

# *The Kilmer Chronicle*

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**GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT** - Brothers, I hope you & your families had a Merry Christmas and I would like to wish you all a Happy, Healthy & Safe New Year. This past year has flown by and there's only 6 months left in my term as your Grand Knight. I continue to ask for your support especially when we start looking into Council Socials & Fundraiser opportunities which we will be doing in the upcoming months.....Our fresh-cut Christmas Trees Fundraiser at LaBurnel Farms is now behind us and considering the number of tree farms in our area we managed to sell 42 Trees. I want to thank all the Brothers that came out to help & make this a successful fundraiser. Thanks again to both Dick Burke & John Nelson of LaBurnel Farms for their continue support.....Our council Christmas Social was held on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, even with the Snow Storm people still came out & had a great time! Thanks to both Jay Sparkes & John Mchugh for hosting this year's Social.....This past month during the Toys for Tots campaign I receive a call from a local family with small children in need of toys this season. I asked for help & I was amazed at the response I received. Thanks to Jim Brady and everyone from this council who donated toys not only to the toys for tots program but for this local family. They certainly had a Merry Christmas! .....On Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> our council will be preparing a dinner for our Alter Servers & their Parents at St. Mary's Church of the Assumption. We will need council support so please volunteer a couple of hours that day. It's a great way of showing our support to the kids & parents who are serving the parish community.....Thanks to Paul Greszczak, we finally received our Raffle License; I expect to do a number of different fundraisers in the upcoming months. Should you have an idea that would help raise funds for our council please feel free to let me know.....This past month our Council presented checks to Warren County Special Services, NJ Special Olympics, Abilities of Northwest NJ & Robyn Carlton. I know a lot of Brothers come out and support the "Shake the Can" campaign but I want to especially thank John Takacs for dedication to a cause that truly is straight from the heart!.....Congratulations to Paul Greszczak as he received this year's Lou Williams Knight of the Year Award. Paul is always there when you need him especially during crunch time. Thanks to Lou Williams who came out and presented the award.....Just a reminder, our council meetings are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month @ 8:30pm. Please feel free to stop by and say Hello!....I cannot do any of this alone so I continue to ask for your support to help me make my tenure as Grand Knight a successful one.....As always I'm looking for fresh & new ideas to help strengthen our council please contact me via email: [joeyap1@verizon.net](mailto:joeyap1@verizon.net)

**HONORS & ANNIVERSARIES** - Please join me in congratulating the following brothers on attaining significant service milestones in January: 15 Years - **Timothy J Sullivan** and **Chris Shellman**, 55 Years - **James F Di Renzo** and **Albert J Di Renzo**.

**300 CLUB REPORT** - On November 27th a meeting was held of the 300 Club. Congratulations are extended to Bruce Schlott for being elected President with a plurality of 235 votes. The position on vice president will be held by yours truly. A check of our records shows that this is the first time that Bruce won the presidential race. With only one month to go in this fiscal year we must assure ourselves that our membership continues as before. There will be openings available so we need to seek new faces to continue as before. I'd like to wish everyone a joyous and healthy holiday season. My best wishes to all for a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! PGK John G Takacs

## **JANUARY CALENDAR**

**Thu Jan 2** – K of C Council Meeting 830 PM

**Fri Jan 3** – Spaghetti Dinner 6 to 8 PM

**Sun Jan 5** – Breakfast Buffet 730 to 1030 AM

**Mon Jan 13** – Columbus Club meeting 8 PM

**Thu Jan 16** – K of C Council Meeting 830 PM

**Fri Jan 31** – 300 club Meeting 9 PM