

The Knight Star St. Mark's Star of the Sea Council # 11374 http://www.stmarksknights.org

September 2017 Vol. No 176 2017 District 88, Greece, NY

CHAPLAIN

Rev .Lee P. Chase Rev. Peter Enyan-Boadu Rev. Fredrick Bush Emeritus

SPIRITUAL ADVISOR Deacon Tom Beck

GRAND KNIGHT Mark A Gardone

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT OPEN FOR NOMINEE

CHANCELLOR Albert Bodamer

WARDEN Henry Maldonado

RECORDER Rick Monnat

TREASURER Martin Sindon, PGK., PDD.

ADVOCATE Jim Gelormini

INSIDE GUARDS Ralph DiNitto Jerry Figlioli

OUTSIDE GUARDS George C. Donohue Lutz P. Sahmel

BOARD OF TRUSTEES Mike Bracci Richard Mazzatti George Schenk

Financial Secretary Norm Morrill

Lecturer Marvin Konz

Activities Chairman Ralph DiNitto

Membership Chairperson & Publicity Albert Bodamer

"One Nation under God

Grand Knight's Message

Budget and Decisions

Our Council is a month behind developing our 2017-18 Budget. This month's meeting is going to be the decision phase, what's included, and voting is planned for the October meeting.

In the past several years there have been a small number of Knights deciding ALL for our 76 active members. The result of which does not necessarily represent the wishes of our Council as a whole. We have certain items that are funded yearly with little or no discussion and other possibilities that are never presented.

This is topic which all Knights should have concern and input. Introduce or recommend a new charitable idea, get funding for a "pet" charity or basically just have a say in how we operate our finances. We need fresh ideas and discussions to keep ourselves relevant to the times and needs of our community.

Here are some questions you should ask yourself to decide whether your attendance is necessary to our Council meetings when the budget is discussed: Do I know how much we have to disburse? Do I know where the funds we accumulate go? How do we gather our nest egg? Do I agree with the causes we support? Do I really care?

Well, that last question opens up a variety of other questions you should be asking yourself, but the others are all good reasons to get involved. Attend our meetings, get involved and have a say. The more Knights that are involved the more representative our efforts will be and without fresh eyes the old approach may become irrelevant over time.

Mark Gardone Grand Knight Council #11374 St. Mark's Star of the Sea Monthly Council Meeting in the St. Mark's Library

Thu, Sept 21st 6:30PM - Rosary 7:00PM – Meeting 8:30PM - Dismissal

Mark Your Calendar

9/12 – 8:15AM Knights Breakfast Long Pond Family Restaurant

9/14 & 15 – 10:00AM to 3:00PM St. Lawrence Garage Sale Knights serving lunch HELP NEEDED!

9/16 – 8:00AM to 5:00PM St. Lawrence Garage Sale Knights Chicken BBQ HELP NEEDED!!!

9/21 – 7:00PM Monthly Council Meeting St. Mark's Library

9/26 – 8:15AM Knights Breakfast Long Pond Family Restaurant

October -4th Degree Exemplification ASK FOR DETAILS if INTERESTED

Our Council Field Agent for K of C Insurance: Stephen Marone Cell: 330-1863 Office: 319-3270 E-Mail: <u>Stephen.Marone@kofc.org</u>

September Meeting Agenda

• Old Business

- Election of Deputy Grand Knight
- 2017-18 Budget
 - Discuss and build budget for the year
- Previous year disbursement of funds
 - What is left to deliver
 - Coverage of expenses for Fish Fry equipment
- Youth Initiatives
 - School Liaison opening
- New Business
 - No new business will be discussed, but the floor will be open for new topics to be added.

** ALL TABLED TOPICS WILL BE REINTRODUCED IN THE OCTOBER MEETING.

Charitable/Participation Opportunities:

- Sister M. Regis Food Cupboard needs fresh produce from local gardeners Call Sister Julia (585) 454-6766 to donate
- Journey Home (Hospice) is looking for additional volunteers. Inquire as to the type of assistance they need.
- Mount Carmel House (Hospice(is looking for additional volunteers. Anything you do around your house is a need that they have.
- Chicken BBQ & Lunch prep: St. Lawrence Garage Sale 9/16
- Sell St. Law Catholic School 50/50 Raffle Tickets 9/15 to 10/28
- Shrubbery Planting @ St. Lawrence Autumn (TBD)
- Christmas Dinner Planning
- First Degree Committee Members Needed
 - Council 11374 is hosting in November
 - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.....

September Birthdays

9/9 – Jonathan Jamison 9/13 – Mark Gardone 9/13 – Thomas Such 9/14 – John Korb 9/21 – George Schenk

Good of the Order

Derek Murphy Jim Phillipone Gary Valentine Heather Donohue Mario DiGiambattista Michael Nicolosi **Deacon Tom Beck** Peter Sardano Bob Oswald Michele Filarowski Terri DiGiambattista Mary Palumbo **Charlie Palumbo** Jerry Figlioli Marcus Brooks Mark Maldonado Mary Ann Ehrmentraut **Beth Barcomb**

Wisdom of the Month

You chose the title, now step up to the challenge. Get involved!

Questions/Concerns:

GK Mark Gardone (585) 730-5473 (H) (585) 230-6177 (M) magwood13@gmail.com

Please welcome Edward Ehrmentraut as our *NEW* Editor of the Monthly Newsletter as of October 2017!