



KNIGHT LETTER

November - December 2017

COUNCIL 816 MARY QUEEN OF THE KNIGHTS

Grand Knight's Report

My Dear Brothers,

Only by doing your best will you discover what talents you truly have! When I stand before GOD at the end of my life I would hope that I would have not a single talent left and I could say I used everything you gave me.

"Active Councils are Successful Councils" - I have always stressed the more you participate in our Council - the more you will experience what I have over the years - I can honestly say that I love my Council and my brothers. As we work together in unity, we will continue to grow and succeed.

Shoot for the moon, even if you miss you'll fall among the stars! The most difficult things in life are the hardest to achieve, but when achieved, they are the most rewarding.

What could be more rewarding than "Star Council" for my Brothers? We are all stars and we have worked so hard and come so far, together we can cross the finish line.

The Star Council program is the most successful way to grow our Council.

Remember, yesterday is a cancelled check, tomorrow is a promissory note, today is all you have - spend it wisely.

God Bless You
Sebastian P. Vaccaro
Grand Knight

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A special thank you to Deacon Rich Coscarelli and his wife Mary Anne and Joe and June Lynch for a Wonderful Date Night Dinner - the evening was great! The Dinner was unbelievable - not only did they prepare and serve dinner - they donated the food! Thank you so much and may God Bless.

Sebastian P. Vaccaro
Grand Knight

**Why aren't all
Catholic men
Knights?
They weren't
asked!
Ask a fellow
Parishioner,
You'll be
surprised!**

Dinner Alert
Nov. & Dec.
Pot Luck

**Pro-life
Where would you
be without it.**

The Spiritual Corner

by Deacon John Kopcak PGK

There is a story about a little boy named Timmy who came home from school very late. When his mother asked why he was so late Tim explained that he stopped to help a little girl whose wheel had come off her bike. His mother said "Why Timmy how could you help her when you couldn't put your wheel on your own bike?" Tim replied, "I know I couldn't help her get the wheel back on but I could help her cry."

Tim in his innocence demonstrates compassion. There are many examples of compassion in the Bible. The prophet Isaiah tells us that the Lord will provide for all people. He will wipe the tears from all faces. In Matthew's gospel Jesus cures the sick and feeds the hungry out of compassion.

A number of years ago my wife and I spent a week in Appalachia working with the Passionist Volunteers. One of the first things they told us was not to judge the people we were supposed to help. When Jesus fed the crowds he did it without judging. He could have easily said "It's not my concern. They knew they would be following me for days. They should have made provisions to bring food and water. It's not my problem." But Jesus was more concerned with alleviating their hunger than judging them.

Advent is a period of preparation for the liturgical coming of Jesus, the second coming of Jesus and our personal meeting with Jesus at the end of our life. One of things that we can do to prepare for that coming is to see how compassionate we really are by examining our daily life. We could ask ourselves if we practiced the spiritual and corporal works of mercy? Did we do it without judging? Did we act in a non-compassionate way? Was I rude? Did I gossip? Did I seek to gain an advantage through intimidation? Did I take advantage of others less fortunate than myself? Finally, would I want Jesus to treat me as I treat others?

Our October Breakfast raised \$166.05 for Coats for Kids

Our Turkey Basket Fundraiser Dinner Raised \$725.00 for the Food Bank.

We will send \$1000.00 each to St. Vincent de Paul Society and

St. Francis Society for Thanksgiving and Christmas Turkey Baskets.

The funds will come from our Charity Raffle Account.

We raised and sent \$948.00 for Hurricane Relief from Donations and Breakfast Buffet.

Date Night Dinner raised \$650.00 for charity.

Thank you for your continued support and God bless!

Upcoming Events

Nov 9 Business Meeting

Nov 11 Memorial Mass

Nov 26 Breakfast Buffet and Raffle Drawing

Dec 7 Officer's Meeting

Dec 8 Immaculate Conception

Dec 14 Business Meeting

Dec 16 Council Christmas Party

Dec 17 Breakfast Buffet and Raffle Drawing

Dec 25 Christmas Day

**Dec 31 Fifth Sunday Rosary after the 10 AM Mass
at Ascension and Holy Innocents**

Jan 1 New Year's Day

Jan 4 Officer's Meeting

Jan 11 Business Meeting

**Jan 28 Breakfast Buffet and Raffle Drawing and
Blood Drive**

September Raffle Winners

1st Prize Nick Pasquella \$115.00

2nd Prize Bob Goselin \$57.50

3rd Prize Mary Ellen Jenkins \$57.50

4th Prize William Coscarelli \$28.75

5th Prize Chris Piazza \$28.75

October Raffle Winners

1st Prize Ken Karmazyn \$115.00

2nd Prize Walter Rapka, Jr. \$57.50

3rd Prize Tom Nungesser \$57.50

4th Prize Mary Ann Coscarelli \$28.75

5th Prize Eileen Morchasen \$28.75

Memorial Mass

November 11, 2017

6:30 PM

At our Council Home

Covered Dish Dinner after Mass

**All Brothers and their families are encouraged to
attend and**

Pray for our departed Brothers

Good of the Order

"As a reminder, it is the responsibility of all Brothers to inform either the Grand Knight Sebastian P. Vaccaro (732-762-2609), or the Financial Secretary John Kopcak (732-776-7643) upon the learning of the death of any K of C Brother, so proper actions can be taken. Don't assume that the GK or FS automatically know about all Brother's deaths, sometimes they need your help!"

Have Some Fun and Help
The Knights of Columbus
Council 816 Neptune City

How would you like FIVE opportunities a month to win a prize? That's FIVE opportunities EVERY MONTH for A YEAR! In other words SIXTY shots at a prize in 2017.

Buy just one ticket and you're eligible to participate for the whole YEAR.

A maximum of 300 Tickets will be issued in total - Drawings will begin in January 2017 (cost \$50.00) After the Breakfast Buffet.

The amount of the prizes will be determined by the actual dollar value of the ticket sales and will follow a 50/50 format.

For Illustrative purposes only:

If all 300 tickets are bought, the payout each month would be

Prize 1....\$250, Prize 2 and Prize 3....\$125 each

Prize 4 and Prize 5..... \$62.50 each

If fewer than 300 tickets are purchased, the dollar amount of the prizes will be reduced proportionately.

Proceeds to Benefit

Knights of Columbus #816 Neptune City

November

Birthdays

Brothers,

Happy Birthday!
Lewis Campanile
Kenneth Gerard
Todd Goehring
James Gorman
Stanley Mann Jr.
Daniel Maxwell
Roger Nichols
Fr. Nolan
Joseph Prati
John Stuppi
Mark Thomas

December

Birthdays

Brothers,

Happy Birthday!
Phillip Giambalvo FDD
Peter Katula
Joseph Lynch PGK
Robert Lynch
Guadalupe Reyes
Robert Simkin
Thomas Taylor
Jose Trejo
Michael Wright

Editor's Note

Let us be thankful for our blessings and look to God for guidance in our daily lives. We also should remember that Christmas is not about presents, lights and cards (as nice as they are) because Christmas is a celebration of the birth of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Keep Christ in Christmas!

Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas

God bless, Joe

Council Christmas Party

Saturday December 16, 2017

6:30 PM to 10:00 PM

All Brothers and their families are encouraged to attend.

Please RSVP GK Sam Vaccaro

732-762-2609, or

Email PGK Joe Lynch jalynch696@verizon.net