



NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE COUNCIL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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To: All Grand Knights, District Deputies
CC: Ray Lemay, State Deputy
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Worthy Grand Knights, Worthy District Deputies and Brothers all,

This year has been a great challenge for all of us! Hopefully we will now start to emerge from the COVID restrictions that have been put on us by our state and federal governments as well as our own precautions to keep our families and loved ones safe.

In March I finished a three term as one of my town's Selectmen and now I look forward to using some of my free time to assist our State Council in providing more live training for our Grand Knights and District Deputies. I am very excited to announce that we will be again conducting the “*New Grand Knight Training*” Event hosted by the Exeter Council at St. Michael’s Church in Exeter. (Location: St. Michael’s Cotter Hall (Church Basement), 9 Lincoln St, Exeter) The planning date is Saturday June 25th. The material we will use is focused and measured to deliver leadership training to our brand new Grand Knights. The event will also include a mass and dinner with our State Officers. This gives our new Grand Knights the opportunity to get to know our State Officers on a more personal basis and also the opportunity for our State Officers to get the know the new crop of council leaders in our State Council. The feedback from the participants in previous years has always been excellent, with comments that this is the type of training that they find most useful.

Hector St. Jacques continues to work one on one with new Financial Secretaries and train them on the Member Management system. We have asked multiple times and again this year for the District Deputies to give us a list of FSs in their Districts that have not been trained on or not using the MM system. In doing so, we will be able to set up a central location to train these FSs on the MM system at the same time.

At Winter Quarterly Organizational meeting, we presented topics that Grand Knights could take back to their council to increase New Service and New Members. We also presented the importance of Planning Meetings and Council Newsletters.

Finally, I once again am offering to speak on any leadership/membership/retention topic at any District Deputy’s organizational meeting. Simply let me know the location, topic and time you wish me to present in or the virtual platform you wish to use. I have also worked with a number of individual Grand Knights and their council officers to explain the Faith in Action program and how best to implement it in their councils.

Thank You and God Bless,

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