

The KNIGHTLINE



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December 2018

Grand Knight Letter

Greetings Brothers and Sisters ,

As your Worthy Acting Grand Knight I am writing this Newsletter with a heavy heart. Words cannot express my sadness on the loss of our Brother Worthy Grand Knight Russ Taylor. Russ put up a noble fight but in His infinite Wisdom, God had some other plan for Russ to accomplish. May he rest in peace. My deepest condolences go out to his family.

Please keep Russ and his Wife Ann & Family in your thoughts and prayers.
As we move into December I just want to reflect on all the past activities we had in the month of November. We are one busy Council!

Our Deceased Members Mass was held at St Veronica's Chapel on November 2nd. A special thanks to Father Euk for having the Mass and Linda Salvi for leading us in song. Thanks also to PGK Barry Kakos and Pat O'Connor for their devotion on reading the names of our deceased members of Council #6201.

The Formation/2nd Degree was held on November 7th led by the Formation Degree Team of Brian Curran. We had six Brothers making their Formation Degree. Thank you, Brian and Team, for your commitment.

On November 10th my Brother Knights cooked for the St Veronica's 50/50 Dinner Dance. A special thanks to PGK Victor Salvi and his team of cooks. We had a great time as usual!

Our Ladies Auxiliary is in full swing and had a Pallet Painting Party on Wednesday November 14th. It was a successful event with 23 ladies participating.

The Thanksgiving Food Baskets was held on Saturday November 17th and we had a great turnout of Brother Knights and their Families to help the less fortunate at Thanksgiving. We fed 30 families. I was glad to be a part of it again this year. Thanks to PGK Bob Clifford and all who came out to help with this event.

Iron Couples Knight was another fun event held on Saturday November 14th. I had never participated before, but it was definitely a fun evening. Thanks to Steve Stazko and Family for hosting it again this year.

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Meetings:

Council: 1st & 3rd Friday of the Month at 8:30 P.M.

Officers: Tuesday before 3rd Friday of the Month at 8:30 PM.

Columbian Club: 3rd Friday of the month following K.C.

Grand Knight Letter

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Moving into December we begin the Month with the start of Advent and beginning of the Christmas season.

We have the Christmas Tree Lighting coming up on Friday, December 7th. There will be no Rosary or Social Meeting that night but come out and bring your family to sing some Christmas Carols and help decorate the Christmas Tree. We will have some cookies, cake and hot chocolate as we celebrate the birth of Christ. It will begin at 7pm so please mark your calendars.

The very next day Saturday, December 8th is the PGGK and PCCP Dinner to honor PGK David Idank and PCCP Rich Russo. Please come out and thank both Brothers for all their accomplishments and for the outstanding job they did last year. Remember this is also the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Please see both Church bulletins for the mass schedule.

Breakfast with Santa is on Saturday December 16th. Yours truly will be in the kitchen along with Santa's helpers whipping up pancakes and other breakfast treats! Hosted by the Bradleys!

The Adult Christmas Party will be held right after the Business Meeting on Friday December 21st and most importantly the Christmas Food baskets will be held on Saturday December 22nd. From what Bob Clifford tells me we are feeding 146+ Families this year. If you never participated in anything at the council this year you will want to do this. Please bring your families to our Council home to help assemble "baskets" at 9 am. This by far in my opinion is one of the best events and truly brings the message of what Christmas is all about.

Old Timers Reunion will be held in the afternoon on Saturday December 22nd. Come out and meet some of the Brothers that helped make this Council to what it is today. Finally, please keep an eye on the calendar on the K of C website for updated events.

For the latest news expect a few e mails to come your way.

To all my Brothers and Their Families. Have a very Merry and Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year!

Vivat Jesus,

Tom Raulinavich, Worthy Acting Grand Knight

Columbian Club President Letter

December 2018

Brother Knights,

It's with a heavy heart that I write this letter. Our Grand Knight Russ Taylor has passed, and our council has lost a beloved brother and friend. In our five months of working together, GK Russ and I made our decisions not for what was best for the "Knights side" or "Club side", but for what was best for all of us. He believed in working together to make the council as strong as it could be. He was a great man, who was always there to lend a hand, and he was the true embodiment of a Knight of Columbus. Rest in Peace Brother Knight.

I hope you and your families enjoyed the Thanksgiving holiday. The latter part of November was a busy time at the Columbian Club. The bar area, hallway, and Grand Knights room were all painted. I want to thank PGK Lou McGraw and the BIC committee for all their work on getting the job done, the place looks great. On the 24th we had Iron Couples Night. Thanks to Steve and Margaret Stazko for putting together another wonderful event, and also thanks to Bob and Donna Clifford for keeping score, and congratulations to Steve Calahan and his wife Mary Pat for coming in first place.

December is jammed packed with events for you and your families to enjoy. We'll have the Nativity lighting on the 7th. On the 8th is the PGK/PCCP dinner. This event is free, and it's a great night to honor our past Grand Knight and Columbian Club President. Get a babysitter on the 15th and come to the Adult Christmas party starting at 8pm. Sunday the 16th is the children's breakfast with Santa. Make sure to check out the flyer and sign up your kids/grandkids. We will welcome back some of the greats of this council on the 22nd when we host Old Timer's Day. Be sure to stop in and meet the men who laid the foundation of Council 6201. The club will be open from 12-6 on Christmas Eve and closed on Christmas Day. And we'll close out 2018 with party at the bar on the 31st, keep an eye out for more details.

Three important dates to remember in early 2019. January 13th is the new date for the Chili Cook-Off. There will be a flyer and sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board. On February 3rd the club will be closing at 4pm for our Super Bowl party. The club will be closed once again on February 17th for the Race for Life Fundraiser.

On a personal note, 2018 has not been a kind year to me, and I'll be glad to see it end, and I will welcome in 2019 and its fresh start and new hope it brings. I want to thank all of you for your support and prayers, it truly has meant a lot, and my family and I are very grateful. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.

Michael Bradley CCP

'I will honor Christmas in my heart, and try to keep it all the year'

Charles Dickens

Ladies Auxiliary President's Letter

December 2018

Ladies & Gentlemen,

Our Council has suffered a tremendous loss, our Grand Knight Russ Taylor has passed and the Ladies would like to extend our sincerest condolences to his family, friends and fellow Knights. I was lucky enough to visit him while he was in Rehab and in good spirits – I will always remember him that way.

The Ladies were busy last month and I want to thank Jean Marie DiBiase, Catherine Idank, Sue Raulinavich, Sanjoe Westrich, Chrissy Izzo and Mary Brienza for helping cook and set up for Football Sunday. Also, the Ladies hosted a Palette Paint Night and raised \$240 while practicing our artistic skills!

Tis the Season! The Ladies are helping to run the Annual Nativity Lighting this year where carols will be sung, the tree will be trimmed and hot cocoa served. All are welcome with their families to this event – Friday December 7th, 7PM. And Save the Date – Breakfast with Santa is Sunday December 16th at 10am. Fluffy pancakes, candy canes, games, story time and a special guest who will be bringing the gifts are all in store that morning! Please sign up at the Council.

"Maybe Christmas, he thought, doesn't come from a store. Maybe Christmas...perhaps...means a little bit more!" – Theodor Seuss Geisel, How the Grinch Stole Christmas

Christmas Blessings to you and your families,
Erin Bradley
Ladies Auxiliary President



Council Calendar



DECEMBER 2018

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
25 Football Sundays!	26	27	28	29	30 3rd or Knighthood Degree Postponed	1
2 1st Sunday of Advent Football Sundays!	3	4	5	6	7 Nativity Lighting 7pm Rosary and Social Meeting Canceled	8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Past Grand Knight/Columbian Club President Dinner at 7 PM.
9 Football Sundays!	10 Chapter Meeting	11	12	13	14 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting 8PM	15
16 Breakfast with Santa Football Sundays!	17	18 KOFC Officers Meeting 8:30 PM CC 7:30PM	19	20	21 Adult Members Christmas Party KOFC/CC Business Meeting 7:30	22 Christmas Food Baskets
23 Football Sundays!	24	25 Christmas Day Club Closed	26	27	28	29
30 Football Sundays!	31 New Year Eves Party	1 New Year's Day	2	3	4 Rosary 8PM KOFC Social Meeting 8:30 PM	5

Join us for the Annual Nativity Lighting



Columbian Club
Friday, December 7th
7:00 p.m. — 8:00 p.m.
(Outdoor event - Dress Warm)

Caroling
Kids Ornament Craft
Trim the Tree
Hot Chocolate & Cookies

Fun for the Whole Family!



December 16, 2018

10:00am

Please join us for Breakfast
Games and Story for the children
Each child receives a gift from Santa!



Sign up sheet located at the Council.
For further information please call Erin Bradley at 732-534-2466





CHRISTMAS CAROL FESTIVAL

ST. ALOYSIUS CHURCH - JACKSON, NJ

Sunday, December 16th at 6PM

Join us for a prayerful night of scripture and carols to prepare our hearts for the miracle of Christmas!

The event is free and open to all!

- * Bring some cookies to share for fellowship and fun after the service.

Cocoa, cookies and kids crafts to follow in Gonzaga Hall.

O Come, Let Us Adore Him!



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PRAYERS FOR PEACE AND

RECONCILIATION

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy,
our life, our sweetness and our hope!

To thee do we cry, poor banished
children of Eve.

To thee do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this
valley of tears.

Turn then, most gracious advocate,
thine eyes of mercy toward us
and after this our exile,
show unto us the blessed
fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.
Amen.

Repeat three times:

We fly to your protection,

O holy Mother of God;

despise not our petitions in our necessities,
but deliver us from all dangers,
O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

Mary Immaculate, Queen of Peace,
pray for us and our country!

For These We Pray

GK Russ Taylor

Andy Minoulli

Joe Tetro

Maryann Grady

CCP Mike Bradley

Evelyn O'Neil

Chris Hunt

PGK Pat Gallagher

Hellen Ludwig

Mrs. Pavelko

Rita Schmidt

Mary Ellen Kennedy

Armed Service Personnel



All of our deceased brothers and their families



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