# The KNIGHTLINE



**REV. MITCHELL J. CETKOWSKI - KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** 

### January 2018

#### **Grand Knight Letter**

#### Brothers-

Happy New Year to my brother Knights and your families. As we start 2018, I hope you all have a healthy and enjoyable year. I again invite and encourage our newer members, and those who may not yet have involved themselves in events, to attend monthly meetings and monitor our web site to familiarize yourselves with the Council. I cannot tell you well enough how strongly I feel about our charitable endeavors, or how you will benefit personally and spiritually from helping others in our community. You really must experience this for yourself and I am fairly certain that you will find such activities somewhat addicting in that you will want to involve yourselves more.

On Friday January 5<sup>th</sup> we will hold our Third (Knighthood) Degree in place of our Social meeting. Please come out and show the strength of our Council in front of our State Officers and other local Councils. Brothers should arrive before 7:30 pm. The following day Saturday January 6<sup>th</sup> will be Karaoke night at the Club. Come on out and show off you voices and enjoy a night out with your fellow Knights and spouses. Our annual Free Throw contest for youngsters in the community will be the weekend of January 20<sup>th</sup> at St. Veronica's gym. This will be organized by PGK Brian Curran and Chancellor Tom Raulinavich.

The Knights of Columbus Lady's Auxiliary are planning a comeback, if you are interested in joining please come down to the Council on January 19<sup>th</sup> at 8:00PM.

Please also monitor our web site for additional events and information (<u>www.kofc6201.com</u>).

May God Bless you and your families. Grand Knight Dave Idank





#### Meetings:

Council: 1st &3rd Friday of the Month at 8:30 P.M.
Officers Meets at 7:30 P.M.
Officers: Tuesday before 3rd Friday of the Month at 8:30 PM. Columbian Club
Columbian Club: 3rd Friday of the month following K.C.

The Columbian Club would like to wish all of our members and their families a Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy, prosperous New Year. We have been doing a lot of work to the council home and invite all of you to come down and enjoy some time with your brother knights and families. The latest addition to the club is 4 new 55" big screen TV's above the bar tin addition to our 7 big screens on the walls which make NFL Sundays even better than before. You can see almost any game from anywhere in the bar. We've also added a food menu for anytime you are at the bar which has been going great. With that, we decided to order an air fryer to make even better "bar foods" for your enjoyment. Look for the updated menu when you come in. Our smoke tent has also been secured and heated for the smokers or just relaxing outside. We still have more to do so stay tuned.

This month we've had Old Timers Day, Children's Christmas with Santa and our annual Christmas party which were all heavily attended and tons of fun. In the next couple of months we will be holding our 18<sup>th</sup> annual Race for Life, the Superbowl Party and the St Patrick's day which will all be great events to be a part of or just come down to enjoy the club.

Unfortunately due to inclement weather we had to cancel our Columbian Club meeting so there is no Iron Man for the month of December, but that doesn't mean there weren't plenty of people who would have deserved it. PCCP Jim Murphy completed his mission to install the new TV's, Andy McCarthy and his father Bob were right there for us to get the Direct Tv's up and running after the installation and many others have pitched in to keep the council home up to date and a great place to hang out.

Looking forward to seeing everybody down at your council home this year.

CCP Rich Russo



#### COUNCIL #6201 CALENDAR OF EVENTS JANUARY 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31 Football Sunday New Years Eve	1	2	3	4	5 3rd Degree	6
7 Football Sunday	<b>8</b> Chapter Meeting	9	10	11	12	13
<b>14</b> Football Sunday	15	16 KOFC Officers Meeting 8:30 PM	17	18	19 KOFC/CC Business Meeting 8:30 PM	20
<b>21</b> Football Sunday	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

# <u>"SEND A HERO HOME FOR</u> <u>THE HOLIDAYS</u>"

Read some of the words from the Heroes that have benefited from "Send a Hero Home" program and made it home to their loved ones! This year alone to date, 99 servicemen and women where able to make it

home! Awesome program and it is wonderful to do something for some of those that had provide so much for us!

### Words of thanks from our Heroes:

"Sir, this is great news and it really made my day. Thank you, Thank you, THANK YOU!!! Things came up that made it hard for me to get home this year and I haven't been home for Christmas in 8 years. I really appreciate this."

"This means a lot. I can't put into words how much this means to me. Thank you and everyone that helps with this program."

"Thank you so much!!"

"I just wanted to personally thank the Knights of Columbus New Jersey for the plane ticket home. I am truly grateful and if there is anything I can do to thank the Knights of Columbus I will do it. You have made my Christmas a very special one and I thank you."

"Thank you for considering military personnel for this gift, I truly appreciate it and am very grateful. Plane tickets around the holidays can get very expensive so this is a wonderful surprise. I hope you and yours have a wonderful holiday season!"

"I just wanted to send you a thank you email for the plane ride this holiday season. It really helped a lot and I'm grateful for the opportunity to go home."

"Thank you very much for this opportunity to visit my family."

"Thank you and all that you do for us Sailors we really do appreciate it."

"I would like to thank you for this opportunity to allow me to see my family. It is greatly appreciated and a story I will tell my family about (I'm going to surprise them)."

### Words of thanks from our Heroes continued:

### "I just wanted to thank you again for what you're doing for me and my fellow shipmates. We all appreciate it so much."

"Thank you so much, this means the world to me!"

"Thank you very much, I can't wait to surprise my Grandmother!"

"Thank you so much. You have no idea how grateful I am you guys are doing this. My brother, who is also in the military, is also able to go home for Christmas this year. I have not seen him in over a year. Thank you."

"I am blown away by this whole 'operation'. I haven't been back home in years for the Holidays and cherish this opportunity so much. I just want to say this is an amazing thing you all are doing and means more to us than you can imagine."

"I would first and foremost like to thank the Knights of Columbus New Jersey branch for sponsoring such an amazing opportunity and program. I would like to personally thank you for giving a service member like myself the opportunity to make it home for the holidays. With my brother being stationed in Germany and myself being stationed here in New Jersey it is difficult to make it back to Ohio at the same time and this may be one of the last opportunities to celebrate the holidays together. Once again I just want to thank you and the Knights of Columbus for this amazing opportunity."

"I'm not much of a writer, but it will do nothing less than brighten the smiles and warm the hearts of my family to have me home this year. I was my dad's only son, and last year this time we spent his last holiday with him on his death bed in the hospital. it will be an awesome treat and an added relief to be able to fly home instead of driving 16 hrs. to visit family on his favorite holiday."

"My family and I are very grateful for this opportunity to have our Airman granted a ticket home for the holidays. He left for his assignment last year 21 December 2014, and has not had the chance to come home in a year. We love and miss him and our

#### Prayers were answered when your organization got him a ticket to come home this Christmas. Thank you."

"I can't express enough how grateful I am to be able to go see my family for Christmas, I am truly lucky to be able to go/afford to see them at least once a year, let alone on the holidays. This is truly a blessing! What the NJ Knights of Columbus are doing is such a great heart filled thing to do. Thank you very much for this!!"

## **NJ Knights of Columbus**

-SEASIDE-

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# **Polar Penguins** ABOUT THE PLUNGE



JOIN THE TEEN

Each year, the Plunge at Seaside challenges thousands of brave jumpers from around the state. It's a great way for everyone—individuals, teams, organizations and businesses—to get involved in supporting Special Olympics New Jersey. All funds raised go towards programming and events for more than 25,000 athletes statewide.

Event Info:

Saturday February 24th

9am Check In

Plunge starts at 1PM

See Alex D'Ambrosio to Take The Plunge!

alex@ocitcs.com or (732) 569-7632

This \$25 registration fee allows you to begin fundraising. A minimum of \$100 gets you a Plunge sweatshirt and is REQUIRED to participate in the Plunge. Keep fundraising to reach different incentive levels! This registration fee is credited to your \$100 minimum fundraising goal.





PER BOWL

### **\$20 PER PERSON**

Party Includes:

- Hot/Cold Appetizers & Buffet
- \$1.75 Rolling Rock DRAFTS

### CASH BAR 11 FLAT SCREEN TVs w/surround sound SUPER 50/50 DRAWING

Pay by JANUARY 21st TO GUARANTEE a T-shirt Kids 12 & under free admission (kids t-shirts \$12.00)

Come watch the game on all 11 screens!



Did you know many children throughout the United States and Canada go without a coat each winter? Many low-income families use their scarce resources to meet the most basic essentials and they need help to provide this vital winter necessity.

That's why the Knights of Columbus developed the Coats for Kids program, which allows councils across North America the opportunity to purchase new winter coats for children at a discount and to distribute them to children in need in their local communities.

Through our Coats for Kids program, 1,625 local councils distributed 79,320 coats to children in need throughout the United States and Canada in 2015. Since the program began in 2009, more than 306,000 coats have been distributed.

# The Coats For Kids Collection bins will be located in the lobbies of:

### KOFC Council #6201 St. Veronica Church in Howell

#### OPENING IN JACKSON COUNCIL AREA

#### RE: Career Opportunity as an Insurance Field Agent

Dear Brother Knight;

Due to increases in Membership in Central and South Jersey, there is a need for an additional Field Agents.

The Knights of Columbus has a career opportunity for you. An opportunity that some say is the best-paid hard work in the world, and an opportunity to help the Knights of Columbus in "protecting families for generations."

The Knights Career offers qualified, dedicated members of the Knights of Columbus the chance to provide a valuable service to others by uncovering prospects' needs and recommending a solution. Through periodic reviews, the Field Agent helps clients keep abreast of their constantly changing financial security situations. Through such service, he can enjoy the financial rewards of job satisfaction inherent in a professional career.

The Order offers Life Insurance, Tax-Deferred Annuities, Long-Term Care and Disability to all of its eligible members and their Families.

#### If you are interested......

In helping others In career growth In being your own boss In planning your own work hours In determining your own income and being paid what <u>you</u> are worth

Maybe you should consider a career with the Knights of Columbus! Maybe you know of someone who should consider a career!

I am the General Agent and have 15 years of experience in hiring and training Agents in Central/South Jersey.

Please contact me at 732-569-6045 or email me at robert.mcgeehan@kofc.org and i will be happy to discuss our unique career opportunity with you in more detail.

Sincerely and fraternally,

ROBERT J. MC GEEHAN

General Agent

Spring Semester Starts January 13th - Saturday Mornings 6AM

#### We had a successful first semester of That Man Is You!

Now is great time to join us and find out how powerful this really program is!

TMIY is an interactive men's program combining the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of a man fully alive.

#### www.ThatManlsYou.org



#### BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART

#### Discover

NOW IS A GREAT TIME

to Join!

- $\rightarrow$  The scriptural vision of man and the overwhelming scientific evidence that supports this vision
- $\rightarrow$  The 4 leadership roles that have been entrusted to men and the 5 personal traits necessary for fulfilling these leadership roles
- $\rightarrow$  How and why Satan always attacks the union of man and woman
- $\rightarrow$  The three main obstacles to living as authentic men and the means for overcoming them.
- $\rightarrow$  The wonderful renewal God is offering to men and their families through the Church.

#### **Program Developer**

Steve Bollman - Founder and President Paradisus Dei - That Man is You

Steve Bollman experienced a personal call to found a ministry dedicated to the renewal of of marriage and family life. In 2002 he set aside his professional interests as an energy derivatives trader in Houston Texas to found Paradisus Dei. In 2004, Steve developed the That Man is You men's program which quickly moved across the country transforming men, marriages and families. Independent research by the Gallup Poll (Faith Advisor) identified it as one of the most life transforming programs ever studied.

#### **Program Information**

Saturday Mornings St. Aloysius School Cafeteria Every Saturday AM Jan 13th thru Apr 28th 2018

#### Schedule

6:00am - Breakfast 6:30am - Presentation 7:00am - Small Group Discussions 7:30am - Conclusion

#### Registration

Register for this FREE program online at www.thatmanisyou.org or by emailing David Furbish at dfurb@aol.com

### Bread From Heaven Cafe, Inc. Open Tuesdays 11 - 1 pm

Located at Columbian Room Hall • 401 Bartley Road • Jackson, NJ



It is the mission of Bread From Heaven Cafe, Inc. to establish a safe haven where everyone is welcome for a hot meal, and a food pantry so families can benefit from taking food home. If you would like to donate, please mail to: Bread From Heaven Cafe, Inc. Attn: Helen Ludowig 732-245-5954

For further information email spiffy41@yahoo.com

Brothers:

We are "Respectively Requesting" all 6201 council members go to our councils website www.kofc6201.com and log into the Members Only page and update their current contact information (current email and current contact phone number or numbers).

If you are not a current member but would like to remain informed of upcoming events please email alex@ocitcs.com of your continued interest.

Council #6201 has made it's FINAL TRANSITION to our NEW WEBSITE and EMAIL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM and if you have not already update/verify your contact information you will be missing out on the numerous events and opportunities OUR council has to offer,

#### **Further Info:**

Within the Members Only section we ask you to please login using your member number as your username (off your current member card) and your full 8 digit birth date as your password and access the Council Members List. You will then be able to scroll through the list of all your Brother Knights and find your contact info which is where all members are asked to Update and verify their member contact info is current.

By doing so we will be able to better inform you as a Brother Knights of events and announcements more effectively.

#### www.KOFC6201.com

Our new website has many great new features and pages we encourage you to explore, including up to date info about events going on within our Council, Assembly, Chapter, State and Supreme. Not to mention the ability to sign up and assist at events, check out the Photo & Video Galleries, Submit Prayer Intentions, review the current calendar of events, read the latest Knightline and most importantly, staying informed so we can all be more involved in upcoming events.

If you have any questions or issues logging in and accessing the Members Only Portal, please do not hesitate to reach out to:

SK Alex D'Ambrosio by email: <u>alex@ocitcs.com</u> phone: <u>732-569-7632</u>



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### 2017 KOFC 6201 Supporters



Saturday: 10 am - 4 pm

Sunday: 11 am - 4 pm



### For These We Pray

Continued prayers for Chris Hunt. Richie Otten asked for prayers for Francis McManus (10 year old boy fighting leukemia). Matt Brienza asked to Pray for the extremists that they may see the error of their ways and see the light. All Military Personnel here and aboard, Persecuted Christians around the world, Diocese's Seminarians. All the recent victims of terrorism.



Please note, to add or remove someone from the prayer list, contact Alex D'Ambrosio at alex@ocitcs.com



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