



Dear Brother Knights and Families:

Happy New Year! We hope you had an enjoyable Christmas with your loved ones and dear friends, and that you enjoyed the coming of the new year. We want to wish you and your families a healthy, happy and golden...2017!

As we begin the new year our hopes and prayers are that the Lord allows us to continue in our many ministries and community-focused assistance programs, as well as our guiding principles of: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. We look forward to the new year as we attempt to strengthen the council ranks, support our St. Peters Parish, expand the causes we support and bring together all our brother Knights and family members to our River Edge council.

Past/Future Events and where your participation is requested:

Christmas/New Year's Gatherings – We had a great showing of Knights, their wives and family members as we celebrated and rejoiced during the holidays at the council on the Fridays before each holiday. Many brought in delicious home-prepared foods and goodies to feast on in our newly renovated lounge. We look forward to future "special" gatherings, as well as our weekly assemblies every Friday evening beginning at 7:00 PM. [Please see photos on the electronic version of this newsletter & on the Knights web-site. (kofcriveredge.com)]

New Year's/Holiday Brunch – We had a great turnout of Knights and their family members this past Sunday for our annual brunch at the KOC Hall. Some of the families in attendance were: the Minervini's, the Watkin's, the Villano's, the McNulty's and their great photo album of past Knights reunions, the Herr's, the Vega's, the Ng's, the Sheridan's, the Sanchez's, the Hitscherich's, the Garcia's, Carl Hartmann, Ed Vega, Rob Salemo and others.

Bingo at the Paramus Veterans Home – Once again we sponsored "Bingo" at the Paramus Veterans Home this past Thursday evening. Over thirty veterans enjoyed their winnings! Special thanks go out to Pat Villano, Sheridan Ogden, Dan Garcia, Ed Vega & Marco Minervini for their involvement. Our next Bingo game is schedule for **Wednesday, March 29th, 2017**, please mark your calendars, as we need other Knights to volunteer and fulfill their quarterly obligations.

Super Bowl Pool/Party – The pool has been closed due to an overwhelming response. However, we require payment ASAP for those that reserved boxes. Don't forget the Super Bowl Party on **February 5, starting @5:30** at the KOC Hall. Contact the Super Bowl Pool Chairman: Carl Hartmann @ cfishigotu@aol.com or leave a message at the KOC (201-262-7766).

Grand Knights Dinner – We have tentatively scheduled our "Grand Knights Dinner" at the KOC Hall for **Sunday February 12th from 2:30 – 6:00 PM**. All Knights, especially all former Grand Knights are invited to attend and join-in the celebration. More information to follow.

Free Throw – Paul Sanchez our council Treasurer and event Chairperson will again be running the Free Throw event in January. He will need fellow Knights to help-out and we look forward to hearing more details on the event from Paul in the weeks ahead.

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Men's Clothing / Coat Collection – We will continue our collection during the winter months and ask that you continue to please bring down your slightly used men's coats, shirts, sweater, suits, ties, pants, shoes, undergarments, etc., to the KOC. There is a great need for men's clothing, especially at various shelters in our local communities.

In closing, keep an eye out for our weekly 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 community and those in need, as well as enjoying fellowship with each other. (see below)

| Date | Venue | Location | Times |
|--------------------------------|--|--|-------------------|
| Friday – Jan 13 | Knights Gathering (Matt Watkins - Host) | KOC Lounge | 7:00 PM – Until |
| Saturday – Jan 14 | St. Martins Kitchen (Feeding the needy & deliver men's clothing) | St. Peter's Parking Lot | 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM |
| Tuesday - Jan 17 | Faith on Tap (Deacon Richard) | Alementary Brewery 58 Voorhis Lane, Hackensack, NJ | 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM |
| Friday – Jan 20 | Knights Gathering (Andrew Vega - Host) | KOC Lounge | 7:00 PM – Until |
| Friday – Jan 20 | 3 rd /Knighthood Degree | Closter Council | 7:30 PM – 9:30 PM |
| Sunday – Jan 22 | 1 st /Admissions Degree | Ridgefield Park Council | 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM |
| Friday – Jan 27 | Knights Gathering (Ed Azevedo - Host) | | 7:00 PM – Until |
| Late January 2017 | Free Throw (Paul Sanchez) | St. Peters Gym | TBD |
| Wednesday - Feb 1 | Monthly Meeting | KOC Hall | 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM |
| Friday – Feb 3 | Knights Gathering (Ryan Gibbons - Host) | KOC Lounge | 7:00 PM – Until |
| Sunday – Feb 5 | Super Bowl Party | KOC Hall | 5:30 PM - Until |
| Friday – Feb 10 | Knights Gathering (Dan Garcia - Host) | KOC Lounge | 7:00 PM - Until |
| "Tentative" Sunday – Feb 12 | Grand Knights Dinner | KOC Hall | 2:30 PM – 6:00 PM |
| Friday – Feb 17 | Knights Gathering (Tommy Ramirez - Host) | KOC Lounge | 7:00 PM - Until |
| Saturday – March 4 | Catholic Men's Conference | Seton Hall University | 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM |

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