



Dear Brother Knights and Families:

We hope to find you all well and staying cool as the hotter weather began this week. Our Council had a busy couple of weeks since our last newsletter, organizing several local events and sprucing up the KOC.

We are now preparing for this coming weekend's yearly collection for the Intellectually Handicapped on June 16 & 17th, Bingo at the Paramus Veterans Home on Thursday June 29th and our participation in River Edge's Fourth of July Parade and Celebration.

Once again, we ask each of you to please donate some time to volunteer for these important events and backing of the various local community causes that require ongoing financial as well as spiritual support.

We would like to also invite many of you that have not been frequent visitors to your council, to come on down and take part in our weekly gatherings, or whenever you may want to join your brother Knights. Bring your wives / significant others and/or family members or friends and meet some of the newer Knights to our Council.

All are welcomed...so come on down and get involved!

Upcoming Events:

Collection for the Intellectually Challenged – Event Chairperson (Ed Lane) has scheduled our Council collection for this **Friday & Saturday June 16/17 (7:00 AM – 2:00 PM)**. We ask all Knights to participate for 1 hour or more throughout these days as we collect at Dunkin Donuts, Bagel Stop, the Habit and other high pedestrian traffic locations. Last year we collected several thousand dollars for select charities. Please donate to the cause and/or schedule some time to collect; we need your help. Please contact **Ed** on 201-906-2717 or call the Council on the number above to pledge your time or donation.

Bingo at the Veterans – [Thursday – June 29th (6:45-8:00 PM)] - Our monthly volunteer evening at the Paramus Veterans Home is June 29th. Please join us as we setup Bingo, call the numbers and pay the Vets their winnings. But the most fulfilling aspect of our visit is interacting with them during the game and afterwards. Please contact the event Chairpersons (**Jim O'Donnell @ 201-261-3525 or Ed Vega @ 201-655-8184**) for more information and to confirm your attendance

July Fourth Event - (Tuesday July 4th) – Every year we march in the parade **10:45 AM** and run the (Beer/Wine garden) at Memorial Park (**12:00 PM – 4:00 PM**) with our brethren's the AOH (Ancient Order of Hibernians) who run the food concession. **Brendan Daly** is our Chairperson for the day's events, and you will be hearing from him for volunteers as the date approaches.

Highlights of Past Events:

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Memorial Day – On Monday May 29th several Knights participated in the day’s events honoring our past and present veterans. Due to the rainy day the program was held in the Roosevelt School Gym with our town Council presiding over the morning event. Many of our neighbors and several town organizations were present. Our thanks go out to our **Deputy Grand Knight - Ed Vega, Ed de Azevedo, Dan Garcia** and our Treasurer – **Paul Sanchez for representing the KOC.**

First Saturday – We hosted about 60 people on June 3rd for our yearly luncheon sponsorship for the Physically/Intellectually Challenged, which was held at St. Peters Church/Gym. Father Mike celebrated mass as we provided a hearty lunch for our visitors and their care-givers. Special thanks go out to **Peg & Bill Watkins, Steve Cirino, Marco Minervini, Brenden Daly, Ed lane, Ed Mignone** and **Bob Garcia.**

2017 GUS SCHLAIER ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP – Knights **Andrew and Ed Vega** presented subject scholarship to three of our graduating seniors from Riverdell High School.

Bingo at the Paramus Vets – We sponsored our monthly Bingo series at the Vets on May 30th. Our sponsored event celebrated over 80 veterans for a fun-filled evening of prizes and food options. Our thanks go out to **Knights Pat Villano and his wife, Jim O’Donnel & his wife, John MacInerney, Dan Garcia, Marco Minervini and Jesus Capote.**

In closing, keep an eye out for our weekly event emails, check the KOC website (www.kofcriveredge.com) and the calendar below with event/activity updates. Please come down and be part of the Knights tradition in helping your parish, community and those in need, as well as enjoying fellowship with each other.

Date	Venue	Location	Times
Fri – June 16	Knights Gathering	KOC Lounge	6:30PM – Until
Fri/Sat – June 16/ 17	Collection for the Handicapped	Dunkin Donuts	7:00AM – 2:00 PM
Fri – June 23	Knights Gathering	KOC Lounge	6:30PM - Until
Thur – June 29	Bingo at the Vets	Paramus Veterans Hall	6:45PM – 8:00 PM
Fri – June 30	Knights Gathering	KOC Lounge	6:30 PM - Until
Tue – July 4	Beer/Wine Garden Setup	KOC/Memorial Park	7:30AM – 9:30AM
Tue – July 4	Parade	Cherry Hill School	10:45AM - Noon
Tue – July 4	Beer/Wine Garden Duty	Memorial Park	12:00PM – 5:00 PM
Wed – July 5	Monthly KOC Meeting	KOC	7:30 PM – 8:30
Fri – July 7	Knights Gathering	KOC Lounge	6:30 PM - Until
Fri – July 14	Knights Gathering	KOC Lounge	6:30 PM – Until

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