shover, Patrick Byrne GK, Fr. Pat Forman Chaplin

Back Row: Bill Robie FS, Mike Kuban Treasure , Colmn Kelly Warden, Nick Conti PGK, Mark Alar Recorder, Mike Rouleau IPGK, William? DGK, John Santorello PGK, New Knight

**Next (14 July) came Council 7763 Orleans, (St. Theresa-St. John 3/1/1981)
(District 2)**

(2nd Wednesday 7 p.m. at Most Holy Trinity Parish Hall, Orleans)

GK Gilles R. Berard

640 Berard Lane

Barton, VT 05822

525-8881 & 274-0066 email: grberard@gmail.com



Front Row L-R: GK Gilles Berard, SD Steve Shover, Fr. Curtis, SMD Ed Nuttall

Back Row L-R: David Bolduc, Rene Leroux, Kurt Muller, Ray Decelles, Joe Neal

The last visit was on the 16th via zoom session with 2025 White River Junction,
(Michaud 8/31/1919) (District 6)
(3rd Sunday 7 p.m. in Basement of St. Anthony's Rectory)
GK William Harty
P.O. Box 1494
White River Jct., VT 05001
603-276-9339 email: wharty1@gmail.com

No picture was taken

Visits reviewed

- State, District and Council membership goals
- Continued use OnLine recruiting
- Delta Church Drive and Landing Page
- New Degree
- Teaching, Training, Coaching, Mentoring
- Commitment, Competence, Candor, Courage

REDDING FAMILY RECOGNIZED AS "FAMILY OF THE YEAR" FY 2020-21

State Deputy, Steve Shover, presented "Family of the Year" Award for Fraternal Year 2020-2021 to the Redding Family of Fr. Donald C Kelly Council 10830 Fairfax at the 5 pm Mass, St. Luke's Church on 26 June 2021.



First Row I TO R: Ali, Mary Beth, Vince, Maria

Second Row L to R: Sophia, Lucas, GK Council 10830 Keith Billado, SD Steve Shover

COUNCIL 297 NEWS

Silver Rose in St. Albans, Vermont

The Silver Rose was well received in St. Albans, Vermont. We were able to offer a prayer service on June 29, 2021 (Tuesday) at Holy Angels, and it was well attended. The week of the 28th of June the Silver Rose was front and center at St. Mary's Church (St. Albans, VT.) at every 1130 AM mass. The week of the 28th of June was Totus Tuus week with 40+ children participating and attending mass. The children were taught the Hail Mary. The masses had a range of 70 to 90 people in the background. We thank Monsignor Routhier for his support in helping us promote the Silver Rose the week of the 28th of June.



East Fairfield – Fairfield Community Center Playground

7/5/21 – Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay, Bill Greenwood, Gordon McRae, and Mike Morse visited the Fairfield Community Center for a check presentation while Black Creek Camp was in session. It was a great time to see the 35+ children enjoying the updated playground. The update of the playground has been a great asset for the East Fairfield Community. Late last year our donation helped with the following: adding wood chips as a surface protector, new swing set, added sand and toys in the sand box, added a circular ride (MayPole), extended the original play structure to add more climbing and a higher slide.



Lunch with State Chaplain Fr. Tim Naples

We had a great lunch with Fr. Tim Naples as Mimmo's in St. Albans. We handed him bags of rosaries for his rosary campaign. Also, we had the pleasure to talk about the fundraising efforts for the future Aspire Together Ultrasound Mobile Unit. Please help donate to this cause. For questions or more information, please ask Fr. Naples.



2nd Annual Butt Litter Clean Up – Downtown St. Albans

7/14/21 – Volunteers helped walk throughout the streets of Downtown St. Albans picking up cigarette butt litter from 9 AM to 11 AM. We had a total of 30 volunteers helping, and we picked up 18,710 cigarette butts to raise awareness regarding cigarette butt litter and how it hurts the environment and one's health. Thank you Brother Knights - Valdemar Garibay, Bill Greenwood, Gordon McRae, Bill Bressette, and Larry Dugan for your help at our second annual cigarette butt litter cleanup. We also had representation from Med Associates, The Rotary Club of St. Albans, The Downtown St. Albans Board, Northwestern Medical Center, the St. Albans Museum, and the community-at-large. Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay was one of the host and organizer of this event.



Cigarette Butt Litter Clean Up Help

Please consider helping at our next cigarette butt litter clean up events. KofC Council 297 will be at the next two butt litter clean ups in St. Albans Bay, and St. Albans Industrial Park in mid-August. We are seeking more volunteers.

For volunteers of all ages and abilities:



Butt Litter Clean Up 2021

July 14–August 19

Cigarette
Butts are the
#1 littered
item
worldwide!

**You bring you! Come for
2 hours or 10 min! We'll
bring the gloves & bags.
It's fun. Really!**

Downtown St. Albans / Wed. July 14 / 9-11am / City Hall

Alburgh / Wed. July 28 / 11:30am-1:30pm /

Alburgh Comm Ed Ctr

St. Albans Town / Tues. Aug. 10 / 9-11am / Bay Park

St. Albans Town / Wed. Aug. 11 / 9-11am /

St. Albans Industrial Park

Swanton / Thurs. Aug. 12 / 9-11am / Marble Mill Park

Georgia / Sat. Aug. 14 / 10-12pm /

Russell Green Natural Area & Mill River Falls

Enosburg Falls / Wed. Aug. 18 / 9-11am / Lincoln Park

Richford / Wed. Aug. 18 / 12-2pm / Memorial Park

Questions? Contact Amy Brewer

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American Red Cross Blood Drive

URGENT NEED FOR BLOOD

St. Albans City Hall Blood Drive – Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay, Gordon McRae, and Bill Greenwood participated in our 24th blood drive. Our hosted blood drive helped collect 37 blood donations with six (6) new blood donors. **Our next blood drive will be at St. Albans City Hall on 8/6/21 from 12 PM to 5 PM. Please spread the word. We have 14 slots available for appointments.**

Tootsie Roll Drive Update

We have kicked off our Tootsie Roll Campaign for children with Special Needs. We are grateful and appreciative to Food City to allow us to sell our tootsie rolls on 7/21/21 – 7/23/21. So far Bill Greenwood, Gordon McRae, and GK Valdemar Garibay helped to bring in \$1,213.65. We will continue to conduct our tootsie rolls drives at various Churches in the St. Albans area in August 2021.



Feast of St. Anne Mass

The feast of St. Anne Mass was held at St. Anne Shrine at Isle La Motte on July 26, 2021. We had a very nice candle light procession after the 7 PM mass. The candle light procession was led by Fr. Michael Carter. It was a very beautiful evening.



Photos with Knights from L to R: Council 297 Representation: GK Valdemar Garibay, Raymond Tardif Sr., and Bill Greenwood

Remembering Our Brother Knights Please keep the following brothers who recently passed away in your prayers: John Walent, Donald G. Poirier, and Claude Bourbeau.

SHERIDAN ASSEMBLY 1152

Stars & stripes Parade



Brother Knights

I thank you for all of your articles and making this newsletter a success. I ask that all of the District Deputies and Grand Knights to PLEASE forward this newsletter to all of your councils and members.

Send all articles to noelmaurice2@gmail.com

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