

The Kilmer Chronicle

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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT - Thanks to **Bob Marks** for leading the organization of St. Mary's annual gala at David's Country Inn. I saw a number of Knights and their families. Everyone had a great time while raising money for the parish. I am also excited that Bob has agreed to serve on the fundraising committee. He is already bringing new ideas to raise money for our council...Thanks also to **John Michalko** for setting up a new Facebook page for our council. He has also generously agreed to scan historic pictures from our photo albums onto this page. I encourage all the Facebook savvy Knights to like this page, share it, and link it to your own account...With Holy Week at the end of this month, I invite all my Brother Knights to prepare for Lent with our principles of charity, unity, and fraternity in mind. Thanks for your support this year. I look forward to seeing you at the St. Patrick's Day Parade and Dinner...GK David Burns dwburns1@verizon.net

COLUMBUS CLUB REPORT – On Friday March the 15th, we will have local artist Billy Bachman performing an acoustic show in the hall, \$5 cover charge, doors open at 7 PM.... Coming up on Sunday March the 17th will be our annual **St. Patrick's Day Dinner!** We will have two seatings, 4 PM and 6:30 PM; see the "Special Events" tab on the website for more specific information. This one always sells out, so tickets in advance are required!.....Also, returning to the K of C Ballroom and the Bat & Ball Pub will be legendary recording artist **Steve Forbert!** The show will be on Friday May the 10th; tickets are \$25 each and will sell out fast...Steve was our very first performer in our concert series approximately 2 years ago. Since then we have had Garland Jeffries (twice), Willie Nile and Graham Parker perform in our ballroom, and also a number of local bands. We have come a long way, we now have our own portable stage assemblies, which can be configured for a solo act or a 5 piece band, and permanently installed stage lighting.....For tickets or information contact Joe Yapaola joeyap1@verizon.net .

HONORS & ANNIVERSARIES - Please join me in congratulating the following brothers on attaining significant service milestones in March: 15 Years – **Steven J Yosh**, 30 Years - **David C Helfrich**, 35 Years - **Joseph D Farinella** and 40 Years - **Charles E Schneider Jr.**

SUPERBOWL - Thanks to all who participated in Super Bowl 2013. A special thanks to Ed, Ron, Anne and Steve, who donated a combined \$200 to the Columbus Club. Good Luck to everyone participating in March Madness!!.....Brother Jim Brady

MARGARET WALLING – Margaret is the little girl who lives right behind our council hall. Her family regularly comes through the fence to attend our functions. This past November, Margaret was diagnosed with a brain tumor. On January 9th, surgeons were able to remove 95% of the tumor. The biopsy showed that the tumor was malignant. On January 24th Margaret began radiation and chemotherapy treatments at Goryeb Children's Hospital in Morristown. She will receive treatment 5 days a week until March 11th, and follow up treatments will continue for the next year. As you can imagine, just the cost of gas alone for 5 trips a week to Morristown can be expensive. Our council has submitted donations to the family, and an additional fund raiser is being planned. Any brother wishing to make a personal donation can send a check made out to Donna or Margaret Walling (in the note section of the check, write "Margaret") to: Fulton Bank 24-26 Crossroads Center Route 517, PO Box 507 Hackettstown, NJ 07840 ATTN: Kathy Klein. Get well cards and cards of encouragement can be sent to the family, 209 High Street, Hackettstown.

EASTER EGG HUNT – ("...and the beat goes on") Our annual fastest egg hunt in the country will be held on Saturday March the 30th, on the church lawn at 2PM SHARP. Don't be later or you'll miss it. Pre-school through 3rd grade are invited. Prizes and refreshments will follow, always a fun time. RAIN OR SHINE. If rain, the hunt will be in our hall. The Easter bunny never cancels. C'mon down!

300 CLUB REPORT - On January 25th the regularly scheduled meeting of the 300 Club was held. Congratulations are extended to DON LANDI who was elected President with a plurality of 134 votes. Serving as Vice President will be Don's campaign manager Walt Horzempa. The new year brings with it new and old challenges. Right now the most serious concern is the continued membership of the organization. Entering 2013 there were a total of fifteen (15) openings. At the time of this writing this number has been reduced to only five (5). Credit goes to both Lou Williams and Gil Murphy who were tireless in their pursuit of new members to replace those who left us. You can see the job is still not done. I ask each and every member to be aware of the situation and work towards a full compliment by the middle of March 2013.... PGK John Takacs

MARCH CALENDAR

Fri Mar 1 – Spaghetti dinner 6 to 8 PM

Sun Mar 3 – Breakfast Buffet 7:30 to 10:30 AM

Thu Mar 7 – K of C council meeting 8:30 PM

Sun Mar 10 – St. Patrick's Day Parade

Mon Mar 11 – Columbus Club Meeting 8 PM

Sun Mar 17 – St. Patrick's Day Dinner (seatings at 4 & 6:30 PM)

Thu Mar 21 – K of C Council Meeting 8:30 PM

Fri Mar 29 – 300 Club Meeting 9 PM