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Dear Brother Knights and families:

Welcome to the spring newsletter; we trust all of the Knights and family members are doing well and had a blessed Easter season.

For those of you in the New Jersey metro-area, we are sure you are looking forward to the dryer, warmer months ahead! *As we certainly are!*

As always, the Knights continue to support local charities and are involved in many community focused events throughout River Edge, Bergen county and beyond! Many of our brothers' spearhead, or are part of local parish ministries/groups, or organizations that help the less fortunate, the poor and the disabled. Both present and past Knights take pride in always assisting others in keeping with the oath we took and based on our moral and civic obligations. We applaud you and thank you for your present, past and future efforts!

Your council leaders also continue to strive and press forward with the same agenda, while sustaining the Monsignor Burke Council in its mission to grow the order, help in community and socialize with one another.

We have several upcoming events that need your continued involvement, and we ask that you set some time aside to assist your fellow Knights that are constantly involved. In other words, we want to see you more often and ask you to join us in our future scheduled events, which can be found below and on the website: (www.kofcriveredge.com).

Please review the below highlights, but especially the **KOC Schedule of events**. We look forward to seeing many of you at the KOC, and please contact us with any of your questions or comments.

Vivat Jesus!!

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Bingo – Paramus Veterans Hall: Please join your brother Knights at the Paramus Veteran Hall this Tuesday evening – May 10th at 7:00 PM. Please volunteer to assist with the bingo game and distributing food items.

Collection for the Mentally Challenged: (Friday – May 13 / Saturday – May 14 mornings) We will be contacting many fellow Knights to volunteer for an hour or more to collect funds at various retail locations around River Edge. The locations will be Dunkin Donuts, The Bagel Shop, CVS, and possibly Total Wine. Funds will be distributed to various organizations that support the mentally challenged. Ed Lane is the chair on this function, please contact him (201-906-2717) with your time selection and with any questions.

Clothing Drive: We are once again running a clothing drive for new or lightly used work and interview clothes for the men at St. Christopher's Inn. Suits, slacks, dress shirts, ties, etc. This is to help provide interview and job-ready clothing for the men at the Inn exiting the addiction recovery program. This drive will go on until we've filled up! Best time to drop off items is [Friday night](#) during happy hour (7:00 - 9:00 PM).

Gus Schlaier Scholarship: We have received four (4) impressive applications from High School graduating seniors this year. The applications will be reviewed and recipients will be notified with their scholarship awards.

KOC Lounge Renovations: Bathrooms are beginning to be tiled and painting is scheduled to begin on Monday – May 16th. Come down and lend a hand.

Friday Happy Hour Bartender Schedule:

[May 13, 2016](#) – Bob Garia

[May 20, 2016](#) – Pat Villano

[May 27, 2016](#) – Ryan Gibbons

Summer schedule thereafter

KOC Schedule of events:

[Tuesday May 10, 2016](#) – Bingo – Paramus Veterans Hall [7:00-9:00PM](#) (Sheridan Ogden – Chair)

[Friday/Saturday May 13/14, 2016](#) – Collection for the Mentally Challenged [8:00 AM - 1:00PM](#) – (Ed Lane - Chair)

[Friday May 13, 2016](#) – Happy Hour [7:00-9:00PM](#)

[Thursday May 19, 2016](#) – **11th Annual Pride In Our Priests Dinner** - The 11th Annual Pride In Our Priests dinner is scheduled at The Terrace – 293 Paramus Rd. [6:30-9:30PM](#) (\$50 cover)

[Friday May 20, 2016](#) – Happy Hour [7:00-9:00PM](#)

[Sunday May 22, 2016](#) – First Degree – Archbishop Walsh, Council 3550 - Palisades Park @ 6:00 PM (Registration: 5:30 PM, Degree begins at 6:00 PM.)

[Wednesday May 25, 2016](#) – Third Degree –North Arlington @ Queen of Peace, Council 3428 @8:00 PM (Registration: 7:30 PM, Degree begins at 8:00 PM.)

[Friday May 27, 2016](#) – Happy Hour [7:00-9:00PM](#)

[Monday May 30, 2016](#) – Memorial Day

[Saturday June 4, 2016](#) – First Saturday @ St. Peter's Gym (Time TBA)

[Tuesday June 14, 2016](#) – First Degree – Archbishop Walsh, Council 3550 - Palisades Park @ 8:00 PM (Registration: 7:30 PM, Degree begins at 8:00 PM.)

[Wednesday June 8, 2016](#) – Second Degree - St. John, Council 1345, Dumont @8:00PM (Registration: 7:30 PM, Degree begins at 8:00 PM.)

[Saturday June 23, 2016](#) – 2016/2017 KOC Officer elections

[Tuesday June 26, 2016](#) – First Degree – Palisades Park @ Archbishop Walsh, Council 3550 @ 6:00 PM (Registration: 5:30 PM, Degree begins at 6:00 PM.)

[Monday July 4, 2016](#) – 10:30 AM River Edge Parade / Beer Truck Volunteers

[Friday July 22, 2016](#) – KOC Federation - Yankee Game - \$65 PP includes bus from St. Peters Church, entrance, food & drink item (Contact: Vincent. de Lehry/Bob Garcia – Chair) 5:00 PM