

The Kilmer Chronicle

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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT - Greetings Brothers! Summer is now over and we roll into fall with our council kicking into high gear. August started out sadly with the passing of our Brother Kenny. But we take comfort that he is with our Heavenly Father and is no longer suffering. Thanks to the many Brothers who came out for the services for Kenny, and especially to Jay Sparks, who as usual gave a heartfelt and uplifting eulogy. Many great ideas were bought up at our officers meeting and if someone has an idea for the council, please let me know. Our Officers Installation was a success and thanks to Executive Chef Bob Salus for his tasty cuisine! I would like to welcome Joseph August and Henry Ronald Williams who took their First Degree on September 18th at our hall. Congrats Brothers and I hope to see you both at our meetings. In the next couple weeks we have Joe Grushecky and the Houserockers at our hall on Sept 27th. At press time we had only 15 tickets left for sale. On October 11th is the Annual Joyce Kilmer Golf Tournament and Clam Bake. I am happy to report that Brother and WWII Hero Frank Yacobowsky is now home. Vivat Jesus, GK Charlie Shipley

HONORS & ANNIVERSARIES - Please join me in congratulating the following brothers on attaining significant service milestones in October 20 Years – **Robert Ryan**, 25 Years - **Harry Lobby**, **Roger Petriella** and **Edward Wehmeyer**, 30 Years - **Joseph Murphy**

300 CLUB REPORT - On August 29th the regular meeting of the 300 Club was held. Congratulations are extended to Mike Boyle for being elected President with a plurality of 219 votes. This is Mike's second term as President. He was previously elected in April of 2011. Mike and Mary Ann recently returned from a tour of Scotland so now it's back to work and reality. We were fortunate to fill all our membership vacancies save one so if anyone knows of a potential candidate please let me know so the vetting process can begin. Hope to see everyone at our next meeting. PGK John G Takacs

COLUMBUS CLUB REPORT – As was stated in previous bulletins our annual **Joyce Kilmer Open Golf Tournament and Clam Bake** will be held this year on Saturday October 11th. There is still time to participate and/or add sponsorship. The flyer is posted in the “Important Links” tab of this website, as is the Golf sponsorship form. We need help from our membership in obtaining sponsors, as well as golfers, for this event. This is the MAJOR annual fund raiser for the Columbus Club, please help if you can!.....I would also like to recognize and thank the regular members of our **Breakfast Crew!** These guys give up one Sunday a month and do a great job! I'm not going to name names, since I don't want to forget anyone, but THANKS GUYS! Our

monthly breakfasts have been going on for years now, and are still as successful as ever. Not only is the breakfast a successful fund raiser for the Columbus Club, but it also gives our council good publicity, as people from the public come in and see how nice our facility is, and how hard we work, and how good we work together. They also get a chance to read our bulletin boards, and see what we do, and what we have going.

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OCTOBER CALENDAR

Thu Oct 2 – K of C council meeting 830 PM

Fri Oct 3 – Spaghetti Dinner 6 to 8 PM

Sun Oct 5 – Breakfast Buffet 730 to 1030 AM

Sat Oct 11 – Joyce Kilmer Open Golf & Clambake

Mon Oct 13 – Columbus Club meeting 8 PM

Thu Oct 16 – K of C council meeting 830 PM

Fri Oct 31 – 300 Club meeting 9 PM