



Dear Brother Knights and Families:

Welcome to the September Newsletter; we trust you all had a fun-filled, relaxing and enjoyable summer. The leaves are already full of fall colors and there is a chill in the air, as we resume our work, school and fall schedules.

I would like to open this newsletter by celebrating **Matt Watkins'** leadership as Grand Knight for the past 5 years! In July we had a changing of the guard with Matt retiring after many years of dedicated service to the order. Words cannot express our appreciation of his untiring leadership and oversight of all Knights functions, business matters and community activities. His inexhaustible hard work, long-hours and advocacy in leading the Council for assisting the needy and disenfranchised in our community and charitable organizations will not be forgotten. I wish to personally thank Matt for his mentorship and guidance, as we will build on his successes in driving the council's mission forward. And a special thanks to his dear wife **Andrea Watkins** for her weariless support and assistance. Thank you so much and may God bless you and your family, as you all are dedicated servants of the Lord!

We have been busy this summer with various community/charitable events and working diligently in giving the council floor a "face-lift". We are renovating the upstairs bar and lounge area with new paint, updating the bathrooms, new carpeting, tables and chairs, wide-screen flat TV's and updated fixtures. We anticipate completing the renovation by the end of September and will be announcing our official grand "reopening" with a new menu of refreshments and food items! Keep an eye on your emails and mailbox for a special invitation to our re-opening gala.

On July 4th we proudly marched in the River Edge Parade and the Knights hosted another successful drive with the "Beer Concession" in Memorial Park. We raised a considerable amount of funds to support our charitable efforts throughout the year in River Edge and the surrounding communities. Special thanks go out to **Matt & Andrea Watkins, Rene Munoz, Pat Villano, Ed Vega, Rich Herr, Ernie Ruiz, Ed Mignone, Gennaro Rotella, Jesus Capote, Marco Minervini, Dan Garcia, Paul Sanchez**, the AOH (Ancient Order of Hibernians), as well as many others who we present and helped throughout the day.

Golf Outing - As many of you are aware, our annual "Golf Outing" is scheduled for **Friday - September 23rd, with the bus leaving at 6:30 AM**. Registration details and Hole Sponsorship forms are available on the KOC website or email us for a form. Please sign-up your "foursomes" and don't forget your individual or business sponsorships. Please invite friends and family members to enjoy a wonderful fall day at Farmstead Golf Club. If you don't golf, please consider a donation which will support our charitable efforts in the community. Please contact the Golf Chairperson (**Matt Watkins**) or myself with your completed forms, or with any questions. Signup forms are available on the KOC website.

Admissions Degree (former 1st Degree) - We have a handful of interested men who will be joining our order at this month's Admissions Degree ceremony (formerly known as the 1st degree) on **Tuesday – September 13th at 7:30 PM** at the Saint Thomas More Council #2188 in Westwood, and on **Sunday – September 25 at 5:30 PM** at Archbishop Walsh Council #3550, in Ridgefield Park, NJ. If any Knight knows of a Catholic gentleman that may be interested in joining the order, please sponsor them or advise us of the potential Knight.

Formation Degree (former 2nd Degree) – Our council will host this degree on **Tuesday – October 11, tentatively beginning at 7:00 PM**. All 1st degree Knights are encouraged to take the Formation Degree and move forward in the degree process. We will be reaching out to current 1st degree Knights to confirm your attendance. All other Knights are invited to the ceremony to support our new candidates! Dinner will be served!

St. Peters Carnival – Please join your fellow Knights **September 22 – 25**, in volunteering to assist in the carnival throughout the four-day event. Remember, proceeds from the carnival support our parish and its many ministries in service to the community.

Bingo – Paramus Veterans Hall: Sheridan Ogden ("**Oggie**") the Chairperson for Bingo has scheduled the first of our monthly bingo sponsorships. Please join your brother Knights at the Paramus Veteran Hall on **Thursday – September 29th from 7:00 – 9:00 PM**. Please volunteer to assist with the bingo game and distributing food items.

River Edge Day – Will be held on Sunday – **October 16th (12:00 – 4:00 PM)** at Veterans Memorial Park, River Edge. The Knights will host a booth for highlighting our fraternity and community activities, as well as promote recruitment in the Knights. We will also be in-charge for serving food (Hot Dogs/Hamburgers) hot and cold drinks throughout the event. Please volunteer and join us throughout the day in support of this fun town event and worthy cause.



In Memorium:

Robert T. Frye, 80, passed on August 5, 2016. Robert was the husband of Stella (Roberts) who was the love of her life for 55 years.; father of Robert T. Frye Jr., Jill Marie Frye-Petersen & her husband Michael; grand-father of Justin, Megan and Reese. Robert was a longtime (more than 30 years) employee of Nabisco Foods, & excelled during his sales management career. He served in the U.S. Army & was a 3rd degree of the Knights of Columbus – River Edge for over 46 years. He was an avid sports fan, and especially enjoyed watching the Yankees and NY Giants. He was active in Little League (boys baseball/football & girls softball) & loved pitching for the KOC baseball team. He most loved being with his family & being called “Pop Pop” by his grandchildren.

GEORGE John F. "Jack", age 83, of River Edge, on August 10, 2016. Beloved husband of Janet (nee Murphy). Dear brother-in-law of Daniel Goodsier Sr. and his wife Betty Lynn. Loving uncle of Michelle, Eugene, Ralph, Gerry, Johanna, Daniel Jr., Peggy, Richard, Robert, William and Jimmy. Jack was a school teacher from Kennedy High School in Paterson prior to retiring. Jack was an Army Veteran serving during the Korean War, a faithful parishioner of St. Peter the Apostle R.C. Church, where his uplifting personality and trivia will be missed by many. R.C. Jack was a Knight in the 3rd Degree for the past 20 years, and was involved in the Knights many charity and social events.

Vivat Jesus...

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Upcoming Schedule of events:

Date	Venue	Location	Times
Wednesday – Sept 7	Council 5015 Meeting	KOC Hall	7:00 PM – 8:30 PM
Friday - Sept 9	Happy Hour (Al de George)	KOC Lounge	7:00 PM - Until
Saturday – Sept 10	St. Martin’s Kitchen	Meet @ St. Peters Church Parking Lot	9:30 AM – 2:30 PM
Tuesday – Sept 13	Admission Degree (formerly known as 1 st Degree)	Westwood Council 40 Crest St. Westwood, NJ 07675 US	8:00 PM – 10:00 PM
Tuesday – Sept 13	An Evening of Peace & Worship	St. Peters – Parish Center	7:30 PM – 9:00 PM
Friday - Sept 16	Happy Hour (Matt Watkins)	KOC Lounge	7:00 PM – Until
Thursday – Sept 22 – Sunday Sept 25	St. Peters Carnival	445 Fifth Ave., River Edge, NJ 07661	Knights will be volunteering. Join us.
Friday - Sept 23	Golf Outing	KOC Council	6:30 AM Bus Leaves KOC
Friday - Sept 23	Happy Hour (Ed Vega)	KOC Lounge	7:00 PM - Until
Thursday - Sept 29	Bingo	Paramus Veterans Home	7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Friday - Sept 30	Happy Hour (Rene Munoz)	KOC Lounge	7:00 PM – Until
Tuesday – Oct 4	Council 5015 River	KOC HALL	7:00 PM – 8:30 PM



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