

The Kilmer Chronicle

May 2013 Joyce Kilmer Council 2483 Knights of Columbus

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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT - I trust that everyone had a blessed Easter season with your families. Thanks to everyone who helped prepare the church for Easter and to all the Knights who serve as lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Ushers. I was honored last week to attend the Pride in Priests Dinner last Tuesday to honor Father David and Deacon Walter for all they do to minister to our parish...Thanks also to John Takacs and Bob Carlson for leading the Developmentally Disabled Drive and to everyone who took a turn or two shaking the can...We have an exciting May coming up with some great spring activities. Steve Forbert will be performing for us again on May 10. We The Memorial Day parade and the Relay for Life are at the end of the month... This year has flown by quickly and my term is almost over. We will be starting the nomination process for new officers in May and holding elections in June. The Trustees and I were pleased to nominate our Financial Secretary PGK Bob Piereth for a second 3 year term. He graciously accepted the nomination and will continue his outstanding serve to the council. As always, if you have ideas to help our council, projects we might take on, or fundraising ideas, please let me know...GK David Burns dwburns1@verizon.net

HONORS & ANNIVERSARIES -Please join me in congratulating the following brothers on attaining significant service milestones in May: 5 Years – **Pedro Obando**, 30 Years - **Richard Notillo** and **John Duerr**, 35 Years - **Francis Nagy** and **Michael Cassiello**. Additionally in May, **Bernard Sharkey** and **Thomas Shields** have become Honorary members.

300 CLUB REPORT - On March 29th the 300 Club held its regularly scheduled meeting. With Easter being celebrated in two days the attendance was greater than normal which accounts for the higher number of votes cast. Congratulations are extended to Tom Smith who was elected President with a plurality of 396 votes. Yours truly will serve as VP. We have reduced the number of vacancies to only three however there may be more since there are a few members behind in their dues and their membership may be terminated. All the more reason to find prospective candidates to be available if the situation warrants it. Our next meeting is scheduled for May 31st, the last day of the month. Look forward to seeing you then. PGK John G Takacs

COLUMBUS CLUB REPORT - 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 are selling fast. As of this writing there were just a handful of tickets remaining. For tickets or information contact Joe Yapaola joeyap1@verizon.net .

FRATERNAL AWARD – If you are a member in good standing with a son or a daughter graduating from high school this spring, you might want to click on the “Important Links” tab of this website to obtain information on our fraternal award program.

FUND DRIVE RESULTS - The counsel ran our annual fund drive for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities on April 19th thru the 21st. I would like to thank those brother Knights, forty (40) men who gave of their time, talent and in most cases treasure to assist those less fortunate. This is the 39th year our Council participated in this worthy endeavor. A special thanks goes out to many people too numerous to mention but I would be wrong not to cite a few: Our PGK Joe Moore who worked each of the three days handling dealing with the elements and the public at our busiest locations; GK David Burns who served two shifts; Steve Fantano who also pulled two separate shifts; Our co-director Bob Carlson who was present every day, filled in several shifts and again brought his family, especially his daughter Robyn to assist us; and to Frank Yacobowski who spent three full days at the hall assisting the men both arriving and departing, counting and sorting the donations and "just being there!!!". THANK YOU ALL!!! Now as to the results. Through your efforts we were able to collect \$6014.41 in donations.. Over the years we collected over \$212,000 dollars averaging \$5,447.00 per year and donating every penny to those in need. Next year will be our fortieth anniversary and we look toward another successful drive. PGK John G. Takacs

PLACEMAT ADS - In May we will be selling ads for the placemats we use at the Spaghetti Supper, Sunday Breakfasts, St. Patrick’s Day, and other events. We will be printing the new mats in June. The price for an ad remains \$100. Please let the fundraising committee and me know if there are businesses to contact to buy ads. The fundraising committee will call, or you can approach them yourself. We sold 10 ads last year; let’s get 20 this year.

RELAY FOR LIFE - Brothers, it's May, which means it's time to get ready for the Relay for Life. This year's Relay will be held at 6 p.m. on Friday, May 31st at the Field of Dreams in Independence. Stay for an hour or all night, raising money for the American Cancer Society. Contact PGK Mike Kennedy at mikennedy1961@yahoo.com or 908-979-1439 to get started. This is our council's 13th straight year of being part of the Relay. Remember, our watchword is charity, so come out and join us in the fight against cancer!

MARCH MADNESS - Thanks to all who participated. Congrats to the winners, Erin, Marty, Frank, Kellie, Eddie, Vinnie, John and Yvette. \$200 was donated to the Knights. Thanks for your support!!.....Jim B.

MAY CALENDAR

Thu May 2 - Kof C council meeting 8:30 PM

Fri May 3 – Spaghetti Dinner 6 to 8 PM

Sun May 5 – Breakfast Buffet 7:30 to 10:30

Fri May 10 – Steve Forbert concert 8:30 PM

Mon May 13 – Columbus Club meeting 8 PM

Thu May 16 – K of C council meeting 8 PM

Mon May 27 – Memorial Day Parade

Fri May 31 – 300 Club Meeting 9 PM