

The KnightLetter

March - April 2019

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Grand Knights Message

Brothers, Greetings:

Some of the sports playoffs have passed, baseball is around the corner, and golfing Brothers are looking to snow free greens. We are well into the last half of our Fraternal Year. Let's strive to make it as productive as the first.

On February 1st we held our annual Walk-In Dinner to benefit Citizens with Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities. It was a success, but did not achieve last year's tremendous turnout. It's too bad that many of our Brothers, families and friends were not present to support, and enjoy the superb food and service. This is our signature fundraiser dinner at which we were pleased to present the fruits of our Council's last year's charitable efforts. Checks for \$1,200 @ were handed to representatives of the ARC of Union Co., the tro Chapter of the Multiple Sclerosis Society, and the Special Olympics, Union Co. er.

Upcoming dates to remember (see details inside):

March 8, Walk-In-Lenten Pasta Dinner and April 12, Walk-In-Lenten Meatless/Fish Dinner.

Brothers, we need your attendance for support. You know the FOOD IS GREAT! And we serve coffee and dessert. And, we even have take home containers if you can't finish. So on those nights, instead of supporting your local diner, **COME SUPPORT YOUR COUNCIL!!!**

On a date to be determined, possibly in April, we will be holding our Annual collection drive for Citizens with Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities. Again, we can use your HELP. Give us ONE OR TWO HOURS of your time on a Friday -Sunday, put on a yellow vest, grab a plastic can or bottle (all supplied by us) and go forth to your church, or a commercial establishment, ie Seabra's, Shoprite, etc. Date will be established at Feb. 28 meeting. I ask that **VOLUNTEERS CALL OR COME TO THE CLUB BAR AND GET YOUR NAME ON OUR ROSTER SHEET.** Consider that your Lenten good deed! Brothers you have paid your dues (I hope). You are members, so why not participate? **DO ONE EVENT, SUPPORT ONE FUNDRAISER, LEND A HAND.**

May You and Yours enjoy A Blessed and Joyous Easter!

Fraternally Yours

Andrew Wnukowski Grand Knight.

HELP WITH PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

To all of you who live within reasonable distance but, for whatever reason don't come to meetings, we have short term programs, especially (but not necessarily) competitions for kids. If you're available on weekends and wish to contribute to a good cause for a tiny bit of time, we need you for such things as: basketball free throws, soccer challenge, poster contest, coloring book program, and of course, charitable collections, etc. give us a call As always we ask that if you can find the time to chair or contribute to a program or activity, please contact me, it will be greatly welcomed and appreciated. Remember, think out of the box, and pass it on. Ideas are as welcome as service.

COLUMBIAN CLUB

Columbian Club Directors meet at 7:00 pm every 2nd Thursday of the month, prior to normally scheduled Council meetings. All interested Brothers are invited to participate. Remember, it's our hall, for our ceremonies, festivities and activities.

MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE, 2019

March 08	WALK-IN-LENTEN MEATLESS/PASTA DINNER	5:00---8:00 pm
March 14	COLUMBIAN CLUB DIRECTORS MEET	7:00 pm
March 14	COUNCIL MEETING	8:00 pm
March 20	2d DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION Roselle Pk, Council	8:00 pm
March 23	BASKETBALL FREE-THROW CONTEST Paramus HS, Paramus	8:00 am---1:00 pm
March 28	COUNCIL MEETING	8:00 pm
April 11	COLUMBIAN CLUB DIRECTORS MEET	7:00 pm
April 11	COUNCIL MEETING	8:00 pm
April 12	WALK-IN-LENTEN MEATLESS/FISH DINNER	5:00---8:00 PM
April 19	GOOD FRIDAY-Day of Fast and Abstinence	
April 21	BLESSED AND HAPPY EASTER TO ALL	
April 25	COUNCIL MEETING	8:00 pm

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WALK IN LENTEN FUNDRAISER DINNER

Once again we will be holding our Annual Lenten dinners from 5pm. To 8pm.. Please put on your calendars Friday March 8 we will hold our Annual Pasta Walk-In Dinner and on April 12 our Annual Walk-In Fish Dinner. As always all meals include Salad, Soup, Main Course, Dessert, Coffee or Tea. Cost is \$15 Adults, \$13 Seniors, \$10 Children (12 and Under) Please reserve that night for meeting your friends and fellow parishioners for great food and companionship.

DUES NOTICE

Many members have still not paid their annual dues. Knight Alert Notices have gone out to approximately 100 members. This is the last notice before suspension procedures begin. If you believe you have received this notice in error, please contact the Financial Secretary. To send out as many as three notices to members is costly for the Council and takes away from monies that can be spent on more Charitable endeavors. If you have decided to not pay your dues please return your invoice/notice stating your desire to withdraw your membership and sign it. This will help us update our records to remove you from our Council roles.

BAPTISMAL ROSE PROGRAM.

The Council presents congratulatory roses to mothers of each child baptized at St. Catherine's and Christ the King churches. If you can help with the presentation program let Angelo Bonanno, program coordinator at St Catherine's, or Andy Wnukowski, program coordinator at Christ the King, know of your interest. This is a well received program and a beautiful way to let parents-parishioners know about our Council.

K of C BASKETBALL FREE THROW CONTEST

On December 29 we had our 1st installation of the program, run by PGK Kevin Mc Clave DGK and Br James Boyle. Of 15 contestants, 5 made it to the second round, to be held Feb 24. At this time I am happy to report we had 1 player, a 13 year old, qualify to advance to the next round. Those who make it will participate at Paramus HS on Mar 23. Results will be posted in next issue of KnightLetter

KofC Insurance

Our Council has finally received Field Agent service, Bob Mc Geehan, General Agent, Central/Southern NJ. He will be overseeing general insurance operations and steer inquiries in the proper direction. Our Council has been placed under his umbrella. Agents from his office will respond to our needs. The Agency can be reached at 732 569 6045. Any Brothers affected by unresolved questions or concerns about their policies, AND HAVE NOT BEEN CONTACTED by Supreme Council Compliance Department should REACH OUT to that department at One Columbus Plaza, New Haven, Conn. 06510. Those members who HAVE ISSUES and HAVE received COMMUNICATIONS but NOT RESPONDED, please DO SO! It's important for you and your loved ones.

2nd DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION MARCH 20

This will take place at Msgr Joseph Loretto Council #3240, Roselle Park, NJ
Any 1st Degree members wishing to partake must let us know ASAP.
I am proud to state that Fr. Canty Council was the only Council recognized to have a Second Degree team at the recent State meeting of Grand Knights.

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

Thanks to all the volunteers who helped make our last Fundraiser Walk in Dinner an operational success. Hugs to Tina McClave and Clare Eller for manning the ticket table and for handling the 50/50 sales.
As always, thanks to PGK Bob Kaelblein, who handled the food logistics and preparation with his usual gusto. The dinner service ran smooth thanks to PGK Kevin Mc Clave DGK, and Brothers Steve D'Amato, Mike Borys, Jim Silva and Ben Niewinski.
Thanks to PGK, FDD Joe Michalik for representing the council and participating in the annual charity Polar Plunge which took place on February 23. No questions will be asked as to frozen parts.

KofC Jackets & Shirts

PGK Charles Orgelfinger has for sale customized 3-season windbreakers and polo shirts to Council Members. Under the rules of the Order, the emblem may be worn by members who are First Degree or higher, as well as wives and minor children of members in good standing. Members interested in purchasing a jacket or shirt may contact PGK Charles at 732-381-3389 or via email at chuckbda@yahoo.com.

KNIGHTLETTER PROGRAM.

Material to be submitted in the May--June issue of the KL must be received NO Later than April 15. Contact GK Andy Wnukowski at 908 764 3559, or leave in the wooden KnightLetter box at the bar. To place an ad, please call the Columbian Club at 908 688 3197.